

**Shamp's Soldier Record.**

One of Mr. Shamp's old comrades writes of him as follows:

On seeing that my old friend and comrade, Jerome Shamp, was a candidate for congress from the First congressional district of Nebraska, I feel that I would be disloyal to a brave soldier and a faithful comrade, if I did not at this time contribute my mite in strengthening public opinion, which has already been shown by his nomination for so responsible a position.

We enlisted in the 12th Indiana cavalry, Company H. Shamp was my mess-mate. Our army service commenced at Louisville, Kentucky, and from there extended through Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and back again to Nashville, Tennessee. Shamp was thrown from his horse and permanently injured, and was obliged to retire and never return.

We were in seven or eight battles, and Shamp was in every one until the last moment. He was esteemed by everyone as a brave and faithful soldier, as brave as ever carried a gun. He frequently served on guard for his comrades when they were sick or not feeling well, he has so served for me. Efforts were made to induce Shamp to go to the hospital, as he was esteemed unfit for service, but he declared he was a hospital bird. He would not leave the field until he was carried off.

On account of army service he will go to his grave on crutches. I cannot see how any man could possibly have made a better record for faithful service and unflinching bravery.

W. L. GREENE,  
Comrade and mess mate.

NOTE.—This is not W. L. Greene of Kearney.

**No Enthusiasm.**

"There is no enthusiasm in politics this year," said a republican recently. In one respect this man was right; in another he is wrong. In the republican party, which was wont to elect its ticket in Nebraska by 20,000 majority, there is no enthusiasm. The wrongs that party has inflicted upon the people, and the impudence with which it has endeavored to transpose those wrongs into virtues, has driven the greater number of thinking men out of its ranks, and placed a wet cloth upon those who still remain to perpetuate by their votes the railroad lobby.

There is no enthusiasm in the democratic party, because the democratic governor by his veto of the Newberry bill, broke the promise his party had made for railroad regulation, and drove thousands of the champions of that reform from his party's ranks. Even in the city of Omaha, which has always had the reputation of being filled with democrats, that party has not yet ratified, as is the custom, the nomination of Cleveland and Stevenson.

But in all portions of Nebraska, on every day of the week except Sunday and in every week of the month, are being held public gatherings with crowds varying from 2,000 to 10,000 enthusiastic voters, all of whom are earnest advocates of the independent cause. There is no political enthusiasm in Nebraska, but the people are enthusiastic. It is the enthusiasm of duty. It is the enthusiasm which shows that they have at last awakened to their disease, and are ready to apply the remedy. It is the enthusiasm which goes before the coming of better times, and an enthusiasm whose earnestness and sincerity is evidenced in every precinct and county of Nebraska; and it means that Nebraska is assured to Weaver and Field, to Van Wyck and Shrader, and the entire independent state ticket. It means that an independent legislature will be chosen which will enact laws, not in the interest of the railroad lobby, but for the greatest good to the greatest number. If this is the kind of enthusiasm you like, 'keep in the middle of the road,' and vote the independent ticket.

Get your old party neighbors to take the ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT and our 25 cent offer.

**POYNTER MEETS MEIKLEJOHN.**

In Joint Discussion and Demonstrates His Superior Ability.

On Monday September 12th one of the largest political gatherings ever assembled in northeastern Nebraska was held at Plainview in Pierce county, the occasion being the opening of the congressional campaign in this part of the Third district. W. A. Poynter, the independent candidate and Geo. D. Meiklejohn, republican, had arranged to speak here on that date. Mr. Poynter arrived first and spoke to a large audience in the afternoon. When Mr. Meiklejohn arrived a joint discussion was arranged by the committeemen for the evening meeting. Many farmers remained in town to hear the debate, and a special train was run up from Pierce. Meiklejohn opened the discussion with a speech of one hour's length. He first reviewed the history of the republican party for the past thirty years; then attributed the advancement made in population and wealth during that time to the republican party's protective policy, and had just begun to get eloquent upon the McKinley bill and the manufacture of tin in this country when he was called down by a farmer who wanted to know if it was not a fact that the tin was imported now in block sheets and only dipped in this country. George D. was candid enough to reply that such was a fact and in consequence his argument lost its force and he failed to exhibit to the audience the various samples of tin which he had brought with him. Following this he touched upon the free coinage question, and exhibited and ridiculed some of the bills introduced in the last congress by certain independent members.

Mr. Poynter followed with a speech occupying one hour and fifteen minutes, and if any of Mr. Poynter's friends has ever had any doubt as to his ability to meet Meiklejohn who stands in the front rank of republican orators in this state, they can dispel such doubt from their minds at once; for the manner in which he analyzed the speech of his opponent and the principles of the respective political parties, proved that as a logical reasoner, a conservative and sensible advocate of the people, W. A. Poynter is vastly superior to his opponent.

Mr. Meiklejohn plainly showed in his reply of twenty minutes that he had met a man worthy of his steel, a fact that was remarked by both republicans and independents—at the close of the meeting.

OBSERVER.

**Douglas County Independents.**

They met in county convention September 14 and nominated an excellent ticket. The convention was marked by a large attendance, much earnestness, and perfect harmony.

The Daily Public gives the ticket with the following comments:

The following ticket named by the people's county convention yesterday afternoon is the most representative ticket ever placed in nomination in this county. There is not a professional politician placed thereon, but the business and wage-working people are well represented. It will meet with the approval of the voters in November.

- For County Attorney—
- G. A. Magney.....Lawyer
- For County Commissioners—
- Ei Johnson.....Farmer
- William Meyers.....Cigarmaker
- T. C. Jeffries.....Business man
- For State Senators—
- J. J. Burr.....Mechanic
- S. D. Ryneason.....Business man
- G. W. King.....Farmer
- For Legislators—
- Silas Robbins.....Lawyer
- S. J. Broderick.....Business man
- J. B. Shupp.....Cigarmaker
- Phil McGovern.....Business man
- J. W. Kincaid.....Real Estate
- Joseph Anderson.....Weighmaster
- Chas. Curtis.....Business man
- H. A. Anderson.....Farmer
- William Clark.....Farmer

**SPECIAL OPENING SALE**

OF AN IMMENSE STOCK OF

**DRESS GOODS.**

Will offer for the next 15 days 20 per cent discount on all WORSTED DRESS GOODS, ranging in price from 12c, to \$1.00 per yard. Our goods are marked in plain figures and as low as the lowest. In addition to our already very low prices, will give you 20 per cent off, which reduces \$1.00 goods to 80c., 75c. goods to 60c., 50c. to 40c., etc. Remember the above special sale will only last for 15 days. Our stock is also complete in the following departments:

Flannels,  
Blankets,  
Comforters,  
Underwear,  
Hosiery,  
Notions,

Overalls,  
Jeans and Cotton  
Worsted Pants,  
Calicoes,  
Cotton Batting,  
Hats and Caps,  
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Best Grade Live Geese Feathers,  
Large Stock of Groceries.

We make a specialty of handling the best makes of

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**

Our prices are as low as can be bought anywhere for first-class goods. Try a pair of our school shoes and be convinced. There are none better. Come and inspect. If you find we do not tell the truth, then do not buy.

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IN THE WEST.

Great Reduction of Prices for this Week.

**Linen Department.**

The largest linen stock in the west. Get our prices on napkins and table damask, they are the lowest every time. We don't allow any house to undersell us no matter what the cost. We buy direct from the makes and are in position to back up our statements.

**Ladies Jersey Ribbed Underwear.**

In this department we are overloaded on account of bad weather. We will to-morrow commence a great clearing sale in this department.

- Ladies' 15c vests, reduced to 8c
- Ladies' 20c vests, reduced to 10c
- Ladies' 25c vests, reduced to 15c
- Ladies' 40c vests, reduced to 19c
- Ladies' 50c vests, reduced to 25c
- Special sale of Ladies'

**Special Sale of Ladies' and Children's Hosiery**

- 1 lot of children's fast black cotton hose, derby ribbed, only 15c pair worth 25c.
- Children's fine imported hose, only 25c pair, worth 40c.
- Ladies' fast black cotton hose.
- Richelieu ribbed, only 12c pair worth 25c.

**Muslins and Sheetings**

Muslins are down. See our bleached muslin at 3c and 5c yard.

At 6c we offer a special bargain equal if not better than Lonsdale or Fruit.

Langdon G. B., 12 yards for \$1.00.  
Fine 36 inch wide cambric, 12 yards for \$1.00.

Pillow case muslin and sheetings in all the different widths and grades at prices lower than they have been.

Red, white and blue bunting for decorating, 5c yard.

All sizes in flags, from 5c a dozen up.

**Wash Dress Goods.**

New striped bedford cords, 12c.  
Plain bedford cord in plain colors, beautiful shade of cream, etc., 15c yard.

Fancy printed bedford cords, 25c yard.

Satin striped sateen, 35c yard.

Plain ecru crinkled seersucker, 10c

Fancy printed crinkled seersucker 25c.

Side band armadale zephyrs, 40 inches wide, in plain colors, 15c yard.

Shantung pongee, in remnants from 2 to 12 yards, only 10c yard, in dark ground.

Special sale on Scotch zephyr gingham, 32 inches wide. We have too many of them and have reduced the price to 12c yard. The best bargain offered this season on fine gingham 12c yard.

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