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## Our Choice for United States Senator--W. J. BRYAN.

### THAT ELMWOOD FAIR

A Decided Credit to That Hustling Town in Western Cass.

### DUTTON'S DEFENSE WEAKENS.

The More That the Facts are Elected the More Meanness Does His Partisan Action Disclose--Various Other Items of Interest.

The Elmwood fair, as an exhibit of farm, garden, orchard and household productions, has this year been a pronounced success. The attendance was only fair--and not up to the merits of the affair by any means, but this fact was probably accounted for because of the partial crop failure throughout the county.

The exhibit of farm products was remarkable, both for quality and for the great number of exhibits in every line. There were some forty-four lots of corn shown--fifty ears to each lot--and while it was far above what might be expected, was, of course, not equal to last year's product. In wheat, oats, barley and grass seeds there were fine exhibits and plenty of competition. The root crop exhibit was also good and very surprising. The fruit exhibit, however, was the best of all and merited special praise. There were apples, plums and grapes in great variety. In apples alone there were over twenty-five lots on exhibition and in quality equal to the best ever seen in any county or season. The Jonathan, Ben Davis, pearmain, jennet, maiden blush and romanic exhibits were worthy of special mention. The fruit display was drawn from the eastern as well as the central part of the county--Messrs. Dean, Hesser, and Churchill, of Rock Bluffs precinct, having contributed to swell the quantity.

The ladies of the vicinity took a very active part in promoting the success of the fair and the exhibits of needle work, both in the ornamental and useful lines, were far greater in variety and number displayed than ever was shown at the county fair. Several hundred samples of canned and preserved fruits were also on exhibition.

The farm animal and fowl exhibits were very good and in plentiful number--showing a fine display of horses, mules, cattle, sheep, hogs, and poultry. In fact in every line of progress and energy from the farmers' standpoint the exhibits were most creditable to Cass county, and especially a compliment to the energy and enterprise of the town of Elmwood, which brought about the exhibition. It took much work and good management, and well repaid the effort. If the farmers about this city could have seen the fair it would have been a good thing by way of stirring up a generous rivalry.

### Is Weaker Than Ever

The contemptible trick of County Commissioner Dutton in refusing the use of the district court room for the recent Holcomb meeting will not down, despite the silly attempts of the News to excuse the commissioner. The News puts great stress upon the fact that the P. E. O. ladies, who had engaged Waterman hall for the same night of the Holcomb meeting, offered to give up the hall and postpone their entertainment. This is all true, but here the News stops and fails to tell all the story. The offer of the P. E. O. ladies was made the day previous to the meeting. At that time the committee had not received positive knowledge that Mr. Holcomb would be here. Telephonic communication was had with Omaha and Lincoln, but nothing absolutely definite could be heard, so the committee did not feel disposed to interfere with the entertainment, and accordingly notified the ladies to that effect. The day following, however, positive knowledge was received that Mr. Holcomb would be here. Then the committee endeavored to secure Waterman hall, but the ladies had proceeded with their arrangements and the hall could not be secured. Rockwood hall was engaged for the D. of H. banquet that night and no recourse was then left the committee but to seek out the county commissioners and ask the use of the court room. The ENTIRE FACTS were presented to the commissioners and the committee had every reason to believe

that their request would be granted, as the court house, in addition to being a public structure, had on two former occasions been the scene of political meetings. Any fair-minded man would have readily conceded to the people the right to use and occupy their own building, but here was a chance for the board to take a mean partisan advantage, and Commissioners Dutton and Hayes were equal to the task, Commissioner Young being the only member of the board to favor the request. The News can endeavor to explain from now until the day of doom, but Mr. Dutton was guilty of a dirty partisan trick, and when the ballots are counted this fall he will have found that the voters of this commissioner's district have no use for a bigoted county official.

### Into the Waste Basket.

Secretary of State Allen Thursday morning handed down the following opinion as to the legality of the rump democratic ticket sought to be placed on the election ballot:

On the 27th day of September, 1894, there was filed in my office what purports to be a certificate of nominations made as is alleged by the state democratic convention held in the city of Omaha on the 25th and 27th of said month. This certificate is signed by Euclid Martin as chairman, and S. M. Snyser as secretary of said convention. Against this certificate a protest is signed by C. J. Snythe, chairman of the democratic state central committee and L. W. Edwards, chairman of the Lancaster county democratic central committee, in which it is claimed that the alleged nomination of P. D. Sturdevant, for the office of governor, and others named was not named by any convention, regularly constituted and assembled in the manner set out in chapter 24 of the session laws of Nebraska, 1891, "an act to promote the independence of voters at public elections, to enforce the secretary of the ballot and to provide for the printing and distribution of ballots at public expense."

From the undisputed statements set out and sworn to in the protest, it appears that Euclid Martin was chairman of the democratic state central committee for the last two years and that his office as such terminated at 9:35 p. m. on the 26th of September last; that during his term of office as such chairman he regularly issued a public call for a democratic convention to assemble on the 26th day of September, 1894, at 2 p. m. at the city of Omaha, for the purpose of making nominations for governor and other state officers. It also appears that the convention not only did assemble at the time and place named, but that said Martin called said convention to order and otherwise participated in the proceedings, and recognized such convention which proceeded to and put in nomination Silas A. Holcomb for the office of lieutenant governor, and other nominees for the various state offices, specified in the call issued as before stated by said Euclid Martin, and after transacting other business incident to such conventions adjourned.

From all that appears before me there was but one call for a democratic convention, and under that call but one regularly constituted convention such as is contemplated by the statutes can in my opinion be assembled, and from the undisputed facts before me the one which was called to order by Chairman Martin and presided over by Willis D. Oldham, and which now is presided over by J. N. Gaffin for the office of lieutenant governor, and other nominees for the various state offices, specified in the call issued as before stated by said Euclid Martin, was that convention.

It is not for me to inquire into the politics of the nominees put forward by that convention; that is a matter wholly within the convention. Concluding that but one convention could be held under the call referred to, I am satisfied that the one which nominated Silas A. Holcomb for governor was the one which was regularly held and I therefore must decline to place the nominees in the certificate presented and which is signed by Martin on the official ballot.

The hearing of the protest filed Tuesday by Martin takes place next Monday, but in view of this decision by the secretary of state its fate is already sealed. The Martin men will therefore be compelled to get their ticket on by petition.

### List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Plattsmouth Oct. 10, for week ending Oct. 4, 1894:

Beal, Petra  
Coughlin, William  
Conklin, J. S.  
Moore, Mrs. N. D.  
Monday, Laura  
Jones, William  
Pallin, James  
Paul, John  
Rensel, August.

Persons calling for any of the above letters or parcels will please say "advertised." W. K. FOX, P. M.

F. G. Fricke & Co., recommend Johnson's Magnetic Oil for rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains, bruises, lame back. It quickly relieves pain.

A musicale will be given Oct. 23rd for the benefit of the public library.

### SWIPED THE JEWELRY

Burglars Make a Fat Haul Down at Nehawka.

### THAT IOWA CUTTING AFFAIR.

Ben Lincoln, the Injured Man, Is Not Seriously Injured--Tom Robb the Name of the Fellow Who Piled the Knife.

### Burglary at Nehawka.

Lester Stone's drug store at Nehawka was entered by burglars Thursday night and jewelry to the value of over \$300 was stolen. An entrance was effected via the rear door, one of the panels being bored full of holes and then knocked through from the outside. The stolen goods consisted of watches, chains and rings. There are no clues as to the identity of the burglars, although it is known that they fled toward Union, as one of the stolen rings was found on the Missouri Pacific track between Nehawka and Union. A reward of \$50 is offered for the capture of the thieves and return of the stolen property.

### That Iowa Cutting Affair.

Further particulars in regard to the cutting affair which happened over on the Iowa bottoms opposite this city on Wednesday, mention of which was exclusively made in Thursday's JOURNAL, are that the victim of the cutting, Ben Lincoln, will recover. The gash in his abdomen, however, was a deep one and will trouble him for some time. Tom Robb, a young fellow about nineteen years old, used the knife. It appears that Robb had leased a tract of land from Lincoln and planted it in onions. Robb claimed to have detected Lincoln in stealing his onions. This story reached Lincoln's ears and when he met Robb he provoked a quarrel and hit the young man over the head with a club. Robb immediately whipped out his knife and planted it in Lincoln's abdomen, with results above stated. The general opinion is that Robb acted in self-defense, and, as yet, he has not been arrested.

### Greenwood People Rejoice.

The following from Greenwood, this county, appears in Tuesday's Lincoln Journal:

"The people here are greatly interested in the case of L. G. Parker vs. John Green & Son, which was decided by Judge Chapman in the district court at Plattsmouth last week. The trouble began last spring, when Mr. Parker, who is pastor of the M. E. church, questioned a bill presented by the firm of Phil Green & Co. Mrs. John Green, who is a member of this firm, withdrew from the church in consequence of the dispute, and the pastor announced from the pulpit that she had 'stolen' \$17 from him by taking church money and turning it over to the firm instead of to him. Then all sorts of trouble ensued. The son of Mrs. Green, P. B. Green, and the pastor engaged in a fight in the streets of Greenwood and the young man was arrested, charged with stabbing the clergyman. He was convicted of a misdemeanor, not of a felony. The case was carried up to the district court and Judge Chapman, after reviewing evidence, rebuked both sides and dismissed the case. This, it is stated, throws the costs, amounting to nearly \$200 upon Mr. Parker. At the same time an action to preserve the peace brought against John Green was thrown out by the judge. The matter has caused much ill-feeling in the community, and the people will rejoice if this decision brings the discussion of it to a close."

### Commonweal Kelly Brantly Beaten.

A dispatch from San Francisco says: "General Kelly, the leader of the industrial army which left here last summer and went to Washington, while addressing a crowd Saturday evening in Oakland was ordered by Officer Scanlan to desist. Kelly refused, whereupon Scanlan took him into custody and the two marched off. They had not gone far when Scanlan suddenly began clubbing Kelly and fractured his skull. A crowd of several hundred men marched to the city hall and demanded that Scanlan be placed under arrest. The authorities quickly granted the demand, thereby preventing probable violence. Kelly's condition is serious."

### An Omaha Real Estate Story.

The Chicago Record tells a story of a man who went into Omaha one day and wanted to trade his farm for some city lots. "All right," replied the real estate agent. "Get into my buggy and I'll drive you out to see some of the finest residence sights in the world--water, sewers, paved streets, cement sidewalks, electric light, shade trees, and all that sort of thing." and away they drove four or five miles into the country. The real estate agent expatiated upon the beauty of the surroundings, the value of the improvements made and projected, the convenience of the location, the ease and speed with which people who lived there could reach town, and the certainty of an active demand for such lots in the immediate future. Then, when he was breathless, he turned to his companion and asked: "Where's your farm?" "We're really it coming out here," was the reply. "It's about two miles nearer town."

### A Beauty Show.

One of the amusing things that took place at the Elmwood fair was the award of the premium to the handsomest lady at the fair. Some twenty ladies entered for the prize--some young, some middle-aged and some quite elderly--and they all were in dead earnest as to their claims. The management wanted the editor of THE JOURNAL to act as the judge, but as there were no life insurance agents on the ground he respectfully declined in favor of Capt. Dave McCaig, who accepted and performed the duty with great satisfaction. He requested all the competitors to array themselves with entry cards, and had them form in line and march before him. He then examined each one to observe the different styles of beauty under which they claimed precedence, and after great deliberation awarded the prize to Mrs. Joseph Mullin--a very handsome lady of mature years--and his judgment was accepted as eminently sound. There was no kicking among the fair but less fortunate ones--at least, none was observable.

### Card of Thanks.

To the many friends who rendered such kind assistance during the trials attendant to the illness and death of my departed wife, I can but feebly express my appreciation. The remembrance of their countless expressions of sympathy will ever be cherished. D. C. CROSSER.

Uncle Jacob Vallery, one of the straightest of straight-backed democrats, prefers Holcomb to Tom Majors. All true democrats do the same.

### That Missing Minister.

Nothing has yet been heard of Burnett Allen, the missing man from Plattsmouth. Mrs. Allen, the mother, tells us she is as ignorant of his whereabouts as anyone, and her grief is great.--Elmwood Echo.

That gang of democrats who are striving their very best to elect Tom Majors and the entire republican ticket have received another set-back. Secretary of State Allen Monday decided that he could not sustain the protest filed by Euclid Martin against the placing of the free silver democratic ticket on the official ballot. The secretary also settled another question which had been brought up by the protest of the "rump" outfit. The secretary announced it as his intention to certify to county clerks the name of Silas Holcomb as a democratic nominee and also as a populist nominee for governor, and to do the same with other candidates so situated, thus putting their names twice on the ballot. He further stated that he felt it his duty to certify the name of W. J. Bryan as a candidate for United States senator.

### Take Off the Horns.

The undersigned is now ready, with a good portable chute and tools, to remove the useless weapons of horned cattle at ten cents per head. If those who wish to have such work done will address me at Rock Bluffs, Neb., they will be promptly answered. 42-4 S. L. FURLONG.

For Sale--3,000 Bushels of Corn. I will be in Plattsmouth Oct. 15th. Anybody wanting to buy corn can see me there and then. HENRY ENGELKEMEIER.

If you have sour stomach and feel bilious, and your head aches; take a Japanese Liver Pellet; it will relieve you. Sold by Fricke & Co.

### AROUND THE COURT ROOMS.

#### DISTRICT COURT.

Because of the illness of Judge Chapman district court was adjourned Monday morning until the first of next week, when the judge hopes to be able to resume his duties.

The regular jurors who have served in district court since the commencement of the term two weeks ago, were called into court Saturday and dismissed. All other civil cases on the docket will be heard and decided by the court.

The case of the state vs. H. Street-weiser and Wm. Habberman, on trial Friday in district court, was dismissed by order of the court. It appears that the state's most important witness failed to testify the same as he did in the lower court, and on motion of the attorney for the defendants, Judge Chapman instructed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty before leaving the box.

The criminal docket was called in district court Friday and the following cases, on motion of the prosecution, were ordered dismissed: State vs. Gus Henrich, state vs. Mel Jean, state vs. Phil Green, state vs. Chas. Blake and state vs. Frank Wannamaker. Fred W. Ruhge, the Avoca saloon keeper, against whom the grand jury returned two indictments for selling liquor on Sundays, appeared and entered a plea of guilty, the court fining him \$25 and charging him with the court costs. The second indictment was dismissed.

#### COUNTY COURT.

Final settlement was had in county court Wednesday in the estate of Jos. Amick, deceased.

County Judge Ramsey and Administrator S. A. Davis were perfecting a final settlement in the estate of the late Caroline Engel today.

License to wed was issued in county court today to Mr. Wm. Walker and Miss Sarah Miller. Both parties reside at Berlin, Otoe county.

License to wed was issued by County Judge Ramsey Tuesday to Mr. Chas. W. Kraft and Miss Minnie Roelofs. Both parties reside in Elmwood, Mr. Kraft being agent for the M. P. railway at that point.

#### JUSTICE ARCHER'S COURT.

In the Stack-Hicks feud, wherein the Hicks sought to have the Stack family punished for assault, the case being on trial in Justice Archer's court on Saturday, the jury decided for the accused.

#### COURT ROOM NOTES.

Ex-Sheriff William Tighe came in from his farm in Center precinct Wednesday to attend to business matters at the court house.

Sheriff Eikenberry journeyed to Kansas City last night to bring back the man who stole a team and horse from the Jones livery barn some time last spring. Deputy Sheriff Hyers went to Lincoln to get the requisition papers and the sheriff will be back home with the horse thief by Saturday.

#### Farm for Sale.

A well improved farm of 160 acres, situated 2 1/2 miles west of Mynard, six miles southwest of Plattsmouth and six miles northwest of Murray. Has a good nine room house, also a tenant house, good barn with hay mow, single roof shed sixty feet long, hog house, feed lots, double corn crib with a capacity of 4,500 bushels, good bearing orchard also 500 young apple trees, two wells and cistern, windmill, cellar, cave, etc. All surrounded with a 3-strand wire fence. One of the most desirable farms in Cass county. Inquire of or address

WILL T. RICHARDSON, d-3t-w-tf Mynard, Neb.

J. E. Leyda, of Lincoln, was admitted to the bar of Cass county last week. He stood a good examination, and will in a short time enter the law school at the state university, where he expects to take a full course. After being admitted to the bar a student can enter the law department of the university without taking the examination.--Weeping Water Republican.

County commissioner George Young rose above partisan lines when he cast his vote to allow Mayor Weir and Gov. Holcomb the use of the district court room, the other two fellows are of the yellow dog stripe, as their actions plainly indicate.--Weeping Water Eagle.

### SLUGGED IN THE DARK

Rhece Walker Tells of Being Way-laid by an Unknown Footpad.

### ROBBERY WAS HIS MOTIVE.

But Barking Dogs Scare the Culprit Away and Rhece's Wealth is Undisturbed--Death Of the Aged Mrs. Hedlund--Other Notes.

Rhece Walker, son of Perry Walker, one of Cass county's best known farmers, was the victim of a dastardly assault last night at the hands of an unknown foot-pad. Rhece lives out on his father's farm, two miles southwest of town, and last evening shortly after supper he came to town on horseback to look after a deal pertaining to the sale of some apples. He started home at about eight o'clock, and when he reached the turn in the long lane which leads down to the Walker farm house, a man jumped out from among the dense trees which grow on both sides of the lane and accosted Rhece with a "hello." Rhece replied and the stranger's actions immediately aroused his suspicion, but before he had time to hurry up his horse, he received a terrific blow across the forehead, which knocked him completely senseless, and he dropped to the ground like so much lead. Here he lay for several hours, and it was almost one o'clock when he came to his senses and found that he had received a bad cut across the forehead, from which the blood had flown almost in torrents. He then made his way down the lane to the farm house and aroused the inmates, who at once sent to town for a physician. Dr. Schildknecht answered the call and found that Rhece had received a deep gash across the left eyebrow, which allowed the lid to drop and expose the eyeball. The arch bone in his nose was also fractured and his face and forehead were badly swollen. In addition to being extremely painful, his wounds will most likely disfigure him for life.

Rhece was unable to get a good look at his assailant, as the entire transaction occurred almost in the twinkling of an eye. He is a popular young man and has no enemies, and it is surmised that the brute's object was to rob his victim. In this, however, the fellow's scheme was a failure. Rhece had a few dollars in his pocket and carried a gold watch, but they were not taken. It is thought that the barking of the dogs scared the robber away, as the people in the house claim to have heard a sudden commotion among the dogs about the time which Rhece says he was slugged. The weapon, presumably, was a big sharp-edged club, the edge cutting open the eyebrow and the body of the club doing the damage to his nose. It was certainly an outrageous affair, and the general public will hope for the culprit's capture and punishment.

LATER--The authorities took occasion to investigate as to Rhece's experience today, and finally arrived at the conclusion that Rhece was playing possum--in short, he was much like the man "from Brazil where the nuts come from." It seems cruel to rob Rhece of his laurels as a hero, but the real situation, according to the officers, is that Rhece was an attendant at a dance in Billings-ton last night, and got into a knock-down-and-drag-out fight with Al Harkins, a well-known tough, who is regularly called into police court for his numerous pugilistic demonstrations. Rhece got the worst of the fight and patched up a "foot-pad" story as the best way out of the difficulty. Chief of Police Dunn has warrants calling for the arrest of both men.

### Hemorrhage Of the Lungs.

The aged mother of Andrew Hedlund, who lives on South Tenth street, departed from this life early this morning. The aged lady was taken with a violent coughing spell at about 5 o'clock while in bed. She roused up and was suddenly taken with a violent hemorrhage of the lungs, the loss of blood being so severe that she lived only a few moments. Dr. Schildknecht was hastily summoned, but on his arrival the old lady was cold in death. The deceased was seventy-two years of age and has been quite feeble for several years past. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.