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Notice of Republican Convention.

The republicans of the county of Holt, state of Nebraska, are hereby called to meet in convention at the court house in O'Neill on Monday, August 26, 1901, at 10:30 a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices, to be voted for at the next general election in said county on the 5th day of November, 1901.

- One County Treasurer.
- One County Sheriff.
- One County Clerk.
- One County Judge.
- One County Superintendent.
- One Surveyor.
- One Coroner.

The selection of 14 delegates to attend the republican state convention to be held at Lincoln, Neb. on the 28th day of August 1901.

The selection of chairman and secretary of the Republican County Central Committee for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such business as may regularly come before said convention.

The various Townships in said County are entitled to representation in said convention as follows:

Atkinson.....16	Pleasantview.....2
Chambers.....7	Rock Falls.....3
Cleveland.....3	Sand Creek.....2
Conley.....3	Saratoga.....2
Deloit.....2	Scott.....2
Dustin.....2	Shamrock.....1
Emmet.....3	Sheridan.....4
Ewing.....10	Shields.....3
Fairview.....2	Stuart.....14
Francis.....2	Stearns.....2
Grattan.....2	Swan.....2
Green Valley.....2	Verdigris.....6
Iowa.....6	Willowdale.....2
Lawa.....3	Wyoming.....2
Lake.....3	O'Neill-1st w. c. 3
McClure.....2	O'Neill-2d w. c. 3
Paddock.....6	O'Neill-3d w. c. 3
Total.....125	

It is recommended that no proxies be allowed in said convention, but that the delegates present from each township be permitted to cast the full vote of the township represented by them.

R. R. Dickson, Chairman.
C. L. Bright, Secretary.

Sun Spots and Famine.

Sir Norman Lockyer, the British scientist, is prosecuting researches concerning sun spots which the scientific world is hopeful will result in discoveries that will enable meteorologists as a result of observation of solar phenomena to predict the time, and perhaps the place, in India in which famine may be expected and to give warning of high and low flood in Egypt. For more than a quarter of a century the English scientist has been studying the subject and the data gathered bearing upon droughts gives him a possible clue to the causes that devastate parts of India so often with famine.

Students of solar physics contend that between the condition of the sun spots and prominences and abundance of rain or its lack a distinct relation exists. Discussing this point the Scientific American concludes "that upon the variations of the spots and prominences, the meteorological condition of India and Egypt depends." The same paper quotes Sir Norman as saying:

"I have shown that the famines which have devastated India during the last thirty or forty years have followed a definite law, and, of course, one therefore assumes that a similar thing may happen in the next thirty or forty years; having that law, we ought to be able, in some cases at all events, to observe that certain times are more apt to be associated with famines than other times. Sun spots may be only millionths of the era, but these prominences form one-sixth of the sun's visible hemisphere, and with these in a state of disturbance, the effects upon the earth are very important. The sun spots themselves are only a very feeble indication of the fierce activity of the sun. We are observing these prominences more carefully than we have been able to do in the past. We are

taking advantage of new methods of observation, and in a few years we shall be in a much better position to study the connection of solar and terrestrial meteorology."

The scientist regards the sun spot observed lately of great importance. "It shows beyond all question," he says, "that the minimum is past. And that is a very important matter. It is very remarkable that a spot in the minimum period, apparently the first spot of a new cycle, should be of such magnitude. It looks very much as if it will enable us to fix the period of minimum, which before was uncertain to a year. If we can fix that it will be very helpful for subsequent work."

If the scientists succeed in reading the mute prophesies of the sun a work of vast importance both in a humane and a commercial sense will be accomplished.

Cows and Consumption.

The Interior: Good for Dr. Koch. There is the milk of human kindness in his veins. His declaration before the British congress of physicians that cows do not communicate consumption is a much needed relief. Medical men have us on too great a scare. They have so stocked everything that we eat, drink, touch or handle, with germs or bacilli that life has become a constant alarm. It was time for a let up, and especially in the matter of milk. For what with water added to increase the quantity, and chemicals to preserve the sweetness, we had about all we could stand at the hands of the dairyman. Putting in a lot of tuberculosis germs was too much. Therefore, Dr. Koch is to be thanked for ruling them out, or rather for declaring them harmless. It is good for the cows, and good for us. For nobody wanted to think that cows were going around the meadows with murder in their eyes, nor does anybody like the idea of murdering whole herds of fine cattle in the name of medical science. Still less do we want to believe that to drink a glass of milk is to populate our interior system with the germs of disease, destruction and death. There are enough of other things to kill us or make life miserable.

Dr. Koch contends that bovine tuberculosis is not communicable to human beings. In the attempted passage the germ does not reach our side of the shore. It gets lost in the "milky way," or at least fails to set up in business when it arrives. The human system has established immigration laws against it, which are better enforced and more effective than those of our government. And it is to be taken for granted that a germ of fastidious taste would prefer tender loin and porterhouse steak to the tough pickings of the average human body.

But the proof which the famous physician offered in support of his opinion is based upon experiment. He tells us that through the assistance of the government, he experimented on a score of cattle, endeavoring by every means to communicate to them human tuberculosis. But it did not communicate. The cattle gained in weight, winked at the doctor, and laid down and chewed the cud of content. When killed they showed no sign of the affection. But when another lot of cattle were put under the test of bacilli from animals of their own kind, or similar kind, they showed serious signs of infection. From these facts Dr. Koch argues that the bacilli of human tuberculosis and those of bovine tuberculosis are so different in kind as not to be transmissible. Had the experiment been made the other way the argument would have been more conclusive. But this is not practicable, for no score of human beings care to be experimented upon. The doctor says, however, that if the bacilli of bovine tuberculosis were able to infect human beings, many cases of tuberculosis caused by the consumption of food containing tubercle bacilli could not help but occur among the inhabitants of great cities, especially children. But while most medical men believe this to be the case, it is not really so. That a case of tuberculosis is caused by food can be assumed with certainty only when

the intestines suffer first, but such cases are extremely rare.

Another important declaration made in the congress was that of Professor Bronardel, dean of the medical faculty of Paris, who maintained that alcoholism is largely responsible for consumption. You will check the ravages of consumption, he said, by stopping the drink habit. This assertion is contrary to the common opinion that whisky is good for lung troubles. But it is a doubly good thing when a medical congress stands up for milk and bears down on alcohol. Most of us would rather trust the cow than the still.

Loup City Northwestern: The silver republican party lived out its usefulness, deposited its history in the archives of the three-ring circus, made its will and testament, took a congestive chill after reviewing its past and sensibly gave up the ghost at the tripartite committee meeting at Lincoln last week. It is not stated whether its suicide was the result of earnest urging by the two larger elements of "reform," or whether it became conscience stricken and committed the deed upon its own motion. Its last kick was made heaping blessings upon its father and patron saint, democracy, and as it sank beneath the waters of oblivion there came a last gurgle to preserve its records. Poor thing, it was a hybrid and its species is extinct.

Independent: The McKinley club of this place promised the farmers and stockmen of Holt county last fall that if McKinley was elected cows would sell from \$35 to \$40 per head. Now these same cows are only worth from \$15 to \$25. There are now a few hundred of these badly hoodooed stockmen who seriously contemplate suing the McKinley club for breach of promise.

The only promises and predictions made by republicans have been verified to the letter while populist prophesies have failed in every particular. That the Independent editor has not the breadth of brain requisite to the comprehension of the fact that a scarcity of the world's cereal and hay products will work hardships to the live stock market is his misfortune.

The divulgence of Governor Savage's secret is just about due. No governor ought to keep a state secret longer than six weeks. Its six weeks Sunday since "Joe Bartley reposed in his home" and nobody has heard anything from him or the governor since. Is that \$900,000 being dug from the Klodike at Hastings? Come, governor; let's have it.

Eyes jumped at the chance of throwing a bouquet at himself afforded by an item in The Frontier to the effect that Mike Harrington was the "heavy" writer for the Independent. The Frontier would brush aside from the Amelia poet none of the resplendent glory that beams from the glittering pages of our esteemed contemporary week after week.

J. N. Gaffin, at one time speaker of the house and more recently populist state oil inspector, has been found \$800 short. No, this has not been mentioned by the syndicate sheet.

To Save Her Child.

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King George of Greece is the latest victim, in a small way of the irony of fate. Not long ago he framed a law to fine the owners of unregistered dogs. Last week it was discovered that his own four pets had not been taxed, and he was fined 96 drachmas.

Their Secret Is Out.
All Sadleville, Ky., was curious to learn the cause of the vast improvement in the health of Mrs. S. P. Whittaker, who had for a long time, endured untold suffering from a chronic bronchial trouble. "It's all due to Dr. King's-New Discovery," writes her husband. "It completely cured her and also cured our little grand-daughter of a severe attack of Whooping Cough." It positively cures Coughs, Colds, La Grippe, Bronchitis, all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at P. C. Corrigan drug store.

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