

## EX-GOVERNOR DOCKERY OF MISSOURI SPEAKS IN BEHALF OF CHAMP CLARK

Pleads for Party Harmony and the Uniting of the Democratic Party Under the Leadership of Speaker Champ Clark as Its Standard Bearer in the Presidential Campaign.

From Tuesday's Daily.

About 150 or 200 democrats, with a small sprinkling of republicans, assembled in the district court room last evening to hear ex-Governor A. M. Dockery of Missouri. He was accompanied to this city from Omaha by Judge Oldham of Kearney, Col. M. A. Bates first introduced Judge Oldham, who preceded Governor Dockery in a brief but most interesting talk. Judge Oldham is no stranger to the people of Plattsmouth and Cass county, and they all like to hear him. In his remarks he frequently referred to Champ Clark, and gave many good reasons why he should be nominated for president on the democratic ticket.

At the close of Judge Oldham's talk Colonel Bates introduced Governor Dockery, and in doing so referred to his long acquaintance with the governor and their fighting side by side in many conflicts for the cause of democracy, stating that he deemed it not only a great honor, but also a pleasure to introduce his grand old friend and distinguished statesman from Missouri to a Nebraska democratic audience.

Governor A. M. Dockery of Missouri, who was a representative in congress from that state for sixteen years, twelve years of which he served on the great committee on appropriations, and later on was the world's fair governor of the state from 1901 to 1905, with other Missourians, is in the interest of the candidacy of Speaker Clark. He spoke at Plattsmouth last evening and the following is a synopsis of his speech in part only:

Mr. Dockery began his address by complimenting the people of Nebraska upon the extent, variety and wealth of their material resources, but stated that after all the greatest wealth was found in her queenly womanhood and in the sturdy vigor, enterprise and patriotism of our gallant men. He congratulated the democracy that they assembled under circumstances which gave every assurance of a sweeping national democratic triumph in November. Nothing, he declared, could be done by the republican party to arrest the trend of public sentiment toward the democracy. It is possible, however, for the democrats to defeat themselves by the selection of an unwise candidate and the formulation of a platform obnoxious to democratic voters. He strongly asserted, however, the improbability of such an act of stupendous folly by the Baltimore convention, and said this was a year for republican rather than democratic blunders.

Governor Dockery took occasion to say that the harmony and aggressive action of the national democracy along right lines had its beginning under the minority leadership of Champ Clark in the house of representatives. The courageous fight of Clark and his associates against the enactment of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill and other legislation for "special interests" was the beginning of that political revolution which restored the democracy to power in the house of representatives, reduced the republican majority in the senate, wrested many a state from the control of the republican party and inspired the democracy everywhere with the confidence of triumph in 1912.

That revolution was a protest against the policies of the republican leaders, who because of long continued power had become regardless of the people's interest. The political upheaval of 1910 has been emphasized in every election since that time where national issues were involved. That the drift of the people towards the democratic standard is still so apparent that he who runs may read is due in large part to the wise, patriotic and progressive record of the democrats in congress

since congress convened in extra session. They have consulted together, fought together, triumphed together, but their crowning achievement will be the election of a democratic congress and a democrat to the presidency of the United States.

Champ Clark, he declared, sprung from the common people and by his own exertions won his way to the second highest office in the gift of the American people. Clark is no new conceit either to the fundamental principles of his party or to the progressive spirit of the times. For twenty years he has been a conspicuous progressive leader in the national house of representatives and his votes upon public questions are an open book. He couldn't change one of them if he would and he wouldn't if he could.

The governor challenged any man to examine the public record of Champ Clark and find one vote against the interest of the people. He was fighting for Clark and so many good things could be said about Clark's record that he neither had time nor disposition to assail any other candidate. As a Missouri democrat, he was proud of the fact that Missouri had furnished to the Union the first democratic speaker ever elected west of the Mississippi river, but he would be prouder still when Champ Clark could enjoy the enviable distinction of being the first democratic president elected west of the Mississippi river.

Mr. Dockery hurriedly outlined what he considered to be the essential issues of the coming contest. He said that they had already been presented and emphasized by the democratic record of this congress. He urged the democrats to follow the road to Baltimore which had already been blazed by Speaker Clark and his associates, and revise the tariff downward, regulate railroads and other corporations, destroy the trusts, reduce the wicked, wanton waste of federal expenditures, restore the American merchant navy, public campaign contributions, elect United States senators by the people, and oppose the Aldrich national bank scheme.

The governor told his audience it was not possible in a single campaign or a single congress to undo all the bad legislation of the republican party for the last half century. He closed by urging the democrats to break "a few sticks at a time;" accomplish the reforms that are most immediate and urgent and then in due time reach out and reform other abuses of the republican party.

In glowing terms he predicted the election of a democratic congress and president and the fulfillment of all the pledges to be made by the Baltimore convention, with the ultimate results of the enlarging of the area of our trade abroad, restoring our merchant navy, giving constant and profitable employment to American labor, destroying private monopolies and reducing the existing enormous cost of the necessities of life.

### Has Blood Poison in Hand.

Saturday afternoon Col. W. S. Askwith, superintendent of the Masonic Home, while working with some of the swine at the yards, had the misfortune to have a rusty nail plunged into the back of his right hand. He at once applied remedies and thought no more about it until later, when the hand began to swell and pain him. He then sought a physician's office at once and had the injury properly dressed. Mr. Askwith was informed that he had come in time to save himself much suffering from blood poison.

The Journal office carries all kinds of typewriter supplies.

### Indian War Veterans.

The United Indian War Veterans are organized for the purpose of getting house bill No. 49800 passed. It was introduced by Mr. Rucker of Colorado, and has been amended and will be favorably reported by the house committee on pensions, and when passed will give a pension to all soldiers (or their widows) that served from 1865 to 1898 in any of the Indian wars, a pension of from \$12 to \$20 dollars per month. The records of the war department show the names of every soldier, when he was enlisted and when he was discharged, or if he was slain in battle, or waylaid or murdered by the savages. It also shows the hundreds of battles that were fought and the names of thousands who gave their lives in protecting the lives of others. It also gives the battles where the whole army was annihilated. The Custer massacre, the Fetterman massacre, the Stretton massacre and the Thorndike massacre and many others where but few made their escape. To be taken prisoner by the savages, they were doomed to die by the most fiendish torture. The records also show that fighting the savages in the desert was the hardest service ever rendered by any army, and why should these soldiers not have a pension the same as other soldiers?

We are in need of the names and addresses of all who will be entitled to a pension under this act, so that we can enter their names and addresses upon our books in order that we may be able to get them the proof of their comrades that served with them. Send your name and address to Henry Hegwer, Corresponding Secretary, 202 Delaware Avenue, N. E., Washington, D. C., and get a copy of the bill.

### Committee Expresses Gratitude.

The undersigned committee, appointed by the Commercial club to solicit funds for a Y. M. C. A. at Plattsmouth, wish to acknowledge their obligation to Miss Mathilde Vallery and the company of young people who assisted her in the production of "The Merry Milkmaids" at the Parmele last evening for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. Since the purchase of the building and plans for its remodeling and equipment, every assistance given is greatly needed and highly appreciated. Plattsmouth may well be proud of both the talent and generosity of its young people and their determination to assist in placing on a solid foundation the Y. M. C. A. of this city.

E. H. Wescott,  
M. S. Briggs,  
C. A. Rawls,  
C. C. Parmele,  
J. P. Falter,  
Robert Rayes,  
F. G. Fricke,  
Committee.

### Distinguished Missourian.

Ex-Governor Dockery's visit to Plattsmouth was a great pleasure to the Journal family, as it had been many years since any of us had seen him. During our residence in the grand old state he was our staunch friend, and to meet him was like meeting a long-absent brother or father. We knew him when he first was elected to congress, and supported him for sixteen years, and where he proved one of the ablest and most distinguished members of that body, and previous to our departure from Missouri we had the pleasure of supporting Mr. Dockery for governor, in which position he acquitted himself with not only credit to himself, but great honor to the state. We have met many warm friends, but none gave us greater enjoyment than that of the grand old man from Missouri.

### Returns Sunday.

John Becker and wife and son and daughter, George and Miss Carrie, returned from an extended stay in California last Sunday. They report having had a delightful stay on the coast, escaping much of the frigid weather of the Nebraska climate. Mr. Becker liked the climate there fine for winter, and from what the people there say of it in summer, he thinks he would like that also.

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## "MERRY MILKMAIDS" A SPLENDID SUCCESS

Opera Greeted by a Large Audience at the Parmele Monday Evening.

From Tuesday's Daily.

"The Merry Milkmaids" was greeted with a large audience at the Parmele last night. The performance was an opera in two parts, under the direction of Miss Mathilde Vallery, and was a benefit for the Y. M. C. A., which is being organized and financed by the good citizens of this city.

The performance of last evening is the first in the nature of comic opera which has been attempted in this city for several years, and the cast and grace with which those taking part performed their parts not only reflected great credit on the individuals, but indicated that the director, Miss Vallery, had put in much painstaking labor in instructing the choruses and practicing the drills, and her efforts were highly complimented by many in referring to the great success of the performance.

Many from out of the city were present in the audience last evening, and some of the most complimentary remarks heard regarding the high order of talent displayed by some of the soloists were made by commercial travelers who are accustomed to listening to the best.

The performance was begun at about 8:30, when the curtain went up on a chorus of twenty-five merry maids, all equipped with shining tinware and wearing neat costumes and white bonnets. Their performance was greeted with a round of hand-clapping, and was followed by the farmers' brigade, which in addition to a well trained chorus, gave one of the prettiest drills seen on the stage for a long time. The farmers pleased the audience greatly and were also loudly applauded.

Miss Gladys Marshall, as "Queen," did some exceedingly clever solo work, her voice being sweet and having a range and compass equaled by very few, and she was at her best last night. Ralph Marshall, as "Farmer Jim," with a rare tenor voice and commanding stage presence, sang some exceedingly difficult solos to the immense satisfaction of the audience, and the duet song and dance by him and Miss Catherine Dovey, as "Dorothy," was exceedingly well received. Miss Dovey, always popular with a Plattsmouth audience, sang and danced beautifully. Miss Dovey and Mr. Marshall were enthusiastically encored.

Mrs. E. H. Wescott, as "Monica the fortune teller," and Mr. Don York, as "Commodore" and "Beggar," both of them among the best vocalists of the city, sang their difficult parts most excellently and the audience manifested its appreciation of their talents in no mistaken manner. Miss Gretchen Donnelly, as "Junita;" Miss Violet Dodge, as "Ruth;" and Miss Ferris York, as "Janette," each rendered beautiful solos and each won the plaudits of the audience. Jennings Seivers possesses an excellent basso voice, and as "Judge" rendered some good solo work. Glen Scott, as "Farmer Joe," surprised the audience with his excellent tenor voice, he too, doing some fine singing. "Two Jolly Farmers," Byron Arries and Carl Schmidtman, sang a duet that was amusing and very well rendered. The comedian of the troupe was Stanley Kuhns, who as "Doctor" and "Peddler" brought the house down frequently with his funny costume and "Deitch" bronque. The M. W. A. orchestra furnished the instrumental accompaniments.

Miss Vallery is receiving the congratulations of her numerous friends on the success of the performance, and no doubt she is pleased at the patronage received. A big house resulted from the previous sale of tickets, and \$80 was taken in at the office last night.

Lee Allison, from near Murray, was a Plattsmouth visitor last Saturday, coming up to spend the day with Plattsmouth friends.

## SECOND BURLINGTON BAND CONCERT PROVES A MOST SPLENDID SUCCESS

Director E. H. Schulhof and the Members of the Band May Justly Feel Proud of the Manner in Which They Acquitted Themselves in Playing—Theatre is Crowded.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Three reels of moving pictures and a concert by the popular Burlington band was the program at the Parmele last evening, and the concert was well patronized by the music-loving people of Plattsmouth.

The performance was in the nature of a benefit for the band, the proceeds to go toward the purchase of new uniforms. The director, Mr. Schulhof, and the members of the band were highly pleased at the liberal patronage and the large audience manifesting its appreciation of the splendid musical program by frequent and hearty applause.

The program was arranged by Director Ed Schulhof and consisted of standard popular selections and was opened with a march by Reeves, which was followed by the overture, "Lustspiel," by Keler Bela. The semi-classic ballet music from "Faust," Cleopatra, by Gounod, was much appreciated by the audience and received the plaudits of the entire gathering. The masterful manner in which the leading parts were taken by the players indicated the enormous amount of careful preparation and study required by the individual performers. In this selection, as in the other numbers of the program, the organization disclosed marked improvement in their concert work, and the soloists took their parts with more confidence than in any previous performance.

The Fantasia, "Morington," by

Gorton, and Morceau Charistic "Dawn of Love," by Bendix, the waltz, "Wiener Blunt" by Strauss and the patrol, "The Blue and Gray," by Dalby, were all excellently played and the manner in which they were received by the audience indicated in a measure the popularity of the music and the Burlington band as well.

The assistance of Dr. Laird, who is a fine cornetist, was much appreciated by the band, and many of the difficult leads were played by him. He has had years of musical training as a cornetist in a symphony orchestra and is a great addition to any band.

The concert was so well patronized last night, notwithstanding numerous attractions recently, that the members of the band feel quite encouraged at the appreciation shown by the public in their effort to secure uniforms. The expense will be about \$300. When the band is equipped with bright new uniforms, it will be with no small degree of pride that Plattsmouth citizens will greet the musical organization of which we are justly proud.

One more concert will be given in a short time to complete the series of which the band started out to give. The large audience last night, far eclipsed any entertainment, so far as the number in attendance is concerned, of any entertainment given in Plattsmouth for some time.

The M. W. A. orchestra furnished some fine selections during the moving pictures.

## MUST BE VOTED ON AT PRIMARY ELECTION

Amendments to Constitution to Be Voted on Friday Are of Interest to All Voters.

The Journal is requested to again call the attention of the voters to the constitutional amendments to be voted on at the primary Friday. The amendments must have the approval of all political parties; therefore the people are urged to vote for them. Don't forget to vote on these amendments when you go to the polls. Here they are:

Amendment No. 1 provides for the initiative and referendum. There will be great opposition to this in many sections of the state, and its provisions are not as cordially endorsed as are all the other amendments.

Amendment No. 2 provides for a change in the compensation of senators and representatives and changing the time in which bills may be introduced in the legislature. This amendment should be voted for.

Amendment No. 3, providing for a non-partisan board of control for state institutions, which will doubtless receive the highest vote of any of the proposed amendments.

Amendment No. 4 provides for biennial elections, which is generally approved, as it will reduce the number of state elections.

Amendment No. 5 gives cities the right to make their own charters, which should have the endorsement of every voter who believes in "home rule."

### No Arrests Made.

No arrests have yet been made for the burglary of Zuckweiler & Lutz's store, which occurred several days ago, but strong suspicion is attached to one or two individuals and circumstances may result in their arrest at any time. The grocery cash drawer was robbed of \$1.60 in cash, while the dry goods section bore evidence of someone having rummaged about, but there was nothing missed from this department.

### A Distinguished Nebraskan.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Former Judge of the Supreme Court of Nebraska W. D. Oldham, accompanied Governor Dockery from Omaha last evening, and his many friends were delighted to see him and many more would have turned out to meet him had they known in advance a day or two that he was coming. Judge Oldham is a former Missourian, and when he met his old friend, Governor Dockery, in Omaha it was impossible for him to resist the opportunity to accompany him to this city. Judge Oldham is very popular in eastern Nebraska and his friends are always ready to welcome him to Plattsmouth.

### Steel Arrives Today.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The two steel spans of the Pollock-Duff bridge were shipped from Omaha today and arrived and will be unloaded at once. Mr. Pollock expects to have the bridge in condition to cross by May first. The road on this side of the river will be placed in good condition before the bridge is completed, the commissioners having already ordered the work done on the new road, which was begun last fall. The Missouri Pacific, which has one bridge to build over the slough on the route has let the contract for the construction of the same and it is expected this will proceed with due speed.

### Mrs. Baird and Son Return.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Mrs. William Baird and son, Robert, arrived from LaJunta, Southern California, yesterday, having spent the winter in that milder climate. Mrs. Baird, although enjoying her stay in California, expressed herself as entirely satisfied with Nebraska's climate, and she was glad to get back home again. Mr. Baird remarked that "there are no California boomers in this crowd." Robert has grown much stronger and is looking fine. Mrs. Baird's numerous friends in this city will be glad to welcome her home again.

Don Rhoden of Murray was in the city last evening looking after business matters for a time.