

Regular Democratic Ticket!

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Supreme Judge—short term:
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Superintendent of Public Schools
H. A. GASS.

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DR. I. KNOTT.

Protecting the Farmers.

The International Harvester Company—the agricultural machinery trust—has just made a contract with the Tennessee Coal and Iron company for 25,000 tons of pig iron, the price being about \$13 a ton at Birmingham. That will make a good many harvesters and other farm machinery which will cost the farmers of the United States at least 20 per cent more than it should through tariff protection of the trust. Paragraph 460 of the tariff law provides that:

"Plows, tooth and disc harrows, harvesters, reapers, agricultural drills and planters, mowers, horse rakes, cultivators, threshing machines and cotton gins, 20 per centum ad valorem."

This trust is said to be selling its products cheaper abroad than here and our farmers have to pay high prices for the benefit of the trust and the foreigners.

Another District Heard From.

J. Adam Bede, Republican congressman from Minnesota, feels very optimistic and says he believes the world is growing better. He is shouting these good tidings at the Chautauquas, at so much per shout, no doubt, and is hurling defiance at the muck-rakers, thrown in for good measure. But Adam should know that if it had not been for a long succession of muck-rakers the political world in this country, at all events, would be entirely submerged under the burden of muck in sight, such as a tariff and trust extortion, railroad overcharges and general Republican depravity and extravagance, and your record, Adam, in congress does not show that you have much, if anything, to make the political world better. If the

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people of the Eight district investigate your record in congress, they can hardly be satisfied to continue such a standpat representative.

The Farmers and the Politician.

Clay Crisman, the young Michigan farmer who came to Washington to see the political celebrities, decided, after inspecting the beef trust harassed countenance of Secretary Wilson, that: "Can't see that they're different from any other folks." If Crisman had investigated the minds of the Republican officials instead of their persons, he would have discovered a vast difference between the official mind and the minds of the honest farmer. For, whereas the official is constantly inventing some plan to tax the people for his benefit or the advantage of the tariff fostered trusts and combines that Republican officials are so anxious to favor through the tariff or other monopoly breeding device, the mind of the farmer is, when he thinks about the matter, wondering why wheat is low and trust prices high.

WITH a moderate tariff, the Canadian foreign trade has increased \$82,000,000 during the year previous. How do our high protectionists account for it?

IF President Roosevelt does not expend all the \$25,000 congress appropriated for traveling expenses, will he turn the balance into the conscience fund, or leave the unexpended balance in the treasury?

THE "eight-hour" day with which the administration is trying to head off the labor revolt, looks rather slim when confronted by the proposition of the French Socialists. M. Jules Guesde's program is "eighty minutes" work-a-day. But then most Socialists don't want to work at all.

IF these reports from the Isle of Pines of persecution of American citizens by the Cuban officials are one half true, there is good reason for shaking the "big stick" in that direction, and if the administration refuses to protect Americans from abuse, "for reasons of state" the American people will soon want to know the reason why.

THE sugar trust has been caught rebating with the railroads and the general auditor of the trust has been compelled by the court to produce certain books and documents, which he had declined to furnish to the grand jury. But, under the Elkins anti-rebate law, the railroad officials will escape imprisonment, if convicted.

THE people, of course, are anxious for the regulating of railroad and express rates to begin, but there can be no objection to the decision of the interstate commerce commission to give the corporations reasonable time to prepare their scheduled rates. It's a big job, no doubt, and upon those schedules all future work will be predicated, so a little delay may make greater haste hereafter.

SENATOR BAILEY, like Senator Tillman, has triumphed over his enemies in his own state and in other states by being unanimously renominated for United States senator, and Democrats everywhere are to be congratulated that they will continue to have these two champions of honest government to expose the corruption and grafting of the Republican majority.

CONGRESSMAN LITTLEFIELD must be pushed very hard by his Democratic opponent, for the news from his district says he is making a house to house canvass, which is usually recognized as the last resort in an emergency. The people of Maine have not been so thoroughly aroused for years, as the Republican machine, in league with the corporations and saloons, has had them in a tight grip, but there are signs of a political awakening that bodes trouble for corrupt stand-patters.

THE top heavy government of the Philippines that the Republicans have erected is breaking down of its own weight, from sheer inability of the inhabitants to pay enough taxes to support it. Either the people of the United States will have to pay part of the local expenses, added to the present taxes they pay for the army and navy employed there, or we will have to give the island up to the Filipinos to do what they like with it and virtually extend the Monroe doctrine there to prevent any foreign nation from oppressing them. The Democrats may well declare, "we told you so."

Gov. CUMMINS of Iowa had better look out, or he will be called to account at Oyster bay. Here he is telling people that "the next congress will take up the revision of the tariff at request of President Roosevelt." And this when all the world knows, especially the Germans, that the president is in for a stand-pat campaign by agreement with Speaker Cannon and other campaign leaders. But perhaps Gov. Cummins has arrived at the conclusion that the people will elect a Democratic majority of congress and the president will fall into line by recommending and signing a tariff reform bill, to the utter confusion of the stand-patters.

Chas Edgar of near Slater is introducing a new method of plowing his fields. He recently purchased a gang plow, which consists of eight discs, to which he attaches his traction engine. It turns the ground for about seven feet in width.

A record of 32 threshing machines in that part of Saline county between Miami and Saline City and extending to the Missouri river shows that about 500,000 bushels of wheat have been threshed. The territory mentioned is only about one-third of the county.

A span of valuable mules belonging to Tucker Warts of near Cairo was struck by lightning Friday afternoon. One of them dropped dead and the other one staggered fully 30 feet before it recovered. Warts was in Moberly with them when the accident happened.

J. G. Bellamy of Slater had a queer intruder in his corn crib Saturday morning. As he started to enter the crib he was startled to hear a rattlesnake's tattoo and after discovering his snakeship he soon dispatched it with a club. It was about three feet long and had five rattles.

Al Dye, a jockey who is employed by D. H. Barker of Moberly to take care of his fine race mare, had a most miraculous escape Monday. He was exercising the mare up and down Clark street when she became frightened at an automobile and dashed up the street at a furious rate. When near the planing-mill she fell, throwing Dye underneath her, but quickly rose again, dragging the jockey, who was hanging with both feet in the stirrups, a considerable distance over the bricks, tressles, etc., kicking him as she went. He was finally released by one of the stirrups breaking. One rib was broken and he was out and bruised all over. His condition is considered very serious.

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