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Dates to be Remembered.

Prohibition national convention, at Pittsburg, May 28.
Republican national convention, at St. Louis, June 18.
Democratic national convention, at Chicago, July 7.
Populist national convention, St. Louis, July 22.
Republican state nominating convention, Lincoln, July 1.
Populist state convention to elect delegates to national convention, Grand Island, July 15.
Administration or straight democratic state convention to elect delegates to the national democratic convention, at Lincoln, April 29.
Sixth district republican convention to nominate a candidate for congress, at North Platte, August 19, at 8 P. M.

The A. P. A. did not accomplish much in its fight on McKinley in the Omaha convention.

The "one dark spot" on the Nebraska delegation to St. Louis is Bud Lindsey of Lincoln, but it is not by reason of race prejudice.

The action of Crouse at the Omaha convention was simply another proof that some people do not realize that they are dead.

It has been charged by some that Jack MacColl brought about the defeat of the candidate of the northwest in the Broken Bow convention. He had no occasion to do so.

We have met several men who blame a newspaper for having defeated them for office, but we have yet to find the first man to admit that a newspaper elected him to office.—O'Neill Frontier.

Congressman Hainer resigned the position of chairman of the republican state central committee on account of the demands of his own campaign, and John T. Mallihen was elected to fill the vacancy. The interests of the party are still in good hands.

The reports from the Black Hills show that the mining interests of that country are just beginning to be developed. More and richer ore is being taken out than ever before, and with the improved processes of reduction the profits are, in many instances, enormous.

The republican state convention for the nomination of a state ticket will be held at Lincoln on July 1st. Now that the matter of a delegation to St. Louis has been disposed of state affairs will receive more attention. The contests will be for the nomination for governor, treasurer and auditor.

Hon. M. P. Kinkaid, of O'Neill, Holt county, called upon the prominent republicans of Sidney Thursday last. Mr. Kinkaid is prominently mentioned in connection with the congressional nomination in this district. It was very nearly demonstrated that had he been the nominee of the convention two years ago he would have been elected. He is now on the bench in his judicial district, and he is very near the people in that part of the state. There can be no doubt but that Judge Kinkaid would make a strong race, and should the congressional mantle fall on his shoulders it would be worn with dignity, and the big Sixth district would have an able champion at Washington. The Pointard believes that if Judge Heist of this county would consent to remain in the field he would make the strongest candidate the republicans could nominate. But the judge feels that it would not be wise to divide the strength of the western counties, and as a matter of good politics will not seek the nomination.—Sidney Pointard.

The article from the Sidney Pointard which appears in another column indicates that the republicans of Cheyenne county have level heads, and the attitude taken by Judge Heist shows that his desire for republican success is by far greater than his desire for personal advancement, and that he recognizes the fact that the congressional nominee will need all the strength he can rally if he is to be successful at the polls. Judge Heist has a strong following in the part of the district where he resides and he could go into convention with considerable strength, but he evidently recognizes that his doing so might result in the nomination of some man who could not be elected, but by throwing his strength to Kinkaid he knows that he is taking no such chances, for his nomination means his election. Judge Heist is to be complimented on his political sagacity, and others whose names have been mentioned in connection with the congressional nomination might add strength to the party in the district and not injure their own standing, should they follow his example.

The president signed the bill the first of the week granting a pension to Gen. John M. Thayer. It was a good act.

Senator Allen succeeded in again disgracing himself in the senate a few days ago. He got into a controversy with Senator Gear of Iowa during which the former virtually gave the lie to the latter. Such action on the part of the senior senator from Nebraska is very much to be regretted by all.

The president does not seem inclined to take any action on the resolution passed by both houses of congress in relation to Cuba. In the meantime the war is going on and life and property being sacrificed with no prospect of settlement. The methods of Spain toward her Cuban subjects makes them little less than slaves, and the action of the Spanish commander is little less than barbarous. The failure of the great nations to act in behalf of humanity in relation to Cuba and Armenia is making a mockery of civilization.

The populist state central committee has called a state convention to elect delegates to the national convention of that party. The gathering will be at Grand Island on July 15th, and the nominating convention will be held at Hastings in August. The representation in the state convention will be based on the vote cast for Maxwell in 1895. In the national convention Nebraska is entitled to fifty-seven delegates. The managers of the pop party know how to insure a crowd.

Ross L. Hammond, editor of the Fremont Tribune, has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for congressman in the third district. If the newspaper men of the district or of the state had the voting to do his election would be assured. For sixteen years he has worked for the interests of the republican party and the advancement of the state. He is one of the best newspaper writers in the state and his best efforts have been given to get good men in control. He has made some bitter enemies because he has always had the courage of his convictions and would not truckle to the lower class of political heelers who seek to drag down those whom they cannot control, but that fact should add strength rather than weakness to his candidacy.

The republican state convention which was held at Omaha on the 15th inst. was a most enthusiastic gathering of the party. The delegates-at-large selected to go to St. Louis were John I. Webster, T. P. Kennard, Peter Jansen, and G. H. Thummel. An attempt was made by ex-Gov. Crouse to have some resolutions adopted which were loaded with sarcasm directed at Senator Thurston, but the effort fell flat. M. A. Daugherty was defeated as a candidate for delegate, the defeat being a rebuke to Keith county whose convention passed resolutions censuring Thurston, and yet when the time came the convention which had been almost a continuous ovation to Thurston in its applause of him, indicated that he did not control the party by refusing to adopt his compromise resolutions in the McKinley-Manderson matter, and adopting straight McKinley instructions to the delegates. While that expressed the prevailing sentiment of the republicans of the state, there is no doubt that the action was meant to be a hint that no one would be allowed to be a dictator to the republican party of the state. The resolution on the tariff question is expressed in the one word "McKinley." The resolution on the money question adopted was as follows: "We pledge ourselves in advance to the platform of the coming national convention, believing that it will declare against the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and for a currency of gold, silver and paper, 'as sound as the government and as untarnished as its honor,' and for that American system of protection and reciprocity of which William McKinley is the best living exponent, and under which our people attained the greatest national and individual prosperity."

Buffalo Bill.

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