

Important!

To the Voters of Red Willow County:

DEAR SIR: The primary election will be held, Tuesday, Sept. 1. This is an important event, for this election will largely determine who will be our officers and the policies they will pursue for the next two years, if not longer. We will that day say whether all the people, or a part of the people only, are to have a voice in public matters. Will you not consider these things?

You no doubt have received circulars and other matter from the saloon and other organizations, soliciting your help at the polls. The purpose of these allied powers is to secure a subsidized legislature that they can handle at will. Your interests are therefore at stake.

Among the issues demanding your attention there is none more important than that of County Option. This is true, first, because the tax-payers of the county will, if such a measure carries, be entitled to say whether or not they shall be taxed to pay the court costs of the saloon business. This is no small thing. In Red Willow county the cost to the county of only two cases that grew out of the liquor business, within the last year, has already reached the sum of \$3,415.88, and this is only a part of the burden.

The constitution gives us the right to express ourselves upon every question where we are subject to taxation. "No Taxation Without Representation." Shall we not contend for our rights. To stem the tide the saloon men are urging the sufficiency of the Slocumb law. But the Slocumb law provides that only the towns shall have a voice in this matter—the place where the saloon and her dupes are located. But farmers whose trade helps to build these towns, who help to pay the extra tax caused by the saloon, and whose boys are, many of them, corrupted by the saloon, ought to have a vote on the saloon question. County Option gives them this right. We urge you to attend the primary and vote on this proposition.

Now just a word about the candidates. It is well known that some of them stand "four square" on this question. They have printed their platforms. Others, without making a printed platform, have above their signatures pledged for County Option. No man need go outside his party to vote for such a man. John C. Gammill (Republican) of Stockville and Cecil E. Matthews (Democrat) of Bartley, candidates for State Senator from the 29th district, have declared themselves for this measure, as has also Frank Moore (Republican) of Indianola and John W. Hoppe (Democrat) of Bartley, for Representative. It is almost needless to say that S. R. Smith (Republican) of Indianola, candidate for County Attorney, is also alright on this question. All other candidates for the above named offices have had an opportunity to declare themselves, and they have either given an evasive answer or have ignored the question altogether.

But the man who has committed himself to be trusted on this question, and not only on this but on other problems. Their stand is an index to other things. Be sure and get to the polls and help to nominate them. No matter how busy you are, you can't afford to slight this important duty of citizenship. Remember that the polls are open from noon to 9 o'clock p. m.

PRESS COMMITTEE OF THE
MCCOOK ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

Burlington Route		McCook, Neb.		Burlington Route	
MAIN LINE EAST-DEPART:					
No. 6	(Central Time)	10:27 P. M.			
2	"	5:00 A. M.			
12	"	7:15 A. M.			
14	"	9:42 P. M.			
16	"	4:00 P. M.			
MAIN LINE WEST-DEPART:					
No. 1	(Mountain Time)	9:50 A. M.			
3	"	11:42 P. M.			
5	Arrives	8:00 P. M.			
13	"	10:25 A. M.			
15	"	12:17 A. M.			
IMPERIAL LINE					
No. 176	Arrives (Mountain Time)	5:05 P. M.			
No. 175	Departs	7:10 A. M.			

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RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Engine 703 is getting some new flues and other repairs.

John Brening is working in the backshop now, vice Hewitt.

Agent Cann of Danbury was a McCook business pilgrim, Tuesday.

Chase was in Oxford, yesterday, repairing the coal chute gasoline engine.

Conductor Carmony has Lewis' run on passenger and Burney has the 14376.

Conductor Wm. Hegenberger was up from the St. Francis branch Tuesday.

Douglas Wentz and Harry Adams are new members of McArthur's boiler gang.

Mrs. Harry Tyler and son Harold were up from Orleans, end-of-week on business matters.

Conductor Wilber Fish and family returned, Thursday morning, from their outing in the mountains.

Three train crews were taken out of service, yesterday, those affected being Conductors Kent, Martin and Nash.

Brakeman T. J. Clark returned, first of the week, from a trip to the San Luis valley and side points in Colorado.

Conductor T. A. Maleu returned from his vacation, first of the week, and resumed his run between Hastings and Red Cloud.

Conductor Burney is on furlough for ten days and will serve as official umpire during the ball tournament at Cambridge.

Machinist Tom Gettings has a badly mangled and broken hand, received, yesterday afternoon, by getting the member—right hand—in the turret machine in the machine shop.

C. M. Noble and cousin Mrs. Maggie Jeffries departed, Monday, on a visit east of several weeks. Chambersburg, Penna., is the principal point to be visited. Mr. Noble may also visit in Waynesboro, Altoona and other places in the Keystone state.

The Burlington expects at an early date to require passengers to present tickets to trainmen before boarding trains at stations where a reasonable opportunity is afforded for the purchase of tickets. This rule will meet with public approval especially if the company is required to provide the public with facilities for making the purchases of tickets at their stations—a condition which does not exist now at more than one station.

DANBURY.

Loyal Parker is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierre McFee of Oberlin are visiting at the home of Will Stone.

Lester and William Musgrave are suffering from the results of coming in contact with poison ivy.

Mrs. Al Boyer has been quite sick.

The Misses Kate and Dora Greenway have returned from their Iowa visit.

Lelia Burbridge who has been visiting her father near Franklin came back Friday of last week.

The Misses Hallie Green, Alta Morgan and Alice DeLong were McCook visitors, last Sunday.

James Springer and Earl Powell who have been sick with fever are both able to be out again.

Mrs. Mose Young and Mrs. W. A. Minnear have returned from their Kansas trip.

Mr. Cribben who has been visiting in the eastern part of the state is expected home Thursday of this week. He will be accompanied by his daughter Mrs. John Evers of Valparaiso who will visit at the McDonald home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Stigeboener were Bartley visitors first of the week. Mrs. Sarah Ruby who has been visiting in Bartley came home with them.

Dan Clouse of Indianola visited Sunday with relatives in Danbury.

The play given here Wednesday of last week by the Indianola young people was greatly enjoyed by all attending, the young folks doing exceedingly well for amateurs.

Ralph Stearns of Oberlin is visiting his uncle Robert Green.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Plumb is very low with but little hope of recovery.

The Sunday-school picnic at Marion was well attended and the different schools did themselves credit in the delivery of the programme.

Mrs. Cordia Harbaugh and children are visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. McGuire.

B. V. Lord and family visited in McCook a few days this week.

A Famous Poison Mystery.

England had a famous poison mystery in the last century. Two members of a great club in Manchester, both men of position and keen politicians, each received, apparently as a New Year's gift, small boxes containing a few cigars of the very highest quality apparently. Both were taken fearfully ill after smoking, and one of them subsequently died. The cigars were found to be loaded with poison, and it was said that the man who recovered only did so because he used a cigar holder. The facts were at first hushed up, because, as was said, the suspected sender, whose motive was revenge on account of a lady, was a man of wealth and power. But this subject was cleared, and the mystery was deepened by the following circumstances: A rich Manchester merchant, traveling one day in a railway car about the time of the incident related, got into conversation with a most agreeably and highly cultivated stranger, who finally offered his cigar case. The Manchester man was found at Leeds almost unconscious and the only occupant of the carriage. He grasped in one of his convulsed hands the cigar he had been smoking, and after analysis showed it to be identical with the others. He recovered, but the stranger was never discovered.

Easy Way to Be Generous.

In a church of a New England village was an old man who had all the Christian graces save one, and that was the grace of liberality. He would do anything in the world for the cause of religion but give up his money. At the close of the financial year 1863 the church found itself \$400 in debt. A church meeting was called, and it was voted to circulate a subscription paper on the spot and endeavor to thus raise the sum needed. This was done, and the old gentleman did not put his name on the paper. The result was rather disheartening, \$200 only having been pledged. Silence reigned for a moment, when one of the most generous men in the church moved that "we double our subscriptions." Instantly the old gentleman was on his feet and with extraordinary fervor cried, "I second the motion." He evidently felt that he was thus doing his part in hastening a most desirable result.

Would Follow His Example.

After the battle of Prestonpans a witty Scottish farmer amused himself by writing a ballad upon it, which so stung one of the English officers, who had behaved very basely on the occasion, that he sent the poet a challenge to meet him at H. for mortal combat.

The second found the farmer busy with his hayfork and at once delivered the challenge of the redoubtable hero. The good natured farmer, turning toward him with the agricultural implement, coolly said:

"Gang awa' back to Mester Smith and tell him I hae nae time to come to H. to gie him satisfaction, but that if he likes to come here I'll tak' a look at him, and if I think I can fecht (fight) him I'll fecht him, and if I think I canna fecht him I'll just do as he did—I'll run away."

His Inspiration.

The negro brass band connected with the traveling troupe was blating a tune in its characteristic slap bang style in front of the theater when a dusky cornet player who had been sulking all day suddenly quit blowing and did not resume.

"Say, Mose," demanded the leader in the ensuing pause, "ain't yo' workin' any mo'?"

"Ah is w'en Ah gits de inspiration," retorted the sulky musician, throwing the whites of his eyes across at the leader.

"W'en am dat?"

"W'en Ah gits mah las' week's pay."—Kansas City Independent.

Conscientious About It.

"Mr. Glizzard," asked the caller, "are you carrying all the life insurance you can afford?"

"No," answered the man at the desk. "I can afford more, and I had expected to take out more, but from a note I got from my employer this morning I have begun to suspect that I'm carrying a good deal more than I am worth."—Chicago Tribune.

Forcing a Success.

"What is the name of your new novel?"

"The Dungeon.' Good gloomy title, eh?"

"Yes. That name alone ought to get the book among the six best sellers."—Washington Herald.

Nothing Liberal About It.

Wilkins—I understand you are giving your son a liberal education?

Hobbs—Liberal! Not a bit of it! They don't give anything away at the college where he is. I have to pay for every plaguy thing he gets.—Boston Transcript.

Thoughtfulness.

Mr. Saphedde—I like to be different from other people.

Miss Caustique—That is very considerate of you. I dare say the other people appreciate your thoughtfulness.—Philadelphia Record.

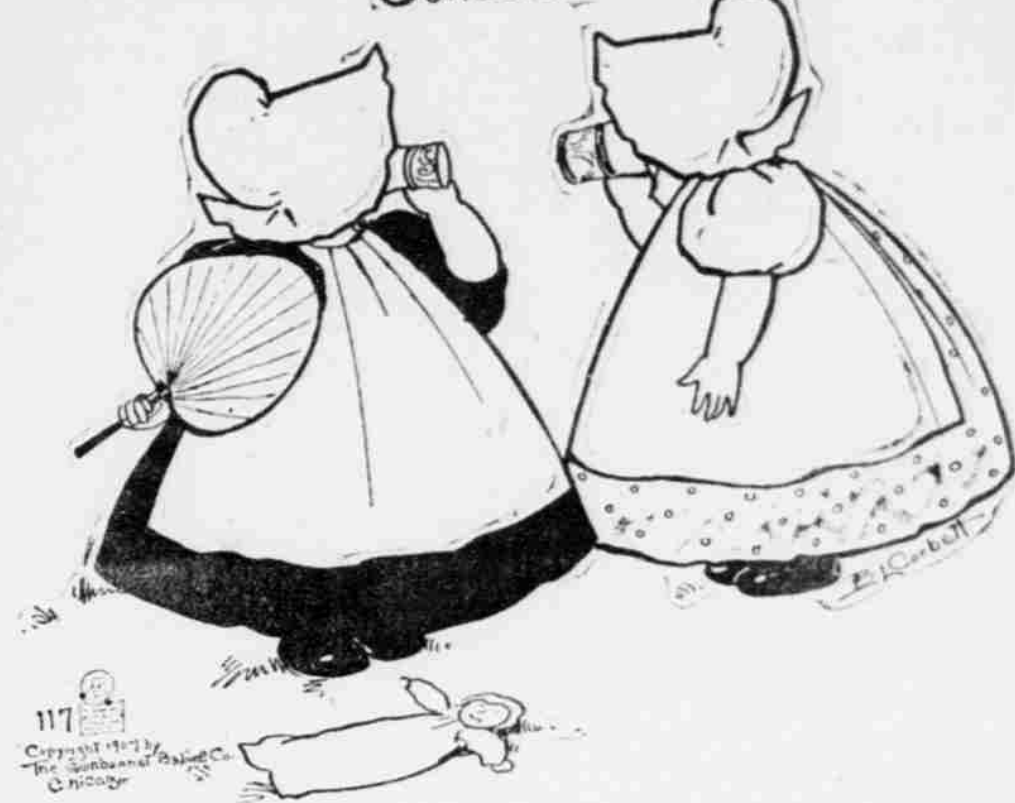
Sarcastic.

He—Look at this infernal hill, you know I can't afford it. Now, I'm going to give you a piece of my mind. She—Are you quite sure you can afford that, papa, dear?—London Opinion.

Economy may be the road to wealth, but a large number of people will refuse to travel it until the good roads movement has made it smoother.—Washington Herald.

Say—Let's cool off!

Sunbonnet Babies



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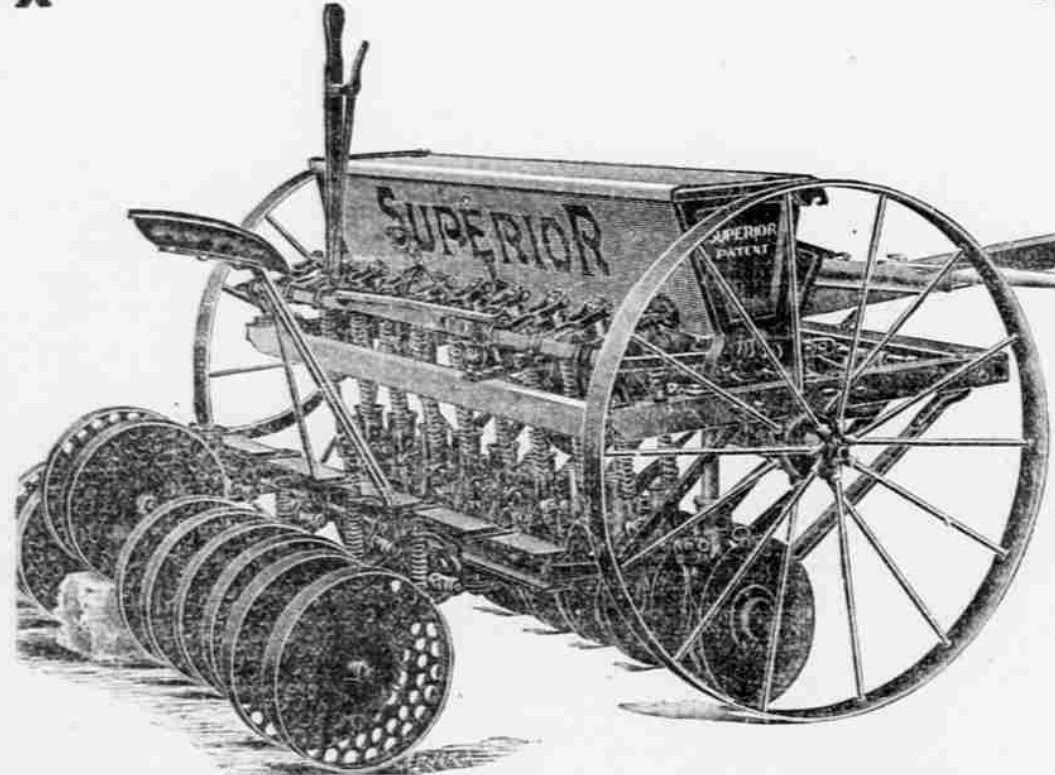
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