

TO REPUBLICAN EDITORS

We Challenge You to Furnish the Proof of Your False Charges.

Certain republican newspapers over the state are deliberately trying to defame the issues and deceive the voters in this campaign by publishing what they know to be absolutely false if they are not stupidly ignorant of the real situation. To these editors we wish to issue a challenge to discuss the facts in the premises.

These newspapers are repeatedly charging that Shallenberger is a railroad tool and that the democratic convention was dominated by the railroads, but they have not cited one fact or given one reason to justify such an assertion. Let them name one railroad plugger who had a hand in the work of the democratic convention. Mr. Shallenberger has been a prominent citizen and public man long enough that if there was one act or one reason for this charge against him it could be proven, but these newspapers have not cited one word of proof. It has merely been unwarranted assertion, the purpose of which is quite plain.

It is well known the people are becoming utterly disgusted with the corporation government which the republicans themselves admit they have been giving the state, and the republican party is forced to make a pretense of being anti-railroad, and at the same time cast suspicion upon the democratic ticket.

In the first place, let us point out the common sense view of the situation in a general way before taking up a discussion of the specific facts.

It is an admitted fact that the republican party has been the corporation party in this state. We say admitted fact advisedly, for the republicans confess it when they urge that it is time to break loose from corporate influences. It is such a notorious fact that scarcely can a republican be found with the temerity to deny it. It is admitted by such leaders of the party as Governor Mickey and Sheldon. The late Edward Rosewater, who knew as much of the inside workings of the party as any man in the state, in his last speech at Waterloo the day of his death, uttered a most severe arraignment of the state officials and the republican party for allowing the corporations to run the state, and he even charged that they were running the G. A. R.

Republican officials, republican politicians and republican newspapers have been busy for some time accusing each other of being corporation tools, the pot calling the kettle black, as it were, and we think they all told the truth for once. Thus we have it from republican authority that the party is a corporation controlled party. They say, yes, we are guilty, but we have adopted a democratic platform and if you will elect us again we will do better. Sheldon says the party has been guilty of every damnable practice that the corporations demanded of it, but if you will elect me and the rest of my gang we will do better. Voters, do you think this eleventh-hour repentance is genuine? Isn't it safer to let them do penance on the back seat awhile until we find out whether they mean it?

Does it stand to reason that this rotten corporation party has suddenly become clean, that it has shaken off the taskmaster of years in so short a time and with scarcely a struggle? Is it reasonable to presume that this corporation party has suddenly changed places with the democratic party, which has always been the anti-corruption party?

We had thought that some of these republican editors were honest in their demands for anti-corruption government, but their willingness to shut their eyes to the truth and lend themselves to the "fake reformers'" campaign of deception, convinces us that it is not reform that they want, but anything to beat democrats.

But to come to the facts. We have something more specific than reason and common sense to refute these worse than silly assumptions of these republican editors.

It is well known that the larger portion of the delegates to the republican convention went to Lincoln on passes. According to the republican papers the delegates from this county and many other counties were selected by the railroad pluggers and were "dumped" completely into the camp of the railroads in that convention. We have many clippings from republican papers over the state to prove this if anyone doubts it. According to republican papers the railroads made the effort of their lives to capture the various delegations and control the convention, and they must have succeeded admirably, judging from the number of candidates who were nominated who had previously been denounced as railroad tools by republican papers.

Here are some of the railroad pluggers, gleaned from the telegraphic reports of the republican convention, who were on the ground laying the wires to control the convention: George W. Holdrege, John N. Bald-

win, Ben T. White, Lee Sprattien, Bob Clancy, Hank Ager, Bob McGinnis, Paddy Miles, Milt Erwin, Joe Burns, Charley Weston and Bob Kyd. These are men who make politics their business and draw salaries from the railroads. They are prominent in the inner circle which controls the republican party. They were for every man on the ticket with the possible exception of Sheldon, and he is a sop thrown out to the anti-corruption element of the party to help pull through the corporation ticket. Of course they wanted Galusha, but he was so rank they dared not put him up for fear of defeating the whole ticket. These railroad pluggers have fixed up a ticket which Governor Mickey says will give the railroads control if they are elected.

We have presented proof—republican proof, if you please—that the republican party is controlled by the corporations and that for the most part a corporation ticket has been nominated. We now challenge these republican editors to stop making baseless assertions and present some proof. An editor who has any respect for the truth or any care for his reputation would not make such assertions. We challenge you to name the paid railroad pluggers—as we have done—who had any part in the work of the democratic convention. We challenge you to cite one instance where Shallenberger or any other candidate on the democratic ticket ever served as a tool of the corporations. We boldly hurl the lie back into your faces and challenge you to prove the corporate bondage of any of the democratic candidates. Put up or shut up! Present your proof or stop making assertions.—Grand Island Democrat.

Special Agent Will Be Here.

A special from Washington to the Lincoln Journal, says: "Superintendent Architect Taylor of the treasury department has opened bids for the purchase of sites upon which the government is to erect federal buildings at Plattsmouth, Columbus and Kearney, Neb. Special agent Bishop will go to Nebraska and investigate the various offers made in these three cities, and it will be upon his report and recommendation that the purchase will be made. He is expected to arrive at Plattsmouth about October 1." This is just as the Journal has always thought, that a government representative would visit our city and view the different locations over before any site selection is made. The price will not figure if the location is the best and the amount comes within the sum appropriated. The Plattsmouth bids are as follows:

John Bauer and Peter Rauhen, property at the corner of Vine and Seventh streets; 132x140 feet; price, \$5,750.

I. Pearlman, Christ Koehnke and S. H. Shoemaker, southeast corner of Vine and Sixth streets; 170x140 feet; \$6,500.

A. E. Gass and F. G. Fricke; northeast corner of Sixth and Vine streets; 140x132 feet; \$7,500.

R. W. Scott, corner of Sixth and Granite streets; 132x140 feet; \$3,000.

Charles C. Parmele; northeast corner of Seventh and Main streets; 110x140 feet; \$6,500.

August Gorder and C. C. Despaigne, southwest corner of Vine and Third streets; 132x140 feet; \$1,700.

Petibone & Nixon, southwest corner of Vine and Fifth streets; 88x140 feet; \$1,800.

Nebraska Lighting company, southwest corner of Pearl and Sixth streets; 132x140 feet; \$1,500.

Anna Fitzgerald, northwest corner of Vine and Sixth streets; 132x140 feet; \$7,000.

H. C. McMaken, lot 10, block 29; \$2,000.

The right way to proceed in the location would be for the gentleman when he arrives here to consult the business men and find out which location would best suit a majority of them. They have done this in other towns and why not do the same here?

No one would buy a sailboat with sails that could not be reefed. There is always that possibility of a little too much wind that makes a cautious man afraid to go unprovided. The thinking man, whose stomach sometimes goes back on him, provides for his stomach by keeping a bottle of Kodol For Dyspepsia within reach. Kodol digests what you eat and restores the stomach to the condition to properly perform its functions. Sold by Fricke & Co. and Gering & Co.

Pollard's Big Apple Crop.

Congressman Pollard announces the gathering of an apple crop amounting to fifty thousand bushels from the family orchards. That is doing well. The Pollard apple trees have been industrious and they have served Congressman Pollard faithfully. Now let Congressman Pollard show his appreciation by dedicating a few thousand bushels of this great crop to justice and honesty. Let him

Sell enough apples for apple Jack to raise a fund to "put it back"—The cash he took, but did not earn. He thus can gratefully return.

We have no idea how much those apples are worth, but we are sure the people of this district will be glad to pay double price for enough apples to raise \$1,000 to wipe from the district the stain of grafting.—World-Herald

When two strong men come to blows, even if they are well matched, it is not a pleasing sight, but if the man who gets the worst of it will use De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve, he will look better and feel better in short order. Be sure you get De Witt's. Good for everything a salve is used for, including piles. Sold by Fricke & Co. and Gering & Co.

A NUMBER OF LADY VISITORS

Called Here to Attend the District Convention of the Degree of Honor.

NEARLY ONE HUNDRED IN ATTENDANCE

The Convention Will Be in Session Today and Tomorrow.

Today Plattsmouth is honored by the presence of a large number of ladies, called here as delegates to attend the district convention of the Degree of Honor. The district is composed of the counties of Douglas, Lancaster, Sarpy, Otoe and Cass counties. At the present time there are about one hundred delegates in attendance, and others will probably arrive on the evening train.

The Degree of Honor is associated with the Ancient Order of United Workmen, the same as the Daughters of Rebekah are to the Odd Fellows, and as the ladies are to many other secret and fraternal societies, and is composed of some of the best ladies in the state. We consider it quite an honor to our city that these ladies are among us today.

The convention is being held in Coates' hall, and besides the delegates present there are a number of visitors in attendance.

Omaha and South Omaha are here in full force, but many of the delegates from several of the counties have not yet reported, and will perhaps arrive in time for the reception tonight.

The Journal bids the delegates a cordial welcome, and is satisfied that they are in the proper hands to make their visit highly entertaining. The local lodge of the Degree of Honor will see that their visit will be a pleasant one.

A grand reception will be tendered the visitors tonight at Coates' hall.

More Than Their Share of Trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Ferguson, of near Louisville, received the sad news Monday that the only son of their son, William, had died in Denver, Colo., and in company with their daughter, Exie, immediately departed for that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson seem to have more than their share of trouble in the way of deaths in their family. Some years ago their eldest daughter, Cora, died. Only a few years later scarlet fever visited the family, and in less than four days three boys, ranging in age, fourteen, twelve and nine years, were laid side by side in the silent tomb, while a twin brother of one was lying at the point of death, and a few days after was followed to his last resting place. Only a few months ago they buried a son of their daughter, Mrs. Lulu Scott, who died in Omaha, and who was buried beside the other boys. The last sad event is the death which occurred at Denver. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson have many friends who deeply sympathize with them.

Death of a Nebraska Pioneer.

Surrounded by his three sons and three daughters, Dr. Harvey Link, the veteran practitioner of Nebraska, the pioneer man of medicine of Douglas county and a member of the territorial legislature, passed away Tuesday morning in his 72d year. He died at his home in Millard, where he settled in 1856.

Mr. Link was born February 4, 1824, in Greenville, Tenn. In 1850 he graduated from the Louisville College of Medicine. In 1855 he was married in New Albany to Miss Mary E. Lloyd, who came west with him and together they established their beautiful home at Millard in 1856.

Republic "Stand-pat" Text Book.

Assertion of a stand-pat tariff policy and evasion of the issue raised between organized labor and the republican party, principally characterize the republican text book for the congressional campaign which was issued for Washington, D. C., today. The name of President Roosevelt also is plentifully sprinkled through the book in such connections as to bring out an obvious purpose on the part of the republican managers to make Roosevelt an issue, if possible, in electing members of congress.

Various proceedings brought against trusts by the administration are much emphasized, but nothing is said of the almost unbroken line of failures in the courts with these cases. The text book likewise contains a flatfooted declaration against reciprocity with Canada, for which many American manufacturers are vigorously contending.

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Political Jugglery.

The Beatrice Sun, an independent paper, defines "political jugglery" as follows: "Political jugglery" is a profession that is being indulged in by a great many statesmen in Nebraska. A part of the juggler's business is to build up public sentiment in favor of his candidates, and in order to get in his work proper, he starts out early in the game. For instance, Brown and Sheldon are both known to be as much railroad men as any in the state who are not on the payrolls. In order that their former political affiliations may not injure their present candidacy the organs of political promotion are just at present telling how the railroads are going to throw their votes against Sheldon. This is simply rot, and ought to jeopardize the chances of any man who encourages it. To begin with, the railroads have no reason to antagonize Norris Brown. As attorney general he was their friend, and while making a bluff at prosecuting them, he actually neglected to enforce any law that affected their interests adversely. It is simply rot to set up the claims that are being presented at this time, for purely political effect. The people are not so easily gulled, and the newspaper demagogues who are trying to impose upon them are simply making themselves ridiculous."

CAPTURES A VERY BAD MAN

Charles Estes, Wanted for Horse Stealing and Various Other Crimes, Captured at Havelock.

The Lincoln Star of last evening gives the following account of the capture of one of the youngest and most noted and desperate criminals in the west. The sheriff and chiefs of police have been on the lookout for Estes ever since last January. He was captured in Havelock. It is claimed that Estes was in Plattsmouth just previous to the receipt of photos and cards giving a description of the young man:

Estes has been on the "wanted" list of all the sheriffs in the country since January 20, 1906, when Sheriff Lucas, of Topeka, sent out descriptions and photographs of Estes and offering \$1000 reward for his capture.

This morning a young man walked into the postoffice at Havelock and asked if there was a letter for Charles Estes. This was the signal for a young colored deputy who had stood behind the door. The colored man stepped up behind Estes, held the muzzle of a revolver to his head and informed him that he was a prisoner. Estes looked around and gave up. He informed his captor, however, that he had two new revolvers buried in a cornfield near Havelock and that if he had had the guns he would never have been taken.

Estes had written a letter from Gillette, Wyo., to a friend in Topeka asking mail be directed to him at Havelock. It was through this letter that the officers secured the clue and traced him.

Manson, with C. W. Holmes, foreman of the Havelock boiler shops, who happened to be near by, brought the prisoner to the county jail. Sheriff Lucas was communicated with and will come to Lincoln; at once to take his man back. Estes is wanted for burglary, larceny, horse stealing, jail breaking and a number of other crimes. He was arrested in January in Shreveport, La. There he broke jail in some mysterious manner. In July he was arrested in the postoffice at Portland, Oregon, but again used some peculiar influence to induce the officers to let him go.

In fact, there is an air of hidden power about Estes. The colored deputy sheriff who made the arrest declares that he is a peculiar man who has tailed the police and officers in many places. One example of this mysteriousness occurred this morning. When W. C. Holmes, of Havelock, was seated in the buggy coming to Lincoln, Estes said to him, with his peculiar smile:

"I know who you are."

"Oh, I don't believe you do," said Holmes.

"Yes," was the reply, "you are C. W. Holmes, foreman of the boiler shops. I worked with you last winter."

Estes is only 23 years of age. He is very clean in his habits. Among the articles taken from him at the county jail were a toothbrush, a cake of soap, and a pocket dictionary.

"I ain't going to take no chances with him," declared Deputy Sheriff Manson. "I'm going to watch him every minute. He's a sleight-of-hand criminal."

In County Court.

The case of Gallman vs. Eggleston occupied the county court up to the time of going to press today. In this case, a judgment was obtained by plaintiff in a Texas court and the present suit is brought to determine attachable property belonging to defendant to satisfy the judgment, which defendant claims was unjustly and illegally obtained. H. O. Eggleston, the defendant is from Murdock, where he is engaged in the grain business and is defended in this suit by C. S. Polk. Attorney Skiles of David City represents the plaintiff.

WILL GAIN MANY CITIZENS

Many People of Foreign Births Will Take Out Papers Before New Law Goes Into Effect.

SEPTEMBER 27, DATE OF EXPIRATION

Take Time By the Forlock and at Once Get Your Naturalization Papers.

There may be many foreign-born people in Cass county who have failed to take out their first naturalization papers, and if such there be, it would be a good idea for them to do so at once, or next Monday when district court re-convenes. By attending to this matter at once may save considerable trouble in the future.

After September 27 it will not be so easy a matter for subjects of foreign princess to become citizens of this country, and for that reason a number of people who have not been naturalized and declaring their intentions to become full-fledged citizens of the United States.

Under the present law naturalization papers are issued by the district court upon proof that the applicant has resided in this country five years and has declared his intentions at least two years before.

The law which goes into effect the 27th of this month requires a much complicated procedure. The applicant must make his petition as though he were bringing a case in the district court. He must be able to read and write English and must furnish proof for all the facts set forth in his petition. The petition must state upon what vessel the applicant came to this country, at what port he entered and upon what date. The petition must then be published ninety days and sent to the federal government at Washington. If there is nothing irregular about the record of the petitioner, the district court may issue the naturalization paper. The government may appear by its attorneys and show cause why the petitioner should not be permitted to become a citizen.

One of the purposes of the new law is to prevent the naturalization of anarchists and other undesirable citizenship material.

TO COMMENCE A NEW LIFE

By Turning Over a New Leaf After the Postoffice Site is Settled.

October first, or shortly thereafter, the postoffice building site will be settled. Sometime during the winter an appropriation for its construction will be made. When this shall have been done and the construction begun, then Plattsmouth should take on a new impetus.

The construction of a new government in a city that has never enjoyed such a thing, should give courage to its citizens to go onward in the way of building up the interests of the city. While Plattsmouth has not gone backward to any great extent in the past few years, there has not been that energy displayed that should characterize the building up of a city of the proportions of this city.

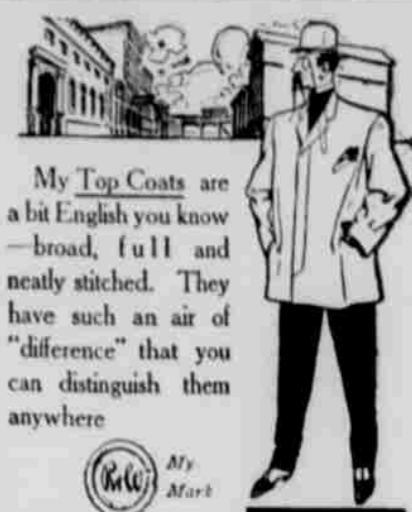
We are not an optimist, nor a son of an optimist, but we believe there is yet a bright future for our little city, if our citizens and business men will only devise some means to get closer together on matters of general interest to the entire populace. The Journal feels a deep interest in the future of Plattsmouth, not any more so, however, than many others ought too feel, whose interests lie in the future prosperity of the town. We are fixed here to stay—so are they—and why should not our interests be identical.

The winter months are coming on, during which season not very much improvement can be done, but it will afford a splendid opportunity to talk about what can be done for the best interest of the city, and talk about ways and means by which a boom can be inaugurated with the coming of the government building in the spring.

Two Killed in Omaha Tuesday Night.

A special from Omaha gives the following account of the killing of two persons in that city last week: "John Walley, a motorman, and a lady passenger, Annie Gleson of this city, were instantly killed and two other passengers injured, but not seriously, as the result of a collision at 11 o'clock tonight between a freight car pushed by a switch engine and a street car at Thirteenth and Leavenworth street. When the street car was struck Walley and the other victim were thrown under the wheels of another car that was passing."

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THE ILLINOIS DEMOCRACY

How the Matter is Viewed by an Eastern Contemporary.

The Brooklyn Citizen comes to the front with the following timely article in reference to the Bryan-Sullivan matter:

"The action of the Illinois democratic convention in endorsing both Bryan and Sullivan, the latter for the position which he has gained by improper means, and the former, of course, for the presidency, is one of the most striking evidences thus far given of the strength of the Bryan movement. Had it been safe from any point of view for the followers of Sullivan to oppose Bryan, they would have done so, stirred to rage as they were by his demands for the displacement of Sullivan.

"The general public have been left in no doubt about Bryan's opinion on Sullivan. He has written several letters insisting upon the retirement of that representative of roguery in politics. There has been no beating about the bush in the terms of Bryan's demand. He has characterized the methods by which Sullivan obtained his control as fraudulent, and added a distinct avowal of his purpose to be under no sort of obligation to men of that type. If there was any suspicion in any quarter that Bryan was like Hearst, in being willing to accept the support of leaders whom he had denounced, that suspicion has been thoroughly done away by his course in this controversy. Beyond all other things Mr. Bryan has made it understood by the most stolid of jobbers and robbers that he will owe his nomination two years hence to the undebauched sense of the democracy, and to nothing else. He will stand before the people owing nothing to any rascal in the land either inside the organization or on the outside, and committed to nothing but an administration of the government in the public interest.

"That the Sullivans of the country understand this is not at all questionable, and the only reason they make a pretense of favoring him is because were they to place themselves in opposition, they would, they know, be smashed to pieces at the polls. What will happen to the Sullivan machine in Illinois can be predicted without hazard of falsification by events. There is no possibility of any turn in events which will leave them long in the ascendant. Any candidates they may name will be overwhelmed by the honest democracy on election day, and in the nation Sullivan himself will count for no more than any inmate of the penitentiary who may have the impertinence to offer advice to the democratic party."

The Citizen thus voices the sentiments of the great mass of democrats and independents throughout the country whose confidence in the ability and honesty of Mr. Bryan is only equalled by their contempt for political tricksters like Roger E. Sullivan, and those willing to do his bidding at the expense of their own reputations. If the democratic party of Illinois would re-establish itself in public confidence it must rid itself of the leadership of such men as Sullivan and Hopkins and take its stand squarely and fearlessly for honest politics.

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