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DEMOCRATS SECURE FOUR OFFICIALS AND THE REPUBLICANS FIVE

The Result of the Election in Cass County is Certainly Very Gratifying to Democrats

The election yesterday was productive of several surprises and resulted in the victory for the major part of the Democratic ticket. The chief surprise was the victory of Andrew J. Snyder, Democratic candidate for register of deeds. Snyder ran like wild-fire in this city, the precinct and several other adjoining precincts, while Daft, his opponent, did not come up to expectations in the country precincts. Snyder, who is well known in this city, received a very handsome vote in every ward and his home precinct, Plattsmouth, rolled up a banner majority for him, he heading the ticket there.

Frank Schlater, Democratic candidate for re-election as treasurer also surprised the natives in the size of his majority, he easily heading the ticket. Stark, who opposed him, failed to poll the vote hoped for by his friends in the west end of the county, Schlater making unexpected gains and largely keeping his opponent from getting near the normal Republican majority in that section. From unofficial returns Schlater's majority is placed today at 607, something remarkable in this county and indicative of his overwhelming popularity. He states that he is deeply grateful to the public for their generous support.

George Lushinsky, who was making the race for county clerk against B. C. Morgan, made an unexpectedly good showing in Plattsmouth, where he has lived for so many years and where he is well acquainted, cutting Morgan's majority to surprisingly small dimensions. A number of causes combined to accomplish this result, which, however, was offset by Morgan's remarkable race in the country. The heavy Republican precincts of the country gave Morgan great support and saved his election by the margin of 89 votes. It was realized early in the day that Lushinsky was running well here, and that the reverse was true in the country, but that either one would do as well as they did surprised acute observers.

County Judge Beeson secured a re-election by a wide margin, Judge Archer failing to obtain support where it was expected and running poorly in Democratic precincts and wards. This fight was largely overlooked in the fierce struggle for several other offices and this doubtless assisted largely in making Beeson's majority so large.

Miss Mary Foster defeated E. E. Odell, the Republican candidate by a handsome margin and secured a deserved re-election. Miss Foster was strong in this city and in several of the country precincts, maintaining a handsome lead over Odell in several places where it was thought he might make gains.

Sheriff Quinton was re-elected for a third term by a large majority over Ed. S. Tutt, Democratic candidate, but still far under the majority which he received two years ago. As was the case with several other races a number of causes entered into this fight and Quinton made unexpected and unlooked for gains in Democratic wards and precincts, while losing some in Republican localities.

Commissioner Friedrich was re-elected by the narrow margin of 79 votes, making gains in the Democratic wards and precincts and losing in the Republican. This race had been figured out as a close one, but the Democrats at the close were confident of victory for George P. Meisinger, their candidate, who had made a splendid fight. Several peculiar combinations in different parts of the county helped Friedrich largely and, in fact, saved him.

Coroner Clements secured a re-election, defeating E. Ratnour by something close to the normal Republican majority. On the lower offices on the ticket there was little fight and the vote was nearly normal.

The tickets, as a general thing, were considerably scratched and this was not confined to any party, Republican tickets carrying the names of several Democratic candidates, being encountered in practically all the wards and precincts, while Demo-

cratic tickets bearing the names of individual Republican candidates were also very numerous. This made the count slow and it was late in the night, or rather early morning, when the count was finished.

The figures on the state ticket are very meager, and it is hard to say how the supreme judges are running. Returns from the state at large are likewise meager, and the result is generally stated to be in doubt.

As is always the case, there were many disappointed friends of the several candidates on the county ticket, especially in this city, where about all the candidates were well known and had many personal friends. The result was in doubt all day, as both parties had good organizations and were working like beavers. To this fact the immense amount of scratching is laid. As a general proposition the Democrats seem better satisfied with the outcome than the Republicans, the latter losing several candidates whom they regarded as unusually strong, especially Lushinsky, for whom a desperate fight was made. Reports from the country indicate a similar feeling over several of the candidates from that section.

Unofficial returns except on coroner and surveyor are given below. The returns on the latter offices are incomplete, but enough is known to make the election of Geo. Trunkenboltz, Republican, for surveyor assured, with close prospects for the coroner between Ratnour, Democrat, and Clements, Republican. Indications put Trunkenboltz's majority at about 180, while the majority for either Clements or Ratnour will be small, with the indications favoring Clements.

County Clerk.
 Morgan, Democrat 1962
 Lushinsky, Republican 1873
 Morgans majority, 89.

Treasurer.
 Schlater, Democrat 2284
 Stark, Republican 1607
 Schlater's majority, 677.

County Judge.
 Archer, Democrat 1653
 Beeson, Republican 2153
 Beeson's majority, 500.

Sheriff.
 Tutt, Democrat 1691
 Quinton, Republican 2151
 Quinton's majority, 440.

Superintendent.
 Foster, Democrat 2061
 O'Dell, Republican 1841
 Foster's majority, 160.

Register of Deeds.
 Snyder, Democrat 1921
 Daft, Republican 1873
 Snyder's majority, 48.

Commissioner.
 Meisinger, Democrat 1865
 Friedrich, Republican 1944
 Friedrich's majority, 79.

On the city ticket P. E. Ruffner is elected assessor over J. C. Lindeman by a small majority.

For district assessor the indications point to the almost certain success of Albert D. Despain, Democrat, over A. P. Barnes, Republican. There was no contest on John Denson and James Higley, Republican candidates for constable, and they are doubtless chosen although a large number of personal friends voted for Ed. Donat all over the city and had been on the ticket officially he would doubtless have been one of the winners.

The race for justices of the peace probably resulted in the election of John Cory and William B. Rishel, Democrats, although the latter is not certain; J. C. York seeming to be running him a strong race.

Complete returns from four wards in the city on the city ticket give the following result, the Fifth ward missing:

City Assessor.	Ruffner, Democrat	364	Lindeman, Republican	387
District Assessor.	Despain, Democrat	435	Barnes, Republican	298
Constables.	Denson, Republican	415	Higley, Republican	363
Justices of the Peace.	Rishel, Democrat	338	Cory, Democrat	422
	York, Republican	317	Sullivan, Republican	305

C. O. Larson went to Bellevue this afternoon, where he will resume his studies at Bellevue college.

BASKET BALL GAME SATURDAY

Exciting Contest, a Large Attendance and Everyone Present Enjoyed the Event

Saturday evening the boys' basket ball teams of the freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior classes of the High school engaged in a most enjoyable and exciting game at Cones' hall. The freshmen and sophomore teams played the first game, the score in the first half being 17 to 8 in favor of the sophomores and the second half gave the sophomores 25 and the freshmen 17.

The next game was between the juniors and the seniors. From the start the juniors went right after the seniors and kept it up. The score in the first half was 21 to 17 in favor of the juniors, and in the second half the score was 32 to 17 in favor of the juniors.

Next Thursday evening the girls' basket ball team will play a girls' team of the local High school, after which the sophomore boys will play the juniors. The boys' team winning in this game will be the champion team and will enjoy an oyster supper which C. C. Westcott Sons have very kindly promised to the daywinning team.

The games of Saturday evening were good and we can say that the games on next Thursday evening will be equally as interesting. A number of the members of each class were present and urged their particular team on with their class yells.

The line-up of the teams were as follows:

Freshmen—Carl Sattler, c; Carl Dalton, f; Glen Edwards, f; Sam Windham, g; Will Bell, g.

Sophomores—Charles Bell, c; Ralph Larson, f; Ren Frans, f; Henry McMaken, g; Vance Todd, g.

Juniors—Lester Dalton, c; Carl Reese, f; John Falter, f; Henry Eggenberger, g; Conrad Schlater, g.

Seniors—Wayne Dickson, c; Leonard Briggs, f; Edward Kanka, f; George Dovey, g; Francis Whelan, g.

E. P. Ruffner at Home.
 Our good Democratic friend, Peter E. Ruffner, returned home last Saturday evening from Arlington, where he has been packing apples, and entered the fray as a candidate for assessor. Ed. deserves the vote of every taxpayer and property holder in the community and will be elected easily. As a judge of property values he is unexcelled, and the poor man especially can depend upon him. He found several interesting and welcome items waiting him, including one telling of the good fortune of his son Grover, who has been conducting a lumber yard at Silver Creek, Neb. This young man has taken a position with the Hoard Lumber company, and is placed in charge of a yard at Duncan, Neb., at a substantial advance in his salary. His other son, Horace, who is employed by the Porter-Ryerson-Hoobler company in Omaha, also writes him of a promotion in that firm and a substantial advance in salary. Everything taken together, Ed. seems to have everything coming his way, which is pleasing information to his many friends in Cass county.

Lights on Main Street Tonight.
 The work of Superintendent Clabaugh of the Nebraska Lighting company is commencing to show up, the eighteen gas lights ordered by the city having been put in place and ready for business at the present time and tonight the citizens can come down and find a progressive movement of a Democratic government in good light on Main street and the prospects for light on the avenues being bright. Mr. Clabaugh states that he expects to have his force at work next Monday on stringing wires on the city streets and that it will be but a few days until the entire city will blaze and worth seeing. General prospects for Plattsmouth were never better than now and Mr. Clabaugh is working with all his might toward securing the benefits of a live, progressive town for this place.

Fine Stock for Sale.
 A good gentle 3-year-old full blood Short Horn Durham bull for sale. Also, 1-year-old male Poland China (full blood), hog. Call and see these animals at my place two miles northwest of Nehawka.
 W. H. SCHOMAKER & SON.

Fine Specimens of Corn.
 The Journal's good friend, William Gilmore of Rock Bluff precinct, came in last Saturday with some very fine specimens of corn, which he kindly left with the Journal. These ears are far above the average in size and weight, and are among the best ever grown in the county. One of the ears is above twelve inches in length, and is an exceptionally fine specimen of the product. Mr. Gilmore is one of the best citizens of Cass county, and is a corn raiser of known ability.

INTERNATIONAL STOCK SHOW

An Opportunity to Secure Both Knowledge and Entertainment.

With big crops, fat bank accounts and with prosperity reigning supreme in every country home, it is the duty of every farmer to look around for opportunities whereby his children can gain impressions that will prove beneficial to them through life and if by taking advantage of these, he can, at the same time, secure for himself and his good wife much needed rest and recreation, it would seem that such an opportunity should appeal to him. This opportunity is offered in connection with the International Live Stock Exposition, which will be held in Chicago from November 27 to December 10. The champions of the leading shows of the world, in fact, the finest specimens of cattle, horses, sheep and swine that the world produces will here compete for supremacy and final honors. Do you know what this means? Can you realize what a liberal education such a collection produced by the world's foremost feeders and breeders means to your boys?

The best brains, the greatest masters of the live stock industry, the foremost live stock specialists will here demonstrate what can be accomplished, and shrewd farmers will begin to think of these things and endeavor to make arrangements so that they can profit by the teachings of this great international exposition.

The coming show gives promise of being the greatest of this splendid series of events, and the management is planning to offer a program that will far eclipse anything that has ever been offered in the past—delightful music, dashing performances and brilliant evening entertainments, combined with educational opportunities unequalled in the world. Where can a greater combination be found at such a nominal outlay of money. Education, entertainment, a pleasure trip and recreation—all in one. Why not plan a pleasant surprise for the folks at home and take advantage of these exceptional opportunities?

At the Ghost Convention.
 About fifty were conveyed to the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Briggs on Chicago avenue, Saturday evening, where they attended the annual convention of ghosts, given by the Loyal Daughters, members of Mrs. Briggs' Sunday school class of the Christian church. The house had been appropriately decorated with witches, black cats, hands and jack-o'-lanterns. In the search for cat eyes, represented by corn candy, Miss Eleanor Todd was awarded the prize. In a contest Miss Anna Petersen proved to be the best guesser and was awarded the prize. During the evening a fortune teller apportioned wealth and handsome lovers and sweethearts to those who were brave enough to test their fate. The pleasures of the evening were a luncheon consisting of witches' stew on half shell (pumpkin pie), frog legs (fried nut bars), seeds of evil (apples), when I and you were young (milk). This convention proved very successful socially and financially, and much of the success was due to the untiring efforts of Miss Shipman.

Farm for Sale.
 A 102-acre farm for sale; good improvements; seven miles south of Plattsmouth and four miles northeast of Murray. W. H. RAKES, Plattsmouth, Neb., R. F. D. No. 1.

Hans Tams departed this morning for work on the O'Neill line of the Burlington.

BURLINGTON RAILROAD GETS REVIEW OF SAFETY CASE

United States Supreme Court Grants Plea of Railroad Where Fine Was Refused

A special from Washington to the Omaha Bee, under date of November 1, says:
 "Chief Justice Fuller today granted a petition for a writ of certiorari to the United States circuit court of appeals for the Eighth district in the case of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, petitioner, against United States of America, respondent. This case grows out of an alleged failure of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy to apply certain safety appliances to its cars, resulting in an action brought by the United States to recover a penalty of \$100. The granting of a writ of certiorari today to attorneys of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy grants them an opportunity to review the entire case before the supreme court of the United States."
 "Chief Justice Fuller today granted the petition of Grigsby & Grigsby of Sioux Falls, S. D., for a writ of certiorari to the United States circuit court of appeals for the Eighth district in the case of John McClelland, James E. McClelland, William S. McClelland against John E. Carland, United States district judge for the

district of South Dakota. The case involves the partition of the estate of John McClelland, who was a resident of Sioux Falls, S. D., who died intestate in 1896, leaving real and personal property valued at \$33,000. The claimants to this estate are John C. McClelland, Ellis county, Texas; James S. Clelland, Pulaski, Ark.; William S. McClelland, Teller county, Colorado; and Walter McClelland and Edward McClelland of Allegheny county, Pennsylvania.
 "Justice McKenna, in the supreme court in an opinion rendered today affirmed, with costs, the decision of the supreme court of Nebraska in the case of Sarah S. Fell, plaintiff in error, against Elizabeth Easton, defendant in error. Justices Harlan and Brewer dissented from the decision of the majority of the court. This is an action to quiet title to an undivided one-half interest in a certain tract of land in Hamilton county and to cancel and annul a certain mortgage and deed executed by defendant, Edmund W. Fall, to the defendants, W. H. Fall and Elizabeth Easton.

IMPROVING THE MISSOURI RIVER

Cost and Importance of a Twelve Foot Channel

The cost of building and equipping high grade railroads ranges from \$25,000 to \$60,000 per mile, according to the topographical and engineering conditions encountered. It is estimated that a twelve-foot channel could be made in the Missouri river from St. Louis to Sioux City, Ia., at a cost of about \$60,000 per mile. This channel, once secured, would be practically self-maintaining, for which the stream properly confined to the current would do the dredging. Therefore, the Missouri river, even on the deep-channel basis, would be much cheaper traffic way, in the long run, than a railroad. The capacity of the river, with such a channel, would be practically unlimited. It could easily carry all the products of its whole watershed if it were desirable and feasible to bring these products aboard the river craft. The best way to secure the deep channel is to make use of the present channel. The proposed boat line offers not alone a good investment in direct returns on guaranteed business, but it offers still greater returns in reduced freight rates and still greater returns in the encouragement of river traffic and river improvement in general. The new boat line will have all the freight it can handle, but its chief business after all will be to promote the use of the Missouri river on the largest scale.—Kansas City Star.

Failed in Her Efforts.
 Miss Elizabeth D. Wilson, representing the Midland chautauqua and in advance of Walter Howe, Shakespearean reader, was in the city yesterday to try and arrange for Mr. Howe's appearance in this city. She was unsuccessful, the local Shakespearean club not seeing the way clear to make an engagement. Miss Wilson is a young woman of pleasing personality and engaging manners, and made a most excellent impression with the ladies of the club. It is possible that she will make an engagement in the near future for another entertainment which she is connected with. She was much disappointed at being unable to locate her attraction here, but expressed herself as being highly delighted at the treatment she received from our people.

Among the Finest.
 John Rutherford yesterday afternoon brought to town a number of ears of corn which rank among the finest ever raised in Cass county. One of the ears weighs twenty-six ounces, something which is phenomenal. A number of others in his field weigh as high as twenty-four ounces, and from that on down, but this was the prize winner. In addition to being large and heavy the corn is solid and the cob small, which is an indication of its high grade. Mr. Rutherford reports his corn as turning out finely and the yield being far better than he supposed when he started shucking. Mr. Rutherford is a careful farmer and a hard worker, and the results of his work shows up very well.

New Members' Reception.
 The Christian church will hold a reception Wednesday evening of this week to the new members who united with the church during the White-Tuckerman meeting. A special program, including music, readings and addresses will be given. The ladies of the church will serve refreshments. It is very important that all the members of the church be present, whether new or old, to have part in the assignment of the new members. The pastor urges a full attendance of the entire membership of the church. A most profitable meeting for the welfare of the church is certain if the attendance requested is secured.

Accident at the Shops.
 A Mr. Wilcox, working in the shops last evening, suffered a severe injury to one of his knees by the accidental slipping of a jack which he was using. The jack slipped, letting several heavy timbers catch his knee and badly bruise it. He was brought up town to the company surgeon, where the injury was attended to and it will be several days before he is able to return to his work. He was fortunate in that the injury was not more severe, as he might have broken his leg very easily.