

THE GREAT RIDGE ROAD.

Every campaign the editor gets a little better acquainted with Crawford county. Our efforts at speech making may be rather tame but at least we get to see the people face to face. In other ways it does us good. It gives us a breath of fresh air and sometimes the long stretches of road out in the open seem to give rise to wider, freer thought than do the narrow confines of an office.

There are many beautiful drives in Crawford county, but somehow none of them appeals to our imagination more vividly than does the old ridge road northwest of Denison. It is a bleak, lonely, wind-beaten old road. Way back in the days of our youth it lead into a far-off, unknown land, called the "German settlement". It used to be a great mystery to us, coming over the houseless prairies so many miles.

The old ridge road differs from other roads in many ways. It speaks not so much of the present generation as of the past. It was the first pioneer who laid out the ridge road, or perhaps it was the Indian or the buffalo. At any rate it was laid out to follow the path of least resistance. It sweeps gracefully about the hill tops, clinging ever to the summits. It avoids the steep places, skirts the hollows, dodges the corners and looks down on all the country round with supreme arrogance.

The ridge road is the ridge road from the time it leaves Main street and debauches—that is the proper word for a ridge road—into the valley. Man may gravel it as he will, and toy with it and grade it and otherwise abuse it, but the ridge road is the ridge road still.

Let it be distinctly understood that the ridge road does not follow the fences or the telephone poles. The poles and the fences follow the ridge road. The ridge road is no respecter of persons. It had much rather go through a field than around it and it will run right up to your back yard as soon as to your front one, if your house does not have sense enough to meet the situation and face itself about.

Then too the superciliousness with which the ridge road greets the poor, little, straight-laced, orthodox section line roads. How it looks at them out of the tail of its eye and flings a flirtatious curve at them from out of its many windings.

It seems to say—"I am the great Ridge road. See how I disdain all confines. See how I ride the prairies as the good ship rides the waves. Poor little section roads, I pity you, with your bridges, your culverts, your banks of snow, your washouts, your ups and downs. The rain runs off my back in summer and winds are my servants to sweep me clean in winter. I am the great Ridge road."

As the ever winding river told the Lady of Shalot all the happenings sad and gay of the little world below so the ridge road tells its tale of sorrow and of joy.

It was along its windings that the first pioneers struck out across the prairies. It was along this trail that the German emigrant, tired with the confusion of a new land, choked with the dust of trains, drew his first full breath of prairie air, and disappeared, swallowed up in that mysterious German Settlement, to return, so soon indeed, a full fledged American citizen.

It was on the old ridge road that the long train of wagons came out of the mist, long before the sun arose, each wagon a torture pen to sleek, fat swine whose piteous shrieks and squeals and grunts punctuated each rut and declivity in the road, while stolid drivers strode along, beating their arms for warmth or enlivening the way by merry shouts and calls and glad "Good Mornings," or a catch of some old German song.

Have you ever seen the ridge road on a circus day? Even the horses are glad when they come out of the everlasting hills, and with a swagger and a swing show their best paces as they strike the ridge. Father relaxes and gives himself up to the luxury of his pipe. There is no need of driving on the ridge road. Mother sits back and nestles baby closer and smiles her greetings to the neighbors. The girls in white be-sashed and be-ribboned like so many wiggling rainbows. The boys, with shining, apple cheeks, eyes tingling with excitement, fingers counting over the change that is soon to be metamorphosed into red lemonade and peanuts. My, but it is a happy crowd, a pretty picture.

"Good morning. Are you going to the show?"

Such a silly, senseless question, but so neighborly and kind, it would be a shame, not to evoke the glad reply. "Yes, of course. Are you?" And so they go swinging down the ridge road into town.

There is a cloud of dust at the road side, a spanking team goes dashing by. It is a brand new buggy, just as shiny and black as paint and varnish and hard scrubbing can make it.

There is a flutter of a kerchief and a merry shout as Mary and her Beau rush by. Father grunts contentedly, the youngsters snigger and mother,

well, mother knows and mother sighs. Last year Mary rode to the circus with the family and it seems such a little while ago when she was the baby and rode in mother's arms. But there, this is a day of gladness and of joy. See the long line of teams winding on ahead and down into the valley and up the hill to town. We hope none of them will be late for the parade.

The ridge road could tell many stories if it wished. It could tell of long slow processions with a big black wagon on ahead. It could tell of rapid flights for doctors needed in the night, of tired farmers peering into the darkness for the bright gleam of home, of little travellers, dinner pail in hand, plucking the wild flowers on their way to school.

But for ourselves we must admit that the gladdened sight has been the lights of Denison gleaming from its home among the hills. Now straight in front, now to the right, now to the left, but gleaming ever like a diamond brooch on the breast of mother earth. What if the winds be sweeping o'er the ridge, what if the rains be cold, what if the night be dark—it only makes the lights gleam brighter.

There is your journey's end, there await comfort and light and warmth and food, and there await those loving hearts, the wifely kiss, the childish voice. There at your journey's end is all that makes life worth the living. Yes, there is no road like the great ridge road as it winds among the hills. It is bleak and drear but it tells of cheer at the end of your journey's ills. It is vast like life, and its tortuous course tells the tale of mortal toil with its turns and twists and windings, drawing ever to the goal. Out betwixt the stars and the prairies, with God on every hand, there is something about the great ridge road that appeals to the best in a man.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAD.

On Monday, a day after the wires had told the sad story of his death, we received a letter from Prof. H. H. Savage, from Phoenix, Arizona. In view of his death but a few short hours after, his words are pathetic. "Haven't been here long enough to become acclimated, so can't speak of results."

The results, dear friend were sad enough and have brought sorrow to hundred of hearts not only in Denison but wherever the gentle spirit was known. We shall always be glad that he had the Review and its editor in mind so short a time before he died and would be glad indeed to think that our friendship had been some comfort to him in his days of sadness and of pain. H. H. Savage was one of the best and truest men who ever gladdened Denison by his presence.

CARD OF THANKS.

We are most thankful to all our good neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our dear husband and father. Their kindness shall never be forgotten in this world, and we know it will be rewarded in the next.

Mrs. M. Brosnahan and Children.

RUMMAGE SALE.

Thursday Friday and Saturday, Nov. 1st, 2nd and 3rd the city Federation will hold a rummage sale at the Bullock building. Lunch will also be served. The sale is to be given for the benefit of the cemetery improvement fund, a cause that will appeal to everyone. Do not forget the time or place.

TAKE NOTICE.

Chas. Menagh has turned over his meat market accounts to me for collection. All knowing themselves indebted to him will please see me at once, or leave at Geo. Menagh's store. I. O. Orem,

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WEEK IN SOCIETY.

Friday Club Banquet a Sumptuous Repast.

SPLENDID TOASTS GIVEN.

Mrs. Kuehne Gives Elegant Dinner, Activity Shown in Club Life.

The Friday club held its twelfth annual banquet in the club room on Friday night. Each year the club banquet seem to surpass the efforts of the ones before and this was true of this year's. The colors were pink and white and the club room was very attractively decorated with these colors. Three large tables and two smaller ones made ample room for the seventy two guests who were seated. The menu was excellent and was beautifully served by a group of our pretty young girls, dressed in white.

Rev. Mr. Bryce asked the blessing and then a social informal hum of conversation made the supper pass all too quickly. Miss Agnes King acted as toast mistress and at the conclusion of the banquet called upon Miss Loretta Van Ness for a piano solo. "Good Night" by Nevin which she played very sweetly and with much expression.

Mrs. Kuehne had the first toast: "Our anniversary banquets, what makes them worth while" and the response set the high water mark for the toasts that followed. Mrs. Kuehne's toast was like her self exquisitely dainty and refined and given with a charm of manner that captivated her hearers.

Dr. Kemp followed with "Woman's clubs from Man's point of view" Dr. Kemp's toast was witty, very complimentary to women's clubs in general, with all manner of nice things about the Friday club and its claim to greatness. Dr. Kemp's light as a speaker has been hid under a bushel all too long, he certainly has much talent in that direction.

Miss Gulick had a large theme "The Drama" and she handled it in a masterly way, neither too grave nor too gay, but with just the right touch.

Prof. Van Ness proved that he must have Chesterfieldian blood by his gallant response to "The gentleman's favorite toast," the ladies. Prof. Van Ness made the ladies feel very much "set up" by his remarks. Mrs. Harding's toast was an innovation in as much as it was written in verse, the subject was "Mother Nature" and her poem toast was a beautiful tribute to her subject and a sure reflection of her own cleverness.

Mr. McHenry followed with "The Optimist," the Friday club knows Mr. McHenry's toasts of old and understands that he can always be depended upon for a splendid toast, packed full of gems of wit and wisdom. Mr. McHenry paid a delicate tribute to the ladies and to Mrs. Kuehne's toast.

Mrs. Philbrook's toast "Ourselves wise or otherwise," was spicy, original and unexpected, just the kind of a toast to close a program. Mrs. Philbrook's delivery was fine as was that of all the speakers, their voices being easily heard and all the speakers seemed to be free from stage fright, which so often lies in wait for those who speak but seldom.

A quartet "Thou Lovely Star" was sung by Mesdames Boyle, Sibbert, Voss and Boynton. The ladies had a fine selection and sang very well, making a splendid close to a most delightful evening.

Mesdames Shaw, Rogers, Sprecher and Hopkins and the Misses Shaw were the out of town guests.

On Saturday evening Mrs. C. F. Kuehne gave a very elegant green and white dinner, complimentary to Mrs. Una Hopkins and Mrs. Amsden of Pasadena, and her house guest Miss Nellie Brennecke of Marshalltown. The table was exquisite with white chrysanthemums and green shaded silver candelabra. The menu carried out the color scheme in every artistic detail and the place cards were dainty water colors that will be treasured for themselves as well as for souvenirs of the pleasant evening. Mrs. Shaw and daughters were present and together with Miss Brennecke's delightful company added a great deal to the pleasure of the dinner. Mrs. Kuehne is a past master in the art of entertaining and this dinner was as near perfection as is ever attained in the art of dinner giving.

The Misses Iva Smith and Bertha Kelly gave a very charming party at the home of Miss Smith on Saturday evening. Somers set the game played and as always the game proved to be very popular. The hostesses Miss Smith and Miss Kelly are very popular girls and know how to entertain their friends. Very nice refreshments were served.

No. We have one of Salomon's Snow Flake Mattresses in use for 7 years. Why can't tell it's been used at all. Snow Flake, yes that's the name, at Salomon's.

CABINET TO BE SHAKEN UP

CHANGES IN PRESIDENT'S OFFICIAL FAMILY MADE PUBLIC.

PLACES FOR MEYER AND STRAUS

Resignations of Secretary Shaw and Attorney General Moody to Cause Much Shifting Around of Present Advisers.

Washington Oct. 24.—The following statement regarding prospective changes in President Roosevelt's cabinet was made public at the white house:

"On the retirement of Secretary Shaw and Attorney General Moody from the cabinet, the following changes will be made: Secretary of the treasury, Hon. George B. Cortelyou; postmaster general, Hon. George von L. Meyer; attorney general, Hon. Charles L. Bonaparte; secretary of the navy, Hon. Victor H. Metcalf; secretary of commerce and labor, Hon. Oscar S. Straus."

The general understanding for some time has been that Attorney General Moody will retire on Jan. 1, and that Secretary Shaw will follow him March 4 next. On the first day of the year, therefore, Mr. Bonaparte, who is now secretary of the navy, will succeed Mr. Moody as attorney general and he will, in turn, be succeeded by Mr. Metcalf, the secretary of commerce and labor, the latter's place being filled by Mr. Straus. Mr. Cortelyou, now postmaster general, will take Secretary Shaw's place on March 4, at which time Mr. Meyer is to become postmaster general.

The announcement of the prospective changes in the cabinet was made following a protracted cabinet meeting, at which it is understood the whole matter was considered fully. The changes contemplate the introduction of two new men in the cabinet, Mr. Meyer, who is to be postmaster general, and Mr. Straus, who is to be the secretary of commerce and labor. The fact that Mr. Meyer was to have a place in the cabinet has been known for some time, but the name of Mr. Straus has been mentioned only incidentally, if at all, in connection with the circle of the president's advisers. The transfers of Messrs. Cortelyou to the treasury, Bonaparte to the attorney generalship, and Metcalf to the navy have generally been accepted as among the probabilities for some time.

Mr. Meyer, who will become postmaster general, is ambassador to Russia, to which place he was appointed on March 6, 1905, having been promoted to that office following his service as the ambassador to Italy from 1900 to 1905. He is a native of Massachusetts and has been well known as a business man.

The appointment of Mr. Straus caused considerable surprise, as it will be the first case of a citizen of the Hebrew faith having been made a member of the president's cabinet. He was born Dec. 3, 1850, and is well known as a merchant, diplomat and author. He represented the United States as minister to Turkey on two different occasions and was appointed by President Roosevelt to fill the vacancy caused by the death of former President Harrison as a member of the permanent court of arbitration at The Hague.

LIQUOR LEAGUE IN SESSION

Annual Convention of Retail Dealers Opens in Newark.

Newark, N. J., Oct. 24.—The annual convention of the National Liquor League of the United States began here. Former States Senator Charles Schweikard of St. Louis, treasurer of the league, said that opposition to liquor selling usually crystallized in words rather than in deeds. At present, he declared, the opposition had attained tidal wave proportions, but he expressed the opinion that it has reached its limit and in the future would gradually disappear.

James C. Ladd of Washington, chairman of the league's congressional committee, declared that the sentiment of congress toward the liquor traffic had changed and that the members were tired and disgusted with the opponents of the liquor trade. Of forty-six bills affecting the liquor trade introduced at the last session of congress, only six passed, and none of these concerned retail trade, he said.

PEACE IN SIGHT IN SAN DOMINGO

Negotiations Resumed With Every Prospect of Success.

Washington, Oct. 24.—The advices received at the state department are to the effect that negotiations for peace between the government and the rebel forces in the neighborhood of Monte Cristi, San Domingo, which were recently broken off, have been resumed, with every prospect of success, and immediate disarmament of the rebels is promised.

SEVEN GIVEN IMMUNITY BATH

Loosens Tongues of Witnesses in Minnesota Rebate Hearing.

Minneapolis, Oct. 24.—Seven men were given the "immunity bath" before the special grand jury summoned to hear evidence in connection with railroad rebating. It is said that the evidence so far has tended to show that a rebate of 1/2 cent per bushel has been received by a prominent grain firm for all grain shipped over the Great Northern.

COMBINE FIXES PRICES

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION GETS EVIDENCE.

E. W. SHIELDS ON THE STAND

Big Grain Shipper Gets Advance Notice of Reduced Rates—Favoritism Shown Manager of Milwaukee Elevators at Kansas City.

Kansas City, Oct. 24.—Evidence of favoritism shown to the manager of the Kansas City elevators of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway in the matter of granting reduced grain rates to shippers; the existence of a rule in the Kansas City board of trade threatening its members with suspension if they dealt with irregular grain men, so-called; a combine of members of that organization to fix prices; and threats by grain dealers' associations to boycott board of trade members who might buy from farmers and others against whom the associations had issued orders, were some of the things brought out here at the grain hearing begun by the interstate commerce commission.

A score of grain dealers, elevator men and railway officials were examined.

E. W. Shields, elevator agent for the Milwaukee railway and active manager of the Simonds-Shields Grain company of Kansas City, who was instructed by the commissioners to return here from St. Louis, proved an important witness. Mr. Shields said he was in Chicago last fall when he was called upon to advise about a special export rate on corn. He helped make a rate, effective several days later, then came home and bought corn right and left. He shipped 3,500,000 bushels of corn under the special rate. He had bought more than 1,000,000 bushels before other dealers learned that the reduced rate would be made. Again this summer, he said, he happened to be waiting around the office of the vice president of the Milwaukee railway when the railroads agreed on a cut of 2 1/2 cents a hundred on wheat. He went out and sold 700,000 bushels for delivery under the rate.

De Forest Plazek, president of the Kemper Grain company of this city, testified that he had been repeatedly requested by the Nebraska Grain Dealers' association not to buy grain from certain shippers because they were not members of the association. The Kemper Grain company, refusing, was boycotted by the Nebraska association.

C. M. Boynton, elevator agent for the Santa Fe system, testified that in September the Santa Fe issued a circular offering free elevator service. This circular, he said, was withdrawn Oct. 10 or 12. He said this offer was made to secure greater tonnage, and was necessary, as other roads were adopting the same plan.

"What is the difference between such a proceeding and giving a rebate?" Commissioner Lane asked.

"I don't know that there is any difference," replied Boynton.

Commissioner Lane said the matter should be referred to the United States district attorney.

LIFE INSURANCE MEN MEET

National Association of Underwriters in Session at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Oct. 24.—The seventeenth annual convention of Life Underwriters began here in the Olympic theater and many questions of vital interest affecting the insurance business will be exhaustively discussed during the three days of the session.

About 200 delegates were present when the convention was called to order by President Charles W. Scovel of Pittsburgh, Pa. Prayer was offered by Rev. B. P. Fullerton, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, St. Louis, and addresses of welcome were delivered by Mayor Rolla Wells and George Benham, president of the Life Underwriters' association of St. Louis. Following the roll call of delegates and the reading of the minutes of the previous convention, held at Hartford, Conn., President Charles W. Scovel, Pittsburgh, manager of the Provident Savings Life of New York, delivered his annual address.

ALLEGED FORGER ARRESTED.

Kansas City Saloonkeeper Charged With Passing Bogus Money Orders.

Kansas City, Oct. 24.—W. H. Ball, formerly a saloonkeeper of this city, was arrested here, charged with forging and passing express money orders here and at Des Moines, Ia. The firms victimized here are three leading dry goods firms and a trunk factory. A forged money order was passed on Goldman Bros.' dry goods company of Des Moines. Ball presented two money orders to the agent of the Pacific Express company at Des Moines, which the agent refused to honor. When arrested here four other forged Pacific Express orders were found in Ball's grip. On Oct. 10 the Pacific Express office at Warsaw, Mo., was broken into and robbed of eleven blank money orders.

American Missionary Meeting.

Oberlin, O., Oct. 24.—The sixtieth annual meeting of the American Missionary association began here. The treasurer, H. W. Hubbard of New York, reported that the total receipts for the year had been \$423,627; that the debt had been reduced during the year from \$89,254 to \$67,912.

BURTON BEGINS JAIL LIFE

TAKES STROLL TO HIS WIFE'S BOARDING HOUSE.

HAS HALF HOUR OF LIBERTY

Wife Will Prepare All Meads for Her Husband—Former United States Senator of Kansas Shares Cell With Postoffice Embezzler.

Ironton, Mo., Oct. 24.—A half hour of liberty and a stroll to his wife's boarding house and back to the Iron county jail varied the monotony of former United States Senator Joseph R. Burton's jail life. Pleading that he wished to get some books and papers from his trunk, Burton was permitted by Sheriff Marshall to take a brief recess from confinement. As Burton reached the street he saw his wife and niece just returning from a drive. They accompanied him to the home of Dr. Smith, where Mrs. Burton is boarding.

Mrs. Burton prepared breakfast for her husband and brought it to the jail, where he improvised a chair as a table in his cell and enjoyed the viands. Mrs. Burton asserts she will prepare all the meals he eats in order that he may not have to subsist on prison fare.

Burton shares a cell with James Wise, convicted of having embezzled from a postoffice. A separate cell will soon be given him and Burton asserts that as soon as he has a cell to himself and can place therein a small writing desk, he will devote much time to writing. He said that as soon as he has served his sentence he intends to return to Abilene, Kan., and resume his law practice.

NEW YORK POLITICS SIZZLE

Grand Jury Calls Murphy's Charges "Campaign Gossip."

New York, Oct. 24.—There were political developments of interest. Chairman William J. Connors of the Democratic state committee appointed an executive committee to push the state campaign and Charles F. Murphy, the head of Tammany Hall, called upon the Tammany leaders to support the party nominees with loyalty and energy.

The grand jury, which has been investigating Mr. Murphy's recent charges that independence league representatives were trying to "hold up" Democratic candidates, dismissed the subject as "campaign gossip."

Charles E. Hughes, the Republican candidate for governor, left Kingston for a half dozen speeches in the counties of Orange, Delaware and Chemung and closed the day's work with a meeting at Elmira.

William Randolph Hearst spent the day in town, addressing three city meetings.

FAIRBANKS IN TERRITORY.

Seven Thousand Out in Rain at Muskogee to Hear Vice President.

Muskogee, I. T., Oct. 24.—In a drizzling rain Vice President Fairbanks spoke to 7,000 people here. Mr. Fairbanks was met at the railroad station and escorted to the platform in the business district by a reception committee, a troop of militia acting as bodyguard, and 3,000 school children were lined up to greet him. He did not touch on political issues, but talked on patriotism. Following his address he shook hands with many. There was a stampede to reach him, and he was greeted with cheers. In Ada, Vice President Fairbanks was greeted by 5,000 people.

In South McAlester he got off the train and walked five blocks to shake hands with school children. He spoke from the rear end of the train at Canadian and Eufula, and from a platform at Checotah. In all the towns he was greeted by large crowds.

BRYAN ON ELECTRIC CAR.

Innovation in Political Campaigning in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Oct. 24.—The second day's tour of William Jennings Bryan through Indiana closed here with a mass meeting at the American Association baseball park. His trip was through the central section of Indiana, the Bryan party occupying a special electric car. The use of an electric car, instead of a railway train, is an innovation in political campaigning in the middle west. At Kokomo, where an extra stop was made, Mr. Bryan, addressing a large body of steel mill employes, told them the only way they could compete with the steel trust was to make it possible for the Democratic party to make it impossible for a private monopoly to exist in the United States.

Boy Highwayman Sentenced.

Los Angeles, Oct. 24.—Charles Smith, who came here from Chicago and organized a youthful band of highwaymen, who held up and robbed many people during the month of September, was sentenced to twenty-six years in the penitentiary. Harry Magee, eighteen years old, an accomplice of Smith, was given eighteen years. Others remain yet to be tried.

J. C. McBride Dead in South.

Lincoln, Oct. 24.—Word was received in Lincoln announcing the death of General J. C. McBride of Savannah Ga., formerly a citizen of Lincoln and ex-state treasurer.