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THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1906.

Johann Hoch, who was convicted last May of murdering his wife and sentenced to be hung, and who was twice reprieved, was finally hanged last Friday, Feb. 23rd.

Former Speaker David B. Henderson of the national house of representatives, died last Sunday afternoon of paresis, after an illness of nine months. He had been a member of congress for twenty consecutive years—from 1883 to 1903—and was renominated to succeed himself in 1902, but withdrew from the ticket. His home was at Dubuque, Iowa.

Supporting a newspaper costs a town scarcely a cent. Though the paper may be well patronized and the business men may spend large sums of money advertising the cash very quickly gets back into the channel of trade from whence it came. Nearly every cent a paper gets is spent at home and it goes back to the merchants who delight in benefitting themselves and the community by liberal advertising. Boiled down, the facts are that a newspaper returns all the money it gets, and its work of building up the town is thrown in for good will.—Ex.

The Decisive Point.

(State Journal.)

By voting to report the Hepburn bill without amendments the senate committee on interstate commerce has passed the rate question on to the floor of the senate where it will have to be thrashed over in open session with the house bill standing intact as the measure favored by the leading friends of rate regulation.

Fortunately the discussion has now narrowed down to a contest over a single point, and that point is so easily understood that no one need be deceived with regard to it. It is agreed apparently that the interstate commerce commission shall have the authority to set a new rate when an old rate has been found exorbitant or discriminatory. The point to be raised against the Hepburn bill is, when shall the new rate named by the commission go into effect? This is the crux of the situation. The public says, now. The railroads and their friends say, after the courts have had time to pass upon the case.

Experience has shown that it requires from four to twelve years for the courts of last resort to come to a decision on the ordinary suit of a shipper for a change in rates. This is equivalent to no relief at all. If the railroads can carry this point they have won the battle, and there is little use in passing any law at all on the subject. There is no befogging the issue. The legislator who stands, as does the president, for immediate enforcement of the commission's rulings is a friend of railroad legislation such as will protect the public. The one who opposes this, whether he knows it or not is helping to thwart the demand of the public for protection.

Now comes Senator Knox with a proposal bearing on this point, and which is heralded as a compromise between these opposing views. Senator Knox would per-

mit the decision of the commission to be held up during the time needed to carry the matter through the courts, as the railroads desire. To appease the public, then, he would have the railroads give bond or deposit in escrow the difference between the old and the new rate, to be repaid to the shipper in case the ruling of the commission is affirmed. The suggestion is in the main so objectionable that we cannot wonder it is said to have received the support of Senators Elkins, Foraker, Aldrich and Kean. It is impracticable. It would force every business man in the country to speculate whether or no, on a prospective court decision, for he would have to do business for years at a time on an unknown rate. Worst of all, the relief by repayment would be a farce, for the parties primarily interested, the producers and the consumers, could not participate in it except in the comparatively rare cases when they are also shippers. Moreover the provision removes all incentive to the railroads to hasten their suits, an extremely important point. So cumbersome and so misdirected a provision would seem certain to hamper any act to which it was attached. An effort to fasten the proposal as an amendment upon the Hepburn bill now before the senate, will in effect be an act of hostility to genuine rate regulation.

A Lost Leader.

(World-Herald.)

The clay feet of the republican idol are again distressingly in evidence. As the details of the numberable series of conferences held in Washington Wednesday become better known the nature of President Roosevelt's surrender to plutocratic interests becomes all too plain. In the fight for effective railroad regulation the weight of the Roosevelt influence will be with Aldrich and Foraker and Root and Knox, and against the demands of the people.

Just as the president refused to enforce justice against the Northern Securities conspirators; just as he interposed to protect Paul Morton and the Santa Fe rebater; just as he refused to order the enforcement of the criminal clause of the anti-trust; just as he lay down in his fight for tariff reform before the fight was begun; just as he has excused Cortelyou's abstractions of insurance trust funds by retaining him in his cabinet; just, in fact, as he has always yielded when looked for to lead the fight against the organized forces of plutocratic graft, so again he has yielded in the fight to compel the railroads to do justice by the people.

These are the headlines with which that great republican newspaper, the Chicago Tribune, announces the news of the surrender: "Roosevelt Yields; Railroads Win. President Finally Consents to Amendment to Hepburn Freight Regulation Bill. Rates to Go Into Court. Senators Clapp and Cullom May Decline to Be Turned Over by the Executive Surrender."

The following will disclose further the nature of the story told

by the Tribune's correspondent:

As a result of a series of sensational conferences at the White house today, President Roosevelt surrendered to the railroad crowd in the senate and agreed that he saw no harm in the adoption of an amendment drafted by Senator Knox of Pennsylvania, who has been charged with being the personal representative of the Pennsylvania railroad, and modified by Attorney General Moody. The railroad people are jubilant, and say openly that they have forced the president into a corner from which he cannot now retreat.

President Roosevelt undoubtedly yielded to this amendment in spite of the fact that he believes the house bill to be the best measure now before congress. He yielded to the importunities of Senator Lodge and Senator Crane, his intimate friends in Massachusetts; to the arguments of Senator Knox, his former attorney general; to the pleas of Senator Kean of New Jersey, his friend and relative, and to the scarcely veiled threats of Senators Aldrich of Rhode Island, Foraker of Ohio and Elkins of West Virginia, that they would kill the whole bill unless there was a specific amendment providing for review of the action of the commission by the courts.

President Roosevelt's view on this subject, his willingness to compromise with the railroad crowd after he had repeatedly stated he was for the Hepburn bill as it passed the house, are not accepted by those republican senators who have been particularly prominent in fighting the railroad crowd. Senator Dooliver and others think the amendment is intensely obscure and that it will have the effect of throwing the whole issue into the courts, and absolutely prevent immediate execution of every decree as to rates fixed by the interstate commerce commission.

It is further announced that Speaker Cannon and Chairman Hepburn were called into the conference, and agreed to stand with the president in support of the amendment, and to do everything in their power to secure the assent of the house thereto. There is nothing surprising in this; Cannon is the high-priest of the standpat plutocratic element of the party, and Hepburn's long-standing railroad affiliations are well known, particularly in the west.

The corporation influence will be immensely strengthened by the surrender of Theodore Roosevelt. Standpatism will draw renewed life and inspiration from his example, and the plutocratic bosses grow more arrogant and absolute. Republican reformers championing democratic principles may no longer cite their president to justify their course. Songs may inspire them, but not from his lyre. There is a lost leader.

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One Sold Two Weeks Ago and Two Sold Last Week.

REPUBLICAN IN POLITICS

All Three Were Called The "Journal" and Two Established Six Years ago.

D. S. Efner, editor of the Chadron Journal for the past six years, sold plant and building to George C. Snow, the latter assuming charge this week. Mr. Efner goes to Omaha to engage in other business.

S. C. Stanhope, after publishing the Gordon Journal for the past eight months, has sold out to Geo. F. Williams who takes control of the paper this week. Mr. Stanhope goes to Everett, Washington where he will engage in business.

Luke M. Bates, who has been publishing the Long Pine Journal the past six years has sold it to C. H. Lyman, the latter assuming control last week. Mr. Bates was recently appointed register of the U. S. land office at this place, hence his reason for selling The Journal.

Cherry County School Notes.

The Valentine Teachers' meeting developed the usual interest.

At the Rock School house one girl and one boy were learning about the various products in the world in their Geography lesson.

Eighth grade state examination papers will be ready by April 1st. If you have any pupils who desire to graduate from 8th grade, write for questions. A scholarship prize is offered.

One of the best schools visited this week was No. 56, taught by Miss Jennie Bennett. The attendance was large and much good work in Arithmetic was put upon the board. The pupils are drilling for an entertainment to be given soon.

In conformity with a recent ruling of the state superintendent those teachers receiving credit for Reading Circle Work and attending six weeks at some accredited summer school will be granted a renewal of their certificates upon passing two examinations—Reading and one other to be chosen by the county superintendent.

READING CIRCLE QUESTIONS.

Psychology.

Upon what does the degree of attention depend?

Give examples of attention produced by internal stimuli.

Contrast natural and unnatural stimuli to attention.

What is the effect of surroundings upon attention?

Why should mental exercises for children be frequently changed?

What is the most essential condition of memory?

Can attention be given to more than one thing at the same time?

Of what importance is attention?

What is the natural incentive to attention.

LULU KORZ, Supt.

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We do not like to criticize the people whom we have sent notices to the first of the year. Some may be out of luck or short of money. In either case we are out of luck. If you will try to pay a part of what you owe and pay at the rate of \$1.50 per year, which is 12c per month, it will make us feel better than to totally ignore our statements. Some have already remitted in full. We dislike to speak of this in the paper but many have overlooked or misplaced our statements to Jan. 1, 1906, and we hope to remind them by this notice at much less expense than to send other notices. Pardon us for again reminding you.