

THE REAL ISSUE BEFORE THE PEOPLE

The Disposition of the Publicity Bill Settles That--Clear Away the Brush-heaps.

(Louisville Courier-Journal.)

Mr. Bryan was wisely prompt in proposing that Mr. Taft should unite with him in an appeal to congress to pass the Publicity Bill. Mr. Taft is safely wary in replying that he has been for the Bill all along. Mr. Bryan has a solid party vote to offer in favor of the Bill. Mr. Taft offers a solid party vote against the Bill. Yet each is recognized as the coming standard-bearer of his party. Which party is honest and which is not? Upon the issue here clearly joined can one true Democrat in the United States hesitate on account of any former differences to accept Mr. Bryan as his Chief in the coming struggle?

And, who do they hate? Mr. Bryan. Whom do they fear? Mr. Bryan. Else why are they so eager to defeat his nomination? If he be so weak and so easy to beat they ought to help him along toward that nomination. Well, he is going to be nominated all the same, and if they can fool more than half the people all the time, maybe they will beat him; but they will have a united Democracy, making an aggressive campaign, to meet upon every foot of fighting ground--especially between the Alleghanies and the Rockies--the one, great paramount issue between the Republic versus the Plutocracy.

The disposition of the Publicity Bill settles that. Nobody can now doubt that the Republicans hope only to carry the election by buying the electorate. The same scheme of bargain and sale which was revealed in 1900 and 1904 by the Insurance Investigations is to be relied on to flood the country with campaign funds stolen from the widow and the orphan, blasted out of the railways and the banks, filched from labor by frying the fat out of the manufacturer. Nor is this all. The Bloody Shirt is again to be hoisted as a sectional and party shibboleth. The color line is to be invoked to hold the Northern negroes. Every individual passion which lust of power and mercenary greed can call to their aid--which desperation and despair can kindle in the minds of the depraved--is to become the ready agent for the corruption of the sources of our political being in this last, final stand of the Money Devil, quoting Scripture and buying votes; prating of Morality and Reform, whilst seeking to undermine the conscience of the people and the law of the land.

Clear away the brush-heads. He who is not for us is against us. Down with factionism. Out with the old banners bearing the legend "the equal rights of all, exclusive privileges to none." Up with the Milk-white Flag of the Constitution emblazoned by the Eagles of the Republic. Cart may be a clever Dog, but Truth is a better, and, in the battle before us, He will be a winner!

A New Business House for Mynard.

Mynard is making some improvements in a mercantile way, having added to its number of business establishments by the acquisition of a new general store, financed by Chas. Parker, and which is managed by Wm. Murray. They start out with a fair trade and good prospects for a bright business future.

A SMALL BLAZE FRIDAY MORNING

A Small House Belonging to John Svoboda, sr., Destroyed With the Entire Contents.

This morning about 12:40 a fire was discovered at the home of John Svoboda, sr., in the west part of the city. The fire occurred in a detached building, used as a kitchen. Mr. Svoboda is at Creighton, where he is visiting with relatives and the place was occupied by Thomas Svoboda and Frank Janda, jr., and wife. They had been up late, the two men attending band practice, and had retired about midnight. Mrs. Janda, who is a light sleeper, awakened and saw the reflection on the house just north across the street, where James Nawacek lives, and aroused her husband, who called Mr. Svoboda, and they began fighting the fire, thinking they could put it out, as it was then only a small blaze. They fought hard, but were not able to make any headway. Meanwhile Mrs. Janda called J. J. Svoboda by private telephone, who called central and the whistle was blown, which aroused the town.

In an incredible short space of time the fire department was there and people from almost the extreme south portion of the city. The building, which was recently constructed at a cost of \$350.00 and contained a number of articles, among which was a chest of machinist's tools, belonging to Thomas Svoboda, valued at sixty dollars; a new steel range and other articles which makes the loss run up to over five hundred dollars. It is thought there is no insurance on the contents, but that insurance was carried on the main house. Thomas Svoboda burned his hands and cut one finger very severely, besides straining one ankle so he can scarcely walk. The fire department arrived just in time to save the main portion of the house, which was but a few feet away.

WHERE IS MY WANDERING BOY?

Broken-Hearted Parents Asks for Information Regarding the Child.

The Journal is in receipt of a most touching and sorrowful appeal sent out by Mr. Edward C. Greene, whose address is 97 Pallister avenue, Detroit, Michigan, for information that may lead to the whereabouts of his 18-year-old son, Carleton H. Greene. The circular states that the son left his home in Detroit on the 14th day of last October, with the intention of going to school, as was his usual custom, since which time no word of any kind has been received from him by parents, friends or relatives.

Mr. Greene's letter is pathetic in the extreme. He promises his wandering boy all sorts of good things to return home, assuring him of a cordial welcome and a bright and happy future.

The boy is described as 18 years of age, 5 feet, 9 inches, in height, 118 pounds, sandy hair, light complexion, blue eyes, slightly dimpled chin and a muscular twitch of eyes and face, of slender build, good habits and quiet in manner.

The father says he will give \$300 for any information concerning the lad.

Gets Two Fingers Mashed.

This afternoon while loading empty beer kegs, James Yelek had two fingers on his right hand mashed. The man who was assisting in the work threw a keg which was to be caught by Mr. Yelek, who missed catching it as he should, and allowed the keg to catch his hand between the one which was thrown and another one in the car, which was being loaded, mashing the middle finger and breaking the bone, while the ring finger was mashed, though not so badly as the larger. The hand, after having been dressed, was still very painful and it will be some time before it will be as good as new.

Come on, Boys.

Plattsmouth is going to have a 4th of July celebration. That's good. The old town will do it right and the Herald is going to try to join in the festivities personally.--Lincoln Herald.

PATRIOTIC DONATORS

Nearly Five Hundred Dollars Subscribed for the Fourth of July.

The following are the names of those who subscribed the amount set opposite their names to defray the expenses of the Fourth of July celebration in Plattsmouth. The amount will probably be increased to \$550.00, but even if it is not, the amount below should be necessary to defray the expenses of having a big time in the old town on the great natal day, if properly expended, and from the manner in which the committee organizations have been perfected, every dollar spent and for what it was spent, will be properly accounted:

- Gering & Co \$10 00
- C. E. Wescott's Sons 10 00
- J. Bauer & Son 10 00
- John Schiappacasse 10 00
- E. G. Dovey & Son 10 00
- Kraft Clothing Co 10 00
- J. E. McDaniel 25 00
- Ed Egenberger 25 00
- F. C. Benfer 25 00
- Ed Donat 25 00
- Adolph Giese 25 00
- Peter Goos 25 00
- William Barclay 25 00
- Jonathan Hatt & Son 5 00
- John Nemetz 5 00
- Joseph Fetzner 5 00
- Kroehler Bros 5 00
- Robert Sherwood & Son 5 00
- First National Bank 5 00
- H. L. Asemissen & Sons 5 00
- Kunsmann & Range 5 00
- E. A. Wurl 5 00
- William Wehrbein 5 00
- Lorenz Bros 5 00
- F. G. Fricke & Co 5 00
- C. L. Martin 5 00
- M. Hild 5 00
- Plattsmouth Telephone Co 5 00
- John Crabill 5 00
- C. Heisel 5 00
- Zuckewiller & Lutz 5 00
- Wurl Bros 5 00
- M. Fanger 5 00
- Bank of Cass County 5 00
- Nebraska Lighting Co 5 00
- H. D. Travis 5 00
- Miss Mary Foster 5 00
- C. H. Smith 5 00
- F. H. Dunbar 4 00
- Earl Wescott 2 75
- F. M. Richey 2 50
- J. S. Hall 2 50
- A. W. White 2 50
- J. P. Falter 2 50
- C. L. Heger 2 50
- A. G. Bach & Co 2 50
- L. B. Egenberger 2 50
- J. V. Egenberger 2 50
- Geo. L. Farley 2 50
- Herman Spies 2 00
- Robert Ballance 2 00
- M. L. Johnson 2 00
- H. E. Wilson 2 00
- W. S. Soper 2 00
- W. H. Newell 2 00
- Terhune & Rosencrans 2 00
- William Schmidtman 2 00
- B. Golding 2 00
- V. A. McElwain 2 00
- V. T. Kuncl 2 00
- H. M. Soemnichsen 2 00
- Bookmeyer & Co 2 00
- James Rebal 2 00
- August Gorder 2 00
- Guthman & Cory 2 00
- A. J. Beeson 2 00
- W. E. Rosencrans 2 00
- F. E. Schlater 2 00
- James Robertson 2 00
- W. L. Pickett 2 00
- Plak & Bajcek 2 00
- John Iverson 2 00
- Julius Pepperburg 2 00
- Dr. A. P. Barnes 1 50
- M. E. Manspeaker 1 50
- Dr. W. D. Elster 1 02
- J. H. Thrasher 1 00
- J. M. Leyda 1 00
- Ramsey & Ramsey 1 00
- M. Archer 1 00
- F. L. Cummins 1 00
- M. L. Roberts 1 00
- C. D. Quirton 1 00
- E. W. Cook 1 00
- J. S. Livingston 1 00
- Roy Taylor 1 00
- D. B. Ebersole 1 00
- T. P. Livingston 1 00
- Streight & Streight 1 00
- J. W. Sage 1 00
- A. L. Tidd 1 00
- H. H. Kuhney 1 00
- Olson Photo Co 1 00
- A. J. Trillity 1 00
- J. A. Billings 1 00
- C. A. Rawls 1 00
- Thomas Walling 1 00
- F. G. Guthman 1 00
- E. D. Cummins 1 00
- C. L. Martin 1 00
- Miss E. B. Myers 1 00
- H. L. Newton 1 00
- William Hassler 1 00
- John Waterman 1 00

- Mrs. Julia Dwyer 50
- Oscar Wilson 50
- J. C. Coleman 50
- Sam Shoemaker 50
- George Sayles 25

A Little Scare.

Some of our citizens became a little apprehensive about 9 o'clock last night as a funnel-shaped cloud passed over the city, and it is unnecessary to say that it was watched until it had passed entirely over town. Of course it behooves our people to be on the lookout at this season of the year for storms and tornados. Many say the cloud was too high to do harm, while others say that it would have fell upon us if it felt like it. Strange to say, while it was passing us, stars were shining in other section of the heavens.

SURGEON'S KNIFE RESTORES MIND

An Operation for Gallstones Relieves Insanity--Miss Ona Young of Murray, the Nurse

The following from the Norfolk Daily News, gives the particulars of the restoration of mind to a lady in the insane asylum at that place, which seems almost improbable, but nevertheless true, as Miss Ona Young, of Murray, is the nurse that attended the patient, and of course can vouch for the truthfulness of the statement:

"After having been violently insane for the past three years, the mind of Mrs. Michaelson, a Platte Center, Neb., patient in the Norfolk state hospital for the insane, has been very materially and almost completely restored to its normal clearness as the result of a surgical operation for gallstones.

"Dr. G. A. Young, superintendent of the hospital, performed the operation, removing 415 gallstones and also removing the gall-bladder.

"From the moment that she regained consciousness after the operation, it was apparent that Mrs. Michaelson's demented condition had been very greatly improved, and that it remains to be seen whether or not the removal of the gallstones and the gall bladder will permanently cure her insanity. He has hopes that such will be the case. If sanity is completely restored as the result of this operation, it will be the first case of its kind on record, though insane patients have been known to be completely cured by an attack of typhoid fever.

Was a Violent Patient

"Mrs. Michaelson has been one of the quite violent inmates of the hospital. She was very much demented. And today her mind is much clearer than it was before the gallstone operation.

"It is not at all impossible for the gallstone disease to affect the mind," said Dr. Young. "The physical disturbance, associated with the gall-bladder disease, produces irritation upon the nervous system which would tend to bring out whatever tendency there was in the patient toward insanity. And the removal of this physical disturbance would thus naturally relieve the mental disturbance."

"Mrs. Michaelson is forty-eight years of age. She is recovering nicely from the effects of the operation."

Entertain in Honor of Friend.

Yesterday at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. Jaran, a number of the friends of Mrs. Hadraba, of Omaha, met to show her honor and to have a good time. Both of these they did, and the hours were made to speed, by the numerous games which they employed, and the excellent music which was furnished a plenty. A delightful luncheon was served, which added to the enjoyable features of the afternoon. Those present were: Mrs. Joseph F. Hadraba, of Omaha, (the guest of honor) Mesdames John Janda, Jos. Wooster, John Wooster, A. Bookmeyer, John Svoboda, jr., H. M. Donat, Joseph Hiber, Joseph Yelinek, John Hadraba and A. Jaran.

Are Expending Much Money.

The Nebraska Lighting company, have been doing considerable work around the city in the extension and changing of the mains. They have recently placed new mains on Granite street, west from third, and will place a new main from Gering's residence to Heisel's mill, and from Main street, south on Ninth street, with the relaying of the new main at the old gas plant. The combined amount of improvement will cost in the neighborhood of \$3,500. They have been receiving a great deal more business lately, and will, when they have increased their output to a certain amount soon, Mr. Ritchie says, reduce the rates in accordance.

FLOWERS FOR THE DEAD HEROES

Large Crowd Attends the Exercises at the Cemetery--Fine Program Rendered at the Theatre in the Afternoon.

"Under the sod and the dew,
Waiting the judgment day,
Under the roses the blue,
Under the lilies the gray."

With the dubious condition of the weather it was feared that the day set aside for decorating the last resting places of the mortal remains, and showing of honor to the memories of those noble men who sacrificed home, life, property, and family ties for the sake of the perpetuation of the union, it was feared would not be what was wished; but with the exception of a shower the evening before the day was ideal.

March to the Cemetery.

The time set for the departure for Oak Hill cemetery, which was 9 o'clock, saw the different orders not ready for the start, but at 9:30 all was in readiness, and preceded by the City band playing inspiring strains of appropriate music the procession started, headed by the team of the Modern Woodmen and other orders, followed by the members of the Grand Army of the Republic in carriages, proceeded to the cemetery, where with appropriate ceremonies they strewed beautiful flowers on the graves of everyone who had borne arms in the defense of that nation which guarantees equal rights to all within its borders, and the greatest nation on the face of the globe.--AMERICA.

A very touching prayer and short address was made by Rev. A. A. Randall of the Methodist church. The boys of '61 to '65 were honored, as well as the two who sleep in beautiful Oak Hill who served in the Spanish-American war, H. Guy Livingston and George Moston, who lost their lives in the Philippines.

Cemetery in Fine Shape.

Through the care of friends the cemetery had been placed in a very beautiful condition, almost every lot in which the remains of some loved one rested had been decorated the day before, and the shower coming in the late evening and the clouds which obscured the sun, kept the flowers in perfect condition. The cemetery reminded one of a vast flower garden, a token of the love which those living still retain for the loved ones who are sleeping their last sleep in the silent city of the dead. This is a very beautiful and touching sentiment, and one we like to see cultivated and kept alive, as with each recurring year fewer of the old soldiers whom we love to honor go to pay their respects, and more of their graves are to be decorated. That the younger generation takes this matter up is a source of congratulation. Returning from the cemetery all dispersed for their homes for dinner, after their services and walk to the city of the dead during the morning.

In the Afternoon.

At 2:30 in the afternoon the people gathered at the Parmele theatre, where

Blew Her Head Off.

A special from Glenwood, Ia., under date of May 31, 1908, says: "Mrs. John Albee, living four miles north of Glenwood, committed suicide at 5 o'clock this evening by fastening the stock of a double-barrelled shotgun in the sewing machine and pushing the trigger with a long-handled ladle. Mrs. Albee has been in poor health and this morning was suffering from a severe headache. While her husband was employed in duties outside of the house the wife in a fit of temporary insanity, yielded to an irresistible impulse for self-destruction. They had been married only about three years. The grief-stricken husband has the sympathy of the entire community. Their short married life has been unusually happy, except for the depression resulting from the wife's ill health. Mrs. Albee leaves no children.

Fruit Farm Crop a Failure.

Congressman Pollard has notified his employees at the fruit farm that their services will not be longer required, as the failure of the fruit crop makes it unnecessary to give the orchards any further attention. The fruit crop on all the Pollard orchards will be a complete failure. Mr. Norman will remain for a time but he does not know how long.--Nehawka Register.

Great Entertainers.

Miss Teresa Hempel, Grand Recorder of the Degree of Honor of Nebraska, attended the district convention at Elmwood on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, and in speaking to a Journal reporter regarding the meeting, she seemed very much delighted with the treatment received by the hospitable people of that up-to-date town. District No. 1 comprises twenty-five lodges, and closed with a banquet Thursday evening. The sessions were held in Linghorst's opera house, and the attendance at each meeting was large. Miss Hempel speaks highly of the good people of Elmwood, and says they never ceased in their efforts to see that all received the best of treatment. Miss Hempel says every member went away from Elmwood with praises of the highest kind for the people of Elmwood for the magnificent manner in which the visitors were entertained and cared for.

Allen vs. Anderson.

In county court today, the case of Waverly T. Allen vs. Louis Anderson, was decided in favor of the defendant. In this case W. T. Allen has sued Anderson for damages alleged to have been caused the plaintiff by Anderson to the extent of \$1,000.