

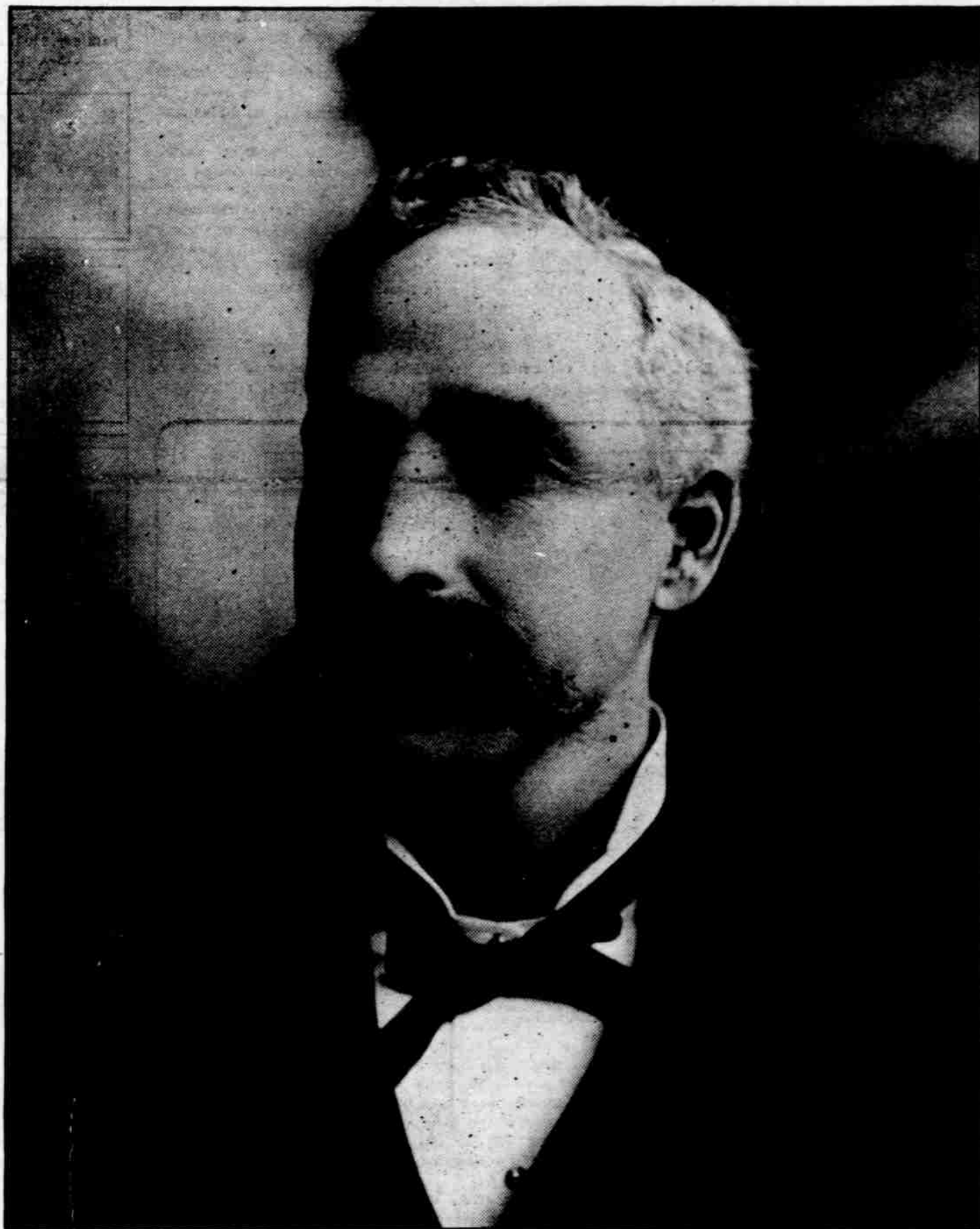
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W. H. THOMPSON, of Hall County,
Nominee of the Democrats and Populists of Nebraska for Governor.

The subject of this sketch is an attorney at Grand Island. He was born in Carroll county, Ohio, December 14, 1853. His parents removed to Fayette county, Iowa, in 1864, and the son received his education in the common schools. He continued his schooling at Upper Iowa university and graduated from the state university law depart-

ment in 1877. He practiced law in partnership with his brother, Judge John R. Thompson, at Brush Creek, Iowa, and came to Grand Island in 1881. He was elected county attorney of Hall county in 1886, but did not stand as a candidate for re-election.

In 1890 he was democratic candidate for congress in the Third district of Nebraska with two other candidates

in the field, O. M. Kem, populist, and G. W. E. Dorsey, republican.

Mr. Thompson is married and has an interesting family of three children.

He served as delegate at large to the national democratic convention in 1892, 1896 and 1900, and was democratic national committeeman for the four years ending in 1900. He served as mayor of Grand Island from 1895 to 1899.

Mr. Thompson was nominated for governor by both the late democratic and populist state conventions at Grand Island, a long deadlock resulting in his acceptance as the logical candidate of the fusion forces in the state. Mr. Thompson stands well with his townsmen and in the state at large is one of the recognized leaders in the allied fusion parties.