

## ENTHUSIASTIC DEMOCRATS IN CONVENTION

### Optomistic, Harmonious and Sanguine of Success, They Select Delegates for the National Meeting at Denver July 6

National Committeeman—Dr. P. L. Hall of Lancaster county.

National convention delegates: At-Large—J. J. Dunn, Douglas county; F. W. Brown, Lancaster; D. V. Stevens, Dodge; F. J. Hale, Holt.

Electors-at-Large—M. F. Harrington, Holt; Henry Gering, Cass.

District delegates and electors: First District—John Morehead, Richardson; Monroe T. Conner, Nemaha.

Alternates—John K. Henniger, Pawnee; George Warren, Johnson.

Presidential Elector—R. E. Watzke, Richardson.

Second District—George Rogers Rogers, Douglas; Dr. J. W. McCann, Douglas.

Alternates—Tom Kelly, Washington; C. A. Peterson, Sarpy.

Presidential Elector—Sophus Nebel, Douglas.

Third District—Phil H. Kohl, Wayne; W. A. Smith, Cuming.

Alternates—Ben Saunders, Knox; Jas. Hughes, Colfax.

Presidential Elector—Douglas Shawvan, Boone.

Fourth District—F. J. Gerke, Seward; Bartholemew Koehler, Fillmore.

Alternates—Charles Krumbach, Polk; John Byrne, Thayer.

Presidential Elector—Tom Smith, Hamilton.

Fifth District—Benjamin Scroggins, Nuckolls; C. E. Harmon, Phelps.

Alternates—R. D. Logan, Nuckolls; James Bell, Franklin.

Presidential Elector—D. F. Swanson, Clay.

Sixth District—A. W. Morrissey Cherry; James R. Swain, Greeley.

Alternates—Joseph Oberfelder, Cheyenne; A. I. Woodson, Dawson.

Presidential Elector—A. D. Cameron, Greele.

The democratic state convention which met in Omaha yesterday will be remembered as one of the most harmonious gatherings in the history of Nebraska democracy. Every delegate's Mecca was the same—Bryan. All sore spots, all slights, all rivalry for honors were forgotten in the magic name.

Everything was arranged during the morning hours in caucuses of county and districts delegation. The congressional conventions met as per arrangement and each presented his favorite son. But the second ballot showed that most of this was complimentary and that the real selection had been arranged in advance.

#### Fusion With the Populists.

The populist had arranged between the state committees of their party and the democrats that there should be fusion on the electors. The democrats were to have four and the populists four. It did not work out quite so, for the populists got but three, some of them doubtful. Thirty-seven delegates were elected to the national convention at St. Louis on April 2.

The stand of George W. Berge was applauded, and it was resolved that the populists would like the names of Berge placed on the primary ticket as one of these to be voted on. They felt that this was all the endorsement they cared to make at this time.

The resolutions of the democrats were read by Chairman Hanks to the immense audience which had gathered to listen to the evening speech of W. J. Bryan. Some minor resolutions were read by members of the committee, one of which was re-affirmation of the candidacy of W. J. Bryan.

#### Loyalty to Bryan.

Although William Jennings Bryan appeared only as a spectator at the opening session of the convention, the proceedings were filled with a spirit of loyalty to him that left no doubt as to the attitude of his party members in this his home state. From the time that Chairman Hanks made his first reference to Bryan as the "next president of the United States," in the opening address, until the convention took its recess, every mention of Bryan's name or principles was greeted with roaring applause. Not even the tedious work of selecting delegates-at-large to the

national convention of the party that is to meet in Denver in July, could lessen the enthusiasm, the members of the convention shouting themselves hoarse at each mention of their leader, made by M. A. Miller, a member of the Oregon legislature, and Raymond Robbins of Chicago, who filled in the time while the secretaries were casting up the votes with short speeches on democratic subjects.

#### Harmony the Keynote.

Harmony was the keynote of the proceedings and the only semblance of a contest came when the task of choosing delegates-at-large to the national convention was reached. Five candidates were known to be in the field for the four places before the convention met, but the unexpected nomination of Felix J. Hale, a member of the legislature, rather upset the program. One of the other candidates withdrew and many delegates called on W. H. Thompson of Grand Island to follow this example. The latter's friends, however, insisted that he hold his position and a formal ballot by counties resulted.

Hale defeated Thompson by 76 votes, receiving 749 to his rival's 673. The vote on the other candidates was as follows: I. J. Dunn, Omaha, 873; D. V. Stephens, Fremont, 827; F. W. Brown, Lincoln, 937.

The chief contributor to this result was Douglas county, in which Omaha is situated. Less than thirty of its 131 votes were cast for Thompson.

Nominations for all the other places at the disposal of the convention were practically settled before the proceedings began.

**Dr. Hall Committeeman.**

James Dahlman, mayor of Omaha, had announced a week or more ago that he did not care to serve again as national committeeman for the state, and Dr. L. P. Hall of Lincoln, was chosen to succeed him. District delegates to the Denver convention were selected by the state convention delegates from each congressional district. Twelve men, two from each district, were thus chosen. A multiplicity of candidates in four districts delayed the proceedings somewhat, especially in the Fourth in which there were a dozen aspirants for the two places.

Mr. Bryan took no part in the afternoon session. He entered the hall just before Mr. Hanks began to speak, but took a seat in the space reserved for spectators far back under the galleries. Later he moved over to the other side in order to confer with a committee. When Mr. Bryan arose and left the building with the members of the committee, those in the rear of the building caught sight of him and started to cheer.

#### Points of the Platform

Approves anti-pass and anti-rebate laws.

Declares for prohibition of campaign contributions by corporations and publicity of contributions from individuals.

Opposed "centralization" and demands federal regulation as an addition to and not substitution for state regulation.

Distinguishes between individuals and corporations and demands that foreign corporations submit legal disputes to the state courts.

Favors election of United States senator by direct vote of the people.

Demands enforcement of criminal statutes against trust and trust magnates.

Suggests laws to prevent individuals from serving on the directorship of competing corporations; a federal license for corporations which does not abridge the state's authority to create or regulate corporations, a law to compel corporations to sell everywhere on the same terms.

Demands that trust controlled goods be placed on the free list, demands reduction of tariff on necessities of life and other reductions to bring to tariff a revenue basis.

Favors income and inheritance taxes

and propose constitutional amendments to secure them.

Asserts the right of congress to regulate interstate commerce and the states to regulate intra-state commerce.

Points out the injury of watered stocks and stock gambling.

Denounces the Aldrich and Fowler bills and demands that emergency currency be issued by the government.

Demands that government deposits be made at competitive rates.

Favors the eight-hour day.

Seeks conciliation between labor and capital.

Demands modification of the writ of injunction and a jury to try contempt cases.

Favors employers liability law.

Demands stricter enforcement of the laws restricting immigration of anarchists and assassins.

Favors separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico.

Demands full territorial rights for Porto Rico.

Declares for extension of irrigation and reclamation of forests.

Declares for speedy completion of the Panama canal.

Urges liberal appropriations for interior waterways.

Favors a generous pension policy.

Condemns imperialism and favors independence of the Philippines on a protectorate basis such as that like Cuba.

Demands that the nation announce its navy will not be used in the collection of private debts and declares for international court of arbitration.

Enthusiastically indorses William J. Bryan for the presidency.

#### Roll of Honor

Following are those who have sent in the wherewith to advance their subscription mark on the Semi-weekly Journal to 1909. We shall endeavor in this way to acknowledge the receipt of all monies paid on the weekly edition. If you fail to find your name in the list please notify us at once, and if you have not received credit it may be looked after at once. At the same time please accept our thanks for the remittance

- H. Kleiser, South Bend.
- S. C. Patterson, Columbia, Tex.
- D. E. Sheesley, Alvo.
- E. W. Keins, Plainview.
- L. B. Brown, Plattsmouth.
- Franklin E. Bourcious, Hood River, Ore., paid by L. B. Brown.
- T. B. Smith, Murray.
- Phil Brisben, Murray.
- F. J. Neuman, Louisville.
- J. J. Denson, Waterloo, Iowa.
- C. H. Vallery, Plattsmouth.
- Andrew Stohlman, Louisville.
- Aug. Stander, Louisville.
- Silas Crosser, Alva, Oklahoma.
- F. P. Brown, San Bernardino, Cal.
- C. F. Hite, Alvo.
- H. L. Peters, Minneapolis, Kan.
- S. H. Will, El Reno, Okla.
- F. L. Mary, Chehalis, Wash.
- S. L. Moore, Stevenson, Wash.
- Gov. Geo. L. Sheldon, Lincoln.
- J. C. Kenler, Plattville, Wis.
- R. L. Propst, Mynard.
- Alfred Gansemeyer, Mynard.
- D. J. Pitman, Murray.
- F. W. Klopping, Coleridge.
- Chas. Lovell, Mynard.
- W. E. Pailing, Greenwood.
- Mrs. Lucy J. Martin.
- F. W. Ruhge, Avoca.
- J. C. Meisinger, Cedar Creek.
- Eugene Frey, Almena, Kan., paid by John McNurlin.
- Jeanette Core, paid by J. McNurlin.
- Wm. Kennedy, Weeping Water.
- Chas. Kurtz, Omaha, paid by Adam Kurtz.
- W. H. Betts, sr., Avoca.
- Wm. Heeney, Weeping Water.
- Henry Mauzy, Plattsmouth.
- V. E. Perry, Mynard.
- Francis Thomeszowski, Plattsmouth.
- Wm. Heineman, Hitchcock, S. D.
- Chas. Ruhge, Nelson, Neb.
- Geo. Campbell, Bellgrade.
- Floyd Harshman, Traer, Kansas.
- Will Philpot, Nehawka.
- Geo. J. Stohlman, Louisville.
- Alfred Nickels, Murray.
- Theo. Starkjohn, Plattsmouth.
- N. Slocum, Murray.
- J. Money Penny, Mynard.
- S. O. Cole, Mynard.
- J. P. Rouse, Alvo.
- Geo. F. Koehnke, Creighton, Neb.

#### The Colonel at Nehawka.

Col. M. A. Bates, of that flourishing paper, the Plattsmouth Journal, was a caller at our office on Monday and we had a pleasant visit with him. He is of the old school of newspaper men that are fast passing from the scene of action—and he is a colonel sure enough and from Missouri, but you can't pry him loose from Nebraska. There is one thing that is very pronounced in his makeup—he's a democrat—and if you want a campaigner of that persuasion, he's the goods.—Nehawka Register.

## PLATTSMOUTH TELEPHONE COMPANY

### At Their Annual Meeting Declared For Quarterly Instead of Annual Dividends

The Plattsmouth Telephone Company held their annual meeting on the third of last month and declared their eight annual 10 per cent cash dividend and voted unanimously to pay the dividends quarterly hereafter, beginning on April 1st, 1908.

This new plan of paying the dividends every three months will please many of the stockholders and will be a great inducement for others to invest.

Instead of having to wait till the end of each year to receive dividends on the stock, the company will distribute to the stockholders the profits on January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1, of each year, thus making the stock a much more desirable investment.

There is a limited amount of stock for sale, which can be bought at par value of \$100 per share.

Don't wait, but call or write to T. H. Pollock, general manager and treasurer, Plattsmouth, and secure a few shares of the Plattsmouth Telephone Co. stock.

## DEATH OF ISAAC REICHART

### Dies Sunday Morning After a Month of Intense Suffering

After a month of intense suffering from erysipelas, Isaac Reichart passed away on Sunday morning, March 1, at 1 o'clock.

Isaac Reichart was born at Cullom, in Cass County, his age being 34 years 1 month and twelve days.

He leaves a wife and two small children, besides a large number of relatives and friends who mourn his taking away.

The funeral occurred from the Christian church Tuesday at 2 p.m., conducted by Rev. Maxfield assisted by Elders G. W. Mayfield and P. A. Jacobson. The floral offerings were most beautiful one piece in particular being in the form of a wheel with two spokes missing, representing the old base ball nine, the missing spokes representing the death of James McNealy and the deceased.

The funeral was under the auspices of the Modern Woodman lodge of which he was a member. The funeral was largely attended, and in addition to the long line of relatives and friends who followed the remains to their last resting place there were fifty of his neighbor Woodman who lead the procession.

The young wife and the infant children, the aged grandmother and other relatives have the sympathy of all in their sorrow.—Louisville Courier.

#### Prosperous in California

Geo. A. B. Hicks, from near Cedar Creek, called at the Journal office this morning and ordered a copy of the paper sent to J. J. Phillips of Macdoel, California, for one year. Mr. Phillips lived with Mr. Hicks for a number of years, and latter worked in the B. & M. shops here, and something over a year ago removed to California, where from a letter received by Mr. Hicks, he stated that he is in every way prospering, and is well pleased with the country. He owns a farm in the Great Butte Valley, and states that while he expects many hardships in pulling through with his piece of land, he has every hope of receiving his reward in the future, as he is clearing away sage brush from sixty acres at present in order to get in his crops. Great crops of everything are raised in this valley after the sage brush is removed. The soil is very rich. He sends his regards to all his Cass county friends, and wants them to know that he thinks he is much better off in California than in Nebraska.

#### May Move to Plattsmouth

Mr. and Mrs. John Lohnes, who were spending the entire last week with friends in Plattsmouth, returned home Saturday afternoon, feeling very grateful to the many friends here for the most pleasant week's visit with them. This was Mrs. Lohnes' first visit here for the past ten years. As this excellent old couple were returning home they passed the Journal office; Uncle John told us his many friends were endeavoring to get him to move to Plattsmouth, and while he did not say that he was coming, he talked as though he might in the near future, which we trust he may decide to do.

## THE PRETTY LITTLE CITY OF ELMWOOD

### A Journal Representative Pays His Respects to the Enterprising Little City, and is Warmly Received by the Many Friends of the "Old Reliable."

There is one town in Cass county in which we always feel at home, and that is Elmwood, noted for its up-to-date business men, good citizens and the most beautiful young ladies of any town of its size in the state. Here the Journal man was, as usual, most cordially greeted by his many friends, and while the weather was very disagreeable, we succeeded in visiting the most of them.

We arrived in Elmwood on Wednesday evening, March 4, in the midst of a drizzling rain, and repaired immediately to that well-known hostelry, presided over by that up-to-date landlord, Charley Hart, where we knew we would be well taken care of. This is one of the few hotels in towns the size of Elmwood, where commercial travelers also feel at home. Charley is one of the best hotel men in the state and is always looking after the welfare of his guests.

On the following morning, we proceeded up town and the first place we landed was at the mammoth store of L. F. Langhorst, who recently purchased the Hobbs building, which was originally intended for two store rooms, with opera house located above. The partition which formerly divided the lower room, has been taken out, and it is thrown into one vast store room, making it one of the largest and most convenient mercantile establishments in southeast Nebraska. Lou Langhorst is not only an up-to-date merchant, but is a genuine good fellow, characteristics which, coupled together, make a successful business man. His goods are so arranged that one can stand in any part of the room and see all over the same. We can say, without the fear of successful contradiction, that it is one of the finest and best regulated establishments to be found anywhere. And the best of all Mr. Langhorst enjoys, not only an excellent business, but he also enjoys the confidence and respect of every one who knows him.

We also dropped in to see L. A. Tyson, the druggist, where we were received by a hearty hand-shake from Lou. For four years he was county clerk of Cass county, and during his incumbency of course resided in Plattsmouth, and inquired after his numerous Plattsmouth friends. He is enjoying a splendid business, which we were pleased to note. Mr. Tyson is an all-around good citizen and a clever gentleman, withal. We are always glad to meet him, and never "pass him by" when we chance to stop a few hours in Elmwood.

We never forget our old friend, Hermann Dettman, while in Elmwood, and we always give him two or more calls while strolling around the town. Mr. Dettman is one of the leading business men of Elmwood, and carries a line of general merchandise, which includes dress goods, boots and shoes, notions, groceries, and in fact everything usually found in a general store. Mr. Dettman has been a resident of Elmwood for many years, and is highly respected by those who know him, and is enjoying

#### Tom Hughes Beheaded

The spasm of economy that has struck the Missouri Pacific road has resulted in the axe being applied to the heads of four persons in the general office at Omaha.

Among the heads that rolled into the basket was that of Tom Hughes, a traveling passenger agent of the road. He was one of the veterans of the service, as white a man as ever lived, and had spent the best years of his life in the harness.

His army of friends up and down the road sympathize with him in his misfortune and the action of the management in letting out a man who has so faithfully served it will not make many friends for the corporation.—Auburn epiblic an.

#### Lived Here Years Ago

Geo. Hesse and wife of Alvo, departed for their home this morning, after visiting in the city since last Friday, the guests of Mrs. Hesse's parents, Mr. J. H. Hopkins. They lived here years ago, coming to this place in 1869, when they had to cross the river on a ferry boat. Mr. Hesse said at the Burlington this morning while awaiting his train, that this town had changed so one would not know it since that time.

#### Wanted—To Lease!

A farm of 160 acres table or corn land. The owner to furnish teams, seed and implements. Nebraska preferred. Might consider another state if suitable. Address ARTHUR SEWARD, Greenwood, Neb.