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PESSIMISM

In these times of railroad mergers, insurance investigations, meat scandals and other corporate monopolistic sins, the pessimist with almost ghoulish glee points to these as proof of the degeneracy of the world, and yet, after all, these are but the dross and scum that rise to view in the process of remodeling and reshaping the great forces of finance and commerce. They are really proof of progress. If there had been no progress then these would not be.

People of the present time hardly realize how rapidly we are living and how quickly the world is changing. This world of steam and electricity is daily growing smaller as to time and distance. Years have changed to months and months to minutes in transportation of persons and merchandise, while speech is a matter of a few seconds from world's end to world's end. These more than anything else are the reasons of the consolidation and concentration of forces in all lines of commerce, and to attempt to stop this tendency would really be an attempt to fight the forces of nature.

But with the real progress naturally comes the evils. New conditions demand new regulations. That these new regulations are coming and are being already put in shape, is the hopeful sign of the times. Twenty years ago a law governing the speed of automobiles would have been the height of chivalry, even if it had been possible to enforce it. Now the law is a mere formality, and the speed of the motor car is a matter of course. The same may be said of many other things. The law is a mere formality, and the speed of the motor car is a matter of course. The same may be said of many other things.

It will take time, these things are new, we want to do right, for the corporations as well as the body politic,—but they will be regulated. But we are not going to cut down the apple tree because some of the fruit is wormy.

At no time has so much wholesome regulation and legislation been done or begun as by the congress that has just adjourned. Under the leadership of President Roosevelt nearly the whole time of the session has been taken with investigation and legislation looking to the regulation of great corporate bodies, of which the railway rate bill, the meat inspection bill and the pure food laws and the denatured alcohol bill are conspicuous examples.

The treatment of public and of personal diseases is much alike. Some bodily ailments, however, are without remedy, but the diseases of the body politic are always curable. First the diagnosis and then the remedy. The diagnosis may be a little difficult, it may be hard to distinguish the exact difference between health and disease under the new conditions, but time and experience will tell, and the remedy found. And then, we will be ready to meet the other and newer conditions that will certainly follow—if progress continues, as it certainly will.

FORGOT TO COUNT DEMOCRATS.

Editor Hager goes into a long discussion and comparison of figures to prove that a good many Republicans voted at the primaries. That is true, but cuts no figure as to the desirability of the primary law, for with the same issues before the party, practically about the same number would have turned out at the caucuses.

But what about the primary law and the Democratic party? Just as certain that a good many Republicans voted, a very small number of Democrats didn't vote. Less than half a dozen men made the Democratic nominations and 246 Democratic votes were cast, out of nearly 800 cast in 1904.

Now in former years there has always been a Democratic convention of about seventy-five delegates, representing caucuses of from five to fifty voters, that gathered before election and nominated candidates, often with a good fight, and went home after consultation and agreement in good merriment to make a battle. But they haven't a particle of that party spirit in them this year, and the Republicans have but little.

Those old county conventions did more than to nominate, they did much to help to elect. The convention fight was always made with the face towards the common enemy, but the result of the primaries is almost invariably for the benefit of the minority party. The individual voter is not a politician, if he votes against a candidate at the primary he is very likely to vote against the same at the election. But convention fights were nearly always over when the convention adjourned and everybody turned in for the ticket as nominated.

HOW AMEND?

We notice our friends of the insurgent ranks are all busy cussing the primary election law and particularly the portion that fails to provide for the distinguishing between principles instead of candidates in the election of delegates.

The Pioneer Express has opposed the law for this reason since its inception. But where our friends fail is this: they insist the law is all right, but needs amendments,—but they don't tell us the proper amendments. We make the claim that it isn't possible to make such amendments as will make the law perfect or anything like it. We don't believe that as shown by actual working that the primary law is any improvement, whatever, over the old caucus system.

We now can possibly make a law that will distinguish between principles on a ballot, and yet not be able to distinguish between the candidates. The law is a mere formality, and the speed of the motor car is a matter of course. The same may be said of many other things.

impossible in itself, and when there are a half a dozen factions, and hundreds of independent voters the attempt to thus distinguish is nonsense.

It is all very well to say we must amend, but how?

As we write, the delegates are gathering at the State convention at Jamestown. Rumor has the ticket all fixed and that Gov. Sarles and most of the old officials will be renominated. However this may be, if it is true it will be probable that the "insurgent" fight has made it so, as the fight has been directed so personally against these officials that the endorsement of another term would be the natural consequence of the success of the regulars.

Poor old Russia. The situation there seems to be getting worse and worse and only a leader and union is necessary to turn the government up side down. But without a leader, a revolution will mean anarchy.

County News

Pembina county fair July 18th, 19th and 20th.

Shade trees in St. Thomas are afflicted with lice.

Sam White takes charge of the Bathgate post office this week.

Editor Willson of the Pink Paper wants to buy a gentle pony.

Fred Fisher of Cavalier has been looking over the northwest.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heller are at home at Cavalier after a winter in the south.

The Call says that the fair at Crystal on the 4th was a complete success in every respect.

The Louden school people had a fine picnic at the grove of A. ex. Morrison near Bathgate last week.

Mrs. M. J. Switzer and daughter Lucille spent a couple of days with relatives at Neche last week.

Supt. Tucker of the Bathgate schools has so far recovered from his illness, as to go to his home in Indiana.

Ias. Nicholson of Bowsmont is another traveller to the northwest who comes back satisfied with North Dakota.

Ferman A. Wilson formerly editor of the Hamilton Independent is now night editor of the Minneapolis Tribune.

Evan Howard, who was for some time with Druggist Shaw in this city has taken a position with Dr. Burrows of Bathgate.

Dr. D. E. Rouse, the new doctor at Hamilton, was compelled to go to the hospital at Grafton to undergo an operation.

Wing & Stafford of Crystal have dissolved partnership, Mr. Wing retaining the business. Mr. Stafford expects to go west.

Michael O'Donnell and Samuel Hopper were bound over at St. Thomas for blind pigging and brought to Pembina to wait trial.

Geo. Bilyard formerly of Bathgate, and late publisher of the Morris Herald, has taken the foremanship of the Pink Paper office.

Mrs. C. Kibler, Mr. and Mrs. Schweitzer, Miss Pearl Haist, Mrs. John Well and daughter are a party who left Cavalier to visit friends in Canada.

T. W. Kibbee and family have broken up housekeeping at Drayton and will move elsewhere though they have not yet settled on the location.

A. Robert Richardson formerly clerk in J. LaMoure & Co's and Miss Amy Munroe formerly milliner at Neche, were married at Minneapolis, June 30th.

The John Fadden family of Bathgate have gone to Manitoba. No cards, no regrets, and two court cases probably settled without cost to the county.

The large barn of Andrew Nodwell near Beaulieu was struck by lightning recently and consumed. Most of the contents were saved but the loss is large.

Stanley Ganslie has taken a position in the Farmers State Bank at St. Thomas. Andrew Nelson former accountant has resigned to take a place as cashier in a western bank.

They dug up an old horn fashioned into a war club at Walhalla and the Mountain men immediately got possession, and subsequent subscribers were sent to look a little wiser.

The services at the dedication of the new St. R. church at Drayton on Sunday were of great interest. The church was dedicated to the memory of the late Rev. J. H. G. Ganslie, who was a pioneer settler in the county.

have commenced operations near St. Thomas. The survey will be made twenty-four miles east and west for the whole length of the county.

As to the ball game the editor continues "The Neche team furnished the fun while the Pembina team played pretty good ball. The score was 15 to 3."

The old settlers in the vicinity of Bay Center who settled there in 1879 and previous had a reunion on the farm of Wm. Pask last week and had a good time. There ought to be more of these old settler meetings.

Fralick-Smith—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Fralick, Maple Grove, on Wednesday, June 27, 1906, Miss Carrie M. Fralick to Fred K. Smith, of Calgary, Alberta. Rev. D. Matheson, of Walhalla, officiating.

Married at Crystal, Dr. Charles S. Marsden to Miss Jessie Mitchell. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Mitchell old and respected residents of that locality, and the groom was as a boy a former resident of the Bowsmont neighborhood and for a short time lived in Pembina. He is now located in Carrington, this state.

The Neche Chronotype editor who spent the Fourth in this city gives a long and complimentary write-up of the program here and mentions the parade as the best ever seen in the county. "It is difficult to make special mention of all those so deserving, as all were excellent, but it seemed to the writer that the "Hunting Scene" of which Gordon Kneeshaw was the creator was one of the most original and artistic."

Maurice Rowe son of John Rowe living near Hamilton, and 17 years old saved the life of a child last week in a very courageous manner. The son of Wm. Gazelle aged two and a half years fell into a well containing seven feet of water, and young Rowe slid down a slender rope attached to a milk can and grasping the baby by the hair kept its head above water until help was summoned by his mother.

The Date Fixed.

The great Red river valley Exposition will be held at Grand Forks July 31st, August 1st, 2nd and 3rd. The management of the great Red river valley Exposition, to be held at Grand Forks, have definitely settled on July 31st, and August 1st, 2nd and 3rd as the dates for the big show. The committee in charge of the various departments and a corps of assistants are hard at work on the details already, and the show will not only be the greatest of the kind ever held in the northwest, but will be unique in many particulars.

Fifteen thousand dollars will be expended by the directors of the fair association in premiums and purses. The racing program will be particularly good and the purses are large enough to attract the fastest horseflesh in the entire west. The track has no equal this side of the Minnesota state fair grounds, and it is expected that some new state records will be made.

Special attention will be given to the display of farm products and the management will make it worth while for the farmers who raise the best cereals and the largest vegetables to raise something extra good for the exhibit.

The interest aroused by the display of livestock at the state fair last year has given a lively stimulus to this feature and it may be set down now that the display in this department this year will rival the famous Minnesota state fair livestock show.

The ladies will have a large share in the prizes this year and a very fine display of women's handwork is accordingly expected.

The official premium list will soon be ready, and if you shouldn't happen to receive one, a postal card request to Sec. A. L. Woods, will bring you one.

Very low railroad rates are assured, and it is not too early for the people of this section to be making their plans now to take in the exposition.

Notice of Inspection of Northern Pacific Railway.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Railroad Commissioners of North Dakota will inspect the line of the Northern Pacific Railway through Pembina county, on the 24th day of July, 1906.

The box of arrival of Commissioners' train can be learned at the Station Agent.

All persons having positions or complaints are requested to submit same in duplicate.

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