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Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore existing in the sawmill business under the style and name of Mull & Lance has been dissolved by M. R. Lance withdrawing. The business will be continued by W. L. Mull, who will make all collections due the firm and pay all demands against it.
This July 7, 1904.
W. L. MULL,
M. R. LANCE.

SHAW A FALSE PROPHET

Preaching Prosperity Results In Dire Disaster In Iowa.

HIGH PRICES AND BANK FAILURES

Watchman on the Tower of Finance Failed to Warn His Countrymen of Impending Danger—Deluded Victims Paid Forfeit With Their Lives.

Republican prosperity and accompanying high prices that Secretary Shaw thinks are so prevalent and that he says are the result of Republican policies have a disastrous effect in Iowa. When business is good and people are prosperous it would naturally be expected that the banks would participate in the prosperity, but in Iowa it seems to be the reverse. Seven bankers have taken their lives in that state during the past seven months, and all their banks have been found upon examination to be hopelessly insolvent. A press report from Sioux City, published in the Washington Times on Aug. 15, enumerates the grewsome list.

The dispatch adds that five of these bankers "blew out their brains" and "two committed suicide by drowning." In every case the men had been esteemed among the most reliable and honorable citizens of their community, and the unfortunate bank officer had been driven to take his own life after a long and hopeless struggle to save his institution and restore his credit.

The loss to the depositors and stockholders of these banks must have been enormous, for we are told that all the banks "have been found upon examination to be hopelessly insolvent." Yet Secretary Shaw prates of prosperity and points to present high prices as a sure indication of it.

Now, Shaw before he became secretary of the treasury was a small banker, and, being acquainted all over the state of Iowa, he must have known the general condition of the banks and their unsoundness. It was known in Wall street, it was known by Dun's and Bradstreet's, but Shaw evidently did not know what was going on, or if he did feared to "hurt the party" by warning the poor deluded victims, the farmers and business men of Iowa, of what might be expected. The secretary of the treasury is supposed to be the watchman on the tower of finance to warn his countrymen and save them from danger.

"Watchman, what of the night?" asked the Iowa farmers. "All's well," promptly came from Watchman Shaw. "Thanks to the beneficent protective tariff, we are on the highest point of prosperity. Listen to Governor Cummins and the apostles of the 'Iowa idea' and you will have trouble, but follow me and you will have high prices and prosperity."

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is another member of Roosevelt's cabinet who is another boomer. The whole brood are impregnated with it. Listen to him: "The farmer's pocketbook is full. He is a capitalist only hunting for investments, flooding the western banks with more money than they can handle and sending millions to the east for investment." A good many Iowa farmers must now wish they had sent all their millions to the east instead of flooding the western banks with their hard earned money.

The high prices came all right, too high for the bankers and their customers. Instead of prosperity came disaster. The tariff fostered high prices, begot extravagance and speculation. Lands advanced to unheard of prices, far beyond their true value, where it was impossible for the owner to produce enough to pay interest on the investments. The banks under Shaw's exhilarating promise of continued high prices loaned to the land and stock speculators on boom estimates of values, and those that are able are still paying interest. Other bankers speculated with their customers' money. Some of them have paid the forfeit with their lives. Secretary Shaw is still talking high prices and prosperity and is, as the leading member of Roosevelt's cabinet, to stomp the country for the Republican ticket. Stand pat is his slogan, and prices will still advance, and the Republican tariff is panic proof. All the voters have to do is to "let well enough alone"—that is, vote the Republican ticket. Fools rush in where angels fear to tread, and Shaw is to rush seventy-five speeches at the poor dupes that will listen to his vapor-

THE ISSUE.



ings, and other bankers will speculate until the inevitable comes if Shaw is followed.

The Great Ego Causes Distrust.

There is no denying the fact that the president of a nation such as ours, with the influence which he exercises, the power he commands and the spoils which he is able to distribute, is a force to be reckoned with, and Mr. Roosevelt has not only taken advantage of every atom of power and privilege, but has even gone beyond.

Then, again, Mr. Roosevelt is an impulsive man and does not calmly weigh the merits of every subject that comes before him in his official capacity, carefully investigating all sides and considering the equities of the case with a deliberation worthy of the high office he holds.

Because of these things the people are more or less in fear always of what his next move may be.—Concord Patriot.

JUDGE PARKER'S VIEW.

He States His Position on the Issues of the Campaign.

That Judge Parker is a great lawyer is certain from his speech of acceptance. He believes in the law and the constitution and the full liberty of the citizen under the law. He believes in freedom, but not license or laxity. The chief doctrine of government which the fathers of the republic laid down and the people ratified, of a free people governing themselves under orderly liberty by law, is the keynote of Judge Parker's speech and runs all through it. He believes in that old American principle of the right of all under the law to life, liberty and happiness and of a strict construction of the powers granted to the legislative, judiciary and executive branches of the government. He is especially severe upon executive usurpation, and, although he does not single out any executive as having exceeded the powers granted, yet he warns the people that their liberty and rights may be lost by condoning the evasion of the law or the constitution by those in authority. To him there is no orderly government without due process of law or "all alike, be they high, low, rich or poor."

When he comes to treat of the issues of the campaign as laid down in the platform he is of the same mind. He believes in enforcing the law now on the statute books or the common law against the trusts and evidently considers it sufficient to protect the citizen from the pillage of those gigantic corporations if strictly enforced without fear or favor.

His utterance on the tariff is conservative, and while emphasizing the existence of gross injustice in many of the schedules he frankly admits even with a Democratic majority in the United States will be an insuperable reform. He ventures to publicans who believe will aid the Democratic force of public opinion senate to a vision of the mo in spite of the

have upon so many of the members. The strongest and most important part of his speech is the denunciation of militarism and the plea to his countrymen in behalf of ultimate Philippine independence.

He points out that the grave constitutional questions that confront us and the lapse from American tradition of a free people governing colonies and subject peoples are foreign to our form of government. Judge Parker declares that if elected he will not be a candidate for renomination and gives as his chief reason for such a course that in deciding the momentous questions that might come before him "he should be unembarrassed by any possible thought of the influence his decision may have upon anything whatever that may affect him personally." He concludes by saying:

"It is simply my judgment that the interests of this country are now so vast and the questions presented are frequently of such overpowering magnitude to the people that it is indispensable to the maintenance of a fitting attitude before the people not only that the chief magistrate should be independent, but that that independence should be known of all men." Every voter should carefully read and ponder upon Judge Parker's speech and his letter of acceptance, which will more fully apprise his countrymen of his position on great issues that are to be decided at the election in November.

THE PROMISE KEPT.

Where Part of the Republican Campaign Fund Comes From.

The attempt to throw dust into the voters' eyes by the pretense that the Republican national committee is short of cash is hardly consistent with the report that the head lobbyist of the Panama canal steal has paid to Mr. Cortelyou \$400,000 that he promised Senator Hanna if the treaty was ratified. There was considerable consternation when Hanna died among the principal Republican leaders as to whether that promise to Hanna would be kept, but the chief Panama conspirator kept his word and came up to the captain's office and settled like a little man.

It was also reported that a large sum, said to be \$200,000, has been forthcoming from J. Pierpont Morgan as part of the bargain that gave his firm the control of the Panama payment to the French company. Panama has been an unsavory mess from its inception and does not seem to have improved in favor since it has been transferred to this country. That President Roosevelt should be even cognizant of the bribery and corruption is unfortunate, but that he is benefiting by it personally is deplorable.

The Dollar's Peril.

Oh, oh, you little dollar
That rolls about the street!
If I had you I'd purchase
A half a pound of meat.
The beef trust then would have you,
But now you roll about,
And Cortelyou 'll nab you
If you don't
watch
out!
—New York American.

HUMOR OF THE INSANE.

There Is Plenty of the Real Thing, Says the Superintendent of an Asylum.

"I was sitting in my office the other day," said the superintendent of the insane asylum at Parlor City, "when one of the patients, a harmless fellow who is allowed to have the freedom of the building and grounds, came in, pale with indignation, and said that he had a complaint to make.

"What is it, your highness?" I said, for it was the prince of Wales I was talking to.

"Are the rules of the palace to be observed or not?" he demanded. "I want to know whether our rules can be broken with impunity?"

"Certainly not, your highness," I said; "what is it?"

"I was coming down the corridor this morning," he said, "and in a rack on the wall I saw a dozen red pails, marked 'for fire only.' Now, is that right or not?"

"It is," I said. "The sign is correct." "Well, then," he said, "John (referring to a keeper) must be punished. As I stood there he came along and filled the pails with water."

"He shall be executed at once," I said, and the prince bowed with great seriousness and walked out of the room.

"This incident illustrates a trick which few people know anything about," continued the superintendent. "That is, there is more unconscious humor about a lot of lunatics than there is genuine humor among sane people. Some of the things that my patients say and do are funnier than any of the things I read or hear from the outside world. I tell you, life isn't so prosaic as you'd think in an insane asylum."

Awful Thought.

He—Astronomers say the earth travels 600,000,000 miles every year.
She—Gracious me! What if it had to stand in the aisle and hang on by a strap!—N. Y. World.

Three Jurors Cured

Of cholera morbus with one small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. G. W. Fowler of Hightower, Ala., relates an experience he had while serving on a petit jury in a murder case at Edwardsville, county seat of Cleburne county, Ala. He says: "While there I ate some fresh meat and it gave me cholera morbus in a very severe form. I was never more sick in my life and sent to the drug store for a certain cholera mixture, but he sent me a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy instead, saying that he had what I sent for, but that this medicine was so much better he would rather send it to me in the fix I was in. I took one dose of it and was better in five minutes. The second dose cured me entirely. Two fellow jurors were afflicted in the same manner and one twenty-five cent bottle cured the three of us." For sale by Z. W. Nichols Brevard and O. L. Erwin Calvert.