

The appointment of Allen (populist) to be senator will give the country a pretty good idea of the kind of democratic victory won in Nebraska.—Washington Post.

The End in Sight.

Just now there is some curiosity as to what Mr. Hitchcock of the World-Herald is going to do, because Governor Poynter didn't appoint him senator, or perhaps rather by the governor submitted to be dictated by William J. Bryan. Many of the democratic wing of the fusion forces have been wondering and wondering why it was that if the governor had serious objections against Mr. Hitchcock, he couldn't find some other democrat who would be comparatively free from opposition. There were plenty of them, surely.

We think the truth is that Bryan and Allen are the would-be political dictators for Nebraska, and are not long-sighted enough to see that it would have possibly delayed somewhat the end of their reign to appoint Hitchcock or some other democrat. When politics in Nebraska was mainly (and almost wholly) which railroad company shall dominate; public matters were in much better shape as a rule than they are now.

Who believes that anything like the best men of the fusion forces are managing their affairs? Who believes that Bryan, Allen, Holcomb, Poynter and Robinson will continue long unchecked in their career? The dullest sighted have now had abundant opportunity to see the utter and thorough selfish character of the populist leaders, demonstrated in great, broad flaring letters across the political sky of Nebraska, and from now on the yoke that they will try to place upon their presumed allies, but would-be servants will be very strongly reelected.

American freemen don't like "bossism." They do like honest, straight-forward, executive ability, work of officials done in the public interest, and parties cannot be hoodwinked very much longer than can individuals.

Politicians Changing Places. There is going to be quite a readjustment among the politicians. Democrats waiting for the gold standard bill and silver Republicans are taking their dollars and leaving the republican ranks. The proclamation of the latter as to their motives is put in strong and forcible terms, but not less forcible is the declaration of those who are deserting the free silver ranks. Here is an ungrammatical but strong statement from Congressman Joe Sibley:

I publicly predicted that if McKinley and the gold standard were successful, prices would fall with a corresponding increase in the purchasing power of the gold dollar, and we would have an era of hard times and commercial depression such as this country has seldom witnessed. Now I look around me, and I see the forges blazing, the fires lighted in all the furnaces, the shuttles weaving and the looms spinning. Every man who has a day's labor to sell finds a ready market for it. Everywhere there are plenty and prosperity, and so it occurs to me that somebody must have been mistaken, and perhaps that fellow was me.

(Good sense, but bad grammar.—St. Joseph News.)

The story circulated to the effect that Major John A. Logan had been killed by his own men in the Philippines is put to rest by Lieutenant Colonel Breerton of the Thirty-third infantry, in a letter to Mrs. Logan, in which he says: "Your husband died a hero, while leading in battle the command to which he had been assigned upon joining his regiment, the Third battalion. His battalion was the advance guard of the regiment in attack upon the town of San Jacinto. Yesterday, November 11, Major Logan was leaning over a wounded soldier, to assist him, when he was shot through the head. This was shortly before 9 o'clock in the morning. Prompt surgical attendance was at hand, but the major never recovered consciousness and died while being conveyed to the hospital. The exact locality was about two miles from San Fabian on the road to San Jacinto. I was one of the last persons who saw him alive and he was brave and self-possessed until struck down by the enemies' bullet."

The supreme court has sustained the right of the State Board of Transportation to regulate express rates. This doubtless will prove a serious blow to the members of the board who enjoy being restrained from doing anything to interfere with the transportation rate-makers. If the board has power to regulate express rates it must also have power to regulate railroad freight and passenger rates, and that being true the arbitrary advances in rates should lose no time in invoking the power of the board. Rates on live stock affect the interests of the farmers directly and the State Board of Transportation is composed of popular officials whose party was founded on the issue of reduced railroad rates for Nebraska products. A test case will show the shallowness of the pretensions of the reformers.—Omaha Bee.

There was another case to come up in county court today in which the court was asked to declare a missing man legally dead in order that his estate might be settled. Andrew Moline disappeared from his home, Logan township, in October, 1892, and no word has been heard of him by friends or relatives since then. Inasmuch as he had been missing for over seven years the judge ordered that he be considered as dying intestate and on the filing of a \$1,000 bond by Louis Moline, the latter was declared administrator of the estate.—Premont Tribune.

The New York fire department has one of the latest and the best automatic extinguishers, able to travel a few miles a minute. It is propelled by steam generated by gasoline, and attains a speed of 25 miles an hour within a furlong, and 60 miles an hour within its own length, and can be stopped within its own length.

THE WINDSIBS TRIBUNE suggests that burglaries and thefts are getting so common in the country that bloodhounds should be kept by the authorities, so that victims of the law can be followed up immediately, caught and punished.

GENERAL BROOKE, lately relieved at Cuba, is a man of 64. He will come north by easy stages to get used to the colder climate. He will probably be assigned his old command, department of the Lakes, headquarters at Chicago.

ELEVEN little girls were burned to death at St. Francis parochial school, Quincy, Illinois, when rehearsing for an entertainment, one of the dresses catching fire from a gas jet. The children were between nine and eleven years of age.

FRIDAY thirty-six school children at Frelinghuysen, Belgium, while at play on the frozen river Lys, having been given a holiday with permission to play on the river, suddenly disappeared from view, the ice breaking. Thirty-six bodies were recovered but others are still missing.

THE London Post's military expert hits the facts about right in this: "The history of the war up to date is the history of the consequences of inactivity of the cabinet from May to October. The British government in June, July and August, instead of getting the army ready and on the spot, was trying to polish its conscience, and even in September could not bring itself to send more than 10,000 men."

THE Weaver insurance law passed last winter has been declared unconstitutional by the supreme court of the state. Mr. Cornell didn't do things the way they wished him to do, and so they endeavored to take the insurance out of his hands and turn it over to the governor. The "new" department will be without pay for six months past, and Cornell is one of the "big" men of the state.

GEO. LAWTON, who lost his life last week in the Philippines was a model soldier. Says Gen. Charles King, who has served under him: "We loved him—always have, ever since old cavalry days when he was the hardest and most daring of all the band of young officers that won distinction under Crook, Miles and Merritt. He was Macabanzio's 'right horse' and his later work in the Philippines was incomparable. As friend and comrade he was as lovable as he was great and heroic as a soldier."

C. O. WHEATON of Lincoln has given to the press the copy of a bill proposed by himself, whereby the government can guarantee all depositors in national banks, the same as every holder of a national bank note is protected against loss. It is claimed that the bill, if it should become a law, would almost prevent anything like panics, because depositors would feel perfectly safe in times of stress, and sure to get their money, in which case they would be like the Frenchman—they wouldn't want it to go bad.

District 44 and vicinity. Thomas Diechner owns and drives a span of nice black roadsters.

Etta and Maud Moore returned Saturday from Omaha, where they are in the employment of dressmaking.

Wm. Brown returned Saturday evening from Omaha, where he has been on business for a couple of weeks.

Artie McGann boarded the train here Monday morning for Seward, where he will visit for a week with his Aunt Conroy's family.

Frank Diechner, who has been attending Commercial college at Omaha for some time, arrived home Saturday for a week's vacation.

Your correspondent acknowledges the receipt of a beautiful Christmas present in the shape of 100 quality envelopes with name and return card nicely printed upon them. The gift of Mrs. B. V. Stevenson.

Our school closed Friday for a week's vacation. The afternoon was taken up principally in speaking, and by actual count, 42 of the scholars spoke pieces appropriate for the occasion. Among the visitors were the Misses Minnie and Evelyn Drinnin. Distribution of Christmas candles formed the closing exercises, after which each and all possessed a message bar each, of no small dimensions, filled with mixed candies. A conspicuous improvement in the manner of the pupils was evidence that the school is progressing under the management of the teacher, Miss Rohal.

Wm. Moore returned Saturday from Oklahoma, where he went about three weeks ago in company with Henry Bachman. The latter will make his future home there. Thomas Reagan has quit drinking liquor, has a farm of 80 acres and has it all planted to winter wheat. His sisters, Bridget and Mary also have a farm each. Martin Reagan, their father, also has a farm and is doing well, but is so feeble that it requires assistance to get him in and out of a buggy. Mr. and Mrs. James Russell, who moved from here with the above parties, are also prospering, but are in much thinner flesh than when they went away a few years ago.

Hunters, Take Notice! The public are strictly forbidden to hunt upon the whole of section 8, in which is located the Irrigation Pond. Any persons trespassing will be prosecuted to the full limit of the law. 15-nov-y W. T. ERNST, NICK ADAMT.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weaver has left for Morrison, Illinois, his old home, to spend the holidays.

Miss Anna Douglas went to her home at Benedict for a visit during the holidays.

Harland Dussell is at home from the Omaha Business college to enjoy the holidays.

Miss Mary Turner and Craig Turner went to Perry, Iowa, Monday for a holiday visit.

Ralph Coolidge is enjoying his holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Coolidge.

Prof. and Mrs. L. H. Britell spent Christmas with Rev. and Mrs. Mickel in Fullerton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Menzer of Richland spent Christmas with O. D. Butler and family.

Miss Baird of Cedar Rapids, on her way to Omaha, visits with the Misses Whitmoyer.

Otto Hagel of Omaha is making a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hagel.

Miss M. E. Stratton of Ft. Collins, Colorado, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. A. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hill of the vicinity of Monroe are at Emporia, Kansas, for a two weeks' visit.

Louis Schreiber, jr., is home from Chicago, where he has been attending a pharmaceutical college.

Spencer Rice left here Saturday last for a week's visit with his parents at Madrid, Perkins county.

Mr. and Mrs. George McFarland returned home last Wednesday evening from a sojourn at Clark.

John and James Fagan of Omaha are visiting the family of their uncle, V. A. Macken, during the holidays.

Mr. Howard A. Rowe of Norfolk came down Saturday and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Turner.

Miss Clara Weaver, one of the teachers in the Lincoln schools, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Pound of Lincoln, spent Christmas with Mrs. Pound's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Gerrard.

Miss Mamie Gibson of Cholan, Washington, is spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Morkert, east of the city.

R. E. Wiley, who has been here the past three or four months, started for California Thursday morning. His home is at Santa Monica.

Mrs. John Wise and her daughter Alice went to Kansas City last week expecting to be absent about a week. While there they visit Samuel Wise.

Miss Lydia Sturgeon is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sturgeon, enjoying her holiday vacation from the Omaha Business college.

Mrs. Leo Besty and son Guy of Monroe township are spending their Christmas holidays with Mrs. Besty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Curtis.

Miss Lillie Keating is down from Albion, where she is teaching school, to spend her vacation. Miss Abbie Keating will also be home from Norfolk this week.

Misses Gertrude Whitmoyer and Emily Rowe, and Ernest Scott and Howard Geor came up from Crete Thursday, where they are attending college, to spend their vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Kerr of Lincoln and Mrs. Farnard's father, C. R. Mapes, are here visiting with Mrs. Farnard, making an entire family reunion for the living members of the Mapes family.

Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Henry, is at home again from the west. For the past several months he has been experiencing rough life at Otis, Colorado, for the benefit of his health, which has been improved.

A. W. Morgan died on Friday night, after a long siege with consumption. He was unconscious for several days before his death. The funeral was held Sunday and the remains interred in the Tracy Valley cemetery. Mr. Morgan was among the early settlers of this community. He was one of the pioneer school teachers, having a fair education. Of late years he had not followed any pursuit. His time was mostly spent keeping posted on political questions, and on those subjects he was exceptionally well informed. By his death one of the old time characters of the community is removed. He leaves a wife and several children, one of them a babe in arms, who have the sympathy of all in their sorrow.—Humphrey Democrat.

Richard Nannely left Columbus for a little walk to the home of his father-in-law in Boone county, which point he expected to make the same day—only 50 miles.

Lieut. James Cushing, lately serving under Major Frank North, was in the city Monday, May 14, 77, and THE JOURNAL is pleased to add that genial "Jim" is still in Columbus.

Major Frank North with his force of Pawnee left Sidney April 28 for the Pawnee Reservation in the Indian Territory. Major and Luther H. are expected here about the middle of June.

Married, March 1, 1877, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. F. George, at Clarksville, Nebraska, by Rev. H. C. Shaw, Dr. T. Martyn of Chicago, Illinois, and Miss Susie L. George.

At the school meeting in district No. 1, April 1, 1877, the following gentlemen were elected trustees: Emil Pohl and Charles Schroeder for three years; John Stauffer for one year. A resolution was passed abolishing corporal punishment in the schools.

Capt. A. H. Bogardus in shooting his great match at Gilmore's Garden, New York, March 30, broke one thousand glass balls, one at a time, in the air, in seven minutes and forty seconds. He missed twenty-eight balls out of one thousand and twenty-eight.

One hundred and sixty Ponca Indians came into the city April 28, being the advance party from that tribe bound for the Indian Territory for permanent settlement. They had good teams, and they themselves were well and comfortably clothed. They camped south of the Loup river and were still in the city Monday, May 1.

Rev. G. R. Nannely delivered his farewell sermon at the M. E. church Sabbath evening, May 6, selecting as the subject of his discourse, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you," etc. Mr. Nannely will be remembered by older residents as "Antelope Dick" the poet printer, who became converted and afterwards took up preaching.

L. H. North stated that after two years residence in the Indian Territory the Pawnee Indians were greatly dissatisfied and not without just cause. According to the last census taken here there were 2620 in the tribe, whereas the census taken there showed that they numbered but 1580, a decrease of 1040 souls, or very nearly 40 per cent in two years. The fever and ague slays them off very rapidly.

A citizens' ticket nominated in the spring of '77 consisted of the following named gentlemen: C. A. Speice, mayor; S. S. McAllister, police judge; V. Kummer, treasurer; John Schram, clerk; Charles Wake, marshal; J. G. Rounton, engineer. The contest was over the marshal, the vote standing 73, Gillett 39, Riecky 2, Coan 1. R. H. Henry presided at the meeting and H. P. Coolidge was secretary.

The following item shows one of the ways the grasshoppers were dealt with in the early days: L. Gerrard, esq., has at the bank a model machine for killing the grasshopper, and it does its work handsomely. You can make one and save your small grain as farmers in Kansas have done. A piece of sheet iron, 10 to 12 feet in length, 2 to 3 feet wide, with a flange of a foot high at the back; two holes at the end for attaching a rope to draw the machine, which a man or boy can easily do. Some canvas flannel, saturated with coal oil, laid in the bed of the pan and you are ready for work. On the approach of the machine, the grasshopper falls back upon the pan and the coal oil does the work for him, or after having a pile of them they can be burned.

D. A. Hale of Humphrey went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, last week for his health.

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