

WEARY WAIT FOR PIE WAGON

Aspirants for County Jobs See Only Delay Up Till Now. COMMISSIONERS ARE NOT YET AGREED

Efforts to Get Together on Appointees Have So Far Failed and Demorcrats Are Still Drawing Pay.

With all the smiling aplomb and good nature of the interlocutor in the big... Chairman Kennard of the Douglas county commissioners on Wednesday afternoon said to his fellow sufferers...

After considerable rounding up of members who were being buttonholed first in one room and then in another, the chairman succeeded in getting the other four members of the board into the little room...

While the crowd waited. All this time the anxious crowd that had stood about all afternoon canvassing the situation was shifting uneasily into comfortable attitudes.

In a moment, Mr. Chairman, said Commissioner McDonald, "I am sorry to see that the board of commissioners has decided to appoint me to the position of county clerk."

GRUBER'S SUCCESSOR NOT OUT

Story that Park is to Have the Place is Denied by General Manager Mohler.

A rumor was telegraphed out of Cheyenne to the effect that W. L. Park, superintendent of the Wyoming division, is slated to succeed J. M. Gruber as general superintendent of the Union Pacific.

"I doubt if anyone knows who will get the place, I doubt if Mr. Mohler knows. On some lines the general manager would have the appointing power. On the Union Pacific the general manager would simply recommend a man or a set of men for the place."

AILING WOMEN

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TAKES ISSUE WITH DAVIS

Drunkennes an Outgrowth of and Not the Cause of Poverty.

OMAHA, Jan. 25.—To the Editor of the Bee: Referring to a special from your Lincoln staff correspondent, under date of the 23d inst., I find that John Davis, secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, has observed that the cause of dependence (pauperism) in the state is mainly chargeable to drunkards, and trust you will allow me space in your columns to take issue with his assertion.

I believe that in general the claim is just that poverty is the cause, rather than a result, of intemperance. Competent medical authorities agree that where there is want of wholesome food, pure air and water and of home comforts and pleasure, "an unyielding and inexorable law of necessity compels a person so situated to seek relief in alcoholic stimulation."

Most evidence worth considering proves that poverty as well as crime are mostly results of idleness and low paid labor. As a rule, men who are steadily employed and getting in return for their labor a fair share of the product of their efforts are temperate and moral.

The reason why so many people on superficial investigation consider intemperance the main cause of poverty is that often before poverty drives a man to charity he has been drinking for his labor a fair share of strength of will, and has taken to drink, so that when charity finds him drunk he has affected the cause.

Any conclusion of value as to what effect intemperance has on pauperism can only be reached through analysis of statistics relating thereto.

A table has been prepared by Prof. Warner of Stanford university, based on fifteen separate investigations, of 10,000 actual cases of poverty in America, England and Germany. The investigations were conducted by charity organizations of Baltimore, Buffalo, New York, Boston and Cincinnati; by Charles Booth in East London and by Mr. Bohmert in seventy-seven German cities.

While this table shows that Kansas had a comparatively low percentage of paupers, yet the percentage is higher than that in the neighboring states of Nebraska and Colorado in which latter states are located larger cities, which tend to increase the number of paupers. Moreover, by reference to the census reports of 1880 and 1890, it is found that the ratio of pauperism, while decreasing throughout the union, increased in Kansas under prohibition to the extent of 17 per cent.

The statistics for Iowa give little comfort to those who claim that prohibition diminishes pauperism. In 1880 there were in the alma houses of Iowa 1,185 paupers, or 77 for every 1,000,000 population. The state was then under license. In 1888, after prohibition had been in operation some time, the number of paupers increased to 1,267, or 126 for every 1,000,000 population, an increase of 42 per cent, and this at a time when pauperism was everywhere decreasing.

According to Ruskin, some people are poor because they are good. He says: "In a community regulated by laws of demand and supply and protected from open violence the persons who become rich are, generally speaking, industrious, resolute, proud, covetous, prompt, methodical, sensible, unimaginative, insensitive and ignorant."

Our legislators may be sure that if county local option makes the dry counties will have the most need for jails.

CRANE COMPANY TO BUILD

Another Big Concern to Own Its Local Headquarters Plant. LARGE OFFICE AND WAREHOUSE PLANNED

Operations Will Be Commenced in Early Spring at Corner of Tenth and Harney for New Structure.

The Crane company, steam, gas and water supply jobbers, will put up a six-story building. It is the present intention of the company, unless some new and unforeseen obstacle shall arise to prevent such a step, to begin the erection as soon as possible in this spring at the northeast corner of Tenth and Harney streets.

The lots which the company has secured will allow of a building with a ground area of 6,012 feet. They were bought from three individuals. The lots are at present occupied by a two-story red pressed brick building, with stores on the lower floor and lodging rooms above.

The new building will be something in appearance like the block at Tenth and Farnam streets owned and occupied by Allen Bros. Only preliminary elevations and specifications have been prepared by Fisher & Lawrie, but if nothing turns up to postpone building operations the architects will begin work in a few days preparing for construction bids.

The building is being put up by R. T. Crane of Chicago, the president of the company. The Crane interests are in nearly all the principal cities. The company was incorporated in Chicago and is now the Crane-Churchill company by the Crane people and by E. V. Lewis, who is the local head of the business.

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He was a man of a generous and tender-hearted disposition, deeply interested in the personal welfare of his employees and friends. He was a man of large personal acquaintance with the leading manufacturers in this country and had a host of friends among business men.

Funeral from his home, 124 South Tenth street, Saturday, January 28, at 1:30 p. m. Interment at Forest Lawn.

Revival Over at Manilla. Salvation Army Officials Bring Home Good Tidings of Their Work There.

Brigadier and Mrs. Cousins and Major Merrivether of the Iowa and Nebraska headquarters of the Salvation Army have just returned from conducting three days' special revival meetings in the Methodist church at Manilla, Ia.

SPORTS OF A DAY.

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS

Every Winner at Los Angeles Backed for Thousands. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 25.—Six well-played favorites won at Ascot today and the crowd suffered in a severe shock of the season.

First race, three and one-half furlongs: Positivus won, Emperor second, Decusio third. Time, 1:41 1/2. Second race, five furlongs: Dod Anderson won, Tyrolah second, Aunt Polly third. Time, 1:34.

Third race, five and one-half furlongs: John Kirby won, Star second, Foxy Grandma third. Time, 1:56. Fourth race, six furlongs: Educate won, Sir Preston second, Hipponax third. Time, 1:52.

San Francisco, Jan. 25.—Oakland results: First race, six furlongs: Educate won, Sir Preston second, Hipponax third. Time, 1:52. Second race, five furlongs: W. R. Condon won, Sals second, Captain Force second. Time, 1:34.

Mustain Makes a Date. CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Preparations have been completed for the fifteen-round fight between Terry Mustain and Jimmie of North Platte.

On the alleys of the Omaha Bowling Association the Krug Parks took three straight games from the Omaha club today in a crowd of spectators.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Total, Average. Includes Berger, French, Gideon, Bengels, Klug Parks, Chandler, Tracy, Gjerde, Sprague, ONIMODS.

NIEDRINGHAUS LOSES A VOTE

Boilers Make Another Gain in the Continuous Performance at Jefferson City.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 25.—The boilers gained one vote today on the eighth ballot for United States senator to succeed Francis M. Cockrell. There was no choice and the joint session adjourned until tomorrow noon.

South Dakota Merchants Meet. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—The eighth annual convention of the South Dakota Retail Merchants and Hardware Dealers' association has convened in this city for a session lasting until Thursday evening.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Ezekiel Kennedy, aged 71 years, died at his home in this city yesterday afternoon of a lingering illness with diabetes. Mr. Kennedy removed from Iowa to Plattsmouth in 1867 with his family and has since resided here.

Alabama House Burns. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 25.—Fire destroyed the large pipe warehouse of the Crane company, which warehouse supply dealers, today and is now attacking the rear of the firm's five-story main building.

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COPSEY'S BILL UNDER FIRE

Plan for Different Distribution of the State School Fund. POPULOUS COUNTIES WOULD BE LOSERS

Secretary Burgess Sends Explanatory Statements to Members of the Legislature, Setting Forth the Conditions.

Secretary Burgess of the Board of Education has sent out statements showing the effect of the Copsey state school money apportionment bill to a majority of both houses of the legislature, composed of representatives and senators from the counties which will lose by the operation of the proposed law.

"This bill," says Secretary Burgess in his communication, "ought to be entitled 'A Bill for the Relief of Custer and Holt Counties at the Expense of the Balance of the State.' Please note the lion's share of the increase which these two counties will receive under this bill. The sponsors for the bill are carrying the idea that this public money in question is raised from the interest on school lands sold and leased, while the fact is that nearly 30 per cent of the entire public money distributed by the state superintendent is obtained by direct taxation."

Copsey from Custer. Representative Copsey comes from Custer county. By reason of the fact that his county has 250 school districts and Holt county 126, they will receive an estimated increase of \$3,069 and \$2,110 under the new law, while the gain of many other western and "frontier" counties will amount to only a few hundred dollars apiece, in some cases not as much as \$50. The increase of each of these two counties is about twice that of any other.

REPEALS THE ALUM LAW

Baking Powders May Now Contain Substitute for Tartaric Acid in Missouri.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 25.—The senate today passed a bill repealing the law prohibiting the use of alum in baking powders. This is the old alum bill which was held up in the senate two years ago and out of which grew the indictments of state senators charged with having been bribed by Daniel O'Kelly of the Royal Baking Powder company.

Select Fair Superintendents. HURON, S. D., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—The following superintendents of departments for the state fair, to be held in this city in September, have been named by the State Board of Agriculture: Gates and tickets, F. H. Smith of Groton; grounds, Colonel J. H. King of Huron; horses and cattle, H. S. Fletcher of Watertown; sheep and swine, C. Moulton of Faulkton; agriculture and horticulture, George Whiting of Yankton, with E. T. Losey of Huron as assistant; chief marshal, A. Grant of Yankton, with George Kerr of Huron as assistant; superintendent of woman's department, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Jarvis of Huron.

Claremont, Nev., Jan. 25.—George Nixon of Winnemucca was elected United States senator today on joint ballot by a vote of 21 to 2 Governor John Sparks was his democratic competitor.

Fighting with Ladrones. American Negroes in Philippine Band Which Kills Soldiers of United States. MANILA, Jan. 25.—Additional details regarding the attack by ladrones on the town of San Francisco de Malabon last night, in which Contract Surgeon J. A. O'Neill was killed, show that the ladrone numbered 200.

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