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State senator, F. W. Phillips of Holt

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U. S. Senator, Norris Brown of Buffalo

CONGRESSIONAL TICKET

Congressman 6th dist., M. P. Kinkaid, M. C.

The Independent "cartoonists" took the precaution to label each character—otherwise no one would have known who he meant them for.

The fusion strategy board is fighting for its life to retain control of the county attorney's office—a thing in itself sufficient to stampede the voters for the republican candidate.

Joe Horiskey, republican nominee for supervisor for O'Neill and Grattan, is an industrious, sober young business man who has lived here practically all his life and has the confidence of the tax payers. Vote for him.

The Stuart Ledger editor has at last got down where her sympathies have been all along. As "birds of a feather flock together," so grafters feel more at home with each other. Defending bosom friends of the Hanley-McGreevy-Hagerty stripe comes natural to some people.

One thing that animates the fusion strategy board in their zeal to elect a fusion county attorney and get control of the board is some 150 county foreclosure cases still pending that they want to shove through. It would mean about \$2,500 in their pockets in fees for publishing notices. The members of the gang have grown rich plundering the people in this way and they want to keep at it.

The "defenders of the faith" who "heartily indorse the record of our county attorney," haven't yet explained how it was that Pat Hagerty could not be found to be brought back for trial on the charges against him, although his signature was obtained to a deed transferring property to the county attorney's father. Perhaps the Stuart Ledger can shed a little light on this.

The local promoter of government ownership clubs is meeting with a chill wherever he goes in the county. The intelligent taxpayers haven't forgotten that while they and the railroads he so much hates pay their taxes regularly every year he paid nothing at all for ten or twelve years, and in all probability wouldn't have done so yet but for the "infamous republican revenue law."

An important thing to keep in view this election is the political complexion of the next congress. Should such a thing happen as the democrats controlling either branch of congress they could effectually block the carrying out of the president's plans and tie up legislation so that nothing could be done. It is important, then, that the republican congressional candidate be elected and also the state legislative ticket, as the next legislature will select a United States senator.

Ed Whelan claims he told the attorney for the defense in the Hagerty-McGreevy cases that if elected he would prosecute both of them if the depositors wanted him to. That is just what the people are objecting to—having the prosecuting attorney run to the attorney for the defense with his plans and give him a chance to get word to his clients to "hike." A county attorney is wanted to prosecute this class of criminals who doesn't have to "see the attorney for the defense" before he knows what he can do.

"My highest ambition will be to become the peer of our present county attorney, if elected."—From Edward H. Whelan's speech of acceptance at Atkinson Sept. 22, 1906.

DOUBLE DEALING.

The fusion leaders of Holt county stand for shielding the large criminals while making a show at law enforcement by punishing the pretty offenders. They always have stood for this kind of law enforcement and probably always will. They have kept depraved and desperate men from the penitentiary when no other explanation could be made for it than the value of gold above the requirements of the law and the public good.

Horse stealing is a crime punishable by a penitentiary term. It is only a short time since a man was caught with a horse in his possession that he stole on the streets of O'Neill. It was the sworn duty of the county attorney to prosecute the prisoner on a criminal charge. The charge was changed to a misdemeanor, and a ten-days' jail sentence imposed. Similar instances might be multiplied indefinitely showing that fusion leaders have defended criminals.

They cannot control the county by openly declaring against criminal prosecution. Consequently they resort to strategy—flop completely over and declare themselves the best friends and only hope of law enforcement. Ed Whelan, the fusion candidate for county attorney, is heralding far and wide that he will prosecute anybody and everybody without fear or favor.

The simple truth is that Mr. Whelan is playing fast and loose with the voters. By declaring for law enforcement he hopes to win enough votes to land him in office. In buttonholing the voters he tells them he stands for law enforcement and does not approve of the way the present county attorney conducted the cases against the bank wreckers. In the democratic convention, Mr. Whelan declared Mullen has made the best county attorney we ever had and the height of his ambition would be to become his peer. The vote of the gang is counted on by Mr. Whelan as an inalienable asset. He figures nothing he may say of them behind their back will detract from their support election day. The great effort is to supplement this vote with the votes of a sufficient number of reputable citizens who may be hoodwinked by double-dealing.

The history of Mr. Whelan's political endeavors since he came to this county does not warrant the strongest faith in his campaign promises. He stumped the county in 1901 in defense of an iniquitous and unlawful land grabbing system; he compliments A. F. Mullen as the best county attorney we ever had and accepts his nomination on a platform endorsing Mullen; he then goes to the voters and tells them he does not approve Mr. Mullen's record and promises to prosecute criminals. To say the least, Mr. Whelan's dual attitude has the earmarks of double-dealing.

AN IMPORTANT PLANK.

The attention of the voters of the state is especially called to the dairy commission plank of the republican state platform.

The amount of wealth produced from the cream industry is in small amounts to the individual producer, but when a year's total of these amounts are considered the amount is enormous.

The republican party in their state convention recognized the dissatisfaction of the cream producers throughout the state, and inserted in their platform the dairy plank, recommending the dairy commission be established, whose duty would be to inspect the tests of the creameries, and see that the farmers and cream producers receive a "square deal" in their cream tests.

This will perhaps amount to \$10 to \$50 per year to each cream producer and you realize the conditions if you are selling or have sold cream to the creameries, and you understand the need of a commission which could be created and managed in connection with our present pure food commission, thus not entailing much additional expenses, and giving to the wealth producers of our state thousands of

dollars more for their cream product, and the satisfaction of knowing that they are getting what is due them for their cream product.

Support the republican nominees for the legislature, and they will use their best efforts to pass a law giving you your desires protecting the cream industry.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES.

A comparative statement of the costs of maintaining the county attorney's office under County Attorney Mullen's administration, which is "heartily endorsed" by the fusion platform on which Ed Whelan accepts the nomination as fusion candidate for that office, is interesting just at this time. The following tables will show what has been done and what it has cost us. The figures are taken from the county records and can be verified by any one wishing to look them up.

The table showing the items of expense are made up from bills filed by Mr. Mullen which have either been allowed or are on file awaiting action of the board.

ITEMS OF EXPENSE.

Postage, telegrams, telephoning, etc.	\$1,216 67
Office rent and stenographer	1,958 52
Assistant council	1,785 00
District court costs	40,000 00
Total	\$44,960 19

These figures, of course, are exclusive of the county attorney's salary, which will amount to \$4,800 by January 1. The item of district court costs can not all properly be charged to the county attorney's office, though a large proportion of it originated there. It is a safe estimate to say the county attorney's office will have cost the tax payers of the county \$45,000 by the time Mr. Mullen retires in January, including his salary.

The subjoined table shows what has been accomplished during Mr. Mullen's administration:

No. of criminal cases docketed	60
Pleas of guilty, penitentiary sentence	9
Pleas of guilty, fines amounting to \$51	8
No. of convictions after trial by jury, penitentiary sentence	2
No. of convictions after trial, jail sentence	1
No. of acquittals	13
No. of dismissals	30
Cases of which there is no record of their disposal	5

It will be seen by this table that nearly half of the cases started were dismissed, nearly half of the balance plead guilty and only the merest fraction of the total were convicted. Mr. Whelan stands on this record and says his "highest ambition is to become the peer" of the man who made it.

CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

An hodgepodge effort is being made to make politics out of the Nickol-zack cases. The fusionists should keep still about those cases, for in the trying of them it was simply three or four thousand dollars of the taxpayers' money thrown to the wind for the benefit of a suspected blackmailer.

The expert testimony in each trial of that case proved that nothing had happened to the alleged victim. A physician at Ewing testified that he had made an examination of complaining witness at the instigation of officials immediately after the alleged affair was supposed to have happened and found absolutely no evidence of the thing complained of. After some time had elapsed and opportunity had for manipulation results were obtained to lend color to the charges.

Then there were long and expensive trials in court for the taxpayers to put up for and nothing accomplished but a big bill of costs piled up and a nearly financially ruined defendant.

There would be as much sense in trying to make politics out of the Irwin cases. In this case it was admitted that there had been a killing, but for some reason the jury came to the remarkable conclusion that the one who did the killing wasn't guilty.

The taxpayers' again footed the bill with nothing tangible to show for their money.

The McGreevy cases are another specimen of what the taxpayers' of the county are getting for their money in criminal prosecution under a fusion county attorney.

In all the criminal cases the past three years but one conviction has been had, and that was obtained not by the county attorney but by an at-

torney employed by the parents of an unfortunate little victim.

It takes the fusion party organs of the county to twist everything into politics. If they find any political comfort in this record of criminal prosecution they are welcome to it.

AN ODOR OF GRAFT.

Things are smelling pretty strong of graft around the county attorney's office. For instance, there are two bills at the county clerk's office, filed by Mr. Mullen, of \$5 each for postage for the months of May and June. That is, in sixty days the postage in that office amounts to \$10. This figured down is 16 2/3 cents a day or over eight letters a day for sixty days. Any body knows that there is no such amount of letter writing necessary in the county attorney's office. There ought not to be over that many letters a week on an average. Is Mr. Mullen charging the postage on his private correspondence up to the county?

Another item is \$20 for janitor work. The county board hires a regular court house janitor and pays him a monthly salary. A few years ago the courthouse was remodeled at considerable expense and a room provided for the county attorney. Mullen refuses to occupy this room and maintains an office down town in which two-thirds of his law business is not for the county at all. This is paid for by the county. He makes the county furnish him an office building, fuel, janitor work, postage and all incidental expenses, while most of his time is spent in looking after his own private business.

This is the sort of graft the fusion platform "heartily endorses," and which Mr. Whelan says he hopes to emulate if elected. How do you like the proposition, Mr. Voter?

EASILY NAILED.

The fusion strategy board admit the defense of the bank wreckers is indefensible. They don't say so in so many words, but they are trying to make it appear that W. E. Scott had something to do in defending McGreevy. This they paraded last week in double-column under a frightening head.

It will be impossible to chase after all the lies set afloat, but let us nail this one right here.

Mr. Scott is a notary public in and for Atkinson. During the negotiations, in court for a change of venue in the McGreevy cases, Mr. Harrington as attorney for McGreevy, sent some blank affidavits to Scott with a letter saying some parties would call on him to have their statements and signatures acknowledged. Scott acknowledged these as a notary public, Mr. Harrington paying him the notary fee.

And that is all their is to the strategy board's sensation about Scott being "McGreevy's attorney."

Gratuitous Misrepresentations.
Fremont Tribune: The most desperate and despicable effort are being made to discount the senatorial candidacy of Norris Brown and bring about his defeat. Mr. Brown is just now down in Washington looking after the interests of the tax payers of the state in prosecuting in the supreme court of the United States in the case of the state against the railroads for delin-

We heartily endorse the record of our county attorney, A. F. Mullen, and recognize in him an able and fearless defender of justice to all alike.—From Populist county platform.

quent taxes, but in due time he will return and refute some of the villainous reports set afloat against him. Meantime friends have given a true vision of one calumny, which exposes the vile nature of the vicious assaults upon the faithful state official who has been named by his party for the senatorship. It has been paraded by the fusion press as coming from former state Treasurer Bartley that Mr. Brown borrowed money from a Kearney bank that had state funds on deposit; that the bank failed and the state lost its deposit of \$6,000; that Mr. Brown had \$2,000 of the bank's money and that he settled with the receiver of the bank for five cents on the dollar. There is, according to the testimony of friends who say they are familiar with the facts in the case, just this much truth in the charge: The bank failed and the state lost some money; a man named Brown owned it \$2,000. But instead of being Norris Brown it was another Brown, in no way related to him; Norris Brown owed the bank \$264, but as the bank owed him more than that for legal services no demand was ever made on him by the receiver for the sum and he never collected the balance due him from the bank. Norris Brown, like many another in those days of panic under the last democratic administration, had hard sledding, but he weathered the storm and always kept to the good. He was a poor man and he is still a poor man. He will be one senator who has not bought his way into the famous "rich man's club." And we are of the opinion that Mr. Brown cannot be beaten by the gratuitous misrepresentations of the enemy.

A Comparison.

The Lincoln staff correspondent of the Bee says:
The judicious manner in which Treasurer Mortensen has handled the

state's trust funds has resulted in adding several thousand dollars to the temporary school fund during the three and one half years that he has been in the office. In the olden times it was customary for treasurers to keep on hand large amounts of these trust funds, using them for their own benefit instead of for the benefit of the temporary school fund, for which they were intended. Mr. Mortensen has made it a rule to keep these funds invested as closely as possible and the temporary fund has benefited accordingly. Below will be found a statement of the average monthly balance on hand in the state trust funds during the last four years of demopop rule and for the three and one-half years of Mr. Mortensen's incumbency; also the amounts realized from interest on the same funds for the same periods:

FUSION.	
	Av. M'thly Balance.
1897	\$191,550
1898	161,696
1899	321,262
1900	263,035
REPUBLICAN.	
1903	21,950
1904	107,087
1905	106,293
1906 (nine months)	94,547
Amounts realized from interest on invested permanent school funds and apportioned semi-annually to the school districts of the state:	
FUSION.	
1897	\$174,061
1898	222,900
1899	171,313
1900	157,359
REPUBLICAN.	
1903	186,560
1904	222,900
1905	200,039
1905 (first half)	121,680

M. F. Harrington will "rip up" the railroads in general and the republicans in particular at Lincoln the 29th.

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Choice farm of 640 acres, black loam, lies close to school; 2-story 10-room house, barn 38x40, 20-foot posts, cattle shed 48x48, another shed 12x48, granaries and cribs, wells and windmill, 2 tanks, 2 large groves of ash, boxelder and other trees, 200 acres under cultivation, 200 acres meadow, balance pasture, 10 acres hog pasture; 7 miles northeast of O'Neill; price 25 per acre, one-third down and balance on time to suit purchaser. Will consider Missouri farm, not to exceed \$5,000. Some thoroughbred Short Horn cattle, and teams and farm machinery that can go with the place.

Well improved 320, good heavy soil, creek springs and timber, 1 mile from Middle Branch, Holt county, Neb. \$15 an acre.

Well improved 320 acre farm 15 miles northwest of O'Neill, watered by well and creek; \$12 an acre.

Stock ranch of 800 acres, good house, barns, pastures, grove, 100 acres under cultivation; 1 mile from Emmet, Neb. Price \$8,850.

Very fine farm of 160 acres 3 1/2 miles west of Inman, Neb. Good house, 2 barns, 8 acres of grove (large trees), 20 acres of timothy and clover, 40 acres under cultivation, 95 acres meadow, 2 wells with windmill, fenced and cross fenced, 40 bearing fruit trees and more younger ones; all good heavy soil, nearly level, but rolling enough to drain. \$25 an acre, partly on time if desired.

Fine farm of 160 acres 8 miles northwest of O'Neill. New and well finished 2-story house 16x24, barn, well and windmill, 70 acres under cultivation, 90 acres meadow. \$25 an acre.

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