

POINTS IN POLITICS

Lincoln may have two candidates for governor next year after all. C. H. Morrill has not as yet definitely decided that he will not be a candidate. If he should conclude to make the race he would have to contest with R. E. Moore in the Fifth ward. With John McClay a candidate for treasurer, this would mean three candidates for state offices from Lancaster county and all from the Fifth ward. Practically, the contest in the county would be confined to this ward.

The other day somebody asked Tom Majors if he would be a candidate for governor again. Mr. Majors is reported to have replied: "No, I will not be a candidate; but never since I reached man's estate have I hesitated to obey my country's call, and if I am called there will be nothing to do but obey."

Early this spring the brilliant and beautiful editor of the *World-Herald* uttered a prophecy. He said that the cause of free silver was just beginning its onward sweep; that it would overwhelm both political parties, and in Nebraska would submerge all questions and issues. An attempt was made to hold a democratic free silver state convention in Omaha last week. I doubt if anyone present looked for the onward sweep, of the cause of free silver. The free silverites were so busy keeping out of the back water and under tow of the free silver current that they did not have time to look for any onward sweep. As a matter of fact the onward sweep was not there. It was not doing business at the old stand. It had disappeared boots and baggage, body, soul and breeches. And the free silver editor, as he surveyed the desultory and disorganized mass meeting that did duty as a state convention, may have concluded that prophecy is a good deal like sinking sand. The convention was a failure. Anyway it wasn't a success. Many counties were not represented, and the looked for swelling enthusiasm was noticeable chiefly for its absence.

It is a fact that no longer needs demonstration that free silver has lost its grip in this state at least. It has suffered a remarkable diminution in the last few months. Coin and his little yellow book have been overtaken by the fate that reaches after all fads, and the people are once more regarding the money question rationally and soberly.

The *World-Herald* thinks J. Sterling Morton is dodging the democratic presidential nomination. It was not generally thought that the nomination had approached near enough to Mr. Morton to call for any dodging, and then the secretary is not the man to dodge anyway. If he wants the nomination he will doubtless, at the proper time, say so, and if he does not he will make public the fact. Considering the fact that Mr. Morton comes from so far

west it is somewhat remarkable that the mention of his prospective candidacy should have been so favorably received. It is a tribute to his high standing as a democrat and a citizen.

There is considerable curiosity as to who will be selected chairman of the republican county central committee. As will be remembered the selection of the chairman was left with the candidates. Sam E. Low and some of the other candidates have been out of town; but they will all be home in a few days and a choice will probably be made without further delay. A great many persons have been proposed for the chairmanship. Col. E. R. Sizer was suggested at the convention, and his name is still mentioned. George Woods is also suggested. A large number of the young men would like to see Paul Clark chosen. Others think W. D. Robinson would be the right man for the place. O. W. Webster has been proposed, and it has been suggested that J. E. Houtz would make an excellent chairman. W. S. Hamilton is spoken of, and there is talk of Jim Caldwell.

Beeman G. Dawes will probably be a candidate for city engineer at the expiration of Adna Dobson's present term.

W. S. Hamilton will be a candidate for city attorney next spring.

The present clerk of the district court Mr. Baker, seems not to accept the opinion that he stands no chance of re election. At least he is not going to give up the office without doing what he can to keep it. Within the past week anybody could see with his eyes shut that Mr. Baker is stirring things up politically. The clerk is engaged daily in chinking up the holes in his fence. It is a matter of remark that he has suddenly placed himself on terms of the closest intimacy with what is known as the negro vote. Mr. Baker does not draw the color line when he is hunting for votes. Then he is otherwise manifesting what the opposite side would doubtless call a pernicious activity. It is the prevailing opinion that Mr. Baker is a pretty good politician.

Governor Holcomb is said to regard the board of public lands and buildings as a superfluity and provoker of that tired feeling. The board of public lands and buildings is known to entertain the idea that the governor is intoxicated with the exuberance of his high-mightiness.

The populists of Adams county held a convention last Saturday to elect delegates to the state convention. Among the resolutions adopted was the following:

We demand also that the men nominated as regents of the state university shall be men not only of broad and liberal culture, but they shall be freely and profoundly in sympathy with the economy and social principles of the Omaha platform.

The thought suggests itself that, as a rule, men of broad and liberal culture are not profoundly in sympathy with the principles of the Omaha platform.

BUBBLES

I made myself a world so fair, so fair,
With rainbows wrapped about it red and blue
A golden light shone through it everywhere,
At every breath it brighter, brighter grew.

Till suddenly a blast of outer wind
Blew fiercely in at my half open door,
And with an envy bitter and unkind
Dashed my ethereal world upon the floor.

I caught a gleam of red and yellow light,
It was the last, it vanished in the gloom,
And left me nothing, nothing, to requite,
My bubble met a bubble's certain doom.

—Isabel Richey.

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"Yes, but I'm not in—or rather the colonel is not in."

"Ain't you the man?"

"No, my son."

"I'd like to find him. I've got a telegraph money order for him."

"Let's see. Who is the man you want?"

"Col. Billson."

"I thought you said Col. Billing. I am Col. Billson."

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