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One of the promises made by the legislature was that the session would last but forty days. The limit is nearly reached and nothing has been done.

If there was hope for county option before Mr. Bryan's speech to the legislature, there certainly remains not a shadow of it now. Mr. Bryan spoke of many evils that he desired corrected, but spoke of the liquor traffic not at all.

The statement recently made that the new pump was wearing out is a gross misstatement. A small pinion became worn as is always the case with new machinery. This was remedied with a few minutes work. It might be of interest to the taxpayers to learn that a careful estimate shows that while at the old plant it cost 27 cents to pump a thousand gallons the new pump does the same work at a cost of 5 cents. In other words for every dollar spent in pumping at the old plant but 20 cents is spent now, a saving of 80 per cent. Really not so bad for a worn out pump.

Mr. Bryan spoke feelingly to the legislature concerning the publication of campaign contributions. It is hoped that he will be able to induce Tommy Allen, his brother-in-law, and chairman of the democratic state committee to tell what was done with Wall street's twenty thousand dollars. If he is successful to this extent he might inquire why the democratic committees of nineteen counties in the state failed to obey the law requiring such publication to be made last fall. If he wants any information as to these counties he might see Gov. Shallenbarger, as his county is one of them.

THE BUG UNDER THE CHIP

If you will watch you will see it move, for there is a bug under it.

The paper up the alley, which for years has been favorable to a citizens municipal ticket, has now declared in favor of a straight democratic ticket and a straight party fight.

If you will carry this to its last analysis you will probably discover that a contest between republicans and democrats would destroy about all the chances our prohibition friends have to elect a dry administration. A fight between a citizens ticket on the one hand and a dry ticket on the other might result in a dry victory, consequently the old time advocates of citizens tickets are getting a change of heart.

Find the bug.

THE DEATH OF THE JOINT

The "blind pig," the joint in other words, has just been dealt a body blow by the supreme court of the state. For years the courts and lawyers have so construed our statute known as the Slocum law, that a conviction could not be obtained unless the liquor sold was in fact an intoxicating liquor. Many substitutes for beer have been put upon the market by the brewers to evade the law, but the supreme court last week handed down an opinion that puts Palm Root, Hop Ale and other old friends in the down and out class. A joint keeper in the western part of the state was arrested for selling one of these substitutes, which contained less than one per cent alcohol and was not intoxicating. The court says that the statute,

which prohibits the sale of "malt, spiritous or vinous liquors" means just what it says, and that any one who sells "malt liquor" without a license is guilty without regard to the intoxicating character of the liquor. This ruling is rather drastic but it is now the law of the state.

ELECTRIC LIGHT SPONGERS

Mayor Abbey has called attention to the unfair and inequitable division of the street light expense among our citizens and the subject is worthy the immediate attention of the council. We have considerably more than 200 street lights that are running each night. These lights are so distributed that they serve all the people, yet but a comparative few of the people pay for them.

As the matter stands, the expense for these lights, which is necessarily large, is paid by the receipts from the light plant. This merely means that the consumers of light pay for their own light consumption and the street lights as well. Hundreds of our people who receive the benefit of the street lights do not have electric lights in their homes or places of business and therefore pay nothing for the street lights. Among this number are many of our wealthiest citizens, and one of this class said, when the matter was brought to his attention recently, "If they don't like the way they are running close 'em down."

No man need use electric lights if he does not care to.

But no man who does patronize the plant should have added to his bill the costs of the street lamps. If all of our property owners would bear their share of the street light expense, the cost of light should be materially reduced to each consumer.

**Fresh Fruit
Ice Cream
Candies
Nuts and Cigars**

When we say at the "Candy Kitchen" we think our patrons understand the QUALITY of what they buy.

Candy Kitchen
P. G. BACAKOS, Prop.

Quaker Philosophy!



Said the good old Quaker to his boy: "Nathan, it is not what thee reads that makes thee smart; it is not what thee eats that makes thee fat; it is not what thee earns that makes thee rich, BUT WHAT THEE SAVES."

Try one of our Vest Pocket Banks and watch results. It will help you save many a dollar.

THE Falls City State Bank
Capital and Surplus, \$70,000.00

Forces for Good and Forces for Evil

The meetings being held at the Methodist church in charge of Evangelist Miller have now been in progress for two weeks and their influence for good is being felt throughout the community. The sermons preached by Mr. Miller are excellent especially the one delivered last Sunday morning which was a masterly effort.

The Tribune desires to help in anything that tends to advance the moral welfare of our people, and believing that these meetings will advance the cause of christianity in this city we urge our local readers to attend the services.

The decision between right and wrong is constantly intruding itself. It is presented every hour of the day. The forces for good and the forces for evil are in constant warfare, and the peace, the happiness, the usefulness, the ultimate success of every life is dependent upon its individual decree between these two forces.

Last Sunday's Kansas City Star contained the following lay sermon that we reproduce in connection with our invitation to attend these meetings:

"How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him.—I Kings, 18, 21.

This text is bound to bring memories crowding into the mind of any man or woman who has ever had a "religious experience." It may in the course of long years, and with the tempering influence of age, have become a question wholly stripped of the tremendous power which it once possessed to awaken the heart. But the recollection of that accusing interrogation—"How long halt ye between opinions?" as it fell on the ear in the days when your youthful and susceptible nature was keyed up to the very highest pitch of religious responsibility, will never be wholly effaced. It was an experience that marked the birth of certain convictions and emotions that struck their roots much to deep into the soul to ever be successfully plucked forth.

"How long halt ye between two opinions?" Do you not recall the sense of guilt and danger which this question was wont to arouse, as it fell from the earnest and impassioned lips, in an atmosphere surcharged with travail for the souls of the unsaved and the unrepentant? Can you not, by a strong exercise of the imagination, live over again, for a few brief moments, the sense of impending doom that took possession of your soul as you stood in the very face of the supreme moment that called upon you for a decision between life and death—between salvation and destruction?

To many of us that all seems so long, long ago. We rather smile at the tremendous solemnity with which we invested those situations. But the duty of a choice remains—if we have made it—and the substitution of calm and experienced judgment for youthful excitement and morbid apprehension should make all the more distinct and convincing the difference between the two masters who are constantly offering us their service.

"How long halt ye between two opinions?" We may believe that this question, wonderfully magnified by the effect of the religious awakening that is making its influence felt in Kansas City, is pressing for a solution in the hearts of many people. It is following men and women into the scenes of their various activities and is importuning them for an answer. They are troubled with doubts and harassed by fears. They long for the blessing of peace and security which they may realize by accepting the conditions of its bestowal; but they discover that in harmony with a conspicuous idiosyncrasy of human nature the obstacle of indecision grows with im-

portance and the magnitude of the matter to be settled.

There should be in every mind responsive to the appeals of reason a fairly correct judgment of the difference between the service of sin and error and the service of righteousness. The teaching of human experience is clearly to the effect that Baal is the hardest of all taskmasters. The sacrifices which he demands include all that men and women should regard as precious—honor, self respect, contentment and health of mind and body. No wicked man can be happy. No wicked man can succeed. The feet of the wicked man are set in the path of failure and in the way of ultimate overthrow and destruction. These are not merely dogmatic or arbitrary declarations of opinion. They are verities as indubitable as the clear instruction and the dreadful object lessons of sin and evil can make them.

On the other hand, the world is compassed about with a vast cloud of witnesses, ready to give testimony regarding the yoke that is easy and the burden that is light. Amid all of the vanity of the world and the unlovely manifestations of its covetous heart, the service of righteousness continues to exercise an overwhelming attraction for humanity. For selfishness, nor greed, nor the cruelty that avarice begets, has succeeded in obliterating or weakening the strong spiritual impulse which abides like a steady flame in the hearts of men and women regenerated by grace and which is stimulated to special activity and power by the force of appeals such as Kansas City is now witnessing.

"How long halt ye between two opinions?" Too long, we may say, where there is any delay at all in the choice of the right master. But this we know—that the sovereignty of Baal is not showing an access of power in the earth, and is not binding to him in any bond of affection or genuine fealty his misguided subjects. Also that "If the Lord be God" has been discarded by the world as a sub-junctive proposition, and that the Lord is God, is joyfully affirmed as a saving reality by countless millions who follow Him with a happy faith and an unflinching trust that fill their lives with light and gladness.

A Denial From High Authority
Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief chemist of the Agricultural Department, has demanded of the Calumet Baking Powder Co. of Chicago, that it cease the publication of alleged certificates or statements that he had endorsed the Calumet Baking Powder, or reported in favor of its purity, wholesomeness or superiority. Such statements, he says, are false.

Dr. Wiley never served upon a committee of awards, as alleged, nor did he ever indorse the Calumet Baking Powder in any way. On the contrary, Dr. Wiley testified before a congressional committee relative to alum in food, as follows: "As I have said repeatedly, I do not use it in my own home, and would not use alum in bread if I knew it. Alum is injurious."

It seems that Dr. Wiley's demand that the Calumet Company should cease these publications, which are, he says, "against the truth," was not complied with, although he says he has done all he could "to stop the base and inexcusable use of his name."

The public will share in Dr. Wiley's indignation that his name and official position should be fraudulently used to aid in foisting upon consumers a food compound made from ingredients which the doctor has publicly declared to be injurious.—From National Food Magazine, Chicago.

Card of Thanks

We take this means of thanking the many friends and neighbors who rendered all possible aid and assistance during the sickness and death of our beloved wife and mother.

GEORGE PRICHARD,
GUY PRICHARD,
HARRY PRICHARD.

Millinery Announcements!

O WING to unforeseen circumstances I have been forced to continue in business, and take this opportunity to announce to my patrons that I will be pleased to see them again this coming season at the same old stand.

I am now in Chicago and St. Louis markets from where I will soon return with a fine, first-class, up-to-date stock of Spring Millinery, including a beautiful line of Pattern Hats. We promise a better showing than ever before.

Helen Brebeck

Postponed Sale

I will sell at Public Sale at my farm, 1 mile due north of Falls City, on **Thursday, March 4, 1909** commencing at 10 a. m., the following described property to-wit:

22 Head of Horses and Mules 22

10 Mules, all coming three years old; six are mares and four are horse mules.	1 Brown Horse, coming 5 years old; weight 1,200 pounds.
1 pair Roan horses, coming 4 and 5 years old, weight 2,600.	2 unbroke Mares, 5 and 7 yrs. old.
2 Brood Mares, coming 12 years old; weight 2,500.	1 Bay Mare, coming 2 years old.
	1 Child's pony, 7 years old.
	3 Mare Colts, coming 1 year old

10 CALVES 10

10 Thoroughbred Poland-China Brood Sows
Bred to Thoroughbred Poland-China Boar

MISCELLANEOUS

1 top buggy, 1 old wagon, 1 lister, 1 riding cultivator, 1 double-row go-devil, 1 two-row stalk cutter, 1 three-section harrow, 1 hand corn sheller, 2 sets work harness, 15 bushels Early Ohio seed potatoes.

TERMS OF SALE—Sums of \$10 and under, cash; on sums over \$10 a credit of 9 months will be given without interest if paid when due. If not paid when due, 8 per cent from date 4 per cent off for cash. No goods to be removed until settled for.

COL. C. H. MARION, Auct.
N. B. JUDD, Clerk. **JOHN R. JONES**

Dinnerware

See the new patterns at Chas. M. Wilson's—the **Chrysanthemum** and **Silver Grey** two of the finest and best we have ever shown. We now have fourteen patterns in Dinnerware for you to select from, ranging in price from \$10 to \$40 for a 100-piece set. We would be pleased to show you through the stock.

Chas. M. Wilson

The Falls City Roller Mills

Does a general milling business, and manufactures the following brands of flour

SUNFLOWER MAGNOLIA CROWN

The above brands are guaranteed to be of the highest possible quality. We also manufacture all mill products and conduct a general

Grain, Live Stock and Coal Business

and solicit a share of your patronage

P. S. Heacock & Son Falls City, Nebr.

Think About Your Boy!

MR. FARMER—By the time your boy grows up and becomes old enough to take up in his own name one of the new Government Irrigated farms in the Big Horn Basin it will be too late for him to get one. Will you let his chance go by? Is this fair to the boy? What will be think of your foresight when he seeks for land and finds out that you neglected to take in 1909, almost as a gift, an Uncle Sam Irrigated Farm that in 1919 will cost him \$150 per acre? Of course, if he has the price, all right, but what if he has not?

Only \$27.50 Round Trip After March 1st.

Personally conducted excursions first and third Tuesdays of each month. Write D. Clem Deaver, General Agent, Landseekers Information Bureau, 1004 Farnam St., Omaha, about these excursions.

E. G. WHITFORD, Ticket Agent,

L. W. WAKELEY, G. P. A., Omaha.

