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## Sprecher Disgusted With Bryan.

Sprecher, the editor of the Schuyler Free Lance is out in strong article in which he denounces Bryan, after voting for and supporting him twice for President. Among other things he has the following to say:  
"The editor of the Free Lance is not a republican and does not expect to be. This editor is a populist in belief and endorses the principles of that party which has nominated Tom Watson again for President. He is for the Platform that Tom Watson runs on and is an admirer of Watson's, and voted for him four years ago. But this year in Nebraska a populist cannot vote for Watson owing to the manipulation of the electors by the

machine element of the party, which is made up of a lot of masquerading democrats. In Nebraska this year a populist cannot vote for Watson and must be disfranchised or else choose from the other nominees.  
"Above all else this year, the Free Lance editor is opposed to the election of W. J. Bryan to the presidency because he is simply disgusted with the standing candidate, who is apparently for or against, any proposition that will net him votes. In 1896 when Bryan ran for President the first time, the writer was enthusiastically for him and was a 'silver' advocate, not that we considered his bimetalism a solution of the money question, but because we were opposed to the single gold standard and looked upon 'free silver' as a step in the right direction of an increase of currency. But it was a part of the 'intrinsic value' sophistry as was the gold standard idea and a makeshift at best.  
"In 1900, when still standing by his 'free silver' ideas, Bryan made the fake of anti-imperialism and anti-militarism his chief issues. He based his charges of imperialism on the Philippine policy of the government, after he was to a great extent responsible for it, and his cry of the dangers of a large standing army was buncombe. While not a warm supporter of his, still he was voted for that year because we were not a McKinley advocate.  
"But Bryan's actions since 1900 and his present campaign work and talk are such that we cannot support him and feel it a duty to oppose his

election and in the most effective manner."  
"Bryan has deserted 'free silver,' he dropped 'government ownership' he is weak on 'imperialism, and he is not frantically calling attention of the American people to the dangers of our 'enormous' standing army, but what he is doing aside from bidding for the labor vote is to go before the people on a lot of little matters that at best are but policies and not principles, such as guarantee of bank deposits and publicity of campaign contributions, and with the war cry of 'Let the people rule,' which is the rankest sort of buncombe and the words of a grandstand player.  
**Debs Don't Like Bryan.**  
Eugene V. Debs, the Socialist Candidate for President, in a speech in Des Moines, Iowa, last week was heartily applauded by some 2000 working men who had gathered to hear him when he had the following to say of Mr. Bryan:  
The Nebraskan, said Mr. Debs, claims to represent both the Capitalist and the working men.  
"No man can do this any more than he can ride two horses at the same going in opposite directions," he said. "I admire Mr. Taft the more because he frankly admits representing the capitalistic classes. When Haywood Moyer and Pettibone had been kidnapped and were threatened with the loss of their lives, Mr. Bryan was appealed to as the friend of the people, but he uttered never a word. Is that the kind of a man you want for Presi-

dent of the United States? He has had himself photographed hand in hand with Chas. Murphy, of Tammany Hall, which is the most corrupt political organization in the country. And Mr. Bryan is photographed with Murphy because he wants to carry New York. With Robert Sullivan whom Mr. Bryan classed worse than a train robber, Mr. Bryan is now working side by side for the success of the Democratic party."  
Over at Des Moines, Ia., on Aug. 21st, Candidate Bryan made a tariff reform speech which in fact was not an advocacy of tariff reform but a plain appeal for free trade, although the Peerless tries to cover his real intentions by a copious use of the word "reform" in this connection. In this speech Candidate Bryan had much to say about "wills" and how an intelligent man would proceed to make a will and leave to his wife and children exactly the share of the property which he desired them to have. This is a good subject for Candidate Bryan in view of the will he drew for the late Philo S. Bennett of Connecticut with the secret letter attachment which made Candidate Bryan a beneficiary to the extent of \$50,000 in the Bennett estate. In drawing the will for Mr. Bennett, Candidate Bryan did not follow the rule he lays down at Des Moines of putting each bequest plainly in the will. He was willing to get into the Bennett will without publicity, and lost out in court when the widow contested.

C. C. Dewey of Shenandoah, Iowa, is visiting old friends in the county. C. D. was one of the early settlers of Custer.  
**Card of Thanks.**  
We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the friends and relatives, who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our beloved father.  
Mrs. F. Ford, W. H. Smets, Mrs. F. J. Uhlman, Julian Smets, Mrs. Wm. Uhlman, Nicholas Smets, Elizabeth A. Smets, Cashman Smets.  
**Card of thanks.**  
We desire to extend our sincere thanks to the many neighbors and friends for the kindly assistance and sympathy tendered to us during the sickness, death and burial of our baby.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. MOHAT.  
**BUSINESS POINTERS.**  
Dr. Bass, Dentist, Over McCombs.  
See Dr. Talbot for Rambler and Mitchell Automobiles.  
You will need extra white dishes during harvest time. J. W. Scott wants you to see his line.  
Drs. Farnsworth & Beck - Dentists.  
Save time and money by attending Custer College. Write for free catalog to Loren Cornett, Pres., Broken Bow, Nebr.  
New 4 room cottage for sale, also furnished rooms to rent.  
12-11 MRS. L. L. SHARP.  
I have three city properties for sale very reasonable.  
11-11 GEO. PAPINEAU.  
A limited amount of old wheat Flour on hand which will be sold at a discount at Scotts.  
I have just received a car load of Jay-hawk Stacks and Sweeps that I will sell reasonable while they last. See J. C. Hutt or Groat & Van Antwerp at Groat's old stand, Broken Bow, Nebr. 2-11  
Edward Dodd, physician and surgeon. Diseases of women a specialty. Office phone 260, residence 248. All cases promptly attended.  
Just received a large shipment of White Dishes for Harvest and Threshing at J. W. Scott's.  
Now is the time to fix your fences. We have Hedge, Red Cedar and two by four Oak Posts and all kinds of building material.  
DIRRKS LUMBER & COAL CO.  
A second grade certificate can be secured in one year by a seventh or eighth grade pupil at Custer College. Fall term begins Sept 21 in our new brick building. Write for catalog.  
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**For Rent.**  
Two unfurnished rooms in Custer Block during fair week or will rent for month. Inquire at REPUBLICAN office.  
Dr. Bartholomew is now located in his new office south of the Realty Block and is prepared to do all kinds medical, surgical or optical work. He has everything for the successful treatment of acute, chronic or special diseases. His office is equipped with modern appliances and the prices he is making on optical work cannot be duplicated. 14-11  
**For Rent.**  
Good 5 room house, barn, cave windmill, 8 lots with plenty of fruit. Inquire of A. W. Drake.

**\$25.00 MORE IN CASH PRIZES.**  
BRING YOUR POULTRY TO THE FAIR NEXT WEEK.  
EXHIBIT IN NEW AUDITORIUM  
Don't Forget to See the Indians. The Grand Special Prize Will Be Divided Into Five Prizes. \$5.00 Each.  
The poultry department at our County Fair this year promises to be one of the most important and most attractive features.  
Until a year or so ago this department was very much neglected but now the management of

the association are awake to the fact of its importance and are giving it the attention it deserves. They are also awake to the fact that there is as good fancy poultry in Custer County as anywhere in Nebraska.  
The Superintendent informs us that they will offer \$25.00 in cash prizes and that this is in addition to the regular premiums stated in the premium list. This Grand Cash Special will be divided into five prizes and awarded as follows:  
\$5.00 for best display of Barred Plymouth Rocks.  
\$5.00 for best display of White Wyandottes.  
\$5.00 for best display of the Asiatic Class.  
\$5.00 for best display in Mediterranean Class.  
\$5.00 for best display in the English Class.  
In each case the best display will be decided by points and the person having the greatest number of points will be the winner. First prize to count five

points, second prize to count three points. It is possible for one exhibitor to win four prizes provided he has the quality in his birds, namely, first and second on fowls and first and second on chicks.  
Those with whom we have talked about these grand cash specials concede that it will bring out a large number of birds. Considering this, it will be well for you to look well to the quality of the specimens you bring. It may be well to add right here that some preparation of your birds will pay you. Catch them a few days before the Fair and coop them if possible. Clean their legs, wash their faces, combs, and wattles and put a little vaseline on their face, comb and wattles. If you will do this you will be surprised at the improvement in their appearance.  
A poultry show is the best poultry school in the world. Come out, bring your birds, talk it over with the other fellow and profit by the the experience of others.  
This year we expect to see a good display of pet stock, pigeons, hares, rabbits. All will be given and you are urged to bring whatever you have and help make this year's show a hummer.  
The Supt. will exhibit his birds that won the Blue at the State Fair last week but these birds will not compete for any of the prizes.  
Don't come to the Fair and say that you had better birds at home but bring them along and show them.  
**Another Attraction.**  
Aside from the many attractions which have been already secured and which have been noted in this paper, the management informs us that they have secured Capt. A. G. Shaw, formerly of the 11th. O. V. C., who

will perform his thrilling and daring feat of fairly fastening a lady tight between knives and battle axes, thrown from quite a distance.  
**Bring Your Exhibits.**  
Our farmer friends should not forget to bring their exhibits of grains, stock, etc., and capture some of the premiums offered by the fair association. Bring the whole family, tell your neighbors to come and also that the fair is bigger, better and grander than ever.  
**Automobiles to Have New Roads.**  
There will be no danger of teams becoming frightened on the street leading to the Fair Grounds as arrangements have been made for the Autos to go down the railroad right of way to the grounds.  
**\$800 Horse Race.**  
There are already six entries in this race from different states and it will be the best race ever seen in this part of Nebraska.  
**Something All the Time.**  
The ball ground will be illuminated at night with gas and the people will have an opportunity of seeing the latest fad in base ball.  
The Indians are on the road. The large Sioux in his war paint will let out war whoops and execute war dances every night. The squaw and her papoose are also coming. Thirty Indians in all.  
The balloon man has shipped his air vehicle. The guileless wonder, the wild riding, Indians chasing cattle, Wilson in his wild west exhibits and the merry-go-rounds will all be here.  
**On Trip Around The World.**  
Captain N. Trennt and wife of London, England, were in the city Monday night to take train for Seattle, Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Trennt had been visiting the Captains brothers, William and Fred Trennt, near Pilot, since the first of June and were very much impressed with this part of Uncle Sam's domain. They will visit Japan and other countries before reaching home about Christmas. Mr. Trennt was Captain on a liner running between London and Japan for twenty-one years and during that time never met with an accident to his ship, although he said he had many narrow escapes. They are pleasant people to meet and the friends they made while here hope that they will decide to return to this part of the world to live. They were the guests of J. B. Osborne and wife while in this city.

Bow Cemetery. Mr. Hughes leaves a wife and two daughters and a host of friends to mourn his death.  
**Fourth Quarterly Conference.**  
The Fourth Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church was held Monday evening in this city. Rev. L. H. Shumate, Dist. Supt. was present. He reports finding the church in this section in good shape.  
**Reese's Durocs.**  
About 30 head 1 month to 3 years old, from the Custer County Herd of Duroc-Jerseys owned by John Reese, will be on exhibition at the Custer County Fair. The blood of the great hogs, Crimson Wonder, Ohio Chief and "Kant Be Beat" largely predominate in this great herd. The great boar, Crimson Wonder, Jr., large but active as a pig, with a number of his get, male and girls will be among the number on exhibition.  
Don't fail to see this exhibit of hogs from one of the best herds in the State and of the best breed on earth.  
**Marriage Licenses Issued.**  
Since Thursday of last week licenses to wed in Custer county have been issued as follows:  
Laye E. Kelley.....Berwyn  
Anna Ball.....Berwyn  
**OBITUARY.**  
Nicholas Smets was born in Belgium Sept. 8th 1848 and died Aug. 11th, 1908 in his 61st year. In 1870 he was married to Catharine Francois. In 1883 they came to America and with the exception of one year have continuously resided in Custer county, Nebraska. Ten children blessed their union, two died in infancy, the remaining eight all grown to man and womanhood, and one brother living in Belgium, are left to mourn his loss. His remains were laid to rest in the Round Valley cemetery beside those of his devoted wife followed by a large concourse of sorrowing friends.  
Farewell Father, thou hast left us  
And thy loss we deeply feel;  
But 'tis God who doest bereft us,  
He can all our sorrows heal.  
WISSERT.  
Lots of dry hot weather now days.  
Miss Amy Franklin is visiting a short time with her sister, Mrs. Sadie Sams.  
Alex Perrine and Albert Powell shipped two loads of cattle to Omaha Wednesday evening at Chester Sams.  
All report a fine time at the party Friday evening at Chester Sams.  
Dave Pirnie's baby is on the sick list. We hope for its recovery soon.  
Zella Goodner has returned home from a short visit in Iowa.  
Misses Maggie and Katie Pirnie visited with relatives and friends near Weisert the past week.  
Jim Peterson is back on the old farm near Weisert, keeping house for the bachelors, Nels and Andrews.  
Mrs. Will Ward from Sargent was called here on account of the illness of Mrs. Ora Pirnie's baby.  
Mr. Cookley and son Arthur made a business trip to Sargent Monday.  
We understand that Mr. Cookley has bought out the old Charlie Swanson hardware store in Sargent.  
John Pirnie and wife expect to make their home a short time on J. L. Sam's farm.  
Miss Ray Myers from Swiss Valley visited in this valley Saturday and Sunday.  
E. M. Piper is hauling lumber from Berwyn to build a granary.  
Every body is going to the big County Fair expecting a better time this year than they ever had before.  
Misses Sina Davis and Edna Luther have returned to Broken Bow to attend school.  
Clarence Barnes and sister Edie visited at Joe Swanson's Saturday and Sunday.

**A GREAT CASH SALE**  
S. P. Groat and Co. have decided to greatly reduce their immense stock of Furniture, Queensware, etc., and will sell at greatly reduced prices, for cash only, for the next three months. Come and get some of the many wonderful bargains at the Big Store.  
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**Temple Theatre**  
ALL NEXT WEEK  
Commencing  
**MONDAY NIGHT SEPT. 14.**  
**LEWIS STOCK CO.**  
BIGGER BETTER THAN EVER  
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**THE GREAT DIAMOND ROBBERY.**  
5 Act Melo-Drama. Specialties Between Acts  
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