

# The McCook Tribune.

SIXTEENTH YEAR.

MCCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 10, 1897.

NUMBER 17

## WINNERS ARE NAMED

The Republicans Held Their Nominating Convention, Last Saturday.

### AND IT WAS A REGULAR LOVE FEAST

A Strong Ticket is Named Under the Most Favorable Auspices. A United, Strong Pull and They Are Winners.

The Republicans of Red Willow county held their nominating convention in Indianola, last Saturday, and under the most harmonious and favorable circumstances placed in the field a county ticket which a united, vigorous effort will elect in November.

The convention was called to order by Chairman Barnett of the central committee about eleven o'clock. The call was read by Secretary Valentine. Dr. J. E. Hathorn of Bartley was made temporary chairman and C. B. Gray of McCook, temporary secretary.

There were no contests, and the list of delegates to the late delegate convention, except Indianola, Coleman, Fritsch and North Valley, were on motion accepted as the delegates to the convention. The new delegates were:

Fritsch—W. A. McCool, William Crockett, L. L. Harrison, R. M. Humes. Indianola—G. W. Short, A. G. Dole, W. O. Bond, Michael Morris, A. W. Hoyt, J. S. Phillips, F. M. Goodneck, Henry Crabtree. Coleman—H. K. Bixler, M. H. Cole, George Howell, H. B. Wales, A. Prentice. North Valley—J. V. Carnahan, S. Haywood, Milton Fiddler, DeWitt Baker.

On motion of G. R. Johnson the temporary organization was made the permanent organization of the convention.

A. Barnett asked for a call of the roll of precincts to ascertain what proportion of the delegates were present. Eighty-four delegates reported as being present out of the total of 124 entitled. Bondville was not represented. An adjournment was then taken to one o'clock.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The convention promptly assembled after dinner and proceeded to business. A delegate reported from Bondville precinct, making every precinct represented.

C. E. Eldred moved that delegates present cast full vote of the precinct they represented.

H. H. Troth moved that the convention proceed to nominate candidates according to the call.

W. O. Bond thought that the first ballot should be an informal one. F. S. Curry, who was the Holman of the convention, objected and the motion was lost.

### TREASURER.

F. S. Lofton of Gerver precinct presented the name of O. L. Thompson. S. L. Green seconded the nomination. E. A. Sexson moved suspension of rules and Thompson was nominated by acclamation. Mr. Thompson said he was grateful for the honor, that he would be more highly gratified if the nomination should be ratified at the polls. He asked that the party pull together this fall; that factional and sectional differences be buried; that good men be nominated from any part of the county. He referred to the fact that the Republican party is all right nationally, and that with good prices, protection and reciprocity, the country is entering an era of great prosperity.

### COUNTY CLERK.

R. P. High offered the name of Esben P. Day of Lebanon. A second came from J. S. Phillips and on motion of C. E. Eldred the nomination was made by acclamation. Mr. Day said he appreciated the confidence imposed in him; thanked the convention for the honor, and promised, if elected, to make a strong effort to acquit himself so the people would not regret his selection.

### SHERIFF.

E. A. Sexson placed in nomination W. A. McCool, and Fritsch precinct seconded the same. On motion of Mr. Sexson the nomination was made by acclamation. Mr. McCool was unavoidably detained at home and could not respond to the calls for a speech.

### COUNTY JUDGE.

C. W. Beck of Indianola was placed in nomination by C. W. Hodgkin. W. R. Starr named G. S. Bishop, and R. P. High seconded the same. The first ballot stood: Beck 63½ and Bishop 60½. Before the result was figured up and announced, a number of precincts commenced changing their votes, after which the vote stood 65½ for Bishop and 58½ for Beck. On account of the confusion it was thought best to have another roll called. It was decided that no changing of votes would be considered after the votes of the precincts were once announced. The result was: Bishop 74, Beck 50.

Mr. Bishop said in part that he certainly appreciated the honor. That he is a Republican first—men are a secondary consideration. That in addition to seeking an election he would use his best efforts to convert the Popocrats.

### COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

C. N. Whittaker was placed in nomination by C. G. Coglizer. W. O. Bond offered the name of L. A. Carnahan, which R. P. High seconded. Dr. S. L. Green named Mrs. M. J. Cordeal. William Valentine seconded Mr. Whittaker's nomination, saying that he had a too deep and lasting respect for weakly, timid woman to ask her to stand the hard work required in inclement weather by the office; and stating that Mr. Whittaker was a strong, bright and devoted young man, in earnest to do good work. C. E. Eldred offered a second to the nomination of Mrs. Cordeal. R. P. High remarked that when Mr. Valentine has been married as long as Dr. Hathorn or Dr. Green, he will not have so small an estimate of woman's strength. The nomination of Mr. Carnahan was seconded by J. S. Phillips, and balloting was commenced. The first ballot stood: Carnahan, 52; Whittaker, 51; Cordeal, 20. The second ballot resulted: Whittaker, 60; Carnahan, 50; Cordeal, 13. At this juncture Mr. Carnahan announced that the Republican party had treated him well; that he had no kick, and withdrew from the contest. The next ballot then stood 69 for Whittaker and 49 for Cordeal. On motion of G. R. Johnson and second by Sylvester Cordeal, the nomination was made unanimous. Mr. Whittaker said it was positively his first appearance as a candidate. That he was thankful and appreciative for the honor and took some satisfaction in the advantage he felt over the other nominees in having a lady running mate.

### SURVEYOR.

W. H. Benjamin named E. S. Hill, who declined; allowing that he was too big a fool for the place, which he held as principal or deputy for 10 these 25 years, and ought to know enough to keep out. J. E. Kelley named A. F. Reeves of Box Elder. E. A. Sexson offered a second, and on motion of J. S. Phillips the nomination was made by acclamation. Mr. Reeves briefly thanked the convention for the honor. Mr. Hill asked to be put on the retired list at half pay, but E. A. Sexson objected to half pay as much as Mr. Hill had to "taffy."

### CORONER.

For the office of coroner Dr. J. E. Hathorn, Sylvester Cordeal, Dr. A. W. Hoyt and Dr. S. L. Green were named and declined. Mr. Cordeal declined in favor of William Valentine, who objected to the stupid custom of making this nomination a source of hilarity, and closed a historical sketch of the office with the remark that he did not care to be so much mixed up with royal institutions. R. P. High wanted the central committee to fill the place, but the motion was lost. J. E. Kelley suggested that as no one had as yet met with the Democratic conference committee it might be well to appoint such a committee from this convention. C. E. Eldred named Joseph Spotts, Dr. S. L. Green offered a second and on motion of A. Barnett he was unanimously chosen.

E. S. Hill then announced that he is an undertaker, that he had always been a Republican, and that if the party killed off the Pop party this fall he would see that the remains are decently interred gratuitously. J. E. Kelley offered a motion that the central committee be empowered to fill vacancies that might occur on the ticket before election. The convention then adjourned. Chairman Barnett announced a conference of the nominees and central committee, which then took place in the rooms in the rear of the Beardslee hall, where the convention was held.

### COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

The delegates of the Second district then convened and commenced balloting for a nominee for county commissioner. East Valley, Indianola, Red Willow, Fritsch, Alliance and North Valley precincts compose the district. A. G. Keys and Henry Crabtree, both of Indianola precinct, were named. Eight ballots were taken without decision, and a brief recess was taken. After reconvening two more futile ballots were taken; but the eleventh ballot gave Crabtree 17, Keys 16. Mr. Crabtree said that he had served the county nine years in that capacity; that what mistakes he might have made were of the head and not the heart; that if elected he would do the best he knew how for the county. Adjourned.

A party of about thirty Epworthians of the city joined with the Box Elder League, Sunday afternoon, in a union service at Box Elder. It was a profitable and pleasurable gathering, socially and spiritually.

A fine rain prevailed over this section of the state, last night, putting the ground in good shape for fall plowing.

Staple stationery, best quality at lowest prices, at THE TRIBUNE office.

## MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

MISS LULU NORVAL is assisting in Lowman's store.

L. W. MCCONNELL was able to be down town to business on Wednesday.

MRS. WALTER H. GREEN of Des Moines, Iowa, is the guest of Mrs. S. L. Moench.

MRS. ED. BEYRER went down to Red Cloud on a visit to relatives, Thursday morning.

MRS. S. E. CALLEN returned home, Wednesday evening, from her visit to relatives in Iowa.

E. A. PAINE, one of Furnas county's commissioners, was up from Oxford, last Friday, on business.

MRS. H. G. BORNEMAN and James returned, Sunday evening, from a short visit to Arapahoe relatives.

J. A. HAMMOND and family went down to Indianola, Monday evening, to enjoy the gathering of old soldiers.

H. H. TROTH was in Lincoln, Wednesday, attending a meeting of the Republican state central committee.

MRS. C. B. GRAY went down to Indianola, Monday night, to visit her mother and take in the reunion.

J. H. BERGE attended the Reunion at Indianola, yesterday. C. H. Boyle was in charge of his office during his absence.

MRS. PAGE T. FRANCIS has broken up house-keeping and we understand will shortly join her husband in Crawford, this state.

JOHN HATFIELD arrived from Decatur, Illinois, Wednesday night, and is pleased with the condition of affairs he finds existing here.

TREASURER AND MRS. MESERVE spent Monday in the city, coming up from Hastings, Sunday night, and returning to Lincoln on Monday night.

MISS ONA SIMONS left for her home in Iowa, Saturday last, to visit a couple of weeks before entering upon her school work here in one of our country districts.

E. J. MITCHELL of the Courier has been confined to the house all week with an attack of typhoid fever. We are pleased to announce that he is improving at this writing and that a long siege of fever may be averted.

GRANDPA OYSTER arrived from Alliance, Ohio, Wednesday night, and will visit here some length of time, the guest of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Sarah Oyster. The older grand-daughters are already carrying handsome gold watches as mementoes of grandpa's visit and generosity.

J. A. GOEHN, we learn with sincere regret, has decided to soon remove from us. He has reverted his irrigated farm south of the city on Dry creek back to Henry Meyer. Grasshoppers and disease among his hogs, this year, were the cause of much loss and great discouragement to him and are doubtless responsible for his determination to leave us soon. May prosperity attend him.

## SCHOOL ITEMS.

Only thirty-five weeks more of school. Lantern class, this evening, at eight o'clock.

Miss Selma Noren visited the schools, first of the week.

Rev. H. L. Preston visited the schools, Monday afternoon, and delivered a short talk to the pupils.

An opportunity will be given the pupils to attend the county fair one day, as has been the custom, but no regular day off will be given.

J. S. Rhea, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Ida, came over from Eddy, Hayes county, Monday. That evening Miss Rhea took the train for McCook where she expects to attend school this winter.—Palisade Press.

The total enrollment up to Thursday evening is 591, divided as follows: High School, 112; First Grammar, 67; First Intermediate, 80; Second Intermediate, 58; First Primary East, 72; First Primary West, 49; Second Primary East, 60; Second Primary West, 45; South McCook, 48.

Mr. Charles McCarl and Miss Lillian Troth will be united in marriage, next Sunday. They will at once go to house-keeping in Mrs. Smith Gordon's dwelling on Madison avenue. THE TRIBUNE anticipates and offers its warmest congratulations and well-wishes.

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## Her Gentle Racket.

A young woman who claimed to be deaf and dumb was reported to be soliciting alms in East Lincoln, Saturday afternoon. Chief Parker went out in search of her. He traced her from Elliott school almost to the Pecks Grove depot. In driving past her, he asked if she wanted to ride. Unthinkingly she responded "No." The chief brought her to the station where she told him she was on her way from McCook to Norfolk. She seemed to be an unsophisticated country girl who did not see anything wrong in the way she was raising money. The chief turned her over to Matron Hyde who promised to find her something to do.—Lincoln Journal.

## Bishop Graves.

Bishop Graves will be here on Monday evening next, September 13th. The Bishop will preach and administer baptism and confirmation. At this service the members of St. Alban's chapel will present the Bishop with a cope of white satin, embossed, bordered with pale blue, and lined with electric blue china silk. This will be the first time an Anglican Bishop has ever worn a cope in our city. The cope is a cloak worn during divine services, reaching from shoulders nearly to the feet, open in front except at the top, where it is joined by a band or clasp.

## To School Directors.

The directors of our county fair have made arrangements to admit, during the fair, school children at reduced rates. I earnestly request you to dismiss the school for one day, so that the teacher and pupils may attend the fair, and that the teacher may not be compelled to make up the time.

L. A. CARNAHAN, County Supt.

## A Lively Runaway.

Fowler Wilcox was considerably bruised up in a runaway, Sunday. He was driving among some loose horses on his ranch, when the horse he was behind, in a "military" spirit and with a graceful sweep of the tail, removed the lines from his hands. Then ensued a merry go-as-you-please, terminating in Fowler being unceremoniously dumped out of the buggy.

## An Ugly Fall.

Mrs. C. F. Babcock met with a painful accident, Sunday evening, from which she escaped, however, without any broken bones. She fell down the long, steep stairway in the rear of the Babcock building. Bruises, sprains and cuts make up the painful total of injuries. It was a narrow escape from serious if not fatal results.

## Will Be Dedicated.

The sod church at Fairview, a few miles south of the city, will be dedicated to the service of God, Sunday afternoon next. Rev. Badcon will preach the sermon and quite a number of Epworthians from the city will participate.

## Special Meeting.

The county commissioners will hold a special meeting, tomorrow, for the purpose of appointing a road overseer for district 30 and a justice of the peace for Willow Grove precinct, and any other business that may come before them.

## Bring in the Samples.

Persons who have agreed to give samples of wheat, etc., for exhibition at the state fair, should bring in the same, tomorrow, and leave them at the Citizens Bank. Don't neglect, please.

## In Ripe Old Age.

John F. Garlick of southern Frontier county died on Sunday afternoon last, aged about 75 years. Funeral was held on Monday afternoon, interment being made in that neighborhood.

## For Sale.

S. W. ¼ N. W. ¼ and W. ½ S. W. ¼ 29 and S. E. ¼ S. E. ¼ 30-2-30; price \$200. S. ½ N. W. ¼ of 3 and E. ½ N. E. ¼ 4-3 29; price \$300. A. H. KIDD, Beatrice, Neb.

The call has been made for the Fifth Annual Convention of the Nebraska Irrigation Association, to be held in Lincoln, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 28, 29 and 30, 1897. For full particulars write to J. C. Harpham, Lincoln, Nebraska.

The Ladies' Missionary society of the Congregational church held its annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. The reports were encouraging and the Thank-Offerings quite liberal.

The ball game at Indianola, Wednesday, between the Strattons and Indianolas, was a walk-away for the Indianola club. Score 17 to 4. McCook filled out for Stratton.

The Rogers drum corps attended the reunion in Indianola, Wednesday, providing one of the chief attractions of that day.

## OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Fall Term Opened, Monday Morning, With Slightly Decreased Attendance.

### OUTLOOK AUSPICIOUS FOR THE YEAR

McCook is a Coming Educational Center—Highest High School Attendance in History of Our Public Schools.

The McCook public schools opened for the fall term on last Monday morning under the Superintendency of William Valentine, who has been for the past eight years at the head of our system, which now stands among the most progressive and efficient in the state of Nebraska.

There are three new teachers in the system, this year, all being located in the East ward building: Mr. George H. Thomas, high school assistant, who is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, class of '97, with honors; Miss Elizabeth Thomson, second primary east, who has taught with success in Wymore and Tecumseh; and Miss Clara Smith, first primary east, who formerly taught in the asylum for feeble-minded at Beatrice. Thorough and satisfactory work is expected of each of them.

Superintendent Valentine informs us that they have entered the school year under favorable conditions and that a profitable and pleasant term may be expected. The efficiency of our school system is a source of pride to our people, who will join THE TRIBUNE in wishing the superintendent and his efficient assistants ample success throughout the year in the important work upon which they have entered.

The number of outside pupils already in attendance is much larger than it was at any time, last year. The initial enrollment from without the school district was 29. Last year but 18 enrolled at the opening of school and the highest enrollment of this class of pupils was but 23. It is likely that the enrollment of non-resident pupils will reach 50 during the school year. And this is the more noteworthy when it is considered that the tuition, this year, for non-residents is \$2.00 per month, while last year, under the recently declared unconstitutional high school law, the tuition was free.

The growing fame of our schools and better times are doubtless responsible for the increase. McCook is destined to become quite an educational center. The list of non-resident pupils is as follows: Myrtle Kennedy, Charles Bolles, Roy, Nettie and Ernest Dutton, Edward Byfield, Nellie Colter, Grace Harman, Etta Gordon, Iva Smith, Lucy Fichtner, Guy Stone, Laura Woodworth, Edward and Stasia Brady, Wayne Brinton, Ira Kennedy, Nellie Baker, Albert Dudek, Rosa Albrecht, all of the city postoffice; Lilla Coons, Thornburg, Hayes county; Charles Dodd, Salem, Kansas; Anna Reeves, Box Elder; Bertha Shafer, Hailey, Wyoming; Lewis Brown and Nora Church, Osborn, Frontier county; Ida Rhea, Eddy, Hayes county; Edna West, Hayes Center; Blanch Plumb, Danbury.

The opening enrollment is 19 less than it was last year. This is explained in a measure by the reunion this week and the approaching county fair. The total this year is 571 as against 590 last year. However, the enrollment in the high school exceeds all records; there are now five more pupils in attendance than there are seats. The decrease in enrollment is in the lower grades. In detail the enrollment is as follows:

High School, Miss Rache Berry; Mr. George H. Thomas, assistant,—1896, 88; 1897, 112.  
First Grammar, Mr. Erwin Hopt,—1896, 76; 1897, 61.  
First Intermediate, Mr. C. N. Whittaker; Miss Lora LeHew, assistant,—1896, 99; 1897, 80.  
Second Intermediate, Miss Hannah Stangland,—1896, 50; 1897, 56.  
Second Primary East, Miss Elizabeth Thomson,—1896, 64; 1897, 58.  
Second Primary West, Miss Clara Purvis,—1896, 60; 1897, 43.  
First Primary East, Miss Clara I. K. Smith; Miss Mabel Wilcox, assistant,—1896, 56; 1897, 73.  
First Primary West, Mrs. Mary Duffy,—1896, 52; 1897, 47.  
South McCook, Miss Nora Stroud,—1886, 45; 1897, 45.

### NOTES.

Mrs. Cordeal substituted for Miss Berry, Monday and Tuesday morning.

The board of education lacked a quorum, Monday evening, and will meet at the call of the secretary.

Ernest Cordeal of the class of '97 will leave, Monday evening, for Lincoln, to enter the state university.

Slate cloth blackboards have been added to the West ward building equipment. They are next to the genuine slate and not so costly.

## MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Merchants report increasing trade.

Selby can repair your old buggy tops. Machine oil, 25c. per gallon, at McMillen's drug store.

FOR SALE—60 calves. Inquire at First National bank.

There is a section of a buggy curtain at this office for the owner.

Have you been into look at Selby's harness at the "Bee Hive"?

A guaranteed buggy for a cheap-john buggy price at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s

Be in the swim. Buy one of those wonderful Vive Cameras from H. P. Sutton.

Monday was labor day. The closing of the banks and postoffice was the only observance.

See the add of I. T. Benjamin for a special sale of made-to-order clothing, September 17th.

Mrs. M. E. Barger, this week, moved into the Babcock store room, lately vacated by the Lowmans.

People who want something nobby in suits this season should read the ad of I. T. Benjamin and be on hand that day.

Selby is now selling his own make of leather suspenders at 40 cents; same kind the old hundred per center is selling at 60 cents.

Don't think of buying a carriage, buggy or any other vehicle until you have seen the stock at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s store and gotten their prices.

The Building Association has some good houses which can be bought at low prices and on easy payments. See the Secretary at First National Bank.

A slight shower, Thursday morning, settled the dust, tempered the atmosphere and quieted the wind for awhile. All of which is very acceptable.

S. M. Cochran & Co. will have the largest line of carriages and buggies ever exhibited in McCook. And they will sell them at prices never equalled in this city.

Do you want to rent or buy a house? The Building Association has several good houses to rent or sell. Inquire of F. A. Pennell, Sec'y, at First National Bank.

J. E. Kelley has received from the J. B. McFarland Co. a consignment of buggies—a carload—for immediate sale. See him before buying. He will save you money.

James Cain has just added more storage room to his feed store on West Dennison street, moving a small frame building down from the northwestern part of the city.

J. E. Kelley has a carload of buggies that must be sold at once. This means unprecedented bargains for all wanting a buggy. See him and get figures. They talk for themselves.

H. C. Rider is tearing down some more of his frame buildings on West Dennison street. They can be well spared for more useful service than they have been giving for some years.

Governor Holcomb has appointed C. H. Meeker of our city one of the five delegates to represent Nebraska in the national irrigation convention to be held in Lincoln, September 28.

Jacob Randel of Red Willow has just had completed for himself, near the mouth of the creek, one of the most commodious, convenient and ornate farm houses to be found in the county.

After you have threshed your small grain come in and make yourself right with the editor. If you are not now a reader of THE TRIBUNE try it a year. It will be a household necessity with you in the future.

The hot, dry, windy weather of the past few weeks has materially shortened the corn crop. Some place the damage at a high figure, others at a more moderate per cent. It will be considerable, no doubt.

Appropos of the non-partisan election boards law, Attorney General Smyth has given another opinion to the effect that the fusion forces must be counted as two parties by county judges in making their appointments of judges and clerks of election.

S. M. Cochran & Co. are headquarters for carriages, buggies, carts, and in fact, for all sorts of vehicles. They will make you prices that nobody can beat for first-class, reliable goods. Don't buy until you have seen them and heard their gentle racket on prices. Standard goods at rock-bottom prices.