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## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

For Treasurer WILLIAM D. WHEELER.  
For Clerk W. E. ROSENCRANS.  
For Judge HARVEY D. TRAVIS.  
For Sheriff JOHN D. MCBRIDE.  
For Superintendent CLIFTON S. WORTMAN.  
For Register of Deeds W. O. SCHEWE.  
For Coroner E. B. CRAIG.  
For Surveyor A. BAXTER SMITH.  
For Commissioner JOHN P. THACKER.

To the editor of the Weeping Water Herald: "Tis dogs delight to bark and bite, for 'tis their nature to."

If we can knock out the "stand-patters" this winter and get reciprocity treaties or maximum and minimum tariff agreements with all countries, our national prosperity will increase by leaps and bounds.

A MISSOURI exchange says that a stalk of corn was brought to its office that was eighteen feet six inches high, and measured eight inches in circumference two feet above the ground. Missouri is getting to be a close second to Nebraska as a corn state.

The man who is convicted of libeling his fellow man, has a stain upon his character that will take years to wash away.

The man who looks up, and keeps climbing, is the fellow who reaches the top. It is when we look back that we get dizzy, and are apt to tumble.

Will the honest, independent republicans of Cass county vote against a democrat who has made a good, competent and gentlemanly official, because Farley so decrees? We hope not.

Does it pay Rockefeller to make donations to colleges and universities? Chancellor Andrews' recent defence of the oil magnate's methods proves that it does. He can buy professors just like he would cattle.

The democratic county ticket is one of the cleanest that has ever been placed before the voters of Cass county. From top to bottom it is composed of competent candidates, and as gentlemanly set of fellows as one ever meets anywhere.

The patrons of the public schools of Cass county fully realize that the fact that County Superintendent Wortman is "the right man in the right place," and accordingly will not vote for a change in that office this time. The re-election of Mr. Wortman for another term is justly due him, especially when they know of his excellent qualities.

The democratic ticket is one that will gradually gain friends from now till election day. The most of the candidates that compose that ticket are men who have resided in Cass county for many years, and are known to a great majority of the people of the county; and the Journal takes it for granted that the voters are as well qualified to judge of their merits as we are.

NEVER in the history of Cass county has the office of treasurer been occupied by a more competent and faithful official than W. D. Wheeler. He has performed his duty in every respect, regardless of rich or poor—high or low. The people of Cass county placed him in office to collect the taxes, and the Journal reiterates what it has said before, that he has come nearer doing it than any occupant of that position for many years at least. Do the honest taxpayers of Cass county desire a change? We think not.

JOHN D. MCBRIDE has made an official that every unprejudiced voter of Cass county can look upon with pride. The voters know this as well as we do. He has performed the duties of his office in every respect. Not only is he a splendid official, but he is one of the best citizens of the county. He has proved himself honest in all private as well as official transactions, and should be re-elected upon the splendid record he has made.

THE American farmers want to encourage foreign countries to buy their surplus food products, and the best way to do this is to treat all countries fairly in the matter of tariffs on their exports to this nation. If we overtax them they retaliate with high tariffs against us, and that hurts the American farmer as well as the manufacturer. It is a bad national policy and should cease. The golden rule is a useful thing in trade matters as well as in morals.

THE various candidates now in the field on the democratic ticket are being spoken of in the highest of terms by the voters throughout the county. The personnel of the ticket ranks without question with the best that has ever been placed before the voters in this county by any party. The election of the entire ticket means good trustworthy and competent officials during the next two years.

THE time for unveiling the Morton monument at Nebraska City has not been definitely fixed, but it is thought that it will be on the 21st or 28th of the present month. J. Sterling Morton was classed among the truly great men of the nation, and especially of the west, and Nebraska should do his memory honor upon that occasion. It is said that EX-President Cleveland will be present on this occasion.

W. D. WHEELER, the present incumbent of the treasurer's office needs no extra commendation at the hands of the Journal. During his present term, every voter in the county who has come in contact with him realizes that he is a competent and obliging official, and never was the affairs of the office in a better shape or the interests of the people more carefully guarded. Mr. Wheeler by his strict devotion to the best interests of the taxpayers of the county during his first term, earned their friendship to the extent that they will unite to do him the honor of re-electing him for another term.

THE selection of W. E. Rosencrans for county clerk, is admittedly a strong one. He has lived in Cass county for over twenty years, and the people who know him best are the ones highest in his praise. Wherever he goes all with whom he meets are impressed with his genial, good natural qualities. Mr. Rosencrans is exceptionally well fitted for the office, and if elected, will not only discharge the duties with credit to himself, but also with credit to the people of the county at large. He is just the kind of a man people like to have to look after their business, and he should be elected.

THAT County Supt. C. S. Wortman is superior to his opponent is conceded, even by many of the republican ring. Prof. Wortman is a leader and an organizer; he holds a professional certificate good in the ninety counties of the State, and for life; while the certificate of his opponent is good but for two years from issuance and in one county only. Many other teachers of Cass county have the same or even better, while few comparatively all over the state have the professional life. It is a mistake to elect or even nominate for this high office any one not holding a professional certificate. A superintendent should hold himself a certificate of higher rank than those whom he would examine. This will mean that every lover of the highest standard in school matters will vote for Prof. Wortman. The interests of every patron demand his continuance there a second term.

EVERY teacher, every school director and every patron of the public schools, who believe in the present standard of the schools of Cass county, will vote to retain the present worthy superintendent. No man was ever elected to this position that has ever taken the interest in raising the standard of public schools, until today they are rated with the first-class counties of the state. Prof. Wortman has a record that he should feel proud of, and one that all interested in having "the right man in the right place," should vote for.

THE voters of the county should not forget that there is a coroner to elect this fall, and that while it is not a very paying position yet it is one of importance, and the Journal does not want them to forget, either, that E. B. Craig, of Greenwood, is the democratic nominee and that he is, besides being well qualified for the office, one of the best citizens in Cass county. There will be no mistake made in the election of Mr. Craig.

SIMPLY as a horrible example of the workings of the anti-pass law, if such a law there should be, the state treasurer and land commissioner paid their fare upon a recent visit to the Norfolk institution, while Secretary Galusha, like Letton, who never lets go of the tail until he gets a better hold upon something else, rode on his pass. The man who did not pay saved his money.

IF President Roosevelt's intentions are correctly stated, Senator Fire Alarm Foraker will have to meet Mr. Secretary Taft on the Ohio stump before the autumn ballots begin to fall in November. Mr. Foraker has expressed much concern at statements to the effect that there has been a split between him and the president, but the president seems determined to drive in the wedge.

JOHN D. MCBRIDE has filled the office of sheriff in a manner satisfactory to the people of Cass county generally. In fact he has made one of the best sheriffs in the state, and his record as such will bear us out in making this assertion. He has always been attentive to the duties of the office, and was never known to shirk in the performance of those duties.

AT the head of the editorial page you will note the names of the democratic candidates. You know very nearly all of them. They are men of most excellent qualities, and their services to the people of Cass county will give the best of satisfaction. Four of them have been tried and their faithfulness to the best interests of the people is well known. Their records speak for themselves. The others will make a record that you will be equally proud of.

JUDGE TRAVIS has been quite ill for nearly two weeks, returning home from the springs at Burlington Junction, Mo., on Sunday, since which time he has been confined to his home. He has been unable on this account to meet many of his friends throughout the county that he would have liked to have visited ere this. But Judge Travis' record as county judge is so well known that it makes but little difference as to his canvas of the county. He has made the most efficient official in that position the county has ever had, and nearly every voter in the county is willing to admit this fact.

W. E. ROSENCRANS, the democratic candidate for county clerk, was in the city yesterday for a short time, and he met as many voters as he could between trains. Mr. Rosencrans is an ideal candidate, and withal, a gentleman in every sense of the term. He is the same genial, good-natured gentleman every day in the week—not a smiling countenance today and a sour wrinkled face tomorrow. He is just the man that will treat all alike while doing business for the people of Cass county. When you vote for him you will vote for a man that will make a county clerk that you will be proud of.

## Are Not Sincere.

The republican leaders of Nebraska are not sincere in their anti-pass declarations. This much will be admitted by anyone who takes the trouble to investigate the record.

The fusion legislature of 1897 passed a law making the giving of a railroad pass for any purpose whatsoever a crime, punishable by a fine of \$1,000. The law has been in effect for eight years, and while during all that time the state house has been filled with republican officials whose duty it was to execute that law, no move has ever been made. Republican officials are now in the state house whose duty it is to see that the law is enforced, and while some of them have made a grand-stand play in turning their passes in, they have made no effort to prosecute the violations of the statute.

Practically every member of the republican state committee on resolutions, all of the state officials and three-fourths of the delegates to the republican state convention went there on passes furnished by the railroads. The law was thus violated, but there has been no effort to uphold its majesty.

The railroads have nothing to fear and the people nothing to expect from republican officials, so long as they confine their effort to coddle public sentiment instead of doing their sworn duty to enforce the law.

VOTERS are becoming more and more each year inclined to make their fight for the success and election of good competent men instead of mere party success. There is nothing wrong about this. It results in untold good for the county generally. Before casting your vote study carefully the men who occupy places on the ticket placed in the field by the democrats. There you will find men worthy of your support.

THE Journal feels proud of the democratic county ticket. The men upon that ticket are men in whom the people have the utmost confidence. Those who have been tried have been found in every way worthy of the confidence reposed in them. No better men walk the face of the earth, and the voters of Cass county know this as well, or better, than we do. Then why make a change? Ponder well over this matter before you vote against them, simply because Farley and his little ring want you to.

ALL that the Journal asks in this campaign is for the voters of Cass county to investigate the standing and qualifications of each candidate upon the democratic ticket. The farmers who know them will not hesitate to vote for them simply because they are democrats. They want competent men in office, and they know that every democrat in office is fully competent for the position they hold—they have proved themselves so.

W. E. ROSENCRANS, who is a candidate for county clerk, is a gentleman in every sense of the term, well-fitted for the office, and his genial disposition makes him just such an official as will suit all who have business with that department of the county's administration. When you go to vote for a public servant you must take into consideration the disposition of the man as well as his qualifications. But Mr. Rosencrans is the embodiment of everything that goes to make an excellent official.

IN this age of prosperity when everything is measured by money, we say that Nebraska is in the height of prosperity, because the reports from her banks make the best possible showing. However, the real wealth of Nebraska at this time is in her corn fields. There is a much more equal distribution of that wealth than of the money that is placed in the banks for storage. The man who has a surplus of money puts it in the bank. The man who has a surplus of corn hauls it off and puts the money in circulation. The cornfield is where you will find the great wealth this year.

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