REPUBLICANS HAVE A FEAST

Banquet of the Abraham Lincoln Club at Lincoln Auditorium.

PRELIMINARY GUN OF THE CAMPAIGN

Timothy L. Woodruff of New York Responds to a Toast and Governor Shaw of Iowa Also Speaks.

LINCOLN, March 24.—(Special.)—The republican banquet given at the auditorium in this city tonight by the Abraham Lincoln club was in all respects one of the most successful affairs of its kind in the history of the state. The banquet was planned as a preliminary gun to the opening of the republican campaign in Nebraska and the event was rendered still more important by the presence of two executive officeholders of national reputation, one of whom has been mentioned as the probable candidate for vice president on the ticket with President McKinley. From point of attendance it surpassed every banquet ever given in the city.

The expectations of those in charge of the affair were fully realized tonight, for when the banquet began there was not an empty seat in the hall. There were about 500 people in the gallery throughout the entire evening and almost as many more occupied seats on the main floor, of which number over 500 participated in the banquet.

The idea of holding the banquet in an auditorium, while more or less of an innovation, proved very popular, a fact which was attested by the unprecedented attendance. Another remarkable and unusual feature of the affair was the presence of a large number of women at the banquet table and in the audience. The scene was still further enlivened by the presence of nearly 200 students from the State university, most of them members of the recently organized Hayward club.

Distinguished Guests Arrive.

Lieutenant Governor Woodruff of New York arrived this morning at 10:15 and was met at the depot by a reception committee consisting of prominent members of the club and escorted to the Lindell hotel. During the day Mr. Woodruff was the guest of L. C. Burr and at noon a dinner party was given in his honor at Mr. Burr's residence, 1501 H street. Mr. Woodruff left Albany Thursday night and will be back in time to call the senate of the Empire state to order at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Governor Shaw of Iowa arrived at 3:30 this afternoon. He was the guest of F. M. Hall at 1044 D street while in the city. Colonel John N. Baldwin of Council Bluffs, Norris Brown of Kearney and A. E. Cady of St. Paul, the other speakers, arrived at 6 o'clock and were escorted to the Lindell hotel, where a reception was held for the distinguished guests from 6:30 to 7:30 in the hotel parlors. This affair was in charge of a committee consisting of J. C. Seacrest, Ned Brown, C. C. Marlay, Roscoe Pound, Lowe Ricketts, Elam Seacrest, A. R. Edmisten, W. F. Kelley and Herbert Johnson.

Immediately following the reception the speakers were escorted to the Auditorium and were given seats at a table reserved on the stage. The large hall was artistically decorated for the occasion with flags and bunting, and over the speakers' table were suspended large photogravures of Abraham Lincoln, after whom the club was named, and of General Grant. Following is a list of the toasts responded to:

List of Toasts.

"From Lincoln to McKinley," Hon. Timothy L. Woodruff, lieutenant governor of New York.

"The Democratic Platform—What Will It Be?" Hon. Norris Brown, Kearney, Neb.

"Nebraska," Hon. A. E. Cady, St. Paul, Neb.

"Where Shall We Draw the Line?" Hon. Leslie M. Shaw, governor of Iowa.

In opening the speaking program, Toastmaster John N. Baldwin said that the banquet was held for two reasons—first, to awaken interest in the campaign about to begin, and second, to do honor and pay respect to the eminent visitor from New York. After a few further remarks, he introduced Governor Woodruff as the choice of the west for the republican vice presidential nomination.

Governor Woodruff spoke as follows:

Mr. President and Gentlemen: In prompt response to your generous invitation I am here to participate with you in opening the campaign which involves not only the electoral vote of Nebraska, but the political complexion of the representation to which it is entitled in the senate of the United States. I am glad to come to the capital of Nebraska from the capital of New York on a political mission. As Nebraska is the central state of the union, so should it be the keystone of the national republican arch, the foundations of which rest securely upon the enduring republicanism of the states to the east and the west. As the course of empire in its westward sweep has spanned the continent and this great state of yours has become the center of the industrial life of the nation, and has even named its capital in honor of the republican president who prevented the secession of the states of the south from the union, you should be the last of all the citizens of the republic to participate in the secession of any of the states of the north from the republican party.

From Lincoln to McKinley.

There was an especial appropriateness in the selection of a new site for the seat of government of the state of Nebraska, which was to be named Lincoln. No existing city or town would answer the purpose, not even by changing its name. The state which was to honor its capital with the name of Lincoln must establish and develop a new city. Therefore, in this place, at this banquet, under the auspices of the Abraham Lincoln club, the toast assigned to me—"From Lincoln to McKinley"—is in itself an inspiration.

In physical proportions and features two men could hardly differ more, but in private character and mental equipment for public life the similarity between them is striking. Of humble birth, they both prepared for and pursued the learned profession of the law. Each bore arms for his country and each served as a representative in congress. Although thirty-six years separated the beginning of their administrations, each entered office four years after a financial panic and a period of commercial depression, and at once each secured for the alleviation of the industrial conditions of the time protective tariff legislation. At the very beginning of the administration of each the country was suddenly plunged into war, the issue of which, in both cases, was carried to a successful conclusion by the master hand of the chief executive. Close in the confidence of the people each reflected the changing sentiment of the nation.

Lincoln, but for his untimely and tragic end, would doubtless have established amicable relations between the north and south. It, however, was reserved for McKinley to finally heal the breach by appointing to important commands such ex-confederate commanders as Joe Wheeler and Fitzhugh Lee and by calling upon the people of the north and west to cherish the memory and guard the graves of the southern dead. Dissensions may arise hereafter in the great union family, but, as in the case of the proverbial domestic circle, outside interference can only result in a closer bond between the states and disaster to meddling neighbors. The unparalleled spectacle has been afforded the nations of the world of the bitter enemies of a generation ago marching side by side in a war for human liberty and human progress. The sounds of strife, the bugle call, the drum, the resonant cannon peal echo no more in the valleys of Dixie nor among the mountains of Pennsylvania. Armed hosts will assemble no more in the nation established by Washington, saved by Lincoln and expanded by McKinley, except for one purpose—defense against external interference and for the protection of one glorious, world-respected flag.

Speech by Norris Brown.

The speech of Governor Woodruff was enthusiastically received by the audience. Hon. Norris Brown of Kearney was next introduced. He opened by saying that it was impossible for any one to say assuredly what the next democratic platform would be. He said that when he was a boy the democratic platform meant free whisky and later the same platform free transportation. After referring to a number of inconsistencies and contradictions in former democratic platforms the speaker drew conclusions as to the text of the next platform from the utterances of present democratic leaders. He said the platform would say that American commerce must not expand, that Dewey was an enemy of civilization, when every one knew that he was the deliverer of the oppressed.

"It is safe to say," he said, "that the democratic platform will say exactly what it doesn't mean and mean exactly what it does not say.

"The democratic platform," he added, "would ask that the volunteer soldier be not forgotten and that the colonel of the Third Nebraska be remembered."

Hon. A. E. Cady of St. Paul told of the results of the democratic administration. He said the democratic party declared for a tariff for revenue only and then borrowed money to make up a revenue. He called attention to the fact that during the administration of President Harrison the national debt was reduced $260,000,000, and that during the administration of Cleveland it was increased nearly as much. He compared the prosperous conditions existing under republican rule to the conditions existing under the "democratic reign of terror" and promised that Nebraska could be relied upon in the coming campaign to fall into the republican column and to do its share in bringing about a national republican victory.

Governor Shaw Speaks.

The speaking program closed with the address of Governor Shaw of Iowa, who responded to the toast, "Where Shall We Draw the Line?"

Governor Shaw opened by calling attention to the fact that the democratic party from the day the protocol was signed, which ended hostilities between the United States and Spain, had sought a battleground for the campaign of 1900. The terms of the protocol had left the future disposition and control of the Philippine islands to a commission of five Americans and five Spaniards, which led many to believe that it was not the intention of the president to demand the cession of the archipelago, and the democratic conventions, in several states, protested against the release of the islands and demanded the retention of all territory over which American valor had hoisted the stars and stripes.

He reviewed the attempt to make a national issue out of the conduct of the war and the treatment of the soldiers, and "embalmed beef," and called attention to the fact that for a while it seemed as though republican papers and republican orators were in line to give assistance. He discussed the treaty of Paris and the democratic effort to secure its ratification that an anti-expansion issue might be forced, and again republicans, both in congress and out, joined in the opposition. After the treaty was ratified and the islands became the property of the United States, then anti-imperialism became the cry, and quite a respectable republican contingent joined in manufacturing ammunition for the enemy.

He spoke of an effort now being made to force a national issue out of the details of an economic measure for supplying revenues for Porto Rico. He did not commit himself as to the wisdom of the details of the bill, but congratulated the country that it seems likely to be settled speedily and for all time, that the United States is as much a nation as any other country that occupies a position on the map of the world, and that it can, if it chooses, acquire territory, and congress can legislate for it as it pleases. Preliminary steps can be taken looking to its future admission into the union, or plans can be devised for its future independence. These ultimate questions he thought might safely be left to be determined after more information is obtained and in the light of future developments.

He called attention to the effort now being made by the democratic party to force us into the position taken by that party during the discussions which led to the war of the rebellion, when it was contended that the United States could acquire territory for no other purpose than for admission into the union as states, and whatever was acquired passed under the wing of the constitution. He said if they should force us to this position and settle the question now that our insular possessions shall ultimately be admitted as states into the union, they will doubtless be able to reinforce their ranks on the anti-expansion issue. He thought the question now pending in congress was not whether the tobacco and sugar merchants who now hold the products of Porto Rico in warehouse shall pay 15 per cent of the Dingley tariff, the same to be appropriated for the relief of the farmers who produced the same, and who have been compelled to sell at prices dictated by these speculators, but whether in fact the United States possesses the inherent power to do whatever is deemed wise and expedient and to manage its newly acquired possessions for the interest of the people thereof in any matter not expressly prohibited by the constitution.

Woodruff's Opinions.

When asked today what he thought of the probability of republican success, Mr. Woodruff said:

"There can be but one result if the democratic party nationally adopts a platform similar to the one adopted by the Nebraska democrats last Monday night. The question of free silver alone will defeat any party that espouses it.

"We in the east look upon the democratic platform as absolutely absurd. We consider that the one plank dealing with Bryan's self-styled imperialism contains three propositions, and they cannot be harmonized with one another. It says first that the Filipino must have a stable form of government, second, complete independence, and third, that they must have the protection of the United States. Those most familiar with the natives of the Philippine islands assert that they are absolutely unfit for self-government. They are no more capable of exercising this right than was the American Indian a century ago. They cannot possess complete independence and a stable government at the same time. It is preposterous to assert that we apply the Monroe doctrine to those islands in another hemisphere and separated from us by thousands of miles of water. The islands and their inhabitants came to us as the logical result of the Spanish-American war. We cannot turn them back to Spain. We cannot turn them over to the natives. The only course for us is that being pursued by the present administration."

Concerning the Porto Rican tariff bill Mr. Woodruff said:

"I am of the opinion that the people of the east coincide with those of the west in the conviction that absolute free trade is what the island should have. I think they should suspend judgment, however, until they are better informed. I believe the president and congress will deal with the question in the best possible manner."

State Republican Committee Meets.

LINCOLN, March 24.—(Special.)—A short meeting of the republican state central committee was held at headquarters in the Lindell hotel this afternoon, nearly all the committeemen being in the city to attend the Lincoln club banquet. Chairman Orlando Tefft presided. The committeemen spoke enthusiastically of the prospects for the success of the republican ticket in Nebraska. It was resolved that the committee adopt the plan of a popular subscription for raising funds for the campaign and a committee consisting of F. M. Wethereld, C. D. Owens and R. S. Norval was appointed to look after the work. Lieutenant Governor Woodruff was invited in and in response to a call for a speech made a few remarks, congratulating the committeemen upon the interest manifested by the republicans of Nebraska.

ATTEMPT AT STAGE ROBBERY

Driver Hunt Shot At by Two Men on Horseback, One of Whom He Wounds.

VALENTINE, Neb., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—W. P. Hunt, who carries the mail between Rosebud agency and this place, while enroute for Valentine this morning on Antelope creek, about ten miles this side of Rosebud, discovered two men advancing toward him on horseback. When a little over 100 yards distant they suddenly whipped out their revolvers and began shooting, which was returned by Hunt, and a running fight was kept up for about one-quarter of a mile.

Hunt received one shot in the right side of the breast which passed through a memorandum book in his coat pocket and struck a watch in his vest pocket, where it stopped. Hunt found the bullet in his pocket. A ball also lodged in the seat of the stage, one passed through the top, another was found in a valise and one passed through the mail sack.

Hunt thinks he hit one of the assailants since he fell partly from his horse, his companion catching him and helping him back again. The assailants did not pursue him further.

TROUBLE WITH BROTHER'S FAMILY.

Farmer Living Near Scribner Arrested on Charge of Attempting to Kill.

FREMONT, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—Conrad Olthoff, a farmer living about six miles east of Scribner, was arrested and brought to Fremont this afternoon on the charge of assault with intent to kill Etta Olthoff, his brother's wife. Olthoff went to his brother's place yesterday afternoon somewhat under the influence of liquor. They had some words over business matters and Mrs. Olthoff ordered him off the premises. He then grabbed a neckyoke and struck her a blow, knocking her to the ground. As she got up he pulled a pistol and fired two shots at her, neither taking effect. Her husband, Orentje Olthoff, was confined to the house with a broken leg and unable to bear any weight upon it. He heard the trouble and alarmed at the sound of the shooting started to go to her assistance, but fell to the floor, fracturing his leg again and sustaining other injuries which his physician fears may result seriously. Several parties living nearby came to the place and took Olthoff's gun away from him and brought him to Scribner. Mrs. Olthoff's injuries are painful, but not serious. Her brother-in-law was but a few feet away when he fired the pistol and as he appeared to take deliberate aim at her it is remarkable she was not hit. Olthoff was arraigned before County Judge Wintersteen this afternoon and his examination was set for Wednesday. He had not yet sobered up.

Name Republican Convention Day.

SIDNEY, Neb., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The members of the republican county central committee met here today and set April 21 as the date of holding the county convention for the dual purpose of electing delegates to the state and congressional conventions.

STRIVE TO PROVE INSANITY

Number of Witnesses Testify to Miss Horlocker's Frequent Headaches.

TESTIMONY OF DEFENSE NEARLY ALL IN

Sensational Statements Made by Miss Eva Stewart and William Franklin Are Stricken Out as Incompetent and Hearsay.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Regardless of the inclement weather there was the usual crowd of spectators at the Horlocker trial this morning. The vast audience during this week that have attended the trial are composed fully of 75 per cent women. This morning there were nearly 100 school girls in attendance, ranging in age from 14 to 17 years old.

As soon as court convened State's Attorney McCreary asked that the witness, Miss Eva Stewart, take the stand, but she being absent the bailiff was ordered to see that she was brought into the room. Meantime Dr. W. H. Lynn gave his testimony. He had been called in August and September, 1897, on a professional visit to prescribe for Viola Horlocker, who was suffering with severe pains in the head. In the spring of 1898 he was again called to prescribe for her when she was again suffering from a great pain in the head. She said she was in terrible agony and that he must do something for her. The physician gave her a hypodermic injection of morphine.

Dr. Lyman also said he saw the defendant at her home on April 22 last. She was again suffering with terrible pains in the head. He had seen her two days before she left in June; he had also seen the defendant since she returned the last time and said she was more calm and much better now than she appeared last June.

Disposition of Defendant.

Mrs. Anna Sparger had observed the defendant's moods in October, 1898, and told how excited and flighty Miss Horlocker appeared at times when in her store. She had noticed a marked change in the defendant between the time of October, 1898, and February, 1899.

County Judge Bowen had resided in Hastings twenty-nine years and was intimately acquainted with Captain Horlocker and had known the defendant from childhood and had never heard one word against her.

Dr. John Cooke testified to having been called to the law office of Tibbets & Morey two different times during the summer of 1898. There was a vacant stare out of her eye, pupils dilated and face was flushed.

State's Attorney McCreary then moved that all testimony of Miss Eva Stewart referring to any conversation with the defendant at or about Christmas time of 1898 be stricken out for the reason that the same was incompetent and hearsay. The court said that the motion was sustained. The state's attorney then moved that all the testimony of W. A. Franklin relating to the conversation he had with Viola Horlocker about getting married be also stricken out, because he considered it incompetent and hearsay. This was also sustained.

A recess of ten minutes was taken.

Testimony of Housekeeper.

Mrs. Mary Buel was housekeeper for Mr. George Hayes, brother-in-law of the accused. During the wedding tour of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Mrs. Buel stayed at the Horlocker home and saw Viola Horlocker every day. In telling of what she observed she said Viola Horlocker was cheerful and sometimes despondent. At nights she would often lie and moan for hours and cry out with pains which she claimed came from her head. When she would arise in the morning she looked haggard and would say she could not stand such pains much longer. Mrs. Buel was also housekeeper for Mr. and Mrs. Hayes in Lincoln and again in Hastings and had occasion to observe the defendant's demeanor. About two or three weeks after Mr. and Mrs. Hayes returned to Hastings Viola was one day seated at the table when she was taken violently sick and became unconscious and for two or three days after that she showed signs of insanity. About Christmas time, 1898, Viola came to the Hayes home and was in tears. When asked by Mrs. Buel what was the matter she said that she had a secret in her heart which was killing her. A week later Mrs. Buel was invited to the Horlocker home and all the time Viola was getting dinner she was crying, but would give no cause for it.

At the conclusion of this testimony Attorney Ragan announced that the defendant had but one more witness to place on the stand besides the experts and they were notified to appear Monday morning. These expert witnesses are Dr. Norburg of the Jacksonville (Ill.) sanitarium and Dr. Woodward of the same institution, and Prof. Greene of the Nebraska university. Court adjourned at 11 o'clock until 9 o'clock Monday morning.

NAME DELEGATES FROM HASTINGS.

Adams County Republicans Choose Men to Represent Them.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—At the Adams county republican convention held here today the delegates to the state convention were instructed for C. H. Dietrich of this city for governor. The delegates are: A. N. Hall, George Klein, I. D. Evans, W. H. Ferguson, C. J. Miles, William Lowman, Jacob Fisher, E. C. Webster, L. J. Capps, George Maxwell, L. B. Partridge, J. G. Heartwell, R. A. Ramsey, Jacob Wooster, H. E. Houghtaling, W. H. Steward, B. F. Rolder, R. B. Smith.

The delegates elected to the district convention were instructed for W. P. McCreary for congress. The congressional delegates are: Lucien Dean, Eric Johnson, L. P. Grim, Fred Einspahr, Fred Olmstead, J. J. Buchanan, A. H. Cramer, A. L. Clarke, W. G. Saddler, H. E. Norton, W. F. Button, Chris Paulick, William Monroe, Hugo Moreland, O. Button, R. B. Numan, E. N. Hamen, J. W. James and George Wheat.

ROBBERS BLOW OPEN A SAFE

Thieves Secure About Four Thousand Dollars from the Bank at Hardy, Neb.

HARDY, Neb., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The Hardy bank of this place, one of the oldest banking houses of this part of the state, with a paid up capital of $40,000, was robbed this morning of about $4,000.

Thieves blew the safe front all to pieces, using two blasts, shattered all the glass and made several holes in the building. The noise was heard by parties near and the alarm soon given, since which time searching parties have been out after the robbers. The thieves took a Burlington & Missouri hand car and went east half a mile to where they had a team, then brought the hand car back and dumped it and drove back east and south into Kansas.

Three men were in town last evening, one a tall man and the others medium sized, who are suspected. A reward of $250 has been telegraphed to nearby points and the Beatrice hounds will arrive here this evening.

The loss will fall on the bank, but will not cripple or interfere with the business.

Plans for Plattsmouth Theater.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—The plans and specifications for the new Parmele opera house, which were drawn by Fisher & Lawrie of Omaha, have been received and accepted by Charles C. and Tom E. Parmele. The blue prints show all the elevations, the truss and ornamental work, the entrances, etc. The building will have a sixty-foot frontage on Main street, with a depth of 120 feet, and is to be constructed of red pressed brick, with a twenty-five foot square panel over each of the two main entrances, of red and white pressed brick in diamond ornamentation. The outside woodwork is to be of oak, while the interior will be of white pine. The stage will be thirty-four feet in width. There is to be six dressing rooms, each to contain steam heat, hot and cold water. Two boxes will be built on each side of the stage. The latest style of chairs will be used and the lighting will be of reflected electric light, with no burners visible. There are to be no columns to obstruct the view of the stage, as truss work will support the roof. An exit on the west and an entrance from the landing at the head of the first flight of stairs from the rotunda of the Hotel Riley will be provided for convenience, as well as safety. A dome in the roof will add to the appearance and aid in giving light to the auditorium. The building is to be one of the most elegant and complete in every respect for its size of any in the state.

City Ticket at Ord.

ORD, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—The high license people of Ord have nominated the following ticket: For mayor, J. H. Carson; clerk, W. H. Carson; treasurer, P. J. Dworak; engineer, A. W. Gass. For councilmen—First ward, Otto Murschell; Second ward, A. E. Charlton; Third ward, Joe Cernik. For members of the school board, A. E. Charlton and Ben Bridgford.

The anti-license people met to nominate a ticket, but were unable to get the required fifty to organize a new party under the new law, so selected their officers and intend going on by petition. They have only been able to get about 100 of the required 250, and may not be able to get them. In order to do so, they will have to have over 100 high license signers. Their ticket is as follows: For mayor, Hon. P. Martensen; clerk, W. A. Anderson; treasurer, E. M. Williams. For councilmen—First ward, H. Strong; Second ward, A. J. Wise; Third ward, Joshua Turner. For members of the school board, F. E. Lloyd and George Rogers.

Board Grants a Hearing.

LINCOLN, March 24.—(Special.)—On the strength of the decision of Judge Munger of the federal court, the State Board of Transportation today decided upon Thursday, March 29, at 10 a. m., for hearing answers of railroads on the order commanding the reduction of freight rates on shipments of cattle. The roads that will be compelled to make a showing under this order are the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley and the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha. Under the maximum freight rate law decision, these roads are exempt from its provisions to a certain extent. The three other roads, though, are not, in the judgment of Attorney General Smyth, and he is seeking to hold them amenable under it.

No News of Missing Hastings Man.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—As yet nothing has been heard of M. D. Hoagland, who so mysteriously disappeared from his place of business in this city Thursday evening. His disappearance is no longer accounted for by the fact that he was suffering from financial embarrassment, as his accounts with the Loyal Mystic Legion lodge of this city, of which he was secretary, have been gone over today and it is not possible for him to be short more than $50. And, besides, his business affairs appear to be in good condition. There is talk of organizing a body of horsemen to scour the country in the hope of securing some trace of the missing man.

County Teachers Meet.

DAVID CITY, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—The seventh annual edubational convention of Butler county commenced yesterday afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal church in this city. The following are prominent educators in attendance: Frank McClure Chaffer of Connecticut, Prof. A. E. Davisson of the University of Nebraska, Prof. J. J. Carey of the Fremont Normal, State Superintendent Jackson. Miss Silence Dales of Lincoln furnished the convention with choice selections on the violin. Over 300 teachers from Butler and adjoining counties are in attendance. This is the most successful educational convention ever held in Butler county.

Condition of Wreck Victims.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—John Downard, the head brakeman who was seriously injured in the wreck on the Burlington near White Cloud, Kan., a few days ago, was obliged to submit to the amputation of his right leg at the knee today. The fact that the bone was badly splintered made the operation necessary.

James Ginder, a fireman, died a few days ago of injuries received in the same wreck.

Bohemian Lodge Organized.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—Anton Odvorka of Omaha, state organizer for the Western Bohemian Fraternal organization, has been here the last week and has succeeded in organizing a lodge of the society here which already consists of thirty-three members, twenty-six of them being charter members. They completed the organization yesterday.

Strong Fight for Temperance.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—The anti-license people will make an active campaign, having leased the opera house for the entire week prior to the election. Several temperance speakers of note will be present and it is understood the work is under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon league of the state.

Ticket at Wood River.

WOOD RIVER, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—Last night the citizens of Wood River expressed their choice for trustees in a citizens' independent primary. The following persons were nominated, after some spirited balloting: Mac Murray and John Mullen, for one year, and W. W. Mitchell, James Jackson and E. Kunz, for two years.

It is a high license board, with the exception of Kunz, who represents the temperance element. No other ticket is likely to be nominated.

Injured in a Runaway.

GRETNA, Neb., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Last night Mrs. John Wainwright and Miss Maggie Trihy, both of this place, were injured by the overturning of a carriage in a runaway accident. Mrs. Wainwright received severe, though, it is thought, not dangerous, injuries. Miss Trihy's injuries, while painful, are not serious.

Humboldt Has a Ball Team.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—The Humboldt base ball boys began preparing for an active season by reorganizing last evening, with officers as follows: R. D. Unland, manager; Ray Linn, captain; O. L. Bantz, treasurer. Last year the club was most successful, losing only a few games in the entire season.

Republicans Organize.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—A call has been issued for a meeting at the city hall next Wednesday evening for the purpose of organizing a republican club. All voters in sympathy with the principles of the party are invited to be present and assist in the organization.

Rain Aids Winter Wheat.

HARVARD, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—Yesterday a slow rain, continuing several hours, resulted in about half an inch of rainfall. This rain is of great value to winter wheat that, so far, shows to have come through the winter in fine condition.

Arrange for Beet Culture.

KEARNEY, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—E. Ewell, associated with the American Beet Sugar company, has been in Kearney the last few days securing contracts from several parties for the raising of sugar beets for the factory at Grand Island.

Rainfall at Edgar.

EDGAR, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—Rain began falling here yesterday at 8 a. m. and continued, at intervals, all day and part of last night. The precipitation was less than an inch, but wet the ground thoroughly and farmers are happy.

County Assessors Meet.

WEST POINT, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—The assessors of Cuming county met in the county clerk's office yesterday and decided upon rates for the various kinds of personal property to be assessed by them.

New Plattsmouth Newspaper.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 24.—(Special.)—The Daily Democrat will be the name of a new daily newspaper to be published in this city, commencing next Monday evening.

Smallpox in Maryville.

MARYVILLE, Mo., March 24.—(Special Telegram.)—It was discovered today that a 6-year-old daughter of A. M. Campbell has smallpox and the Board of Health ordered the homes of Mr. Campbell and five other persons who have been exposed by contact with her to be quarantined. This makes three cases Maryville has now, besides one a few miles north. It is believed sufficient precautions have been taken to prevent the further spread of the contagion.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Rain in Eastern Portion and Rain or Snow and Colder in Western Nebraska Today.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Forecast for Sunday and Monday:

For Nebraska—Rain in eastern, with snow or rain and colder in western portion Sunday; Monday, fair; northerly winds.

For Iowa—Rain Sunday; Monday, fair; colder in eastern portion; easterly winds, becoming variable.

For Missouri—Rain Sunday; Monday, fair, colder; easterly winds, becoming variable.

For South Dakota—Snow or rain Sunday; Monday, fair; northerly winds.

For Kansas—Generally fair Sunday, except rain and colder in extreme northern portion; Monday, fair, colder in southern portion; variable winds.

For Wyoming—Generally fair Sunday and Monday; north to east winds.

Mother's Story of Baby's Cure

Of a Most Distressing Humor by the Cuticura Remedies.

When our baby was a week old, eczema appeared on the top of her head and spread all over her scalp, face, and forehead, forming one mass of sores. You can realize how much she must have suffered, when she scratched at times till the blood ran intermingled with water. Our family doctor's treatment proved ineffectual, as the disorder, instead of abating, developed more. We then stopped all medical treatment, and commenced with CUTICURA REMEDIES. We used the CUTICURA RESOLVENT, CUTICURA Ointment, and CUTICURA SOAP, all traces of the eczema disappeared, the skin and scalp were left perfectly clear and smooth, and she was entirely cured.

MRS. E. BUTLER,

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