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POINTS IN POLITICS.

Some republicans are mighty enthusiastic over the prospect that the two county offices now held by populists will be "redeemed" at this fall's election, and a full republican ticket elected. This is a republican year, they say, and everything is bound to be republican. Prospects are certainly flattering; but it must be remembered that the republicans have lost many an election by just such over confidence. It is to be hoped that the whole ticket may be elected. The one way to make it absolutely sure is to nominate the best men for the various offices. Carelessness in the selection of candidates will inject the element of uncertainty into a campaign the outcome of which ought to be a foregone conclusion. It must not be forgotten that Judge Tibbetts and Clerk Baker and Sheriff Miller are strong men and that every effort, including the sacrifice of other populist or democratic candidates, will be made to secure their re-election.

The Fifth ward counts that day lost whose low descending sun finds no new candidate ready to run. The latest is Joe McGraw, the grizzly bear of the "Fift". Joe is a contingent candidate. He says he does not intend, single handed and alone, to fight the entire field, consisting of Maule, Sizer, Burr, Cochran, Doty, Price, Leese, Johnson, Hoagland, Brown, Kimme'l, Ensign, et al., but he hopes the delegation will see fit to present him to the convention as a candidate for county clerk.

C. H. Morrill one of the two regents of the state university whose terms expire this year, has rendered a signal service to the university and the people of the state, and the state convention should by unanimous action renominate him for the office he has held with such conspicuous success. Mr. Morrill has appreciated the importance of the office of regent, and he has at all times taken a great interest in everything pertaining to the university. He is wide awake and progressive—just the kind of a man for the place. It is understood that he is not a candidate, but there is little doubt that the convention will renominate him by acclamation. Mr. Morrill will probably retire from the chairmanship of the republican state central committee.

The retirement of W. S. Summers from the office of the attorney general has caused something more than a ripple in political circles. "Billy," as he is generally known, is one of the most popular men who have been connected with the state government in recent years. He was made assistant attorney general when George Hastings succeeded William Leese, four and a-half years ago. Much of the real work of the office devolved upon him during the Hastings administration, and his ability as a lawyer, forcefulness as a speaker, and his admirable personal qualities, attracted attention to him from the start, and commended him to the favorable consideration of the republican party and the people. After A. S. Churchill, of Omaha, was installed in the attorney general's office Mr. Summers continued to take the same leading part in the conduct of the office as before, and it was supposed that his appointment by Churchill was permanent. His sudden removal came as a surprise and many reasons have been advanced for Mr. Churchill's action. The reason assigned by the attorney general is not pleasing to Summers friends and there is a feeling that it is not the real reason. Certainly Mr. Summers has remained in the office and has given most satisfactory attention to the duties. Omaha men have a weakness for Omaha men; and the attorney general may have pined for someone more in touch with what is politely known as the Omaha idea. Not much is known in this city of the new appointee, Geo. L. Day.

Delegates to the last republican state

convention know that Billy Summers was the real choice of the convention for attorney general and there was much disappointment over the blunder that was responsible for the failure to have his name placed on the state ticket. Summers went to Omaha by all odds the strongest candidate for the nomination and it was generally conceded that he had a walk-away. But there was a good deal of excitement in the closing hours, and in the confusion Churchill was made the nominee to the chagrin of a large number of delegates.

Several nominations had been made following the tremendous excitement upon the nomination of Tom Majors and the resignation of E. Rosewater from the national committee, and Omaha had been completely turned down. Jack McCoil, the choice of Omaha for governor, was made to take a back seat, and the various propositions in the interest of Omaha or Douglas county had failed to catch on. Candidates for the nomination for attorney general were named and the roll was called for a choice. Delegation after delegation cast its vote for Summers and it was apparent that he was well in the lead. But the enthusiasm was so intense that it was impossible to hear how all the votes were cast, and the secretaries were not able to record the ballots. So, after many of the counties had been called and, according to some persons who watched the vote carefully, Summers nomination was assured, that gentleman rose and asked that order be restored and a new vote taken. He made a manly speech. He didn't want to take advantage of anybody, and for the sake of all concerned he desired that the vote be taken over again. This was the chance Omaha wanted. The delegates from Douglas county tore off their coats and spread out over the convention with a zeal born of desperation. They pleaded wheedled, coaxed, stormed, threatened and schemed. Omaha hadn't got anything and here was a chance to throw a sop to the Douglas cormorants. Some of the delegates were affected by the threats and for the sake of harmony they were willing to let Churchill have the nomination. The A. P. A. was a prominent feature in the convention and it was exerted in Churchill's behalf. The result of all this was that Summers, who, a few minutes before had had a sure thing, was knocked out, and Churchill, who was scarcely a candidate before the convention assembled was nominated. That's the way Billy Summers, who was one of the most popular men in that body, was treated by the convention. He accepted the situation gracefully, and his friends were appeased when he was retained in his old position by the new incumbent.

Ever since last summer it has been conceded that at the proper time Summers would be given the nomination that was then within his grasp, and the recent action of the attorney general will only enhance his prospects. Mr. Summers, from a party standpoint, is an exceptionally strong man. He is able to render such service as few men can render, and he has contributed effectively to republican success in all recent campaigns. The future will undoubtedly bring a recompense.

Mr. Churchill's nomination was, however, a good thing for the ticket; and the politicians were generally pretty well pleased at the manner in which the matter was fixed up. Mr. Churchill has made an excellent officer and is a popular state official.

Mr. Corbett, the state superintendent of public instruction, not only enjoys the cordial friendship of leaders of the republican party, something that his predecessor did not enjoy, but he is much respected by the teachers of the state—those who are in a position to know something of the workings of his department. He is specially popular in institute work.

John L. Doty, the Fifth ward candidate for county judge, has, it is said, allied himself with the Sizer-Maule faction.

A. D. Burr's spurt for clerk of the district court continues with unabated vigor. Mr. Burr is an old time Fifth ward warrior and he knows how to go about it.

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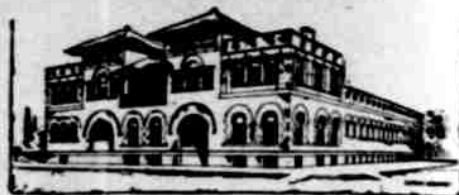
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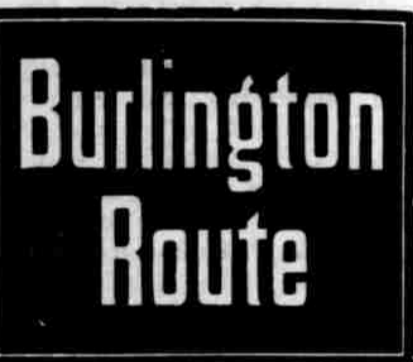
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