From J. C. L. Wisely.

Sargent Nebr., Oct. 12, 1902.

EDITOR REPUBLICAN:—Dear Sir: Will you kindly allow me space in your paper to correct a misrepresentation which appeared in last week's Beacon, which said:

"Fred Cummings has written a letter to one Wisely, who thinks he is the real thing in a great industrial upheavel as wide as the world, in which he declines to be a candidate on the solcialist ticket for county attorney. Mr. Cummings is to be congratulated upon the good sense he has displayed in refusing to be a catspaw to further continue in power a political party whose record in the state and county is commendable neither to intelligence nor patriatism."

I was quite positive when I published Mr. Cumming's letter of withdrawal that the fusion (or democrat) papers would sieze upon it and garble and misrepresent what he said, in order to gain a partisan advantage and to try to belittle the socialist movement in this county. To show the extent to which the Beacon has done so, I will give Mr. Cumming's letter in full:

Cooleyton, Neb., Sept. 27, 1902.

Mr. J. C. L. Wisely, Sargent, Nebr. Dear Sir: Yours of the 17th received. In reply would say that I cannot be a candidate for the office of county attorney. I was a delegate in the convention that nominated Holcomb and helped nominate him, and while I expect to vote the most of the socialist ticket, yet I cannot do anything that would have a tendency to defeat Holcomb. Thanking you for the honor and with best wishes for the success of the ticket, I am yours truly.

FRED CUMMINGS.

The county committe filled the vacancy caused by Comrade Cumming's withdrawal by nominating O. E. Hazen, of Cooleyton. Anyone reading the Beacon's account of Comrade Cumming's withdrawl would arrive at the conclusion that he had repudiated the socialist movement entirely and that he intended to vote the fusion ticket clear through. Those who read Comrade Comming's letter will readily see how unwarranted such a conclusion would be. The fact of the matter is that Mr. Cummings together with hundreds of other farmer populists in this county will never again attend a fusion convention or vote a fusion ticket. The fusionists have asked you to vote in two campaigns for a democrat for president and a democrat for vice-president. In 1901 they asked you to vote for a democrat for governor and this year a democrat for county attorney. The great majority of populists have become tired of being used as catspaws to pull democrat chestnuts out of the fire. When they left the old parties along in the '90's they left them for good, and they are not going to be forced, wheedled or eajoled into becoming democrats. Fusion has killed the populist party, as it will kill any other new party. The populist party being dead, and neither of the old parties standing for populist principles, what is the fusion populist to do? He has a refuge. He can come with the socialist party, which stands for everything good in populism; which stands for that fundamental principle of the Omaha platform that wealth belongs to him who creates it and every dollar taken from labor without an equivalent is robbery. Socialism will secure to every producer every dollar's worth of wealth that he creates. Do the fusionists propose any plan whereby this result can be secured. No. every producer who votes the fusion ticket votes against his own interests and the interests of his family. Fusion will be beaten worse this fall than it ever befor has been. Don't throw away your vote on it Mr. Farmer and Mr. Laborer, for it stands for nothing that will improve your condition in life and help your family. Leave the sinking ship and turn your faces to the rising sun of socialism, which is causing hope to fill the hearts and lighten the faces of the workers of the world.

The Beacon's misrepresentation and garbling of the sentiments contained in Comrade Cumming's letter will prove a boomerang to the fusionests. Instead of gaining votes for them as they hoped, it will lose them many votes. The ordinary voters love to see a little fairness and honesty even toward a political opponent.

Yours Truly,
J. C. L. WISLEY.

The Broken Bow Equality Club.

The Equality Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Kate Beal, Oct. 24th. The following program will be rendered:

Hymn—America.
Roll call—Response with suffrage quotations from prominent men and women.
Current Events—Discussion.
Parlimentary Laws—Organization, Duties of office, The Headquarters Message.
Reading—Equal Suffrage Leaflet, "The Case of Washington" by Alice Stone Blackwell. "Why I Am a Suffragist."
Ex-temporaneous speeches—Three minutes by each member.
Paper—Nebraska Laws.
Relating to Women—Laura Greeg.
Petitions to the next legislature.

Refreshments free.

JULIA WILLIS, Sec'y.

A New Star Appears.

The advent of the new daily at Lincoln, the Star, gives the people of the state the only real evening newspaper in the state. It has full, unabridged associated press, the latest and most complete market reports in the west, a full special state report every day by wire from its own staff of correspondents, and all matters of local or state interest are handled in a bright newsy manner.

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SALOON MEN FIGHT MICKEY

Deal With Fusionists to Defeat Republican Candidate.

WOULD LET DOWN ALL THE BARS

Liquor Dealers Not Satisfied With the Present Liberal Laws—Their Real Ambition Is to Dominate Political Affairs of the State.

Lincoln, Oct. 13.—There is substantial evidence at hand to show that the fusionists have entered into a deal with the liquor interests to accomplish the defeat of J. H. Mickey, the Republican candidate for governor. Mr. Mickey is charged with the terrible offense of being a temperance man and the saloon element regards this as sufficient cause to marshal their forces against him.

The people of Nebraska placed on the statute books a law that represents a compromise with the liquor interests. It is not as drastic a measure as most people prefer, and, if anything, it grants liberties to the liquor dealers largely in excess of the expressed wishes of a large majority of the electors of Nebraska. Mr. Mickey voted for that law, hence he cannot be charged with entertaining intemperate hostility to the liquor traffic.

But this does not seem to satisfy the saloon element. They want all the bars that protect the home and society thrown down for them. They are not satisfied with trafficking in the vile liquids that steal away the brains and debauch the conscience of their fellow-man, but they want to traffic in politics and dominate the political affairs of the state.

The manhood of Nebraska will not consent to any such sovereignty. There are thousands of temperance men who have opposed prohibition because they doubted of its efficacy who will not hazard the risk in the event the saloon undertakes organized and concerted warfare against the principle of temperance. A saloonkeeper has the same right that any other voter has to vote for whom he pleases, but when an organization composed of saloonkeepers representing every political faith unites to defeat the candidate of a party, individuality is extinguished and the aspect changes. When this is done the question is at once raised of the rights of the business represented and the subject should be dealt with accordingly.

The liquor interests are playing with dynamite when they undertake the subversion of public sentiment. No line of business that obtains its right to exist through the good offices of popular suffrance is exempt from condign discipline when thrust beyond the bounds of propriety. Those best informed on the sentiment of the people of Nebraska are well aware that the enactment of prohibitive legislation has been stayed only by herculean efforts on the part of the opposition. It would require but little antagonism on the part of the saloon element to kindle an opposition and hostility that would not abate or be appeased until every saloon in the state was closed. In sentiment, Nebraska is a temperance state, with a potent tendency toward prohibition, and nothing is better calculated to focus this opposition on the saloon than for the saloon element to undertake by concerted action to control the political machinery of the state.

Mr. Mickey enjoys the distinction of being a fair-minded man and the attempt of the liquor dealers to defeat him merely because he abstains from the use of intoxicants, will, if pursued to the end, bring down upon them a storm from whose withering blasts Nebraska will afford no shelter.

WANTON EXTRAVAGANCE.

Compare That Record of the Fusionists With Present Administration.

Those who are interested in the welfare of those who by misfortune have become inmates of the state institutions and those who believe that these institutions should be honestly and economically conducted have every reason for supporting the Republican ticket and every reason for opposing the fusion ticket.

Everybody remembers the last fusion administration as an administration of extravagance, disharmony and scandal.

The records show that it squandered the funds and contracted debts in excess of the appropriations to the extent of $149,000.

In regard to disharmony the newspapers of both parties bear abundant evidence of an unceasing wrangle over spoils. There was not an institution that was not torn up all the time by internecine warfare with spoliation as the bone of contention. This resulted in poor and expensive management, in a waste of property and money and in the unfortunate inmates being sadly neglected.

In regard to scandal, the facts are still fresh in the realm of public opinion. Open and direct charges were made in the public prints of dishonesty. Nearly every state institution was included in the bill of impeachment. Here a superintendent was charged with dissipating the funds and there with emboldened thievery. It was so apparent that no one attempted to deny the charge and it was so widespread and general that it engrossed the entire state administration and the only way it could have been suppressed was by the appointment of a receiver.

When an administration spends all the money appropriated by the legislature and $149,000 besides, as was done by the last fusion administration, there is just one of two things responsible for it—wanton extravagance or wholesale dishonesty. As a matter of fact the evidence shows both.

The incumbent Republican administration stands without a mark of dishonesty or extravagance against it. There have been no quarrels over spoils and no scandals in the state institutions. The very best men to be found in the Republican party were placed in charge of these institutions. Honesty and fitness were two things that were always considered in making appointments. This has resulted in the inmates being well treated and in the institutions being well managed. The institutions were never in the history of the state officered by a better class of superintendents. Every one of them was chosen because of special fitness. Every one of them has established a record for honesty, economy and efficiency. Those who have had occasion to visit the institutions are profuse in their praise of the officers in charge.

It means a great deal to the state whether the state institutions are well managed. An increase of 1 per cent per capita per day to the average mind would appear too trivial to take notice of, and yet an increase of 1 per cent per capita means a daily loss to the state of $32. One cent a day increase at the Hastings asylum means a loss to the state of $8 per day.

There are over 3,000 inmates in the various institutions of the state. An increase of 5 cents per capita per day would mean a loss to the state of over $58,000 in a year.

It was by watching these seeming trifling things that the Republicans made a large saving.

Dare Any Farmer Say He Has Not Prospered?

With all the talk and clamor about oppressive trusts, the fact remains that the people of Nebraska generally are more prosperous and are making more money than ever before. Owing to the high price of farm and meat products, the farmers and stock growers of Nebraska will receive 50 per cent more for their surplus products this year than they did in 1896.

Everything that is grown on the farm has gone up in price and has increased in purchasing capacity. A few hogs will sell for enough to build a good barn and a few more will bring enough to build a house. An ordinary hog will bring $30 and an ordinary steer, $60 to $80. In 1896 pork was $3.75 per hundred and beef cattle $4, or about 40 per cent less than now. Corn has gone up, wheat has gone up and interest rates have fallen.

The crop this year will sell for $20,000,000 more than it would at the close of the Cleveland administration. The merchant, the farmer, the laborer, the professional man—everybody is more prosperous than ever before. Do you want a change?

A Remarkable Spectacle.

If the fusionists overlooked anything during the Poynter administration it was because it was invisible to eyes that were keen and beyond reach of appetites that were ravenous.

In one of the congressional districts one of their number was elected to congress. He celebrated the event by moving his family into a state institution that happened to be located in his district. When he went to Washington his family remained at the institution and was kept at the state's expense during his term. When he returned from congress, he made his home at the institution with his family. Finally sickness overtook him and the very remarkable spectacle was presented of a member of congress being buried from a state institution. This story is recited merely to illustrate to what extent the fusionists while they were in power foraged on the taxpayers.

Diet of Plug Tobacco for Infants.

The bill of fare at the Home of the Friendless during the last fusion administration must have been one distinguished principally for variety. The population of that institution consists of homeless children, but during the fusion administration bills were rendered for whole boxes of plug tobacco and wagon loads of oats. Oats and tobacco is a rather strange diet for little children, but then that administration is noted for all sorts of innovations. At Beatrice it bought harnesses for the inmates and at the Soldiers' Home at Milford, where the inmates were at that time all males, it bought ribbons, laces and fancy underwear, devised, adopted and designed for the opposite sex.

Fowler's Record Becoming Famous.

The voters of Nebraska made a wise choice when they elected Prof. W. K. Fowler superintendent of public instruction. Prof. Fowler is one of the most thorough school men in the state. He has exercised a keen interest in school work for many years, and since he has been at the head of the department of public instruction he has devoted every minute of his time to the educational interests of Nebraska. It is admitted by those interested in education the state over that the schools have made splendid progress under his direction. He is devoted to the work and allows no opportunity to improve the system of instruction to escape him.

Repudiation of Bryan.

A solid Republican delegation to congress will be a notice to the whole country that Nebraska has been forever and unconditionally divorced from doctrines that beget industrial depression and unstable currency. Nebraska has enjoyed exceptional prosperity and the more the world at large is impressed with the understanding that Nebraska repudiates and has no sympathy with Bryanism, the greater will be the degree of prosperity.

ROUND VALLEY

Another good soaking rain Saturday and Sunday.

Bert Francoies and his wife spent Sunday with the Ottun family.

Sam Weinman is now living on Croppers old farm, with his wife formerly Miss Bertha Wilhoit.

The yound folks of the valley had a surprise party at Wm. Ellingson last Tuesday evening.

N. K. Lee is together with Alfred Larson building a small barn for Julius Ottun on his valley farm.

Last Sunday evening Tolef T. Olsen and Wm. Weinman arrived in the valley again from the hayfields.

Wm. Weinman had a new suit of cloths, a fine horse and saddel to show for his stay away in the west, but what had the rest of the party.

Anna Hall went to Grand Island last Monday to marry Thomas Widerel; she was accompanied by her sister Helen, who will return the later part of the week.

Tolef Olsen is building a frame house for Frank Witmus on the eighty acre lot, which now is in contest by Fred Weinman. Said contest to come off at the landoffice November 6th.

There are more cattle to be fed in this neighborhood this year than at any time before. Frank Witmus is now feeding one carload of mixed cattle, Joe Haumont is feeding one carload of steers and Burt Francoies is going to feed a car load of steers.

Last Saturday evening this valley was favored with a socialist speach by Rev. G. E. Bigelow from Lincoln, candidate for Governor on the socialist ticket. On account of bad weather the crowed was small, but he made some believe if the socialist had the power, we would not need work more than two or three hours a day and live as comfortable as a prince. What a foolish world we live in.

RYNO

J. M. McClure lost a cow last week, supposed to be caused by the corn stalk disease.

It is in order now to predict the weather for the coming winter. Some say it will be a hard winter as the corn has unusual heavy husks, another says the cattle are so well haired and then we have the goose bone and hog melt to hear from.

And I am wondering when the Indian summer will come in if it continues raining. The Century Dictionary explanation of this interesting season is in the following words: Any period of unusual quiet, dry and hazy weather, even if it lasts only a few days may be designated the Indian summer, providing its occurs at any time between the middle of September and the early part of December. My understanding of Indian summer is that we must have snow and cold weather called sgnaw winter followed by fair weather when the Indians kill their winter meat.

M. E. Conference Appointments.

The M. E. Conference held at Ord recently made the following appointment for the Kearney district:

D. W. Crane, presiding elder, Kearney; Ausley, L. W. Chandler; Arcadia, F. L. Shenk; Arnold, A. J. Armstrong; Broken Bow, G. P. Trites; Burwell, to be supplied; Callaway, N. H. Miles; Cozad, J. A. Badcon; Elm Creek, R. H. Thompson; Gothenburg, A. Chamberlain; Gibbon, T. M. Ransom; Kearney, First church, C. A. Mastin; Loup City, J. Madly; Lexington, E. A. Knight; Lexington circuit, W. L. Beers; Merna, W. E. Matthews; New Hope, S. C. Tubbs; North Loup, E. H. Keifer; Overton, E. Markley; Ord, W. H. Forsyth; Ord circuit, H. F. Weeks; Pleasant Hill, A. M. Carpenter; Ravenna, H. M. Pinckney; Ringgold, W. L. Beers, Sargent, J. Lisle; Shelton, M. T. Stiffler; Sumner and Miller, A. Coslet; Walnut Grove, S. C. Tubbs; Westerville, W. C. Swartz; Whitman and Mullen, E. W. McMillan; Beaver City, W. H. D. Hornaday.

Conference Evangelist—James Leonard.

Missionary in Wyoming—D. D. Forsyth.

Rev. W. A. Tyler, will attend school another year. Rev. W. E. Hardaway is again presiding-elder of the Holdrege district and Rev. J. F. Hagerman returns to Wauneta.

FREE LIBRARY.

Ryerson & Watts are establishing a library of choice literature, which they proposed to furnish to the public free of charge. It will consist of books of a religeous character and other books of high moral tone. The library will be kept clean from books of doubtful character, so that any one wishing good literature may know where to find it. Go in and get a book to read one week free. All is asked is your promise to keep it in good condition and return it within the week. If any one has books of above stated character which they wish read they will be gladly accepted and put to practical use. Every one should improve this liberal opportunity as every book will be worth the reading. Location in the Post Office Store.

Market Report for Today.

Wheat	$ .47
Barley	.25
Oats	.22
Corn	.21
Rye	.32
Butter	15
Eggs	.15
Potatoes, per bushel	25
Onions, per bushel	1.00
Chickens, per pound	.08
Hogs	6 60
Cows	$2 75 @ 4.00
Steers	$4 00 @ 5.50
Turkeys, per pound	.16
Straw, per cwt	.10
Hay, New, per ton	3.50
Sugar, per cwt	5 50