

The McCook Tribune.

By F. M. KIMMELL.

OFFICIAL CITY & COUNTY PAPER.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

The republican electors of the state of Nebraska are requested to send delegates from their several counties, to meet in convention in the city of Lincoln, Thursday, September 24th, 1891, at 10 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for one associate justice of the supreme court, and two members of the board of regents of the state university, and to transact such other business as may be presented to convention.

THE APPOINTMENT.

The several counties are entitled to representation as follows, being based upon the vote cast for Hon. Gen. H. Hastings, for attorney-general in 1890, giving one delegate-at-large to each county, and one for each 150 votes and the major fraction thereof:

Counties.	Del.	Counties.	Del.
Adams	11	Johnson	7
Arthur	1	Kearney	6
Antelope	6	Keya Paha	3
Blaine	2	Keith	3
Banner	3	Kimball	3
Boyd	1	Knox	5
Boone	5	Lancaster	26
Box Butte	6	Lincoln	26
Brown	4	Logan	2
Butte	10	Loup	9
Butler	7	Madison	4
Burt	8	McPherson	2
Cass	14	Merrick	5
Cedar	4	Nance	4
Chase	3	Nemaha	9
Cheyenne	5	Nuckolls	6
Cherry	5	Otoe	9
Clay	10	Pawnee	9
Colfax	4	Perkins	3
Cuming	7	Pierce	3
Custer	10	Platte	4
Dakota	4	Polk	5
Dawes	7	Red Willow	11
Dawson	7	Richardson	11
Deuel	6	Rock	3
Dixon	6	Saline	14
Dodge	11	Sarpy	4
Douglas	8	Saunder	8
Dundy	3	Scotts Bluffs	2
Fillmore	9	Seward	10
Franklin	5	Sheridan	6
Frontier	5	Sherman	3
Furnas	5	Sioux	3
Gage	10	Stanton	3
Gardner	2	Thayer	8
Gosper	2	Thomas	2
Grant	2	Thurston	4
Guthrie	8	Valley	4
Hall	4	Washington	7
Hamilton	8	Wayne	7
Harlan	4	Webster	7
Hays	4	Wheeler	12
Hitchcock	4	York	12
Holt	4		
Howard	2	Total	545
Hooker	2		
Jefferson	9		

*No vote returned. It is recommended that no proxies be admitted to the convention, and that the delegates present be authorized to cast the full vote of the delegation.

It is further recommended that the state central committee select the temporary organization of the convention.

WALT. M. SEELY, Secretary. JOHN C. WATSON, Chairman.

THERE are about a score of "only straight-out-and-out independent papers" in this district; and they are all vociferously claiming the distinction.

It may not be known generally that the Masonic order in Nebraska does not admit saloon keepers to membership, but such is the fact, and further more at the late meeting of the grand lodge at Omaha it was made an offense against the law of the order for a member to lease a building owned by him to a saloon keeper.

PROXY BILL, the whisky-soaked deadbeat of the Culbertson Sun, is unnecessarily agitated about the political attitude of THE TRIBUNE. In explanation it might be stated that the devil has just about as much use for holy water as THE TRIBUNE has for political hold-ups and scampings of Proxy Bill's calibre—republicans for revenue only. Get thee to a gunnery and blow in thy brayvins, bibulous Bill.

THE Omaha Bee thinks that the last Nebraska legislature built better than they knew in passing the warehouse law; and argues that it is the most important measure passed by any Nebraska legislature. And by the way, the election law, the text book act, and the measures respecting the earnings of state and county funds, and the election of commissioners by districts, are entitled to consideration and credit.

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ON THE FRONTIER.

A Reminiscent Pen's Portrayal of Early Society.

A PERSONAL TRIBUTE

A Celebration With Painful Memories, Etc.

By request I again take a reminiscent pen and shall try and tell something of the "society" of those early years. The settling of this place was somewhat different from the usual order, inasmuch as the old time forerunner of civilization, represented by the "Pike" element, gave place to a more substantial class and the intelligence of the settlers was remarked upon by the army officers. A later comer mentioned as a matter of surprise that he "had found no less than three Webster's Unabridged Dictionaries" (they were not so common 20 years ago as now), and instead of adapting himself to the expected dime novel style of the West, it put him on his mettle to know how to observe the conventionalities of refinement.

Sunday school and social meetings were held from the first and the incense of prayer and praise which arose from the little band of worshippers in tent and dugout no doubt mingled with that ascending from the more favored ones in the far away homes. And as the dear old familiar hymns were sung with homesick hearts it seemed to bring the loved ones near; for we realized that

"Though sundered far, by faith we meet Around one common mercy seat."

Literary societies were organized and for a while these were pleasant and profitable. A neighborly interchange of reading matter was common and upon meeting this would be discussed. One ambitious youth afforded some amusement. On one occasion, when several were present, books were spoken of and one was fond of reading Rollin's Ancient History and Plutarch's Lives; another thought they were too dry, he liked something more modern, such as Irving's Life of Washington; another thought Dick's works filled the bill; still another liked Dickens, etc. This young man spoke in a very self-important manner and said, "I've been doing quite a considerable in the way of reading myself lately." "Have you," said one, "what was it?" "O, I've read the History of Robinson Crusoe." He had told us he hadn't gone to school much, but was a pretty good scholar; "didn't ask no odds of nobody in grammar and what he didn't know 'bout rithmetic, the rest needn't try to get." He was appointed editor of the Society paper one week and asked one to write something. To add variety, a little dialect story was contributed and he kindly took pity on the ignorance of the writer and carefully corrected the spelling! His own spelling looked as if he had adopted the phonetic system. He belonged to the floating class. These primitive days did not last long. So many people, coming from so many different places and circumstances, every phase of human nature manifested itself and as there was a lack of the "Charity which thinketh no evil, but suffereth long and is kind," misunderstandings and unpleasantness arose and wounds were made, which Eternity alone can heal. Of all this, however, no record was kept, except that written upon the fleshy tablets of the heart. We do not wish a younger generation to know anything about that side of the pioneer days. Some of the most interesting experiences are connected with public affairs, where we women came in, in an incidental, but forcible manner. It is not in good taste to bring them in just now, however, but in years to come, a history of the different county seat fights, will be "mighty interesting reading!"

Social conditions were changed with the changing population and later settlers coming with families who had had no opportunities, the early pleasant parties degenerated into rough romps, which we would not tolerate. Of one, at our own house I'll speak; it being as far different from anything I had previously seen as was possible to conceive, adding a new experience to my limited knowledge of how many kinds of people it takes to make a world. We were sitting before our large open fire place, enjoying the cheery blaze, when a wagon drove up, with a yelling,

screaming, screeching party of twenty or more young people, scarcely any of whom we knew. Young men and women, little girls, grass-widows and cow boys;—a genuine Texas half-bred among them. It was certainly a surprise party, in more ways than one. They soon begun their plays, hurrying through the games to get to paying forfeits; this forfeit paying seeming to be the object of the parties. To my uninitiated eyes, it was simply amazing to see the zest with which those girls "waded Cedar Swamp," "kept P.O.," made "double shovel plows," etc. Maidenly reserve or modesty seemed unknown. The half-bred and the so called widow were particularly partial to the double-shovel. I never shall forget the look of surprise on the face of the head of the house, when, in "wading the swamp" the g. w. marched up to him and gave him a resounding kiss! One of the little girls afterwards married at thirteen years of age. Her cowboy lover, wishing to make her a present of a belt, asked the merchant "if he had any women's cinches."

All these things, too, became of the past. One after another left the country and we felt O, so isolated and disolate!—hardened with many cares and trials.

Just at this time a different element came in to our lives in the persons of those who were afterwards so well known and so closely associated with the educational advancement of the county, that it is hardly necessary to mention the names of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Nettleton. As we are always interested in the private life of those whom we know in a public capacity it will not be amiss or out of place to speak of their coming. The trips to the U. P. R. R. for supplies were still kept up and on one occasion J. went to Plum Creek, where he met Mr. Nettleton, who, with his family, had been detained beyond the appointed time for some one to meet them at the R. R. One relative had gone, but not seeing them had returned. Private conveyances were then the only modes of travel and it was a question what they should do. It was finally arranged that they should come with J. provided they could endure the cramped accommodations of a loaded wagon, and walk up the hills. This they did, reaching our house on the evening of the second day, where they remained that night and the next day, were taken to their claims beyond. The little bright eyed boy and girl were much interested in the new, strange things they saw in their two days wagon trip across the country and among amusing recitals, they told of "Papa chasing a rabbit,"—and we who knew the running capacities of a jack rabbit, enjoyed the telling. Mrs. Nettleton was so kind and polite and tried so hard not to show that she thought our western manner seemed odd! Time and a frontier life have ways of their own in leveling things and it was not many years of drouths and toil and grasshoppers, before the "fellow feeling that makes us wondrous kind" came to her. Her visiting eastern friends sought not to show that they thought she had become a little western in appearance. Not so considerate was our own home visitor, who was much amused at the change in me, so much so, as to wish for my photograph to take back as a curiosity.

I know I shall be pardoned for speaking so personally, when I say that the greatest sorrow that has come to us, was when Mr. Nettleton, with his intense, eager nature in a frail body, laid aside his life work and entered into rest,—and we missed his genial coming and pleasant visits. Only those of us who have known things from the beginning can fully appreciate what was affected by Mr. Nettleton in the improvement of the schools of this county.

The "Flood of Years" rolled on, sweeping away much of the old and bringing in the new—and we come to when McCook, the "Magic City" sprung into existence. And now I wonder if I had better tell about a Fourth of July celebration held there? No, it is too barrowing to the feelings to recall. I there had a realizing sense of the fact that times had changed. I knew then, how it was to feel that "a King arose who knew not Joseph." The "gilded age" had come, and we "old settler women," belonging to the "earthen-ware period" had only to go to our own places and keep them.

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THE FAMOUS. June 26, 1891.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale directed to me from the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska, on a judgment obtained before Hon. J. E. Cochran, Judge of the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska, on the 20th day of March, 1891, in favor of W. O. McClure as plaintiff and against Gilbert B. and Charlotte E. Nettleton et al. as defendants, for the sum six hundred, sixty-eight dollars and twenty-seven cents, and costs taxed at \$27.35 and accruing costs, I have levied upon the following real estate taken as the property of said defendants, to satisfy said decree, to-wit: S. 1/2 S. E. 1/4 section 3 and N. 1/2 E. 1/4 section 10, in town 2, range 30, west of 6th P. M., in Red Willow county, Nebraska. And will offer the same for sale to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, on the 13th day of June A. D. 1891, in front of the south door of the court house, in Indianola, Nebraska, that being the building wherein in the last term of court was held, at the hour of one o'clock, P. M., of said day, when and where due attendance will be given by the undersigned.

Dated May 5th, 1891. W. A. McCool, Sheriff of said County.

The above sale is continued for want of bidders until July 25, 1891. W. A. McCool, Sheriff.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, Red Willow County. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against Smith Gordon, late of Red Willow county, deceased, that the time fixed for filing claims against said estate is on or before the 1st day of February, 1892. All such persons are required to present their claims with the vouchers to the county judge of said county, at his office therein, on or before the 1st day of February, 1892, and all claims so filed will be heard before the said judge on the 11th day of February, 1892, at one o'clock, P. M. last term of court was held, at the hour of one o'clock, P. M., of said day, when and where due attendance will be given by the undersigned.

Dated July 15th, 1891. County Judge.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. MATTELLA GORDON Executor.

LAND OFFICE AT McCOOK, NEB., July 11th, 1891.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Saturday, August 22d, 1891, viz: ABRAHAM V. OLMS TED.

H. E. No. 1296 for the S. E. 1/4 of section 10, in town 1, north of range 29, west of 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: William Ralph, Sidney Dodge, Neis J. Johnson, John Goodenberger, all of McCook, Neb. J. P. LINDSAY, Register.

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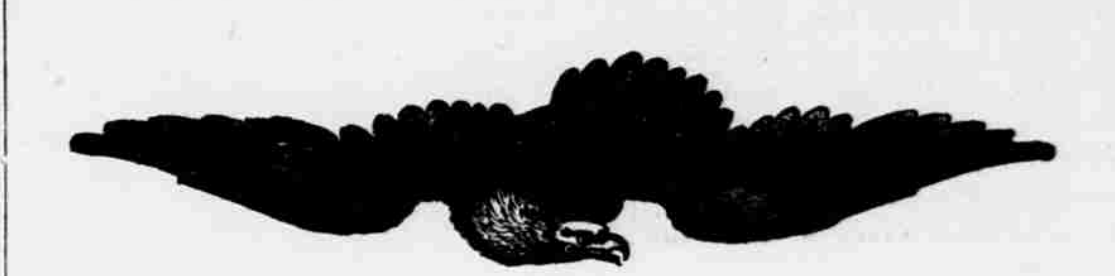
NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Red Willow county, Nebraska, will on August 12th, 1891, at one o'clock, P. M., at the court house in Indianola, receive sealed bids for furnishing board, care and clothing per week for such paupers as this county may have. The county to furnish physician and medicine when necessary for said paupers and to pay for such board, care and clothing monthly. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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