

CANDIDATES



FOR GOVERNOR, WILLIAM A. POYNTER

Governor William A. Poynter was born in Eureka, Illinois, in 1848. Graduated from the Eureka college at the age of nineteen and followed the occupation of school teaching at Eureka and other places in Illinois until 1878 when he moved to Nebraska, shipping with him his horses, machinery and household goods, his railroad destination being Silver Creek, Nebraska, where he loaded his goods on wagons and drove them to Boone county, settling on Plum Creek valley, being then forty-five miles from a railroad and located on the fine farm which he still owns and resided upon until having been elected governor of the state in 1898.

The governor is what is known as a self-made man, having come to Nebraska as a homesteader and worked his way up the ladder of success by sheer force of energy and a steadfast adherence to principles which he believed to be just.

In his administration as governor he has won the universal respect of the citizens of his state by his fearless disposition of all questions of state coming before him as chief executive. He is decidedly democratic in his ideas, and is as approachable to a common laborer as to a United States congressman.

Governor Poynter was married to Miss Maria McCorkle in 1869, she also being a graduate of Eureka college, and who graces the executive mansion as the leading lady of the state with an easy and dignified manner, but is as attentive to the wants and cares of the lowly in life as the most exalted. Their family consists of a son and daughter, C. W. M. Poynter, who is now in attendance at the Omaha Medical Institute, and Miss Josie, who is taking a course in music at the university.

ANDERSON FOR SUPERINTENDENT

Editor Independent: As the state convention is now drawing near, it is well for the people to look about so as to be able to select the very best of men for the various offices, men who are able to conduct the affairs of the positions to which they aspire in a way that will be a credit to the state and to the parties which they represent. I wish to call the attention of your readers and of the fusion forces of the state to Prof. U. O. Anderson as a candidate for superintendent of public instruction, as a man in every way worthy of the confidence of the people of Nebraska and of the position to which he aspires. Prof. Anderson is peculiarly fitted for the place, having begun life as a scholar in the country schools, going on up to high school and college, and as teacher in the district schools of this county, then in the high school and finally in college, and he is now serving his third term as superintendent of Seward county where he has given universal satisfaction. He is the only populist ever elected in the county on a straight populist ticket, he having been elected on a straight ticket in 1894.

At their late conventions the populists and democrats both unanimously endorsed Prof. Anderson as a candidate, and all believe that he should receive the nomination as Seward county has never asked a position on the ticket before, but the fusion forces of this county do not ask for the nomination alone on that ground, nor because Seward county is one of the banner counties, but because they know that if U. O. Anderson is nominated and elected he will prove a credit to the office and to the state.—Phil Maurer, Beaver Crossing, Neb.

HUSSONG FOR SUPERINTENDENT

We have received a letter from Mr. Thomas McCusker, of Bloomington, Neb., advocating the nomination of Mr. Ed. M. Hussong, of Franklin county, for state superintendent. Mr. McCusker raises Mr. Hussong in unmeasured terms—calls attention to the fact that he is an old time populist of high character and superior education. He has served successfully and with entire satisfaction as superintendent of the Franklin county schools and is widely known throughout the state. He is broad minded and liberal in his views. He was a candidate for the same nomination before the state convention two years ago and came near to success. His following from the 5th congressional district will be considerable.

C. V. SVOBODA FOR SECRETARY

Editor Independent:—Hon. C. V. Svoboda, of Howard county, seems to be the leading candidate for the important office of secretary of state. We of Saline county wish to say that we heartily approve of his candidacy and would be very much pleased to see him nominated for several reasons. He is a man of clean character and good habits, a man who cannot be bought by favor nor money, and well qualified to fill the office above named. Being a representative Bohemian American, his nomination would greatly please the thirty thousand Bohemian and Polish voters, who by the way are as prompt tax-payers as we have in the state and who would like to be recognized in the state administration.—Saline county has probably the largest percentage of Bohemian population of any county in the state and the republi-

cans have several times placed some of our best Bohemian citizens on the state ticket. It seems to me that it is about time that our own party should place one of our Bohemian-Americans on the ticket, so we all could support him and be true to our principles at the same time. We have but one candidate and ask for but one place, and being satisfied that Mr. Svoboda is a nomination well adapted to our state ticket, we sincerely hope that our state convention which meets at Lincoln on the 11th inst. will give this matter due consideration and place his name, with the names of other good men, on the fusion ticket and we will elect them all by a thirty thousand majority on November—J. J. Drasky, Crete, Neb.

FOR LAND COMMISSIONER

Editor Independent: I desire to say to the people of the state through the columns of your noble paper, that Saunders county will present to the fusion state convention for the nomination to the office of commissioner of public lands and buildings the name of P. J. Carey, a man whom we think embodies all those qualifications which go to make an efficient public officer. Mr. Carey has resided in Saunders county for almost thirty years and is known by all as one of her best citizens, having the confidence and respect of all men irrespective of party affiliations, is thoroughly imbued with reform principles and has been identified with the populist party ever since its organization. J. C. Whitney, Wahoo, Neb.

C. F. BECK, FOR SUPERINTENDENT

The following are a few of the strong points that may be emphasized in the candidacy of Professor C. F. Beck for the important position of state superintendent of public instruction.

He has had a wide range of experience as an educator for more than twenty years in Nebraska. This experience has covered nearly every phase of school work, including common schools, graded schools, city superintendency and county superintendency. During the past three years he has assisted in the state department in the administration of the duties of the office, and has thus been brought in touch with nearly every phase of educational work. He has during all his educational career been an earnest student and a progressive educator. Not only is he an indefatigable worker but he is also a good organizer, and has executive ability that will enable him to make and forward plans for the advancement of our schools.

He was for some time captain of Co. H of the state militia and during the Wounded Knee Indian outbreak in 1891, was stationed at Gordon. At the call or voluntary enlistment, he was a member of the militia and during the outbreak he laid down the duties of the office and offered his services. Colonel Bryan recognized his ability and special fitness for the position and selected him as a member of his staff, and Governor Holcomb commissioned him as adjutant of the Third Nebraska. In this latter capacity he has been elected every year, he has proven himself to be both popular and efficient.

It is doubtful if there is another man in the state who has a better record and who would, by the force of his genuine merits receive as large a vote at the hands of the people. If the fusion forces place Mr. Beck in nomination, he will not only prove to be a winner but will strengthen the ticket.

THE DEMOCRATS OF BURT COUNTY IN THEIR CONVENTION TOOK ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

Resolved, That the democrats of Burt county, in convention assembled, hereby endorse Hon. Chas. F. Beck for the office of superintendent of public instruction of Nebraska.

THE POPULISTS PASSED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

Resolved, That the delegation chosen by this convention to the state convention be instructed to use all honorable means to secure the nomination of Hon. C. F. Beck in nomination, he being a man of high character and superior education. That we have every reason to place our confidence in Prof. Beck, knowing him to be a thorough school man who has done much to bring the schools of Burt county to the position they now occupy. We further believe that he is a man of exceptionally good character and superior education, and has worked incessantly to the betterment of the schools of the state of Nebraska and his efficient labors have been felt and appreciated.

WHEELER FOR AUDITOR

There is no more important office in the state than that of Auditor of public accounts. No money can be paid from the state treasury except on a warrant drawn by the Auditor. It is the Auditor who must determine the legality and wisdom of every public expenditure, and it requires a man of experience and particular ability to conduct the office properly. Hon. C. F. Wheeler of Furnas county is without question the most thoroughly qualified for the position of any of the candidates. He served two terms as county treasurer of Furnas county and made a most excellent record. The county then sent him for two terms as its representative in the legislature where he served with distinguished ability. During the last session he was the recognized leader of the minority and it is due to his steadfast opposition that D. E. Thompson does not now represent Nebraska in the U. S. Senate.

Mr. Wheeler is a farmer and stock raiser, a man of the plain people and with his sterling integrity and wide experience would make a most competent Auditor of public accounts for this county and the greater part of the Fifth Congressional district will insist on his nomination.

HUSSONG FOR SUPERINTENDENT

Editor Independent.—If you can find space for this little item in this week's issue of the Independent it will be a favor to the people of southwestern Nebraska. We have a man in this part of the state whose life work and training has amply fitted him for the most responsible position in the state—that of superintendent of public instruction.

Professor Ed. M. Hussong, of Franklin county, is the product, educationally, of the Iowa Agricultural College, the Kansas state normal school and the University of Nebraska. Mr. Hussong is serving his second term as superintendent of Franklin county, having run several hundred ahead of his ticket at the last election. His work in the state teachers' association, in district association and county convention, is proof of his rare ability in this line of school work and has endeared him to all the teachers with whom he has come in contact. If the convention at Lincoln would make a wise choice in the selection of a man for this very important position, it should name Mr. Hussong, the foremost educator, probably, in the state.

D. R. CARPENTER, Riverton, Neb.

PEOPLE ARE FOR POYNTER

Editor Independent.—By referring to the Bee editorial of the 2nd, readers of the Independent can see how sore the republicans feel that the 'pops' will not put up a candidate for governor that can be downed at the polls.

Mr. Harrington has committed an unpardonable sin in publishing in the World Herald that Governor Poynter will surely be renominated. Too bad that the Bee, the True Populist, the Non-conformist and other republican adjuncts, could not be accommodated!

I would like to add my testimony that the people are satisfied with Governor Poynter.

During the past winter and spring my business has taken me over a great part of eastern Nebraska and I know the almost unanimous feeling of the reform voters to be strongly in favor of Poynter and any other influence brought to bear at this time will only tend to do what is doubtless intended—aid the republicans in their campaign.

B. ROOSA.

EBBERSON FOR TREASURER

In the state convention at Hastings four years ago, Peter Ebberson ran J. B. Meserve a close second for state treasurer. Since that time there has been a general feeling in many quarters that Mr. Ebberson is in paper lines for nomination this year. This together with the fact that those who are personally acquainted with Mr. Ebberson are satisfied that he is qualified to succeed to and continue the good work so successfully inaugurated to the state treasury by Mr. Meserve, has led to a demand for republican renomination by many populists throughout the state.

Peter Ebberson has grown up in the alliance and populist ranks in Howard county, and has been a faithful and efficient worker in the cause for reform during the last twenty years. He came to Howard county in 1873 with his parents who settled upon a homestead, and has lived in the county ever since. When nineteen years old he taught school and continued in that profession for several years, working on the farm in the intervals. While engaged in teaching, he entered into and took an active part in the original farmers' alliance and anti-monopoly movement in the beginning of the eighties, and helped to stump the county in the interest of the cause and its candidates. Ever since their first beginnings, Mr. Ebberson has been constantly in the harness and has accomplished a large educational work for the cause of reform. In 1898, he established a Danish newspaper, the "Stjernen" which did much to sow the seed of anti-monopoly principles among the Danish-American voters of Nebraska. When the people's independent party was organized, this paper was one of the first to champion it, and the only populist paper at that time in the Danish language.

But Mr. Ebberson entered still more extensively into populist educational work. In January, 1893, he bought the St. Paul Phonograph, the local populist paper of Howard county, of which paper he is still the editor and proprietor. Besides the great amount of newspaper work which he has accomplished, he has been out on the stump in every campaign and worked hard for the candidates of the party and done much to educate the people upon populist principles.

While publishing two populist newspapers in 1893, the populists of Howard county forced Mr. Ebberson to resign as proprietor of the "Stjernen" and to be elected county treasurer, because they regarded him as the only man who could knock out the old republican ring that had the treasury at its last stronghold, and which the populists vainly had tried to carry, after they had elected every other candidate, but on the day after the hot and aggressive campaign, and was re-elected in 1895. During the years of his incumbency he furnished the public an object lesson in the application of populist principles. On a smaller scale he had the same kind of a condition to meet as that which confronted Mr. Meserve in the state treasury. His predecessor was short a large amount of the funds, there was a great amount of outstanding warrants drawing interest, and personal taxes were collected to a large extent. Mr. Ebberson established the treasury on a correct and safe basis, collected a large amount of old taxes, wiped out the greater share of the current indebtedness, kept every dollar of public money in depository banks and turned the interest monthly into the treasury, and on the morning following the close of his term of office paid over to his successor, Mr. Appel, in cash, \$39,404.22, the exact amount shown by the books to be due the county. The system established during those four years is being adhered to by Mr. Ebberson's successor, also a populist, and the taxpayers of all parties agree that populist administration of the treasury in Howard county is a decided success.

THE CUBAN FRAUDS

Roosevelt's Campaign; Chinese Situation. What Cronje's Capture Cost England. Washington, June 29.—(Special to the Independent.)—It is now two months since the Cuban postal frauds were given to the public. Here are the facts as ascertained in a nutshell. Neely and his confederates stole \$100,000 in cash and \$400,000 in stamps. In addition every line of legitimate expenditure was so manipulated that bills were paid twice at extravagant figures. All supplies were purchased at extravagant figures, all officials were paid extravagant salaries. Twice as many employees were put in office as were needed, and the whole business was run for the benefit of a set of republican political "wheelers."

What are the results? Another republican official sent from Washington

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The Second Week of the July Clearing Sale.

The week's selling disposed of most of the lines advertised, but we have prepared another list of equal interest, and this combined with lines remaining from the first week form a bargain feast as rare as it is worthy.

SPECIAL OFFER—During the second week of the Clearing Sale, customers making purchases in any department in the house, excepting grocery department, will be entitled to a discount of 10 per cent; in the grocery department, up to the amount of purchase made in other departments. For instance a customer purchasing goods to the amount of \$5.00 in any or all of the departments, excepting grocery, will be entitled to a discount of 10 per cent on grocery purchase up to the amount of \$5.00, or will receive 10 per cent discount on smaller purchase, but if order exceeds \$5.00, excess will not be subject to discount.

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has proven the case of corruption and extravagance by cutting expenses forty per cent. But Neely is still in this country fighting extradition with the connivance of the administration, although a law was passed by congress for the specific purpose of his extradition; one criminal has been permitted to escape to South America and the balance are walking free in Cuba.

The prediction is made that they will continue to walk free. It has been proven that Rathbone, the head of the Cuban postal service knew of Neely's stealings last January, yet he has been permitted to resign because he knew too much of the plain fact is Roosevelt is a humbug. He is all fustian and vaingloriousness. Every volunteer regiment in the country knows that he worked his Rough Rider regiment for political advantage; that he shoved other regiments equally as good, to one side for the same purpose, that a negro regiment saved his Rough Riders from annihilation at Guisamas, which fact he sedulously ignored in his book on Santiago campaign. There are other acts which will be given due prominence as the campaign progresses.

As an object lesson in Militarism and imperialism Roosevelt will be hailed with joy by the democratic party. This administration has so far cost the country \$900,000,000 more than the Cleveland administration. All it has to show for this vast expenditure is two good naval battles one fairly good land fight, a bargain counter sovereignty in the Philippines with polygamy and slavery thrown in, an Adams-Beck alliance and a hundred government scandals. It is high time to pay for a sample of what a military empire means. If the country buys the whole article in the November election it will take a mortgage on the future to save the treasury from bankruptcy.

China is still in a fog. None of the press dispatches can be accepted as an honest and impartial statement of the situation. Everything which comes over a British cable is colored to save the British situation in China, which is disastrous. Great Britain has not a single regiment of white troops in China. A whole brigade of American troops is to be transferred from the Philippines and from the United States in addition to those already there in order to act as catspaws to pull British chestnuts out of the fire.

The vestige of the Monroe doctrine has been destroyed by this unnecessary participation in what will soon be discovered to be a European broil and wrangle over the partition of China.

The pretense that American troops are there to protect American missionaries is the merest mask of hypocrisy. The missionaries have nearly all reached a point of safety, and there are no missionaries at all in danger along the lines which the allied forces have taken up. The relief force under the British Admiral Seymour, which several hundred American soldiers and sailors participated, met the usual fate of British generalship. It was led blunderingly into an ambush of Chinese Boxers and barely escaped annihilation. If China were let alone she would be able to keep the Boxer outbreak within limits but she is evidently not to be let alone.

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He surrendered less than 3,000 fighting men. But as a result of that down stream camp of the British over 6,000 British soldiers were stricken with typhoid fever and over 2,500 had died. A conservative member of Parliament, Mr. Burdett-Coutts, has written letters to the London Times, which were suppressed until return to England compelled their partial publication, in which he charges without denial that thousands of his fever-stricken lay for days in the mud, in heat, cold and pelting

Now comes an opportunity equally as good. There is an ice trust in New York City. Mayor Van Wyck and other New York City officials and prominent democrats have stock in it and are accused of having used their official positions to secure special privileges for the ice trust, in the way of docks etc.

Leading democratic papers, the Journal foremost, have been urging Roosevelt to do his official duty and attack the trust. Roosevelt has thundered in the index but why doesn't he act? Because four-fifths of the ice trust stock and its whole control rests in the hands of equally prominent republicans. The plain fact is Roosevelt is a humbug. He is all fustian and vaingloriousness. Every volunteer regiment in the country knows that he worked his Rough Rider regiment for political advantage; that he shoved other regiments equally as good, to one side for the same purpose, that a negro regiment saved his Rough Riders from annihilation at Guisamas, which fact he sedulously ignored in his book on Santiago campaign. There are other acts which will be given due prominence as the campaign progresses.

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rains without shelter and without care. The Boers are now fighting the guerilla warfare best suited to the military situation and Roberts declares he cannot spare a regiment for China. But his soldiers are dying of disease at the rate of 500 a week.

PROFESSORS ARE THROTTLED

Freedom of Thought and Expression is Forbidden in Most of the Great Universities.

Thomas Elmer Will, ex-president of the Kansas State Agricultural College, addressed the single tax club in Handel hall, Chicago, on the "Freedom of Teaching in American Colleges." He vigorously attacked the attempts to throttle free expression of thought on the part of professors in colleges. He said in part:

"Truth must fight for its life. Its earlier struggle was with ecclesiasticism. The battle against it today is led by wealth and entrenched privilege, which sees in the progress of enlightenment their own doom. The college economist is regarded as a dangerous character, who must be enlisted in the service of privilege or terrorized into silence. Heads of educational institutions are subject to special pressure. They are expected to secure large endowments or legislative appropriations for their institutions and to this end make sure that no word escape from their own lips or those of members of their faculties which would alienate possible funds. At the same time these educational leaders are expected to insist that the most perfect freedom of utterance is guaranteed both to themselves and to their professors.

"With rare exceptions college men in America are not free to write, speak or teach upon public questions except in harmony with the powers that be. Occasionally the college professor or president does assert his manhood and pay the price. Whenever possible the facts in such cases are concealed, the offender being menaced with the blacklist if he reveals the cause of his dismissal. Less frequently the facts are made public.

"Notable instances are those of Profs. Eli, Bemis and Heron and President Andrews. Others which have been more successfully concealed are those of Presidents Steele, Bascom, Simpson, Stockbridge and Gates, Prof. H. C. Adams at Cornell, Decent Hourwich and Prof. Commons. The wholesale raid on the liberal professors in Marietta college, O., in 1897, affords a marked example of successful suppression of important facts. The most recent case is that of President Rogers of Northwestern university. Other conspicuous cases could be mentioned. Doubtless many more have escaped attention."

Trot Out the Tariff

Three times during the past few weeks the sugar trust has raised the price of sugar. The middle men, grocery stores and poor consumers have paid the price without a murmur. They had no "protection," and they knew that it would be useless to complain.

It has been ascertained, however, that at the present schedule of prices foreign sugar can enter this market profitably. But the sugar trust must have "protection" or republican principles will be violated. Foreign sugar must not be allowed to enter our market cheaply. It would injure Havemeyer.

Therefore trot out the tariff, the fine old republican "mother of trusts," and let her protecting wings hover over the head of the sugar king. His prices to the public must not be interfered with by foreign competition. Let the president call an extra session of congress to raise the duties.—N. Y. Journal.

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