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DEMOCRATS IN CONVENTION

The Work of the Convention Last Monday Will Be Endorsed at the Polls.

A VERY STRONG TICKET IS NOMINATED

Men for the Legislature Who Will Serve the People Well.

A BUSINESS MAN FOR COMMISSIONER

For Fleet Representative—Otto and Cass Counties—CHAS. C. PARMELE, Plattsmouth.

For State Senator—FRED GORDER, Weeping Water.

For Representatives—D. J. PITTMAN, Murray; GEO. A. TOWLE, Wabash.

For Commissioner—Third District—W. E. ROSENCRANS, Elmwood.

The democrats of Cass county met in delegate convention at the court house, in this city, on Monday last for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various positions to be voted for on the 8th day of November next. A caucus was held in the equity court room at 11 o'clock, at which O. H. Allen of Wabash was selected as chairman, and John M. Leyda as secretary. The various committees were appointed, as follows, to-wit:

Order of business.—H. R. Gering, J. Stone, John Brown, D. O. Dwyer, and Walter E. Pailing.

Committee on credentials.—E. T. Comer, W. B. Banning, and D. C. McEntee.

Committee on resolutions.—C. S. Wortman, M. A. Bates and Will Keiser.

After which the convention adjourned to 1:30 p. m., to meet in the circuit court room.

Promptly at 1:30 the convention met in the court room, and those present had the pleasure of listening to a half hour's talk from Hon. Hugh LaMaster, the fusion candidate for congress.

The speaker is a young man of fine appearance, and he demonstrated to those present that he contained all the necessary requirements to fill the position for which he is a candidate. He is a fine talker and well posted upon the issues which confront the people in this campaign. This was Mr. LaMasters' first visit to this city, and the democrats generally were well pleased with him. He expects to make several speeches in Cass during the campaign, dates and places for which will appear later.

After Mr. LaMaster finished talking the convention was called to order, and on motion the temporary officers were made permanent.

The name of Fred Gorder of Weeping Water was presented for state senator, and amid great enthusiasm, the nomination was made by acclamation. The names of D. J. Pittman of Murray and George Towle of Wabash were presented for representatives in the lower house of the legislature, and they were both nominated in the same manner as Mr. Gorder.

The delegate's from the Third commissioner's district met at 1 o'clock for the purpose of nominating a candidate for that position. The names of Walter E. Pailing of Greenwood, and W. E. Rosencrans of Elmwood, were presented, and the ballot resulted in 17 votes for Mr. Pailing and 21 for Mr. Rosencrans. This nomination was unanimously ratified by the county convention.

The names of Judge B. S. Ramsey and D. O. Dwyer were presented for county attorney, neither of whom would accept. Judge Ramsey made a most effective and appropriate speech in his declination. Among the delegates from the various sections of the county were numerous old neighbors and friends of Judge Ramsey of long standing, who were eager to have him accept this nomination in order to once more show their appreciation of his excellent qualities for the office, as well as the esteem in which he is held by them generally.

After the nominations came the selection of a county central committee. Henry R. Gering, who served so manfully, heroically and faithfully for the past year, declined to serve another term on account of business interests, and M. A. Bates was chosen to fill the place. The county committee,

as selected from the various precincts, is as follows:

Tipton—Ed Betts.
Greenwood—George P. Foreman.
South Bend—O. W. Zaar.
Center—John Tighe.
Avoca—M. M. Straub.
Eight Mile Grove—W. H. Seybert.
Liberty—W. B. Banning.
Plattsmouth—G. W. Snyder.
Elmwood—O. H. Allen.
Weeping Water—A. J. Box.
Louisville—Theo. Heim.
Mt. Pleasant—F. M. Massie.
Nehawka—J. A. Pollard.
West Rock Bluffs—Geo. H. Manners.
East Rock Bluffs—George Smith.
Stove Creek—George Carnahan.
Salt Creek—W. E. Pailing.
Plattsmouth City—First ward, Ed Fitzgerald; Second ward, William Neville; Third ward, D. C. McEntee; Fourth ward, Henry Ofe; Fifth ward, John Lutz.

The following resolutions were read and adopted unanimously and enthusiastically by the convention:

We, the democrats of Cass county in delegate convention assembled, reaffirm our allegiance to the principles of Jefferson, Jackson and Bryan.

We unhesitatingly endorse the St. Louis platform, and that courageous lover of law and the constitution, Alton B. Parker.

We equally endorse our own state platform, and Candidate Berge. The issue in this state is the issue between corporation rule versus people's rule; between extravagance versus economy; in short, between Mickeyism, Deitrichism, and Railroadism on the one hand, versus equal rights to all and special privileges to none on the other hand.

Our candidate, G. W. Berge, stands for the motto: Equal and exact justice to all.

He favors the repeal of the present iniquitous revenue law that has raised the taxes of the farmer and small property owner almost beyond his endurance to bear, and out of proportion to corporate property; and he favors in substitution therefor, a law that will place the burdens of taxation in this state equally and justly on all the people owning all forms of property, whether farm, corporate or personal.

He favors a bill similar to the Brady bill, that does not conspire against the farmer when he sells his grain, and put him at the mercy of a heartless combination formed by the railroads and the elevator trust. Equal opportunities to all in this.

He believes that the governor of this state, instead of declaiming against certain forms of amendment, should have the manhood to stand erect, and should not be dictated to by the Standard Oil trust in choosing a state inspector of oils.

He is opposed to a public official carrying a railroad pass, believing that such passes are given only to those officials who can give favors in return.

We invite republicans and men of all parties who are dissatisfied with their candidate to come to our candidate, believing that he possesses the fewest possible party objections of any man ever named for that office. Berge is as much entitled to the votes of all good citizens in Nebraska, as Folk is in Missouri, or LaFollette in Wisconsin.

We pledge our legislative candidates to assist Governor Berge in case of election, in carrying out these reforms.

We view with alarm the extravagance of the last republican legislature, that increased our state indebtedness more than a million dollars, being far beyond the limits fixed by the constitution; and we point with pride to the fact that under fusion administration that debt was reduced instead of increased.

We pledge our candidates not to imitate the republican legislature which squandered the people's time and money in choosing the Union Pacific railroad's United States senator and the Burlington & Missouri railroad's United States senator, but to assist in speedily selecting for United States senator the man most popular with the democratic masses of this state.

Immediately after the adjournment of the convention, the populists of Cass county met in the sheriff's office and endorsed the nomination of every man on the democratic ticket. Several of the leading populists of the party were present, including D. W. Foster, L. G. Todd and George W. Strader.

Our Candidates.

Fred Gorder, the nominee for state senator, is a resident of Weeping Water, and is favorably known in various sections of Cass county. He is a business man in the fullest sense of the term, and one of good, sound judgment. He possesses every requirement to represent the county as it should be represented in the Nebraska senate. That he will favor everything that is calculated to benefit the great yeomanry of the land, goes without saying. His interests have long been identified with their interests. Those who know Fred Gorder best estimate his excellent qualities very highly. He is just the man for senator, and will always be found battling for the best interests. He deserves the support of every man who desires to see "the right man in the right place."

D. J. Pittman, of Murray, nominated for one of the representatives, is a farmer, and one who has the respect and confidence of all who know him. For several years he was connected with J. A. Walker, also of Murray,

in the grain business at that place, but was "frozen out" by the grain elevator trust, which has so harassed the farmers of Nebraska in recent years, and was compelled to sell his business. Mr. Pittman is one of the best men in the county, and you can bet your bottom dollar that, if elected, he will stand up and defend the rights of the farmers wherever they have been infringed upon by the corruption of republican legislation. And no one is in a better position to know the infamous schemes by which the elevator trust has gained the upper hand of the farmers of Cass county than Mr. Pittman.

Geo. A. Towle, of Wabash, is the running mate of Mr. Pittman for representative. Mr. Towle is a gentleman well qualified for the position for which he is the democratic nominee. Those who know him best say that he is just the man for the place, and they praise him very highly, both as a man of excellent qualifications for the position and as a citizen. Mr. Towle, like Mr. Pittman, pledged himself to vote against the anti-farmers elevator law, and also for the repeal of the infamous revenue law. Both Mr. Pittman and Mr. Towle are prosperous farmers. The latter, like the former, was also "frozen out" of the grain business by the elevator trust.

The delegates selected by the Louisville convention to the democratic float convention met at the house in this city Monday, in connection with representatives from Otoe county, and unanimously nominated C. C. Parmele of this city for representative. The nomination is one that reflects great credit upon the convention. Mr. Parmele is a gentleman in every sense of the term, and one in whom the people who know him have great confidence. His integrity is beyond reproach. He was born and reared in Cass county, and has always favored that which he deemed best for the county at large. Mr. Parmele, if elected, and the Journal believes he will be, will stand up manfully and defend the rights of his constituents, and will prove a most valuable member of that body. No man has more interests at stake in Cass county than Mr. Parmele, and being one of the safest and best business men in the county, we believe it is the duty of those who desire all classes favorably represented in the legislature to cast their votes for Mr. Parmele.

W. E. Rosencrans, who received the nomination for commissioner, is a resident of Elmwood, where he has resided for eighteen years. He is comparatively a young man, of prepossessing traits of character. His long residence in Elmwood, and his excellent methods of citizenship, has won for him the esteem and confidence of all who know him. He demonstrated to the people of Plattsmouth during his stay in our city that he was a man of sterling qualities, and just the candidate to down Schneider's elevator trust candidate for the same position. Mr. Rosencrans expects to visit the various sections of the county in the next few weeks, and our word for it, the more the people see of him the more favorably impressed they become with him.

We do not feel like closing up this article on the convention's doings without speaking a word of praise for Walter E. Pailing, who was brought out by his friends for the position for which Mr. Rosencrans was nominated. Mr. Pailing is not only one of the best citizens of Cass county, but he is also one of the most highly respected citizens, and had his friends been successful in securing the nomination, he would have proved a strong candidate and we have not the least doubt would have been elected. He is deserving of considerable recognition at the hands of the democracy of Cass county, and we hope to see him placed in such a position at some time in the very near future.

In conclusion, the Journal desires to impress upon the minds of all who desire good, clean men elected to these positions, the necessity of pulling off their coats and going to work for this ticket. The only way to down Schneider and his elevator trust here in Nebraska is for the farmers who are opposed to such nefarious schemers to elect men in whom they have the utmost faith will vote against such laws as the anti-farmers trust law and also the iniquitous revenue law, which grinds the many for the benefit of the few.

Foot Ball Game.

The high school team of this city and a team from Nebraska City will display their activity on the ball park grounds next Saturday. This will be an interesting sight, as our boys are in excellent trim and those of Nebraska City are said to be in the same condition. Make your arrangements to attend this interesting game.

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REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

The Plattsmouth Republican Ring Gets in Its Work in Great Shape.

The republicans of Cass county met in delegate convention at Elmwood on Saturday last, and as was predicted by the Journal several weeks since the machine, or, in other words, the Plattsmouth republican ring, secured complete control of the whole business and nominated the entire slate ticket with the single exception of His Whiskers, Turner Zink, for county commissioner for the Third district. At the time the Journal published the ticket fixed up here in Plattsmouth it was their intention to have the present member from the Third district renominated, but as the convention day drew nearer the more they realized the impossibility of his election by the people of the entire county.

The ticket the Journal said would be nominated is as follows: Senator, George P. Sheldon; county attorney, C. A. Rawls; representatives, William Deles Dernier and W. E. Hand. Sheldon and Deles Dernier are the present incumbents, and were renominated by acclamation, although the delegates did not seem very enthusiastic for the latter, and after Captain Sheldon had made his acceptance speech, in which he defended the present iniquitous revenue law, many went away from the convention hall saying that it would have been far better had they selected some one else.

Rawls, the nominee for county attorney, on whom a hard light was made here in Plattsmouth, and who went out of his home town and precinct without even one delegate, did not deter the ring in their efforts to land the nomination on him. No sooner had he been signally downed in Plattsmouth than the ring began its systematic maneuvering with the result as above stated. Ever since the election two years ago the ring has had its eye upon Rawls as their candidate for county attorney, and while apparently the machine has lost its grip in this city, it appears to have held on manfully in other sections of the county.

When we noted the ring bosses as they boarded the train for Elmwood, we said to ourselves: "Farewell, Jake, another trip up Salt Creek." It has come to that point that you must promise what the ring wants you to do, or you can't get on the republican ticket in Cass county.

Every intelligent voter in Cass county knows the records of Senator Sheldon and William Deles Dernier. Their every act in the last session of the legislature is fresh in their minds—how they voted for the present revenue law and against the interests of the farmers of Cass county by voting against the Brady elevator bill. The Italian of R. B. Schneider, president of the grain trust, has been not only magnificently displayed in these two renominations, but also in the selection of W. E. Hand, who has been a grain dealer at Greenwood for many years.

E. F. Marshall, who was nominated to succeed Zink as commissioner, is also a grain dealer in Weeping Water, and it might possibly be his services in that capacity the grain dealer's trust, through the manipulations of Schneider, the head center of that combination, had something to do with his nomination also.

It would appear that the entire legislative ticket was engineered through the convention by the same old Plattsmouth ring, at the instance of Rufe Schneider, the political grain trust boss of Nebraska. If the farmers of Cass county want such men elected to represent them in the next legislature they will vote for the ticket nominated at Elmwood last Saturday. But if they want good, clean men—men who are pledged to vote against the nefarious revenue law, and also vote for a law similar to, or the same as the Brady elevator bill, they will vote for the splendid ticket nominated by the democrats in this city on Monday last.

We have faith in the intelligence of the farmers of Cass county, and do not believe that they will continue to be hoodwinked by the label of "Republican Ticket," when it comes to downing such schemes as perpetrated by the followers of Rufe Schneider, president of the national grain trust, who is now running the republican party in Nebraska so far as the nomination and election of members of the legislature are concerned.

Incidents by the Wayside.

Some of the party left here more enthusiastic than they returned.

It would appear the head center of the Plattsmouth ring remained at home, but his man Friday was there while he engineered the editorial department of the News "for that day only."

It is said that sufficient money exactly to the cent was collected to pay for the car. Strange, so close, isn't it?

One delegate wanted milk so badly on the return trip that Mapes was compelled to get him a nursing bottle at Union. He should get weaned before going from home again.

Sheriff McBride returned in the same car with the delegates, and the man who wanted him removed to the caboose by the conductor didn't succeed in his effort. Pure spite work.

This same fellow rode in a car chartered by the democrats to Weeping Water four years ago, and did they want him to "get out?" Not much.

DEATH OF KATHERINE AGNEW

Another Bright Flower is Cut Down White in Full Bloom.

The Journal in its last issue, stated that Miss Katherine Agnew was lying at the family home in Lincoln, seriously ill of typhoid fever, and that all hope of her recovery had been abandoned. After the Journal had gone to press news was received in this city that she had passed away the night previous—Wednesday, September 21, 1904.

Miss Agnew was reared in Plattsmouth, where she was loved by all. In her death the family loss is great. Having just entered into the full bloom of beautiful womanhood, her loss can only be fully estimated by mother and sisters, who were her daily associates. Who of you have lost a bright flower by the fatal hand of death? Those who have not can never realize the loss of such a flower as Kithie Agnew was. In this busy, bustling world death to some seems to be of but a small matter, but the mother who has reared a tiny flower in its lonely prison and saw its beautiful bloom expanding fairer and sweeter every day can feel for the bereaved mother. Few people fully realize the full meaning of death. It is something that comes to darken the homes of the living for many months and years. After death the bright eyes of the departed are not there to greet mother or sisters—you hear no more that angel voice. Children are like the sun in our homes. They are like the spring—they bring laughter and song; they soften and humanize us, they make us strive to be what they believe us, and from infancy ever upon their tiny heads rests the immortal and consoling benediction of the Master, who said, "For such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Kithie Agnew sleeps near the home of her birth, veiled with flowers no brighter than her starry eyes nor more raven than her shining hair. Her classmates sent farewell offerings, radiant as themselves, to lay upon her green pillow and the will of God's here is conserved by one angel more. And into the darkened home she has left, where the very silence is eloquent of her, what sacred and exquisite memories will abide with the stricken. Memories the years will but make more tender and less sad, for Love rears its altar in the heart and there she worships forever the nursing angels who have glorified in her dreams.

"Tis hard for mother and sisters to thus even in death, to part forever with such a loving daughter and sister; 'tis hard for her former classmates, who knew her excellent qualities so well, to know that they will never greet that radiant, smiling countenance again. May the bereaved mother seek comfort in the fact that her darling daughter is now mingling with the angels on high where happiness is supreme.

The remains were brought to this city and interment made in Oak Hill cemetery last Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m., where all that was mortal of Kithie Agnew, the once bright and happy girl, was laid to rest, there to await the resurrection morn. The funeral cortege was one of the largest that ever attended the funeral of any one in this city.

The pall bearers were Messrs. Henry R. Gering, H. E. Weldman, H. F. Goswami, W. B. Elster, Fritz Eriek and Rea Patterson.

Among the out of town friends who attended the funeral were S. H. Atwood and family, Miss Grace Salisbury, and Earl and Clark Roth of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Swanson and William Baker of Council Bluffs, Ia.; Thomas Evans and wife of St. Joseph, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newell, of Alliance, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. James Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Atwood and D. H. Baker of Omaha.

A Boy's Wild Ride for Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, eighteen miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma; but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis, coughs, colds and grip prove its matchless merit for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store.

Coach Excursions

To the world's fair at St. Louis. Every Tuesday and Thursday during August and September. Seven days' limit, \$8.50 for the round trip, via the Missouri Pacific Railway.

For Sale!

A rubber-tired go-cart and lady's bicycle, both in splendid repair. Inquire at the Journal office.

PROVE PAYING INVESTMENT

Why Not Have a Sanitarium Right Here in Plattsmouth?

Scarcely a day passes over that some one or two are not taken to Omaha or Lincoln for treatment in some sanitarium or hospital, and on an average of at least \$100 for each patient paid out for treatment. Every time an operation becomes necessary to remove a tumor or appendix the patient is carried to either one of these places, when if we had a hospital here loving friends could visit them often, without the additional expense of railroad fare, hotel bills, etc.

That we could support an institution of this kind, the Journal does not entertain the least doubt. All hotels and sanitariums should be built where the patients can have quiet, and at the same time city conveniences; especially in this true of sanitariums for mild forms of mental and nerve troubles, operative cases, etc.; at the same time such patients, when convalescent, need in addition attractive surroundings, pleasing views, large grounds in which to stroll, and well away from even private homes. Where can you put your finger upon a place possessing such requirements to a greater degree than Plattsmouth?

Plattsmouth's advantages for such an institution are second to no other city. The surroundings are beautiful. Situated upon land overlooking the Missouri river, one never viewed finer scenery. Strangers who visit our city pronounce it beautiful, and say that Colorado, with her snow-capped mountains, cannot present a more beautiful view. Why, a sanitarium with the advantages, the surroundings, the beautiful landscape Plattsmouth could furnish, would offer a retreat of hope not only for ourselves, but to strangers less fortunate.

Every time one of our citizens shows symptoms of mental disturbances, the result probably of disease or nervous prostration, they are taken sometimes far away from home and loved ones, when they only need the quiet and soothing influences of just such a retreat as might so easily be erected here, instead of being fastened within the walls of the insane asylums, to associate with the wild, vicious, obscene and hopelessly demented, only to become just such an one later on.

For some time such an institution has been discussed, but no one seems to have taken the lead in such a proposition. The Journal has often thought of the matter and of laying the same before its readers for further consideration, and would suggest that the commercial club of the city at its next meeting talk over the matter and see if they cannot start the ball to rolling in that direction. There are physicians right here who would perhaps take hold of such an enterprise and help boost it along. There is nothing like an effort, and we believe all will believe as we do, that it would be a great saving to the afflicted and also to their friends. Will the commercial club move in the matter?

Death of Mrs. Rouse.

Mrs. Rouse, wife of the manager of the poor farm, died at Immanuel hospital in Omaha on Thursday, September 22, 1904. Three weeks previous she was taken to Omaha to be operated upon for gall stones, and a few days before her death encouraging reports as to early recovery were received. Mrs. Rouse was a most estimable lady, and leaves a husband, two sons, two daughters and one brother to mourn her death. A large circle of friends in Cass county deeply sympathize with the bereaved husband and children in this, the hour of their sad bereavement. The remains were conveyed to the former home of the family at Greenwood for interment.

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