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The Allison presidential boom seems to lack legs. So far it has hardly succeeded in getting outside of the corporate limits of Dubuque, Iowa, where its aspiring proprietor resides.

There are some people now on this part of the earth who are cruel enough to say that Delegate Catron's presence in the so-called convention of New Mexico wool growers, in Las Vegas, was intended as a quiet turn down for the McKinley boomers.

The Chicago Board of Trade Review says: Every week shows an increasing interest in mining property. It is largely in the nature of inquiry. There is a constant demand for information. Meanwhile the Cripple Creek mining district is fairly booming. In the Black Hills also there is renewed activity, and the Arizona mining districts are likewise looking up. Even conservative bankers are certain that a mining boom is quietly growing in this country.

### A STAB AT MCKINLEYISM.

The "wool growers of New Mexico" as represented by a number of flock-masters—and several politicians—at a meeting held in Col. T. B. Mills' office at Las Vegas a day or two ago, are to be congratulated upon their discovery, and public declaration of the fact, that the so-called McKinley bill is not all it has been cracked up to be. This is rather a tough dish of crow for the Albuquerque Citizen, the Raton Range and several other organs of the recently organized McKinley bureau in New Mexico.

The convention had the advice and experience of Mr. G. H. Wallace, counsel general to Australia under President Harrison's administration, and it is doubtless due to his suggestions that resolutions were adopted calling attention to the classification and designations whereby "the wool grower was deprived of the measure of protection the (McKinley) tariff was supposed to afford."

Of course, it isn't to be presumed that Catron, Mills, J. G. Clancy et al, would indulge in any highly eulogistic resolutions over the Wilson tariff act, but the above is a pretty severe turn down for the much vaunted McKinley wool schedule.

### EXPOSING A FALSEHOOD.

It is impossible to have entire confidence in the unadulterated Democracy of a paper that is not absolutely free from all entanglement with Republican leaders, and so long as Max Frost is interested financially in the New Mexican plant, it is reasonable to suppose that he has some influence in the office. The fact that the Republican employees of the paper are retained because Max Frost made their retention a feature of the contract, under which Gov. Thornton secured nominal control of the New Mexican, is sufficient to justify Democratic distrust. The person who undertakes to edit the paper is the same man who abused Democrats and Democracy for years at Max Frost's bidding, and nobody who knows him has any confidence in either his sincerity or his capacity. He is a very tolerable "hustler" for trivial local and can write more toadying personals than any other man in the business, and we assert of our own knowledge that the governor represented to the subscribers to his newspaper fund that he should be kept at that work and not be permitted to edit the paper.

We do not think the New Mexican will venture to deny that, under the contract, Max Frost has access to the books at all times and can resume entire control of the business whenever he sees fit to assume that the paper is being conducted in a manner calculated to depreciate the value of the property. That is the kind of "string" the Republicans have tied to the New Mexican, and it is a stout hawser.—Las Cruces Independent Democrat.

The New Mexican ordinarily refrains from noticing the malicious falsehoods and misrepresentations constantly appearing in the Independent-Democrat with reference to its ownership and management. Fearing, however, that persons unacquainted with the reputation of the editor of the Independent-Democrat for his utter disregard of truth and veracity may be influenced by his vapors, it once again changes its accustomed policy to take note of Allan Kelly's falsehoods and to brand every assertion in the above statement as false and untrue. Max Frost is not, and since January 1, 1894, has not been interested to the extent of \$1 in the New Mexican nor has he exercised in the remotest degree any influence over its editorial or business management.

Gov. Thornton did not represent to the subscribers for stock at the time of the purchase that Mr. Cross would not be employed as editor. On the contrary many of them asked that Mr. Cross be given editorial control of the New Mexican.

The Independent-Democrat's tirade contains three charges the truth or falsity of which may happily be very easily proved. It says: "The Republican employees of the paper are retained because Max Frost made their retention a feature of the contract under which Gov. Thornton secured nominal control of the New Mexican;" "that Max Frost is financially interested in the New Mexican," and that "Max Frost has access to the books at all times and can resume entire control of the business whenever he sees fit to assume that the paper is being conducted in a manner calculated to depreciate the value of the property."

The contract of itself must show whether or not these statements are true. That contract is still in existence and is open for the inspection of Mr. Kelly at the First National bank in Santa Fe, where it has been on file since its execution.

Just prior to the execution of this said contract, and before a draft thereof was, at a meeting of prominent Democrats at Judge Laughlin's office, shown to the Hon. Antonio Joseph, Judge Laughlin, Gen. C. F. Easley, J. H. Crist, T. P. Gable and others, and the wisdom of its execution discussed, and the New Mexican asserts that an inspection of this contract will prove every statement made by the Independent-Democrat to be false, and the editor is referred to the above named gentlemen and to the contract itself for the confirmation of this statement.

It is conceded that certain purchasers of stock in the New Mexican Printing company gave their personal obligations for a part of the purchase money and pledged their stock as collateral security for the payment thereof in case of default. So far as the New Mexican has knowledge default has not been made in the payment by these stockholders of any material obligation.

With the tender of the above proof the New Mexican demands that Mr. Kelly substantiate his allegations or act the man and cease his misrepresentations.

We may add that the New Mexican was purchased at a great sacrifice by a number of prominent Democrats, purely in the interest of the Democratic party and the good of New Mexico, and it has been and will continue to be conducted as a Democratic journal advocating what it believes to be for the best interests of the party and the welfare of all the people of this territory.

### PRESS COMMENT.

#### The Courts.

The most successful term of court ever held in Chaves county came to a close last Saturday night. While the session continued we refrained from making any comments upon the court or officers. The October term has now passed into history, and of that history every good citizen of the county is justly proud. From the opening day everybody seemed to be imbued with a feeling of confidence, for it was the first time in the history of courts in this county that there was no taint of a carpet-bag about any department of the court. Everyone, from the presiding judge to the bailiff of the grand jury, was a bona fide citizen of New Mexico and felt an active personal interest in the well-being of the territory and in meting out even-handed justice to all offenders and between all litigants.

When Judge Hamilton held court here last spring the people saw with satisfaction a great change for the better over the past. But Judge Hamilton was badly handicapped by having been of counsel in a number of the most important cases on the docket, and while he gave universal satisfaction as far as he could go, that term from a business standpoint, was not altogether successful for the reason that the most expensively important cases could not be tried.

By an exchange of labor Judge Bantz came from the 3rd district to hold the term last closed. Though known to nearly every citizen in the county by reputation, personally the judge was a stranger to all but a very few. In the two weeks he presided over our court—holding sessions day and night—he won the just regard and personal esteem of every law-loving citizen of the county by the fairness and impartiality of his rulings and the celerity with which he dispatched business. Every criminal case, and nearly every civil cause, ready for trial, were disposed of, and in not one of which did either litigant or attorney find any fault with the court.

District Clerk Garry was acting at his first term of court, and, though the newness of the situation to him had not worn off, it was plain to be seen that he regards a public office as a public trust. Lawyers, attorneys and witnesses felt no hesitancy in asking him any question pertaining to matters in which they had interests and a right to be informed. They knew they would receive a polite and gentlemanly answer.

District Attorney John Franklin went quietly at his duties as public prosecutor and managed to convict every defendant tried with one exception, and in that case the testimony could not quite connect the defendant with the crime with that unerring certainty necessary in state cases.

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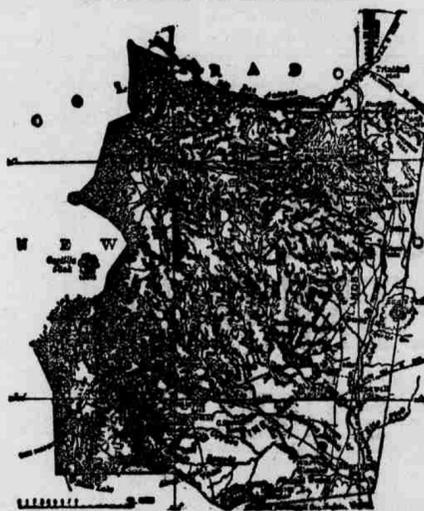


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