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The First National Bank of McCook

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THE moral influence exerted by a town or city is properly to be esteemed one of its highest and best assets. It is well to be prosperous. It is better to be clean and wholesome and safe to live in. Let us strive more earnestly for the latter.

SUP'T G. A. GREGORY of the Crete city schools has been appointed by the state superintendent to be in charge of the domestic science and industrial work of the state. Sup't Gregory has assisted several times in the McCook Junior Normal School work and is very favorably known here.

JANUARY 1st, 1910, all the local newspapers of Webster county will advance their subscription to \$1.50 per year. Sooner or later all weekly local newspapers doing business on profitable business basis will be compelled to this action. The present price of \$1.00 is not profitable, and has not been remunerative for several years, since the great advance in printers' materials and labor.

Ir Aldrich's central bank proposition has as much in it for the American people as his tariff bill has, the quicker and the harder the American people land on his proposed currency measure the better for the people. A central bank with Wall street and The Interests at the helm brooks no good for the common people. Those eastern Special Privilege fellows should set up a decoy with whom the people are less familiar.

THE almost unbelievable profits of old line or industrial life insurance can be seen in the fact that in the last 30 years one of the big companies received \$257,000,000 in premiums, and during the same period paid to its policy-holders but \$92,000,000. During but three years of this period, too, 70 per cent of the policy-holders dropped out and lost all they paid into the company's coffers. And this suggests the economy of postal savings insurance for the workingman. Industrial or old line insurance absorbs 37.31 per cent of premiums in its expense account, while postal savings insurance takes but 1.47 per cent for expenses. Do you seek a better argument for postal savings banks and postal savings insurance? Both should be demanded by the people and that speedily.

THE law-breaking and law-defying character of the liquor interests is clearly indicated by recent developments in Omaha, where investigation has been progressing through attorneys and secret officers of the temperance advocates of the state. It is disclosed that the leading hotel keeper and restaurant men have been selling liquors on election day, on Sundays and after eight o'clock. That gambling is commonly practiced in the hotels and elsewhere. That boot-legging is numerously followed. That evil resorts defy and break the eight-o'clock law and the general liquor law of the state. The officers of the city decline and fail to enforce or attempt to enforce the laws of the state and the governor has been appealed to to remove from office Mayor Dahlman and to proceed against the delinquent fire and police board of the city. Some interesting developments may be expected from this procedure.

McMillen's Cough Cure is effective and pleasant.

SOME FALSEHOODS CORRECTED

The Republican County Central Committee Presents the Truth and Nails a Few Lies Spread Too Late for Denial or Refutation Before Election Day.

READ THE EXACT TRUTH OF THE MATTER

Shortly before the election, the Democrats after warning the voters to be on their guard against campaign literature that might be circulated by the Republicans at a time when it would be impossible for the Democrats to answer, themselves issued hand bills which contained charges that, while false, in part or in whole, bore such an imprint of truth as justified the confidence of the voters and may be credited with being responsible for the election of two of the Democratic candidates. Had the voters heeded the warning sounded by the Democrats themselves, no attention would have been given these canards, which were so carefully concealed from the managers of the Republican campaign, and were issued so late that it would, in any circumstances, have been impossible to convey a refutation to the large majority of the voters.

While it has not been customary for the Republican Committee to issue an post-election statement, the organization believes, in this instance, that, in justice not only to the accused officials, but to the voters as well, some explanation of the charges should be made so that the tax-payers whose interest in this subject is vital, but whose opportunities for knowing the facts are limited, may be informed as to the truth. The voters should also know that they are now the objects of derision on the part of some of the Democratic leaders, who, instead of being humiliated because of the disreputable tactics employed, are impudently laughing at them for being so easily deceived.

At the outset, the Committee desires to contrast the methods employed by the Republicans with those resorted to by the Democrats in the last campaign. The Republicans believe the voter should be advised as to the qualifications of the various candidates, so that he may vote understandingly. They believe a man should be supported, not because he is a candidate of the party that has placed him in nomination, but because he is fit for the office that he seeks. They believe a candidate should win on his own merits, not because his opponent is weak or wicked; that all appeals should be made to the intelligence of the voter, not to his prejudices; that dishonesty is as much of a sin in political warfare as it is in business; that the office of a political organization is to enlighten, not to deceive, the voter, and that the use of whiskey and other similar inducements should be proscribed by the organization itself, as it is by law. So far as the Republican organization and the Republican candidates know, their campaign was conducted in conformity with the principles they believe should govern in conflicts of the sort that has just closed. The Republicans relied for success upon the experience and qualifications of their candidates, not upon the unfitness of their adversary's. They issued no false or garbled statements to deceive the voters, nor was one drop of liquor used with the sanction or knowledge of either the organization or the candidates, for the purpose of improperly influencing voters.

On the other hand, the conduct of the campaign on behalf of the Democratic candidates was notorious for the employment of methods that are impossible of adequate characterization. The Republicans have indisputable proof, and charge that the Democrats in the conduct of their campaign, were guilty of the following offenses against good morals and law:

1st. They used, in more than one precinct, whiskey for the purpose of improperly influencing voters.

2nd. They accused innocent men, Republican candidates and others connected with the Republican organization, with the commission of atrocious crimes.

3rd. They issued false statements concerning the conduct of the county's affairs, knowing them to be false.

4th. They applied opprobrious epithets to certain men and classes of men for the purpose of arousing the passions and prejudices of the voters.

5th. Chief among those who are responsible for this outrage is Sidney Dodge, the Democratic county attorney of Red Willow county.

So far as the first charge is concerned, the facts are so well known to so many people that the necessity to further particularize does not exist. As to the second charge, that they have falsely accused innocent men with the commission of crimes, their own printed words convict them of one of the most despicable offenses that can be committed. They have attempted to blacken the characters of men who have heretofore borne a good reputation, by making charges they cannot substantiate, charges for which there is not the shadow of a foundation.

The third charge, that they have issued false statements concerning the

conduct of the county's affairs, knowing them to be false, statements which involve the integrity of nearly every Republican office holder, has, in part, been answered before, and attention will here be directed to those only, which, owing to the lateness of the hour at which they were issued, could not be met before election. On Saturday night and Sunday before election day, a bill of which the following is a copy, was issued and sent broadcast over the country:

"TO THE TAX PAYERS OF RED WILLOW COUNTY."

Voters, are you satisfied with the County Affairs? Have you seen the County Treasurer's Semi-annual Statements? Here it is condensed. Stop and Consider.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1909.....\$70,865.90
Receipts Jan. 1, '09 to June 30, '09.....86,589.76
Making a total of.....164,455.66
Balance on hand June 30, '09.....55,450.30
Total paid out in six months.....105,006.36
Just think of it: The enormous sum of \$105,006.36 paid out in six months, leaving the treasury depleted.

JONES PAYS THE FREIGHT, BUT YOU PAY THE TAXES."

The persons who issued this statement intended the voters should believe that the county had paid out \$105,006.36 during the first six months of 1909. Such an expenditure, if it had been made, would, of course, have been evidence of the grossest extravagance. But the authors of the bill in question knew that less than one-fifth of this amount had been paid for general county purposes, and knew, furthermore, that practically all of it had been paid for expenses incurred in 1908. They knew, also, that two-thirds or more of the money collected and disbursed by the county treasurer during the entire year are collected and disbursed during the first six months of the year. The following statement shows how this money was disbursed:

State Treasurer	\$ 9,950.48
County General Fund	
Warrants	19,099.12
Bridge Fund Warrants	7,373.42
County Road Fund Warrants	1,443.95
Soldiers Relief	280.93
Precinct and City Bonds	4,310.37
School Bonds	1,810.53
School District Orders	40,957.33
Road District Warrants	5,872.07
City Treasurers	9,248.40
Refunds	62.67
Poll Receipts	38.00
Redemption Certificates, Tax Sales	3,339.09
County Treasurer's Fees and Commissions	1,200.00
Total	105,006.36

The only part of the \$105,006.36 which was disbursed by the county commissioners was that paid out to redeem county warrants, bridge warrants and county road warrants. The bridge warrants were issued for steel bridges constructed in the county during the year, and as a steel bridge is a permanent investment, everyone is bound to admit money spent for such purpose is well spent. The state received \$9,950.48. The school and road districts and the cities, towns, and precincts received \$62,198.70, the expenditure of which was directly controlled by the people.

On Monday, November 1, the bill of which the following is a copy, was circulated:

"VOTERS READ THESE FIGURES:"

The Sheriff is entitled to \$900 thus far since Jan. 1, 1909. The following figures were taken from the treasurer's books by the Deputy County Treasurer at the request of the County Attorney. You can find the same figures at the Court House.

Sheriff has received.....\$2,207.00
Salary due and received by Sheriff.....900.00
Balance allowed Sheriff.....\$1,307.91

QUESTION

What right have the Commissioners to allow this? What has Sheriff Peterson done with the \$1,307.91?

DOWN WITH THE GANG."

The foregoing statement is without the first element of truth. The records disclose that from January first to October first, 1909, claims were allowed by the Commissioners in favor of the sheriff for \$1,353.82, AND NO MORE, as follows:
Salary, Nov. and Dec., 1908....\$ 200.00

Salary, Jan. to Aug., 1909.....800.00
Mileage and expenses.....200.92
Fees.....151.00
Total.....\$1,353.82

The item of expense includes the amounts paid by the sheriff as railroad fares for himself and for insane patients and inebriates taken to the asylums at Lincoln and Hastings during the eleven months, from November 1st, 1908, to October 1st, 1909, and for his railroad fare and expenses when he has been out over the country after prisoners. The item of fees will be turned into the county treasury at the time of settlement with the county commissioners in January, 1910.

Neither of these bills was circulated in McCook, and it was only by accident that they fell into the hands of the Republican campaign managers. Why, if they contained statements of facts, should their existence have been so carefully concealed from the Republican managers? Why was their publication delayed until the last moment, until their allegations, if untrue, could not be answered? Because they were untrue, and because the persons who issued them knew that if their disreputable trick were exposed it would react and operate to their disadvantage, as it did in McCook, where many a vote that, had it not been for the revelation of their dishonesty, would have been cast for the Democratic candidates.

What credence will you in the future, be willing to give to the statements of men who are thus convicted of having no regard for the truth? This matter is called to the attention of the tax-payers at this time so they may for themselves look into the question if they desire to do so. Let them when they are at the clerk's and treasurer's office, call for the books and satisfy themselves that the assertions now made are true; and that the statements made by the Democrats are false.

While the Republicans regret the result because they believe their defeated candidates could have better served the people of this county than can the men who were successful, they do not count the defeat so crushing as the Democrats proclaim. They lost the sheriff, not by an avalanche of votes, but by the flip of a coin. They lost one county commissioner by an adverse majority of but forty-four. They gained the superintendency of schools, an office which for all but two of the last sixteen years, has been filled by men and women who subscribed to Democratic doctrines. Let the Democrats take comfort that they may from the results on election day, let their candidates, successful through fraud and deceit, enjoy the fruits of their offices, won by such disreputable means, if they can. The Republicans at least have the consolation of knowing what was gained by them, was won by fair means. They have such confidence in the integrity of mankind, that they believe the voters will, on another election day, remember the frauds perpetrated upon them in this campaign, that they will resent the disreputable methods resorted to by the Democrats to win this paltry victory, and that they will have learned to distrust a party that found it necessary to rely upon trickery and deceit to gain a few votes. A victory won at the expense of the confidence of the people will, it is thought, prove costly indeed.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF RED WILLOW COUNTY.

CITY STYLES AT HALF THE PRICE

You can secure the city styles, the latest development of the photographer's art, at HALF THE PRICE charged for similar work in the city, at THE NEW STUDIO. Also those who prefer them can have the "soot and white" wash with every eyelash sharply defined" sort of pictures. Why go to the city in order to pay more for the same thing?

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\$4.00 to \$12.00

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\$5.00 to \$16.00

Odd Coats

\$4.00 to \$10.00 values at

\$2.50 to \$7.50

While these last you will have an opportunity you should not pass up of securing desirable wearing apparel in the work suit line at bargain prices.

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WEST B ST. THE CLOTHIERS

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

W. F. EVERIST is home from Colorado and with the family here for a while.

Mrs. C. D. RITCHIE entertained the Young Married People's card club, last Thursday evening.

Mrs. LOTTIE CLYDE came up from Lincoln, close of last week, and is spending the week in the city.

Mrs. J. O. LYNE of Minden visited friends here, last week, and at Cambridge and Culbertson also.

SETH and Mrs. SILVERS went up the Imperial line, close of last week, where he has some real estate interests.

JOHN L. SANDERS, one of the old war horses of Frontier county, has been visiting in the city, the past week.

Rev. C. C. WILSON, of Holdrege was in the city, a few hours Monday evening, the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Howe.

Mrs. C. M. BAILEY came up from Wyoming, Monday morning on 13, to attend to some business affairs in the old home.

N. MITCHELL arrived from McCook the first of the week, with a car of personal effects and will settle in Yuma county.—Wray (Colo.) Gazette, 12th.

A. D. SNELL, who has been employed at the Westland barber shop, left Tuesday morning for McCook to accept a similar position.—Holdrege Progress.

MR. and Mrs. R. M. LeGORE returned to Lincoln, Monday night. Miss Jones of Lincoln and Miss Baumann of West Point returned to Lincoln on Tuesday night, Mrs. C. D. Ritchie accompanying them, to visit her parents.

ROY COCKLIN, now of the Bank of Wauneta, formerly in the Citizens National Bank of McCook, was united in marriage with Miss Rosa May Speer, near Axtell, November, 10th, Rev. M. B. Carman of Minden officiating.

DR. EFFIE CURRENT retired from the general practice of medicine in our city, this week, and departed for Colorado, where she has a position in a hospital, a less trying position on her physical strength than the general practice of medicine.

T. J. O'BRIEN of the Henshaw hotel, Omaha, was a city visitor, end of week. T. J.'s visit here seems to have been coincident with that little "tea cup" affair in the Henshaw, close of last week. Ostensibly he was looking after some real estate matters here.

MISS LOUISE LAWSON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lawson, formerly of our city, was united in marriage with Clarence Eastman Williams, in Alhambra, California, November 9th, 1909. THE TRIBUNE voices the wish of all their McCook friends that their wedded life may be long and happy and prosperous.

Mrs. WESTON of Lincoln, is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. A. Mitchell.

MR. and Mrs. BARNEY HOFER entertained the Thursday whist club, last evening.

Mrs. JOHN PLUM and Mrs. Henry L. Falt of Palisade were guests of Mrs. William Jeffries, last week.

Rev. R. T. PAYNE, who has been spending a few days at home in Holdrege, returned to the city, Wednesday.

DR. and Mrs. C. L. FAHNESTOCK and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Value entertained their whist club, last evening, at the Fahnestock residence.

Mrs. BRYANT HOWE went to Minden on No. 2, Wednesday morning, and returned on No. 3, the same night. While there he performed a marriage ceremony.

MISS LENOR FITZGERALD of our city, now at the Kearney Business College, was chosen president of the State Federation of Catholic Students' clubs, for the year 1910, at the annual convention held in Lincoln, November 5th and 6th. Upon which fact THE TRIBUNE congratulates Miss Lenor.

Mrs. C. D. RITCHIE entertained about one hundred guests, last Friday, at a buffet tea, to meet her mother Mrs. R. M. LeGore of Lincoln, Miss Jones of the capital city, and Miss Baumann of West Point. It was one of the most elaborate social affairs of the winter. Guests were entertained from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Annual Meeting of Association.

The annual meeting of Red Willow County Agricultural society will be held in Indianola, Saturday, December 4th, 1909, opening at one o'clock.



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