

LEADING CANDIDATES.

Usage in Lancaster county makes three terms for an acceptable superintendent of public instruction the rule, rather than the exception. Mr. Bowers served three terms and Mr. McClusky was appointed to fill an unexpired term, and was subsequently nominated and elected three times. Hence Mr. Baer's candidacy is directly in line with precedent. However, Mr. Baer's most efficient public service in the management and upbuilding of the schools of the county would dictate his retention in office for another term solely in the interest of the schools of the county, it being an established fact that a superintendent is able to accomplish much more good work in his last two years than in the first term. In Lancaster county the school population is 20,087. There are 135 school districts, and the county is 24 by 36 miles. There are 170 teachers exclusive of Lincoln. This is a large territory for one man to cover; but Mr. Baer, by a strict attention to business is able to visit every school house in the county, and keeps himself thoroughly posted on all school matters in the district. In the last school year he has made 218 visits to schools, exclusive of work in connection with the institutes, etc. Last year under his administration, there were only 10 changes in a teaching force of 170. Mr. Baer has given much attention to the improvement of school methods, and he has introduced a most useful outline course of study which he has furnished every teacher in the county. This course of graded study has been warmly commended and has done much to increase the efficiency of the teachers' services. A thorough organization of the teachers' association has also been effected, with six local subordinate societies, this agency doing much to quicken the interest of teachers. Mr. Baer has had marked success in county institute work, the attendance at the last institute reaching 385. Mr. Baer has a twelve years' residence in Lancaster county, having taught in the county for seven years. He has lived in Hickman, Emerald and Waverly, the last named place being his present residence. He will receive cordial support from all over the county. Mr. Baer is an active republican, having rendered valuable assistance to the party in all recent campaigns. The placing of his name among the list of republican standard bearers this year will materially strengthen the ticket.

Sam E. Low is known throughout the county as an enthusiastic and stalwart republican, as a young man of exceptional talent, and unimpeachable integrity. When R. B. Graham ran for mayor the last time Mr. Low was editor of the *Evening News* and it was owing to a disagreement with the proprietors that he withdrew at that time from the conduct of the paper. He was for Mr. Graham; his associates were not. When he could no longer support editorially the nominee of the republican party he left the *News*. Mr. Low has at all times been identified with the aggressive dyed-in-the-wool element of republicans, and he has taken the stump for the ticket in every campaign since his residence here which embraces eight years, having visited in this way nearly every portion of the county. He is generally esteemed as an attorney and enjoys the respect and confidence of citizens generally. He is a prominent member of the Young Men's Republican club and has taken a leading part in its upbuilding. In his present candidacy for clerk of the district court Mr. Low has the cordial support of a large following of republicans and personal friends who are disposed to render him every assistance. In the contest for the Fourth ward delegation Mr. Low will certainly be successful, and he will

enter the county convention with at least as many votes as any other candidate for the same office.

When the republicans of the county and state have made requisitions on Lincoln talent for campaign purposes the choice has more often fallen on I. W. Lansing than on any one else, and Ike Lansing is thoroughly known all over the state. In this county particularly, he has friends in every precinct, and in the county convention there will be a general demand for the re-nomination of Lansing. Judge Lansing has an excellent reputation for fairness on the bench, being one of the most popular incumbents of the office of county judge. His integrity and unvarying impartiality have never been called in question, and his record in office is his sole basis for his candidacy for renomination. There are numerous other candidates for this office, but Judge Lansing has the advantage of his competitors in acquaintance and popularity. The situation, so far as his candidacy is concerned, is thoroughly understood. He will make no fight for the Fourth ward delegation; but there is no doubt that the delegation will be friendly to him, and when the proper time comes his name will be presented to the convention. Lansing is a good judge, an out and out republican, and he has a large following among influential members of the party.

A popular candidate for clerk of the district court is T. H. Pratt, of the Fourth ward, known throughout the county as "Tom Pratt". Mr. Pratt is a young man of excellent character, and has a large acquaintance among the people of Lancaster county, republicans particularly. He has, ever since his residence here, taken an active part in republican politics, and has in every campaign labored to secure republican success. His efforts in this direction are known and appreciated. Mr. Pratt came to Lincoln in 1881 and has engaged in business here continuously since that time. For the past nine years he has resided in the Fourth ward and it is from his old time friends and neighbors that he expects to receive such a support as will secure him a proper representation in the convention. During the past month Mr. Pratt's wife has been sick and on that account he has not been able to give his canvass the personal attention that he had hitherto given it; but he is now pushing his campaign vigorously. Mr. Pratt is not tied up with any candidate for clerk or other office, and he expects to make the fight on his own account. This candidate has a strong following among the young republicans of the county as well as the veteran element.

The choice of the republicans of the Fifth ward for district judge is John P. Maule, who has endeared himself to the active element of the party by his particularly efficient services as chairman of the county central committee, and his zeal for the republican cause generally. Mr. Maule has resided in Nebraska twenty-five years and is known throughout the state as an able attorney. He was prosecuting attorney for the First judicial district, comprising ten counties for two terms and has been prominently identified with the public life of the state. Mr. Maule is a forcible speaker and his services have always been in demand in campaigns. It has been said that his candidacy in the Fifth ward was in the interest of another candidate. This is not the case. Mr. Maule, if made the choice of the ward, will go into the convention in his own interest, with confidence in his prospect of success. With his standing in his profession and prominence in republican ranks, he is bound to be a leading candidate for district judge.

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In the District court of Lancaster county, Nebraska.
Joseph H. Sniffen, Plaintiff,

vs.
Annie Morrill, et. al., defendants.
Annie Morrill, Romaine L. Bogardus, Wesley Young, Mrs. Wesley Young (his wife, first name unknown) Joseph N. Dowden, Benjamin M. Gibson, Dewit Wheeler and Orin Y. Wheeler, defendants will take notice that on the first day of May, 1895, Joseph N. Sniffen, the plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, against said defendants, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by Annie Morrill (widow) to Romaine L. Bogardus and by him duly assigned to Joseph N. Sniffen, Plaintiff, upon the following described premises to-wit: Beginning at the south west corner of the south west quarter of the south west quarter of section No. eleven (11) in township No. ten (10), range No. six (6) east and running thence north along the section line eighty rods (80) to the north west quarter of said south west quarter of south west quarter, thence east thirty-one and 55-100 (31.55) rods along the north line of said forty acre tract, thence south parallel with the west line of said section to the south line of said section, thence west along said section line to place of beginning, enclosing and including a tract of land off the West side of said forty acre tract eighty rods long, north and south, and thirty-one and fifty-five hundredths (31.55) rods wide from east to west, Lancaster county, to secure the payment of one certain promissory note, dated February 1st, 1893, for the sum of \$1000, due and payable two years from date thereof; said mortgage provided that in case said note, or interest thereon, was not paid when due, or within ten days thereafter, the whole sum secured thereby might be declared to be due and payable; there is now due on said note and mortgage, the sum of \$1000, with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum from the first day of February, 1893, for which sum, with interest from this date, plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the same, or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 29th day of July, 1895.
Dated June 15th 1895. C. C. Flansburg, July 21. Atty. for Plaintiff.

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANTS.

To Henry Nelson and ——— Nelson his wife, whose first name is unknown non-resident defendants:

You and each of you will take notice that on the 16th day of May 1895, Ward S. Mills, by leave of court, filed his amended petition in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, against you and other defendants; the object and prayer of said amended petition being to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the defendant Aaron K. Seip to the plaintiff, Ward S. Mills upon Lots two-three-four-seven-eight-nine-ten eleven and twelve of Block nine; Lots eleven and twelve in Block eleven; Lots nine-ten-eleven-twelve and thirteen in Block one, in Mill's addition to University Place, Lancaster county, Nebraska, (certain other lots named in said mortgage having been heretofore released) to secure the payment of three promissory notes dated January 28th, 1891, each for twelve hundred fifty three and 34-100 dollars, and due on or before October 1st, 1891; October 1st, 1892; and October 1st, 1893, respectively; that there is now due upon said notes and mortgage the sum of fifteen hundred forty and 5-100 dollars with interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from July 14th, 1894; plaintiff prays for a decree of foreclosure and sale; for deficiency judgment and for general relief.

You are required to answer said Amended Petition on or before the second day of September 1895.
Dated July 20th, 1895.

WARD S. MILLS, Plaintiff,
By F. W. Collins and J. S. Bishop,
His Attorneys.