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REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

A Republican county convention for Sherman county, Nebraska will be held in the Court House at Loup City, Nebraska, on Saturday, April 11th 1896, at one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates from said county to the convention to be held at Broken Bow, April 13th, 1896, to elect delegates from the sixth congressional district of Nebraska, to the National Republican convention at St. Louis. To elect delegates from said county to the Nebraska State Republican convention at Omaha, April 15th, 1896, and to transact such other business as may come before said county convention.

Representation in said county convention is apportioned to the several townships of said county as follows:

- Oak Creek 2, Rockville 4, Logan, 3, Clay, 2, Washington 3, Harrison, 7, Elm, 2, Scott, 2, Webster 4, Hazard 5, Loup City 14, Bristol 4, Ashton 4.

It is respectfully recommended that township primary meetings be held on Saturday, April 4th, 1896.

Republican central committee, Sherman County. By M. H. MEAD, Chairman. H. B. BROWN, Sec. pro tem.

Republican Primary Election.

Will be held at the Court House in Loup City, Neb., on Saturday, April 4th at 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing 14 delegates to the Republican County Convention, to be held at the Court House in Loup City on Saturday April 11th, 1896.

W. T. GIBSON, Com.

The Boston school authorities are now discussing the furnishing of cheap lunches to the pupils of the public schools. The experiment has been tried in some of the schools in that city, but it has been found that there is a tendency to "bolt" the food.

Lincoln republicans held their primary last Friday for the election of candidates for city offices and at the same time gave the Manderson boon a thorough test by placing a separate ballot box at each polling place in which the voter deposited the name of his favorite for president. The result was: McKinley 2,615, Manderson 343; Allison 120.

A populist who is filling one of the important offices of this county remarked to us the other day that to him it seemed very strange that the republicans of Nebraska were so strong for McKinley and did not work for Manderson, a home candidate. Now we wish to ask the question, why was it that this same populist work for Greene for district judge when there was a home candidate to support? It is a poor rule that won't work both ways.

Particular attention is directed to the item in our columns in which the Nebraska Club offers cash prizes for contribution of articles on Nebraska its resource and the advantage it offers the home-seeker. This will be of special interest to our readers because there are many among them possessed of the taste for this sort of work as well as the talent and ability to get up a strong contribution, and win the prize offered. The Nebraska Club is a most worthy movement and even if perchance the prize is not captured (it cannot be by all) there will remain the supreme satisfaction of having contributed to a good cause and receiving a membership in a good organization. You may also have the pleasure of seeing your articles published by the club or named by the committee as one of special merit.

A Beatrice correspondent says: "About eighteen months ago several grocers of Beatrice began the issuance of produce checks. A farmer who sold at the store a dollar's worth of produce in excess of the groceries wanted that day, was given checks for the amount, which were current as cash at that store at any time.

They were only intended originally to pass current between the original holders, but finally neighbors began using them as a circulating medium among themselves and later on they began to appear in the hands of other merchants who had taken them as cash, until at the present time they are used so extensively that one firm informs the Journal that it pays out the cash on produce checks presented for redemption by other merchants, frequently to the amount of \$50 per month. It is said that they have been found a great boon to many farmers whose only product was from the produce they would market."

Edison's First Big Check.

"When I came to New York to sell my first invention" Mr. Edison said, "I was largely in doubt as to its value. I knew it was a useful contrivance, but it was with some diffidence that I entered the presence of the manufacturer with whom I opened negotiations for its disposal. As a boy I had often longed to possess five thousand dollars and I had a good mind to hold out for that much money, though I felt secretly that I would be doing well to get two thousand dollars. So when the manufacturer asked me how much I wanted for the patent rights, I stammered and asked how much he was willing to pay."

"Come around in the morning," he said, and I went home to dream about the five thousand dollar fortune I was going to get—perhaps. When I saw him in the morning he said with a take-that-or-take-nothing air of determination, "We have decided to pay you forty thousand dollars—not a cent more."

"I almost fainted; but in less than five minutes I had stich my name to a contract and was out in the street looking in a half-dazed way at a check in my hand. 'Payable to the order of Thomas A. Edison, forty thousand dollars (\$40,000).' Then I began to think, and the forty thousand dollars seemed like forty millions, and I said to myself: 'Tom, you have been swindled. The check is not good.' And when I went to the bank—I had never been inside of one to do business—and presented the check, I was not surprised when the teller scrutinized it, glanced at me and pushed it back with a shake of the head and a remark that I was too excited to understand, but concluded that my fears were confirmed. So I stuffed it in my pocket and went to see a friend to whom I related my experience."

"Let me see the check," he said. "Why that's all right. You must be identified." And we went back to the bank. The cashier new my friend and the money was soon counted out. Still I wasn't sure I was awake until I began to feel and hear the snap of the new bank notes. It was a big bundle of money, and I stuck some of it in every pocket so that almost anywhere I put my hand I could feel it bulging out."

"When I went to the hotel that night do you think I took my clothes off? Not much. I slept in them, so I wouldn't wake up and find it was all a cruel dream."

AN ANIMAL SHE HAD NEVER SEEN.

Bill Sanders' Wife Thought it Possible She Had Killed a Populist.

Hon. M. W. Howard, the widely known young populist congressman from Alabama, likes a joke, and tells one on himself in this wise: "During the last campaign one day," said Howard, "I went to the top of a considerable mountain to see a hunter of the name of Bill Sanders to secure his vote. Bill was not at home, but his wife was, a tall, lean woman with dusty, black hair, hollow colorless cheeks, and sunken eyes, a large mouth, large feet and yellow hands. In

one hand she held a box of snuff, in the other a tooth brush, and she was spitting amberique.

"Good morning, madam," said I. "How are you, stranger?" said she.

"Is your husband at home, my good woman?"

"No, he hain't. He went down in Coon Holler this mornin' before day, and I hain't lookin' for him back until towards midnight."

"Well, madam," I continued, "I am a candidate for congress and hope you will use your influence to get your husband to vote for me. I know that a woman of your intellect, your beautiful eyes that shine like the dew drops on the mountain top when the light of the morning sun first strikes it, your fresh, rosy cheeks which the gods would kiss as nectar, and your entire charming personality—I say a woman so endowed by nature must have great influence over her husband, for he was indeed fortunate to secure you for a wife."

"Law, now, stranger," exclaimed the woman, "when you come talkin' that way, and bein' as how I likes your looks any way, I guess if Bill Sanders don't vote for you he need never expect to roost 'round these diggings no more, I tell you."

"I was much pleased with the progress I was making and I ventured to put the question of most importance to me: "Are there any populists in this vicinity?"

"Dear me, stranger," she answered, "you are a little mite too hard for me this time. You see, I don't pay much attention to them things, but Bill is a mighty pert hunter and has killed and skunt almost all kinds of varmints in these mountains. But whether he ever kotch one o' them air, what you call it, stranger?—populist varmints—is more nor I know. If you'll just walk 'round the back side of the house, where he's got all his pelts hangin' up a-dryin', you may find one o' them things' fow, now that I come to think about, Bill he yesterday mornin' killed one of the dolgastested critters I ever see. It had long legs, bandy shanks, long hair, and was cross-eyed, an' I jest bet a pound o' homemade tobaker it was a populist, though I never heern tell o' one afore."—Ex.

WOOL.

The democrat papers are publishing from time to time items of this sort:

A Philadelphia paper notes a sale of "Washington county wool" at 20 cents a pound, which is 7 cents higher than was paid for the quality under the McKinley tariff in 1892. This fact shows that the free importation of manufacturing wool to mix with American wools has stimulated manufacturers and increased the demand and price for home raw material. At the same time American cloth is cheaper than ever before. The American producer can sell wool at a higher price by 30 per cent and can buy cloth or clothing at a lower price by 30 per cent than he could under the McKinley system.—Chicago Chronicle.

Now this is all bosh, and very thin bosh. The Journal has heretofore given the figures of the average price of wools during the past four years, showing that from the election of a democratic president and congress, with its promise of free wool, the price has steadily declined, and that it is now on the average from 30 to 50 per cent cheaper than in 1892 and the average for several years prior to that date.

Of course the readers of such sermons know nothing of "Washington county wool." No such classification of wool is known to the market, and there are probably from twenty to forty Washington counties in the country, and nobody can trace up that particular wool that is worth 7 cents more than it



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was under the McKinley tariff. The allegation that the "American producer can sell wool at a higher price by 30 per cent than he could under the McKinley act," is a falsehood so gross and palpable that one must perform a miracle the cheek of the democratic editor who can quote such items without causing the black ink on his sheet to turn red with shame.—State Journal.

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