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CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE.

The republican central committee of the Sixth congressional district of Nebraska, Nebraska, on Tuesday, May 8, 1894, at 7 p. m., for the purpose of naming a time and place for holding the next congressional convention to place in nomination a candidate for congress and to apportion delegates to the several counties in said district and to transact such other business as may come before said meeting. A full attendance is urged. **MATT DAUGHERTY, Ch'm.**
W. W. BARNEY, Sec.

The Chambers Bugle seconds the nomination of Tom Majors for governor.

The county board sometime ago by resolution instructed the county treasurer to proceed with the collection of delinquent taxes. If the taxes at present delinquent were collected Holt county would be out of debt. Let the treasurer move.

It did not take Sheriff Hamilton a great while to reward Bradstreet for his campaign services. Less than three months as deputy seems to have squared accounts. Whether Hamilton requested a resignation or Brad. jumped the job of his own volition is a question.

H. M. GRIMES, of North Platte, is a republican aspirant for congressional honors. Mr. Grimes may be just the man for whom we are looking, but that name would defeat the ablest man in the district. The opposition would make a campaign slogan of that familiar air, "Old Grimes is Dead," etc.

GUTZMAN frankly admits that his influence in city matters is an unknown quantity, but bombastically asserts that in the country districts he is "all O. K." THE FRONTIER and two hundred others wonder why in the name of almost anything he doesn't move his Beacon Light out to his "influence." The city election clearly demonstrates that his missionary work here among the unbelievers is doing no earthly good, in fact is driving converts from the fold.

SINCE Governor Crouse has publicly and privately announced that under no consideration will he again become a gubernatorial candidate, the blooming prairies of Nebraska liken unto the back of a hedgehog, caused by the lightning rods hoisted by every other republican statesman within the state. THE FRONTIER has no preference for the exalted position, and only hopes that the successful man will give us an administration as clean and worthy of admiration and emulation as Governor Crouse.

SPEAKING of the city election Gutzy says the people "did it with their eyes wide open." Right you are. The people are just beginning to get their eyes fairly open. Last year Dick's majority was only fifty-four but the action of independent politicians has succeeded in awakening forty-three more in the city whose votes were recorded against you as you will notice by glancing over the returns. Your fight upon O'Neill institutions and honorable citizens together with the broken pledges of your party is having an effect all over Holt county that will cause you to glance down your Keeley-bulb nose next fall.

THE little scrap going on at Ewing between the Peoples' Advocate and Supervisor Roll, both independents, over the tax list steal, may yet develop something of interest to voters. The storm cloud arose when Mr. Roll refused to vote for the steal, and the fireworks and cannonading was started when the Advocate rebuked him for disloyalty to dishonesty. Mr. Roll comes out openly over his own signature and denounces the whole affair as a steal and a combination and intimates a desire and the ability to prove the truthfulness of his assertions. The truth as given by Roll is nothing more than was guessed by this paper at the time the robbery was committed.

THE Graphic took its life in its hands when it referred to Frank Phillips and Rody Hayes as members of Coxey's Holt county army. Mr. Hayes has been suspected of having populist leanings, but he resents the soft impeachment and gives us to understand that when he wears seed in his whiskers it is for revenue only. But Frank Phillips a populist! There is not a straighter, better or more thoroughly dyed in the wool republican in all Holt than Frank. The Graphic should apologize profusely, repent in sackcloth and ashes and fast for forty days. It was a most egregious error and calls for prompt and earnest reparation.

THE Sun still wildly clings to the statement that it made a couple of weeks ago in an unguarded moment to the effect that the fee book shows that Judge Roberts charged himself with fees in final proof cases 117 times. As we have before stated, the assertion is false as McHugh is dishonest in his argument. The fee book shows not to exceed six final proof cases. We admit that there

are a great many entries of "M. D. Long, affidavit," but Long affidavits are not what we want. We are looking for the words "final proof." If the Sun has a desire to vindicate its position let it publish *verbatim et literatim* one month's business as shown by the fee book in question.

Six hundred dollars for Mr. Campbell's trip to Mexico is the sum the tax payers are called upon to pay, as per bill filed in the clerk's office and published elsewhere in this issue. With all due respect to Mr. Campbell we venture the opinion that this is money spent in a prodigal fashion. In the light of developments it is safe to say that his trip to Mexico in no way aided or hastened the return of Scott. He certainly did not bring Scott back as his prisoner, for we have Cunningham's testimony to the contrary. \$4,400 have already been appropriated in this Scott matter and when Mr. Campbell's bill is paid, as we suppose it will be, the total for Scott's apprehension will be an even \$5,000. Is it any wonder the farmer and burgher groan and groan when the tax collector calls for his tithes? THE FRONTIER has serious doubts as to the propriety of Holt county paying this claim. If Mr. Campbell was acting as the state's agent, under commission of the governor, the state should pay his expenses; if he was simply appointed by the board of supervisors, we question their authority. In support of the proposition that the state should pay the expense incurred by its own agent, we quote from the compiled statutes of Nebraska, section 5901: "The governor of this state may, in any case authorized by the constitution and laws of the United States, appoint agents to demand of the executive authority of any foreign government, any fugitive from justice charged with treason or felony, and the accounts of the agents appointed must be audited by the auditor and paid out of the state funds."

THE Fremont Tribune, writing of "our Joe," says that worthy gentleman and efficient officer these compliments: "Joseph S. Bartley, state treasurer, is another republican official who does not have to go about setting up the pins for a re-nomination, or lie awake nights planning for it. Mr. Bartley's second nomination is conceded everywhere, for it is the reward always given for services well performed. Mr. Bartley's official record for the last fifteen months speaks for itself and it speaks most eloquently. When he came into the custody of the state's funds the finances were in bad shape and it required a master hand to establish them upon a sound and business-like basis. The extravagant populist legislature of two years previous had exhausted the funds, and Mosher's bank had collapsed and added to the general cataclysm. The general fund had been largely over-drawn and three-quarters of a million dollars of registered and interest-bearing warrants were outstanding. Treasurer Bartley set assiduously to work stirring up delinquent county treasurers to collect what was due, in order to reduce the interest account of the state. He has also urged upon the courts the interpretation of certain laws with reference to an investment of the permanent school fund, so that the public school might get the benefit of interest on all money in his hands, and through this agitation hundreds of thousands of dollars have recently found investment in securities. He has also been complying with the law in reference to state banks of deposit and large sums of the state's money are now bearing interest for the state's benefit while on deposit in the banks. These are some circumstances showing Mr. Bartley's faithfulness to his constituents. They beget not only confidence in Mr. Bartley himself but they likewise inspire public confidence in the republican party and will contribute to its success this fall."

THE able and courteous president of the United States has appointed A. J. Sawyer to the office of district attorney, and all who know Mr. Sawyer will congratulate the able and courteous executive upon his wisdom. One of the most pleasing features of the appointment is the fact that it lets out Matt Gering, whose slogan has been making the welkin tired ever since the election of 1892. We may venture now to hope that Mr. Gering will get no office of any kind, and the administration will be vindicated to some extent. His appointment would have been a menace to our prosperity, but his rejection is just what we have long needed—a rebuke to silver tongued oratory. Mr. Gering has no other claim to distinction than the fact that he is possessed of great lung power and a command of language that age cannot wither nor custom stale, and while talk is a good thing under certain circumstances, a little of it will go a long way. Of late years the idea has become prevalent that to make a success of a political life it is only necessary to have a tongue as long as the Coxey army, and every school has been turning out orators at a frightful rate. And every orator has been patted on the back and referred to as one who would make his mark in the political arena. We have been smothered with words; we have struggled in a wilderness of speeches; we have been pelted with rounded periods, and we have been bruised with perorations. We have been brought to such a pass that we climb a tree when we see an orator ap-



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proaching, and when we heard that Matt Gering was a candidate for a large office, we feared the worst; for Matt is the captain of the younger Nebraska orators; he is the most profuse, the most indefatigable, the most relentless; he has talked in Cass county school houses until the maps curled up and withered and until the ink dried up in the inkstands. Most orators let up when they become so hoarse that their voices sound as though they had a wire edge, but Mr. Gering will continue to make signs when his voice has departed altogether. His rejection was the best thing that ever happened to Nebraska, although, in a general way, he is a most desirable gentleman.—Walt Mason.

INDEPENDENT STEALS.

At every meeting of the board of supervisors they steal from the county \$180, by charging for the day before the board meets and the day after it adjourns.

By awarding the printing of the tax list to the Independent they have stolen over \$1,500 from the people of the county. The supervisors who by their votes perpetrated this outrage are:

Conger, Crawford, Dennis, Donohoe, Eckley, Greg, Hodge, Jilson, Kelly, H. B. Kennedy, Miller, Phelps, Schindler, Slaymaker, White and Waring.

By employing more help in the treasurer's office than is necessary and more than was employed under a republican administration, they are wrongfully spending the people's money.

By employing more help in the clerk's office than is necessary and more than was employed under a republican administration, they are robbing the tax payers.

By allowing the sheriff two deputies when he should do all of the work himself, they are heaping additional burdens upon the public.

By recklessly plunging the county into ill-advised and losing litigation that are increasing taxes.

Employing John Morrow for a year at \$2.50 per day as assistant expert, which was clearly a violation of our statute.

By calling a grand jury last fall they heaped thousands of dollars of additional debt upon the county, and the benefits derived were absolutely nothing.

Being the plurality party they are responsible for the continuance of the supervisor system, which costs the county over \$50,000 more every year than that of the commissioner.

Before election Joss Mullen promised that all the help he would ask would be one deputy and one clerk. Therefore, all the help he employs above that number is a steal, according to the words of his own mouth.

Awarding the contract for publishing the proceedings to both the Sun and the Independent is a steal that will amount to considerable.

By consuming six days in the Skirving trial without requiring the plaintiff to give a bond for costs the county has lost at the least calculation \$550.



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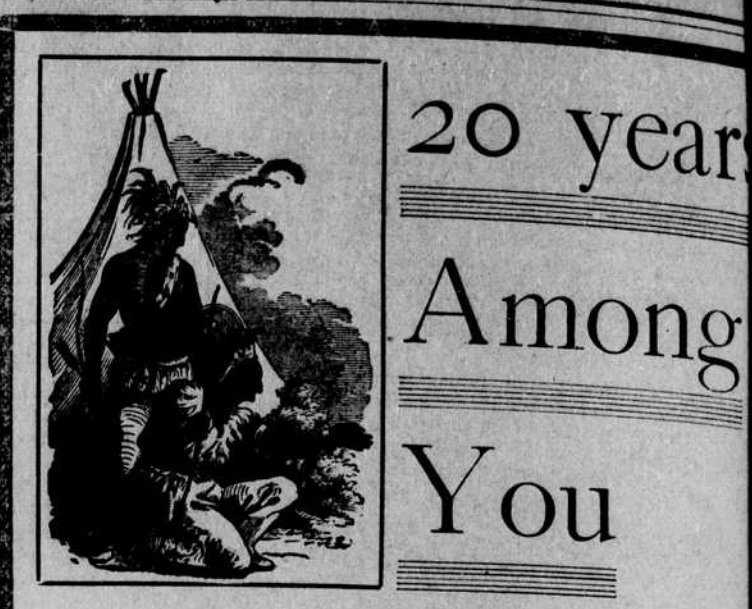
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