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"SOCIETY" IS ALARMED.

According to press dispatches, there is deep consternation in the social world at Washington, D. C., and all the society dames, dukes and dudines are sweating blood in their anguish. The cause of this distress is the possibility of Bryan's election and his filling the offices in the capital city with western men. While the men from the west may be fully able to attend to their official duties as understood out here, the East is positively certain that they could never fill the higher obligations laid upon Washington officials by "society," namely, leading cotillions, attending receptions and dinners, playing tennis, golf, bridge, etc. Undoubtedly the report that a western state has nominated for governor a man who eats pie with a knife has strengthened the general belief in the east that western men are only fit for work, and would play havoc in society. The qualifications for official position in Washington, according to the "society," are as follows:

First—Wealth enough to be able to make a big splurge, it being well known that cabinet officials and others high on the social scale spend their entire salary for house rent and have to rely on some other source for all other expenses.

Second—Ability to go thru a course dinner without once using the wrong utensil; a complete knowledge of the exact time when a frock coat becomes improper to appear with in company, and a determination that would enable him to cheerfully freeze to death in any street rather than go into any person's house unless clothed in the proper suit for that particular time of the day; a working knowledge of the various amusements of "society"; a strong determination never to let his official duties interfere with his social duties.

In New York ancestry cuts quite a figure, it being established beyond controversy that a fur trader's or trapper's fortune must pass thru three generations before the smell of the pelts is absolutely removed and the possessors of the said fortune can claim to be stars of the first magnitude in the social firmament. If the money has been obtained by watering railroad stock or by some other respectable swindling operation, the second generation is considered in full membership among the highest grade—provided of course that the swindle was big enough. In Washington, however, ancestry is regulated to the rear, rank in the government positions taking its place. Therefore, if a man has been successful in getting a high position and can pass a satisfactory examination in the foregoing requirements he is welcomed as a nobleman in the codfish aristocracy of the capital.

It would indeed be a horrible catastrophe if a man from the wild and woolly west should disturb this "society" by bringing in men selected more for their fitness for the work demanded from them by the government than for ability to shine in a parlor. Of course, we in the west know that Mr. Bryan is a gentleman in the best sense of the word, and that he is a good sample of the leading men of the west, the kind that he would be likely to bring with him to Washington. But there is a vast difference between an ordinary gentleman and a "society" snob. A gentleman is polite everywhere and to all people; a snob pays attention only to those whom he considers in his "set." A gentleman attends to social obligations as a side issue; a snob makes a business of them and treats his work, if he has any, as a necessary affliction. It would be refreshing to see the snobocracy of Washington given a little shock by the introduction of officials who are gentlemen without making it their occupation.

PASTURAGE. Having rented an 80-acre pasture a few blocks southwest of the City High School, I am now prepared to take in cows. There is a good well in the pasture and plenty of fresh water will be supplied. Charges reasonable. Samuel Thydin, 252 South Third Street, Willmar.

THAT SPICER DIFFICULTY.

The editor of the Dassel Anchor was one of the excursionists to Spicer on the last Sunday of the Chautauqua and was very much displeased with the treatment he received. In his general disgust he took occasion to give Sheriff Bonde a slam in the following words: "A very noticeable thing was the amount of drunkenness on the streets and the sheriff of a Prohibition ticket, serenely looking on." The Green Lake Breeze last week published a reply to the criticism of the Anchor and in making a rejoinder the Dassel editor qualifies the above statement very materially. He says: "After wandering about all day trying to dodge the little junk shops that had slop called malt and suspicious lemonade on sale, it would have been a relief to have found a bottle of good, cool beer to take the dark brown taste out of our mouths. HAD WE KNOWN THE ROPES WE POSSIBLY COULD HAVE FOUND IT. There was no one from Dassel that was drunk unless he managed to become so from lake water." By his own testimony the Dassel editor proves that there was not so much drunkenness at Spicer as his first editorial would indicate. We have noticed at Willmar that it usually is the fellow who tried very hard to get something "to take the dark brown taste out of his mouth" and failed that is the man who talks the loudest about the failure of prohibition; but they are usually not so frank to admit it as the brother down the way.

Bonze was undoubtedly distributed in considerable quantities and there were a number of drunks. The distributors were the excursionists. Whether the sheriff did his full duty or not may be a matter of argument. At any rate, common report said that several dozen cases of beer were furnished thirsty drinkers, and the sale did not stop till the supply was exhausted.—Republican Gazette.

In the above despicable fashion the Gazette begins its campaign against Sheriff Bonde. It quotes the Dassel editor's first statement and then adds the above from "common report." It now remains to be seen if the Gazette will publish the Dassel editor's last statement. The Tribune editor is willing to stake everything he possesses on the proposition that if any of the contents of the few beer cases brought in by the Benson train was sold at Spicer mighty good care was taken to do it so Sheriff Bonde would not know it. The Gazette forgets to say that one man who attempted to do some bootlegging at Spicer was apprehended by Sheriff Bonde and is now serving time in jail.

Under our present laws it is no crime to send for a case of beer for one's own use. A sheriff in Minnesota has no authority to take and destroy any liquor on sight. He must catch the seller in the act or have positive evidence to prove a sale. If someone brought a case of beer with him to the lake and became enthusiastic over its contents, the sheriff could not help it. The only "debatable question" involved is how far the sheriff can go under the law in suppressing drinking, and there is not the least question that Sheriff Bonde will go just as far as the law permits. His opposition usually gives him credit for that. Further, their hue and cry is usually that the sheriff goes too far in his efforts to suppress drinking. The above hypocritical insinuation that Bonde should have failed to do anything he could to suppress drinking at Spicer is entirely uncalculated for and is made only in the hope of deceiving some temperance man into casting his vote against Bonde.

The people who paid their money to see a ball game had just cause for complaint. This paper has never been able to understand why the sheriff delayed action until after the people had given up their money. He was in the village all day, and knew that the ball players intended to have a game. There certainly might have been ways of stopping the game without robbing the public.—Republican Gazette.

Sheriff Bonde was not running the Chautauqua. He is an enthusiastic ball player himself and the Chautauqua Board secured him to manage the baseball games during the assembly, with the understanding that there were to be no Sunday games. The Board was entirely responsible for the attempt to play ball Sunday afternoon, because from all the evidence the Tribune has been able to get the Board had

control of the Athletic Park during the twelve days of the Chautauqua.

Sheriff Bonde was up in the village (where apparently his presence was needed) when complaint was made to him that the game of ball was disturbing the peace of the Sabbath at the Chautauqua grounds, where divine services were also in progress at the auditorium. He went there and stopped the game. The sheriff was not responsible for the money paid to see the game. Those who arranged the game and took the money should be held for that. It is difficult to see how the game could be stopped before it had started. As a baseball enthusiast, Bonde's personal inclination must have been against interfering with the game, but the fact that he did his duty, in spite of this and right in the face of a most influential member of the Chautauqua Board itself, is greatly to his credit. Any attempt to use this as campaign argument against Bonde will prove a boomerang.

The Benson Review last week contained the following communication:

The Monitor says in its last issue among other things, the following about the Chautauqua Sunday game: "When the sheriff went onto the diamond and threatened the players with arrest if they did not stop, a great howl went up from the players and spectators." That is certainly putting it very mildly. Not only did a great howl arise from the grand stand, but a small man arose, who from his high position in the grand stand appeared to be a tall man, and ordered the play to go on in spite of the law and the sheriff and he would see the players through all the difficulties. From that moment it was a game between Smallman and the State of Minnesota represented by Sheriff Bonde. Then the uproar broke loose; but finally Mr. Smallman "got cold feet" and backed down. The Monitor suggests that the Chautauqua management "do the right thing by the people who were thus so shamefully treated." This is a useless suggestion, for it was pretty well known at Spicer that the Chautauqua management was hopelessly divided on the question. Part of the management made arrangements for the game to be played on the Chautauqua grounds and another part of the management called the sheriff to stop the game, and the gatekeeper decamped with the cash. There is no use whatever to call upon the management to do the right thing. The only hope for Benson people to get justice is to call upon the principal supporter of the Chautauqua, Mr. D. N. Tallman, to see if he will not personally right the matter. Respectfully, "Benson Booster."

The Pic Knife Not an Issue.

The St. Paul Pioneer Press and other Republican newspapers which are commonly supposed to sound the keynote of party principles, are attempting to create a new issue in this campaign. They are endeavoring to make an issue out of the question whether or not J. F. Jacobson, the Republican nominee for governor, is familiar with the ordinary usages of table etiquette. Following Frank Eddy's famous nominating speech, in which he boastfully alluded to Mr. Jacobson's indifference to the conventions of ordinary life, the eastern press took up the subject and by paragraph and cartoon has thrust a more or less unenviable notoriety upon the Lac qui Parle county man. Jacobson is as a result one of the best advertised men in the country and Minnesota shares in the publicity. Republican newspapers of the state have taken this condition for their cue and have teemed with discussions and arguments to convince the voters that an injustice has been done to Mr. Jacobson. Some of these articles have been vastly entertaining and amusing, but we trust to be pardoned if we insist that whether Mr. Jacobson conveys his slice of pie to his mouth by means of knife or fork is entirely outside the question and is an issue that has no place in the campaign.

J. F. Jacobson for years successfully fought the battles of the people. He was admittedly unthinkable for any public office other than that of constable or poundmaster but for the belief so strong in the minds of the people that he was their champion and defender. His record was good, and two years ago and again this year Republicans in numbers turned to him as a candidate for governor who could be depended upon to serve their interests against the domination of corporations. Among his supporters he numbered hundreds of Republicans who had become possessed with the belief that the railroads needed further regulation; that the steel trust had become altogether too active a factor in state politics; that the timber barons needed a strong man to continue the reforms initiated by Gov. Johnson and still other hundreds who believed that in Jacobson friends of liquor regulation and even prohibition would have a fast friend and ardent exponent.

And so Jacobson crowded out E. T. Young and Joel P. Heatwole and captured the Republican nomination for governor by acclamation. But at what cost? This knight errant has forgotten his javelin in the haste of entering the arena. Only the shield of his reputation remains. This brave man, in whose declarations the people of the state had faith, is silent. Not a word comes from Madison. The railroad interests seldom capitulate. They are now friends of Jacobson and contributed to his nomination and are expected to assist in his election. The delegation from St. Louis county, admittedly selected and controlled by agents of the steel corporation, joined hands with the railroad representatives to secure his nomination. The brewery interests defeated Heatwole in his home district and narrowly escaped defeating him in his county, in the interest of Mr. Jacobson. Hennepin county sent a delegation ostensibly for Capt. Snider, but in reality for Jacobson, and no fears are expressed that the timber interests will suffer by Jake's selection. This erstwhile champion of rights of the people was nominated and accepted the trust and even the reform element in the Republican party hoped for a word that would disprove their suspicions that their enemies had captured the popular idol. But none was forthcoming. Jacobson's acceptance speech might just as well have been made on the occasion of an acceptance of a Sunday school reward-of-merit card. And none has come from Madison since. There has been loud talk of not accepting "tainted money" and of the candidate continuing to be a candidate on his record, with verbal verbosity on the pie question. The people of the state will not permit themselves to be deceived. They will insist that Jacobson break the silence that has distinguished him since entering on the campaign. They will force him to throw off the muzzle that has been put upon him by the interests. If trades have been made by which he has been induced to desert the cause that commended him to the people, they will demand that he admit the fact and stand before them in the colors that rightfully belong to him. They will ask him why it was in the last campaign that he traveled about the state on a railroad pass, while Gov. Johnson was paying his fare, as did the other Democratic speakers. They will ask a whole lot of embarrassing questions and when convincing answers are not made—as in the nature of things they cannot be made—they will turn their backs on a man who has deserted them and vote for the Democratic nominee who will be guilty of no embarrassing entanglements and for whom no apologies will be necessary. In the meanwhile restore the pie knife issue to the sidebar.—Fairmont Daily Sentinel, July 28.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER. To the Voters of Kandiyohi County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Treasurer of Kandiyohi county, subject to the decision of the voters thereof at the primary election to be held September 15, 1908. Respectfully, N. O. NELSON, Willmar, Minn.

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS. Willmar, Minn., July 13, 1908. To the Voters of Kandiyohi County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for Register of Deeds on the Republican Ticket, to be voted for at the coming primary election, and respectfully solicit the support of the voters of the county. If nominated and elected, I will serve the interests of the taxpayers to the best of my ability. O. A. GRANGAARD.

LUNDQUIST FOR COUNTY TREASURER. By request of numerous friends throughout the county, I announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County Treasurer for Kandiyohi County on the Republican ticket; submitting myself to the will of the people at the Primaries to be held Sept. 15, '08. AUGUST LUNDQUIST.

FOR COUNTY AUDITOR. To the Voters of Kandiyohi County: I hereby most respectfully announce that I am a candidate for re-election on the Republican ticket, to the office of County Auditor, and most earnestly solicit your support at the Primary Election, to be held Sept. 15th, 1908. Respectfully, JOHN FEIG.

FOR CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT. To the Voters of Kandiyohi County: I hereby announce my candidacy for the Republican nomination, and a re-election to the office of Clerk of the District Court. I highly appreciate the kindness and good will heretofore shown me, and hope that no reason exists why it should not be continued. I desire your good will and your vote. Sincerely, H. J. RAMSETT.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY. To the voters of Kandiyohi County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for re-election to the office of County Attorney at the next primaries to be held September 15, 1908. If favored with the nomination and re-election to this important office, I shall continue to serve you with the same fidelity and impartiality that has always been my aim in the past. GEO. H. OTTERNESS.

FOR JUDGE OF PROBATE. To my friends, both before and after election, the Voters of Kandiyohi County: As a lifelong Republican, I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of Probate of Kandiyohi County, and if adjudged by your good judgment acceptable, then I earnestly solicit your good will and your votes at the coming Primaries, September 15, 1908. Very truly Yours, A. F. NORDIN.

ANNOUNCEMENT. At the solicitation of friends I have filed for the Republican nomination for Representative of the 55th Legislative District, and to the voters of Kandiyohi County I respectfully announce my candidacy for re-election. It is my desire, and it shall be my endeavor, to promote the reforms demanded by the people of today, if elected. We should have less but better laws, and men with the determination of a Young to enforce them. Fully appreciating the kindly confidence shown me in the past, I am most sincerely, C. E. JOHNSON.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS. To the Voters of Kandiyohi County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for renomination and election to the office of Superintendent of Schools on the Republican ticket, and most cordially ask your support at the primary election September 15, 1908. W. D. FREDERICKSON.

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