

## IN THE REALM OF POLITICS.

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to condemn most anything and formulate gigantic resolutions to say nothing of accumulating a prodigious store of campaign buncombe.

Ex-Senator W. V. Allen, during his editorial career, has planned an association of the pen pushers for purposes strictly political. It will be the duty of the members to scatter broadcast the doctrines of populism. Primarily, country editors are the only ones included, men who still look upon a newspaper as strictly a political institution. Fifteen proprietors of country papers, including ex-Senator Allen, have renewed their allegiance to the cause of the party by joining the association.

The republican state committee convened, counselled in harmony and adjourned after voting that Lincoln should be the next place for assembling the state nominating convention and that the date should be June 18th. There was little difference of opinion concerning the date, every member favoring a comparatively early convention. Neither state officials nor those recognized as close to them suggested any time later than July 10th.

All forecasts which intimated that there would be a discussion of state issues, and particularly of the commutation of the Bartley sentence, were grossly in error. Not a word was heard on this absorbing topic, and the peace and harmony that prevailed was gratifying to all participants.

## A NEW VERSION.

It was the young daughter of an East side saloon keeper, innocent of any theories about "Sunday opening," but perfectly familiar with the practice. She was in her class in the mission Sunday school and in the course of the catechism "quiz" the question came to her.

"Who made the world?"  
"God did," was her prompt answer.  
"He made the world in six days and was arrested on the seventh."—New York Commercial Advertiser.



E. C. STRODE.

In legal circles, Ed C. Strode, city attorney of Lincoln, is looked upon as one of the most brilliant young men at the Nebraska bar. He has just finished his first official term, has handled several of the most important lawsuits in the history of the municipality and is now but thirty-two years of age.

Mr. Strode was born at Fulton, Ill., where his mother and brother still live on the parental homestead. His father came to Illinois in 1832, emigrating from Ohio.

Young Strode first came to Nebraska with his parents when they went to Custer county to homestead away back in the eighties. The parents soon returned to Illinois and the boy went to live with his uncle, J. B. Strode, in Plattsmouth. Here he attended the public schools for one year.

Returning to Illinois he graduated at the Ipvavia high school. Then he came to Lincoln and attended the state university, spending three years in the academic department and two years in the law college. After this he took a post graduate course in law.

Mr. Strode entered the practice of his profession with Mr. Stearns in 1893, the firm name being Stearns & Strode. Two years later he joined his fortunes with those of his uncle, J. B. Strode, with whom he is still associated.

He has served one year as city attorney, the only political office he has ever held. He is now a candidate for re-election on the republican ticket and has no opposition from the fusion forces.

In and About . . .  
Nebraska

It is very delightful to come across \$400 in an old stocking. This was the fortune of a member of the shoe firm of Herold & Son at Plattsmouth recently. The elder Mr. Herold died in the year 1895. In his lifetime he was an eccentric old gentleman and though he had a big strong safe he was in the habit of storing up bits of money in odd nooks and corners of the store. Every once in a while he would collect these together and turn them over to the bank for safekeeping. When he died his books showed that \$400 was missing. The money has remained in darkness ever since until just the other day when some old shelving was being taken out. Then safe and sound and precious the sum was found in a sock and most gratefully removed from its long hiding place.

Powder blows things pretty hard sometimes. Not long ago robbers exploded a safe in Nemaha and this is what it did to a piece of metal on the door of the receptacle. It was about a foot long, two inches wide and half an inch thick. Plunging through the plastering and lath was an easy matter. It did not stop for a 2x4 studding but cut two-thirds of it through. Nor did it stop for an inch thick hard pine board farther on. Then it clipped out the top of a maple tree and, finding nothing more to conquer, it landed 167 yards from the building.

It always pays to be wise. With this in view Earl Cooper of Bellwood just walked away when his friends jammed \$121 in his pockets and it is said they haven't seen him since. One day a man from Rising City entered a saloon in Bellwood wherein Mr. Cooper and his friends had assembled. He was somewhat drunk and in a real confident frame of mind. "I'll bet you five I've got more money than you," he ex-

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