

### 11 Candidates Are Endorsed by Progressive Club

R. B. Howell, C. H. Randall and Henry Beal Among Nominees Approved by Organization.

The Nebraska Progressive club, whose members number more than 200 in Douglas county, unanimously endorsed 11 candidates at a meeting Friday night.

The endorsement was made after the members heard the report of the executive committee and a speech by Sam Klaver, the club's president, who declared that now is the time to de-throne Hiltzback from the senate and put a man in the governor's chair who has been tried and proven.

The reasons given for the endorsement of the 11 candidates follow: "R. B. Howell for United States Senator—He never quits. Is efficient and always looking after the people's interests. A big man with progressive ideas.

"Charles H. Randall for Governor—A successful business man and law maker. He has the right stuff in him. Gives facts instead of bluffs.

"O. S. Spillman for Attorney General—As county attorney of Pierce county he has made an excellent record for impartial law enforcement. Being an ex-serviceman, Spillman is a fighter and will champion the cause of the people.

"C. D. Robinson for State Treasurer—Eight years as county treasurer of Webster county, and four years ex-aminer of county treasurers.

"W. G. Lee for County Treasurer—The best county treasurer we ever had. He made an honorable and efficient record in that office.

"Henry Neal for County Attorney—As deputy county attorney under A. V. Whitwell, Neal has made an excellent record. In a married man, clean cut, it taxpayer and worthy of respect of every reputable voter.

"Deserves Another Term.—Mike Clark for County Sheriff—Has made an efficient sheriff. Clark is honest, and is deserving another term.

"Charles Kaut for County Commissioner—Present deputy county attorney and previous treasurer.

"Louis Starn for County Surveyor—He is for the people of Douglas county first, last and all the time. Has made good.

"Charles Blumenthal for Municipal Judge—Competent and well qualified. William Wapshich for Municipal Judge—Fairness and justice to all.

The officers of the club are Sam Klaver, president; Dr. L. Smeroff, vice president; J. J. Friedman, attorney, secretary; and Abner Kauman, chairman of the executive committee.

### Sir Harry Lauder Squealches Heckler at Boston Theater

Boston, Oct. 28.—When Sir Harry Lauder, in his turn at the Boston opera house, was speaking on the friendships of the two English speech-makers, a brother Scot, who evidently had been indulging too freely in the intoxicating fluid made famous by his ancestors, interrupted the performance by asking Lauder how he would like to be back in the mines again.

The Scotch comedian replied that he would be if he "hadn't any more intelligence" than the heckler. The audience broke into applause.

### Motorist Dismissed

R. C. Hoover, University of Nebraska medical student, who was arrested for reckless driving several days ago, was discharged by Police Judge Wapshich yesterday morning. There was no testimony against him, or his companion, H. V. Talbot.

### Omaha Bank Clearings

Omaha bank clearings this week were: \$49,018,821.21. For the same week last year the clearings were \$24,496,770.65. Increase \$24,522,050.56.

### OUCH! LUMBAGO! RUB PAINS FROM SORE, LAME BACK

Back hurts you! Can't straighten up without sudden pain, sharp aches and twinges? Now listen! That's lumbago, sciatica, or maybe from a strain and you'll get relief the moment you rub your back with soothing, penetrating St. Jacobs Oil. Nothing else takes out soreness, lameness and stiffness so quickly. You simply rub it on your back, and out comes the pain. It is harmless, and doesn't burn the skin.

Lumber up! Don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle of old, honest St. Jacobs Oil from any drug store, and after using it just once you'll forget that you ever had backache, lumbago or sciatica, because your back will never hurt, or cause any more misery. It never disappoints, and has been recommended for 69 years.

### PUT CREAM IN NOSE AND STOP CATARRH

Tells How To Open Clogged Nasals and End Head-aches.

You feel fine in a few moments. Your cold in head or catarrh will be gone. Your clogged nostrils will open. The air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more sniffles, headaches or hawking, sneezing, mucous discharge or dry nose, no straggling for breath at night.

### The Cottonwood Tree

FROM A RAMBLER'S NOTEBOOK.



The cottonwood in the creek bottom of the prairie country was intimately associated in the lives of men who knew desperate extremity and triumphed.

The whole epic of colonial America was associated with the forests. The craft of the backwoodsman was honed in the wilderness, the process and endurance of the hunter and nomad was a struggle for liberty. Migrations over the Alleghenies following the revolution were an answer to the challenge of the wooded domain. While the American was in the woods, he was in his native element and he developed a mode of life and certain tricks of the trade, even as the duck attained web feet.

But the winning of the western plains was a different matter. The pioneer had to develop a new mode of life. Woodcraft gave way to a craft of the prairie no less marvelous and full as picturesque.

Removed from available logs as building material the plainsman created a shanty of sod. Having no firewood, he gathered buffalo chips for fuel. Deprived of the time-honored vocation of splitting rails from which to build fences, he did without fences, and developed ability with the barbed. But he had to have a corral for his wild broncos and he had to have poles from which to build it.

Only available timber.

The whole scheme of winning the west would have had a great setback right here were it not for the cottonwoods trees that grew along bends in the creek bottom, and draws of the uplands. The cottonwood was a tree that volunteered to leave the timber belt, and migrate on downy-winged seeds to the unfriendly soil across the Missouri, to be pressed into service by the pioneer, who also had been transplanted from the wooded domain.

Indispensable to the frontier as it was, the rambling cottonwood had many shortcomings that the old-time western settler can remember with distinctness. It was used for building the corral, but only because it was the only wood to be had. And it was used for other things from stern necessity.

In pioneer days on the Nebraska plains, a few log houses were improvised from cottonwood, but they were makeshifts, even as the other uses to which the perverse tree was put. Logs of a convenient diameter for house-building were too short, and by the time the tree grows tall enough for a house, it is too thick and heavy to be handled readily.

Dilemma for Pioneer.

Sap-soaked and heavy, and with its rough bark making too much friction for facile dragging with team and chain, the cottonwood house log presented a dilemma for the pioneer.

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Secret of Tree.

First, fell the cottonwood in spring and early summer, says the veteran plainsmen. It is mere child's play to chop the soft, sappy wood at that time; he discloses. The bark must be removed immediately, and the process is so easy at this time of year that it can be done in a few minutes. Trimmed to the desired length, the log should be allowed to remain for a month or so, seasoning in the prairie sunshine. By that time a large percentage of weight has evaporated, and the smooth log can be snaked, and easily over the buffalo fence. It also is easily rolled and adjusted in place. And there, bleaching white in the western sunshine the completed cottonwood cabin stands, a belated revelation.

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### Parole Denied Manford Biggs; Term Reduced

Pardon Board Recognizes Efforts of Omaha Embezzler to Prevent Jail Outbreak.

Lincoln, Oct. 28.—The state board of pardons and paroles did not do much for Manford E. Biggs of Omaha, but it recognized his efforts to prevent an outbreak of prisoners from the Douglas county jail. Biggs received a cut on the head in his effort to prevent insurgent prisoners from obtaining the keys from the turnkey. He succeeded, but now wears a scar on his shining pate. So does the deputy sheriff, who had the keys.

Biggs is a prisoner in the county jail, because the penitentiary is too crowded to receive more men. He was sentenced to serve from two to five years in the penitentiary. The board of pardons declined to grant Biggs' request for a pardon, but it commuted his sentence to two years. When he serves that sentence with good time allowance, he will be subject to parole. He was sentenced April 17, 1922. The two years with four months' good time allowance will expire December 17, 1923.

Biggs was convicted of embezzling \$12,224 from the Omaha Ice and Cold Storage company. He was treasurer of several church organizations, whose funds he also allowed to be spent. He is 56 and married and held a responsible position for many years. His downfall is attributed to infatuation for women, upon whom he spent considerable money.

Sentenced for Murder.

The board granted commutations of sentence to two other prisoners. John Norman of Dodge county, serving 12 years for murder in the second degree, had his sentence reduced to eight years and six months. The board released him from prison October 24. Archie Edwards of Box Butte county, serving a term of 22 years for murder in the second degree, had his sentence cut to 15 years. Edwards was received at the penitentiary October 28, 1913, nine years ago. He shot and killed Ben Jordan, a police officer at Alliance. Norman was operating a boarding and rooming house at Fremont. He shot and killed Henry Moore, a roomer, as the result of a quarrel. His sentence commenced November 24, 1916. Sheriff Condit favored his release and Wallace H. Wilson wrote letters in his behalf.

Pearl Hamilton Jurt of Richardson county was paroled from the reformatory for women at York.

Richard Marks of Douglas, serving one to three years for larceny from the person, was heard by the board but action was deferred.

Keeps Boze Car.

George Coulter of York, whose auto was confiscated because it was used for transportation of liquor, was denied any relief by the board.

Karl Bruce and John Brown of Cheyenne county, both serving from one to seven years for grand larceny, now in jail, were given paroles.

Paroles were denied to Carl Walters of Douglas, one to seven years for grand larceny and receiving stolen property, and to James Glanden of Box Butte, one to 10 years for grand larceny. Both men are in the reformatory.

The following cases were decided by the board: Penitentiary.

Paroles granted: Glen Block, Douglas, burglary, 1 to 10 years; Rosetta Poppe, Douglas, burglary, 1 to 10 years.

Paroles granted: Lester Miller, Lancaster, breaking and entering, 1 to 10 years; Luther Ritter, Lancaster, breaking and entering, 1 to 10 years; John Walter, Lancaster, breaking and entering, 1 to 10 years; Carson G. Covington, Douglas, breaking and entering, 1 to 10 years.

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### Long Skirts Doomed by Must Be 7 Inches from Ground, Vote Specifies 300,000 N. Y. Women

New York, Oct. 28.—The ankle skirt has been officially and permanently removed from the wardrobes of 300,000 New York women by the action of delegates to the convention of the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs in voting unanimously to wear dresses no longer than seven inches from the ground.

The resolution sounding the death knell of the long skirt urges women everywhere to free themselves from apparel now being introduced and having edges that nearly sweep the ground and carry germ-laden dirt into the home.

Douglas, shot to kill, 1 to 20 years; Bert Nisley, Furness grand larceny, 1 to 2 years; Glen Brunsmist, garden, horse stealing, 1 to 10 years; Adrian Brooks, Thurston, burglary, 1 to 2 years; Harry Brown, Barry, about to kill, 1 to 20 years; Clark Everts, Lincoln, auto stealing and larceny, 1 to 10 years; Ralph Kepler, Keith, burglary, 1 to 10 years; Harry Martin, Douglas, grand larceny, 1 to 2 years; Mattie McElhinny, Douglas, manslaughter, 1 to 10 years; Percy Stillwell, Sarge, assault, 2 to 10 years; Roy Case, Lancaster, larceny, 1 to 20 years; Fred L. Glendier, Lancaster, burglary, 1 to 10 years; Alfred Kelly, Lancaster, larceny as before, 1 to 10 years; Frank Martin, Lancaster, grand larceny, 1 to 2 years; Ray Wheeler, Douglas, breaking and entering, 1 to 10 years; Cray Chesterfield, Lodge, forgery, 1 to 20 years; Lewis Kubby, Douglas, stealing and receiving stolen auto, 1 to 5 years.

Reformatory for Men.

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### State Expense Totals \$912,694 for September

Expenditures for Month \$100,000 Below Average—Decrease \$60,000 From August.

Lincoln, Oct. 28.—(Special)—Warrants totaling \$912,694 were drawn upon the state treasury during the month of September, according to the report of P. F. Brown, finance secretary. This is \$60,000 less than the amount previous. Bills incurred by the state for the last 15 months amount to \$15,482,000, of which \$14,672,000 have been audited and paid. This shows that state expenses for September were about \$100,000 under the average for that period.

The four big items in the list are roads and bridges, \$2,738,000; state institutions, \$2,202,000; state university, \$2,721,000; and normal schools, \$971,000. The whole departments drew \$1,307,000. The executive officers, \$425,000, and other departments \$1,251,000.

Classified, the expenditures for the last 15 months are: Salaries and wages, \$4,714,000; supplies, \$7,969,000; office and traveling expenses, \$1,032,000; maintenance of buildings, \$305,000; office equipment, laboratory supplies, etc., \$514,000; lands and buildings, \$1,758,000; public improvements, largely for road construction, \$3,729,000; fixed charges, state aid and contributions, \$297,000; revolving, store and state activities, \$194,000.

Geneva Will Take Over Strang Telephone Office

Geneva, Neb., Oct. 28.—(Special)—The telephone exchange at Strang is to be discontinued and subscribers will be given service from Geneva after November 1. Sixty telephones will be added to the local switchboard, making 200 connected with the Geneva exchange. The Strang plant has not been paying for some time. A pay station will be maintained at Strang in the future by the Lincoln Telegraph and Telephone company.

Mayfield Is Eligible.