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Dickson and Douglas Men at War,

Republicans Find that Straight Timber for Judicial Ticket is Not so Plentiful.

Among the rich things that have occurred in politics in the district was a conference held at Bassett, by certain republican leaders for the purpose of deciding who should be nominated for district judge from the east end of the district.

It was really a conference between the friends of R. R. Dickson of O'Neill, and J. A. Douglas of Bassett.

THE DEMOCRAT is advised of the names of some of the gentlemen who participated in the discussion of the candidates and their strong and weak points, but desiring not to mix up unnecessarily in personalities, we shall simply designate the friends of Dickson as "Dickson men" and the friends of Douglas as "Douglas men." Here is about what occurred:

Douglas Man: "We are strongly in favor of the nomination of Mr. Douglas for district judge because we think he is the strongest man. We think he can be elected and we know that Mr. Dickson cannot. Mr. Douglas has a good record as county attorney and that would be in his favor, and, we can afford to be candid here with each other at this meeting. We cannot hold the republicans in line for a man with the record that Mr. Dickson has. I know some of the things that are record evidence."

Dickson Man: "Well, you must understand that Holt county has the largest vote in this district and in fact polls about one-third of the vote of the district and unless Mr. Dickson is nominated you cannot get much work done for the party in that county. Mr. Dickson has been a hard worker for the republican party and while he may have some weaknesses so has Mr. Douglas. Mr. Douglas was a member of the last legislature and was characterized by all the newspapers as a railroad tool. He is credited with taking an active part in passing the new revenue law, and, everyone knows that that was a measure in the interest of the railroads, and, in regard to Mr. Dickson being dishonest much of that is political talk."

Douglas Man: "So far as the railroad matter goes Mr. Dickson is just as close in with the railroads as Douglas and closer too. He and his family ride on railroad passes and so does his father-in-law John Skirving and all of his family. But, gentleman, you fail to answer the serious charge that the republicans of this district, if they nominate Dickson, will be considered as indorsing Mr. Dickson's dishonest acts, and, to speak plainly we may just as well tell you there are many of us that will not stand for him."

Dickson Man: "To what particular acts of dishonesty do you refer?"

Douglas Man: "Well, it is not necessary to specify all of them. If he is nominated the populists will do that for us. But I happen to know personally that Mr. Dickson stole over \$4000.00 in tax sale certificates from Holt county in the Barrett Scott administration. I know that the county board cancelled these. I know furthermore that a law-suit was brought to test

the question whether he stole the certificates or not and that Mr. Dickson filed papers swearing that he owned them. I know the case was tried before Judge Kinkaid and that the judge disregarded Dickson's oath and found that Dickson stole the certificates and he entered a judgment cancelling the certificates. This a matter of record in the district court of Holt county."

Dickson Man: "I doubt the truthfulness of that statement."

Douglas Man: "I know it is true and in order to settle it let us telephone to Judge Kinkaid and I will pay the cost of the telephone message if Judge Kinkaid will say he did not find that Dickson swore falsely in his pleading or that he did not find that he stole the certificates or that Judge Kinkaid cancelled the certificates on the ground that Dickson stole them."

Dickson Man: "You are prejudiced."

Douglas Man: No, I am not, but I am telling you what will be said against your candidate and you dare not deny it. Not only that but you know that Dickson was mixed up in the Barrett Scott matter and that the populists have record evidence of where he not only stole tax sale certificates, but county money. And you know that he has never prosecuted a cattle thief, but it has been charged that he defended them and divided up the profits from the sale of the stolen property. I personally heard this charge made against him in Holt county by republicans some years ago."

The conference was about to adjourn when a gray headed old man who had been very quiet up to this time jumped to his feet and said: "By gimminy christmas I know something about this man Dickson myself. He got deeds to a town site at Hot Springs, S. D. by misrepresentation and fraud. He was indicted up there but by legal delays he got the case put off. The people there on two mornings assembled at the station at Hot Springs with a rope to hang him and would have hung him if he had been brought back there. The United States court at Deadwood finally cancelled Dickson's deeds and decided that he stole the property and taxed all the costs against him. This is record evidence. This indictment still stands against him. Can you deny this? Can we deny it if Dickson is nominated? Suppose we nominate Dickson and he should go to Chadron in the campaign and a South Dakota officer should cross the line and take him up to Hot Springs where would we be?"

Dickson Man: "Well, your man Douglas is a prohibitionist and all the saloons in the district would fight him and Dickson could get a part of that vote anyway and Dickson will run well in Holt county and that is the big county of the district."

At this point a motion was made to adjourn, but was voted down and a Douglas man was proceeding to say that only one-third of Dickson's record had been told. This was too much for Dickson's friends and they made for the door. It was locked but they promptly kicked out a panel and got out while the Douglas men were discussing Dickson's record, and, thus the conference came to an end without deciding who should be the nominee.

The county committee of the Peoples Party is called to meet at the office of the County Judge, at 8 o'clock p. m. August 15, 1903, for the purpose of selecting delegates to represent said party at the state convention to be held August 25th and at the judicial convention to be held at Valentine Aug. 18th. Gus CARLSON, Chm.

The Judicial Convention takes place Tuesday, the 18, at this place and two judges will be nominated. Judges Westover and Harrington have been eminently satisfactory to the people of this district we believe and are deserving of a re-

nomination and election. They have been impartial on the bench and judicious in decisions for the best interests of our people.

The county committee of the Democratic party is called to meet at the office of the County Judge at 8 o'clock p. m. August 15, 1903, for the purpose of selecting delegates to represent said party at the state convention to be held August 25th and at the judicial convention to be held at Valentine, August 18th.

W. E. HALEY, Chm.  
I. M. RICE, Sec'y.

Democratic Judicial Convention for the Fifteenth Judicial District.

The electors of the Democratic party of the fifteenth judicial district of Nebraska, are hereby notified that on Tuesday the 18th day of August, A. D. 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m. a nominating convention of said party will be held in the city of Valentine, Nebraska for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices to be voted for at the general election of 1903:

Two candidates for judges of the fifteenth judicial district.

Said convention is also called for the purpose of selecting a committee of said party for the fifteenth judicial district and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it. The basis of representation is as follows: One delegate for each one hundred votes or major fraction cast for the Hon. W. H. Thompson for governor at the general election of 1902. The representation of the various counties is as follows:

Box Butte	4	Boyd	7
Brown	3	Cherry	5
Dawes	4	Holt	16
Rock	2	Keya Paha	3
Sheridan	5	Sioux	1
	Total	50	

It is recommended that no proxies be allowed. That the delegates present cast the full vote of the county.

WILLIAM FALLON,

Chairman of the Democratic party of the fifteenth judicial district of Nebraska.

M. M. SULLIVAN,  
Secretary.

People's Independent Judicial Convention for the Fifteenth Judicial District.

The People's Independent judicial call is an exact copy of the above and signed by Sam. B. Howard, Chairman, and W. R. Butler, secretary.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL

Yesterday was pay day at the post.

Chas. Latta was in from Oasis Tuesday.

Dress trimmings, notions and millinery at Mrs. Elmore's.

Mrs. Viertel and daughter were down from Crookston Tuesday.

Ice Cream by the quart at Quigley and Chapman's. 24 10

Henry Brown called on us Monday while in town from down the river.

We publish the brand this week of the Parmelee Cattle Co. of Rosebud.

Judge Kincaid stopped in town Tuesday evening while passing through.

I. C. Stotts and William Hook were down from Cody a couple of days this week.

The Valentine Bottling Works puts up eleven different kinds of drinks. 17

Miss Clara Dunigan has a position with the Braddock Lumber Co. of So. Omaha.

F. P. Mullen, daughter and son Jack of Rosebud spent a couple of days in town this week.

Dan Truax called and renewed his subscription to the DEMOCRAT while in town yesterday.

Miss Clara Collett returned yesterday morning from Hot Springs having been there since last Saturday.

Wm. Jordan, a son of our friend Col. C. P. Jordan of Rosebud, spent several days in town this week.

Wm. Barker a clerk and overseer of transportation at Rosebud came down Tuesday and went up to Deadwood.

Robt. Quisenbury was in from his ranch to bring in Robert Barnes a carpenter who has been working on his house.

Ed Pike was in our city yesterday looking after business matters and called our office to hand us a couple of \$ on subscription.

will have no trouble in having the loss adjusted. The company is the strongest Farm Company in the State and have always done a square business.

B. F. Carter was in town the first of the week looking after the interests of the Sioux City stock yards and says that's the place to sell your cattle this year.

Three daughters of Mrs. S. G. Campbell are in town with their husbands visiting with Mr. Campbells: Mrs. W. M. Lee, Mrs. Silas Searson and Mrs. Homer Tait.

Our town needs a drainage system before some one is stricken with a fever. The water that stands in stagnant pools should be run off. Is every one too busy to see to this?

The U. S. Marshall went up to Rosebud Tuesday presumably to capture some cattle and horse rustlers. Last night he took Wm. Bridgman to Deadwood charged with stealing a cow and selling it to the butcher.

Albert Hauger and wife have returned to Valentine to live. Mr. H. was formerly a member of the band of one of the troops stationed at the post and Mrs. Hauger is a daughter of Mr. Hutchinson down the river.

There are a great many obnoxious and troublesome weeds growing along the sidewalks that ought to be cut down. Now is the time, and the weeds, also, on vacant lots and in the alley should be cut. Do not let them go to seed.

Geo. Bristol was in town yesterday and informed us of the loss of a cow and calf by lightning monday July 27. His stock was insured in the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company of Lincoln, of which I. M. Rice is agent and

Robert Pipkin, who has been working for Wm. Francke on the George ranch putting up hay, hurt his finger and came to town to have it doctored. He tells us that Mr. Francke has about 200 tons of hay up and will put up that much more.

Max E. Viertel, the Crookston postmaster and merchant, was in town Monday evening on business, and informs us that they now get mail on the passenger at Crookston instead of the freight. This is a much needed improvement in their mail facilities for which they can rejoice.

John Whittemore and Miss Cora Sellers were married Wednesday evening at the home of Elden Sparks in Cody. The young couple started immediately on a wedding journey to Denver and other points to be gone for a month. Mr. Whittemore is cashier of the Cody bank and Miss Sellers is the daughter of Mrs. Elden Sparks. The DEMOCRAT extends congratulations.

Mrs. W. P. Hunt and little boy returned to Joplin, Mo. Tuesday after a pleasant visit of a few weeks with her sister Mrs. P. F. Simons and her mother Mrs. Razeley. We are indebted to Mr. Hunt for a couple of nice specimens of crystal rock and lead ore which he sent to us.

Rasmus Anderson and wife departed from here Tuesday to take charge of the hotel at Rosebud. That place has been without a hotel keeper for a few days and the people are glad to get some one to take charge of it again and they are fortunate in securing the services of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson.

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