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CALL FOR COUNTY CONVENTION.

The republicans of Cass county are hereby called to meet in covention at Weeping Water, Nebraska, on Saturday, July 30, 1898, at one o'clock p. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices, to-wit: County attorney, two members of the legislature, one senator, one member of the board of county commissioners from the third district; also to select 24 delegates to the state convention at Lincoln, August 10, at 10 o'clock a. m.; also 26 delegates to the first congressional convention at Lincoln, on August 3, at 8 p. m., and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The committe recommended that there be no proxies recognized, but that the delegates present from each precinct or ward cast its full vote. The primarys to select delegates to said convention will be held on Saturday, July 23. Representation is based on the vote cast for C. W. Kaley, (regent for the state university in 1897,) being one delegate for each 15 votes or major fraction thereof, and one delegate at large for each precinct or ward:

PRC'T	VOTING PLACE	TIME AND NO. DEL
Avoca	Avoca	2 p m 6
Center,	Manley	5 to 8 p m 7
8 Mile Grove,	Heil school house	4 p m 7
Elmwood.	Murdock school h'se	8 p m 9
Greenwood,	Alvo	8 p m 6
Liberty,	Union	8 p m 10
Louisville,	Hassemier's hall	8 to 9 p m 9
Nehawka,	Nehawka sch'l h'se	8 to 9 p m 9
Mt Pleasant,	Pleasant Dale "	8 to 9 p m 5
Rock Bluffs—		
First Dist.,	Murray school h'se	8 to 9 p m 8
Second "	Rock Bluffs "	8 to 9 p m 5
Tipton	Lumb'r office Eagle	8 to 9 p m 8
South Bend,	So Bend school h'se	8 to 9 p m 6
Stove Creek,	Elmwood opera h'se	8 to 9 p m 12
Salt Creek,	Greenwood	8 to 9 p m 8
W Water prct,	Cascade school h'se	8 to 9 p m 6
Weeping Water City—		
First Ward.	G A R hall	8 to 9 p m 5
Second Ward,	Council Chamber	8 to 9 p m 5
Third Ward,	Powel's Hall	8 to 9 p m 4
Platts Prct	Taylor school house	4 to 5 p m 7
Plattsmouth City—		
First Ward,	Perkins House	6 to 8 p m 7
Second Ward,	Turner Hall	6 to 8 p m 9
Third Ward,	Ritch's lumber office	6 to 8 p m 11
Fourth Ward,	Council Chamber	6 to 8 p m 4
Fifth Ward,	School House	6 to 8 p m 6

C. D. CLAPP,
Chairman.

H. G. BEARDSLEE,
Secretary.

SINCE the First congressional district was reorganized every congressman has come from Lincoln and the indications are that both nominees will be from that town this fall.—Nebraska City News.

THE Omaha Bee has added new presses to its equipment, and comes out now in better form than some of the Chicago papers. The new press prints, cuts and folds a twenty-four page paper. It is the largest press between Chicago and San Francisco.

J. H. EDMISTEN is said to be receiving a neat little salary from the standard oil company. This is the clean reformer who inspects Nebraska oil, and who wants to run for governor on a reform ticket this fall. A fine specimen of a man to lead a reform cause indeed.

THE demo-pop machine in Judge Maxwell's district is very desirous of turning down the old gentleman, but it is confronted with the fact that he would probably run independent which would elect a republican, consequently the judge will have to have a renomination if he desires it.

SAGASTA is not so sagascious as his nomenclature might imply. He says while they have lost their navy, their land forces could easily whip the United States army, but he thinks it would be impossible to carry on a war without a navy, therefore he is ready for peace if suitable terms can be secured.

THE republicans of Cass county can elect every man on their ticket if care is taken in the selection of competent men of strict integrity. The party should not be put on the defensive—the campaign should be an aggressive one, and the banner of sound money and national progress will remain at the head of victorious columns.

ON TO Porto Rico and then Havana, is the plan of the war department. Twenty-five thousand men are to be sent at once to Porto Rico from this country, and the soldiers who have campaigned at Santiago will come home for rest and recuperation. If peace does not come soon an immense army will move on Havana later on.

THIS paper will not assume to dictate what republican should do at the primaries. We will support the nominee of the convention, as none but republicans are going to control the actions of that body. The day for boodlers and political pirates, as managers of the republican party has gone by. All candidates, so far as we know, are good competent men.

IF the president will push all war operations with vigor, and not wait on peace talk until Porto Rico is taken, and the Philippines are in our hands, he will do the country a service. Spain does not know she is whipped yet, and to delay operations while our men are sweltering in the deadly miasma of Cuba, would be an unpardonable error. Vigorous work will end the war in a few weeks, while delays and haggling over peace terms can only bring disaster.

GERMANY continues its unfriendly attitude, and is making strenuous endeavors to have the powers join and say what shall be done with the Philippines. In other words we are to be deprived of the fruits of our victories, and are to be treated as Japan was at the close of the Chinese war. Your Uncle Sam will not stand any such business and if Germany isn't careful it will meet with the same sort of a lesson which has been so successfully dealt out to Spain.

AT last the stars and stripes float over Santiago, and General Shafter is quoted as saying, after an inspection of the defenses that 5,000 of our soldiers would have been sacrificed before the fortified city could have been taken. It will be seen, therefore, that the capitalution was a greater victory for the Americans, than if the city had been taken at the point of the bayonet.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

Three hundred millions of gold coin and bars are stored up in the strong boxes of New York. This little purse for contingencies, weighing two tons to the million, would pull down 600 tons on the scales. The estimated amount of gold coin and bullion in the world is $5,000,000,000, so that nearly one-sixteenth of the world's supply of gold is stored on Manhattan island. Of this amount two hundred and twenty-eight millions are in government vaults and in the bank reserve.—Ex.

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The terms fleet, flotilla and squadron seem to be regarded as identical by the average layman. A fleet is composed of twelve battleships. A mosquito fleet is composed of twelve or more small boats. A squadron is composed of less than twelve battleships, and is often a part of a fleet, such as a van, center or rear squadron. A flotilla is composed of twelve or more men-of-war, some of which may be battleships. Hence the United States has no fleet; neither has Spain. Admiral Dewey commands a squadron. Acting Admiral Sampson commands a flotilla. Almirante Cervera commanded a squadron and Almirante Camara has also a squadron.—New York Sun.

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The government has recently secured the most powerful electric searchlight in the world, and has placed it at the entrance of San Francisco bay, to be used in the protection of our western outpost in case of possible attack. The wisdom of this action on the part of the government will be conceded, in view of the possibility of international complications resulting from the war. The light from the great projector is conservatively estimated to be equal to 375,000,000 candles. The distance from which it can be seen is considerably over 100 miles, and moving objects can be detected by its light almost as far as marine glasses can carry.—Ex.

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A Sioux City paper thinks we ought to show Cervera a good time and to give him an idea of what Spain tackled. He should be brought across the country, and, after a few days at the exposition, he should be taken to the Pacific coast. He would get an idea of the wealth and size of the country which figures never can fully reveal. By all means, give "Vera" a chance to learn something.

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Sunday, July 17, was the anniversary of the day when the hot winds destroyed half the corn in this state. The winds were blistering hot, and, coming after a prolonged dry spell, the loss in the west was almost total, while crops here were severely injured. A repetition of the calamity is not looked for this year, after so much rainy weather.

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The custom house has received three car loads of tea which were consigned to Omaha wholesale houses. The tax on the tea in compliance with the new internal revenue law was $6,000. Omaha firms have about fifty car loads of tea bought and in transit. The tax derived from tea will increase the receipts at the custom house materially, it being estimated that the income of the office will be doubled by the increased revenue.

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The tariff on chewing gum is certainly a greater imposition on the laboring man than the old tariff on tin. We suggest it to our pop friends as something tangible to make their next campaign on. The tariff on tin soon cheapened the laboring man's tin bucket, but the gum tax is a tax sure enough.—Ex.

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J. S. Vandiver of the St. Paul Dispatch contributes this priceless gem to the enrichment of current literature:

"Oh! Yankee Doodle came to town,
And pounded down a Dago;
Then stuck a feather in his hat,
And called it Santiago."—Ex.

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Mat Gering very kindly informed some of his friends Saturday that he would give the republicans a quit claim deed to Col. D. S. Guild. This suits republicans first rate, but we fear Matt's title may be called in question. When he got control of Mr. Guild so as to deed him away is not clear. We will have to look the matter up a little.

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The government will expedite the sailing of the transports with the captured Spaniards as much as possible. The president expects to get them off from Santiago by the 25th inst. This haste is to avoid the spread of yellow fever in Santiago.

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The Third Nebraska goes to Jacksonville, Florida, at once by fast trains and will become a part of Fitz Hugh Lee's command. It is said the regiment will form a part of the invading army which is to move on Porto Rico, within a few days. The boys will get all the fighting they want without a doubt, as Spain is far from ready to stop and accept peace on our terms.

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Northern Texas was swept by numerous hail and wind storms yesterday, which in some counties proved quite disastrous.

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Blanco has been renamed by the Americans and is now generally known as Broncho, an animal noted chiefly for its perversity and ability to pull the wrong way.

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Nearly forty Spanish vessels have been destroyed or captured by the American navy, while we have lost but one boat—the Maine. The gallant boys who went down are being avenged and no mistake.

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Judge Scott is at it again with his Gattling gun, labeled injunction. If injunctions were legislated out of existance some autocratic courts would have to resign. They could not stand it to do business so effectively disarmed, but if their power is to be continually used as a menace to legitimate business, the legislature will have to take it away from them.

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Cervera, so the telegraph says, attended Catholic church at Annapolis, Maryland, yesterday, and seems to be having about as good a time as anybody. To be a prisoner in America is better than every day life in Spain, and if old Vera doesn't know it, we will show him.

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The Oregon exploded one of her thirteen-inch shells on the deck of the Oquendo and the Spaniards say the deck was cleared, 120 men losing their lives in the twinkling of an eye. It was such slaughter as this which makes the American ships invincible.

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The official reports of the battles before Santiago show American losses in killed and wounded to have been 1,194. Two hundred and forty-six were killed, twenty-one of whom were officers.

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Boatswain Henri Hemple was in town Saturday making hay for Edmisten. Henry is hustling hard and we should like to see him succeed, for an easier man to beat than Edmisten would be hard to find.

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It is reported from Washington that Admiral Watson will make his first appearance at the island of Fernandino off the coast of Africa, where hundreds of Cubans are imprisoned. They will be set at liberty and the islands captured.

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Henry Hempel was mixing a good deal of medicine Saturday with the silver republicans and ancient unwashed democrats of the soft-shell variety. We shall expect something to happen very soon, unless the gun goes off prematurely and kicks over the gunner.

Nebraska Feeds the Wounded.

The State of Texas with its precious cargo of provisions collected by the World-Herald from Nebraska, South Dakota and Western Iowa, is doing a great work "at the front." The following dispatch was received yesterday by the executive committee of the Red Cross at New York city, dated Playa del Esta, July 15:

"Santiago has surrendered, came from the front yesterday in a pouring rain. Fever is suspected here. Siboney burned. Dr. Lesser, Mrs. Lesser and all their nurses are in the hospital two miles distant. I saw them today and all are doing well. Four army surgeons of the St. Paul are with us, there being no other provisions for them. We are feeding the refugees of Siboney. Many thousands at Eurmizia, by rail. Elwell is feeding 5,000 at Caney by army wagons and 20,000 by pack mules, fifteen miles travel. Commander McCalla of the Marblehead called yesterday for 100,000 rations, medicines and clothing for the refugees in the woods in the country surrounding Guantanamo.

"Nothing known of boats or aid of any other kind from any other source. State of Texas has fed all the wounded at the front and is helping them home.

"All members of the Red Cross are in perfect health and thoroughly organized.

"A telegram has been received from Red Cross Agent Kent at Jacksonville, which states that Colonel Maus, surgeon-in-chief, has just returned from Miami and reports much sickness there, with a need of milk and ice. The Red Cross launch Moynier, has been repaired and will be ready to leave Jacksonville Monday for Key West.

"Advices just received from Key West indicate that the Red Cross will reach Santiago, Tuesday next with the much needed supplies and surgeons." CLARA BARTON.

PLENTY OF MONEY NOW.

The Howl About Scarcity of Money is Shown to Have Been a Demo-pop Fake.

Washington, July 14.—The total subscriptions for the government war loan received up to 3 o'clock this afternoon, the time for closing the bids, amounted to $1,200,000,000, or six times the amount of the issue. The subscriptions represented by checks or other forms of remittance, it is estimated, will aggregate $750,000,000, or three and three-quarter times the amount of the loan. Early this week Assistant Secretary Vanderlip became convinced that the subscriptions of individuals would be more than enough to absorb the entire loan and gave instructions that checks representing the subscriptions of corporations and syndicates be returned to the senders tonight. It is thought at the treasury department that no individual subscriptions as high as $10,000 will receive an allotment of bonds.

During the entire month there has been an average of 15,000 subscriptions receiveid daily, and some days the number has exceeded 20,000. To handle this great amount of mail and to schedule the bids, a force of over 300 clerks has been constantly employed. It probably will be two or three days before it is known just what the size of the largest subscription which can be accepted will be

Mail to be Disinfected.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—The prevalence of yellow fever at Santiago has made it necessary, in view of the postoffice officials, to fumigate the mails coming from that city, and a machine has been sent to that city for that purpose. The fumigation will be very thorough. Every parcel will be allowed to come in contact with the disinfectant instead of subjecting it to the process while in sacks. The work will be in charge of persons belonging to some of the immune organizations.

A Lively Fishing Party.

The NEWS force with a few other local prints made up a party of eight that went up the river Sunday on a fishing excursion. We haven't seen any fish but we have heard of several escapades that were to thrilling to be funny for the chief actor. A sample incident occurred as follows: One of the boys was sleeping soundly in the boat, he was carefully picked up and dropped out in eight feet of water. He awoke before he struck bottom and came to the surface clawing madly in all directions. His partners helped him into the boat, but the awful shock and fright will probably turn his hair gray. Several other encounter with the old muddy were had hand to hand at short range but no one was drowned, and the finny occupants of the old river do not mourn the loss of any of their numbers.

Call for Congressional Convention First District.

The Peoples Independent Party of the First congressional district of Nebraska mill meet in delegate convention at Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska, on the 11th day of August, 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for congress for said district, and to transact such further business as shall come before the convention.

The basis of representation in this convention is the vote cast for Jefferson H. Broady, in the First congressional district in 1896. Each county will be entitled to one delegate for each two hundred votes, or major fraction therof then cast. Under this apportionment the several counties of the district are entitled, respectively, to the following number of delegates, to-wit: Cass, 12; Johnson, 6; Lancaster, 27; Nemaha, 9; Otoe, 13; Pawnee, 6; Richardson, 13.

It is recommended that alternates be elected for all delegates, and that the delegates present cast the full vote of their respective counties.

FRED SHEPPARD, Chairman.

Don't you forget the republican primaries to be held July 23.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

The republican electors of the state of Nebraska are requested to send delegates from their respective counties to meet in convention in the city of Lincoln, on Wednesday, August 10, 1898, at ten o'clock a. m, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices:

1. Governor.
2. Lieutenant governor.
3. Secretary of state.
4. Auditor of public accounts.
5. Treasurer.
6. Superintendent of public instruction.
7. Attorney-general.
8. Commissioner of public land and buildings.

And to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The several counties are entitled to representation as follows: The apportionment being based upon the vote cast for Hon. Albert J. Burnham, for presidential elector in 1896, giving each county one delegate at large and one for each 125 votes and a major fraction thereof:

COUNTIES.	DEL.	COUNTIES.	DEL.
Adams	15	Johnson	12
Antelope	9	Kimball	2
Banner	2	Knox	9
Blaine	1	Kearney	9
Boone	10	Keith	2
Box Butte	5	Keya Paha	3
Boyd	5	Lancaster	53
Brown	4	Lincoln	10
Buffalo	18	Logan	2
Burt	14	Loup	2
Butler	11	Madison	16
Cass	22	McPherson	1
Cedar	9	Merrick	9
Chase	5	Nance	7
Cherry	6	Nemaha	13
Cheyenne	5	Nuckolls	10
Clay	15	Otoe	21
Colfax	8	Pawnee	13
Cuming	11	Phelps	9
Custer	13	Perkins	2
Dakota	6	Pierce	6
Dawes	8	Platte	18
Dawson	10	Polk	3
Deuel	3	Red Willow	9
Dixon	8	Richardson	19
Dodge	21	Rock	4
Douglas	100	Sarpy	6
Dundy	3	Saline	18
Fillmore	14	Saunders	18
Franklin	8	Scott's Bluff	3
Frontier	7	Seward	15
Furnas	10	Sheridan	5
Gage	30	Sherman	4
Garfield	2	Sioux	2
Gosper	4	Stanton	6
Grant	2	Thayer	13
Greeley	4	Thomas	1
Hall	16	Thurston	5
Hamilton	12	Valley	7
Harlan	8	Washington	14
Hayes	3	Wayne	9
Hitchcock	4	Webster	10
Holt	8	Wheeler	2
Hooker	1	York	16
Howard	7		
Jefferson	14	Total	915

It is recommended that no proxies be admitted to the convention and that the delegation present be authorized to cast the entire vote of the delegation of the county which they represent.

It is requested that the county convention select their committeeman and perfect their county organization at the first convention counties in which two conventions are held.

DAVID H. MERCER,
Chairman.

ED. R. SIZER,
Secretary.

EIGHT MILE GROVE.

A. S. Will has about 400 head of hogs 100 of which are ready for market.

A. L. Cox's brother, Perry, has returned to Rawlins, Wyo., where he resides.

Mr. Lohnes is reaping his oats. Although it is badly lodged, he is determined to save some of it.

Thursday a Plattsmouthian, while traveling in an eastern direction, was hunting for his team, which left him at A. S. Will's place.

The NEWS is informed that D. K. Barr of this city intends to canvass Cass county school districts in the interest of good blackboards. Mr. Barr has had thirteen years' experience on that kind of work and has during that time done all of the blackboard work of the Plattsmouth city schools and his work has been without fault. Districts in need of new boards or old ones repaired, will do well to employ Mr. Barr.

Mr. Loder's store in Waverly was broken into last Saturday night and robbed of about $50 worth of merchandise. Mr. Loder procured bloodhounds at Lincoln and Sunday morning they tracked the robbers to Greenwood, but at this place lost it and were compelled to give up the chase.—Greenwood Record.

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