

WILL MAUPIN'S WEEKLY

A Weekly Journal of Cheerful Comment whose mission it is to reflect sunshine and pilot people around and behind the dark clouds. It believes in the Ultimate Good and strives for it. Until it runs out of Good Words to say about men and women it will say no Harsh Words—and there is]so much of Good to be said that Will Maupin's Weekly expects to be Very Busy on the Good End of the job for many years to come. May we have your company along the way?

BOOSTING NEBRASKA ALWAYS

That is one of the best things we do—and the pleasantest. Just say "Nebraska" to us and you've got us going. Nebraska is inspiration for song and symphony, for oratory and optimism. Will you join our Grand Chorus of Nebraska Boosters, instructed and conducted by Will Maupin's Weekly? Initiation fee and one year's dues, One Dollar—the more dollars we get the better we sing

THIS IS A GOOD TIME FOR SINGING LESSONS

CURRENT COMMENT.

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made public if the "big interests" had not realized that Wilson is not "their man."

Will Maupin's Weekly frankly confesses that it is much more interested in having a 200,000,000 bushel corn crop in Nebraska this year than it is in whether this man or that man shall be endorsed for president by either party in the state. Good seed corn is vastly more vital to Nebraska just now than whether Taft or LaFollette shall have the republication delegation, or whether Harmon or Wilson or Clark shall have the democratic delegation.

The indications are that the republicans of Nebraska will wage the state portion of their campaign this year on the charge that the last democratic legislature was "extravagant." If the democrats are wise they will forestall any such charge by telling the real facts. Was it "extravagance" to appropriate money to build a new building and repair the old ones at Beatrice, where feebleminded children were herded like pigs, sleeping in attics and basements, walking on rotted floors and living beneath the leaky roofs that threatened to fall because of cracked walls? Was it "extravagance" to provide added accommodations for insane men and women who were herded four or five in a room? Was it extravagance to provide decent school facilities for deaf and dumb children barred from the public schools by reason of their infirmities? Was it "extravagance" to make adequate provision for the comfort and education of blind boys and girls who were barred from the public schools? In the efforts to make records for "economy" former legislatures allowed the state's asylums to fall into disrepair, to become shamefully crowded and to be literally breeding grounds of disease. The last legislature was big enough and broad enough to see the shame of this sort of thing and correct it. When a great and rich state like Nebraska has to "economize" at the expense of the health and comfort of its dependent wards

we want to know it so we can make our home elsewhere.

Alfred Henry Lewis says that Senator-elect Ollie James of Kentucky is presidential size, physically and mentally. That's what he is. A congressman at 30 and a senator at 40, with a record of splendid service in the cause of common honesty in public affairs, Ollie James is looming large on the political horizon—and this has no reference to his physique, either.

Once more—we believe that the man who succeeds in inducing two farmers to test their seed corn where none tested it before, is doing the state far more service than the man who frames up a political slate for either party.

Jesse Newton of Wymore must be something of a joker. He says he filed for the republican nomination for governor because he is convinced that the state needs a "straight from the shoulder business administration." Up to date we haven't heard of anybody complaining because Governor Aldrich is "ducking" and "dodging."

Would that we had a full page halftone of Robert C. Cowell of Omaha to present upon the first page of this issue! A few years ago Mr. Cowell declined a position upon the state railway commission, with a salary of \$3,000 a year. The other day he declined to accept the postmastership of Omaha at \$6,000 a year. He says he has a private business of his own that is demanding his attention. We congratulate Mr. Cowell on his good sense, the while regretting that such as he may not be impressed into the public service.

There are those who profess to believe that under certain contingencies Bryan will lead a revolt against his party and LaFollette a revolt against his party. Those who so believe ought to take something for it. Each may—and doubtless will—kick up a helluva row inside of his own party, but secede—never!

Well, suppose it did cost the state \$12,000 to warm its public buildings during December; what of it? Did

you ever stop to think how many people inhabit Nebraska's institutions? We venture the assertion that it did not cost as much to warm the people who inhabit the state's institutions as it did to warm an equal number of people divided into families and living in detached houses.

NEBRASKA PEACE SOCIETY.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 18, 1912.

To the Editor—The meeting for the organization of the Nebraska Peace Society will be held in the First Christian church, corner of 14th and M streets, Lincoln, on Monday, February 5th. There will be two sessions, one at 4:00 p. m., and one at 8:00 p. m.

Mr. Charles E. Beals, western secretary of the American Peace Society, an inspiring and convincing advocate of the peace cause, and Rabbi Emil G. Hirsch, LL. D. of Chicago, one of the great orators of America, will be the speakers at the evening meeting. The meeting for organization will be at 4:00 p. m. Prof. George E. Howard will call the meeting to order and make the opening address. Resolutions in support of the arbitration treaties now before the United States senate will be presented by Prof. F. M. Fling.

All friends of the peace movement are earnestly requested to be present at this meeting. Those who cannot be present can be enrolled as charter members by sending to the undersigned the \$1.00 membership fee fixed by the American Peace Society. This fee will entitle members to receive the "Advocate of Peace," a high-grade monthly journal published by the national society. The present affords the greatest opportunity in the history of the world for the friends of peace to advance their cause. The Nebraska Peace Society will afford a medium for the expression of the public sentiment of this state on this great question.

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GOOD FOR MAYOR ARMSTRONG!

Being vastly more of a business man than he is a politician Mayor Armstrong took the short cut towards relieving the general fear of water users. Instead of writing out and waiting for the passage of long-winded resolutions, argued pro and con by a lot of windjammers, the mayor simply sent for a man who knew what method to pursue to purify the water supply, and guaranteed the payment of all the expense.

It was Mayor Armstrong who arose from a sick bed and took matters in hand when the water mains were filled with tainted water from the Rice well, the officials to whom the duty rightfully belonged being too busy shifting blame and explaining. And again, it was Mayor Armstrong who, perhaps in excess of authority granted him, issued an order compelling the shutting down of the Rice well, and then saw to it that the order was obeyed. Now if the board of health and the water committee and several other committees of the council will just content themselves with wrangling and let Alvin H. Armstrong run

things until the voters get another chance, we believe that a general air of satisfaction will prevail throughout the city.

* A GREAT BIG BOOST FOR *
* GRAND YOUNG NEBRASKA. *
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* Will Maupin's Weekly, the *
* best single-handed booster Ne- *
* braska has or ever had, came *
* out in a blaze of glory last *
* week with its "Nebraska In- *
* dustries Number." Twenty *
* four pages carried an immense *
* amount of highly interesting *
* matter regarding the resources, *
* attractions and opportunities of *
* Nebraska, and also numerous ad- *
* vertisements of manufacturing *
* concerns who make good goods *
* in Nebraska and are not afraid *
* to let people know it.—Omaha *
* Trade Exhibit. *

Evidently Governor Wilson forgot to add the postscript that no letter writing politician should ever forget: "Burn this letter."

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