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LINCOLN, Oct. 9, 1890.

To all members of the independent people's committees, and to the voters of Nebraska:

It having become evident that Mr. Van Wyck has turned squarely against the independent movement, and is using his influence to defeat the independent candidates, we recommend that he be not invited to address independent meetings nor given an opportunity to use his unfriendly influence.

GEO. W. BLAKE,
Chm. State Central Com.
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Kem's record will defeat him.

The Boss Idol is getting a little pale.

The two Holt county Joes are winners.

It was anything to get office with H. Murphy.

The election of Judge Crouse is now generally conceded.

The news from the country precincts the past few days is most favorable to Jo Hunter.

For the third consecutive campaign the Idol is appealing to the people for votes. Chestnut.

We desire again to call attention to the letter published in this column concerning one Van Wyck.

The Ewing and Atkinson republicans with their excellent bands, aided materially in Saturday's demonstration.

WALT MASON says Stevenson is called "general" owing to the generalship he displayed in getting out of going to the war.

The people of the United States sympathize with the president in the serious illness of his wife and pray for her recovery.

Kem says the republican party left him, not he the party. Well, the party did a pretty good job and is to be congratulated.

DENNY LYONS is a soldier who detests the comrades who repudiate the only party that ever gave them aid. Denny is no slouch.

MATT GEHRING complimented his republican opponent very highly by saying: "If you knew George Hastings as I know him you would vote for him."

MATT DOUGHERTY is a dandy and made many friends in O'Neill. Some day let us send Matt to congress. He would be no slouch at Washington.

The Independent says the challenges and joint debate have come from the independents. And why not? The only way the independents can get a crowd is in this way.

The O'Neill Republican Club boys are a fine looking lot, and were the observed of all observers last Saturday when they paraded nearly a hundred strong in their new uniforms.

One thing is sure Jess Mullen will not be elected through the popular mode of flattering the women and kissing the babies. If he essays this role he will frighten the women and babies half to death.

Pension bills vetoed from Washington to Cleveland, 183. Pension bills vetoed by Grover Cleveland, 524. Pension bills vetoed by Benjamin Harrison, none. Now understand, old veterans, that a vote for Weaver in Nebraska is a vote for Cleveland.

THE democratic candidate for the senate, Mr. Stewart, keeps right on sawing wood. He needs watching.

DAVE MERCER has a good many friends up the Elkhorn valley who would aid him in his congressional fight if they could. They will at least "pull" for him.

YES, THE FRONTIER does dislike to see the farmers mint money in its independent because it has the kindest of feeling for them and feels very confident they will lose every dollar they invest.

JAMES WHITEHEAD speaks at Atkinson on the evening of October 15, at Spencer on the afternoon of the 17th and at Butte in the evening. Charles H. Towle will also speak at these meetings.

THE FRONTIER has no patience with the old soldier who proposes to vote for Weaver and Fields, which means in this state voting for Cleveland and Stevenson—men who always have been antagonistic to their interests.

THE Custer Beacon says "Kem is Whitehead's superior, socially, morally mentally." If the Beacon expects anyone to believe this it had better keep Kem at home, at least not let him appear on the same platform with Whitehead.

MURPHY might consider himself "the champion of the rights of the people," but he hasn't the brains and education to champion anything successfully. Murphy "might consider himself" a lawyer, but that don't make him a lawyer by any means.

AND the new chairman of the independent senatorial committee was there, and as the wind gently blew through his whiskers he smiled a cheerless sort of a smile, and there was a pleading look of a come-up-to-my-store-and-trade kind in his eyes. Oh, Saturday was a great day.

THE Independent inquires, "Do the voters care to repeat the experience of two years ago?" Well, it don't look that way. Two years ago the democrats fused with the independents, and it appears they had enough of it. After electing Day, Mullen and Henry, these gentlemen invariably gave the democrats—mud.

JOHN HALLORAN, with the assistance of his good neighbors, is arranging to hold a camp-fire at his farm residence near Inman on the 13th of October, in honor of his old war comrade and messmate, Jim Whitehead, and the commander of their regiment Colonel Stone of Omaha, both of whom will be present. That a good time will be had goes without saying.

JOHN MCBRIDE was earnestly urged to be a candidate for the senatorial nomination, but for reasons of his own felt he could not do it. John would have been a strong man at the polls and no mistake, and as Jo Hunter will do, would figuratively speaking have pounded His Royal Highness, the Great Idol, into the earth so deeply that there could be no political resurrection.

THE Alabama independents, or democrats for it is the same thing down there, drove Gen. Weaver out of the state, using the most shameful methods, including rotten eggs. The new party business is not wanted in the south. It will not be tolerated either. It is all right to work in the north where the republican party is the loser, however. Cannot our people see that voting for Weaver in Nebraska is voting for Cleveland? THE FRONTIER hopes so and believes they will.

THE Boyd county delegation to the republican senatorial convention, presented the name of Samuel C. Sample as its choice for state senator. This was a compliment to a worthy, enterprising citizen and an honorable, honest man. It was thought best to select a candidate from this county, and Mr. Sample and his friends heartily acquiesced, gladly made Mr. Hunter's nomination unanimous, and promise to send good reports on November 8. Had Sam been nominated his many friends in O'Neill would have given him loyal support.

SAID Mr. Whitehead in his debate with Kem and the latter's position and vote on the Pickler bill: "The Pickler timber culture bill, the defeat of which he was largely responsible for, would have furnished relief to thousands of deserving settlers in securing them titles to land they have so richly earned, that through adverse circumstances, drouth, hot winds and other matters they failed to secure the necessary number of trees upon which to make final proof. I say had that bill become a law they would have had no difficulty in getting titles. It failed largely through him, and he is responsible for it."

THE Omaha Bee's fight on Dave Mercer, who is the republican nominee for congress, is reprehensible, contemptible and cannot be justified on any hypothesis. Dave Mercer is a republican, a hard-working republican who is always straight, and simply because he is not in proper sympathy with Rosewater that gentleman uses his paper to belittle his candidacy and aid in his defeat. Rosewater is a member of the national committee and as such should be first to assist every republican candidate, and he can advance no good reason for attempting to knife every candidate who does not worship at his shrine. But Dave Mercer will be elected all the same, because there are hundreds of men in Douglas county who are tired of the Bee's dictation, and will vote for Dave to show their disapprobation of such political inconsistency.

JO HUNTER.

THE action of the republican senatorial convention held in this city last Saturday evening in selecting Joseph M. Hunter as a candidate for state senator for the Thirteenth district, vice W. D. Mathews resigned, will meet with almost universal approval among republicans. We might add that there are a good many democrats and independents who are also pleased, because they prefer to see a man of Hunter's sterling honesty and integrity elected to this responsible position rather than such a man as Mullen, the chronic office-seeker and self-styled Idol of his party, the man who in the convention that nominated him affirmed that he would not be dictated to by even his own party (in fact was bigger than his party) and whose first claim is that he thinks the state cannot get along without his valuable services.

Mr. Hunter did not seek this nomination, but when tendered him he could not well refuse, and modestly said he would do the best he could. And that is good enough, for Jo Hunter has been tried and found faithful and reliable, having served a term as member of the house four years ago with credit to the county. He is an old settler and successful farmer, having settled on the homestead he now occupies over ten years ago. He is a farmer of the practical kind, too, one of the farmers who farms his farm, and his industry and close attention to the duties devolving upon him have resulted fairly well, all the disadvantages of a new country considered, and his relationship with the agricultural classes has always been keen and sympathetic. As a neighbor and citizen not one word can be truthfully said derogatory to Jo Hunter.

THE fact of the matter is that wherever known this plain, honest farmer has the confidence of all, and that he is a vote getter will be demonstrated in the eyes of November.

THE republican party presents its candidate for state senator with great pride, and a feeling of confidence in his ability to knock the stuffing out of the Idol.

THE FARMERS' FRIENDS.

THE republican legislative ticket is emphatically a farmers ticket. Messrs. Hunter, Clark and Eiseler are not calamity howlers who devote half of their time to politics, but hard-working, every-day farmers, who make a success of farming. These are the men who will represent Holt county in the state legislature, and not a faction who are bound that the county must go to the demimition bow-wows whether or no. They would not be satisfied to have it any other way. Our nominees are sensible men, wholly in sympathy with the producer and laborer, and they will favor and work for just measures of reform. The independents will not control the legislature this winter according to present indications, and there will consequently be some hope of doing some good that is tangible and that will be appreciated by the people.

THE records made by Mullen and Henry are not at all enviable. They simply helped to make unenviable expense to the state, and to return them would certainly not show very good judgment viewed from a business standpoint. No man whose sole argument for election is a calamity howl can be of any practical service at Lincoln next winter. Let us elect men of more than one idea.

THE CAMPAIGN OPENS.

THE political meeting held in O'Neill last Saturday afternoon was one of the important events of the campaign for the republicans, the independents and the democrats, as representatives of three parties were allowed to take part in the exercises. It was the virtual opening of the campaign in Holt county and the attendance was very liberal indeed.

THE large crowd made it necessary to hold the meeting in the open air, and the grove at the F. E. depot was the "scene of war," a platform, seats and other arrangements being hastily made. By mutual agreement Matthew Gehring, democratic candidate for attorney general was given a full share of the time. This was a decided disadvantage to the republicans, as it really gave their opponents 100 minutes time as against 40 minutes, but we do not think the republicans lost anything by their generosity.

THE meeting opened with a 30 minutes talk by James Whitehead, who splendidly presented the republican principles as enunciated in the Minneapolis platform. The speaker made several pointed and direct charges against O. M. Kem as a congressman. He charged him with voting with the monopolists in every case, citing particularly his vote against the Pickler timber culture bill, for the Texas railroad bill, and the city of Washington gas bill, the latter of which he was the author of. It is not necessary here to go into particulars, as our readers must already be familiar with the details. Mr. Whitehead's time was soon consumed, and though brief he made an excellent impression by his unmistakable earnestness, the honest expression of his eyes and countenance and his general appearance of honorable manhood.

THEN came Kem, who was allotted 45 minutes. The contrast in the two men was so marked that the independents themselves must have noticed the superiority in every way of Whitehead. Kem is a

treacherous appearing man. He is not at all prepossessing. In fact he is repulsive, particularly when speaking. He has what might appropriately be called a bad eye, when you can see it, which is not often, as he seldom looks at his hearers. With eyes nearly closed he talks like a machine and uses only the threadbare argument of the calamity howler. He explained nothing concerning his record in congress. He would commence to get along a little ways, and then it appeared purposely dropped the subject without a defense that could possibly satisfy any fair-minded man. In fact he studiously avoided his record and consumed his time in coarse and sometimes vulgar vituperation. We tried not to feel prejudice and felt that when Kem had finished his harangue (it could be called nothing else) that Whitehead was lucky to have such an opponent. This thought came to us: Suppose a man met those two men alone, knowing neither, and it was necessary to place his honor, his money and his reputation in the hands of one, which would he choose? It seemed to us that the man who could not look you in the face, whose every action denoted dishonesty and trickery would not be the one. One look at Jim Whitehead would inspire confidence, when prejudice did not interfere. One of these men will be elected congressman—which do you honestly prefer? If you think you could not trust Kem with your private matters why will you place your public interests in his hands? We cannot believe the people will do it. The more these two men appear together the greater must be the chances of Whitehead's election.

Mr. Gehring's turn now came and he improved it admirably for his party, devoting most of his time to the tariff. Mr. Gehring is a splendid speaker, his voice is peculiarly adapted for open air talking and he was heard and listened to. His tariff talk was a repetition of that of all democratic orators. At the close he paid a high tribute to J. Sterling Morton, the democratic candidate for governor, and took occasion to pour a little hot shot into Van Wyck. The independents who had been cheering Gehring suddenly turned cold. The speaker said he lived in the same city and in fact was a neighbor of Van Wyck. He knew him as he really was—an ardent demagogue who was ready to jump into any party that would give him office. "Van Wyck is a falsifier," said Mr. Gehring, "for he swears he is only worth \$100,000 when his neighbors can figure from the records five times that amount. And he tells the assessor he only owns \$50 worth of diamonds, yet Mrs. Van Wyck wears a pair of diamond earrings easily worth \$3,500. And he loans money to the farmers of Otoe county at rates as high as 12 per cent., and the county records show that he has foreclosed more mortgages than any other man or corporation in the county." The speaker's time expired or perhaps some more of the old man's record would have been shown up. As it was the independents were given something to think about with regard to their candidate.

Mr. Kem now consumed his remaining 15 minutes but did not explain anything. As before he would get about so far along when he would inquire how much time he had and then change the subject. Kem must have been a disappointment even to his friends, but at a sign from their chairman yelled themselves hoarse.

Mr. Whitehead had 10 minutes to close and the way he went at Kem, or rather at his record, indicated that he was warmed up in good shape. He gave Kem a roasting that made him squirm and it was evident that a majority of the assemblage was with the speaker. Whitehead ought to have had a half hour more and he would have made it count without question. As it was he acquitted himself admirably and his friends are proud of him.

All in all the afternoon meeting was a success and will be productive of good to Whitehead.

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