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REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET

For Mayor—Henry Mueller. For City Treasurer—M. A. Berger. For Police Magistrate—Thomas Boyle.

For Aldermen—First Ward—T. M. Lynch. Second Ward—P. J. Lally. Third Ward—John Poige. Fourth Ward—J. B. Gallagher. Fifth Ward—A. C. Stevens. Sixth Ward—E. C. Crase. Seventh Ward—Hiram Henderson. Eighth Ward—J. H. McQueney.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1903.

There are signs that Mr. Mueller will also run well in Billings. But better than that for the good name of the city he will run well and triumphantly in Butte.

We abjure Missoula not to permit the flies to alight on her project 'touchin' of and appertainin' to' a vinegar factory. When a fly buzzes around a vinegar site it is a bad sign.

Sir Thomas Lipton, the distinguished tea merchant, has insured his Shamrock III for \$100,000. The understanding is that Sir Thomas was unable to find a company that would at any price sell him immunity against getting licked off Sandy Hook.

The Inter Mountain wishes the best of good luck to Billings in the matter of securing a woolen mill for that enterprising town. When the project was launched the citizens took hold with a vim and in a few hours a large portion of the money desired was subscribed. Billings as a big wool market would be a good location for a woolen mill, and one should be established there. Great Falls should have a care that Billings does not get in first in the woolen mill race.

Sir Liang Cheng Tung, the new Chinese minister who arrived at San Francisco yesterday, is said to be a very able man. He will have use for all his ability to live up to the high standard of his predecessor, the affable and distinguished Mr. Wu, who was by all odds the ablest Chinaman ever sent to this country, not even excepting Li Hung Chang. The difference between Wu and Li was that the former was a statesman and a scholar, while the latter was a politician and the ablest grafter of his race.

There is another count in the already strong indictment against fish as food. A dispatch received yesterday states that all the dogs of the British Antarctic expedition have died of a peculiar intestinal disease. Explorer Baldwin noted this fact and recalls the circumstance that his expedition lost 250 out of 400 dogs from a like cause. Investigation leads Baldwin to believe his dogs died of poisoning due to eating fried fish. Fish poisoning has caused enough deaths in the human family to almost justify the elimination of Friday from the calendar. At the same time fresh fish when properly broiled, boiled or fried, or the roe thereof, contribute a most delicious poison and one that is difficult to resist.

CLARK'S RAILROAD

Senator Clark of Montana is the principal factor in a railroad that is being built from Daggett, in Southern California, through the Mojave desert and past Death valley to Salt Lake. Notwithstanding the fact that this road when completed will be of immense benefit to the country through which it will run, the Boston Transcript speaks of the enterprise in unfriendly, not to say ill-natured, terms. In the course of an editorial it says:

Just now Senator Clark of Montana has in his keeping the key to a colossal undertaking. A railroad is to be built from Daggett through the Mojave desert and on to Salt Lake City.

The definite route which it is to take is kept a profound secret, but the senator and his fellow-projectors and capitalists might add very materially to their working resources if they would give it up for such a consideration as those clamoring for it would be willing to pay. It is known, however, that it is to run through a territory immensely rich in gold and silver, and which possesses practically the only supply of borax known to exist in the United States, as well as vast nitre deposits. Now we get our nitre from Chile. With this virgin supply made available and a neat tariff placed upon it, it would be as comfortable a monopoly for the parties who might come into control of it as there is in the United States. "And all this wealth is embraced in public land that can be had for the asking."

Just now the borax trust, upon which the Clark railroad is likely to infringe, has that peculiar monopolistic distinction.

The Pacific Coast Borax company gets all its product out of one mine in so highly refined a state as to be almost ready for use, and in sufficient quantities to supply the markets of the United States. It procured the benefit of a prohibitory tariff in the Dingley act, so that our total annual imports of the article are between \$3,000 and \$10,000, while the company's output last year was more than a million dollars in value. But an expert of the geological survey says that the company's supply is small compared with the deposits farther north in Death valley. The Pacific Coast Borax company lays claim to these also, and when Senator Clark's railroad passes that way a very pretty fight may be looked for.

The Transcript refers to Senator Clark and others who are associated with him in this enterprise as "land grabbers" and "seekers for opportunity to acquire fabulous wealth with small effort or risk." It is the same old charge that has been made against all the builders of railroad lines in the West and it would be strange if it reflected the public sentiment of an enlightened community like Boston. The West needs all the railroads it can get. Those it now has have been of incalculable value to the country. The one projected by Senator Clark will open to homeseekers millions of acres which without railroad facilities would be unproductive and profitless for generations. If the senator gets tangled up with the borax trust it may be bad for the trust, but it is difficult to see where consumers are to be injured.

MR. MUELLER'S CANDIDACY

Mr. Mueller would admittedly make the "business mayor" that a good many citizens have been expressing a desire for and it is now up close to the citizens to do their part in placing him in charge.

In consenting to make the race Mr. Mueller shows a willingness to make a very considerable sacrifice in the matter of his own business for the public good. The city will have much more to gain by his election than will Mr. Mueller, although the honor of lifting the municipality out of its present condition and putting it on what may be termed a "business basis," is something that would appeal to most men and no doubt to Mr. Mueller as strongly as to any other. But in the outcome, his election would mean much more in the way of advantage and benefit to the city and to the citizens than to Mr. Mueller.

While his election will be a heavy tax on his time so long as he is willing to accept it, the duty is all the more incumbent upon the people to take him at his word and put him in charge of the city's affairs.

STILL UNSOLVED

The coroner's inquest into the death of Edwin L. Burdick has ended without throwing much light on the Buffalo mystery. It is doubtful if the inquest into the death of the Pennells in the automobile accident, if accident it was, will contribute much to fixing the crime of the murder of Burdick upon anyone.

The police theory that the murder was committed by a woman seems to be untenable and will probably be abandoned. Pennell had a motive for getting Burdick out of the way and he left a letter in which he said he sometimes felt as if he "would have to kill Burdick," but the testimony before the coroner failed to connect him with the crime. The testimony of Pennell's partner that he believed Pennell committed the crime or hired someone to do it was properly treated as a personal opinion that did not come within the range of evidence. It was an opinion which might very well have been left unexpressed. The present outlook is that the murder will go down in criminal annals as an unsolved mystery, such as the Nathan murder and the crime for which Roland B. Molineux was so long under the shadow of death in the electric chair.

NOW IT IS FRANCIS

A new woe is almost hanging ripe on the tree for Mr. Bryan. Democratic sentiment is undoubtedly crystallized around David R. Francis, ex-mayor of St. Louis; ex-Governor of Missouri, and the present energetic head of the St. Louis World's Fair as the democratic candidate for president. And if the convention goes to St. Louis it will be extremely difficult to keep the nomination from going to Mr. Francis.

This movement will hit Mr. Bryan between the eyes like a sledge-hammer. Francis is a gold democrat and was called to a high place in the government by Mr. Cleveland, who admires his character and robust Americanism.

The Francis movement is rapidly acquiring momentum and the World's Fair is certain to increase it. The manner in which Mr. Francis tackled the kings, queens, emperors and potentates generally of Europe and compelled each and all of them to send exhibits to the big American fair or state their reasons why, showed the excellent metal he is made of and has helped him with the American people. From King Edward he wrested the late Victoria's jubilee gifts, which of themselves are an attraction well worth more than the price of admission. Politically this feat ought to mean a lot of delegates and votes for Mr. Francis, for the American people like to see a man in the White House who does things.

His nomination would be a graceful concession to the West, for Mr. Francis is essentially a Western man, representing its interests, its hopes and aspirations much better than Mr. Bryan, who has ceased to represent much of anything but himself.

Of course Mr. Francis could not be elected. The people are far from ready to turn the country over to the democratic party that came so close to bankrupting it the last time it was placed in its charge. The next president will be a republican and, according to present schedules, he will be in Butte May 27.

PEOPLE WE MEET

"The world is certainly pretty small," declared James A. Murray, the Butte banker and mining man, who has returned from California where, with Mrs. Murray, he spent a large part of the winter. Mrs. Murray remained on the coast and will return home later.

"It seemed as though wherever I went in California, whether in San Francisco, Los Angeles or in the remotest mining



James A. Murray.

sections of the state, I always ran across some old Montana friend. Butte men are everywhere and they are generally doing pretty well."

Mr. Murray says that in San Bernardino county he saw some very promising properties. Near the California line he saw a remarkably rich property—a gold mine that last year sold for a sum considerably less than that which subsequent development has shown that it is worth.

Mr. Murray says that on the whole, however, Montana offers pretty good chances yet in a mining way.

ABOUT PEOPLE

A. J. Noyes of Dillon is a Butte visitor. E. E. Hershey of Missoula is a Butte visitor.

Paul Jahnke of the Big Hole Basin has been in Butte a few days.

Ben Greenwood of Helena and wife, nee Miss Solomon, who were married in Spokane this week, are Butte visitors.

Col. P. R. Dolman, formerly a well-known resident of Butte who is located in Idaho, is visiting his Butte friends. Senator Dolman is his proper title now as he was a member of the upper house of the last Idaho session.

W. O. Metzger of Puller Springs, Madison county, is in Butte.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Morris of Pony, who have just returned from an eastern trip, were in Butte today on their way home.

E. C. Campbell, the superintendent of the Fort Shaw Indian school, arrived from Fort Shaw last night to witness the basket ball game between the girls from the school and the Parochial school of Butte.

L. M. Hughes, route agent of the Northern Pacific Express company, is here from Helena.

C. W. Fleming of Elliston is a Butte visitor.

O. P. Gregg of Kalispell is a guest of the Finlen.

J. F. Beck leaves for San Francisco today to be gone for several months.

AMUSEMENTS

Mrs. Brune Tonight.

One of the most remarkable dramatic contributions coming here this season is Mrs. Brune in the fascinating romance of Oriental life, "Unorna," from the fertile brain and magic pen of F. Marion Crawford, and prepared for the stage by Espy Williams, remarkable in the fact that the play has escaped the clutches of the theatrical octopus who absorbs everything good, and again from the fact that Mrs. Brune gives a performance that places her upon the same artistic pedestal with Bernhardt, Duse and others. When this brilliant woman played in Boston recently the conservative press of the Hub openly and unanimously proclaimed her the "American Bernhardt," and rarely had that old temple of Thespis, the Boston theater, witnessed such a scene of enthusiasm as rewarded her efforts after the third act when she fairly carried her audience "off their feet" and received 14 curtain calls.

The play is wonderful one, and the player even more so. For two nights, beginning tonight, it will be at the Broadway.

Tigers and Fallacies.

[Calcutta Journal.] The great success of the Duke of Connaught in his tiger shoot will more than ever convince the world that India is so thickly infested with the striped beast of prey that the traveler takes his life in his hand when he ventures to this land of danger. Many people think that tigers and cobras are the inevitable business of a visit to India, with a dash of smallpox or cholera thrown in to keep the traveler from feeling dull.

The Key to Success.

[Rochester Herald.] "Advertising pays" has come to be an axiom of modern business methods. The business man who tries to be successful without it is tempting fate instead of fortune. The American nation today is recognized abroad as the greatest industrial and commercial proposition in the world—and the American nation spends \$250,000,000 annually in advertising its business.

Drawing the Long Bow.

[Chicago Tribune.] "Professor," inquired the thoughtful member of the class, "don't you suppose there will come a time when all the coal and all the coal oil stored away in the earth will have become exhausted?" "Certainly," said the instructor. "What will we do then?" "We shall be playing harps, I hope."

Peace Breaker!

[Philadelphia Press.] Just as it begins to look a little peaceful in the democratic party along comes Colonel Wattersson and musses things all up again.

Not Even the Party Sage.

[Dallas News.] Mr. Bryan does not seem to be willing to even permit Mr. Cleveland to give advice.

REGISTER TODAY.

Great Saturday Night Sale. Lewis' store announces special purchase and sale of 200 samples White Lawn Shirt Waists, made of very sheer lawn, beautifully embroidered, values \$3, \$4, \$5 and \$6. All one price, Saturday evening only, 7 to 10 in the busy Cloak and Suit section. Your Choice \$1.95. These are model waists, mostly one of a kind and are entirely new and will be shown for the first time Saturday Night-- Sizes are 32, 34, 36--few 38 and 40. The Notion Sale attracted crowds of interested buyers--Again today. See Yesterday's Inter Mountain for prices. Saturday's Attractions at Lewis' Men's Store. 4 "Arrow Brand" Collars 50c, 75c 4-in-hand Ties, Bows and Scarfs--All one price today. Choice 25c. 50c Fancy Half Hose 25c. About 36 dozen to select from, mostly samples--Values 50c at 25c. Do you wear Sorosis Shoes? Over 3000 Butte women are wearing them now--why not you? Sorosis Shoes are always \$3.50. Butte stores can and do charge \$5 and \$6 and give you no better--Once a Sorosis customer, always one--Come and be fitted, its just as essential to have your shoes properly fitted as the dress you wear. Lewis' Dry Goods Co., Montana Agents.

GOSSIP OF THE CAMPAIGN. And so the United Copper politicians-for-revenue-only received another turning down last night. In the labor ticket was their only hope, and now that is gone. They have succeeded in alienating every source of strength in the city and have only a three-man ticket in the field. Pat Mullins, John Helehan and John Nelson are the only men they have been able to cajole into taking their nominations, and now it looks as if Mullins was rather sorry he permitted himself to be used in this fashion. The action of the labor party last night marked the final break between the union forces of the city and the United Copper company. It isn't possible to fool all of the people all of the time, as a distinguished president of the United States once pointed out in an emphatic manner. Hence it has proven impossible for the United Copper company to sway the labor forces to its own ends. The labor party declines to be made the tool of any corporation. It purposes to put its own ticket in the field without a corporation candidate named for any piece. And this is as it should be. It makes a fair, clean fight, and that is the sort of fight Butte should have at the polls. For itself the Inter Mountain favors the other full ticket in the field; that which resulted from the citizens' movement for a non-partisan government, and that which has the approval of both republicans and democrats. Nevertheless, the Inter Mountain has an admiration for a fair and square foe, one that stands on its merits and represents itself only and does not represent some malign influence that seeks to use a party and a party's name for its own selfish ends. Now what is left to the United Copper company in the way of political parties? It has the not-to-be-trusted democrats and the populists, the latter numbering 40 citizens, while the former represents a portion of the United Copper political pay-roll. 'Tis true that the pay-roll mentioned is of considerable length, but it should not be long enough to saw any large chunk of ice in this campaign. The inside story of the desperate attempt on the part of the United Copper crowd to use the labor party is interesting. Every inducement known was offered to Larry Duggan to have him get off the ticket in favor of Pat Mullins, but all without avail. Duggan stood pat. He had been chosen by the labor party of the city and he was true to the trust reposed in him. First, he was offered a promise of the appointment as chief of police, provided Mullins was elected, in case he withdrew. This, of course, did not feaze him. Then other offers were made, and finally came a proposition to give him the nomination for treasurer on the proposed fusion ticket, pulling off John Helehan, the United Copper nominee. Duggan declined this as he had the other propositions. The funny part of it all is that when Helehan heard of the plan he was wroth and raised various kinds of Cain, all of which has not contributed to make things within the United Copper ranks peaceful and harmonious. It was a decided blow to the pride of the United Copper crowd to have to chase after Duggan in this fashion, for Duggan is hated with a soulful hate in the United Copper camp. This is because Duggan, in the last legislature, of which he was a member, obeyed the dictates of the people who elected him, instead of taking the orders of the New Jersey corporation. It was in regard to the Fair Trial bill. Duggan, who had been elected by the votes of the Silver Bow county labor party, received instructions from the central labor body of this county and from other labor organizations to vote in favor of the Fair Trial bill. He did so. The United Copper company could handle the other laborites from Silver Bow, but they made a mess of it in trying to handle Duggan. He wasn't that kind of a man. Hence Duggan "don't belong," so far as the United Copper is concerned, and that company wants his scalp. At this particular time—to use a phrase worn to a shred by a certain orator in the upper house of the Eighth legislative assembly—it might be well to reiterate the oft-repeated admonition—if you don't register you can't vote. And the time for registering is short. At 9 o'clock tonight the books will be closed. Of course they will be open again one week from tomorrow for alteration and correction and for the registration of those who have been prevented by absence from the city or by illness, from registering before, but for the average voter today is the last in which a name may be placed on the registration books. To be a voter in this city election one must be a male citizen of the United States, more than 21 years old, a resident of the state for one year, of the city for six months and of the ward in which he proposes to vote 30 days. It is pretty safe to say that there are many hundreds of men who have these qualifications who have not yet registered. The Mueller ticket grows stronger day by day. One does not have to delve very far into public opinion to learn this. It is made up of fair, just and honorable men, men who can be relied upon to give a good, clean administration to the city of Butte and to hold the city's interests first always. Its absolute independence and its non-partisan character give it immense strength. It stands for no faction, no one party, but for all of Butte. Everybody must realize that the time has come for taking Butte's municipal elections out of politics and out of factional warfare. The interests of the city concern all the citizens—not a few—and the citizens' ticket is a movement in the direction of having those interests protected. FIRST FRICTION BETWEEN COMPANY AND NEW UNION. Telephone Girls Fear They Are to Be Put Out of Places and Confer With McDonald About It. The first controversy between the newly organized Telephone Girls' union and the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company has arisen, but it does not promise serious results, though it was the topic of an interesting discussion at a meeting of the union last night. The trouble began the other day when a new girl made her appearance and took the place of one of the toll girls. The girl who was displaced had been in the employ of the company for about four years, while the girl who succeeded her was a newcomer. The girls began to suspect that the company had a deep-laid plot in mind and that the importation of girls cut a very important figure in the carrying out of the plan of action. A protest was made against the substitution of the stranger for an old employee. It is vigorously denied by the company that any plan exists for replacing all the present union employees with newcomers, as feared by the girls. Last night another new girl was substituted for an old employee and then the union meeting was held. It was decided to insist that the company cease to import operators on pain of a general strike in the central and toll offices. A committee called on President Dan McDonald of the American Labor union to confer with him regarding the proper method of procedure and the ways and means of putting a stop to the importation, which they fear will ultimately lose them their positions with the company if not checked at the outset. It is not known what took place at the conference and Mr. McDonald has made no statement in regard to what manner of advice he gave them. The girls did not demand the discharge of the two operators that have already been imported, but insisted that there should be no more brought in. They have kept right on answering calls and no further trouble is feared. Manager Miller of the Rocky Mountain Bell company stated this afternoon that the company had no intention, and never had any intention of adopting the course of action that was attributed to it in the rumors that caused the girls' action last night. He said that none of the girls are being crowded out of their jobs in any manner. Said he: "If people would leave the girls alone everything would be all right, but someone is always telling them some foolish story and getting them excited over nothing." Something Wrong With Society. [New York Mail and Express.] That there must be something wrong in the state of American society is indicated by certain developments in the Burdick inquest at Buffalo. The people concerned in the episode which culminated in a horrible tragedy there were of the average sort of American "business" people. They were of native stock; they did not inherit dark and murderous tendencies from Asia or the sluggish Levant, nor bring poison vials or stiletos with them from Italy. They were, so far as blood, occupation and ordinary habits of life were concerned, typical enough of the country. And yet they seemed to have latent in them all sorts of dark impulses.