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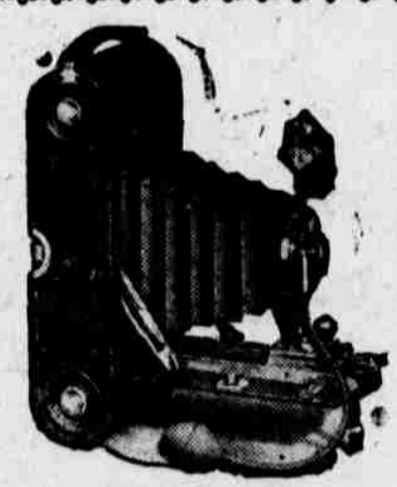
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Proclamation

The corner stone of the Webster County Court House will be laid July 30th, at which time many distinguished citizens of the state are expected to be here. On August 2nd our Chautauqua will open. It is very much desired that our city make the best appearance possible. I therefore ask and urge that each and every citizen cut the weeds, clean the alleys and otherwise improve their property that our city may make the appearance desired.
ROBT. DAMERELL, Mayor.

Republicans Hold Mass Convention

The Republicans of Webster county held a mass convention here Saturday afternoon. S. R. Florance was elected chairman and Geo. H. Overing as secretary of the County Central Committee for the ensuing year.

The following were elected delegates to attend the state convention:
Dan Garber Ed Garber
Jas Gillham G Ohmstede
W G Hamilton Will Frahm
Will Edson C W Kaley
Geo Hummell J H Ellinger
Will Norris John Crary

DIED

A. J. Waskom was born Dec. 21, 1867 at Waskom, Indiana, where he received his education and graduated from the state normal at Terra Haut after which he taught in the public schools. He took up telegraphy and later became an operator in that state. Owing to failing health he removed to Nebraska in 1902 where he taught in the schools and filled several responsible positions of trust as U. S. mail carrier, operator for the C. B. & Q., and M. P. R. R. While in Arkansas last winter he was overcome with gas poison in the depot while acting as operator, altho he came back to the farm and was actively engaged until his death which occurred July 17, 1914.

He was married to Mary E. Welderman Aug. 6, 1903 who with 2 children, 5 brothers and 4 sisters are left to mourn. He was a man of broad views and was a pleasant agreeable neighbor. The funeral was held from the home Sunday afternoon, Rev. Hummel conducted the services. Interment took place in the city cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jones and baby autoed down from Clay Center Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Griffith.

Democrats Held Convention Friday

Opposes Woman Suffrage -- Endorses W. J. Bryan

On Friday morning at 11 o'clock the Democrats of Webster county met in convention at the Opera House in Blue Hill. A very large number of the Democrats from all over the county were in attendance. Mr. Kopish called the convention to order and Secretary Geo. W. Hutchison read the convention call.

The first thing that came before the convention was the election of a temporary chairman. John L. Christian of this city, and F. A. Good of Cowles, were the aspirants for the honors of this office, and the former was elected to serve as chairman by a vote of 20, while the latter secured 25 votes. Mr. Christian was duly declared elected and made a very good speech on behalf of the Democratic administration, and also touched on the important questions of the day.

A. B. McArthur, ye editor of this paper, was declared the unanimous choice of the convention for secretary, and he consequently had a job.

A motion was moved and seconded that the chairman appoint a committee of five to suggest names of delegates who would be willing to go to the state convention, and the motion carried. He appointed the following on the committee: E. McNeny, V. S. Hall, Peter Merten, Sr., Qr. Damerell and A. Kopish.

The convention then adjourned until 1:30 when it was again called to order by Chairman Christian. The following are the names of the delegates suggested by the committee appointed to name delegates to the state convention: J. M. Steward, E. McNeny, S. H. Johnson, F. W. Cowden, V. S. Hall, F. A. Good, Lee Detour, E. H. Cox, Frank Delahoyde, L. Piesiger, A. Kopish and J. L. Christian.

A rising vote was taken and the above named delegates were duly elected to attend the state convention which will be held at Columbus, July 28th.

The resolution committee then offered the following resolutions which were read and adopted:

We, the Democratic Party of Webster County, in convention assembled, congratulate our party for the manner in which the pledges of our party have been redeemed.

We endorse the administration of Woodrow Wilson and all Democrats who have supported the principles of the Democratic party.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse that great leader of Democracy, W. J. Bryan, whose every effort is bent on the end that success shall crown the administrative service rendered the people of the United States and the world.

That we heartily approve his efforts to establish universal peace and that we endorse his course at the Baltimore convention which contributed so much to the nomination and election of Woodrow Wilson.

We are opposed to extending the right of franchise to the women of this state for the reason that we believe that the good women of this state should be saved from the mire of politics.

We recommend that the delegates to the state convention adopt the unit rule.

V. S. HALL, Chairman.
L. C. PEISIGER.
C. R. BESSE.
ALFRED MCCALL.

Mr. J. M. Steward was called upon and made a speech against woman suffrage which was the best speech that we have heard in many a day and it was said by many that it would have been a credit to any congressman

whomight have delivered it. The applause was great and it took the house several minutes to get down to normal again.

Ed. Payne was called upon to deliver a speech in favor of Woman Suffrage but declined.

Some of the members who were in favor of Woman Suffrage then got up and made a motion which was moved and seconded that the Woman Suffrage question be left out of the resolutions, but this was defeated by a vote of 23 for and 28 against.

F. A. Good of Cowles then took possession of the floor and offered an amendment to the resolution endorsing the good work of W. J. Bryan, which motion was moved and seconded.

Attorney McNeny then made a motion which was duly seconded to table Mr. Good's amendment to the resolutions and the vote was taken which resulted as follows: For amendment to resolutions, 28 votes; against amendment to resolutions 23 votes.

Attorney McNeny then took the floor and poured the soup into Bryan for the way that he did at the Baltimore convention. Robt. McBride followed him with a speech defending Bryan and was applauded by several of the Bryan admirers.

Chairman Christian then took the floor and expressed his views against Bryan for the way that he did.

The vote was then taken and the Bryan amendment carried by a vote of 22 to 17 and was duly added to the resolutions.

It was moved and seconded that the County Central Committee be appointed. Motion carried and the following are the names of the Precinct Committees:

- Guide Rock—Lee Detour
- Beaver Creek—John Hamilton
- Stillwater—C. A. Guthrie
- Oak Creek—E. A. Oatman
- Potsdam—A. Kopish
- Elm Creek—
- Cowles—F. A. Good
- Pleasant Hill—Fred Bright
- Garfield—Bert King
- Line—L. P. Johnson
- Red Cloud 1st Ward—Geo. Trine
- 2nd —J. A. McArthur
- Twp.—Joe Crow
- Batin—Frank Strobl
- Glenwood—Stanley Hall
- Harmony—Earl Patterson
- Catherton—S. H. Johnson
- Inavale—Chas. Dickenson
- Walnut Creek—Frank Stokes

A motion was made and seconded which carried that J. A. McArthur call the candidates together after the primary election to elect a chairman and secretary of the County Central Committee.

The convention then adjourned and everybody felt good the way that the convention was run, and it certainly looks like the Democrats will continue in power after the November election.

Some of the members of the convention who were not there at 1:30 accused the chairman and secretary of calling the convention before the time set, which was not done, and thought that a steam roller had been run over them on the way that the delegates were elected and the resolutions adopted. We will say to these men making this accusation that "time and tide waits for no man," and also that trains leave the station on the time set for departure, and that was the way the convention started in the afternoon, promptly at 1:30. It is better to be early than late, gentlemen.

About forty of the Democrats from this city attended the convention. The day was an ideal one for a convention as it was very cool and comfortable.

I. M. Shambaugh of Superior spent Sunday here with his daughter, Mrs. John Weesner.

Miss Gertrude Good of Cowles spent the first of the week here with Miss Isabelle Maynard.

E. T. Foe of Cowles was in town Tuesday.

Will Arnold was in Macon Sunday looking at the skyscrapers.

Jas. Silvey and wife were down from Inavale Sunday visiting her parents.

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Russel Ailes was down from Blue Hill Monday evening.

T. J. Diamond was in Culbertson last Thursday on business.

Fred Gund of Blue Hill spent Monday night here with relatives.

Frank Hadley left Friday for Canada where he will take a homestead.

Attorney McNeny was a passenger to Omaha Tuesday morning.

Dan Garber of Riverton was in town Saturday attending the Republican County Convention.

Prof. Moritz and family returned home on Wednesday of last week from their auto trip to Texas.