

CALL FOR THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The National Republican convention is called to meet at Chicago on the 19th of June, 1888. Each state will be entitled to four delegates at large and for each representative at large two delegates, and each congressional district, each territory and the District of Columbia two delegates. The delegates at large shall be chosen by state conventions and delegates from congressional districts by district conventions. An alternate delegate for each delegate shall also be chosen. Under this apportionment Nebraska will be entitled to ten votes.

MR. BLAINE'S LETTER.

It is with feelings of genuine regret that Mr. Blaine's ardent admirers read his letter declining to allow his name to be presented to the National Republican Convention for nomination to the presidency, and yet many of them believe it is the best course for the party that Mr. Blaine can pursue. Remembering the fierce hatred with which he was fought not only by the enemy but by numerous leading members of his own party, many Republicans who have always stood by him and will continue to do so, feel that it is not wise policy to unnecessarily jeopardize success by placing in nomination one who has so many bitter personal enemies. In statesmanship and in every element that makes a true and genuine American Mr. Blaine is to-day the foremost man in America. His election to the Presidency would be a joy and a triumph to those who have followed him for years, and an honor to the party and the nation. But notwithstanding his eminence and ability, if he lacks the element of success, he should stand aside and let the party choose from among those who possess the qualifications that will insure victory. We are satisfied that Mr. Blaine looks at the matter in just this light. His patriotism to party and country prompts him to the course he has taken—a course that makes him all the more popular with the people.

STATE CONVENTION OF REPUBLICAN CLUBS.

Geo. D. Meiklejohn, vice president of Republican National League for Nebraska, has issued a call for a meeting of Republican Clubs of Nebraska at Omaha Thursday, March 15. Each club of twenty members is entitled to three delegates, besides the president who is a delegate by virtue of his office. The convention shall not name, recommend or nominate any candidate for office. The primary object of holding the convention is the organization of a state Republican League.

A strong sentiment prevails now in favor of Phil Sheridan for presidential candidate. Belonging to no clique or faction, without having committed himself to any particular line of policy other than the general principles of the party, the general would be elected without a question. We believe he is a man of iron will, with small sympathy for cringing politicians or office seekers. He will not be popular with this class. Judging from his actions while a soldier, he will be autocratic, with an inclination to have a policy of his own. We favor taking the candidate from civil life, who will be more in sympathy and work more in harmony with the leading men of the nation. Since the declination of Blaine, at the head of the list stands John Sherman, with many others who are easy seconds. Let us select a man from among them.

BAYARD'S fishery commission has patched up what he and the English papers are pleased to call a "treaty." As we understand it the "commission" has no authority to draft a treaty. In fact, so far as this government is concerned the members have no authority to do anything but talk. Their labors are principally wind, and Secretary Bayard appears to be the secretary.

D. R. LOCKE, editor of the Toledo Blade, but more familiarly known as "Petroleum V. Nasby," died at his home in Toledo Wednesday. He was fifty four years old.

OUR supreme court has recently decided that a married woman may carry on business and make contracts in the same manner as if she were unmarried. We supposed this point had been settled long ago.

THE Dorsey bill designating Kearney, Norfolk, Omaha, Lincoln, and Hastings as places for holding U. S. courts in Nebraska passed the house on Tuesday. There are indications that it will have a rocky time in the Senate. It should be amended there by striking out Kearney and inserting North Platte.

COUNTY NEWS.

WALLACE. Mr. Ed. do not think I've deserted you; oh no, I've had my few notes written up every week, but the fact is, Wallace is growing so fast and our merchants' business is increasing so rapidly that it takes all the postage stamps our worthy P. M. can get to supply their wants and consequently I am left out in the cold; but our P. M. has made special arrangements with Uncle Sam to send us a carload more or less per month so I think hereafter you will hear from us regularly.

Henry Patterson returned from a visit to Page county, Iowa, a few days since. He reports very stormy and disagreeable weather there and says Lincoln county is a second Italy.

Mr. Fye from near O'Fallons came over here after corn a few days since: rather hard luck, but then he says that he is thankful to get it so near home. Mr. Hayden purchased last week, of Mr. Bloomfield, two very fine Poland China pigs. Mr. H. believes in raising fine stock or none at all. Some parties are boring a well at the R. R. house with a hand auger. This is the first experience in this neighborhood with a hand machine and should it prove a success will bring the cost of a well within the reach of all.

A Mr. Gregory from Hastings is erecting a 24x49 building, to be occupied as a general merchandise store. Welcome all.

Our literary and debating society is still thriving and the interest manifested is something unusual. The house is crowded to overflowing every night. The question for last Saturday evening, the 11th, was: Resolved, "That free trade, is better for the majority of the people of the United States than the present high protective tariff." The affirmative was represented by Frank Wallace and B. A. Shinkle; the negative, by Chas. Reynolds and J. W. Nation. After quite a lengthy discussion the question was decided in favor of the negative.

Our post office has been removed from the drug store to the Herald office. This, I believe, will give the best satisfaction of any location in town. Boxes are fitted up and our mail will hereafter come regularly.

J. W. Nation and J. H. Seaton, each received a fine line of agricultural implements last week.

I noticed in last week's Herald a call for an attorney to locate here. An attorney would do well here, but a lumber yard would do better. We are not so particular about the yard so we get the lumber, as we already have two yards but no lumber. What our farmers and merchants ought to do is to ship their own lumber, as one of our merchants did, and we glory in his spunk. Give us a company that can carry a stock of lumber, not a yard.

Mr. Homer, one of our leading farmers is putting in 60 acres of wheat this year.

GARFIELD.

The weather has been fine for a few days, snow almost gone and some of the farmers have been plowing a little.

Mr. E. D. Burdick of Cass county is visiting his two sisters, Mrs. G. S. Tapham and Mrs. Jacob Miller. I notice our old neighbor Dug Arbogast in our midst again. Dug is now a resident of Butler county but has a decided claim in this vicinity.

The North Star flouring mills of Arnold are having a serious time with their dam. It has been washed out several times this winter and the mill will not run for some time yet.

The pumps and wells have all been on the war path here this winter; they were either full of sand, led rods broken or full of sand. We understand we are going to lose our postmaster, Mr. Auble; he is talking of moving to Gandy. Mr. A. has been a faithful postmaster and we hope we may get another one as good as he has been.

W. F. Campbell is feeding a few steers this winter. He says they eat corn as though it was plenty and cheap.

The young men of military aspirations of this part of the county have organized an independent military company and on Saturday evenings take a little training in that line. Go in boys, a good training will not hurt you and may be of service some time.

The literary at the east school house is getting interesting; the house is full every evening and some a distance, one of whom was the Logan county superintendent who took part in the debate on a historical question and was taken to task and pretty roughly handled by some of our plug speakers. We would advise the gentleman to read up a little before making another attempt.

The lion is visiting us again; he has been seen by several persons lately and is getting rather familiar on short acquaintance. He was taking a view of some school children on the road from school but did not attempt to molest them.

Marion Speagal has put down a well on his claim, striking water at one hundred and seventy-nine feet. Some of our neighbors have the Washington Territory fever, but we think they will recover when Spring opens up. M. D. Arbogast came near getting one of his horses crippled a few days ago, but I did not learn the particulars.

WELLFLEET.

Well Mr. Editor it seems that I write too much or I don't write to suit you. If I do not answer the purpose as a correspondent, try some one else, or inform me where in I am wrong and I will try and do better.

The weather is warm and beautiful; we have no use for overcoats over half the time. One could not wish for a better climate, good roads, good people and good country.

Mr. Sthanemann, a German, has bought a new wheat drill. He knows how to farm and he uses good judgment for wheat sowing.

Mr. Martin Lunda would make a No. 1 reporter for some large paper as he is posted on every thing that is going on all over the country, and could give information on every subject pertaining to locals.

The B. & M. has the stone foundation for the water tank completed. It is a fine piece of work and a credit to Wellfleet. The rest of the building will soon be in operation. There was a grand hop at Wm. Parcels a few evenings ago. A large crowd assembled and enjoyed themselves hugely. None but the best homesteaders of the country were there and that is the reason why it went off so smoothly.

Wm. McConoughay, of North Platte, a son-in-law of John T. Labille was in the neighborhood of Dutch Flats with a view to taking a homestead. He was well pleased with the country. Come on, Wm., we need more good citizens like you.

Charles Lock thinks a good temperance society would do well here. He and his associates will probably try to organize one here and I wish them success. Probably they could influence the fair sex to take good advantage of leap year.

Mr. W. C. Elder contemplates moving his law office to Wellfleet where he will be better prepared to issue law to those who want it. It would be a great advantage to everybody as it is more central for his business.

STUNNER. February 13, 1888.

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS. The board of county commissioners met on the 13th per adjournment, and there being no quorum present, adjourned until the following day.

Feb. 14th—Present Commissioners Belton and Walker.

The jail bonds returned by the auditor of public accounts on account of the error in the body of the bond by referring to the wrong section, page, etc., of the statutes authorizing the same, destroyed the ten bonds with all the coupons attached, by burning the same. (Chas. L. Wundt, agent of Pauley jail manufacturing company, being in attendance submitted plans of jail cells and apparatus. No action taken.)

It appearing by the canvas of votes in O'Fallon precinct election held on February 11, 1888, to vote precinct bonds to build a bridge across South Platte river that said election had carried by a vote of 109 for and only 10 against said proposition, the county attorney is directed to perfect the record in said case.

In response to advertisement, several jail site propositions were submitted.

[Following are the propositions: John Singleton offered to furnish lots 3 and 4, block 176, with appurtenances for \$2,000.

Mrs. John Neary, lots 1, 2, 7 and 8, block 9, Miller's Addn. for \$650. John Neary offered lots 7 and 8, block 174 for \$600.

W. H. McDonald offered lots 7 and 8, block 175 for \$1126.

J. E. Evans offered to exchange lots 7 and 8, block 146, being the lots directly west of the south-west corner of court house square, for a deed to lot 3, block 162 and west 1/2 lot 3, block 101 known as jail lot.

Chas. Pass offered 3 lots in Peniston's Addn for \$1,600; or lots 5 and 6 block 178 for \$700.

John Treacy offered to exchange lots 1 and 2, block 162 for a deed to lot 3 block 162 and \$1495 cash in hand, said Treacy reserving the buildings and to have a reasonable time to remove same and other improvements thereon.

Samuel Adams offered lots 1 and 2 block 174 including all improvements for \$1,600.

C. and L. Kramer by Thos. C. Patterson agent offered to take \$1,000 for block 8, Miller's Addn., or \$800 for 1/3 of same block.

Thos. C. Patterson offered to take \$500 for lots 5 and 6 block 177.]

The Board deferred action in the matter.

Feb. 15.—Present Commissioners Walker and Belton. John Kinkade was appointed assessor for Osgood precinct.

Upon petition of Thos. McDermott and twelve others of Walker precinct the voting place in said precinct is hereby changed to Aaron Scull's residence.

The pleasant weather has had a reviving effect on business, many farmers from distant parts of the county taking advantage thereof and the good roads to visit the metropolis. All speak encouragingly of the prospects of their respective sections.

AT THE Star Boot and Shoe Store FOR THE NEXT

TWENTY ! DAYS

Boots, Shoes and all kinds of footwear, of the very best manufacturers in the country, consisting of such celebrated makes as the Reynolds Bros. Fine Ladies' Shoes; nothing better made in the way of shoes in the United States. Fine shoes of a dozen manufacturers in Men's, Boys', Ladies' and Children's; all sizes, all grades. This includes the celebrated

HENDERSON SHOE,

for which we are the exclusive agents. Children sizes, 5 to 8 1/2, will go for \$1.00, worth \$1.50; from 9 to 11 1/2, \$1.25, worth \$1.65; from 12 to 13 1/2, \$1.35, worth \$1.85; from 1 to 2, \$1.65, worth \$2.25. Nothing better for children than Henderson's Red School House Shoes. Each pair has the picture of a school house on bottom of shoe. All other shoes represented as such are frauds on this justly celebrated school house shoe.

- Ladies' Fine Kid Shoes, worth \$3.00 go for \$2.00. Ladies' Fine Kid Shoes, worth 2.50 go for 1.75. Men's Fine Shoes, worth \$5.00 go for \$3.75. Men's Fine Shoes, worth 4.00 go for 2.75. Men's Fine Shoes, worth 3.00 go for 2.25.

Boys' Shoes in a great variety of styles at the same slaughter reduction. Every pair of our shoes, be they for ladies, children, men or boys, are good.

WE HANDLE NO SHODDY.

Most of our goods are warranted and we hold ourselves responsible for the quality of material and workmanship. We have a large stock of

FINE LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S HOSE,

that we will close out for less than wholesale cost. All sizes and fine grade of goods. Ladies' hose, usually sold for 75 cents by our competitors, can be had of us for 40 cents. All-wool ribbed children's hose, fine goods, for 20, sell at 35 cents at any other store in town.

Our reason for this break is, we have placed some very large orders for footwear with eastern manufacturers and we must have room. Next month we will receive

CARLOADS OF SHOES

and room we must have, and at once. Buy now, don't put it off. Buy to-day, don't wait until to-morrow, for the very shoe you wanted may then be sold. We will positively sell for the next twenty days as here represented. Don't fail to call and see us slaughter fine footwear.

Star Boot and Shoe Store, H. OTTEN, Prop.

ELECTION NOTICE.

A petition signed by more than fifty (50) resident freeholders of O'Fallon Precinct, in Lincoln County, Nebraska, having been filed on the 2d day of January, 1888, asking the board of county commissioners of said county to call a special election in said precinct and submit thereon to a vote of the electors of said precinct a proposition to vote bonds in said precinct for the purpose of building a wagon bridge across the South Platte River, as follows, to-wit: That the board of county commissioners of Lincoln County, Nebraska, issue seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) in O'Fallon Precinct Bridge Bonds, in denominations of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each. Bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, to be paid on the 1st day of April, 1891, and principal and interest thereof to be payable at the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts in the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, semi-annually on the first day of October and the first day of April, each and every year after the date of said bonds until they are all paid.

Said bonds to be numbered one (1) to seven (7) consecutively: Number one (1) to be payable on the 1st day of April, 1891. Numbers two (2) and three (3) to be payable on the 1st day of April, 1892. Numbers four (4) and five (5) to be payable on the 1st day of April, 1893. And numbers six (6) and seven (7) to be payable on the 1st day of April, 1894.

And to levy a tax in the year 1888 and each year thereafter to pay the interest on said bonds until sufficient is levied to pay all the interest on the same.

And to levy a tax in the year 1894 and each year thereafter to pay the principal of said bonds as they become due until sufficient is levied to pay all of said bonds.

Said bonds to be issued for the purpose of aiding in the construction of one wagon bridge upon a public highway in the section line between sections 31 and 32 in township 14 north of range 33 west in said O'Fallon Precinct, in Lincoln County, Nebraska.

Which election will be held at eight (8) o'clock in the afternoon of the 20th day of February, 1888, at the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts in the City of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Those voting in favor of the proposition shall have written on their ballots the word "Yes" and those voting against the proposition shall have written on their ballots the word "No".

For issuing seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) in O'Fallon Precinct Bridge Bonds and for levying a tax annually to pay the interest and principal of the same.

Those voting against the proposition shall have written on their ballots the word "No".

Witness my hand and the seal of said County Commission on this 15th day of February, 1888.

JAMES HILLMAN, County Commissioner. JAMES HILLMAN, County Commissioner. JAMES HILLMAN, County Commissioner.

J. E. EVANS, County Clerk. J. E. EVANS, County Clerk. J. E. EVANS, County Clerk.

Attest: JOHN H. EVANS, County Clerk. JOHN H. EVANS, County Clerk. JOHN H. EVANS, County Clerk.

Notary Public for Lincoln County, Nebraska. Notary Public for Lincoln County, Nebraska. Notary Public for Lincoln County, Nebraska.

NOTICE. In the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. EMMA JOHNSON, Plaintiff.

EMMA JOHNSON, Plaintiff. GUSTAVE JOHNSON, Defendant. To Gustave Johnson, non-resident defendant.

You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of February, 1888, Emma Johnson filed a petition in this court to divide from you on the ground that you have willfully abandoned the plaintiff, without good cause, for the term of two years last past and for extreme cruelty.

You are required to answer to said petition on or before the 25th day of March, 1888. Dated Feb. 12th, 1888. EMMA JOHNSON, Plaintiff. By NEUBERT & GRIMES, her Attorneys.

GO TO THE North Platte Boot & Shoe Store IF YOU WISH TO SECURE BARGAINS.

It is just one year since I began business for myself in North Platte. My sales have far surpassed my expectations. I have endeavored to give my many patrons advantage of the very lowest prices. It has been my aim to act fairly and honestly with my patrons. I have made it my most careful study to suit the wants of the people as to style and quality of goods. I have every evidence that my efforts to please have met with success. I have now on hand a large and well selected stock of

CHOICE GOODS

and as I have ordered largely from eastern manufacturers for spring and summer trade, I find I will not have sufficient space in my room for all this additional stock and will therefore offer for sale the stock on hand at a

GREAT REDUCTION UNTIL MARCH FIRST.

Especially my winter goods and odds and ends, I will sell almost at your own offer. Below is a price list of some of my goods which will give you an idea of how low I am offering them:

- Infants' Shoes 25 cents, former price 50 cents. Children's Shoes 90 cents, former price \$1.25. Misses' Shoes \$1.25, former price \$1.65. Ladies' Curacao Kid Shoes \$1.75, former price \$2.25. Ladies' Curacao Kid Shoes \$2.40, former price \$3.00. Ladies' Dull Dongola Shoes \$2.40, former price 3.00. Ladies' Bright Dongola Shoes \$2.25, former price 3.00. Ladies' Combination French Kid Shoes \$3.75, former price \$4.50. Ladies' French Kid Shoes \$5.00, former price 6.50.

Boys' and Men's Boots and Shoes in all styles and grades proportionately low. But what is the use of giving prices so low if I should not substantiate them? Come and examine goods and get prices on them and I will prove to you that I mean what I say.

Yours Most Willing to Please, McDonald's Block, North Platte, Neb. C. C. NOBLE.

"And beautiful maidens moved down in the dance, With the magic of motion and sunshine of glance; And white arms wreathed lightly and tresses fell free As the plumage of birds in some tropical tree."



The Annual Masque Ball

Walla Walla Lodge No. 56, I. O. O. F., WILL BE HELD ON

Tuesday Evening, Feb. 21st, LLOYD'S OPERA HOUSE, NORTH PLATTE.

Tickets: Gents Masked, \$1.50; Ladies Masked, 75c; Spectators, 50c.

A general invitation is extended to the public. No special invitations will be issued but the management reserves the right to exclude all improper persons. For this purpose an inspecting committee will be at the door whose duty it will be to see that this is rigidly enforced.

Committee of Arrangements: J. E. Evans, P. J. Gilman, P. M. Klensk, J. R. Bangs, A. A. Pangborn, W. C. Elder, C. M. Duncan, J. C. Hupfer, R. D. Thomson, P. H. Sitton, Jas. Briscoe.

By Order of the Executive Committee: C. W. Price, C. H. Stamp, L. A. Stevens, Jos. Smallwood, J. S. Hoagland, Committee.

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