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A LETTER FROM LITCHFIELD

Carl Farnsworth Writes in Answer to Article of Few Weeks Ago

Litchfield, Neb., Dec. 8, Editor of The Northwestern. I have before me a copy of your paper of Dec. 4 containing an article headed, "Presbyterians Not Embroiled". The same being a letter sent from Litchfield, referring to the temperance mass meeting held in the Presbyterian church, Sunday, Nov. 23, and disclaiming all responsibility so far as Presbyterians are concerned in regard to the above meeting or as the writer put it, "The stunt that was pulled off". As the letter was not signed I do not know whether the writer is a member of the Presbyterian church or not, or was at the meeting, but would rather think neither. For it seems that nearly every one that was not there has a false impression of the meeting, why it was called and what was done there.

Now the object of that meeting was, first to tell the people, who want conditions improved, in plain words just what had been done, how, and by whom; second, to see if the people, above referred to, were going to back up their work, morally and financially.

The meeting was a complete success (as results showed) in every reason for which it was called and that in spite of the non attendance of the "True Presbyterians." A large number were in from the country, some coming as far as six and eight miles, and the unanimous opinion of the temperance people that were there, was that the church was the proper place for the temperance mass meeting, and united enthusiasm prevailed.

However, the important part of our work is this, we are trying to improve conditions here in Litchfield, though we don't expect to make conditions perfect, and keep down the evils which affect every person either directly or indirectly who resides in our village or who make it their trading point and social center.

It is especially of vital concern to the parents, who have growing boys and girls, to wake up in this matter of the evil influences which so effect our young people.

But the work is too great for any one person or any one body of people. It will take the united effort of the "Law and Order League," the United Brethren, Christian, Methodist and Presbyterian church people, also every other person that is interested in this work. For it is the duty of every one who would like to see a cleaner town and kept clean.

Litchfield is a pretty good town and there are good people here, but we think there are a few shady spots, and damp places, (j. j. springs) that need a ray of light into.

Now in regard to the writer's statement that no official of the church was asked for permission of the church I will say that permission was asked and given by at least one of the elders, who is, I suppose, more regular in attendance than any other man who attends the Presbyterian church. Besides everyone thought, I believe, that it was by common consent, or it is considered an honor for any church to have a meeting held in the cause of temperance or any good cause, and further the Presbyterian church holds more people than the other church; for that reason the announcement was made for the Presbyterian church.

I also wish to set right the writer's statement in regard to the possibly half dozen that were there that lean towards the "Presbyterian faith." There were eight there that I know of and at least six of that number are as live members as the church has in Litchfield; one is our organist and three of them members of the choir, besides all six were faithful workers in all the affairs of the church. All were women, however. There were a few others that for unavoidable reasons could not get to the meeting, though, nevertheless were in favor of it, active members also.

Now, I have been wondering what the writer considers that "True Presbyterian Faith" stands for, does it stand for "aristocracy" and sitting on the fence with the eyes closed to the evils that it is our duty to fight and keep down, and in fear that some persons may be hurt or that some financial support of the church may be lost? I do not believe that such is the Presbyterian faith. I think but very few, if any, of the Presbyterians believe so, or even want it practiced, especially a "true Presbyterian."

I will say in conclusion that we feel very grateful and encouraged the way so many of our leading farmers have put their "shoulders

to the wheel" (and it is turning), especially those along Clear Creek and our German Russian friends northeast of town for what is our welfare and interests, are the farmers' also. And a word here for our business men who have so courageously stood for the right, and the betterment of our town and community, don't forget them. Carl Farnsworth.

P. S. This letter is not sent or intended as any part to any controversy. No bitterness toward anyone whatever, but simply sent to set right certain things that may and have created a wrong impression. C. F.

FRESHMAN GIVE JUNIORS PARTY

Last Friday evening in Gzehoviak hall the freshmen of our high school entertained the juniors at a feed and pleasant evening. A proposition by the pupils to end the evening with a dance was promptly vetoed by the superintendent and teachers. However, later, after the superintendent was trailed to his home and supposed to be snugly ensconced in the arms of Morpheus, the kids returned to the hall, lighted up and started the d sired inspiration, when just as things were getting warmed up nicely, the superintendent came in upon them once more. It is reported that the surprisers were not the most agreeably surprised, while the ending came with surprising surprisedness. Just what surprise is in store may prove a further surprise before the history of the surprising affair is completed.

"The Corner Grocery"

The rural comedy hit, The Corner Grocery, with Boyd Burrows and a big company of comedians, singers and dancers will be the attraction at the Loup City opera house one night Dec. 20. The Corner Grocery tells a lively story of life among the backwoods district of Indiana, their joys, sorrows and amusements are interpreted by a company of ability and merit. A complete equipment of special scenery serves to frame a series of stage pictures of great beauty and naturalness, and each scene is interwoven with a natural comedy element which completes a most enjoyable entertainment. Among the vaudeville features introduced in the action of the play and between acts are "The Musical artists; Boyd and Iva Burrows, Comedy sketch; Prof. Gilmore, violin virtuoso; Miss Marie Chiquet, singing soubrette; Charles Dawes, English Tenor in some classy vocal solos; Miss Haze Gilmore, comedienne. A rare musical treat is the concert orchestra under direction of Prof. Gilmore. Two free band concerts on the street daily. Seats now on sale at Vic Swanson's.

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Bids for County Supplies Notice to Bidders

I, L. B. Polski, county clerk of Sherman county, Nebraska, estimate the following books, blanks and stationery will be required for the use of the county officers for the ensuing year: Lot one:—Three gross lead pencils, best grade; one gross pen holders, twelve quarts writing fluid, twelve gross steel pens, twenty-four gross assorted rubber bands, one gross indelible election pencils, three dozen election ink cones, eight quite record books (two printed head, two printed forms and four plain) patent flexible back, flat opening best linen paper; four loose leaf records, 700 pages to book (two plain and two printed forms), 6000 tax receipts in duplicate, bound and perforated together with carbon paper, thirteen sets of poll books, envelopes, seven cattle mortgage files, 200 to book. Lot two:—1000 one-eighth sheets blanks; 5000 one-fourth sheet blanks; 3000 one-half sheet blanks; 5000 full sheet blanks, all blanks to be of good quality paper; 3000 note heads; 6000 letter heads, note heads, thirteen sets of poll books, envelopes, seven cattle mortgage files, 200 to book. Lot three:—Court dockets, one case to page, indexed with list of jurors, on cap paper in lots of forty; 6000 election ballots.

Sealed bids for each or any of the above three lots of supplies must be filed with the county clerk at his office in Loup City, Nebraska, on or before noon of the 31st day of December, 1914. Sealed bids will also be received and must be filed in the county clerk's office on or before noon of the 31st day of December, 1914, for publishing delinquent tax list, county treasurer's financial statement, road and bridge notices and other notices required by the county.

The county board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Dated at Loup City, Nebraska, this 1st day of December, A. D. 1913. L. B. POLSKI, County Clerk.

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AUFRECHT VACATION

To All Whom It May Concern: The commissioner appointed to vacate that part of the public road commencing at a point where road number 142 intersects with road number 58, and running thence in a westerly direction about 46 rods and there terminating, has reported in favor of its vacation. Therefore, all claims for damages and objections thereto, must be filed in the office of the county clerk on or before noon of the 12th day of February, A. D. 1914, or such road will be vacated without reference thereto.

Dated at Loup City, Nebraska, November 29th, 1913. L. B. POLSKI, County Clerk.

Last Pub. Jan. 1st.

Articles of Incorporation

The Austin Irrigation Ditch Company of Sherman County, Nebraska

Know All Men By These Presents: That we the undersigned, residents of Sherman county, Nebraska, do associate ourselves together for the purpose of forming and becoming a corporation under the laws of the state of Nebraska.

ARTICLE I The name of this Corporation shall be "The Austin Irrigation Ditch Company of Sherman County, Nebraska."

ARTICLE II The principal place of transacting the business of this Corporation shall be at Austin, in Sherman county, Nebraska.

ARTICLE III The general nature of the business to be transacted and conducted by this said Corporation shall be to appropriate and use the waters flowing in the Middle Loup river in the State of Nebraska for the purpose of irrigating lands in Sherman county, susceptible of and for irrigation from its canal, laterals and ditches, and for its purposes to erect and maintain a dam in said Middle Loup river and the necessary structures and appliances for diversion and appropriation of its waters thereof at a point near said Austin, Nebraska, in said county of Sherman; to construct, maintain and operate a principal canal from said first point near said Austin, Nebraska, and running thence; southeasterly direction, to a point or place, near Rockville, in said Sherman county, Nebraska; and to a point on said Middle Loup river where its surplus waters can be conveniently and easily restored to said Middle Loup river; to construct and maintain all the proper and necessary branches, canals and lateral ditches for the distribution of water upon lands in said Sherman county, Nebraska, susceptible of and for irrigation from its canal, laterals and ditches; to construct and maintain head-pades, sluicess, flumes aqueducts, pipe lines, and all other devices connected with the use and sale of water for irrigation purposes; also, to construct and maintain reservoirs for the storage of waters, to erect and maintain such buildings and structures as may be necessary, convenient and proper for the carrying out of said enterprise, undertaking and business, and to purchase and hold real estate as a site, or place, for such buildings or structures, and for the right of way of said principal canal and its branches and lateral ditches and reservoirs. Said corporation shall have power to divert, use, appropriate, buy, sell and lease water for irrigation purposes. Said corporation shall have power to buy, sell, lease and improve lands which are so situated as to be susceptible for irrigation purposes for its canal, laterals and ditches and also any tract through which any of them shall run.

ARTICLE IV The authorized capital stock of said Corporation shall be TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, of which Fifty per cent shall be subscribed and paid for before the commencement of business, and the remainder of said capital stock to be paid at the call of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V This Corporation shall commence to exist on the First day of October, A. D. 1913, and terminate its existence on the First day of October, A. D. 1933.

ARTICLE VI The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which said corporation shall at any time be subject shall not exceed Two-Thirds of the paid-in Capital Stock.

ARTICLE VII The affairs and business of said Corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of five (5) members, to be elected by the stockholders; such election shall take place and at such time and be conducted in such manner as shall be prescribed by the by-laws of said corporation.

ARTICLE VIII No person shall be eligible to become a member of the Board of Directors unless he is a Stockholder of said corporation.

ARTICLE IX The Board of Directors shall have power to fill a vacancy in the membership of said board in the interval between one election and another.

ARTICLE X The officers of said Corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be chosen by the Board of Directors, and shall hold their respective office for the period, or term, of one (1) year, and until their successor is elected and qualified.

ARTICLE XI At all meetings of the Stockholders each share of stock shall be entitled to one (1) vote, which may be cast in person or by proxy.

ARTICLE XII All meetings of the stockholders shall be held at the office or place of business of the Corporation provided and designated in the by-laws.

ARTICLE XIII The Board of Directors shall require the Treasurer of said Corporation to give a Bond in at least twice the amount of moneys which shall come into its hands at any time by virtue of his office, with sureties to be approved by the Board of Directors.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this 31st day of October, 1913.

W. S. FLETCHER, R. C. FLETCHER, R. E. GILMORE, F. O. HENRIKSON, ED. ISAACSON, NICHOLAS DADDOW, HIRAM HARTWELL.

In the presence of ROBERT P. STARR, Witness to each and every signature.

State of Nebraska, ss

County of Sherman, ss Be it known, that on this 31st day of October, A. D. 1913, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for Sherman county, Nebraska, personally came W. S. Fletcher, R. C. Fletcher, R. E. Gilmore, F. O. Henrikson, Ed. Isaacson, Nicholas Daddow, Hiram Hartwell, to me known to be the identical persons who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged said instrument to be their voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal the day and year last above written. ROBERT P. STARR, Notary Public.

My commission expires on the 2nd day of October 1915.

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