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It is now quite apparent that the only opposition to the five mill levy to rebuild the court house comes from those who are in favor of county division. Yet we know of some who favor the levy who also favor division.

The way prices on hogs and cattle keep up in the face of the generally boycott in the east against them makes it appear that they are scarce. If general reports are true hogs are liable to be fewer instead of more before another crop is realized upon.

SOME of the Lincoln insurgents stopped insuring long enough the other day to banquet with the high brows of the Burlington railroad. The Star would turn several kinds of mental hand-springs if Senator Burkett were caught in such an act. The report did not say whether or not Bud Lindsey was present.

W. J. FRYAN has finally declared for county option and the initiative and referendum in submitting the questions of saloon license for the state. Had he taken that stand last winter when the democratic state legislature was in session he might have been able to have accomplished something along that line.

MAYOR JIM DAHLMAN and Gov. Shallenberger will not appreciate to any great extent the attitude of the Peerless W. J. on the question of county option. For it makes no difference which one secures the democratic nomination for governor he must realize his hope of success depends upon the support of the saloon element of the state.

THE effort of Congress at the present time to legislate against high prices of food stuff reminds us of the contrast since the good old democratic days when Grover Cleveland was our Chief executive. Then food stuff was not only low, but still worse we were not able to earn a dollar to buy the actual necessities of life. Worse calamity could strike us than high prices.

Now the electric light proposition is apparently an assumed fact the commercial club and city council have an open field and should not let up until a public sewerage and a city hall has been provided. These are improvements greatly needed. With the proper energy and push both of these may be reached this season.

THE city of Lincoln has the hardest fight of its life this spring to maintain its present attitude against saloon license. No community can effectually in one year fully prohibit the sale of intoxicants. Because there has been more or less violation of the law in the past year with the saloons shut out the friends of the open saloon will endeavor to make much of it and doubtless will be able to gain back some of the luke warm advocates who helped to vote out the saloon last year. It was two or three years after Broken Bow voted out the saloons before some of the business men were convinced that the town could grow and prosper without saloons. But after a dozen years without saloons there is scarcely a business man in Broken Bow that would vote in favor of a saloon.

THE showing made by a correspondent that the cost of food is relatively about the same in Germany as in the United States helps to substantiate the claim that it is all due to the cheapness of money. The reversal since 1896 of many things upon which financial and economic discussions are based is one of the wonders of modern times.—State Journal.

THE President has been attacked by radicals for his conservatism and by conservatives for his radicalism. That is the common experience of level-headed and strong-hearted public men. It was the experience of Washington and Lincoln in the great crises of our history. Heated and hasty judgment based on inadequate knowledge of affairs is not the verdict which is to be finally accepted.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

THE people get many wrong ideas from the newspapers. They are made to think by the Democratic newspapers that the tariff makes the trusts, and that because the Republican President and the majority of Republicans favor the tariff, that must mean that they also favor trusts and corporations. The truth is the Republican party is the only party that ever prosecuted a trust or corporation, and every Republican believes in punishing every trust and corporation that does wrong.—Hiawatha (Kan.) World.

What nearly every town needs is a more pronounced public spirit. Civic stagnation is the result of indifference and that indifference has its root in a selfishness that considers nothing but private gain. Take any community whose citizens are intent only on their private affairs and you find a community destitute of progress and public spirit. It is a short sighted policy based upon the wrong idea that it does not pay individually to spare even a fraction of time to devote to the general good. In truth it does not pay not to do it for in these pushing days the town destitute of that wholesome, wide awake spirit which makes for the public welfare falls behind. Other towns pass it by, draw away its trade, and leave it hopelessly in the rear as a fossilized specimen of antiquity petrified through clinging to a dead selfishness and obsolete methods.—Exchange.

Postal Savings Bank.

President Taft's Democratic critics will have another opportunity to eat crow. They have contended all along that the party pledges on which the present Chief Executive of the nation was elected were intended to catch votes. They especially insisted that there would be no effort to pass a measure to establish postal savings banks.

Predictions of these self-constituted prophets of evil have failed in many instances and there is abundant evidence that in regard to this particular matter they have fallen far short of the mark. The postal savings bank bill not only has reached the Senate, but carries with it the indorsement of the committee which considered it and goes before the members of Congress carrying all the influence of the administration.

Few Presidents have given more attention to the needs of the people at large and played peanut politics less than President Taft.

If his Democratic critics are sincere in their desire to establish a postal savings bank system they easily can assist in bringing to a successful issue a project which is devoid of politics and which should have been inaugurated half a century ago.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Warrington Hits the Nail on the Head.

Editor Warrington of Mason City Transcript pays his compliments to the Ansley Argosy:

Our esteemed friend Barks of the Ansley Argosy nearly threw a fit last week over our hundred thousand dollar court house proposition, and got off the usual twaddle about the farmers taxes. Brother Barks is a particular champion of the farmers on the tax deal. He fought, bled and (nearly) died for them last fall on the county division question and nearly howled his head off in the bargain to talk them into a scheme of building four new court houses and maintaining four county governments in place of one, all done no doubt with the object in view of decreasing the farmers taxes. Barks, you are a foxy lad; but not so foxy as "Foxy Grandpa." Even the most rampant advocate of county division knows that a court house for housing of the county officers and the safe keeping of the county officers and the safe keeping of the county records is an absolute necessity. Custer county has outgrown the day and age when all the county business can be done in a single room and when about the only place necessary to store the records in the officers, pockets or some convenient soapbox. Such accommodations might be ample and sufficient for one of Bro' Barks' little dinky five counties he will have to champion this year in order to save a whole lot more money to the farmers in taxes, but will not do for Custer county, which is still on the map with all its 48x54 miles in tact. A court house, then, being a necessity we favored building one of such proportions as would accommodate the growing business of the county and of such material as would insure and guarantee the safety of the valuable records of the county. We favor building a court house not for Broken Bow's benefit but for the benefit of all the people in Custer county, even including Bro. Barks. The proposition now before the people to tax the county 5 mills for the year 1910 to build a court house and jail will be no particular burden to any taxpayer. Barks' attempt to magnify it into a \$100,000 or \$150,000 for the exclusive benefit of Broken Bow is simply the meekest twaddle and moonshine.

Burkett, The Man And His Work.

The Insurgents, root, branch and blossom, are peculiarly adapted to a Democratic Atmosphere. The Anti-Burkett following is not large. Why? Because its a "Made in Lincoln" product and the demand for Lincoln products, throughout the state, is not great.

Lincoln first went dry, then it went morbid. Then a lot of people in Lincoln, disgusted, disgruntled and disloyal, to themselves and to their party. They wanted Burkett to buy up Washington, cut it up in big slices and dish it out to them. Burkett didn't do it, so now, they're trying to run the good Republican ship with a Democratic side wheel.

That Lincoln, of all places, should nurse a grudge against Burkett, is almost pathetic. Now what has he done for that City? He gave 'em the new Post Office and enlarged the Postal Service. He made that little town the seat of the Federal Court, and at every turn of the Congressional fly wheel, has copped out something choice for Lincoln and yet some of these Incubator Republicans, (commonly called Insurgents) are howling, "A new man for the Senate!" In Lincoln, the Insurgent Depository, contains men in general who have been disappointed in their efforts to land a Government job through Senator Burkett, and they are sore, downright sore. Outside of Lincoln, the Press is justified in taking its own stand, either for or against Burkett, but the Capital City, should to a man, stand back of the man who has done so much for them.

Senator Burkett is a young man, who has made good in every undertaking, both as a Congress-

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In Washington, on the floor of the Senate, Burkett is both feared and respected. His Colleagues no longer try to buy his favors, neither do they offer theirs in exchange. They know its useless. He is not a man to sit back in a corner, and let destiny do it all, he makes events, gets results, he is not a time killer, nor a money getter, but a hard worker, with heart, soul, conscience and mind in his work.
The Democrats are afraid of Burkett. They think Bryan could beat most any man in the state, but they don't think he can beat Burkett that's why they want Burkett out of the race.
There's one significant point about that Lincoln Insurgent meeting; not one old soldier was present. Now what has the Grand Army done? They've passed strong resolutions endorsing Burkett and they're for him to a man. This then, should make the heart of the Senator feel warm and glad.—Blaine County Booster.

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