

### ANTI FORCES ARE GETTING READY

This Seems to be Opinion of Iowa Press in Commenting on Letters Which Have Been Sent Out.

### ALL IN FAVOR OF IDEA

Old Arguments Against Women Getting Vote Seem to be Thrown Into Discard as Primary Approached.

Those who would defeat the suffrage amendment in Iowa on June 5th are going to extreme lengths to find reasons to justify their opposition, as Keokuk business men who have received letters can testify. According to the Dubuque Times Journal, "a woman is going about Iowa making speeches against equal suffrage and the substance of her arguments is that 'the poor are for it.'"

The Women Do Their Part. The old argument that woman cannot bear arms has evidently come to light at Mt. Pleasant for the Free Press makes answer saying "If the women bear the soldiers themselves and then stay at home and run the home and help raise the crop to feed the soldiers and if the women volunteer as Red Cross nurses and also organize relief societies for the aid of injured soldiers who are no longer able to make a living, what more does this man expect them to do? No, that argument won't do either. Advance one single, solitary honest argument against votes for women and we will agree to keep still."

The Waterloo Courier, speaking of sex and suffrage says: "Shorn of its silly sentimentalism and cant, the question of woman suffrage is nothing more or less than an issue of whether or not all the adult citizens of the state shall have a voice in making the laws to which all are subject, or whether that privilege shall remain the property of those who gain their political power through the accident of self. There are really no sound arguments in favor of the political subjection of woman."

### Overland Employees Dance in New Factory

When one of the big, new factory buildings of the Willys-Overland Company of Toledo was completed a few days ago, it was suggested that it would be a great place to give a dance, before the machinery was moved in. The Overland officials gave consent and arrangements were under way, when it was found the big structure was not large enough to accommodate all the employees who planned to come.

### NEGATIVE TEAMS IN ILLINOIS, WINNERS

Quincy Captures 3 to 0 Decision at Home and Loses Same Way at Springfield.

In the Illinois triangles in the Knox Debating league, the negative teams seem to have won. Quincy's negative team, debating at home, won a unanimous decision from Springfield, Ill., while the Springfield negative team was the unanimous choice of the judges there. George D. Springer, a member of the high school faculty at Keokuk was one of the judges. He took the place of James P. Coyle who was unable to go as he had planned.

The Springfield negative team won a 3 to 0 decision from Quincy's affirmative. There was a toss up as provided for in case of a tie, and Quincy winning the toss, will go into the district debates on March 31.

Inside Out. Atchison Globe: In time most of the inside information gets out.

### LOCAL OPTION IN BUILDING ROADS

No Scheme to Force Anything on Anybody, According to Statement from Greater Iowa Association.

### NO POLITICS EITHER

Financing Propositions Have Been Considered by Governor's Better Roads Commission and Recommended Bonds.

It is merely local option in the matter of road improvement. There is no scheme for wholesale paving of country roads—there is no thought to force upon any man or group of men any more road improvement than they themselves want. But we do know that through careful expenditure of twelve million dollars a year (our present road and bridge fund) we can get more good roads than we are now getting. We know that other states spending less money than we do, have far superior roads, and this is an indictment of both our integrity and our efficiency.

The Greater Iowa association is going to keep after this road problem until it is settled to the satisfaction of the people of the state. Its organization is complete. It has a membership in nearly every county, including leading farmers, stock breeders, merchants, manufacturers, professional men, and, in fact, every sort of business man who loves his state and believes that through conscientious and well directed effort, its people can be made more prosperous and life in Iowa made more delightful.

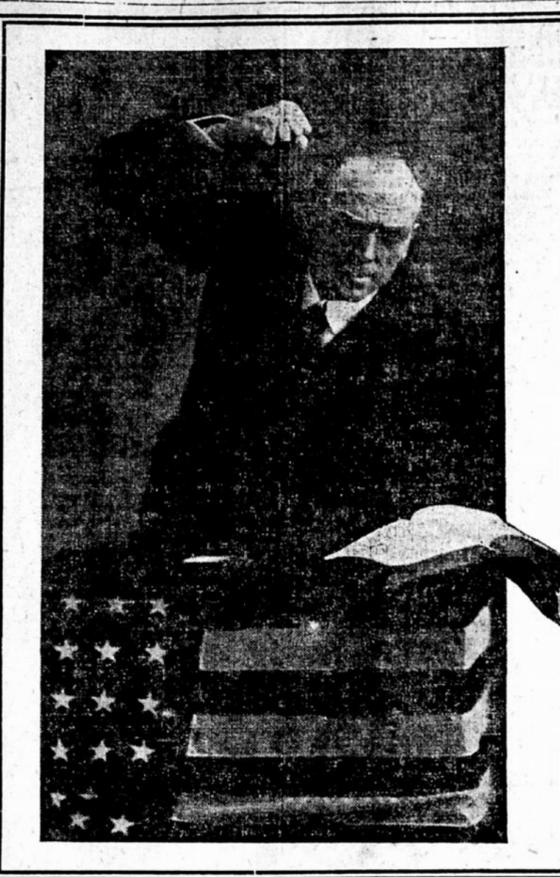
No Politics. The Greater Iowa association has no politics and no creed, except Iowa. Its officers and executive committee are about equally divided amongst the active political parties. The theory of the organization is that the people of Iowa are as progressive and aggressive as any people in the world, and that if they have seemed to lag along some of the avenues of progress and development, it is because the real situation has not been presented to them—the facts have been garbled, motives have been challenged, and, in fact, everything done to sacrifice the interests of Iowa to political greed and avarice.

The new slogan for Iowa is "Less partisanship and more citizenship."

Road Bonds. Governor Clarke's better roads commission has considered carefully the methods of financing improved roads throughout the United States and has decided to recommend the issuance of county bonds whenever the township, special district, or county revenues are to be anticipated for a period of years so as to build a road that will not wash away at every rain. The commission found that thirteen states were borrowing money for road construction on state credit but that 41 per cent of all the counties in all the states were borrowing on county credit. It is estimated that the most economical plan that could be adopted in Iowa without the delay of a general state election, if it should be approved by the legislature, a township board could anticipate its township revenues for five to ten years for the purpose of gravelling and grading a township road by requesting its county board to sell county bonds and receive a pledge of township money to repay the bonds, or a county board by a referendum vote of the people of any special district could borrow money for a period of years in anticipation of road revenues to be raised within the district for any kind of a road which the voters should determine. In short, by paying upon the installment plan instead of building that way, the people of any locality could get their permanent roads sooner and enjoy them longer.

Get Cheap Money. In all probability counties will be able to borrow money at 4 1/2 per cent interest. The bonds very largely will find their market in the east. New money will be brought to Iowa immediately and will be invested in Iowa upon its highways. The taxpayer will simply keep on paying the same tax that he pays now, but he will have the improved road. It is estimated that the present rate of taxation for county roads, if bonded, would be sufficient to gravel two-thirds of the entire county road system, while the automobile money, if bonded, would actually pave one-third of the county road system in the vicinity of large towns where traffic becomes congested to such an extent as to ravel a graveled road.

When Dollivers Disagree. Iowa City Citizen: Mrs. J. P. Dolliver, of Fort Dodge, widow of the late senator, is one of the influential workers for the cause of equal suffrage. But Senator Dolliver's sister, Miss Margaret Gay Dolliver, of Sioux City, was elected this week, president of the Sioux City Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage. The Dolliver name is an asset to any cause that may claim it, and both of these ladies have large capacity for leadership. Which side will gain the most is an interesting subject for debate in the Fort Dodge neighborhood where the Dolliver family was the center of political interest for twenty years.



### THE UNITED STATES VS. THE HOLY BIBLE.

It's a Strange Title for a Case of Treason Prosecuted in Federal Court Here in 1866 Against Man who Laid Out Andersonville Prison, But Stranger Still Are Court Proceedings Which Read Like Pages of Fiction.

The case of the United States vs. The Holy Bible, et al. is a strange title for a case of treason. The case is one brought in Keokuk in 1866, and prosecuted in the federal court here. The Holy Bible named as the chief defendant belonged to William S. Winder, an attorney of Keokuk, who left the north in 1861, returned to the south and entered the service of the confederate states, getting a commission as captain. In 1863 he chose the site and laid out the general lines of Andersonville prison, for his father, John H. Winder. An examination of the papers in this case in the federal court records here reveals an interesting story of what was the most famous prosecution for treason ever begun in Keokuk or in the state, and as an oddity, it is doubtful if it has an equal in the United States.

Winder's Connection With Prison. The court papers show no connection of Winder's further than this nor do they take any account of his career. From a history of Andersonville prison, however, is found the statement that in 1863 "John H. Winder, the arch fiend of prisons" appointed his son William S. Winder, adjutant, and that he was sent out to find a location for the prison, known as Andersonville.

The marshal's proclamation, written by Harry Fulton, U. S. M., as he signed himself, makes the following mandate public: "I hereby admonish and summon all persons claiming interest in said Holy Bible et al, or knowing or having anything to say why same should not be condemned and sold" to come into court March 20. The court ordered the publication of the notice, which was done in a "dailly paper" of Keokuk, The Daily Gate City, from March 4 to March 20. J. W. Delaplaine, business manager of the paper, made oath before Sam M. Clark, notary public, that publication was a true copy of the proclamation, and there is a five cent revenue stamp attached to the deposition of Mr. Delaplaine.

On the fourth day of April, the marshal offered the holy Bible et al for sale, but adjourned the sale to the following day for want of bidders. He makes the following entry: "The Books Are Sold. 'I did on the fifth day of April offer for sale all of the books described in the execution at the auction rooms of How & Tyler.'"

Unlawfully Treats Prisoners. The prosecuting attorney shows in the libel further that the offense of the said Winder "as hereinbefore charged, hath not in any wise been pardoned or condoned by the proclamation of the president of the United States, or otherwise; for he shows that the said Winder from and after July 17, 1862 until May 29, 1865, was engaged in treating otherwise than lawfully as prisoners of war, persons found in the United States services as officers, soldiers, seamen and in other capacities, in that during the time aforesaid the said Winder at Andersonville in the state of Georgia and at Richmond in the state of Virginia, did inhumanly treat, starve, oppress, unlawfully treat and otherwise those as prisoners of war, persons found in the service of the United States."

Water-torn Public Opinion. Caranza may not have a president of a real nation, but he is not short on the etiquette.

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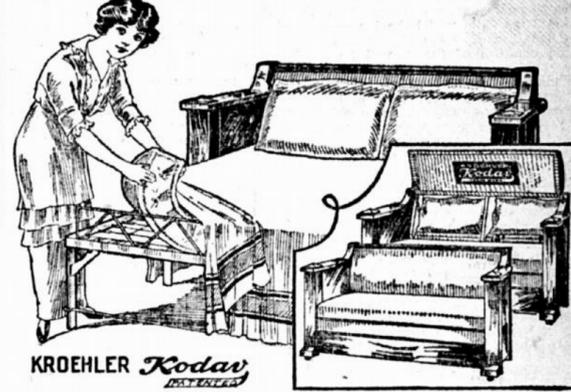
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