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JUDICIAL CONVENTION.

The republican electors of the Fifteenth judicial district of the state of Nebraska are hereby requested to elect and send delegates from their respective counties to meet in convention at Valentine, Nebraska, September 17, 1895, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of placing in nomination two candidates for judges of the district court of said judicial district, and to transact such other business as may come before the convention.

The basis of representation will be the same as at the state convention and is as follows:

Boyd	1	Kearney	3
Box Butte	2	Lincoln	4
Brown	3	Madison	5
Cherry	4	Sioux	6
Dawes	5	York	7
Holt	6	Total	57

J. A. THOMMERSHAUSER,
Chairman.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

The republicans of Holt county will meet in delegate convention in the court-house in O'Neill, on Monday, September 9, 1895, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for county officers and selecting delegates to the state convention, the judicial district convention and the election of a county central committee for the ensuing year, as follows:

- One county treasurer.
- One clerk of the district court.
- One county clerk.
- One county sheriff.
- One county judge.
- One county surveyor.
- One county superintendent.
- One county coroner.

Eleven delegates to the state convention.

Eleven delegates to the judicial convention.

One member of the county central committee from each precinct and a chairman and secretary thereof.

The several precincts and wards will be entitled to representation as follows, being based on the vote cast for Hon. R. E. Moore for lieutenant governor in 1894, one delegate for each 15 votes cast and one for each fraction thereof, and one delegate at large for each precinct and ward:

Atkinson	11	Rock Falls	3
Cleveland	2	Steel Creek	2
Conley	3	Scott	2
Chambers	4	Sarotoga	2
Dustin	2	Sand Creek	2
Deloit	2	Stuart	2
Emmet	2	Swan	2
Ewing	2	Sheridan	2
Franz	2	Shields	2
Fairview	2	Stearns	2
Grattan	2	Wyoming	2
Green Valley	2	Willowdale	2
Iowa	2	O'Neill 1st ward	4
Lenah	2	O'Neill 2nd ward	4
Lake	2	O'Neill 3d ward	4
McClure	2	Total	108
Paddock	2		
Pleasantview	2		

It is recommended that the primaries be held on Saturday, September 7, 1895.

NEIL BRENNAN, Chairman.
CLYDE KING, Secretary.

IRRIGATION carried with but few dissenting votes.

The nomination of Hamilton was a basket of sour grapes for the Jew. We anticipate a case of appendicitis.

We suppose it will now be in order for Charlie Hamilton to consult the spooks and ascertain his chances for reelection. He might also frame and hang upon the wall in his office that wagon track which he found last winter on the banks of the Niobrara.

JIM GREIG can now take the mirror of election returns and at his leisure figure out pretty accurately what the people of the Golden irrigation district think of him. His was the only name printed upon the ticket for the office of assessor, yet Dr. White, of Bassett, was elected by a vote of nearly four to one.

The pop irrigationists were very anxious that no politics should enter into the election of officers for the irrigation district, but at the same time they were careful to see that none but pops found a place on the ticket. The defeat of Greig was the proper thing, and ditto McGreevy. About every so often it becomes necessary to remind some people that the earth and the fullness thereof do not belong to them in fee-simple.

The Sun last week threw off its democratic lambkin and declared itself a pop wolf and a woolly one. For a long time it floundered in the shallows between the democratic free silver pond and the populist quagmire and the people are greatly pleased that by one swipe of its crocodile tail it has landed itself in the mud that after this fall will be known as the slough of despond. This flop will add no new strength to the populists, but has some significance never the less. There is known to exist a coldness between the sheriff and the Jew and it is asserted that a tie-up has been made between Hamilton and the Sun whereby, in the event of Hamilton's re-election, the Sun will get the patronage and the Jew will get—the laugh. This is about all there is in the move. The pops know now that THE FRONTIER has been telling them true when it said that Kautzman was an injury to their party and they have won the Sun over under promise of the legal printing, which will eventually freeze out the man of many residences. Sic semper tyrannis.

The present campaign opens up auspiciously for republicans, and finds them in the harness full of vigor and good intentions. When the convention meets next month a ticket can be placed in the field that will win. This is a year when republicans must be republicans and remember that their first great duty to their country, their fellow-citizens and themselves is to defeat the populist aggregation of ringsters now before the people. Men who would like to hold office must control their desires, keep them within the bounds of reason and come only when they are called by the wisdom of the convention. What we mean is that this year in particular no man should consider that he has claims upon the party for anything. Let the convention look the field over and select the best and most available timber in the woods. Success should be the first consideration and personal preferment have no seat in the convention.

CINCINNATUS MULLEN is an oily gentleman; he is also an illiterate gentleman, but he knows better than anyone the kind of a talk that is most easily digested by an average pop gathering. The speech he made last Saturday after his nomination was disgusting to those who can read him like an open book and see the method in his great madness for reform, but the faithful drank it all down at a gulp and exclaimed "Great is the Joss!" He actually made them believe that his only aim and purpose in life is to better their condition, and that he draws his salary more from a sense of duty than a desire to wax fat and greasy upon the products of their drouth-swept corn fields. But Mullen is a smooth gentleman: it requires considerable tact to handle the populists of Holt county year after year and always keep the best job in sight. He is a magnetic gentleman: he draws them to him as the needle to the pole and while they sometimes waver a little, when the variation is taken into account it is usually found that they are pointing in the right direction. Some day his hypnotic influence over these people will fade out and they will awake from their dreams and see him as he is. They will then realize that for all of their work, their subserviency and howling for this man they have nothing but a sore throat to show for it. When that time comes they will relieve him from his onerous duties and send him back to his plow, from whence they had no business to take him in the first place.

THE CONVENTION.

The great and only three-ringed pop menagerie in the state of Nebraska gave an entertainment at the court-house in this city last Saturday. J. P. Mullen was ringmaster, while Hopkins, Greig and Kautzman played the clown in their respective stations.

Early Friday evening the delegates began to arrive, but they did not precede the vultures that had scented fresh blood and were on hand to secure a bite, lick up the drippings or swallow the core. Talk about wire-pulling and log-rolling! The old party politicians are mere understudies. When these men, who now claim to be reformers, left the old parties and joined the pops they simply went into a higher class and if we may judge them by their works they are surely entitled to be called professionals. Men are no longer amateurs when they contest for money prizes and all of these fellows are playing for the biggest stakes in sight.

Even Friday night it was conceded that the present incumbents would be renominated, with the possible exception of Sheriff Hamilton. Rumors had been afloat for some time that he had proven refractory on the hands of the bosses and an attempt would be made to place him out of condition to do harm. During the evening several men were mentioned as his successor, among them being Jim Pinkerman, John Hopkins and George Mullihan. Mose Elliott had already been elected treasurer of his school district and of course could not expect even a mention.

The office of clerk of the district court also came in for a share of the idle discussion. The Jew, Robertson, Henry and Roberts were all chaffing at the bit, and one man was mean enough to say that Jim Mullen was carrying a coal-black steed. Robertson is the man who tried to impeach Skirving, and Henry is the man appointed by the board to fill the vacancy, but it turned out that the way they danced on so light in the morn left them at night on the bleak shore alone. Skirving defeated the oyster. Robertson thought he ought to have the nomination as a sort of compensation for the terrible swearing he did in the case, while Henry had an idea that it would make a first class wash to remove from his mouth the taste of the ashes of the dead sea fruit. When the convention heard the evidence it gave the plum to Henry by an unanimous vote and the other candidates were left to suck their thumbs while they nursed their sorrow.

The fight waged against Sheriff Hamilton bore out the prediction made by THE FRONTIER some time ago when it said an attempt would be made to weed him out like a Russian thistle. John Hopkins was a strong candidate for the place but the fact that he is president of a vigilante outfit operated against him and was worked by his enemies for all it was worth. In so doing they showed that with all their braggadocio they are

afraid that the sympathy they have shown for the vigilantes will bring them no good luck at election.

When Murphy defeated Golden for the judicial delegation the machine certainly failed to perform its duty; a tire was punctured. It was the intention of the big chiefs to give the delegation to Golden and they are yet trying to figure out how it happened. But the end is not yet: Golden is whipped but not subdued, and it is said that he will go into the convention, fight to the last ditch and die in blood up to the bridle-bits.

Take the ticket as a whole and it is considerably weaker than it was two years ago. Then, they were without a record and could—and did—promise endless reforms that they afterwards failed in every instance to inaugurate. Their administration has been as costly as others that preceded it: taxation has not been reduced in accordance with their pledges, nor \$30 per month men been employed to do the clerical work. They have done nothing to sustain their great and profuse professions and the people who voted for them are beginning to realize that they are simply being farmed by a lot of schemers who like the salary, easy hours and labor of a county office. They are beginning to see that the reform lantern in the hands of Joss Mullen is an ignis-fatuus that leads but to bewilder and dazzles but to blind.

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