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FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1900.

ASK your friends to visit Plattsmouth the day of the log rolling.

SECRETARY MEIKLEJOHN tells the people at Washington that he anticipates Nebraska's going republican this year.

THERE is general rejoicing over the news from China that Conger is still alive.

THE American people are proud of the government's position on the Chinese question.

CHANCELLOR ANDREWS has taken up the work at the university. He will be formally inaugurated September 22.

JOHN CLARK RIDPATH the eminent American historian died in New York Tuesday at 5:30 p. m. He was sixty years old.

HAVE the silver republicans a right on the state ticket as such, is the question the supreme court will have to determine soon.

THE press of this and other countries speaks in the highest terms of the late King Humbert of Italy both as a man and as a ruler.

THE women and children scheduled to go to Beatrice for an outing at D. E. Thompson's expense number about 1,000. They anticipate a pleasant time.

MR. BRYAN is about the only one who talks as though he were really alarmed for fear this country will be converted into an empire in case the republican party is kept in power.

HON. E. WYMAN, a well known populist of Buffalo county, and a member of the last legislature, will have nothing to do with the fusionists this year. He will support McKinley and the republican state ticket.

THE prohibitionists are claiming C. H. Dietrich's nomination was dictated by the saloon element. Cass county gave him her entire vote in the convention, and she didn't feel as though she had been dictated to by any particular element.

THE withdrawal of F. W. Brown, candidate for the legislature on the fusion ticket from Lancaster county, has had a demoralizing effect upon the fusionists. R. S. Mosekott, candidate for county attorney, has also signified his intention to withdraw from the ticket.

REPUBLICANS of Cass county are not apologizing for the nominations made. They are pleased with their state ticket and will work for it. Burkett is bound to get a large vote in the county and district, and with a strong county ticket they will go into the fight in excellent spirits, expecting to win a decisive victory.

READ Hon. E. J. Burkett's letter to his honorable opponent, G. W. Berge, which appears in this issue. He states fully his reasons for not caring to accept Mr. Berge's challenge to public debate. He expects to spend more time working than he does talking. These challenges are usually looked upon as largely "blow and bluff," and should be treated accordingly. Mr. Burkett is to be commended for his good judgment.

THE Bee says: The latest news from the orient shows conclusively that the United States government had formed a more correct conclusion of the situation of affairs in China than any of the great powers. The events of the last few years have tended to convince the world that this country is a force to be reckoned with in the naval, military and diplomatic world. In all the history of this nation there has not been another administration which has done so much to better the standing of this country, both at home and abroad, as that of William McKinley.

FRANK HOLDEN, book keeper for the Commercial Land company of Omaha, was over from Weeping Water today looking for men to work in the quarries at that place. They are working fifty men and need a dozen more badly. Mr. Holden was at Springfield, Louisiana and Cedar Creek before coming to Plattsmouth, but failed to get much help at those points. He said some of the fellows at Cedar Creek acted as though they wanted to run him out of town, as they have no men to spare. The company pays \$1.50 and \$1.75 a day, and if there is anyone in the city wanting work he had better apply to Mr. Holden.

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BURKETT ANSWERS BERGE

Tells Him the Situation Will Do All Necessary Talking.

Congressman E. J. Burkett has given out his answer to the request for a series of joint debates by G. W. Berge, fusion nominee for congress in the Third district. The letter is as follows:

LINCOLN, Neb., July 25.—Hon. G. W. Berge, Lincoln, Neb.—Dear Sir: Your communication of recent date has been duly received although I had previously read it in the "press." Inasmuch as you ask an early reply I hasten to answer. As yet I am not certain just what sort of a campaign will be advisable. The people are quite busy. The farmers are watching the price of grain, wondering if it ever would stop. The laboring men are all employed on full time and good wages, and I question whether they will have time or inclination to listen to much political talk. The business situation in general is such that I rather surmise it will do some very effective talking and thus relieve us of some of the burdens in that line. You say that since the last campaign some new issues have arisen, and that the people should know where we stand. The republican platform this year is clear and explicit. I could neither add to nor take from it. I stand on that platform. You suggest that I have placed myself on record upon these questions. I admit it. I am on record upon every question that came up in congress, for I never dodged a vote during my service and I believe I never missed but one roll call—my absence then being unavoidable, but as I had previously voted upon the same question I think I am on record in every instance. Of course I do not expect you to endorse my record. I did not make it with that in view. I usually voted in the affirmative and thus helped make legislation, and of course with any affirmative action I have come responsibility. Your party always voted in the negative and against everything, and of course is responsible for nothing that is. It would not be (fusion) politics for your party to endorse anything that the republican party does. They must find out in it all. Their candidates are nominated for that purpose.

I thank you for the personal compliment you pay me and am glad to have you believe my motives were right, even though you cannot endorse the result. I notice you state you expect to attack my record as a member of congress, and you ask me to be present to defend it. I prefer that my record shall speak for itself and that those who watched my course shall defend it for me if it needs it. It would be rather vain in me to spend my time talking about myself and what I had done. I prefer rather to talk about plans and work for the future. I have in mind some things in my district that I am very anxious to accomplish at another session, and I shall spend a great portion of the summer and fall getting those things in proper shape. I have quite a number of pension bills now pending that I want to get evidence to support. I have some public building bills that I must prepare for. There are some more rural mail routes that I have to attend to locating, there are some more improvements around our Lincoln postoffice building that I hope to obtain, besides many other matters of importance to which I must give attention. I must not neglect the people's business altogether, even for so pleasant a pastime as campaigning. I expect to devote adequate time to the discussion of the great national questions, but prefer not to divide that time and desire to arrange my meetings in harmony with my other official duties. As to my record, however, I might say in passing that I never voted against a pension bill. I never voted against a proposition for better mail service to our people in the west. I always gave a helping hand to the "free homes" bill, the "anti-margarine" bill, and for every appropriation or bill that was for the benefit of our district and state. I prefer to let a thousand veterans, whose claims I have assisted to settle, tell my "pension views." I will leave it to the farmers in the several counties where rural mail routes have been established to defend my record on that point, to the people of the towns along the Missouri river, where \$250,000 will be expended by the government for improvements, to defend me there. The dairymen and butter producers will tell the people whether or not I am hostile to their industry. I have a certificate of thanks under seal tendered by laboring men for assistance in legislation effecting their interests. The above persons I prefer to defend my record if it needs it. I voted for the gold standard bill because I believed in it, and had promised the people I would do so before election. Two thousand, four hundred and ninety-six more voters in this district endorsed the gold standard in 1898 than did free silver. I voted for the only Nicaragua canal bill that came before congress, and will keep on voting for a canal while the people leave me in congress, or until the canal is built. I voted for every anti-trust bill and constitutional amendment, and shall continue to do so until we get proper and sufficient legislation upon our statute books. I voted for the bill providing a territorial government for Hawaii and likewise for the civil government of Porto Rico. My vote in the future, as in the past, on all questions, will be for advancement and prosperity, liberty, equality and humanity. I shall vote to keep every pledge the government ever made, to uphold our national dignity and honor at home and abroad, and to maintain inviolate every treaty made, and to shirk no responsibility imposed by such. As you

say, you probably do not agree with me in this, but I presume I could never convince you even should I debate with you.

You seem to fear that the people will not know just where each of us stand upon the issues of the campaign, but you give the people too little credit. I am sure it is not due to them to be rebuffed for their "supposed" stupidity. Never doubt that they are alive to us both, and will know all about us and our positions long before election.

They will no doubt find out that your twin bugaboos of imperialism and militarism belong to the same family of imaginary horrors as the McCleary bill did two years ago, (which nobody heard mentioned after the election), and are only raised now to cover up the egregious blunders of the past, and to make people forget, if possible, the ridiculous prophecies and false arguments on free silver of past campaigns. I do not believe a debate is necessary in order that the people shall find out whom they desire to elect nor how we stand on the issues; neither do I believe it would be interesting or edifying to the people.

As I said at the beginning I had already formed my plans for the fall by harmonizing my campaigning with the official business as much as possible. I am not inclined to alter previous determination. I must therefore beg to decline your kind invitation. With kindest personal regards, I am, yours truly, E. J. BURKETT.

REDUCING COUNTY'S DEBT.
County Treasurer J. L. Barton today paid seven \$1,000 bonds on the court house and the accumulated interest, amounting to \$1,300. It will be remembered that the total amount for which the county was bonded was \$80,000. None of the principal was paid till last January, when it was reduced \$15,000, which with the \$7,000 just paid leaves a balance of \$68,000 still due. Another payment will be made in February.

Several months ago the county commissioners surrendered the original 5 per cent bonds and issued in their stead ones bearing but 4 per cent and giving the county the option of reducing the principal in August and September as much as desired. At the present rate Cass county will soon be entirely free from debt.

INFORMATION AND OPINION.

John Dixon of Nebraska City has been selected as secretary of the First district congressional committee. Mr. Dixon is familiar with the district and his experience in politics will make him a valuable assistant to Chairman T. C. Munger.—State Journal.

The German manufacturers who gave the Kaiser three automobiles were brave men. Suppose one of the machines should have enough less majesty about it to play one of the familiar automobile tricks on his majesty?

As an example of the fickleness of the Chinese character, London Daily Mail says an admirable mission may have been carried on in a city for twenty years. Its hospital may have relieved thousands incurable by native doctors. Its agents may have built up a successful church. And yet some day a fierce anti-foreign patriarch comes along and whispers his stories in greedy ears. A great mob gathers, the mission station is stormed and those not lucky enough to slip off are tortured and cut in 100 places. Next day the mob is very sorry for what it has done and perhaps turns on the instigator.

Lieutenant Hobson recently started for San Francisco, but was obliged to stop off at Yokohama to consult a Japanese specialist for his eyes. He is afflicted with oriental ophthalmia, which disease is also troubling others of our officers and men in the Philippines.

A Shelby county justice of the peace whose residence and civil district adjoin the Mississippi state line, had an abnormal appreciation of the responsibility of the office, and never lost an opportunity to exercise his prerogative of demanding that peace be preserved. One day his son and a hired man got to fighting on a stretch of the farm near the fence which separated the two states. The old gentleman mounted the fence, and with an air of authority, commanded: "In the name of the state of Tennessee I demand peace." Just then the fence gave way, and as he went down with the fence toppling to the Mississippi side, he yelled to his son: "Give 'em hell, Billy! I've lost my jurisdiction!"

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RIDPATH IS NO MORE

Eminent Historian Passes Away at New York.

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Educated at Old Asbury, Which Graduated Him in 1863—His Important Literary Works.

New York, Aug. 1.—John Clark Ridpath died in the Presbyterian hospital at 5:30 p. m. yesterday from a complication of diseases. He had been a patient in the hospital since April 26. At the time of his death his wife and son, S. E. Ridpath, were at the bedside. The body was later removed from the hospital.

John Clark Ridpath, L. L. D., the historian, was born in Putnam county, Ind., in April, 1841. There was not at that time a wagon road within three miles of the log cabin in which he was born. His parents were from Christiansburg, Va. His mother was a descendant of Samuel Matthews, one of the colonial governors of Virginia.

Graduated from Old Asbury. He was graduated from Asbury (now DePauw) university in 1863, taking first honors. After serving as principal of an academy at Thornton,



Ind., and as superintendent of public schools at Lawrenceburg, he was called, in 1869, to the chair of English literature at DePauw. His career as a professor in the university was distinguished. He was transferred later to the chair of history and political philosophy. He became a conspicuous figure in the college world. He distinguished himself by his ability to think clearly, speak fluently and write masterfully.

Published His First Book.

In 1875 he published his first book, an "Academic History of the United States." It was an immediate success. It still holds its place as a text book in many schools. In 1876 he published his "Popular History of the United States," a large octavo volume, of which more than 400,000 copies have been sold. It has been published also in German. He wrote the "Life and Work of Garfield," of which 85,000 copies were sold. His "Cyclopedia of Universal History" was published in 1885 in four octavo volumes. It is a monument to the author's power of generalization and to the breadth and accuracy of his historical vision. More than 150,000 sets of this history have been sold.

Devotes His Time to Authorship.

In 1885 he resigned his professorship in DePauw, and the vice presidency of the university, in order that he might devote his whole time to the profession of authorship. In 1885 he published his "Life and Work of James G. Blaine," a large octavo volume, of which more than 400,000 copies have been sold. He was engaged for ten years in preparing the material and four years in writing this work. In 1898 he published his "Life and Times of Gladstone," and a supplement to the "History of All Nations" for Webster's Dictionary. He was for a time editor of The Arena magazine of Boston. His monographs are numerous.

In 1896 he consented unwillingly to run for congress on the Democratic ticket in his home district in Indiana. Though he ran ahead of his ticket he was defeated by a small majority. In recent years he had been engaged in the preparation of a complete and elaborate history of the United States.

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Let well enough alone.

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Worth but fifty cents.
We'll stick ter the gold ones.
Thank ye. No offense.

Wants ter pull our flag down
Over 'cross the sea.
Thank ye, Mr. Bryan.
"Let her float," sez we.

Talks about the trusts—some!
(Doesn't mention ice.)
Thank ye, Mr. Bryan.
Stay right where ye be.

—A. J. Burdick, in Buffalo Evening News.

CALL FOR COUNTY CONVENTION.

The republican electors of Cass county are hereby called to meet in convention at Weeping Water, Neb., on Saturday, August 25, 1900, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices, viz:

County attorney, one senator, two members for the legislature, one member of board of county commissioners from First district, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The committee recommends that there be no proxies allowed, one delegate from each precinct or ward cast the full vote.

The primaries to select delegates to said convention will be held on Saturday, August 11. Representation is based upon vote cast for governor in 1898, being one delegate for each twelve votes or major fraction thereof and one delegate at large for each precinct or ward.

Following is given the time and place for holding primaries and number of delegates to which each ward or precinct is entitled:

Precinct	Voting Place	Time	No. Del.
Avoca	Avoca	8	3
Center	Center	8	3
Elmwood	Murdock S. H.	5	11
High Mile Grove	High Mile S. H.	4	8
Greenwood	Alto	4	8
Liberty	Lynn's hall	3	12
Louisville	Louisville S. H.	8	12
Mr. Pleasant	Pleasant View S. H.	7	6
North Bend	North Bend S. H.	4	11
Plattsmouth	Taylor S. H.	8	8
Plattsmouth 1st	1st Ward S. H.	4	9
Plattsmouth 2d	2d Ward S. H.	4	9
Plattsmouth 3d	3d Ward S. H.	4	9
Plattsmouth 4th	4th Ward S. H.	4	9
Plattsmouth 5th	5th Ward S. H.	4	9
Rock Bluffs 1st	1st Ward S. H.	7	9
Rock Bluffs 2d	2d Ward S. H.	7	9
Salt Creek	Lennon's hall	8	9
Stove Creek	Hubb's office house	7	6
South Bend	South Bend S. H.	4	12
Tipton	Tipton S. H.	4	9
Weeping Water	Weeping Water S. H.	4	9
Weeping Water 1st	1st Ward S. H.	8	5
Weeping Water 2d	2d Ward S. H.	8	5
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