

COUNTY POLITICS.

The Political Outlook From a Republican Standpoint.

HAVE BEGUN MAKING BRICK.

The Brick and Terra Cotta Works Resume Operations With a Force of Twenty Men—Will Have Their Horses Trained—Notes.

Political Surmises.

As the chief object of modern republicans is to run for and, if possible hold office, it is to be expected that in a county where a nomination by a republican convention is nearly equivalent to an election, the strife for office should begin early. Cass county comes under this rule, and there are numbers of people who are now doing little else than laying pins for the capture of the coming convention. There are rumors and rumors afloat as to possible combinations and personal desires in this line, and THE JOURNAL feels like giving all the boys a fair chance to carry off the plums.

Beginning at the top it is supposed that his honor, Judge Chapman, would not be inimical to a continuance on the district bench. To be sure he last year voiced a desire for promotion, but the superior strategy or iniquity of Mr. Strode, or Church Howe, or both of them, gave him surcease from this, and he was content with the judgeship for the time. People are hard to suit sometimes, however, and there is no telling what may happen.

It was rumored for some time that Allen Beeson, who is also an able lawyer, would contest with Judge Chapman for the delegation from Cass to the district judgeship, but we hear that last Saturday Mr. Beeson gave it out that he had concluded to stand again for the nomination for county judge. This would indicate that the former rumor was untrue—or that he had changed his mind. People will talk, you know, and the supposition is that some sort of an understanding between friends in the party has been arrived at over the matter.

The field for county judge was so well filled before that the appearance of Mr. Beeson in the arena is liable to create some friction, because the fact has been publicly noted that D. K. Barr and Geo. Spurlock of this city, Wm. Delleadenier of Elmwood, Mr. Douglas and another gentleman from Weeping Water, were already making preparations to pluck that persimmon. If these do not withdraw in Mr. Beeson's favor, there is liable to be blood on the moon before harvest is over.

Candidates for treasurer are also quite numerous. First of all the veteran clerk, deputy and book-keeper, Thomas Pollock, who for the past two terms has practically run the office, is said to be in the field. Mr. Pollock certainly deserves the nomination, as he has been "turned down" before now to give place to others not nearly so competent as himself. His son and clerk, J. K. Pollock, is also said to be a candidate for the nomination. Both are of known competence, and whichever can best carry the primaries in town will possibly be the candidate. Stephen Davis of this city is also out for the place. Then young Eikenbary of Union, and Gus. Weideman of Greenwood, help to make out the complement. For the shrievalty the fight of two years ago is likely to be repeated to some extent. It is said that Mr. Eikenbary would not be averse to a renomination. The suave and pleasant Mr. Hyers is also in a position to receive the lightning shock, while the second deputy, Harvey Holloway, it is rumored, would like a chance to run into the office on his wheel. It would be strange if Plattsmouth should furnish all the talent for the Sheriff's race, however, and there may be others.

This does not cover the whole field, but more anon.

Have Commenced Making Brick.
The Plattsmouth Brick and Terra Cotta works, after an idleness of about a year, Tuesday morning commenced making brick again. About twenty men are employed now, and the force will be increased shortly if the prospects warrant such an undertaking. The company has disposed of every brick on the yards at present to the B & M railroad, to be used in the construction of a new round house at Lincoln.

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Horses Will be Trained.

Prof. McClelland and S. H. Shumaker are the owners of several very fine horses, that, with proper training, bid fair to become "flyers" in a short time. These gentlemen have secured the services of an experienced horse trainer from Glenwood, who comes highly recommended by Dr. Donelan of that place, for whom he recently trained some horses Messes McClelland and Shumaker have five head of promising horses quartered at the fair grounds, and they will be given a thorough course of training. If the animals develop the metal their owners expect of them, they will make their debut at the meeting next fall of the Cass county Agricultural Society. Sheriff Eikenbary also has a mare that shows every evidence of becoming a local "record-breaker," and he is considering the advisability of having the animal trained for the race track. There are several other good "steppers" in this city, and it is quite probable that at the next meeting of the fair association this city will be creditably represented in the speed department.

Railroad Facilities for the State Fair.

A meeting of general managers of the Burlington, Union Pacific, Elkhorn and Missouri Pacific will be held today, at which time the question of terminals for the state fair grounds will be definitely decided on. From the blue prints prepared for this meeting it is safe to predict that the most complete arrangement for the handling of trains will be adopted. The plans are of a most generous nature and give the four railroads ample opportunity to get to the grounds, each road having platforms on either side of its own tracks to unload and take on passengers. The details are yet to be worked out, but the general plan has received the sanction of all the officials interested, today's meeting being called for the purpose of finally closing up the matter of train service and the amount of trackage to be built by each road. The Burlington will reach the grounds via Deerfield.

The Gering's Entertainment.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gering, on North Sixth street, was the scene of a pleasant social gathering last evening. The party was given in honor of Miss Mason, a sister of Mrs. G. F. Houseworth. There were thirty couples present and the entertainment consisted of cards, dancing and refreshments. The music for the occasion was furnished by the "Tuxedo" Mandolin Club, composed of Messrs. Harry Green, O. K. Johnson, Geo. Tartch and Demmie Hiatt, and is reported to have been very fine. It was one of the most pleasant social affairs that has ever occurred in the city, and the Misses Gering proved excellent entertainers.

Crawfish Causes Trouble.

A dispatch from Ashland to the State Journal says: "An insignificant, backsliding crawfish has caused this city and the mill and the electric light company considerable trouble. The company has been building a new mill race near the old one, and Sunday a crawfish came backing from the old into the new excavation. In a few moments the hole was the size of a man's body, and before it could be stopped the bank broke through, letting out the volume of water. The mill was forced to shut down, and the electric lights, upon which the town depends largely, were unable to be used."

An Interesting Decoration.

Many business houses on Main street were tastefully decorated for the recent state turnfest, but probably the most interesting decoration appeared on the front of C. T. Butler & Co.'s ice cream parlors. It was a large flag and was carried through the war of the rebellion by Mr. Butler's father, who served under Gen. Baker, enlisting at Washington. The old flag is considerably battle-scarred and attracted much attention. The flag can be seen in Mr. Butler's show window.

Married.

At the residence of the bride's parents in this city at 8 p. m. last Wednesday, Rev. Burgess officiating, Mr. Bart. Kirkham and Miss Matie Beal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Beal. Only the most intimate friends were present. No cards.

In accordance with a new law that was passed by the last legislature the records of the county court, instead of being kept in three books, the book of entry, book of estates and probate record, will be kept in one book.

The "PlanSifter" flour is the popular brand. Ask for it from your grocer.

THE CLOSING DAY.

The State Turnbezirk Conclude the Turnfest With a Picnic.

THIS CITY WINS SOME PRIZES.

It Was One of the Most Successful Tourneys Ever Held by the Society—Pickpockets Relieve a Lady of Her Money.

The sixth annual turnfest of the Nebraska state turnbezirk was concluded Sunday by a grand picnic at Patterson's park. About two thousand people were in attendance, and a royal time was enjoyed by all. The best of order was maintained throughout, and no unpleasant scenes occurred to mar the success of the occasion. Saturday evening a ball was given at Waterman's which was participated in by a large number of turners and their friends. It was a grand success in every particular and the jolly dancers kept time to the strains of the Bohemian orchestra until the next day.

Saturday afternoon the judges made the awards of prizes to the several successful contestants as follows: In the class work Omaha received first prize, the score being 31.7. Plattsmouth was a close second, with a score of 31.5, while Fremont and Millard followed in the order named.

On Sunday afternoon Plattsmouth and Omaha were opposed in the senior or baer turning contest, and the local class won first honors.

Honors were awarded in the individual turning, which included the more difficult feats in athletics, as follows: First, Otto Wurl, Omaha; second, Emil Wurl, Plattsmouth; third, John Kroeger, Omaha; fourth, Paul Wurl, Omaha.

In the second group the results were as follows: First, Walter Price, Fremont; second, Joe Peters, Plattsmouth; third, Philip Miller, Omaha; fourth, B. Wurl, Plattsmouth; fifth, Henry Richter, Omaha; sixth, Bruno Fuchs, Omaha; seventh, John Killian, Omaha; eighth, Charles Rees, Omaha; ninth, Geo. Koehnke, Plattsmouth.

In the apparatus turning the prizes in the third or highest group were awarded as follows: First, Otto Wurl, Omaha; second, John Kroeger, Omaha; third, Emil Wurl, Plattsmouth.

In the second group the results were: First, Joe Peters, Plattsmouth, and Philip Miller, Omaha, tie; second, Walter Price, Fremont; third, Bernard Wurl, Plattsmouth; fourth, George Koehnke, Plattsmouth.

In the pole vault, high jump and lifting 100 pound weights, a group in itself, Otto Wurl, Omaha, won first prize; Philip Miller, Omaha, second, and Walter Price, Fremont, third.

The ladies' class of Omaha had no opposition, but were awarded a diploma. This class attracted unusual interest, and gave exhibitions of club swinging and dumb-bell lifting, that was highly appreciated.

TURNFEST NOTES.

The Omaha ladies' class, dressed in bloomers, was the chief drawing card at the picnic.

One of the Omaha turners sustained a fractured arm Saturday afternoon while performing on a horizontal bar on high school hill.

The ladies' class was a novel feature of the turnbezirk. This was the first time a ladies' class ever participated in a state contest of this society.

Mayor Newell's address was a short and well-worded one, tendering the visitors the freedom of the city and extending to them a hearty welcome.

Matthew Gering's speech Saturday afternoon was a master-piece and was well received by the large audience that listened to the eloquent young lawyer's discourse.

Pickpockets Were Here.

The unusually large crowd of visitors in this city last Saturday proved a bonanza for pickpockets. Mrs. Nicholas Halmes, who was witnessing the Turnbezirk exercises on high school hill that afternoon, was relieved of her purse, containing about nine dollars in money, and another lady reported the loss of her pocketbook, but the amount of money lost was small. Chief Dunn was notified shortly afterward and searched several suspicious-looking fellows, but was unable to locate the stolen money. Two fellows were arrested in the evening and taken before Police Judge Archer, who assessed one dollar and costs and turned the other loose, with instructions to make himself scarce. The police

chased about a dozen tough-looking bums out of town at eleven o'clock Saturday night.

Gosney Defeats George Harshman.
A special from Talmage, in Otoe county, to the Bee, dated June 30th, says: "The wrestling match between George Harshman of Avoca and John Gosney of Lenkeman, Neb., came off last night at Cash's opera house in this city. This was for a purse of \$50 and was won by Gosney in the fifth bout. A large crowd gathered to witness this, as everyone knew it would be a hard battle. Frank Biggs was referee. Floyd Harshman was the man Gosney was after, but, on the plea of a broken toe, George was put in. The fifth bout was decided a foul time was called and, after a rest of five minutes, the men were called into the ring. Gosney came in as fresh as ever, with his pleasant smile, but Harshman flew the track and refused to enter. Time being called again and again and Harshman failing to come to time, Gosney was declared the winner and the \$50 handed to him."

In Judge Archer's Court.
Five civil cases were filed in Justice Archer's court on Tuesday by Chas. C. Parmelee.

Richard Bilstein, the butcher, has been on a protracted spree for several days and on Tuesday he became so abusive to his family that his wife and daughter appeared before Police Judge Archer and swore out a warrant for his arrest. His amusement cost him \$10 and trimmings, which he will board out with Jailor Denson.

Frank Kalacek's ten-year-old boy got mixed up with another boy, named George Miller, who is several sizes larger and four years older than he is, and, as a consequence, the younger boy is wearing one of his optics in a sling. A warrant was sworn out in Judge Archer's court for the arrest of the Miller boy, but when Chief Dunn went to the boy's home he learned that the youngster had "few the coop."

Was an Omaha Girl.
Vera Stanwood, the handsome, dashing and unscrupulous woman who is said to have stolen the affections of Champion Jim Corbett from his wife, was an Omaha girl, and it was in a Ninth street resort that she started out on the life which she has since followed with enough notoriety to satiate even the most exacting member of the lower world. The woman's right name is Jessie Taylor. At the time of her birth her father was a switchman in one of the Omaha yards, while her mother and a sister still reside in that city. She married a hack driver there and lived with him about four years, during which time a child was born. She finally left her husband and became an inmate of a house of ill-fame and subsequently drifted to Chicago where she assumed the name of Eva Stanwood.

Henry Gering is Appointed.

The state board of transportation Monday elected H. R. Gering of this city secretary of the state board of pharmacy. The Bee's Lincoln correspondent in speaking of him says: "Mr. Gering is an administration democrat." Mr. Gering wishes THE JOURNAL to deny this latter statement. "I am not an administration democrat," said he, "and have not been." The duties of this position are to examine and pass upon applicants for prescription clerks. It is an honorable place and pays \$5 a day and expenses while actually employed. He and two others were recommended by the Nebraska association of druggists—one of them to be appointed, and Mr. Gering was chosen.

Gertrude Antill Suicide.

Information has been received in this city to the effect that Gertrude Antill, formerly of Plattsmouth committed suicide recently near Circleville, Ohio. She has been living with a married sister since the death of her grandmother in this city about two years ago. Miss Antill was well and favorably known in this city where she resided for several years, and her many friends here will be grieved to learn of her sad ending.

Mr. Young feels aggrieved that Mr. Patterson should have received the entire credit for the reduction in the tax levy this year. While he realizes the advantage of having a thorough business man like Mr. Patterson on the board, he thinks that all the commissioners should have equal credit in the matter, as the reduction was largely brought about through the efforts of himself and Mr. Hayes.

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NEBRASKA ITEMS.

Peter Van Garder of Bayard lost a horse that he valued at \$2,000.

A little daughter of James Gatewood of Papillion fell off the porch and broke her arm a day or two ago.

In the North Platte country small grain is heavier and promises a better yield than any year since the discovery of America.

Mr. Conroy of McCool sold a half interest in his trotting horse, "Little Dick," for \$500. The owner of Alix was the purchaser.

Henry Blumer of Chalco, woke up one morning to find that four sets of harness and a saddle had been taken from his barn during the night.

John Doe, sentenced to feed a few days at the Papillion jail on bread and water, made his escape by springing the cell door. He never came back.

Holt county is mightily agitated over the question of how to cut itself up in such a manner that every incorporated village may become a county seat.

North Loup is at present doing business without a bank, and some one with means has the chance of a life time to supply the demand and make a barrel of money.

The Aurora Republican began its twenty-third volume last week. It is enjoying a fair degree of prosperity and takes an optimistic view of the future of Nebraska and the rest of the world.

Fred Heiser, formerly a prominent citizen of Boone county, but later a resident of Belgrade, Nance county, disappeared two weeks ago and has not been heard from since. It is feared financial trouble have unbalanced his mind.

If a certain dead beat and howling dervish who infests this community, says the Graphic, doesn't let up on his backtracking he will find something appear in print to his disadvantage. There are no dissensions or factions among the people of Atkinson but what originate in the soft part of his brain.

Johnson's Latest Feat.

At Toronto, Ont., Monday, John S. Johnson, the bicyclist, made the fastest mile ever ridden in a competition race. Walter Sanger and Harry Tyler were the other contestants and the race was for a purse of \$1,500 and the world's championship, best two out of three heats. Johnson won the first two heats with a very close margin, made the first one in the very fast time of 1:29. The second heat was considerably slower, on account of the riders not being paced fast enough, the time being 2:01. L. E. Richardson rode a quarter of a mile backwards in 0:57, making the world's record for this style of riding.

AROUND THE COURT ROOMS.

District court adjourned Monday until July 10th.

Sheriff Eikenbary is confined to his bed with a severe attack of rheumatism, and is unable to move without assistance.

Judge Ramsey issued a marriage license Saturday evening to Robert J. Corbett and Miss Effie Edson, of the vicinity of Avoca.

A petition has been filed in county court for administration of the estate of the late Henry J. Hennings. Petition also filed for guardian of Hennings' children.

The Norfolk Journal says there are 1,400 acres of sugar beets growing in the immediate vicinity of Norfolk, which now give promise of yielding twelve tons to the acre, giving a total of \$60 per acre to the growers. In other words, at least \$74,000 will be paid out to the farmers near Norfolk for sugar beets this fall. The amount paid to factory employees will be fully as much more.

Messrs. Harvey Holloway and Sam Patterson went to Kearney yesterday, the former to participate in the big bicycle races there July 4th and 5th. They will return Saturday morning.

Matthew Gering will be the orator at the Wymore celebration on the 4th, and he has prepared an oration that it is safe to say will do him credit and beat the occasion.

Miss Amelia Vallery arrived home yesterday from Chicago, where she has resided for the past several months.

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BICYCLISTS BLUE.

The Bicycle Races Have to be Postponed on Account of Rain.

THE COUNCIL BLUFFS RACES.

Holloway Lands Two Prizes And Patterson One—Three Iowa Records Are Broken—Edgehill Did Not Enter the Race at All.

Thursday's rain no doubt spoiled some fine bicycle races at the new race course in this city. There was a large number of crack riders in the city from abroad, and they all returned home that evening without having had a chance to try the new track. There were 17 entries in the five-mile handicap race, including the very best riders in the state. It was decided to postpone the meet until Thursday, July 18, and all the bicyclists that were here yesterday signified their intention of returning upon that date and participating.

About one hundred bicyclists from abroad arrived Thursday morning on different trains to take part in and witness the bicycle races at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The following bicyclists had filed entry blanks and expected to participate in the races:

T. M. Patterson, Walter Burdick, H. E. Frederickson, H. A. Crawford, Wm. Caraher, H. L. Underwood, Fred Edwood, W. D. Staley, W. A. Pixley, H. Holloway, T. Parmelee, Frank Sessler, H. Gadke, J. MacNider, L. Sawyer, J. Sherman, J. Beeson, R. Mauzy.

Council Bluffs Races.

The bicycle races given at Council Bluffs, Ia., June 26th for the benefit of John N. Wortman, who sustained injuries by a collision with a wheelman some time ago, were a pronounced success. A good attendance was had and several red hot races were run. The Plattsmouth contingent did some fine riding. Holloway taking second place in the two-mile handicap, and fifth prize in the mile handicap. Tom Patterson did not fare as well, securing fourth place in the quarter mile. Three Iowa state records were smashed, Edwood taking the mile novice in 2:37 3-5, Hattenhauer the quarter in 30 flat, and MacNider the two-mile handicap in 5:06 2-5. The real warm thing in the races was the quarter open between Fredrickson, Hattenhauer, Mack and Patterson. Hattenhauer jumped out with the pistol shot and set a terrific pace, trailed by Fredrickson, who in turn was chased close by Mack and Patterson. Fredrickson was unable to close the gap but forced Hattenhauer to do the distance in killing time. The two-mile handicap also furnished some nerve shattering racing and was really Holloway's race. The handicapper had placed Macinder at the two hundred yard mark and he took three hundred. Despite this lead Holloway came near to a victory forcing Macinder to go the last half mile at a heart-breaking pace. The boys have no cause to be ashamed of their showing although the prizes were not very plentiful.

Resisted an Officer.

If young Will Shera of Rock Bluffs wants to keep out of trouble he will never drink any more red liquor, because whenever he gets a drink ahead he becomes belligerent, and either has a quarrel or a fight with somebody, and it's just about as likely to be a friend as anybody else. Wednesday he got a few drinks, and when George Sawtelle stepped up to the bar of an up-town saloon and asked for a glass of beer, Shera, all unprovoked, struck him a fearful blow in the face, and then followed it up with another, battering his face up fearfully, and then when Chief Dunn came up to arrest him he resisted and had to be subdued by a "persuader." On Thursday he was brought before Judge Archer and fined \$25 and costs, for the payment of which he gave security. Shera is all right if he lets liquor alone, and he is old enough to have the good sense to quit monkeying with the vile stuff.

Elmwood Methodists.

Last Sunday was a big day for the Methodist church at Elmwood, twenty-seven being taken into full membership in the church and baptized, twenty-one by sprinkling, five by immersion and one by pouring. Rev. Frank Campbell, the pastor, will commence revival meetings on the evening of July 22, and will be assisted by the Rev. Mr. Malley of Oklahoma.