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AS TO PERSONAL LIBERTY.

Personal liberty, in the widest sense means the right to do as one pleases. Law, custom and decency have imposed a great many limitations on the right of the individual to do as he pleases, because society has found it necessary for its own preservation to impose certain obligations and duties on each of us. No one has the right, it will be freely admitted, to say to a man that he shall not drink whatever he pleases. It is begging the question, that is, assuming as true what is not true, that when a man opposes licensing the saloon that he is saying to anyone that he shall not drink beer or whiskey if he wants to. All he says, and all the the News says, when it advocates the no license policy is, that no man has the right to insist that the city shall furnish him all the facilities he asks for the getting of that drink. No man has a word to say for the saloon; it is a menace to every person within and without its walls, and an evil thing in any community. We don't say to any man that he shall or shall not drink a certain beverage or any beverage, but we do object to the presence in our midst, next door to our place of business or residence, or anywhere else within the municipality, of an evil institution merely to afford the man who drinks an easy and convenient way to gratify his desires. Carried to its logical conclusion, the personal liberty argument would also mean that we should also tolerate houses of prostitution for the convenience of the lecherous, gambling dens for the pleasure of those who delight to game, etc.—Lincoln News.

COUNTY OPTION.

County option is the coming issue in Nebraska politics. In spite of the most strenuous efforts on the part of politicians to check it, the county option sentiment is looming bigger and bigger on the horizon of the state's politics. Every day is adding new and interesting developments. The Tribune is going into this fight in the beginning and we hope to be in it at the finish. The organized liquor traffic with its two attendant evils, the gambling den and the brothel must go. All decent people are opposed to these abuses and they

will close them up every time if given a chance. County option gives the people the immediate power by their vote to put these institutions out of business. What Nebraska needs is county option. The forces of evil are afraid of it and are putting up a big fight to prevent its passage.

DAHLMAN.

Jim Dahlman, of Omaha, is the whiskey men's ideal. He is rallying the faithful round the "personal liberty" ruse. If elected he promises the intelligent people of Nebraska a wide-open state. He is already planning to move the state capitol far enough away from Lincoln so as to be free to run it after the Omaha fashion. Dahlman is counting upon the loyal support of Nebraska's large German and foreign population. He has already publicly declared that southeastern Nebraska—Richardson county—would line up solid for him. The implication is that all the German people of Richardson county are beer guzzlers of the Dahlman-Gasha stripe. Here Dahlman and his ilk have reckoned without considering their host. The good brethren on the contrary heartily resent the insinuation and will strike back when they have opportunity by cutting Mayor Jim to a finish.

Falls City is growing. Like a likely kid she is growing out of her clothes. In other words her internal development is not keeping pace with her external growth. We have increased rapidly in numbers, in intelligence, in wealth, in industries, in area, but we have lagged in sanitation; water supply; lighting, power and heat; in paving; in the regulation of vice and in general law enforcement. These offer us our industrial and moral problems for the next year. And like sensible people let us set ourselves the task of solving them, and of solving them right. To the newly elected officers we bring the city's challenge to "make good." To the officers whose intentions are good, and who will square themselves with the best interests of Falls City, we pledge our hearty support, but for the time-servers and grafters we will leave no stone unturned to drive them to cover.

We believe in granting to the brethren elected a "square deal." They are men with like passions, as ourselves. Allow them the advantages of the doubt. Forget the past, cut out your prejudices. Learn to see them as they see you. Believe only the best of them. Refuse to know their bad. Trust them, counsel with them. Expect great things of them. Prove your expectations by realizing on the greater Falls City here and now. Be hopeful and zealous and wonders of grace will reward you.

The tension incident to the pre-election period is happily again relieved. Each official chair has its occupant definitely determined. Whether for better or worse, the official schedule is fixed for another year. The Tribune is just old-fashioned enough to believe that the acts and proceedings of Falls City for 1910 will work a new era in the history of the city.

Knowledge vs. Diplomas.

The Falls City High School students and their friends have watched with much interest the attack that Rev. Ludden of the State Normal board made on Earl Cline, '05, principal of the High School at Sidney, Nebraska. Because Earl requested some of the members of the Peru Alumni Association, of which Earl is president, to write to two members of the board commending them for their stand for the retention of Crabtree as president of the Normal, the Reverend Mr. Ludden of this board took it upon himself to write Earl a threatening letter, intimating that the Normal board would revoke his diploma for his efforts in behalf of Crabtree. To this, Cline wrote a defiant reply, daring them to revoke his diploma. This the Normal board has not done and probably will not for Ludden now sees the folly and indiscretion of his course. Even though they threatened to take away his diploma, Cline stood by his guns and kept up the fight.

Earl is a ready debater, a good writer and scholar, and well liked by all school men and other gentlemen over the state. Ludden being a weak politician, and knowing this, when he found he could not bulldoze Cline, dropped the matter. But even if Cline's diploma had been revoked, what difference would it make? A diploma is just a little insignificant paper that you get for paying a few dollars, which says you have finished the course allotted to you. It is knowledge, not the diploma that has value.—Orange and Black.

—We have some fresh Red Sea flour in now. Come and get a sack.—C. A. Heck.

HIGH SCHOOL VIEWS.

National Topics Aply Discussed Through The Orange and Black

By LEON NORRIS.

The most sensational and important thing that has happened in Washington during the past month was the disclosure on the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate in Alaska. These were stumbled onto accidentally, it seems. A bill was brought up to re-organize the government of Alaska, but it was very bitterly opposed by many. Just about this time some new actors appeared on the stage in the persons of Stephen Birch and John N. Steele, the lawyers for the Syndicate. They denied that the bill would help them "grab" Alaska, but afterwards stated that there are 50,000,000 tons of mineable coal on the claim and that \$200,000,000 profit may be made by working out the field.

All the little boys, young men, middle aged men and old men of the United States now know that the year of 1910 has really started. Some few men have met and drawn up the plans of a lengthy campaign. This is to consist of one hundred and fifty four battles. On April 14 in most every big city in the country, the old and young will lay aside business cares and make a rush for the base ball diamond. The American and National leagues drew up a schedule and the former elected Ban Johnson president for twenty-five years at a salary of \$25,000 a year.

The Western Union Telegraph Co. has originated a new form of service, which is a combination of the telephone, telegraph and mail. A fifty word message may be telephoned to the telegraph at night and this will be telegraphed directly to its destination and will be delivered with the first mail in the morning. This provides a very much cheaper form of transmission of messages and also proves the statement that the telephone and telegraph should be used together.

A man by the name of Stark, but who was born in London has told us some alleged truths about our forefathers, which deal a very severe blow to the foundation of our government. He says that Samuel Adams was a grafter, who defaulted while he was tax collector in Boston. Also John Hancock was a smuggler, and more than that, he took money from Harvard College while he was treasurer. He tells us that it would not do at all to repeat Patrick Henry's crime. But the worst was to tell us that Benjamin Franklin was a robber of the mails. Mr. Stark thinks we made a serious mistake in trusting the affairs of the colonies to such men as these. His statements, however, will not be believed by most people, and if they were, they would not cause anybody any worry.

The enemies of the lords in England have demanded that Asquith get the king to guarantee support to the new policy of naming the lords. The new commons will pass measures to that effect and when the lords reject them, the king is to create enough new liberal peers to overpower the large tory majority. Asquith would not ask the king for the guarantee, but the Irish, under John Redmond said they would not vote with the government unless the reform of the lords was first on the program, and at last Asquith agreed. A measure will be passed by the commons and taken up to the lords. When they reject it Asquith will ask the king to create enough peers to pass the measure. If he refuses, the government will resign and a new election will be held.

Now since the flood, water is almost all out of the streets of Paris, the Frenchmen have turned to a new kind of a theatrical performance. This is the drama, "Chanticleer" in which no human characters appear. The actors are fowls and animals and the parts are suited as far as possible to the nature of the beasts. "Chanticleer," the leading character, gets up and hails the sun in the morning with a hymn. Then the black bird, who is jealous of "Chanticleer" starts in with puns. The play is soon to be brought to America and we will get to see how we like the barnyard style of a play.

FINAL CLASS GAME.

The Senior Boys and Sophomore Girls Victorious.

The final class games were pulled off at the gym, March 1, 1910, between the Junior and Senior Boys, and the Sophomore and Freshman girls.

The first half of the boys game was exceedingly interesting and close, the score resulting in 12 to 10 in favor of the Seniors. The Juniors had a crippled team, as one of their very best players was unable to play, but they resolved to play the game anyway, and they worked very hard.

The girls game was not at all interesting as the Sophomores had the ball all the time and would take it down the field and put in a basket before the Freshmen ever touched it. The Sophomores have a very strong team and when you take into consideration they have three of the first teams goal throwers, you do not wonder at the score. The Freshmen are entitled to praise for they did defeat the Juniors by two whole points.

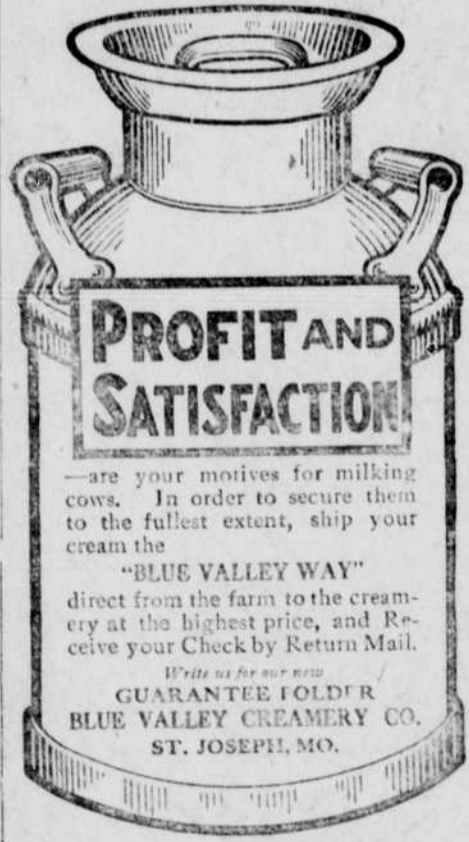
This is the second year the Sophomores have held the pennant and they are expecting to win it the next year. Let us hope that they don't.—Orange and Black.

Road to Success.

Eminent alienists, the world over, point to the fact that it is the "specialist," the one-idea individual, who develops "rats in his garret," who "goes bughouse." But according to a talk recently given to the High School students, by Professor Hoenschel, the art of concentrating the mind on "one thing, and on one thing only" is to be commended and at tained. Following is an account of the professor's talk, culled from the Orange and Black, and is interesting on account of its oddity only:

Recently, Professor Hoenschel gave a talk to the High School that will long be remembered. Not often in our High School life do we have the privilege of listening to as interesting and inspiring an address. Every word, from beginning to end, was helpful advice. Truths were presented in a new light, the most convincing of which was his presentation of the results of cultivating the ability of concentrating one's mind. "I have been working all my life," said he, "toward one end—that of being able to concentrate my mind on one thing, and on one thing only. When I have succeeded, I will consider myself a success." He also touched on the value of an education. "One man does about as much thinking as another," he said; "the difference is in the quality of the thoughts, and the quality depends on education." After listening to Mr. Hoenschel for almost an hour the students were indeed sorry to have him close.

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