

# WHO SHOULD BE THE CANDIDATE?

[This department is opened for the public discussion of the available candidates for governor at the coming election. Free speech and open discussion of every public question has always been one of the principal tenets of the populist party. It is better for the party, better for the state, better for the candidate, that the public should know the good qualities and bad qualities of a man before he is nominated, than to proceed to a nomination and take chances in finding out his character and qualifications afterwards. Open discussion will injure the chances of no worthy candidate. It may prevent the nomination of an unworthy candidate if there be any. The public has a right to know. Their only way of knowing, is by public discussion. When thoroughly acquainted with the facts, the people can be trusted to do right.]

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What is the best course for the welfare of the state and the good of the people?

## FAVORABLY MENTIONED.

- HON. D. CLEM DEEVER.....OMAHA
- HON. J. H. EDMISTEN.....LEXINGTON
- HON. JAMES E. HARRIS.....TALMAGE
- HON. SILAS A. HOLCOMB.....BROKEN BOW
- JUDGE WILLIAM NEVILLE.....NORTH PLATTE
- HON. JOHN S. ROBINSON.....MADISON
- HON. C. J. SMYTH.....OMAHA

### Judge of the Ninth District.

**EDITOR INDEPENDENT—**

I have read with much interest the letters suggesting possible or probable candidates for governor. I am interested as I am an old time populist, having voted for Peter Cooper for president, and have been in the fight ever since, although standing almost alone at times. No doubt, as already suggested, Gov. Holcomb would not accept a re-nomination for a third term and the populist party should not inaugurate such an extended tenure of office, the evils of which are too apparent to need mention here.

Mr. Spaulding's suggestion contains merit in that it is only fair that a democrat should succeed a populist, for the nomination, if one can be found who is true to the interests of the people, and there are plenty such. But Attorney General Smyth is too valuable a man in his present position where he must be kept for two years longer, as there are still some cobwebs to be swept down by his legal broom.

But there is a man in the 9th judicial district, a man who is far above the average in ability, in fact who has but few peers in or out of the state, whose every motive is honorable and whose loyalty to the people's interests is tried and known. He was largely instrumental in making the election of Senator Allen possible at a time when there was not much love lost between the democratic and populist parties. This man is Hon. John S. Robinson, now district judge. In 1894 an effort was made to nominate him for congress on a union of the democrat and populist parties. When this failed he went into the democratic convention then in session, and made a strong fight to have the meeting endorse or nominate Hon. John M. Devine. His impassioned appeal will be remembered by those who were present. He has been twice elected judge by the populist and democratic parties.

T. H. GRAVES,  
Pender, Neb. Jan. 25, 1898.

### Favors a Silver Republican.

**EDITOR INDEPENDENT:**

In your last issue I see you have made it in order for suggestions in regard to candidates etc. Now I believe it would be good policy (provided there is a union of the reform forces) for the populists to name the candidate for governor. I also believe that it is just and right that whenever an officer has served the people faithfully and honestly for a term he should without a word of contention be given his second term, but never in any case a third term. So I say nominate the present state officers. Then who is to be the candidate for governor? This is the question to be settled. Shall the populist name him and who shall he be? Of a right the populists should make the choice, and whatever his name may chance to be ought to be chosen from the ranks of the force of the free silver republicans. No populist, nor democrat, if he is honest in his advocacy for reform and wishes to be fair, will make any kick over this proposition.

The 28,000 reform democrats are well represented in that they have Smyth and Sullivan. What few may be added to their number or to the 69,000 populists will be small compared to the increase that will come from the grand g. o. p. to the free silver republicans and as reformers no self interest should blind our eyes from seeing the fact that our increase of strength must come through this very channel and in no way could we act to more readily convince the timid and skeptical of our honesty of purpose to the end that it is good government we want more than position or power; that we are ready and willing to go outside our party ranks if needs be, to secure it.

[I trust there is not one who claims to be a reformer that would like to see our state government counted again in the g. o. p. column. So when I say it is a good government we seek, as a populist I think we can, without sacrificing any principles whatever, consistently and with justice too, take our candidate for governor from the free silver republicans.]

W. B. BROOKS,  
Oak, Neb. Jan. 27, '98.

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Four eggs, one half pint of sugar, two ounces of good chocolate (grated), one quart of milk, one teaspoonful of vanilla. Beat the yolks well with the sugar, less two tablespoonfuls, add the chocolate, less one heaping tablespoonful, then the milk, heated to boiling, and boil in a double boiler until it thickens. When cold flavor and fill in the pies. Then beat the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth, and gradually add the two tablespoonfuls of sugar and one of chocolate. Spread on top of pie and bake in a moderate oven until a light brown.—Serve cold.—Amelia Sulzbacher, in February Woman's Home Companion.

### A Misinterpretation.

It is generally best to curb our impatience before giving it vent in words, as at such times one's language may convey a different idea from its real meaning. Miss Kate Sanborn, in her "Abandoning an Adopted Farm," relates her annoyance at being besieged by agents, reporters, curiosity-seekers; I was so perpetually harassed that I dreaded to see a stranger approach with an air of business. The other day I was just starting for a drive, when I noticed the usual stranger hurrying on. Putting my head out of the carriage, I said, in a petulant and weary tone: "Do you want to see me?" The young man stopped, smiled and replied, courteously, "It gives me pleasure to look at you, madam, but I was going farther on."

### The Modern Child.

"I sometimes feel," said the old gentleman, "like taking that 4-year-old grandson of mine and locking him up in the cellar."

"Why, what has he done?"

"I told him that beautiful fairy story about the sleeping beauty, how, as soon as the princess was kissed, all the clocks began to go and the servants began to work, and all that sort of thing, and he only said: 'Who pressed the button?'"

### Stealing English Rifles.

Some surprise has been expressed at the number of Lee-Metford and Martini rifles in the possession of the rebellious tribes of the northwest frontier of India. The Globe points out that the British troops lose about fifty rifles yearly stolen by the Afridis. An old sergeant-major, who has spent many years in India, says that, in spite of double sentries and the soldiers sleeping with their carbines under their pillows, his regiment was continually losing weapons while on the frontier, the natives creeping in during the night, stark naked, and with bodies so covered with grease that when one was detected it was almost impossible to hold him. If an unfortunate soldier stirred while his carbine was being abstracted, a blow from a keen knife effectually quieted him.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

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### English Bishops.

Eton is responsible for 14 of the present English bishops; and Winchester comes next with 8. Seven were educated at Rugby, 6 at Harrow, 5 at Merchant Taylors, and the same number at St. Paul's; while Marlborough, where the sons of many of the clergy were educated, turned out 4 bishops. The Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Colchester were both formerly in the army.

### A new calamity.

Gus—Pity Cholly is so awfully deformed, doncherknow?

Bertie—Poor fellow! What's the matter with him?

Gus—Why—aw—his neck's so doddily short that he always has to wear urn-down collars.—Pick-Me-Up.

### As Between Men.

"Yes, dear, I met your father and told him that I wanted to talk with you as one man with another." "And?"

"Well, that was the kind of talk I got. With all the temper he has, I'm sure he would never have used such language in talking to a woman."—Indianapolis Journal.

### A Mean Musician.

Jay Green—"Lyman Sawyer is the meanest man in the country! Gol-fry him, he's a darned sight worse than a pirate!" John Medders—"Is that so? Why, I never knew him to do anything worse than to be overcastly jolly!" Jay Green—"That's it! He asked me to give him my honest opinion of his 'jolly,' an' when I did so he had me arrested for usin' profane language!"

### Warm Day in Germany.

There were some warm days in Germany last summer. One day a Nuremberg brewery retailed 265 hectoliters (3,490 gallons) of beer.

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Practical tests at Mount Holly, N. J., recently proved that a propeller working against the resistance of the air generates sufficient force to drive a heavily loaded car at the rate of nearly six miles an hour. This demonstrates that a similar power might be adaptable to an airship.

The test was one of hundreds made under the direction of Professor S. P. Langley, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington.

Professor Elfreth Watkins of Washington conducted the experiments at Mount Holly. The Medford branch of the Pennsylvania railroad has but little traffic, and permission was obtained to use it. An old hand car was procured and a wooden framework fastened to it. On this was placed a small gasoline engine. A shaft ran to the rear of the car, where it was braced, and on the end of it was the propeller, a two bladed affair,



TESTING THE AIR PROPELLER.

eight feet over all. The blades were made of steel tubing, covered with canvas. Instruments were attached to the car axle, and the propeller shaft indicated the speed of each.

Several tests were made, and Professor Watkins and his associates were delighted with the result. The car and engine complete weighed nearly 4,000 pounds, but it was driven along the track against a strong head wind at the rate of 5 1/2 miles an hour, with the propeller making 350 revolutions a minute. Tests under varying conditions showed equally satisfactory results. Professor Watkins said that with a few modifications suggested by the experiments the motor and propeller would be adaptable to the airship.—New York Herald.

### The Mosquito's Tool Box.

The beak of the mosquito is simply a tool box wherein the mosquito keeps six miniature surgical instruments in perfect working order. Two of these instruments are exact counterparts of the surgeon's lance. One is a spear with a double barbed head; the fourth is a needle of exquisite fineness, a saw and a pump going to make up the complement. The spear is the largest of the six tools and is used for making the initial puncture. Next the lances or knives are brought into play to cause the blood to flow more freely. In case this last operation fails of having the desired effect the saw and the needle are carefully and feelingly inserted in a lateral direction in the victim's flesh. The pump, the most delicate of all six of the instruments, is used in transferring the blood to the insect's stomach.—Science Gossip.

### Coal Mining by Machinery.

One of the immediate effects of the recent strike in the coal region has been to create a boom in orders for coal mining machinery, and also to stimulate the invention of improvements in "undercutting" machines. It is probably not a hazardous prediction to say that within the next ten years nearly all of the coal mines will be fully equipped with coal cutting machinery, in which each cutter will do the work of at least eight or ten miners with the pick. The saving in waste of coal, in time and in wages will, it is calculated, enable producers to place coal at tide water at somewhat less cost than it is delivered at the mouth of the mine under present methods.—Philadelphia Record.

### American Machine Tools.

American machine tools by hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth are sent, freight paid, for thousands of miles across the ocean to England, Germany, France, Russia, Japan and China, and it is difficult to resist the contention that this simply means the success of free and intelligent labor well paid.—London Times.

### Science and Industry.

There are 6,003 pieces in the modern high grade locomotive.

A single sunflower stalk at Burns, Kan., bore 233 blooms at one time.

Durable brick, formed of chipped granite and clay, is a recent Scottish invention.

All the land above sea level would not fill up more than one-third of the Atlantic ocean.

On the first railways a candle stuck in a station house window meant stop. Its absence was a signal to go on.

A cremated adult human body leaves a residuum of gray ashes which altogether does not weigh more than about two pounds.

An exhibition of acetylene gas is to be held at Garmstadt, Wurttemberg, and will include an exhibition of various generators, lamps, etc.

Dr. B. J. Cigrand says a compound for moulching can be made by using marble dust, with sufficient glycerin added to produce a moldable material.

One pound of flowers of sulphur and one gallon of linseed oil boiled together until they are thoroughly combined form a good waterproof varnish for any textile fabric.

The odor of the sweet pea, according to The Medical Record, is so offensive to flies that it will drive them out of the sickroom, though it is not usually in the slightest degree disagreeable to the patient.

## BULLETS IN THE BRAIN.

A New Probe For Brain Surgery From Which Much is Hoped.

When a bullet has passed into a man's brain, the chances are that its track will have collapsed before the services of a surgeon are available. The brain is soft, made up of many sections of gray matter, joined together in a manner not unlike the parts of a sponge and separated by hundreds of tiny canals. The slightest deviation of a probe in the hands of an operator from its proper course, and the probe enters the brain matter. It may need only the slightest puncturing to cause instant death or impair the brain. For years here has lain the greatest danger in brain surgery.

A new probe is now invented, with a spherical top, mounted upon a slender shaft, to diminish friction. A tiny scale is fastened upon the handle, recording in fractions of an ounce the exact amount of force being exerted. It is controlled by a spring, moved by the stem of the probe. It is said that a probe tip a quarter of an inch in diameter needs from 2 1/2 to 3 ounces weight to penetrate, and from 1 1/2 to 2 ounces to pass between convolutions. The precise amount of force being known, it follows that, with this instrument, the surgeon could see whether he was in the bullet's track or penetrating brain tissue.

### Nature as an Educator.

Dr. M. L. Holbrook gives the following excellent advice as to the education of children: "So far as possible a love of nature should be early and continuously inculcated. Nature is, in a physical sense, the father and mother of us all, and a child that grows up to maturity with a genuine love of rocks and trees, flowers and insects, animals and plants, storms and sunshine, cold and heat, fresh air or the ocean wave, of every varying landscape and mood of nature and all the activities around us, stands not only a better chance of possessing a healthy nervous system, but of maintaining it during life than if the opposite has been the case. I am not at all in sympathy with any system of education which takes children far away from nature. Nature is a book, a great library of books, whose authorship is the Infinite. Our little works, our libraries, vast and valuable as they are, cannot be compared with it. They are poor transcripts at best of the thoughts of half developed human beings."—Scientific American.

### High Pressure Steam Boiler.

A steam boiler carrying a pressure of 3,000 pounds per square inch was shown at the Stockholm exhibition by Mr. De Laval, the inventor of the well known steam turbine and the centrifugal cream separator. The boiler is described as being merely a long concentric spiral tube, less than an inch in diameter, through which the water is pumped, escaping as steam at the end, where it is used to propel a steam turbine. The water supply is automatically regulated by the demand for steam, as is also the air supply to the furnace. Notwithstanding the extremely high pressure, the boiler is believed to be a very safe construction on account of the small diameter of the pipe and of the fact that if an explosion should take place it would involve only a small portion of the length of the pipe and a small quantity of water.—Engineering News.

### Bacterial Mud.

An instance of oxide of iron associated with bacteria occurring on a large scale has been investigated by Professor Manabu Miyoshi, who holds the chair of botany in the University of Tokyo. The material examined by him was a ferruginous mud from the hot springs of Ika. This mud consists entirely of bacteria. The bacteria seem to resemble the Leptothrix ochracea of Kutz, but further observations will be necessary in order to determine whether they constitute a new species or not. From experiments made with hydrochloric acid Professor Miyoshi is led to believe that the oxide of iron is not deposited on the walls of the cells, but is more or less intimately incorporated with them. No others of the more common iron containing bacteria, such as Crenothrix kühmani, were found in this particular mud.—Lancet.

### Smoke Protects From Lightning.

On the approach of a thunderstorm French peasants often make up a very smoky fire, says Industries and Iron, in the belief that safety from lightning is thus assured. By some this is deemed a superstition, but Schuster shows that the custom is based on reason, inasmuch as the smoke acts as a good conductor for carrying away the electricity slowly and safely. He points out that in 1,000 cases of damage by lightning 6.3 churches and 8.5 mills have been struck, while the number of factory chimneys has only been 0.3.

### Cured by a Burglar.

Professor Brunsard, in a recent lecture, related the following case: A man had a pharyngeal abscess, so deeply seated that his medical attendant was afraid to meddle with it. One night a burglar broke into the house, and on the sick man calling for help tried to throttle him. The abscess burst, deluging the burglar with pus and causing him to best a rapid retreat. His intended victim experienced relief and made a rapid recovery.—Medical Review.

### Ears of Snakes.

Although the serpent cannot really hear the sound it can readily feel very slight vibrations, and its actions are often sufficient to lead people to believe that its hearing is very acute. In regard to auditory organs the snake ranks lowest of all the members of the great class of reptiles. It is not only destitute of an external ear, but also lacks the tympanum, or ear drum, which in other animals first receives the sound.—Popular Science News.

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