

THE HERALD is authorized to announce the name of

**HON. J. N. GARNER**

as a Candidate for Congress from this the Fifteenth District, subject to the Democratic Nominating Convention.

MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 1902.

The proposition to make it the fashion for men to go hatless doubtless emanated from some fellow who couldn't afford a Panama.

The Houston Post publishes the portrait of the next congressional representative from the Fifteenth Texas district, and his name is John Nance Garner. The Post is a prophet.

That tariff revision platform adopted by the Iowa republicans is not in accord with the ideas which pervade the g. o. p. as a rule this year. However, the Iowa republican convention is not a legislative body, so the tariff barons are not much disturbed at its declarations.

The Belgian government is reported as having invited Generals Botha, De Wet and DeLarey, the Boer leaders, to stay out of Belgium, and threatened to summon troops to prevent their entering the country. The Boer generals are brave men and gallant fighters, but they have surrendered to their victorious foes and have sworn allegiance to the conquering country, and are even now returning from a friendly visit to King Edward, so it is difficult to understand the un hospitable attitude of the Belgians toward them. But some people are afraid even of a dead lion.

RUSSELL SAGE is generally regarded as being true to his surname, a veritable epitome of wisdom, in all matters pertaining to finance. Hence his recent criticism of the trust method, which is gradually absorbing every important industry of the country, is entitled to respectful attention. Mr. Sage is quoted as saying, in an interview in New York the other day, that: "Combinations of all industries are a menace to true government. Not only so, but they are the oppressors of the people. When asked what would be the result of a further and much greater development of the 'trust era' as predicted by J. Pierpont Morgan, who says that more gigantic corporations are stored in the near future, Mr. Sage said: 'The American people will revolt against them, and there will be financial ruin the like of which this country has never seen—or any other.' This condemnation of the trusts, coming as it does from so eminent a member of the millionaire class, should have weight with such men as Morgan and his fellow. Mr. Sage may overestimate the residence which the American people may oppose to these gigantic combinations which are daily drawing the coils closer and closer around the industrial systems of the country, but it is to be feared that the aged financier sees only too clearly into the future. Emperor William of Germany, just a few weeks ago, after long earnest conversation with Morgan predicted that the gigantic trust system which the latter was building up would only hasten the crisis of socialism. These warnings cannot be attributed to jealousy of wealth and power or to class hatred as they would be if coming from the mouths of poor men. They come from men who stand at the topmost heights of wealth and power. They teach that the time has come when the trusts must be controlled or the welfare of the nation may be threatened by an evil equally as much to be feared.

**Grulla Whim-Whams.**

EDITOR HERALD:

Grulla, Texas, Aug. 19.—This will be the last of the Grulla Whim-Whams. My next will be from San Ysidro, and will be called after that rancho. Next Tuesday I leave for that place and shall be there many months. I am rather afraid I shan't have much news to impart, but I intend to glean diligently. I intend, too, to investigate the folklore, tales and superstitions, beliefs legends, etc., of the Mexicans, and spread them on your columns. I also intend to comment upon politics, and things in general, subject to the blue pencil. But I can't and I shan't (Blessed be the man who invented abbreviations) promise weekly letters. Three a month I think I can manage.

Last Monday I sent in my resignation as justice of the peace, which was duly accepted. Mr. Miguel Peña Juarez was made justice ad interim, on Wednesday and is now acting.

With one exception, I performed every duty of a justice, even holding a fire inquest. The exception was I had no civil case to pass on. Three or four times I had hopes, but they came to nothing.

The weather here has kept hot and dry. Three days ago there was a rain in Rio Grande, but it did not extend far. The thermometer has ranged from 92° to 99° in the shade.

The people here and elsewhere are planting beans and corn in the playas that the river irrigated when we had those rises. But we have had no general overflow, and unless we have one to give the ground a good soaking, there will be no crop raised here. My friend Teofilo Garcia, whose adventures I've written about, bought a piece of ground on the bed of the estero, paying ten dollars, Mexican, for it. He planted it in melons and watermelons and they did finely. We have been revelling in these fruits up to date, and they will keep on bearing for some time yet. The melons are very sweet.

My English friend had a chance of buying this strip but, being in a pessimistic mood, he refused to invest. He is now bemoaning his study of Hartman, Nietzch (may Satan wring the neck of the man who invented such a combination) and, and—hang it! I've forgotten the name of that other German apostle of pessimism. You know who I mean. Well, my English friend says if he had known how that strip would have turned out, he'd have bought it. Teofilo has sold over ten dollars' worth of fruit from it.

I see Mexico is thinking of going on the gold basis. She'd be a fool to do so yet. Bi-metalism is not dead—it is only asleep. There'll come a time of awakening. It is funny to see how the mass of voters in this country allow themselves to be befooled and befogged by the capitalists, bankers and creditors in general. And all in the name of honesty! Oh Lord! How they must stick their tongues in their cheeks.

I hear that the Blue bar'l is in tap in Starr county, and a trickle of the conque is beginning. One old fellow who managed to sample the will said that "he always helped those who helped him." There's promise of a furious fray, and our Red leaders seem asleep. It may be the slumber of weasels, but I wouldn't bank too much on being in office. The leaders of the Blues are all young men, and they are hustling, and if we don't look out, Starr county may fall from the fold. Of course, though, wisdom and foresight go with middle age, and our leaders may have a surprise for us.

But look out, gentlemen, and mind that you are not surprised.

Allow me to congratulate you upon the new and neat paper you are getting out. EL SOLTERO.

The Mexican Herald gives a gentle reminder to the clerical press of Mexico, which is generally so anti-American, as follows:

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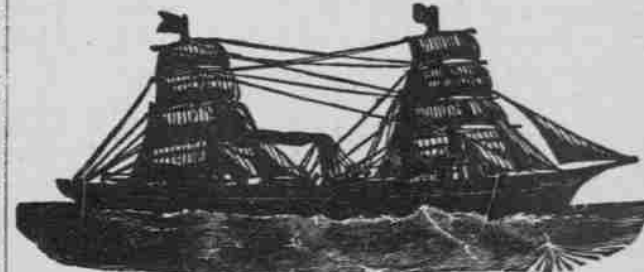
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