

# The McCook Tribune.

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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. Geo. 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	Keary.....	6
Antelope.....	6	Keya Paha.....	3
Blaine.....	2	Kimball.....	3
Banner.....	3	Lincoln.....	23
Boyd.....	1	Lancaster.....	5
Boone.....	4	Lincoln.....	23
Box Butte.....	6	Lincoln.....	23
Brown.....	4	Logan.....	2
Buffalo.....	10	Loup.....	2
Butler.....	7	Madison.....	2
Burt.....	8	McPherson.....	2
Cass.....	14	Merrick.....	4
Cedar.....	4	Nance.....	4
Chase.....	3	Nemaha.....	9
Cheyenne.....	5	Nuckolls.....	6
Cherry.....	5	Osage.....	9
Clay.....	10	Pawnee.....	9
Colfax.....	4	Perkins.....	3
Cuming.....	7	Pierce.....	3
Custer.....	12	Phelps.....	4
Dakota.....	4	Platte.....	4
Dawes.....	7	Polk.....	5
Dawson.....	7	Red Willow.....	6
Deuel.....	3	Richardson.....	11
Dixon.....	6	Rock.....	3
Dodge.....	11	Saline.....	4
Douglas.....	6	Sarpy.....	4
Dundy.....	3	Saunders.....	8
Fillmore.....	9	Scotts Bluff.....	2
Franklin.....	3	Seward.....	10
Frontier.....	5	Sheridan.....	6
Furnas.....	5	Sherman.....	3
Gage.....	9	Sioux.....	2
Garfield.....	2	Stanton.....	3
Gosper.....	2	Thayer.....	8
Grant.....	2	Thomas.....	4
Greeley.....	4	Thurston.....	4
Hall.....	8	Valley.....	4
Hamilton.....	8	Washington.....	7
Harlan.....	4	Wayne.....	7
Hayes.....	3	Webster.....	7
Hitchcock.....	4	Wheeler.....	2
Holt.....	4	York.....	12
Howard.....	2		
Hooker.....	2	Total.....	545
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.

CAREFUL search has failed to locate the originators of the S. R. Smith boom for district judge. A McCook man was accused but he proved an alibi. The boom has returned to Smith's office for a fresh start.—Curtis Courier.

What is the Citizen's Alliance, of whom it is composed, and what are its objects. These are the questions that are being revolved in the minds of the honest independent farmers in the localities near where there are no organization of the Citizens' Alliance. It is strange that such is the case when to them comes of its own free will the report that in our neighbor county there has lately been one of these Alliances founded with a lawyer as president? This seems to be a fact and we do not wonder that the farmer questions an order that admits the very class of men that he most of all has been warned against. In mentioning this matter we do so with a clear conscience, believing that if its principles were inaugurated with a view toward assisting the Farmers' Alliance to accomplish its mission it is, in many cases, very corrupt and used as a screen behind which hides the vilest office seekers. In reviewing this order, which we truly know but little about, we see an order spring like magic into existence, with a constitution fac-simile to that governing the Farmers' Alliance with but one exception that of who is eligible to membership. We find it admits to membership nearly every class not admitted into the Farmers' Alliance. This is a matter worthy of your attention. It seems to us that in the case we have in view that it is a shrewd political scheme to head the People's party off in nominating honest men for office this fall. It has the appearance of being the work of a designing man. Already the prints of his cloven foot are seen in Frontier county. The seed of dissension has taken root in our soil and unless promptly met by the keen edge of the farmers' sickle it will bring forth a bountiful crop of jealousy and dissatisfaction. In several counties in our fair state the Farmers' Alliance has seen signs in the Citizens' Alliance that have brought forth a refusal to accept any propositions from them. The objects of the two bodies are different that is very evident from the fact that one accepts what the other rejects.—Maywood Standard.

### WHY NOT JUDGE COCHRAN.

From The Maywood Standard.

The Standard refrained from expressing its beliefs on the Judgeship question, and has only submitted to its readers a few articles penned by our worthy correspondent on the "East Side" and one or two clippings from our exchanges. While we have said nothing on this important subject we have thought much, and now we desire to have a word to say and have the same right to say what we think is the wisest course for the people to pursue as any paper occupying the same position that we do. And what we do say most certainly will be said for Judge J. E. Cochran. Mr. Cochran is a man not blessed with a large store of this world's goods and his life has not been strewn with flowers. He was born on a farm in Iowa and left an orphan at the age of seven years with no resources but his young muscle to pull through on. He studied law nights and was admitted to the bar while serving in capacity of a farm hand and school teaching. The Judge is a member of church and is known and held in high esteem by all in his residence city McCook. He has faithfully served the people of the 14th judicial district as their judge for over four years, and has made multitudes of devout friends in rural districts. His enemies are confined to cities and towns and are found in the banks, loan shops and railroad offices, and it can be truthfully said, too, that he has many enemies of that class in the eight counties comprising this judicial district. We have looked the field over very carefully to see which man should receive our small merit and have come to the conclusion that Mr. Cochran is the one for the people to put to the front this fall. You ask why? Because he has proven his determination to stand between the oppressed farmer and the mortgage holder as far as the law will permit, he has satisfactorily convinced us that he cannot be made a tool for the railroads, and his competency as a Judge stands unchallenged. These three reasons alone are enough to convince the people that he is worthy a re-nomination for the office of Judge at their hands this fall. We have the authority from Mr. Cochran himself to announce his position on the Cincinnati platform, and it is all that could be desired. He will cheerfully take the stump in their interest and those nominated upon them if he is permitted to do so. This is enough to convince the fair minded that he is all right and we believe he will receive his reward for standing by the pledges made two years ago. As before said we have carefully viewed the position, and we find the resolutions passed by the Red Willow Co. Alliance very questionable as to their purposes. It has the appearance of being a scheme to put Mr. Cochran out of the way in order to admit some weak man who can be bent to the will of the railroads and bankers. One thing is certain and that is that some one has an ax to grind, and we frankly assert that it is a very poor way to do and very suggestive of being the work of some person or persons not deserving. When we see the old party papers, such as the Culbertson Sun (Rep.) denounce Mr. Cochran we are more than ever convinced that he is the man for the People this fall. He is truthfully not a member of the Independent party but in the words of our congressman, W. A. McKeighan, "I earnestly hope to see the Independents call their own conventions and nominate competent men for Judges regardless of their parties," and in regard to Judge Cochran working against McKeighan last fall we know it is untrue even though it was so stated in an article run in State Alliance. With these facts we ask the people if they cannot conscientiously stand by a man who has nobly stood by them, and is being persecuted by their enemies for what he has done for them. The time is near at hand when we shall say who shall occupy the office of district judge and we must decide whether it shall be a tried and trustworthy man, an incompetent man or a designing man disguised in a mask of some unprotected order. Which shall it be? In all honesty, fairness and justice to ourselves and the worthy man, should we not be found working for the man that is ready to pledge himself to do all he can to elevate the oppressed.

### Honor to Whom Honor is Due.

The political cauldron seems to be somewhat agitated in this district concerning some available person whose aspirations seem to indicate to the people his fitness for the responsible and arduous duties of district judge. Like "Peter's net" of olden time the four corners of the great political drag net of the district have been lifted, giving a central impulse to the aspiring legal luminaries, until now, in emulation of Peter's wonderful catch, we in like manner behold a tumultuous mass, composed of all manner of creatures and creeping things. The result thus far is far from satisfactory. There is, however, only one judge's office to fill and there can only be one man elected to fill the same. The qualifications of the man must be broad and ample for the full requirements of the office. The person chosen must be a man of principle, tried and true, in full touch and sympathy with the people who, reposing confidence in his integrity, shall call him to sit in judgment among them.  
A record made in an earnest of a record to be made, or, in other words, a man trusted, tried and found true, is a safe person to trust again, and among the legion of names thus far mentioned for the office only one mentioned seems to have a record at all. That one is the present incumbent J. E. Cochran. He has a record, and although the ethical differences of political questions seem to distract the attention of the masses, and while the combined system of clans and cliques, shylocks and money-mongers, stands fully arrayed in a white heat of antagonism against his re-election, still the record made is a matter of current history that will constantly appeal to the people with whom his lot has been cast, whose burdens have been lightened and whose financial entanglements and difficulties have been either mitigated or set aside by judicial decree, until a smiling Providence has brought relief.  
We refer in brief to the lenient ruling in the foreclosure cases, wherein something like four hundred actions in foreclosure were delayed and time secured to adjust the debt through the medium of a bountiful crop. This stringent ruling in favor of the farmers resulted in the saving of over twenty-five thousand dollars in court and attorney fees alone, besides the resulting distress incident to such legal proceedings. With such a record of vigorous and spartan-like integrity concerning the welfare of the people, what more need be said? Judge Cochran stands today the avowed standard bearer of the people, the exponent of right and justice for the masses. To be sure, the moneycrats, a few shyster lawyers and a horde of quassi politicians, who fondly imagine that the only thing lacking to save the country is a chance to shine before the people in his place, are against him, and will seek to defeat him, but the idea is fallacious one, for as sure as the ides of November shall witness the choice of the people, just so surely shall the people, laying aside all minor matters of opinion and politics, join in again returning for another term J. E. Cochran as district judge, of whom it ever has been said—he was a just judge.—Curtis Courier.

"So long as the rural districts are arrayed against the towns, or the towns arrayed against the rural districts, the mutual interests of both are seriously impaired. It is a condition that has no legitimate cause for existence. Neither locality can thrive and prosper independent of the other, and it is only ignorant bores and restless malcontents on either side who seeks to disturb social and business currents on whose surface the well being of all would otherwise harmoniously float."

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July 24, 1891.

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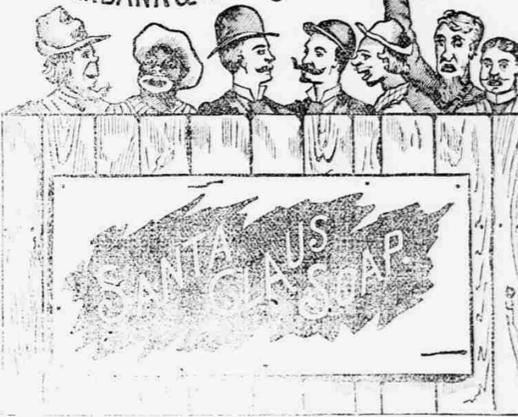
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