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Addison E. Wait, deputy secretary of state, announces his desire to be nominated for the secretaryship by the Republican party. Mr. Wait is an old soldier and has been connected with the public service for many years.

It is intimated that in a short time Tobey will be withdrawn from the race for congress and another candidate in the person of Judge Fields, will be the candidate presented by the Republicans of Lancaster county. That looks sensible.

Mayor Love of Lincoln sent a letter to the traveling men's association in session at Grand Island last week, offering a reward to anyone of its members that could point out a place in Lincoln where liquor was sold. This was an insult to the commercial men, and so received by them. In consequence of Love's epistle the next meeting of the association will be held in Norfolk instead of Lincoln.

The Journal is in receipt of a copy of the O'Neill Independent containing a marked article boomer George W. Berge for attorney general on the Democratic ticket. We know of no one in Nebraska that is better fitted for the place than Mr. Berge, and it will be a pleasure to the Journal to support him. We have always been a friend to Mr. Berge, and believe he is just the man for attorney general.

Mr. Bryan arrived in Lincoln on Thursday evening of last week, looking hale and hearty. He reiterated his former declarations that he was not a candidate for United States senator, but further than this declined for the time to discuss the future plans he may have in mind. He expressed the belief that the Democratic party occupied an advantageous and strategic position, and pointed to the recent congressional elections in Massachusetts and New York as proof that the people have rebelled against the iniquitous Aldrich-Cannon tariff law and the party responsible for its enactment. After a week or two at home, Mr. Bryan will visit his son in Arizona, and about the last of May will sail for England, where he has a series of lecture dates.

In the conclusion of an article in the last issue of the Commoner in reference to Mr. Bryan's views on the temperance question that paper says: "While Mr. Bryan is himself a teetotaler and by precept and example advises total abstinence, he has no desire to force his personal views on others to prevent the use of liquor under conditions which relieve its use of the evils which attach to it at present. He believes that the abuses which attend the sale of liquor are such as to justify the people in insisting upon the right to prescribe the conditions upon which it can be transported, sold, and used. He further believes that those who desire to use liquor in moderation and under reasonable conditions ought to join with the temperance forces and enact laws which will discriminate between the legitimate and illegitimate use of liquor and reduce the evils of intemperance to a minimum."

William H. Thompson has formally announced his withdrawal from the senatorial race. Mr. Thompson gives no explanation of his action, but those who are most intimate with him know that he was influenced by no political reasons, but by reasons having wholly to do with domestic affairs. The real cause of "Billy" Thompson's refusal does as much credit to his big heart and brain as his service in the cause of Democracy have done credit to himself and to his party. His withdrawal

will bring sorrow to the hearts of thousands of devoted friends and admirers who have been attached to him by hooks of steel forged in the fires of many a political conflict in which "Billy" Thompson bore a leading part. No effort was too great, no sacrifice too large, for him to undertake if by so doing he could advance the interests of the great party to which he has devoted his life. But William H. Thompson's withdrawal from the senatorial race does not mean that he will retire from politics, nor that he will not continue to be a leader in the Democratic party. As long as "Billy" Thompson has life he will be ready to respond to every call his party makes upon him.

With county option out of the platform, and the simple endorsement of the 8 o'clock closing law, as adopted by the Democratic legislature by the state convention, that party will undoubtedly carry the state next fall.

The Auburn Republican says that J. W. Crabtree, ex-president of the Peru normal, will hereafter engage in farming and fruit growing. He has purchased the thirty acres east of the village of Peru, and known as the Hicks place for \$1,825. It will be converted into a fruit farm and put largely into grapes.

The Democrats throughout the state don't seem to take to Mr. Price's candidacy for United States senator very perceptibly. He comes from Lincoln, may be the reason. That is the only town in the state where hypocrisy reigns supreme, and the masses of the people do hate a hypocrite above everything else.

Peter Sturdevant of Furnas county has announced himself as a candidate for state treasurer on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Sturdevant wears the distinction of being the only Democrat ever elected to the office of state treasurer. Every state treasurer with the exception of Mr. Sturdevant and J. B. Meserve, Populist, has been a Republican. Mr. Sturdevant was elected in 1884, defeating Loran Clark of Boone county. The Omaha Bee bolted Clark's nomination and succeeded in defeating him. No one has ever been able to explain why the elder Rosewater refused to support Clark, and the cause of the "bolt" must forever remain a mystery.

CONFESSIONS OF A SENATOR.

Sioux City Tribune: In a sixteen-page pamphlet, printed and sent out from Washington and distributed all over Nebraska at the government's expense, and Senator Burkett makes a showing of what he said in the senate during the extra session while the tariff law was under construction.

Reading these sixteen pages one gets the impression that the Nebraska senator was confused. He seemed to be contributing nothing toward the making of the law. His energies were all expended in an effort to find out what he did not know. He was in doubt at every point.

Nowhere, in this, his own record, printed and sent out by the government, does he show knowledge of the work in which he was supposed to be engaged. He appears in this record, not as a self-reliant man among men meeting squarely his responsibility, with knowledge and equipment, but rather as the boy of the senate, the irresponsible member who must be shown, for always, as appears by his own utterances, he seems to have been, not assisting in the construction of the law, but appealing for help to understand what others are doing.

He seems as one lacking information, uncertain of his ground. All

through this record he says "I do not know."

On April 23, turning to Senator Aldrich, he said: "I do not know whether it is right or wrong, but I should like to know why the rate is increased." Answered sharply by the Rhode Island senator, the Nebraskan instantly surrendered with the statement, "I do know that this rate is too high. I have not had time to read any of the evidence."

May 5, as to the white lead, Burkett said "I do not know whether the Dingley rate is too high or too low. I do not like to vote to reduce this rate when I do not know whether it is low enough now or not and I do not like to vote to increase it."

Reading the confession of ignorance one is not surprised at the apparent disrespect shown to Senator Burkett by his colleagues. "I am not criticizing," said Burkett, "because I know the wisdom of the chairman (Aldrich) of the committee. It does seem to me that we, at least those of us who do not know about the schedules ought to be treated patiently."

Contrasting himself with Aldrich and the other high tariff jugglers on the committee, Mr. Burkett said: "I have agreed that the members of this committee are the best posted men in this body on this subject."

When Bristow of Kansas tried to enlighten Burkett and to line him up into a more positive attitude, Mr. Burkett said, "But, as I have said to the senator, I have tried on two or three paragraphs to find out what portion of each was admitted, and I was not able to find out from the department. I do not know whether anybody knows."

The pamphlet shows what the senator said, and what he said shows that he did not know. The record, the senator's own words, is a confession of what is charged against the senator, that he does not know, is not equipped and is therefore incompetent. Western states cannot afford men in congress who constantly plead ignorance and beg for information. The people want, not doubting and uncertain men, but men who are positive and certain, because they know.

In the magazine is a picture of a young man before a board of directors. Under this picture is printed: "The world makes way for the man who knows." The man who knows is never afraid of himself in debate. But the man who does not know is always more or less of a coward, and those who are depending on him generally lost out. The high tariff interests won in the tariff debate and in making of the law, because Aldrich and his helpers knew and because Burkett and his kind did not know.

The pamphlet will weaken rather than strengthen Senator Burkett in Nebraska. It certainly ought to.

There's bound to be some broken China if those Boxer Chinks don't settle down to good behavior.

It must make Loeb feel happy every time he reflects that he isn't collector of the port at Rome.

It may be that Halley's comet portends the end of the world, but we won't believe it till T. R. says so.

Italian peasants are reported to be worrying over Halley's comet. Having survived Teddy's visit they should not lose any sleep over a little thing like a comet.

President Taft says the insurgents must be judged by their acts, and the insurgents can reply that this is an excellent rule that can be applied both ways.

Emperor William, it is reported, has decided to "throw court precedents to the winds" on the occasion of Colonel Roosevelt's visit, thus saving Theodore the trouble.

Get yourself in shape for a Democratic banquet. We are going to have one, and some of the best speakers in the state will be present. And possibly Champ Clark of Missouri.

While Senator Aldrich and Senator Hale are not all that ideal statesmen ought to be, they must be given credit for recognizing a funnel-shaped cloud when they see it coming.

It is to be hoped that the members of the George Junion Republic being organized in New Jersey won't feel it incumbent upon them to emulate the example set by some of their elders of the New Jersey Legislature in the closing hours of its session.

Brother William R. Hearst is as uncertain as the Irishman's flea. It should surprise no one that he has come out with an endorsement and eulogy of William H. Taft. Tomorrow it may be Eugene Debs, Dr. Parkhurst or Anna Howard Shaw, who is the object of his admiration. His one and only enduring affection is for William R. Hearst. All other declarations are but transitory ebullitions. William's pronouncements are not to be taken seriously.

Mr. Bryan's views as to the publicity of campaign funds have received endorsement in the passage of the McCall bill in the house of representatives. It will be remembered that Bryan contended that they should be published before election, while Taft and Roosevelt averred that publication of the names of contributors to campaign funds after election was sufficient. The McCall bill takes the Bryan view, which men sincerely favoring election reforms must admit was the proper one. The bill has yet to run the gauntlet of the senate disfavor and possibly presidential veto, but it ought to become a law.

Few public characters, and probably no writer, had a firmer grip on the affections of his fellow men than Mark Twain. The death of this distinguished humorist, philosopher and humanitarian will be felt as a distinct loss to thousands who regarded him as the greatest writer of modern times. The future fame of Mark Twain's memory will not rest entirely upon his peculiar genius as a humorous writer. Beyond his remarkable talents in this direction there was a sterner and a nobler character. Mark Twain was an exposé of shams and a foe of fraud and cruelty, as well as a genial joker. He had a work to do and he did it well. May he rest in peace.

While Governor Shallenberger and his party were visiting in the Lone Star state his traducers have been busily with all kinds of reports. One is that he has given the impression that he is a Republican, all of which is a bare-faced lie. If some newspaper reporter down in Texas happens to think the governor is a Republican, that is no fault of the governor's. But it is nine chances to one that the reporter has presumed that Nebraska is a Republican state, and therefore the governor must be a Republican. It is not like Governor Shallenberger to pretend to be anything but just what he is, his traducers to the contrary, notwithstanding.

That the fair lands of the Philippines are being seized by the sugar trust, with the acquiescence of Attorney General Wickersham and the war department, is the serious charge of John A. Martin, a Democratic representative in congress from Colorado. Congressman Martin has given out a statement assailing the government officials alleged to be involved and declaring that information that would prove the case against Mr. Wickersham is being withheld by the war department. He demands a full congressional investigation of the entire subject. "I have charged the administration," he says, "with having begun a policy of unlawful exploitation in the Philippines and every development goes to establish the truth of the charge. If the administration has been falsely accused, let it take off the lid." It is difficult to see how the administration is going to ignore this challenge. If the facts are as Mr. Martin alleges, a startling scandal must be revealed. If the charges are false, the administration should lose no time in demonstrating their falsity. They cannot be brushed aside.

Mrs. Phillippon of New York city is in the city making a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Sullivan.

PLAN EARLY FOR

YOUR SUMMER TOUR!

PACIFIC COAST—From June 1st, low round trip excursion rates to the Pacific Coast, and on special dates April to July, still lower **Coast Excursion rates.**

YELLOWSTONE PARK—All indications point to a larger number of Park Tourists during the Summer of 1910 than ever before. The tour rates are very low, and include attractive diverse routes through Colorado and Salt Lake City.

TO THE EAST—Special rates will be in effect to eastern cities and resorts. Definite announcements should be made within the next thirty days.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN TOURS—Tourist rates during the Summer to Denver, Estes Park and Colorado resorts; Hot Springs, S. D., Sheridan and Ranchester, Wyo., for the Big Horn region, Cody (gateway for Holm's personally conducted camping parties through the park), Thermopolis, Wyo., the coming wonderful Hot Springs resort (railway completed July 1st).

HOMESEEKERS' RATES—First and third Tuesdays for investors and andseekers through the newly developing sections of the West.

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ELMWOOD.

(Leader-Echo.)

Wm. Malone has been suffering with appendicitis.

Arthur Soller is suffering with inflammatory rheumatism.

The old family driving horse of L. W. Roettger died Sunday. A change of feed and too much of it is thought to have been the cause.

Lester Hoover left Monday evening for the Pacific coast states, being accompanied to Lincoln and Omaha by his parents.

Dr. Alton was called to Wabash Tuesday evening to see Ira Bosworth, who was badly injured by falling out of a freight car while unloading household goods.

Mrs. H. Goetz died at her home in this city Tuesday afternoon after an extended illness from Bright's disease. Funeral services were held from the German Evangelical church in this city yesterday afternoon.

Henry Gerbeling of Wabash, was up one day last week and called at the office of Dr. Alton where he had a large tumor removed from the upper lid of his left eye. We are glad to state the injured member is doing nicely at this writing.

W. H. Berger returned to his home at Farnam, Neb., last week after a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Berger. He was accompanied by Tom and Henry McCarty to whom he sold a half section of Perkins county land.

Saved From the Grave.

"I had about given up hope, after nearly four years of suffering from a severe lung trouble," writes Mrs. M. L. Dix, of Clarksville, Tenn. "Often the pain in my chest would be almost unbearable and I could not do any work, but Dr. King's New Discovery has made me feel like a new person. Its best medicine made for the throat and lungs." Obsolete coughs, stubborn colds, hay fever, la grippe, asthma, croup, bronchitis and hemorrhages, hoarseness and whooping cough, yield quickly to this wonderful medicine. Try it. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co.

WEEPING WATER.

Republican

W. R. Davis and family departed last evening for Fullerton, Calif., to reside.
A few of the farmers who commenced planting corn, discontinued the work until the snow disappeared.
Orville Lamb and wife left Wednesday for Plankinton, South Dakota, where they will make their future home. M. Lamb and Mr. Chas. Lyman will engage in the real estate business.

John Burke, who returned from the hospital recently, is improving slowly, although the wound is giving him considerable pain, requiring him to stay confined to the house.

Mrs. Mary Roberson returned Saturday from an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Skoy, residents of Chicago. Mrs. Roberson report that to Mr. and Mrs. Skoy was born a son on March 24th.

They tell us that C. F. Chandler invested in a touring car as he returned to Central City from Omaha, and succeeded on the trip home in killing one dog and a calf. Chandler can keep his restaurant supplied with veal and bologna at that rate and probably get a chicken occasionally.

Principal C. E. Corbin of the Academy, says that after this year's work ends, he severs his connection with the academy. He has nothing in view yet, but it is his desire to get into college work and believes that the sooner he starts the better. The Academy has progressed under his management, everything has been harmonious and the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Corbin will miss them in the school and church, and socially.

The Call of the Blood

for purification, find voice in pimples, boils, sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin,—all signs of liver trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills make rich red blood; give clear skin, rosy cheeks, fine complexion, health. Try them. 25 cents at F. G. Fricke & Co.

In County Court.

In county court today a hearing was had in the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of Rebecca L. Cogswell, deceased. The will was admitted to probate and Z. A. Coatman named as executor. A final settlement was also had of the estate of Andrew H. Jackman, J. M. Jackman, the administrator being discharged and his bondsmen released from all liability on the bond.

William Kaufman was a passenger this morning for Omaha, having been driven in from his home in the country by Wm. Volk in his machine, to take the morning Burlington train.



The above cut represents an exhibition of the test applied to a C. B. S. Bug and Wagon Pole, on February 12, 1910, at Gothenburg, Neb.

The men shown in the cut are: (1) C. B. Schleicher, President and General Manager of the C. B. S. Pole Company; (2) E. A. Calling, a wealthy stockman of Gothenburg; (3) John Ralston, the well known commission man of South Omaha; (4) T. T. Marcott, Vice-President of the company and retired stockman of Brady, Neb.; (5) G. Shostrom, member of Shostrom & Blixt, implement and wagon dealers, Gothenburg, Neb. The combined weight of these men was in excess of 600 pounds.

Just as the lion is the king of beasts, the eagle the king of birds, so is the C. B. S. pole and neckyoke the king of all poles and neckyokes.

The neckyokes are on sale in Plattsmouth by all implement dealers and the buggy and wagon pole is for sale by E. Manspeaker. Call on them.