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SON-IN-LAW POLITICS.

They—meaning the newspapers—have been telling it for her, that Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth would like to hear herself spoken of presently as the wife of Governor Longworth of Ohio...

It seems that the ambitious characteristics of the strenuous father are at last blossoming forth in the daughter. Mrs. Longworth certainly was not ambitious for social distinctions other than as the daughter of her father...

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of it as well. Ohio Republicans believe that if Harmon is again elected Senator Dix will be defeated and that Republicanism in Ohio will suffer terribly.

THE BEST MAN FOR GOVERNOR.

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It is doubtful if there ever is to come a time when Oklahoma can afford to indulge, so far as law-making and public administration are concerned in what the Samboes of ante-bellum days denominated "proteckin'."

The present is certainly not a time of the kind. The existing status is such that false statesmanship would give new and fatal point to the saying: Folly can undo in a moment that which

It takes wisdom years to accomplish. In every particular, deep study of public affairs, with a clear legal mind, the proper conception for the eternal fitness of things...

We have faith that the people will select the best man for the governorship, and if they do not, let consideration to the comparative merits of the candidates and keep in view solely their own interests...

With him as governor, the constitution and laws would be upheld in all their integrity, the rights and liberties of the people safeguarded, and defensible sound common sense be as well ordered and protected as that of a skillfully directed army.

Any man to make this splendid young commonwealth an acceptable, honest, conscientious and sane governor, must have character above reproach. He must be clean in every sense of the word.

Three years ago Mr. Cruce emerged from a bitter campaign and rose to the occasion by conducting himself as a gentleman should; he did nothing in that campaign that he need be ashamed of.

There must be a reason for all this, and there is, and the reason is not far to seek nor difficult to find. It is that Lee Cruce is essentially honest and faithful in his convictions.

The hush attendant upon the "opening gun of the campaign" of another candidate, only serves to put the thinking people of this state on their guard.

In northern Oklahoma, of which Garfield county is a part, Mr. Cruce will carry three-fourths of the democratic vote. This is a very reasonable and conservative estimate.

TRAINS.

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plumed blue overhead to watch the moon trail across the bit of clear sky-line on the opposite ridge. The train roars afar off, like the surf on sand; comes fast into view; crosses its allotted space and is gone; it passes slowly enough as the watch ticks, yet urgent and low and long over there, like a running greyhound or a racing horse...

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act and vote as the democrat and he determined that he could not leave the republican party, but that he would stay in the ranks of that party until he reformed it and made it a decent party—a party of the people.

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And that's the way Ada has it done every day. Suppose you go to Ada on the Frisco morning train, north, you will arrive there two or three or five minutes after the Stratford train has pulled out.

My friend Arnold of Mill Creek is a hero, deserving a medal of gold. He paid \$15.00 for a paper that goes automatically with nothing to stop it.

Dr. W. H. Enloe, our old Ardmore dentist, and Dr. Vaden, our old physician and surgeon, are in Ada. Both seem to be prosperous in their new home, and both deserve to be.

But my destination was Stratford. I reached it. Indeed, I "got there" and purpose to tell about it another day.

A. H. Burgess, who was for years manager of the Smith-Praley Lumber Co., at Marietta, has gone to Ada to take a position with the Sledge Lumber Co.

There are some narrow-minded people who feel that because a man, through energy and thrift, has accumulated a fortune, he is damned forever. The mere fact that one man has a vast fortune or has even considerable wealth is a sure incentive for criticism.

J. B. Wall and Mrs. Wall, who lived long in Ardmore, are occupying a magnificent home in Ada's best residence section.

The socialistic view that the rich should be censured is silly. Not all men can be rich. Some are more fortunate than others. The rich should not be cursed because they have accumulated money.

Dr. Rawls Anderson of Marietta has moved to Durant. I saw him in his new home Monday.

It is not only in financial matters that we find this distinction. Take the world of art, the world of letters, the drama, athletics or any technical field. In each there are failures. This does not mean that those who succeed should be cursed.

I stopped at Mill Creek to see some friends, J. H. Arnold, leading merchant, particularly. My friend Arnold is a Murray follower. But the original Murray men in all the world is Prof. R. H. Vaughter of Connersville in Johnston county.

There is a fallacy in this country that a man has only to be rich to be cursed and condemned. He has only to create a prosperous business to be anathematized. He is usually consigned to the deepest perdition by the dissatisfied and the malcontents as well as by those of socialistic tendencies.

But I was soon relieved, for of six other Mill Creek citizens I met, five are Cruce followers. Editor Veatch of the Mill Creek paper seems to prefer Murray. Brother Veatch is indeed quite an interesting character, being indeed a genius when he takes his pen in hand and seats himself to write you a few lines.

But we must stop a minute and consider. We cannot get along without the rich. Some may have ill-gotten gains. Some may be rich through unfair means. Some are not deserving the wealth they have. Some merit the condemnation they receive. That is neither here nor there. They are rich and the poor man cannot do without them.

I went down to Ardmore feeling mighty bad. The doctor said I'd die and I nearly wished I had. But you bet your bottom dollar I recovered in a hurry.

So why curse the rich. They have the means of making the way possible for the less fortunate. Men must live. There may be injustice in this worldly distribution of wealth. The motives which actuate the rich man in building may be selfish. But nevertheless, we cannot get along without him, so what is the use of growing bitter and morose. It is far better to make the best of the situation.

"Hurrah for the farmer!" I heard them say. "We'll follow his flag through the heat of the fray; Let cuts go any old way they will, Through the whole campaign we're for Cockle-Bur Bill."

After all, I am not so sure that