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BIG INJUN, LITTLE WHITE SQUAW

Secretary Franklin Lane went out into South Dakota the latter part of last week and admitted 186 Yankton Sioux Indians to full citizenship.

At the time that Secretary Lane was conferring the right of franchise on the Sioux, emissaries of the Lord knows what interests were guesseing about the state of Iowa to defeat citizenship for Iowa women.

What is it about a Sioux Indian or a male negro that fits him for full citizenship as compared to a bright, educated Iowa school-grad? What precisely is it that makes a buck Indian fitter to vote for president of the United States and federal legislators than the woman who teaches political economy in an Iowa school?

There are women in Marshalltown who are maintainers of the business men who employ them. They understand the business and help run it to advantage.

On the liquor question, the school questions, the questions that come up locally and touch every home in the community will some one explain how a Sioux Indian whose grandfather burned captives at the stake and whose father may have counted coup on the Custer battleground, inherits capacity for the franchise when a woman whose ancestors came over in the Mayflower or trekked across the Appalachians in a Conestoga wagon to found a new empire in the Mississippi valley would be a dangerous element in politics?

Ugh, big Indian, white squaw!

ROADS OTHER PEOPLE ARE BUILDING

The road problem is being solved in so many states other than our own that it is well for some of us to know what is going on outside the zone of Iowa mud.

In Tennessee where the voters solve their own road problems counties have recently voted road bonds as follows: Claiborne, \$300,000; Scott, \$300,000; Campbell, \$350,000; Carter, \$350,000; Greeneville, \$500,000; Knox, \$500,000; Monroe, \$325,000; Hawkins, \$450,000; Hamilton, \$200,000; Grainger, \$200,000; Rhea, \$250,000; Blount, \$400,000; Franklin, \$350,000; Lawrence, \$350,000.

This is a total of \$5,125,000 to be invested in permanent work using the local material most available for surfacing and spreading the cost over forty years of easy tax payments.

Down in Florida a vote will be taken June 1 in Polk county upon a proposed issue of \$1,500,000 in bonds for constructing 220 miles of hard roads. At Bradenton \$250,000 of road bonds have been voted and are now for sale.

In Kentucky \$100,000 in road bonds have been voted at Catlettsburg and \$450,000 at Morgantown while at Flemingsburg preparations are being made for an election to authorize \$150,000 in road bonds.

And then in Mississippi the board of supervisors has taken it into its own hands in Lincoln county to issue \$200,000 in road bonds for the purpose of graveling 17 1/2 miles of highway at an average of \$1143 per mile. In Washington county, however, an election will be held June 14 for the voters to authorize \$950,000 of road bonds to be sold for the improvement of 150 miles of stone roads.

In our own state last year boards of supervisors increased the amount of county road and bridge bonds outstanding from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 without referendum but most of the money went into permanent bridges.

Topics of the Times

The weather man will be the most popular candidate in Iowa if he can make good on his promise of better weather for the remainder of the week.

The new army bill will cost Iowa about \$1,200,000 for the United States army and militia. That is equivalent to the entire road and bridge expenditure in this state and yet some of us think that our road taxes are large.

Cosson is saying to the voters of Iowa, "If you can't vote for me vote for Allen, but do not vote for Harding. He's the candidate of the wets." Considering that Allen is saying that Cosson is not entitled to the support of the dries that is a good deal for Cosson to say for Allen.

Hughes carried the presidential primaries in Oregon but who knows today where Hughes stands upon any public question. It is time Roosevelt smoked him out.

The Washington Times at the seat of the national government predicts that the old guard will go to Cummins in preference to either Roosevelt or Hughes if they can't nominate Root. Here is hoping.

One hundred and sixty thousand automobiles are out of commission today in Iowa because of last night's rain and yet our road taxes are as high as they are in Indiana where half of all the roads are gravelled. In Indiana they vote road bonds.

The Answer to Mr. Maling

Because various irresponsible persons, in no way representing the real spirit of Colorado, have circulated statements defamatory to the credit of the state and its womanhood, we believe the time has come when all such silly and slanderous stories should be repudiated by the intelligent and public-spirited men of the state of Colorado.

The demand for Colorado bonds is far greater than the supply. In per capita wealth, in expenditures for education, in the percentage of homes improved, in all matters affecting social welfare and the humane side of legislation, Colorado stands well to the front, as may easily be verified by the reports of the United States government.

In all efforts that have served to forward the health and prosperity of the state the women of Colorado have done their share. The enfranchisement of women is no longer a question here. Equal suffrage was granted by popular vote in 1893 and incorporated in the constitution ten years later by a majority three times the size of that given the original referendum.

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free-and-hanging would be too good for him, if we still believed in killing those who kill others. There is about as much excuse for a police wagon running forty or thirty miles an hour in pursuit of a "drunk" as there is for tolerating a mad dog in a city.

The fight is between Cosson and Allen," declares the Washington Democrat, "and Allen ought to go home and save his money."

Iowa Newspapers

GLAD IT IS GONE. [Waterloo Times-Tribune.] Can it be that that man Ross, the lively stable owner out in Nebraska who filed for president on both the republican and democratic tickets and whom nobody knew and who got 10 per cent of the votes polled, is the lost Charley Ross?

Most of us can look back to the times when the torchlight parade was considered an indispensable feature of a national political campaign. It is to be doubted that it made votes, but it kept up the interest among the younger folk, which eventually spread to their elders.

Those of us who carried a torch thirty or forty years ago, have very happy recollections of those days. A company of torches with some carried equipped with torches and oil-cloth caps and fancy hats or caps. And during a number of weeks we were drilled in a hall, preferably by a veteran of the civil war, and were taught more about marching and military drill than we ever acquired on any other days.

Companies that were made up of the right material and that had the good fortune to find a captain who was truly interested and had the rare gift of awaking interest and enthusiasm in others, soon got beyond the regular drill and were initiated into all sorts of fancy drilling, and after we were turned loose on the streets, we attracted considerable attention and were given much praise by enthusiastic members of the party whose torches we were carrying.

Mr. Wilson lost all power to influence army legislation because he was on all sides of every question first in favor of a continental army; later he lost all interest in the continentals. He was against a "federalized" national guard; afterward he favored "federalization," with its "pork barrel" attachments. He said a year ago there was no need to increase the peace strength of the regular establishment or to increase the army at all.

Very recently he has said that a peace strength of 200,000 men would not be "unreasonable." He endorsed the Hay bill, but never endorsed the Chamberlain bill. He left the way perfectly free for the democratic leaders in congress to muddle army legislation.—New York Tribune.

KILLED BY POLICE. [Cedar Rapids Republican.] In Sioux City, the police patrol collided with an automobile and killed one of the occupants, Miss Jennie Jones. The dispatches state that the police wagon was "going after a drunk" and was at the time of the collision making forty miles an hour, as well as a great deal of din and noise. It is proved that the police driver was going at that speed, then he ought to be tried for plain murder in the first degree.

EMBARRASSMENT OVER NOMINATING SPEECH

John W. Wescott of Camden, N. J., attorney general of New Jersey, made the speech placing President Wilson in nomination at the democratic national convention in St. Louis next month. It was he who made the speech nominating Mr. Wilson at Baltimore four years ago.

His statement of principles at the Des Moines conference was the only fair and wise thing to do. The Times-Republican should heartily commend him for doing so and seek to have his action followed by other candidates for office rather than to oppose it.

As a democratic newspaper, the Chronicle is proud to believe that its party is also Mr. Meredith's party, not in the bad sense suggested by the Times-Republican, but in the sense that it is chosen by him to bring about the principles of morality and justice for which he stands.

Democracy is indeed Mr. Meredith's party, and Mr. Meredith is democracy's candidate.

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RANDOM REELS

Cleopatra was an Egyptian queen who originated the affinity habit, which of late years has become such a popular and flourishing industry in this country.

Cleopatra was a tall, languorous brunette of striking appearance, particularly when dressed for the opera, as was the case most of the time. She was heavily addicted to the besotted negligee which has since been adopted by every shadow dancer that ever got past first base.

Cleopatra was not a home body. She was a poor cook, and could not make a batch of plain, salt-rising bread without burning it on the bottom. In this respect she was a total failure.

Cleopatra had a brother named Ptolemy, and they farmed Egypt on shares for a while, making a non-stop record for raising taxes. Ptolemy was then killed while attempting to keep Julius Caesar and his justly famous Roman nose out of the country, after which Cleopatra reigned alone in state and a scant but fetching evening gown.

History relates that when Caesar saw Cleopatra on the throne in evening dress he forgot that he was a husband and made love to her in ardent, secret near Latin.

Cleopatra soon grew tired of Julius, some man with side whiskers and a complete shortage of moral fiber. This enraged the Roman emperor, Augustus, who decided to convey her to Rome at the end-gate of a four-horse chariot. In order to avoid this humiliation, Cleopatra allowed herself to be stung in the left shoulder by an asp, after trying out its stinger on two or three chambermaids and noting its successful and noiseless operation.

The life of Cleopatra teaches us that the affinity business does not pay in the long run, unless accompanied by liberal monthly payments, secured by first mortgage on the defendant's real estate.

I drove a horse for a long, long time; thru the summer dust and the winter rime I jogged along in my one-hoss shay, and never dreamed that a better way of locomotion I'er would find, and Towser trotted along behind. A happy dog was old Towser then; he got acquainted with dogs and men, and found his bones on the right of way, the while we followed my one-hoss shay.

But Dobbin, the horse, grew out of date, and I bought a car that can hit a gait of forty miles in a fleeting hour, a thing that throbs with restless power. Old Towser followed the car one day, and he kept on the road so my tow-ward way; he kept in sight for three paragraphs, and then he muttered some bow-wow dango, and sneaked back home with a broken heart, and died the death death a one-hoss cart. Alas, old dog, 'twas a bitter end, for one that long was a faithful friend, but the world moves on, and that dog must fade that in too long for the great parade; must say him down as the but-tercup—and its true of men, just as well as pups.

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