

Neighboring Notes

From Bridgeport News-Blade:

The Hon. Moses P. Kinkaid was in Bridgeport last Friday night on his way to Mitchell to avoid meeting the senate committee on irrigation.

County Attorney F. E. Williams holds that under the new law, precinct assessors are to be elected in all precincts in this county this year. This is an important office and the voters should see to it that candidates are nominated and properly certified to the county clerk in order that the names may be placed on the official ballot. Precinct assessors will serve for two years and are not eligible for re-election. In case any precinct fails to elect an assessor one shall be appointed by the county assessor and board of commissioners.

From Edgemont Express:

The ball game between Alliance and Crawford, Sunday, at Hot Springs was a star game. In the first innings Alliance got two runs, and one in the second. Crawford did not score till the seventh innings and then they made enough to beat the Alliance team. The game was a beauty from start to finish but there was hardly a corporal's guard out to see it.

From Sidney Telegraph, Sept. 18:

The Nebraska State University is well represented by Cheyenne county youth. Miss Grace King, Miss Willis, of Dalton; Arthur M. Oberfelder, Paul Marlin and Jim Rodman are all from here, while this locality still claims a property interest in Wm. Ritchie, jr., and Verne Bates. All of these young people are making good, which is always the case with those who make the effort to advance into University life.

The champion team of the Rocky mountain region—the Ft. Collins team—arrived here Saturday, Sept. 11, for a series of three games. Confident of defeating Sidney all three games as they did at Alliance, but were given a surprise by the Sidney team, for Guy Ferry was sent to do the twirling for the locals, and allowed Ft. Collins two scattered hits and one run. Sidney getting two runs and five hits. All the boys played splendid ball. Stung by the defeat of Saturday, the Ft. Collins team took revenge on Sidney and defeated them Sunday by a score of 11 to 1. Monday was the last game with Ft. Collins also last of the season. Captain Agnew sent in Guy Ferry, hoping to win the last game of the series, but it seemed as though luck was against us as the boys made enough errors to lose any game. Guy Ferry pitched winning ball and should have won the game. Ft. Collins team played to win and was in the game at all times. Davis on short playing a wonderful game, accepting all chances without an error. The Ft. Collins boys were a good lot of ball players, also gentlemen in every respect and never kicked on any decisions made by the umpire.

PILFERED PHUNNYGRAPHS.

Freshman—Who is the smartest man mentioned in history? Sophomore—I give it up. Freshman—Why, the Roman soldier who slept on his watch.—University of Pennsylvania Punch Bowl
Tramp (outside the gate)—Madam, may I ask does your dog bite? Mrs. Jaye (in the garden)—Yes he does; and please don't come in. We are very particular about what we feed him on!—San Francisco Examiner.

Irrigation Not the Most Important.

In the interview with Willis J. Abbot, published in the last issue of The Herald under the caption, "Investigating the West," he speaks of the importance of "the development of the scientific side of irrigation." Without wishing to detract in the least from the importance to the west of irrigation, we wish to say that to this part of the west the development of agriculture without irrigation is of far greater value; and more scientific work has been done along this line within the last few years than in irrigation.

It has been abundantly demonstrated that western Nebraska, especially the northwestern part, has each year plenty of rainfall to produce prolific crops if the water that falls on the ground is properly conserved, as it can be by proper tillage; and the labor and expense of saving this moisture is but a mere fraction of that required to irrigate. Another matter of immense importance is the fact that the upland is free from alkali and with proper farming will not decrease in fertility, but rather increase, while already in some of the older irrigated sections some of

the irrigated lands have been rendered practically worthless by alkali, and it is only a question of time, and not many years at that, when much more will be similarly ruined, unless some means as yet unknown can be devised to neutralize the alkali.

Make a Splash!

Say,
Do you remember when you were a kid,
How they used to tell you
About throwing a pebble into a pond
And how it made a ripple
That went on, and on, and on, and on,
Until it reached the distant shore,
Or something like that?
And when you got big enough
You went to the minstrel show
And saw the end man
And the middle man
Show how a quarter of a dollar
Paid off ten dollars' worth of debts
In about five minutes,
By passing it from Tombo to Bones,
And from Bones to Rastus,
And from Rastus to Ephriam,
And from Ephriam to Lijah,
And so on around the half circle?

And you remember
How your professor at college
Tried to explain the same thing?
Well,

This is no talk on Political Economy
Or anything like that;

It's just a gentle hint
To the effect that Right Now

When folks are feeling pretty good
Is a good time for you

To start a little ripple of your own;
A good time

To start the dollars
Moving your way

By setting up a holler
For them.

Holler good and loud
And don't let up

Till you get 'em coming.
That's good sense

And patriotism,
And good business.

Every ripple on the pond,
No matter how small

Helps break the stagnation.
Get busy

And make a splash!
Holler!

Get a megaphone
And wake up the natives.

Incidentally
While you are getting ready

To make a holler,
Note this:

In all this great West,
"Where the dollars come from,"

The one big megaphone
When it comes

To advertising
Is The Herald

The Big Alliance paper
With nearly 2000

Circulation that circulates
And all good.

It's a good paper
With something to it;

It goes into the homes
Of good farmers

And intelligent town folk
Who have wants innumerable

And the wherewithal
With which to supply them.

Brother,
I tell you now is the time

And The Herald is the medium
By which you can

Make a splash
In the advertising field.

Come on in
The water's fine

The company's good
And you'll never have

A better chance.
—With apologies to the "Household,"

published by Arthur Copper.

An exchange calls attention to the fact that there really was "revision downward" on some articles in the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, and mentions the following to substantiate the claim:

Acorns, raw, dried and undried; aconite; apatite; catgut; bladders; birds, stuffed, not suitable for millinery purposes; blood, dried; cuttlefish bone; dragon's blood; fish skins; ice; joss sticks; loadstones; ivory tusks; spunk; silk worm eggs; vaccine virus; shrimps; skeletons. Hereafter we will be able to secure these necessities very cheaply.

Dog Collar to return—A. H. Ross of Hashman, recently lost a fine dog; about ten days later he came home with a new collar on. Owner can have same by calling at The Herald office.

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Cream of Editorial Opinion

Culled from The Herald's Esteemed Exchanges and Condensed for Our Busy Readers.

Evidently what prompts Mr. Taft and Aldrich to visit the west is to prevent, if possible, the threatened breaking away from subservency to the protected interests of the east. Just how long the people will lend their support to this republican policy is difficult to determine—that of taxing one class of people to maintain another.—Hastings Republican.

The Dahlman wing of the democratic party seems inclined to oppose Governor Shallenberger for a renomination at the party primaries next year. The only complaint made against him so far is his approval of the 8 o'clock closing of saloons. A trial of this law has demonstrated that it is what the smaller townshave been in need of for a long time.—Falls City Journal.

In his recent speech at Dallas, Tex., Mr. Bryan did not mince his words in characterizing as "embezzlers of power" the men who violate a party pledge ratified by the voters of their party. His denunciation was not tempered by the fact that he was talking in the state misrepresented at the national capitol by one of such embezzlers. Mr. Bryan's subject was "Democracy and the Tariff." He emphasized the necessity of senators and congressmen being bound by party platforms. Senator Joseph W. Bailey's ears must have burned during the progress of the speech.

That old scheme to raid the treasury, the ship subsidy proposition, is again to the fore. Its progenitors apparently never sleep. In the present campaign the arguments are the same as of yore. Doubtless the would-be treasury raiders are encouraged by the ease with which the "interests" accomplished their purposes in the framing of the new tariff bill. It is entirely logical for them to assume that this easy victory for the trusts presages an "open season" for all kinds of schemes to loot the people during the next four years.

Hosiery is to be higher—not in length but in price. This is one of the fruits of the Aldrich-Payne "revision downward."

As expected, President Taft takes the side of Mr. Ballinger in the dispute with Forester Pinchot. The president approves the course of his secretary of the interior, and gives him authority to dismiss L. R. Glavis, chief of the field division of the general land office, who is held responsible for some of the charges against the present administration of the interior department. There isn't a land thief or a water-right thief in the country who will not rejoice at this outcome.

THE GREAT APOLOGIST.

It is, perhaps, President's Taft's ambition to be known in history as the "great conciliator." It is more likely that he will be marked down as the "great apologist." He found it necessary, on starting his 13,000-mile "swing around the circle," to apologize before a Boston audience for his party's sins of omission and commission. With promises made during the recent campaign broken, pledges on which popular support was asked and secured disregarded, the new tariff as bad or worse than the old, it was plainly up to Mr. Taft to "say something." He did. He apologized for it all on the ground that this abuse of power, this flagrant defiance of the people, is the best that could be had.

To those of his party who have regarded Mr. Taft as a "progressive" in his ideals; a man whose heart beat in sympathy with the deluded, betrayed rank and file to whom Aldrichism and Cannonism are anathema, the president's eulogy of Aldrich must come as a shock. The president found nothing to criticize in the one man above all others who had most to do in repudiating the party's campaign pledges. On the contrary he eulogized Mr. Aldrich as "one of the ablest statesmen," with "earnest desire to aid the people." This utterance should clearly mark the spot where Taft stands. It is not with Cummins, Dolliver, La Follette or the other progressives who are vainly striving to make their party an instrument of service to the whole people. It is with Cannon and Aldrich, and all the reactionary policies they typify, that Mr. Taft, by his own utterances, is in future to be identified.

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