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STILL SWEATING OVER THE POOR FARM.

(From Douglas International.) The following is an extract from the leading editorial in the Dispatch of Sunday morning. It is amusing in that it claims the meeting referred to was held by republican heavy taxpayers and not politicians.

"On invitation, a large number of leading republican taxpayers of Cochise county, and more especially of Douglas, held a conference a few evenng ago and a unanimous expression of the meeting was in favor of issuing bonds to the extent of \$50,000 for a model poor farm on the site purchased by the county near Douglas. When the gentlemen adjourned and went home, it was distinctly understood that at the next meeting of the board of supervisors the bond election would be called. But in the meantime the petty politicians must have got busy, for the bond issue was side tracked and only \$30,000 was voted for the poor farm buildings. It is very evident that some self-constituted Cochise county political bosses came to Douglas with a plan of their own which they trusted would be quietly slipped through the meeting of heavy taxpayers. Their plans miscarried, the politicians somehow got busy with the board and convinced at least a majority of its members that the bond issue would be in bad form, so the judgment of the meeting was quietly ignored."

Now let us open the mouth of this poor farm conference and see what kind of teeth we find. It was attended by C. A. Overlock, W. P. McNair, and Dr. F. T. Wright, of Douglas. Overlock is the bellwether of the republican party in this city and has been from its first election. McNair, "the wise old Owl," thinks of politics and how to keep the republican party on the surface by day and dreams of these things by night. He is a standing candidate for office at all times when there is a desirable one in sight. Dr. Wright is regarded as the smoothest article when it comes to political manipulation to be found in the republican party in this city. It was he that planned and presided at all the republican meetings held in Douglas during the last campaign and it was he that urged on the gumbush brigade that by night and by day went among the workmen of Douglas poisoning them against the democratic candidate for congress and pleading with them to support Cameron and Statehood. Oh! no, there were no Douglas politicians in the poor farm political junta pulled off in Douglas on August 12th.

The above from the Dispatch is a bold attempt to chastise Supervisor Shearer because he refused to be bound by the will of the Cochise county republican politicians and took the only course which made it possible for the erection of the proposed poor farm and hospital building. Just who are the politicians who manipulate against the bond issue endorsed by the republican junta a not made out, but whoever they are they deserve the thanks of Douglas and of every taxpayer in the county.

Let's go a little further and see what other republican politicians were present at the poor farm junta held in this city. There was Joe McCabe, who can remember a time in Cochise since Joe's arrival at Bisbee when he was not holding an office or a candidate for one. There was M. E. Cassidy, Alf Cohn and Treasurer Hicks, of Bisbee, all ranking high as politicians. Cassidy is the postmaster in Bisbee, Hicks has been in politics for years and Cohn is known to be the political mouthpiece of Hoval A. Smith. Then there was Chairman Gardner, of the republican county central committee.

The Dispatch claims to be opposed

Two Italian Children Kidnaped from St. Louis



to political manipulation in county government, still it defends a political junta called to consider a public improvement where not one democrat, politician or taxpayer was invited, though the tax burden carried by the democrats of the county is as heavy as that carried by the republicans.

DISPATCH IS INCORRECT IN TAX FIGURES.

We find the following statement in the last issue of the Dispatch:

"Last year, remember, with no provision for a model poor farm we had a two dollar rate—with a territorial rate of only 75 cents, but this year with the falling off in the assessment valuations, with the provision for a poor farm, with the territorial rate raised 20 cents owing to the liberal donations and appropriations of the late denatured Democratic Legislature we find ourselves with a \$2.30 rate and yet 'Foxy John' aided and abetted by one Kelly, Syndicate charges this twenty cent raise to the Republican Board of Supervisors—now hearken ye taxpayers—'Foxy John' says that 7 cents of the raise in the general fund is to meet the first provisions for the Poor Farm, so Mr. Taxpayer, according to 'Foxy John's' own statement in the official papers of the minority of the Democratic party in Cochise county, the present board has really only raised the rate on the part of the taxes for Cochise county a little measly THREE CENTS—three cents mind you as figured from the mouth of 'Foxy John'."

The Dispatch in its ignorance or its desire to deceive the people of Cochise county in the above extract, from one of its displayed and double-column editorials has misstated the facts. The territorial tax levy for last year was 75 cents; this year the increase of 5 cents and not an increase of TWENTY CENTS, as stated by the Dispatch. The total increase in Cochise county this year is 39 cents; five cents of this increase was for the territory and seven cents for the poor farm according to the Dispatch. This leaves an increase of 18 cents on the county tax levy this year without counting the increase for the territory and the poor farm.

While the Dispatch claims that it opposes politics in county and city government still it fills its columns trying to uphold the very worst kind of politics, as for instance the junta of republican politicians held in Douglas for the consideration of a public improvement which was in no way connected with politics until the Dispatch made it so by its silly attack on Johnny Bowen, the democratic member of the board.

A BOOM FOR BUTTERMILK.

The New York City papers tell us that the regular drinkers of "hard" liquor in New York have suddenly discovered that buttermilk is a beverage which gratifies and satisfies but does not inebriate, and have adopted it to such an extent that it takes all of one man's time in the Waldorf-Astoria to carry jars of buttermilk from the cellars to the bar. Fifty quarts is below the daily average consumption of buttermilk at the Hotel Knickerbocker bar. Brown's Chop House has put in a big porcelain churn to keep buttermilk handy for its devotees of the Rialto. Three or four hundred drinks of it is the daily average consumed by the sporting element which frequents the Union Cafe, in Broadway, and the

course and other saloons in the financial district sell more buttermilk than malt liquors.

The manager of the Waldorf-Astoria bar, thus explained the popularity of the homely beverage:

"Buttermilk satifies thirst, has an agreeable after effect and does not make you want another drink, as milk, water and beer do," he said. "Doctors tell everybody that it is the most healthful drink one can take. Men who have an international reputation as consumers of champagne are drinking more buttermilk here this summer than an ordinary farmer's son will consume in a lifetime."

HAZING AT WEST POINT.

It is reported there have been dismissals for hazing at West Point. The abuse is said to have increased, because former cases were condoned and the guilty ones pardoned. There was no doubt about the guilt, or the justice of the penalties imposed, but personal considerations got in their way, and the shameful way of political pull overspread the situation and favoritism pushed principle aside. Discipline was treated as mere rubbish by higher authority, and so there is more and more hazing, and it will continue until discipline asks who he is and not what he is. This personal tincture in our government has grown to be an abomination. It is contrary to the spirit of our institutions; it is a stab at equal rights; it is making fish of one and flesh of the other, and it breaks out in various forms, from condoning a hazing scrape to buying an automobile for a vice president. They are all symptoms of the same unrepentant tendency.

SUBSTANTIAL TESTIMONY.

Additional evidence of returning prosperity is furnished by the fortnightly figures, regarding the supply of idle freight cars just given out by the American Railway Association. In the two weeks ended August 4, no fewer than 36,181 cars were put into commission, or about fifteen per cent of the entire surplus, which on July 31 stood at 248,354, and is now reduced to 207,173. This compares with a surplus of 333,012 cars on January 6, and constitutes the largest reduction made in any fortnight since September, 1908.

Walter Wellman has made another trip in the direction of the north pole. The failure this time is only characterized different from his former efforts by a decided falling off in public attention and advertising for the explorer. Wellman is getting to be a chestnut, so far as his annual trips to the north pole are concerned.

We suppose it was all arranged in advance that Hoval A. Smith was to name the deputies for Marshal Overlock. By the way, Lew Collins has not yet been provided for and he did as much lying for Hoval A. Smith and the republicans last fall as anyone else, except Joe Morrison, the chief stump speaker.

We would advise the people of Tucson to overlook any technical disqualification of Capt. Wheeler and install him as city marshal. Wheeler is known to be one of the most efficient officers Arizona ever had.

Dog's Bark an Acquired Habit. The bark of the dog is an acquired habit. In his wild state he never barks, but whines and howls.

FOR PURE ENGLISH

LEAGUE FORMED IN ENGLAND TO CORRECT FORMS OF SPEECH.

British Nation Becoming Alarmed Over Fact That Nation's Tongue is Worse Spoken in United Kingdom Than Elsewhere.

A Pure English league has been formed in England for the purpose of rescuing the language from degenerating into the cockney accent so prevalent throughout the islands at the present time. Already the league has a membership of a couple of thousand, although only organized a few weeks ago, and the shades of Shakespeare, Byron, De Quincey and Macaulay, who wrote in the purest of English, can now rest in peace.

Most literary men of England are allied with the new movement, one of



His leaders being the famed George Bernard Shaw, disciple of Ibsen, whose witty and brilliant plays have made his name known all over the world of letters.

Mr. Shaw is one of the many noted English workers in letters who have been bemoaning the terrible havoc done to the Anglo-Saxon tongue by the horrible perversion of it known as "cockney."

Prof. Brandl did much to arouse the nation with his striking saying that "English is not English."

This striking phrasing called national attention to the increasing vulgarization of the language.

Then Shaw arose to protest against the gradual obliteration of the letter "a."

"Bibb's name is Jimus, plin Jimus." This sentence has been used all over the United Kingdom to show how completely the accuracy of pronunciation is being abandoned. That is the way the average Englishman with a classical education would refer to the highly honorable cognomen of James.

In recent years a debate has grown up as to where the best English was to be heard, in England or in the United States. Formerly the nasal twang of the Yankee was ridiculed. Fun was also poked at the negro effect of the pronunciation of many words by southerners.

But now it is argued that the English of Uncle Sam's realm is much more nearly correct than that of King Edward's domain.

But while the younger country has been making progress in the direction of right diction, England has been steadily going backward.

The "Pure English League" was founded at Hornsey, a North London suburb, and its appearance was hailed as an encouraging symptom of better English to come.

WAR ON THE GYPSY

EUROPEAN COUNTRIES UNITE TO EXTERMINATE WANDERERS.

Conference at Berne May Decide to Inaugurate a Campaign to Drive Out the Camps of the Pictureque Nomads.

A wanderer on the face of the earth, with no place they can call home and with every man's hand raised against them, the gypsy tribes of Europe are to face an organized persecution which promises to drive them from the continent.

"No home but the road, no life but pleasure, and no roof but the sky," the gypsy's dream of happiness is no longer to be realized in Europe, for in June of next year a conference of representatives of all the powers will meet at Berne to decide on the best means of getting rid for all time of the picturesque bands of strolling people, whose history goes way back to the most remote ages.

It is a need for a universal system of policing the continent that has forced repressive measures to be adopted against the gypsies.

Recent attacks, successful and unsuccessful, on the lives of monarchs, have fired the police of the continent to renewed efforts to guard against anarchy.

No one ever accused the gypsy of being an anarchist. He is too indolent, too easy-going to take an interest in politics. He cares nothing about who governs the country, or how the wealth is distributed, as long as he can go from place to place in his decorated wagon and get enough to eat to keep life in himself, his wife, his children, his horse and dog.

It is a stern remedy that is about to be applied, merely because in isolated instances the criminal has taken advantage of the free life of the gypsy camp to use it for a cloak. But the order has gone forth, and the attempt to be inaugurated next June will be the most systematic ever known.

The task will be an enormous one, for the pleasure-loving brown man, with his love for music and bright colors, his unconventionality in dress, his wild cry for personal liberty, has spread all over the continent. It is said that there are no less than 750,000 in Europe, and it must be remembered that this enormous total has been reached in spite of the fact that for a large part of his history the gypsy has been an object of suspicion and of persecution in many countries.

In consequence of the unwillingness of the gypsy to give statistics about himself it has not been easy to ascertain the totals in the various countries. But in anticipation of the conference at Berne a careful effort has been made to get figures, and the following do not vary markedly from the exact totals:

Austria-Hungary, 300,000; Turkey, 100,000; Greece, 10,000; Bosnia, 20,000; Russia, 150,000; Italy, 50,000; Portugal and Spain, 200,000; France, 10,000; England, 5,000.

In this motley aggregation are included the descendants of a dozen races, for the gypsy, though he preserves certain characteristics, is really the composition of the world's lovers of complete freedom.

Gipsies are not bandits. Not even their foes in Europe charge this. They may commit petty thefts, such as robbing a henroost in order to get food, but the percentage of stealing among them is not great, considering the wild, open life they lead.

Both in Europe and in the United States the principal business of the men is dealing in horses.

Here undoubtedly they turn some pretty sharp corners and drive some slick deals. But the history of the horse trading shows it to be a business for specialized skill and had conscience. Even "David Harum" of humorous memory was not above driving a deal in which he badly stung a rival.

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