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KANSAS FARMERS DUPED

Once more farmers in the central west have been "taken in" by the persuasive pleadings of the peddler through the land and there will be many illustrations of the "sadder but wiser" saying when those catalpa trees they purchased are grown—for they may find that they are not the Catalpa Speciosa but just plain catalpa catalpa. And they are paying \$25 a thousand for the trees.

Charles A. Scott, state forester at the Kansas State Agricultural College, has issued a warning about the buying of these trees, for he is receiving letters from farmers inquiring about them. These men wish to know to what extent they have been fooled if such is the case. The letters tell of a man going through various communities selling what he maintains are pure catalpa speciosa trees. The man says he is from Indiana where the catalpas are native. He has sold many of the trees and wishes to sell enough more to complete a carload for delivery this fall. The price is \$25 a thousand. What the writers of the letters wish to know is if the catalpa trees brought from Indiana are pure catalpa speciosa, and is the \$25 a thousand a reasonable price for them?

Mr. Scott says that the catalpa trees sold by such men are no more likely to be pure Catalpa speciosa than the trees offered by any other person, and not half as likely to be as good stock as that offered by local nurserymen. There was a very light crop of catalpa speciosa seed in the eastern states last year and the catalpa growers came to Kansas to find seed for this year's planting. In nine chances out of ten, says Mr. Scott, the purchasers are getting only common catalpa, or plants grown from Kansas seed. Rather a queer circumstance that.

"Twenty-five dollars a thousand is an exorbitant price," says Mr. Scott. There are plenty of nurserymen, he thinks, in Kansas with established reputations that will fill any orders for less than half the price asked by the gentleman from Indiana. Mr. Scott says, "I have seen specimens of catalpa trees that were supplied by Indiana salesmen that were nothing more than cull seedlings that reputable nurserymen would not be guilty of offering for sale."

Nurserymen grade their seedlings into three grades known as No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 or culls. These unknown tree agents from Indiana buy up these No. 3 or culls in job lots at \$1.50 or \$2 a thousand and then put them on the market for \$25. They make all deliveries because they have no way of holding them over until spring. Another good reason is that they do not wish to wait until spring for the money.

Fall planting, he says, is not to be recommended in Kansas on account of the danger of losing the trees during the dry windy periods that happen often in the winter.—Topeka Capital.

WHAT THE PRESIDENT SAID AT CHICAGO

President Taft's Chicago speech of June 3 cannot be said to have supplied any new or convincing reasons why the Party of Protection should be called upon to stultify itself by enacting into law a Free Trade measure. The President, shutting his ears to the counsels of able men and sincere Protectionists,

and listening, it is said, mainly to the advice of his Free Trade Secretary of the Treasury, has allowed himself to become obsessed with the idea that it is perfectly fair and in all ways desirable to subject to unrestricted competition several millions of American citizens (and voters) engaged in agricultural industry, in the paper making industry, in the lumber industry and in the fishing industry. He cannot be persuaded that these several millions of citizens (and voters) are right in the contention that they are unfairly discriminated against and are going to be hurt by Free Trade in products competing with their own. He conscientiously believes that they are wrong and he is right. So he travels to Chicago to deliver an address in which he reiterates all his previous arguments and says little or nothing that he had not said before in substance.—American Economist.

DEATH THE VICTOR

Mrs. Carrie Nation who won worldwide notoriety by her hatchet campaign against the saloons and other vices, has paid the inevitable debt of nature.

Mrs. Nation created a great sensation during the days of open saloons by entering these places and smashing and destroying bar fixtures and ornaments.

She adopted heroic and unlawful measures that an evil might be eradicated. Her methods cannot be upheld by a law abiding community, but her purpose is commended by all who believe in law enforcement.

With all her faults and peculiarities she did a great work and advanced the cause of law enforcement by calling such pointed attention to its open violation.

Thousands upon thousands of good people in this country who could not indorse her revolutionary methods secretly rejoiced at her success and prayed for the ultimate accomplishment of her great desires. She was a sharp witted but motherly old lady with a consuming desire to better mankind. She looked upon evil as evil wherever found and held it should be eradicated regardless of methods.

She surely accomplished some good in the world and gave herself a unique position in the history of reform. Peace be to her ashes.

THE AUTOMOBILE ROUTE

Mrs. J. A. Wayland, wife of Editor of The Appeal to Reason, of Girard, was killed in an automobile accident June 8th. Mr. and Mrs. Wayland, their two children and a Mrs. Clements of Indiana were in the car, taking a ride when something went wrong with the steering gear and the machine veered into a telephone pole. The rest of the company escaped injury.

VICTORS DEMAND SPOILS

The insurgents in Mexico think they are entitled to the full fruits of victory and are demanding all public offices, such as post offices and the like. These fellows are likely to have trouble before they get the new government organized.

NO GOOD

The supreme court decided that the water works bonds, issued by the city council, last year, were no good because of improper publication. \$75,000 in bonds were voted for improving our water works system, but it is not now available. Our water supply surely needs doctoring somehow.

Queen Mary has been presented with a purse of \$60,000 as a gift from other Marys of the realm. As the queen doesn't need the money she might gracefully bestow it on still other Marys who were too poor to contribute.

MR. CAPPER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

I am a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor and the support of the Republicans of Kansas at the primary election in 1912.

I have been interested in progressive Republicanism; not as a game of political advantage; not for the purpose of furthering the interests of any faction nor to advance the fortunes of individuals; but as a means of working out sound policies of government; of correcting the abuses that have arisen, and of promoting the rights and the prosperity of all the people.

I believe in party organization. I believe in political leadership, but I am now and always have been opposed to political combinations whose power is intended to be used for the benefit of corporate interests and not for the benefit of the people generally. Enlightened and determined public opinion, working chiefly through the Republican party, has wrought tremendous changes in political affairs in Kansas in recent years. The people are taking the public business more directly into their own hands. Our election machinery has been changed so as to make it more nearly a real vehicle for the effective expression of the popular will. It is a constructive age in politics; the light is being turned on; evil tendencies in many directions have been checked; the methods which are against the public good and degrading to the public morals are being corrected; the burdens of taxation are being equalized; and the affairs of the state administered more efficiently and more honestly than ever before. I have faith that Kansas will continue to lead in the study and the solution of the great social and economic questions

upon which all future progress rests. I am in hearty sympathy essentially with the Republican program of political progress as it now exists in this state and in the nation, and I have been glad to be in a position to further in some degree this great movement.

As a Republican candidate for Governor, deeply interested in Republican success as the best means of furthering the policies in which I believe, I shall stand squarely for measures which I regard as vitally necessary to clean, efficient, progressive, popular government. I believe in the strictest accountability of the executive to all the people, and if I am elected Governor I shall be under obligations solely to the people to give the people a business administration, with the same strict attention to economical expenditure of the public money I employ in my own business. I believe that every man who draws a dollar from the State Treasury should render full service in return.

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED EVERYWHERE

Yes, Bryan has "come back"—there is no gainsaying that. And he is the same old impractical, bossy, misleading B.

A Muscotah woman has filed suit against a paper because it said, upon the death of her husband, that he had gone to a happier home.

In a time of long continued drought the winds blow and clouds gather, but it turns out to be the thinnest sort of summer flirtation.

Mexico is now in a position to amend General Sherman's famous remark concerning war by adding the words "and so are earthquakes."

A Texas dealer in live rattlers quotes them at 25 cents a pound, a price that leaves no room for complaint of the high cost of living in this item.

Mayor Gaynor of New York, announces that he "will wear no man's collar." The people out this way felt the same way about it last week but the weather has turned cooler now.

Prof. Curry of Boston, was struck by a street car near St. Louis Union Station on Saturday. He apologized to the conductor for obstructing traffic. Boston is slow but it is always polite.

Playing politics in Washington with the mercury near 100, and the results a matter of guesswork, is not generally regarded as a paying occupation. Was the extra session worth calling?

Is Colonel Roosevelt entirely consistent when he declares himself for woman suffrage? Not long ago he was proclaiming that women should devote their time to the producing and rearing of large families. But the Colonel never did care for consistency.

er; and for all hopeful, progressive, constructive legislation. I believe in property rights, but I believe still more in human rights. I shall do all in my power to promote decency, sobriety and morality. I promise to enforce all laws now on the statute books. I am in cordial sympathy with the purpose of the provision of the State Constitution prohibiting the traffic in intoxicating liquors, and I shall work for its strict enforcement in every portion of the state. I shall stand for everything that will contribute to the state's material and moral well-being and advancement.

If Governor I shall do my best to keep out the grafters; the leeches; the hangers-on; the jobbers; the useless officials, clerks and commissions; to abolish the excessive salaries; the jokers in legislative acts; and the extravagant appropriations; and shall endeavor to handle the business of the state with justice and economy and on the broad basis of the greatest good to the greatest number.

I am deeply interested in the development of our material resources. I believe in the Kansas of yesterday and today and even more in the Kansas of tomorrow. We are only just beginning our career as a great commonwealth. We should let the people of the world know that this state, which has the cleanest and best government in America, made so under the rule of the Republican party, also offers tremendous industrial and agricultural possibilities; and that wonderful opportunities await not only the thrifty, clean-handed citizen, no matter what his color or country, but the ambitious, enterprising non-resident manufacturer and business man who seeks a more promising field.

I was born in Kansas, I have lived here all my life; and every interest I have is centered in Kansas. Whatever measure of success I have achieved in life has come to me as a citizen of Kansas. I have unbounded pride in the state and unlimited confidence in its future. I have done what I could for a better and greater Kansas. My continuous residence at the Capital of the state for over twenty-six years has given me unusual opportunity to become thoroughly familiar with every department of the state's business. I have been a Republican ever since I could vote and am proud of the record made by my party in the state and in the nation. I have advocated certain principles and certain ideals of public service and I have endeavored to live up to these principles.

I will make no brass band campaign for this office. As a candidate I shall go before the people with nothing more than a plain, straightforward platform of the things I believe my business experience equips me to do, and my pledges will be limited to those I think I can honestly fulfill.

If I become governor I will take the office untrammelled by a single promise, expressed or implied, save my public promise to voters. I do not care to be elected Governor if to do so I must enter into any relations with any person; any political factions or any business interests which will make it impossible for me to serve the public properly. If I occupy the executive chair I want to feel that I have been chosen and elected by the rank and file of the voters of this state, and that I owe no allegiance but to them.

I want it understood that I am not running as a candidate of a faction. I solicit the support of all Republicans regardless of their former affiliations, and promise them that if elected, I shall be Governor for all factions and for all the people, and shall administer the powers entrusted to me without favoritism and without prejudice toward any.

Colonel Roosevelt promptly denies that he has promised President Taft to support him in 1912. The gallant Colonel, in the honesty of his soul, declines to accept credit that he is not entitled to.

Yuma, Ariz., still holds the heat record against all comers. Medicine Hat has been nosed out of first place at the bottom of the temperate zone thermometer, but Yuma has a cinch on the top rung.

A German statistician finds that the world has 625,698 miles of railway, of which the United States has more than all Europe. Africa is picking up, and its 20,000 miles of railway is almost half the mileage of South America.

Attorney General Dawson is determined to nail the lid on all the Sunday picture shows and other places of amusement in Kansas, and the promoters of Sunday excursions to Kansas City, Mo., wish him the fullest measure of success.

Atchison recently sent a big delegation of merchants and wholesale dealers out over the Central Branch on a booster trip. The boosters distributed, as souvenirs, blotters proclaiming the duty of Kansas people to deal with Atchison merchants (in preference) to those outside the state. The blotters were printed in Illinois.

AN OBJECT LESSON

An incident illustrating the injustice of mob violence is reported from Wright County, Mo. Two families had been "spatting" for some time, and when one neighbor missed a jug of whisky and other less prized commodities the young son of the other neighbor was "suspected." Idle gossip fanned the suspicion into a flame which broke out in talk of lynch law. The fire-eaters of the community decided to take the law into their own hands and rid the place of the accused boy. The latter very sensibly and expeditiously absented himself and sought safe seclusion in a neighboring state.

But hardly had he placed himself beyond the reach of unlawful vengeance than his innocence was proved beyond question, and there was a sudden change in public sentiment in his favor. He has now returned to his presumably repentant neighbors. If the latter do not feel thoroughly ashamed of themselves they certainly should, for their conduct was as inexcusable as their suspicion was baseless. If the young man had been guilty he should have been given a trial as the law provides, instead of being made the intended victim of a mob. If a setback shall be given to the tendency, far too prevalent, to rush for a rope and a gun when somebody is suspected, accused or even proved guilty of a crime, the incident will at least have the merit of having accomplished some good, though the brand of neighborliness displayed by the Rayburn community is anything but laudable.

THE PROPER ONE

We give in this issue of The Times the official announcement of Arthur Capper as a candidate for governor of Kansas on the Republican ticket. It is a pleasure to see a clean and successful business man like Mr. Capper announce himself for any office of public trust for which his life and experience have fitted him. Mr. Capper is a genuine native young Kansan, worthy in every respect of the full confidence of the people of the state. We expect to see him nominated without opposition and elected by 40 or 50 thousand majority.

With a man like Arthur Capper as the nominee for governor, there is no need of or excuse for any factional fight within the party.

DIRECT ELECTIONS

The senate has passed the senatorial direct election bill and it is now up to the President. This measure provides for an amendment to the constitution providing for the election of United States senators by a direct vote of the people. Guess we had just as well have the law as to have direct election by subterfuge.

SEVERE STORM

A severe wind and electric storm raged in the suburbs of New York City, Saturday night, uprooting large trees, and demolishing small buildings.

Lightning started several fires and the destruction of property to the amount of \$100,000 by wind water fire and lightning is reported. Three persons were killed among the general havoc.

Colonel Bryan is so wrought up over the adoption of the wool schedule that he shows a disposition to read the Democratic congress out of the Democratic party.

