

Omaha World-Herald says:

The democrats of Butler county held an enthusiastic county convention this afternoon. Delegates to both the state and congressional conventions were elected. The following platform was adopted without a single dissenting vote:

"We, the democrats of Butler county, in delegate convention assembled, reassert our faith in democratic principles and reaffirm our approval of the last national platform of our party.

"We hereby instruct our delegates to the state convention to vote as a unit for the reaffirmation of the Kansas City platform and for delegates to the coming national convention at St. Louis, who will at all times oppose the nomination of a speechless presidential candidate, masquerading as a democrat on a senseless republican platform of meaningless platitudes.

"We present the name of Hon. C. D. Casper, the father of Butler county democracy, for district delegate to the St. Louis convention, and instruct our delegates to use every honorable means to secure his election."

The following delegates were elected to the state convention June 1 at Omaha: C. D. Casper, O. J. Schmitt, G. W. Face, J. K. Fortna, B. H. Elting, Henry Bock, C. G. Hoker, G. W. Smith, George Zahler, J. F. Hlavac, George H. Miller, F. A. Stech, R. E. Piller, C. M. Skiles, P. F. Fenlon, M. J. Bouse, M. C. Delaney and D. J. Smith.

The following delegates were elected to the congressional convention June 21 at York: Ray M. Harris, R. C. Roper, Jesse Rising, Dr. M. Sample, George Miller, J. J. Walker, H. S. Griffiths, J. M. Woods, John Danaher, O. A. Lemon, C. E. Shea, John Grisinger, A. J. Knepper, R. E. Piller, James Kirby, E. S. Jones and L. J. Coufal.

M. C. Delaney was elected chairman of the county central committee and R. C. Roper secretary.

WAYNE COUNTY, NEB.

A dispatch to the World-Herald, under date of Wayne, Neb., May 18, says:

The democratic county central committee has selected the following as delegates to attend the state convention to be held at Omaha, June 1: Phil H. Kohl, Henry Klopping, Robert Finske, Robert Skiles, Charles Green, Charley Killian, Walter S. Goldie, J. H. Mitchell, R. H. James.

Resolutions were passed instructing the delegates to vote for the reaffirmation of the Kansas City platform. J. C. Dahman was indorsed for national committeeman and W. J. Bryan, W. H. Thompson and G. W. Phillips for delegates at large.

A dispatch to the Omaha World-Herald, under date of Blair, Neb., May 19, says: A meeting of the democratic county central committee of Washington county was held here today for the purpose of selecting delegates to attend the convention in Omaha, June 1. The following were chosen: J. C. Blackburn, H. G. Van Deusen, John H. Cameron, Nels Jackson, Nels M. Jensen, W. H. Harrison, H. L. Struve, G. C. Marshall, Thomas Kelly, Ed Gilbertson, William Sievers and N. E. Baxter. The delegates were instructed to use all honorable means to secure the reaffirmation of the Kansas City platform and also to elect W. J. Bryan chairman of the Nebraska delegation to the national convention at St. Louis.

Saturday, May 21, democratic con-

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ventions were held in the following counties in Nebraska, in all or which the Kansas City platform was indorsed and delegates elected accordingly: Hitchcock, Thurston, Custer, Adams, Cherry, Greeley, Polk, Stanton, and Brown.

GAGE COUNTY, NEB.

A dispatch to the Omaha World-Herald, under date of Beatrice, Neb., May 20, says:

The Gage county democratic county convention met this afternoon and was called to order by F. O. McGirr. Judge A. Hardy was elected temporary chairman and T. E. Stewart temporary secretary. The action of the committee was ratified and the temporary organization was made permanent. Judge Hardy made a rousing old-fashioned democratic speech, which was heartily applauded. Dr. C. P. Fall was unanimously elected as the choice of Gage county for national delegate. He made a short speech, thanking the convention for the honor. A short recess was then taken, after which the committee on resolutions reported as follows:

"We, the democrats of Gage county, in convention assembled, reaffirm our faith in the principles of the democratic party as founded by Jefferson, perpetuated by Jackson and advocated and maintained by Bryan. Believing that all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, we denounce the policy of the republican party, which seeks to govern alien people thousands of miles from our shores without their consent, as un-American and undemocratic.

"We adhere to the ancient doctrine of the democratic party that governments have no right to levy taxes on one hand and bestow unjust favors on the other. Therefore, we oppose the republican system of building up trust combinations by means of a protective tariff to the detriment of the consumer and laborer by increasing the cost of the necessities of life.

"We believe that gold and silver is the money of the constitution; that it is a government function to coin and regulate the value thereof, and we demand that all money, whether gold or silver or paper, be issued by the government without the intervention of banking corporations and shall be a full legal tender for debts, public and private.

"We hereby renew our allegiance to the principles of democracy so clearly set forth in the national democratic platforms adopted at Chicago and Kansas City, and instruct our delegates to the state convention to vote as a unit for Hon. W. J. Bryan for delegate-at-large to our national convention."

F. O. McGirr was heartily indorsed for congressional honors. The following delegates were elected to the state convention: George Campbell, F. O. McGirr, T. T. Stewart, J. R. McCann, W. E. Williams, Sam Eccles, V. E. McGirr, William Nolan, J. D. Langor, Julius Newman, C. C. Farlow, Olney D. Smith, Carl Sonderegger, Jerry Bailey, C. E. Demming, J. R. Montgomery, J. B. Coffman, Dr. C. F. Fall. The following delegates were elected to the congressional convention: U. McClaren, R. F. Carmichael, F. J. Woods, George H. Bailey, J. A. Klein, M. W. Terry, A. R. Morris, J. R. Demott, H. N. Schroeder, Dan Moschell, J. A. Wiggins, George Gerdes, A. D. MacCandless, T. J. Callan, R. T. Galloway, Richard Dibble, Pat Gallagher.

The convention was largely attended and was one of the most harmonious held in the county for years.

YORK COUNTY, NEB.

The democratic convention for York county met May 14 and adopted resolutions reaffirming their allegiance to the Kansas City platform and instructing their delegates to work for a

reaffirmation. They also declared their unshaken confidence in the leadership of W. J. Bryan and instructed the delegates to the state convention to vote for him for delegate-at-large and only for such other delegates to the national convention as are known to be loyal to Bryan and the Kansas City platform.

C. F. Gilbert was indorsed for congress and was allowed to choose his own delegation to the congressional convention. Thomas Henchan of McCool was indorsed for congressional delegate to the St. Louis convention.

BURT COUNTY, NEB.

The democratic convention for Burt county met at Tekamah, May 18. The following resolutions were adopted:

"We, the democratic party of Burt county, Nebraska, in convention assembled, do hereby reaffirm our allegiance to the fundamental principles advocated in the past and approve of the action and course of Hon. W. J. Bryan and recommend that the delegation from this convention to the state democratic convention to be held at Omaha, Neb., June 1, 1904, use all honorable means to secure his election as one of the delegates-at-large to the national democratic convention at St. Louis, Mo., on July 6, 1904.

"We recommend that the delegation to the state convention use all honorable means to prevent any instruction being given by the state convention to the delegation to the national convention.

"We recommend that the delegation from Burt county use all honorable means to secure the election of Pat Gleeson, delegate from the Third congressional district to the democratic national convention and instruct him to endeavor to secure the election of Hon. W. J. Bryan as chairman of the state delegation.

"We commend the course of Hon. Gilbert M. Hitchcock during the past session of congress and instruct the delegation from this convention to the state convention to secure his election as one of the delegates-at-large to the democratic national convention if possible."

The following nominations were then made: Representative, B. R. Latta; county attorney, John A. Singhaus; clerk of the district court, O. S. Parmelee; supervisor of Fourth district, F. J. Griffin; supervisor of Sixth district, E. C. Seeberg; supervisor of Third district, Alex Gilbert.

Delegates to the state convention: Pat Gleeson, delegate-at-large; Will Miller, W. R. Beum, W. Harrington, F. A. Cameron, F. J. Griffin, Lee Parker, Oscar Anderson and Andrew Anderson.

Delegates to the congressional convention: Ed A. Baugh, Lee Parker, W. A. Moyer, Pat Gleeson, J. P. Latta, C. Brizendine, C. E. McMonies, F. A. Cameron and A. Plumber. Senatorial: Henry Miller, J. P. Latta, Will Griffin, W. R. Lewis, A. C. Morrell, Pat Gleeson, Lee Parker and M. E. Morehouse.

Delegates to float representative convention: Lee Parker, Pat Gleeson, F. A. Cameron, B. R. Latta, F. J. Griffin, C. Brizendine, Ed A. Baugh and A. A. Plummer.

Lincoln's Old Fogyism.

Abraham Lincoln seems to have been very much opposed to criminal aggression," for he said: "Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves, and, under a just God, cannot long retain it. All honor to Jefferson—the man who in the concrete pressure of the struggle for national independence by a single people had the coolness, forecast, and sagacity to introduce into a merely revolutionary document an abstract truth, applicable to all men and all times, and so to embalm it there that today and in all coming days it shall be a

rebuke and stumbling block to the very harbingers of reappearing tyranny and oppression."

However, it will be remembered that Lincoln did not live to see the methods adopted by the republic in the government of the Philippines. Jefferson may have been a very good man—for his times. But he did not survive to make the acquaintance of Theodore Roosevelt. Old-fogyism is played out now. And the "new thought" has taken possession of the party of Abraham Lincoln as well as of certain modern types of theology.—Grand Rapids Post.

A Great Painter.

"Yes, sir. For instance, there a mammoth winter storm landscape I've just finished for Mr. Mudd, the bonanza king. It's called 'A Hailstorm in the Adirondacks,' and a visitor who sat down near it the other day caught a sore throat in less than fifteen minutes. Why, I had to put in the finishing touches with my ulster and Arctic overshoes on."

"Don't say?"

"Fact, sir; and then there's a little animal gem I did for Governor Glensins the other day—portrait of his Scotch terrier Snop. The morning it was done a cat got into the studio, and the minute it saw the picture it went through the window like a ten-inch shell."

"Did, eh?"

"Yes; and the oddest thing about it was that when I next looked at the canvas the dog's hair was standing up all along the back, like a porcupine. Now, how do you account for that?"

"Dunno."

"It just beats me. When the governor examined the work he insisted on my painting in a post with the dog chained to it. Said he didn't know what might happen."—San Francisco Post.

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