

# THE LACLEDE BLADE.

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### Recorder of Deeds.

We are authorized to announce SAM CLEAVER as a candidate for recorder of deeds of Linn county, subject to the action of the republican nominating convention.

### County Clerk.

We are authorized to announce HARRY E. SYMONS as a candidate for county clerk of Linn county, subject to the action of the republican nominating convention.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

Our Regular Correspondent Writes From the National Capitol.

For a time at least, the senate is done with the rate bill. The final vote on the bill has not yet been taken, but the Allison amendment has been incorporated in it, and the suspicious words, "in their judgment," which alluded to the interstate commerce commission, have been stricken out by a large majority. So it looks as though there would be no cloud on the constitutionality of the bill as it will ultimately be passed. The questionable words were contained in the original Hepburn bill, but it was agreed that while they might possibly vitiate its constitutionality, they could add nothing to its effectiveness. They were therefore eliminated. There is still some question among the various authorities as to how wide a review the Allison amendment will really amount to. The chances are that it will prove tolerably sweeping. But if the courts are honest, and it is to be presumed that they are, there can be no objection to a court review of the findings of the interstate commerce commission.

There is a good deal of sting in the come-back of the commissioner of corporations at the Standard Oil company and the railroads that he had accused of bad faith, rebating and other things in connection with the transportation of oil. Mr. Garfield says in a letter to the president on the subject, that the criticisms of the railroads and of the Standard Oil officials as to his report are all of them groundless and that they dodge the real issue. He does not brand them all as "deliberate and malicious liars," as did Senator Bailey in calling down certain correspondents in the senate. But he produces a few facts that have almost the same effect. He says that the investigation disclosed "numerous and flagrant violations of the law and discriminations by the railroads in favor of the Standard Oil company." He says that the Standard Oil company, despite the denial of its officials, has been given absolutely unassailable and monopolistic control of the oil market. He points out some of the discriminations as follows: Secret and semi-secret rates, discrimination in the open arrangement of rates, discrimination in classification and rules of shipment and discrimination in the treatment of private tank cars. He says that unfairness obviously is not necessary when the Standard ships at the higher and the independent at the lower rate. A sample of this is in the shipment of oil in bulk and in barrels. The tank cars used by the Standard where they do not use pipe lines are returned to them free of charge. The smaller producer who has to ship his oil in barrels because he does not own tank cars, is charged the same freight on the barrels as on the oil, which amounts to nearly a 25 per cent discrimination against him, and he is forced to pay the same freight on the return of his barrels if he is not able to sell them at the end of the run, so that the discrimination in freight charges really amounts to 50 per cent on this count alone. The reply of the Standard officials is that the small producer should own his own tank cars, as the Standard does. But if he does, he soon finds that the railroads have ways of landing his cars in San Francisco when he wants them in New

York. Mr. Garfield reiterates his assertion that the discrimination in freight rates means a saving to the Standard of hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. He declares that effectively conceal the lower rates they have given to the Standard, the railroads have used peculiar methods of billing and accounting. He says that shipments have been falsely waybilled at the published rates and freight charges collected at the lower rates. Rates have been made for the express purpose of letting the Standard into certain markets and for keeping competitors out. If, Mr. Garfield, adds, the law prohibits the obtaining of a certain advantage by a specific device and the same result is obtained in a different way, then the law is faulty and its justice is a sham.

Altogether, the commissioner shows himself no mean hand at toying with the muck rake, but he shows that, as Commissioner Clements put it in the interstate commerce hearing, "if the Standard is muck, there is no good reason why it should not be raked." In fact, Mr. Garfield comes out as the Ida Tarbell of the administration and it is probable that the railroad and Standard Oil officials will keep quiet after this blast for fear a worse thing befall them.

Much more than usual interest has attached to the meeting here this week of the national association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis. This association resulted from the appointment of the commission by the president to inquire into the subject, and the meeting this week brought together some of the greatest medical men from all over the country interested in the prevention of the disease. It was a subject that knows no limitation of color, creed or clime, and the proceedings of the association were interesting in detail. The most important conclusion reached, however, was that the check of consumption in this country could be the result only of a campaign of education that would reach every person in the land. It was stated that consumption is neither hereditary nor contagious, though it can be and is conveyed from the patient to the rest of the community if he does not follow certain lines and destroy the sputa that carries the contagion broadcast. The association decided to enlist the aid of the school teachers throughout the land and get them to help, teaching both scholars and parents what tuberculosis really is, how it may be conveyed and how it is to be avoided. The association has a large amount of literature on the subject that it is ready to distribute on application.

### First-Class Platform Material.

Republican county conventions in Missouri this year show unusually active conditions in the party. The platforms adopted at these local gatherings have been especially striking on account of the long list of subjects on which congratulations are expressed. In national affairs the situation is excellent, and congress will continue to add to its good works. The administration stands faithfully by the idea of a square deal. Treasury receipts for the fiscal year nearly ended are ahead of expenditures, though the outlay on the Panama canal thus far has been met from the cash on hand. Missouri's member of the cabinet, Secretary Hitchcock, has made a great record in protecting the lands that belong to the people, and in bringing about the punishment of their despoilers.

The republicans, who occupy the state offices, with the exception of the governorship, have performed their full duty honestly and intelligently. Only one state officer, Governor Folk, has violated any promise made during the campaign. If any republican had faced about on his pledges as Gov. Folk has done on home rule, the democrats would fill their platforms with the charge of bad faith. But they have nothing of the kind to work on, though the republicans have a majority of the state delegation in congress,

as well as in the state office, and in the legislature on joint ballot. Republican county platforms in Missouri in 1906 are mighty interesting reading, but condensing them is not easy, so many are the good points demanding a place in the list.—Globe-Democrat.

### The Book Trust in Politics.

From the Warsaw Times. By the creation of boodling school text book commissions, as disclosed in the famous Cardwell cases, the democratic party permitted the book trust to rob the innocent children of Missouri for fifteen years.

It would not be wise for the republicans to nominate any man who has commended the work of the last school text-book commission.

The republican party is opposed to the domination of the book trust in Missouri and should administer a stinging rebuke to the trust agents who try to dictate the officers of our state teachers' association and the nominees of our political parties.

Prof. J. U. White, of Brookfield, led the fight four years ago that resulted in the repeal of the obnoxious text book law. We love him for the enemies he has made in his fight for honesty in school matters. He is in harmony with the republican party on this subject as well as other school matters of vital importance to the people and should be nominated at Excelsior Springs by acclamation.

### No Political Passes.

Those who attend political conventions in Missouri this year will either have to walk or pay their fare. At a meeting of passenger traffic officials of the Missouri lines held at St. Louis last week it was decided that no passes would be given out to any political party, but a rate of one fare, plus 50 cents, was made to apply to both state and judicial conventions. This is a new deal in Missouri politics, and is likely to have a wholesome effect on conventions of both political parties.

### A Mountain of Gold

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### Executor's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary and of Administration upon the estate of Sallie J. Warren, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Linn County, Missouri, bearing date the 16th day of May, 1906.

All persons having claims against said Estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred. Date, May 16, 1906.

HARVEY HENDRICKSON, Executor with the Will Attached.

### Guardian's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Guardianship upon the estate of Joseph H. Preston, a person of unsound mind, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Linn County, Missouri, bearing date the 27th day of April, 1906. All persons having claims against said Estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within two years from the date of the publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. Date, May 23, 1906. F. W. POWERS, Guardian.

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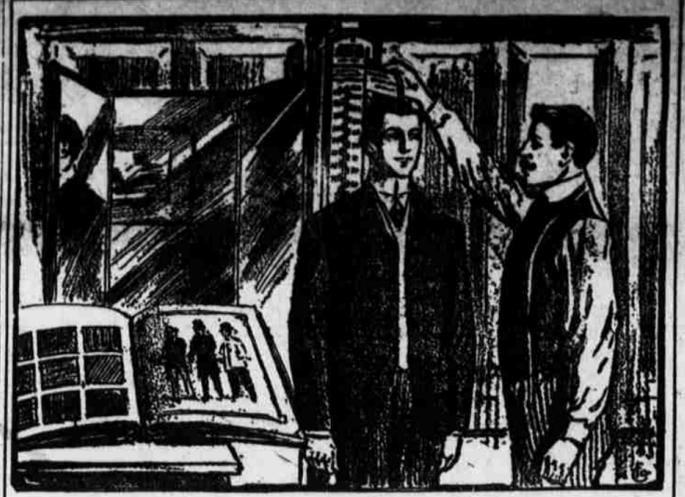
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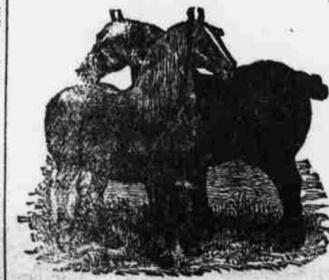
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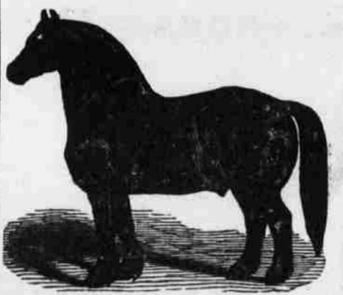
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