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THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1909.



PRESIDENT W. H. TAFT.



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A Fake Acknowledged

It will be remembered that in the late national campaign, months after the death of ex-President Grover Cleveland, the New York Times published an article, purporting to have been composed by Mr. Cleveland, lauding William H. Taft and favoring his election, instead of Mr. Bryan's to the presidency. The article bore all the earmarks of a clumsy forgery and was immediately denounced as such. Mrs. Grover Cleveland herself asserting most vehemently that her husband never wrote, dictated or expressed the views attributed to him.

It developed that the article was sold to The Times, after being refused by other publications, by one Broughton Brandenburg, a magazine writer of small fame or importance. Mr. Brandenburg was arrested, but persisted in putting up the bluff that the article was genuine, and succeeded in securing somebody to go on his bond for \$1,500 for his appearance in court to answer the charge made against him, when, he loudly asserted, the genuineness of the article would be proven beyond a doubt and his "honor" vindicated. But when the time came for Mr. Brandenburg to appear and vindicate himself his name was called in vain. The author of the forgery had decamped for parts unknown, thus acknowledging the spuriousness of the stuff he had palmed off upon a supposedly intelligent metropolitan newspaper.

Republican newspapers the country over widely copied the Brandenburg fake although many of them must have been convinced as they did so of its falsity. It is not to be expected, of course, that all of them will give as wide publicity to the exposure of the thing as they did to the original fake. But those with a modicum of decency in their makeup will be ashamed of their participation in this colossal hoax, which was an insult not only to the credulity of the American people but to the memory of the dead statesman whose name was dragged into it.

Our Lincoln Letter

Lincoln, Neb., March 2.—(Special Correspondence)—The time limit for the introduction of bills has expired, and from now on in real earnest. The "slaughter of the innocents," reference being had to favorite bills, has already begun. That the pledges of the democratic platform will be carried out in letter and in spirit is assured. It is no easy task to frame a law that will stand the scrutiny of a supreme court, especially when that law has to deal with such an important matter as our banking laws. But the committees on banking have worked hard and long, and the result is a bill that will carry out the pledge guaranteeing depositors. The bill may, and doubtless will, be amended before its final passage, but the amendments will have to do with details, and not with the spirit of the law.

Senate File 15 has been passed by both houses and now goes to Governor Shallenberger. This bill provided that the secretary of state shall cause to be published in newspapers designated by the governor all proposed constitutional amendments.

Senator Donahoe's bill providing for a non-partisan judiciary and taking the schools out of politics, has passed the senate. It provides that no party designation be affixed to candidates for judges of the supreme or district courts, the county court, or candidates for county superintendent or state superintendent.

The house took the bit in its teeth last week and ordered the stock yards bill reported from the committee. This bill regulates the prices charged by the stock yards and puts that big business institution under the supervision of the railway commission. The house will restore to the physical valuation bill some things taken from it in the senate. At this writing it seems safe to say that the physical valuation bill will include all public service corporations of whatsoever kind. The determination is to make good the platform pledge for a physical valuation of all corporations performing public service.

House Roll 1 has gone to the governor. This is what is known as the "Oregon Plan" of electing United States senators. By its provisions candidates for the legislature are given the option of signing two pledges or refusing to sign any. One pledges the candidate to vote for the senatorial candidate receiving the highest number of votes. The other pledges him to vote for the candidate receiving the highest number of votes in his district. Or he can refuse to pledge himself at all. This is the bill which republican organs charge is a plan to "foist Bryan" on the state.

Here is a little sample of republican politics: It happened in one of the state institutions situated close to the Missouri river. When Governor Shallenberger's appointee assumed charge of this institution he found that the retiring superintendent had on January 30, 1908, signed contracts with the teachers he had appointed for the year of 1909. Thus the incoming superintendent found himself burdened with the teachers appointed by his predecessor.

The number of bills introduced in the house at this session will not be larger than the number introduced two years ago. But the number will be about the same. The general appropriations bill will not be larger than the one two years ago, notwithstanding the fact that the constitutional amendments adopted last fall will add something like \$90,000 a year to the expenses of the supreme and district courts. And it must be born in mind that this legislature will have to take care of several deficiencies created by the Sheldon administration.

March 19, Mr. Bryan's birthday, will be the occasion for the gathering of democratic clans in Lincoln. There will be a banquet in the evening, at which time Mr. Bryan will speak, as will others. In the afternoon the Democratic Editorial Association will meet at the Lincoln hotel, and an interesting program has been prepared. Mr. Bryan, who is a past president of the association, will address the editors.

The attempt to make political capital out of the South Omaha riot was a dismal failure. Representatives Howard and Kraus had no difficulty in proving that nothing said by them was calculated to arouse the passions of men. The riot was participated in by hoodlum boys, the better element of the workmen deprecating the outbreak and doing what they could to prevent it.

Governor Shallenberger and staff will attend the inaugural ceremonies in Washington. On his way the governor stopped at Omaha on March 2nd and addressed the Omaha Ad Club.

—J. A. L.

Teddy Bear goes out and Billy Possum comes in.

It is not practicable for The Herald to give President Taft's inaugural address in full, but we are giving a condensed report, covering one page of the paper, which well represents the complete address.

The Crawford Tribune made a good hit in publishing on its first page in pica type an article headed, "Professional Training for Teachers in Western Nebraska," setting forth a large number of strong reasons why the legislature should establish a normal school in this part of the state. We should have been better pleased, however, if it had been credited to the Alliance Commercial Club by whom it was issued in circular form.

RAILWAY NOTES AND PERSONALS

ANNA. At the Crystal. T. P. Hancock has left the service. Chas. King is spending a few days at Mason.

Miss Eva Lawler is visiting friends at Sheridan.

A. D. Williams, operator at Ellsworth, has left the service.

H. C. Miller, claim adjuster, was in Alliance Friday on business.

Mrs. E. W. Reed is spending a few days at Omaha with friends.

W. R. Leslie, machinist helper, is visiting in Billings this week.

Machinist J. E. Anterline is taking in the sights at Kansas City.

Machinist F. S. Ritchie has been laid off on account of slack business.

Fred Schnell and brother have gone to Grand Island for thirty days' visit.

Mrs. J. F. Holly left Thursday for a thirty days' visit at Nickerson, Neb.

Brakeman I. C. Earnest and Switchman H. A. Allerton have left the service.

Roadmaster D. E. Lynch of Edgemont was in Alliance yesterday on business.

F. Slote, water service foreman, had business that called him to Deadwood yesterday.

Mrs. K. C. Spatz and two sons of Edgemont are spending a few days with Alliance friends.

Conductor C. E. Bennett of the east end passed through Alliance Sunday on a business trip to Edgemont.

Geo. L. Helzer and wife are spending several weeks with friends at Harvard, Neb., and Longmont, Colo.

J. G. Stewart, traveling storekeeper, was at Alliance Tuesday on business connected with the local storehouse.

Operator Adams of the Alliance relay office is relieving Operator Zabel at Anselmo, the latter being on a vacation.

It is pay roll time and the master mechanic and superintendent's office forces are very busy getting them written up.

C. A. Hahn has been promoted from coal shed foreman at Crawford to water service repairman, vice M. Gehrett, who has resigned.

R. C. McLeese is relieving Chief Dispatcher Gavin this week, the latter being engaged in helping conduct the time card examination.

On account of Colonists' excursion to the northwest, two sections of No. 41 were necessary yesterday morning in order to handle the business.

Operator L. W. Wright of the Alliance telegraph office departed Monday on No. 301 for Ft. Worth, Texas for a three weeks' visit with home folks.

Mrs. W. H. Allgeier and baby returned Thursday from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Roscoe Blood, of Mitchell. That accounts for the "smile that won't come off" on W. H.'s face.

H. S. Johnson and L. M. Smith of the storekeeper's force here returned Monday from Sheridan, where they were assisting in the invoicing of the stock in the storehouse at that point.

J. N. Redfern, superintendent of the relief and employment departments, with headquarters in Chicago, arrived at Alliance on 42 this morning. He will leave on No. 301 tomorrow enroute to Denver.

Miss Myrtle Carlson, stenographer in the chief dispatcher's office, and her sister, Miss Alice, who is stenographer in the store department, expect to leave Sunday for a few days' visit with friends at Denver.

Conductor C. E. Mathews departed on No. 44 Monday on a combined pleasure and business trip to eastern points. He expects to be gone about 30 days and will take in the sights at Chicago, Omaha and Des Moines.

J. E. Starn, clerk in the water service department, received word Friday that his brother, who lives at Haxton, Colo., was very ill, and he was prepared to leave on the Denver train Saturday for that point, when he received a telegram stating that his brother was out of danger and it was not necessary for him to go.

M. H. Landigan, switchman at Edgemont, who was injured on January 3rd, being caught between two cars, and who has been visiting in the eastern part of the state, arrived at Alliance Thursday. He will remain here a short time visiting relatives and then will go to Edgemont to resume his duties.

Train and engine men have dug up their books of rules, and time card school is in full swing with Trainmaster Joder, Chief Dispatcher Gavin and Traveling Engineer Fitzpatrick on the bench. Three, and sometimes four, classes a day are being held, and these gentlemen are hoping to finish up here the last of the week.

Gen. Supt. L. B. Allen, Engineer Way Darrow of Lincoln, Supt. Weidenhamer, Chief Clerk Griggs, Trainmaster Cameron and Roadmaster Toohy, with inspection engine 366, made a tour of inspection to Guernsey and returned last Monday. On Tuesday Messrs. Allen and Darrow, Supt. Birdsall and Roadmaster Lynch made an inspection trip to Edgemont.

C. A. Wetherell and wife went to Sidney Saturday to meet their aunt, Mrs. I. N. Huston, of Moundsville, W. Va., who has been visiting in California, and was returning home on the U. P. Mrs. Huston accompanied them to Alliance, where she will make a short visit, going from here to Orleans, Neb., to see a brother, from which place she will return to her home at Moundsville. She is a sister of Engineer G. L. Milliken.

Work will soon be commenced on

the new service building which is to be erected just west of the new depot. This building will be of brick and will be used for the batteries, office for carmen, brakemen and porters' lockers, ice, roadmaster's room, etc. This building will eliminate the several sheds just west of the depot, and will improve the looks of the station grounds. The freight house is also to be moved to a location near the foot of Laramie street. This will give more room for trackage.

Don't miss the treat at the Crystal. Every night except Sunday.

An Iowa Visitor's Views

We have a copy of the Sidney, Ia., Sun containing a communication from Rev. Geo. C. Hicks, who visited in this part of Nebraska some weeks since. Following is an extract from the letter: "Hope, Neb., Dec. 29, '08.

Editor Sun:—

On arriving at Alliance our first visit was to our grandson, recently married, whom we found nicely fitted up in housekeeping and living in comfort and contentment with his young and charming bride. He is employed in the telephone business and is an expert in his line; his wife is very respectably connected, is a graduate of the Alliance high school, and has had some experience as a teacher.

Our visit with these young people over, we are now forty miles to the south of Alliance, on the northern extremity of the Platte Valley, visiting at the home of our youngest daughter. Some four and one-half years ago her husband entered a tract of land here and on which they are now living. Here is a country of vast extent, mostly level, but broken here and there by hills and mounds that rise abruptly and obstruct the otherwise almost limitless vision. From the window near which I write the eye makes a sweep of more than 64,000 acres. With the exception of what is called the Tri-State Land Co., who own many thousand acres, most of this area is occupied by homesteaders who have been lured here by the promise of the government to put through the tract an irrigating ditch; this ditch has reached to within about six miles of this spot, but there is some doubt as to the time of its completion.

Casting your eye over the vast distances, the scene is a strange one: not a tree nor a shrub is in sight and the houses of the ranches dot the prairie here and there without respect to section lines or regularity; they stand naked and unprotected, just where the convenience or fancy of the owner saw fit to place them. In this scattered mass of population, almost every nationality is represented. Here, too, are nearly all religious views."

A Neat Ad.

The Crystal's ad on second page this week is a thing of beauty, to the eye of a practical printer at least, combining the pleasing effects of typographical skill and the engraver's art.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Barlow of Hemingford were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Keefe Monday and Tuesday, being in attendance at the funeral of Father Halbe.

Alliance has the reputation of being a dry town but, the streets look very wet since the heavy snow has thawed.

E. F. Sutton made an automobile trip to Alliance Sunday, but had to leave his machine there and come home on the train Monday morning.—Scottsbluff Herald.

Mrs. E. Reeves departed on the Guernsey train yesterday, her destination being Torrington, Wyo., where she will visit her son, Verne, and family for the next week or ten days.

Wolf Freimuth, who lives eighteen miles north of Alliance, one of The Herald's staunch friends, called at our office yesterday to pay a year's subscription for himself and also for his brother, Jos. Freimuth, Carroll, Iowa.

C. A. Newberry made shipment of two car loads of steel tanks, thirty-five in all, to Hyannis yesterday. The tanks were consigned to Mr. Myers, a ranchman, living southeast of Hyannis. This speaks well for Alliance enterprise.

Rev. J. Jordan and wife of Alliance have decided to cast their lot with the people of Bayard and labor for a time in the Lord's vineyard. The Transcript joins in bidding them welcome and trusts much good will be accomplished.—Bayard Transcript.

A. W. Pierson boarded No. 44 out of Alliance yesterday bound for Minden, Neb., where he will visit his parents for a few days. He will incidentally look around Lincoln and Omaha before returning. Al. doesn't like the idea of moving to Crawford and of course we don't blame him.

The directory of the Alliance Telephone Co., recently issued from the Herald's job department, shows more than 700 city subscribers and nearly 100 phones on the country lines. This company is giving its patrons a very acceptable service and we are pleased to note the volume of their business.

The popular Crystal.

Miss Hazel Beck, having completed her course at the Lincoln Business College has returned to Alliance and has taken up work as a public stenographer, with an office in the Commercial Club room in the basement of the Phelan Block. She is a competent and an accomplished stenographer and the business men of Alliance will be pleased to favor her with their patronage.

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