

Custer Co. Republican

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Thursday, April 10, 1902.

South Omaha city election shows that city now safely republican.

There is still time for the citizens of Broken Bow to make arrangements to plant trees on the side streets of the town on Arbor day.

Gov. Savage has proclaimed Tuesday, April 22, as Arbor Day. Those who have not planted trees before should not fail to plant one or more on that date.

The Grand Island beet sugar factory will be fitted up with the latest improved machinery preparatory for running again this fall. Already 5,000 acres of beets have been contracted.

On request of President Roosevelt the interior department of the government have extended the time for removal of fences from government land three months. The cattle men think they will get another extension for a year, in which time they hope to get congress to modify the order for removal.

The Atkinson Graphic mentions Hon. M. P. Kinkaid of O'Neill for the republican nomination for governor this fall. Mr. Kinkaid would be an ideal candidate and if he would rather stand for the nomination for governor than for congressman, he can have the support of The Tribune. He is one of the incorruptible republicans of Nebraska and abundantly capable of filling any position in the gift of people.—Burwell Tribune.

President Roosevelt's positive stand against white-washing the records of deserters meets the general approval of the public. Had former presidents used their vetoes against that class, there would have been a large number of unworthy subjects refused who lived off the government. No doubt there are those whose record shows them deserters unjustly, who should not be compelled to suffer with the guilty.

The gradual advance in the price of fat hogs and cattle is in keeping with the prediction of the REPUBLICAN last fall when we stated that fat cattle would go to six cents per pound by June, and hogs to seven cents. Cattle has already surpassed the limit and are keeping close along with hogs. Hogs has already reached \$6.85 in Omaha, and cattle \$6.70. At this rate hogs will be worth \$7.00 a hundred in Broken Bow by June and cattle not far behind. The situation is very gratifying not only to those who have fat hogs and cattle to put on the market, but to all whose business depends on the success of the former and stock raiser.

We are in receipt of a copy of a book recently issued by State Superintendent, of public instruction, W. H. Fowler. It deals principally with the construction of school house and grounds. It is largely a pictorial edition and contains pictures of a large number of school houses of the state and plans and drawings for school buildings. It contains 278 pages and mechanically, well executed, bound in board covers. It is noticeable defective in one particular and that is it does not contain the picture of either of

the school houses in Broken Bow, and but two school houses in Custer county, notwithstanding the fact that Custer county has more school districts than any other county in the state. The book however contains many good suggestions and information that makes it very valuable to educational interests of the state.

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION.

Executive Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska.—By virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I, Ezra P. Savage, Governor of Nebraska, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 22nd, 1902, Arbor day. The extensive use of timber in manufacture and in public and private improvements is and for some years has been a heavy drain upon forest resources, and unless expansion along this line keeps pace with devastation, serious consequences must ultimately be the legacy. Forestry is both useful and ornamental. While, strictly speaking, forestry, may not be indigenous still splendid results have attended every substantial effort to develop our resources in this respect. Experience has demonstrated that tree culture may be prosecuted as successfully in Nebraska as in any of the so-called timber states. Both soil and climate are adapted to it. For this reason there should be no relaxation in the planting of trees. Each succeeding Arbor Day should add at least a half-million trees and shrubs to our woodland estate. It means wealth, picturesqueness and eventually will be a powerful magnet in the attraction of capital and population to Nebraska. In the observance of Arbor Day on this occasion I do earnestly and respectfully request that the day be specially observed by the children of the public schools and by citizens generally and that in addition to faithfully discharging the obligations of Arbor Day a tree be planted commemorative of our late and greatly beloved president, William McKinley. A McKinley memorial tree will furnish food in after years for both solemn and impressive reflection, and will be a merited tribute to one who during his life exhausted his best efforts and taxed his best energies to promote the welfare and happiness of his country and countrymen.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have herunto set my hand caused the great seal of the state to be affixed. Done at Lincoln, this 15th day of March, A. D. 1902.

By the Governor, EZRA P. SAVAGE. Attest: GEO. W. MARSH, Secretary of State. By FRANK McCARTNEY, Deputy.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION. The Official Call by Chairman H. C. Lindsay.

The republicans of the state of Nebraska are hereby called to meet in convention, at the Auditorium, in the city of Lincoln, Wednesday, June 18, 1902, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices, to be voted for at the next general election, to be held in the state of Nebraska, November 4, 1902, viz: One governor, one Lieutenant governor, one Secretary of state, one auditor of public accounts, one Treasurer one Superintendent of the public instruction, one attorney general, one commissioner of public lands and buildings, and for the transaction of such other business as regularly come before the convention.

The basis of representation of the several counties in said convention shall be the vote cast for Hon. Samuel H. Sedgwick for judge of the supreme court, at the regular election held on November 5, 1901, giving one delegate for each 100 votes or major fraction thereof so cast for the said Samuel H. Sedgwick, and one delegate-at-large for each county. Said apportionment

entitles the several counties to the following representation in the said convention.

Table with 2 columns listing counties and their respective number of delegates. Total 1083.

It is recommended that no proxies be allowed in said convention, but that the delegates present thereat be authorized to cast the full vote of the county represented by them.

Notice is hereby given that each of the odd numbered senatorial districts in the state is to select a member of the state committee to serve for the term of two years. By order of the state committee. H. C. LINDSAY, Chairman. JOHN T. MALLANEU, Sec'y.

THE ISLAND OF GUAM

BY H. H. HIATT.

Agana, Island of Guam, February 5, 1902.—Republican.—On last Saturday, February 1st, the steamer, Solace, left this place direct for the United States. One officer of this place went on this boat, and it caused a feeling of sadness among us all. The boat passed Agana about two o'clock, and my wife and I went to the top of a high hill south of the city to watch it. How lonely and helpless it looked upon the ocean! Several officers will leave on the next transport, and it will not be long till all will go. The transient condition of society here is one of the most depressing conditions. There is but one permanent American resident in Agana, and he is here for what he can get out of the people, so he is not a factor to be reckoned in society. We are having delightful weather and we are enjoying it along with others. The dry weather will continue till May and then the rains set in. When the rains come, the roads are too muddy to walk into the interior of the island and it rains so often that it is impossible to go far without getting in a shower. My wife has received an urgent invitation to join with a Chamorro fishing party some evening. These fishing parties go out in "dug out" boats, and spend half the night with nets in the shallow water inside the coral reef. I have consented for my wife to go with our old Chamorro cook as chaperon. Most of the fishing is done with thrownets, which are circular and fringed with lead sinkers. When a school of fish are seen, the fisherman slowly pushes the canoe near to them, and then, by a dextrous throw, the net unfolds and covers a circular area of about one rod in diameter. The fish within the reef are mostly small but very excellent to eat. There are an abundance of large fish beyond the reefs, but the sharks make it too dangerous for small boats, and besides the depth of the ocean is very great at a very short distance. The deepest water of the Pacific ocean is close to this island. In some places it is five miles. It would be easy to awaken imagination to fearful dangers, if we were not sure of the long years and even centuries the island has been relatively fixed. There have been earthquakes here severe enough to destroy villages, and the soil

indicates that in some past time the whole island has been covered with Volcanic dust. The soil is everywhere red except where low. So full of iron is the soil that vegetation partakes of it. The Eifel tree is red like the soil, and will burn with difficulty. It is the heaviest wood I ever knew, and lasts longer than red cedar in the ground. When the Eifel is made into flooring, it turns black after a few scrubblings, and takes on a polish like granite. All the "Bull Cart" wheels are made of it, and they last for many years. There are wheels fully four feet in diameter of solid wood. Most of the "Bull cart" wheels are now heavily tired. Every native vehicle is called a "Bull cart," because the natives call a cow or steer a bull. I am not sure that they have any words to especially denote gender, for I find that all children are called "Potgun," whether male or female, one or many. They have no form of nouns or verbs to distinguish number. So any one can see how difficult it is to get them to use English. I have just discovered one of the oldest, if not the oldest, musical instruments used by the natives. It is played like the Jews harp and made of bamboo. I am getting several made and shall send them to my daughter. They are called Belebmbao, with the accent on Bel. and bao pronounced bo. These natives are natural Musicians, and can sing anything they hear or play anything on such instruments as they get. It is common to hear any American song here. We are now having melons in abundance, but they lack the brittleness and sweetness of American melons. Nothing grows rapidly here, even grass and trees will not grow as much during the whole year as they grow there in one summer. Parasites kill most of the larger trees, so that we have very few large or tall trees. The Eifel and Bread fruit trees are the largest, but usually low and scrubby. We are well and enjoying ourselves. H. H. HIATT.

Agana, Island of Guam.—February 15, 1902.—REPUBLICAN.—Yesterday was Valentine day, and all the local artists had been busy with pencil and pen to do the Saint reverence. We had dinner in the evening with the Pressey Club, and just as we sat down to eat, a Chamorro servant came in with a bundle of special letters. The designs were, at least, a change from such as are seen in the states. The officers nearly all rent houses in Agana, and live together in messes of twos, threes and fours. One mess usually has four or five servants, and it is a Chamorro boy's highest ambition to be an officer's servant. He gets many a flogging, but his pride and small pay counts far more than all pains. The Chamorro takes readily to all the follies and vices of the Americans, but he can't comprehend the virtues. I have mentioned before the need of civil government in all our new possessions, and there is nothing so much needed here as the example and training of these people into the ways of frugality and industry. The officers of the navy are not to blame for any lack of care for these people; for

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they have their own work and comfort to look after. Besides, they realize the necessity of civil government in the place of naval authority. If conditions continue as they are here, house rent will be a serious matter soon. Some of the officers are now finding trouble in securing good houses. We have about the best private house in Agana and we pay twenty five dollars a month for it. I rented it to use as long as we wanted it, or else it would be readily taken for forty or fifty dollars a month. Houses of the same kind are renting in Manila for one hundred and twenty-five dollars a month, I am told. Many of the Filipino prisoners here are allowed freedom to keep house, and as they are men of means; they live in the best houses, and keep an abundance of servants. The high rents are

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