

Wool was quoted last week the lowest on record. That is not very encouraging to sheep owners.
It has been estimated that the loss of cattle in Texas during the past year from the effects of drought on grass and water supplies will foot up a round million head in number.

So far no good results to the printer have come from the bill passed by congress in regard to the government furnishing envelopes stamped and having a return card printed thereon. In no other line does the government enter into direct competition with private individuals and put goods on the market at a price which cannot be touched by the latter.

The farmer getting some kind of irrigation project ready for operation this season cannot fail to realize a certain harvest therefrom if he carries out the work of irrigation in anything like the proper spirit. There is probably no system that can be resorted to here, except windmills, but with that kind of a plant the farmer can make a living a certainty, and what is raised by ordinary farming would be pretty nearly all profit.—Alliance Times.

J. C. Dahlman has been appointed deputy oil inspector. He is the only man in the state so far who has been given a plum both by the democratic national administration and by the pop governor. He was made stock inspector at Pine Ridge by the president, then he "Bryanized" and was put on the state ticket by the state convention which was controlled by the Bryan wing of the democrat party and later withdrew to help elect the pop candidate and he is rewarded by being made deputy oil inspector. Dahlman is slick. It is said that Bro. Sheldon of the Chadron Signal was a candidate for the position captured by Dahlman. If that is true it is another illustration of the fact that a newspaper man has no right to expect any reward for political work. Politicians use the newspaper men to help them carry out their plans and as a rule all the reward the latter gets, in this world at least, is the abuse of those whom he opposes and the snubs of those whom he has helped and a lot of accounts against deadbeat subscribers.

It is somewhat humiliating, but indications are that the factory bubble at Chadron has burst, and the rainbow of promise for a boom for that town and general prosperity for northwest Nebraska by reason of the development of the sugar, chicory and starch industries, has vanished into thin air. For a time the prospects of the factories being constructed had the effect of checking to quite an extent, at least, the emigration from this part of the state, but that has past. There is no denying the fact that in the shifting of population for the past five years Sioux county has been the loser to the tune of not less than twenty-five per cent of the average number of her inhabitants, and the same is true of the entire western part of the state, so that no special kick can be made on this county. No way seems to prevent a continuance of this condition. Of course, many of those who have gone were of undesirable class and would do no good any where, and most of those who have stayed are in better circumstances than when they came, but such results are only good so far as they go.

THE JOURNAL is still of opinion that this will yet become a prosperous country, capable of supporting a good population, but unless something like the sugar industry is developed it is likely to drag along for some time to come. It is to be regretted that the effort to secure factories in this part of the state has failed, but the work in that direction should be continued and success may yet be attained, and in the meantime those who expect to profit as the result of coming to the front will have to tighten up their girths and as Marsh Elder told the pops, "stay with her."

THE ACTION of the oil trust within the past few weeks demonstrates that it is high time some law was provided to prevent capitalists from controlling any of the necessities for the comfort and convenience of the general public. It is all right if an individual has a monopoly of a thing to let him hold it as long as he can, but when a number combine to control a natural want and proceed to bleed the public and ask the government to make laws allowing such combinations they should also have laws to call a halt at the proper time. No creature should be greater the creator.

THE LETTER of President Cleveland on the financial question places the administration on a gold basis and it is said that every effort will be used to whip the federal office-holders to support the policy outlined in that letter. On the other hand a part of the democratic party has gone into of advocating what is silver moonmetalism. There will be a lot of fun if the effort to compel federal office-holders to advocate the views of the president is carried out. There is one postmaster who holds his office by the grace of Grover who is also the publisher of a paper and in that, from week to week, he is publishing "Coin's Financial School" as a serial, and if there is anything which is opposed to the position of the administration on that subject it is that book. There is no doubt but that the agitation of the financial question will result in good. The goldbugs and silver-bugs can each have their say and the people will listen to them and then decide for themselves. It is safe to predict that while the democrats are quarreling over the matter the republicans will evolve a plan which will be satisfactory to the people and at the same time be safe and give the public confidence. If the administration would advance some financial plan which would inspire confidence sufficient to induce people of means to invest what is now locked up a general revival in business would result.

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OVER 800,000 ACRES of land in Sioux county yet open to homestead entry. It is better land and more desirably located than that for which such rushes are made on the opening of a reservation. There is no railroad land in the county and for that reason its settlement has been slow for no special effort to get settlers was made, as was done in the early days of the settlement of the western part of the state.

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