

# THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT

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### DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION CALL

The democratic county convention is hereby called to meet in the court house at Valentine, Neb., on Saturday, August 4th, 1906, at two o'clock P. M., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following offices:  
County Attorney.  
And the delegates present from the First Commissioner District will nominate a candidate for the office of Commissioner for said district.  
And for the purpose of electing delegates to the following conventions:  
State convention, 6  
Congressional convention, 6  
Senatorial convention, 6  
Representative convention, 6  
And for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.  
The basis of representation for the several precincts will be two delegates at large for each precinct and one delegate for every ten votes or fraction thereof cast for Hon. George W. Berge for governor in Nov. 1904.  
The various precincts are entitled to representation as follows:

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|---------------|----|-----------------|---|
| Barley        | 3  | Boiling Springs | 6 |
| Buffalo Lake  | 4  | Cleveland       | 4 |
| Dewey Lake    | 3  | Eli             | 4 |
| Enlow         | 3  | Georgia         | 3 |
| German        | 4  | Gillaspie       | 3 |
| Goose Creek   | 3  | Irwin           | 4 |
| Kennedy       | 4  | K-wance         | 3 |
| Lavaca        | 5  | Loup            | 3 |
| Merriman      | 6  | Mother Lake     | 3 |
| Minnehadaza   | 4  | Nenzel          | 4 |
| Pleasant Hill | 3  | Steen           | 5 |
| Sharps Ranch  | 4  | Sparks          | 5 |
| Schlager      | 4  | Table           | 4 |
| Valentine     | 10 | Woodlake        | 7 |

It is recommended that the precinct caucuses be held Saturday, July 28, and that a precinct committee man be selected by each caucus.  
I. M. RICE, Secretary.  
A. M. MORRISSEY, Chairman.

Of the two I would say that Norris Brown was most probably the railroad candidate, instead of Edward Rosewater. But if we elect a democratic legislature this fall, neither will be elected to the U. S. senate. Norris Brown has been up for office too often not to have been noticed by the railroads ere this and he has not earned great renown as a railroad fighter or a reform politician.

### MOSES AND OTHER CONGRESSMEN COMPARED

I have noticed with astonishment the silence of the republican press in the 6th district in regard to our congressman. Not a word of commendation, not an enthusiastic endorsement of his attempt to win a third term, no attempt to catalogue what he has accomplished for his friends. A dismal, sullen, despairing acquiescence in his ambition exists which to him, as to most men seeking office, presages ignominious failure when it comes to the casting of votes. Most men, any man of ordinary self respect, would interpret these signs aright, would not wait to be ostracized, would not jeopardize the success of the party, but would quickly retire on some plea or other and relieve his friends of a dreadful incubus.

No prospect of this so far! The fascinations of a gay life in Washington appear strong enough to overcome every noble, manly impulse and Moses will adhere to the place he holds till ignominiously kicked out of the way. That the press and the people are ashamed of him is no wonder when his unspeakable, uselessness is considered. As compared with other congressmen, he has done nothing and when he has attempted anything, his efforts have been so weak and vacillating as to fail. He has been true neither to himself nor his friends, many of whom he has deluded with promises and finally to them excused his failures by prevarication and falsehood.

Others in the same position and unfavored by any greater facilities, have done something. They can approach their constituents with confidence of approval. For instance, Hinshaw of the 4th district, secured an appropriation for York of \$125,000 for a federal building and for Columbus and Plattsmouth \$10,000 each for building sites. Norris of the 5th secured an appropriation for purchasing sites at York and Kearney of \$95,000 each, and the opposition to Kearney led to that amount being stricken out, Norris fought on and not only had the original amount restored but an additional amount allowed for a building. Hastings and Grand Island also received \$125,000 through the efforts of Congressman Norris.

Kinkaid, after holding out that he would secure appropriations for "public buildings" and other "legislation of benefit" to his constituents, not only did nothing, but stood mute while Fort Niobrara was abandoned, to the injury of Valentine.

Such is the man who has the audacity to say to the people of the 6th district "Send me to repeat the self indulgent career of the past with its negligence and contempt of all public interests."

IF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CAN FIND NO BETTER REPRESENTATIVE THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY CAN AND SHOULD DO SO.  
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### Fort Niobrara Abandoned.

The 1st and 3rd batalions of the 25th Infantry which have been stationed at Fort Niobrara since August, 1902, departed Monday night, July 23, 1906, going from here to Fort Worth, Texas, where the 1st and 3rd batalions separate, the 1st going to Fort Brown and the 3rd to Fort McIntosh, Texas. The band joins the 2nd batalion at Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas.

Two passenger trains and one freight train were required to haul the troops and baggage, and run 15 minutes apart.

Capt. Powell was left behind in charge of about twenty men to remove supplies and strip Fort Niobrara of furniture and furnishings, which will be shipped to other posts, after which, we understand, the fort will be left in charge of Major Shockey and Col. Thompson until some further disposition is made, looking to the complete abandonment, or repairing and rebuilding or changing into a maneuvering post.

Very little can be expected during the present administration toward the rebuilding or changing conditions of Fort Niobrara, and whatever is done cannot be expected soon. There is no appropriation to do anything with and congress will have to do something first. Since congress has shown no disposition the past session to favor Fort Niobrara, we can hope for little in that direction until a change of administration and a new congress takes up their duties of correcting evils, righting the wrongs and guiding our future destinies as a nation.

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### WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

When private interests are able to resist the public will, there is a bad state of affairs.

Teddy's genuine raids have not been made on the railroads and meat packers, but on the wage-earners who pay the taxes.

Trust products are costly to the citizens and cheap to the foreigners. Why not revise the tariff that protects the trusts and everything up?

"All gone" is what they are now saying in Washington. This refers to the peoples' money, as well as to congress and the official set.

The beef trust and the railroads are pointing with pride to the record of congress and the president agrees with them, so everyone should be satisfied.

If the armor trust is as grateful to the administration as it should be the republican congressional campaign committee should not suffer for lack of funds.

The government is spending this year \$20,000,000, more than its total revenue in 1897. This is Rooseveltian economy. This is prosperity for the world-power bunco-steerers, but not for the taxpayers.

Misery comes to the masses mainly from two phases of inequality—inequality in property and inequality in political rights. Both kinds of inequality are growing with tremendous rapidity under the republican regime. Equality is the basis of every just government, and democracy stands for equality.

The idea of federal regulation of business has been advanced farther than ever before but the people have gained nothing, while the state governments have lost immensely. The republic of Roosevelt is an empire very different from the "union"; and the states are degenerating into mere provinces.

As the administration never discovered the filthy condition of the beef trust establishments, although the taxpayers were paying for nearly a thousand inspectors, what guaranty have we that with more money and more men the agricultural department will get busy and keep the packing houses in wholesome condition.

The president's summer solstice at Oyster Bay has commenced on quite a strenuous plan. One of the corps of detectives and body-guards knocked down and blacked an eye of an innocent photographer, who was authorized to take a snap shot of the president. Thus is greatness guarded by ruffians. The ruffian was fined \$10 and costs.

The republican theory that the higher the taxes the more prosperity proves that President Roosevelt is a thorough-going republican for he heartily endorses the spending mania and extravagance of his party. For instance, how readily he gave way to the Wadsworth-Cannon plan of making the people pay for the meat inspector, instead of the packers being made to pay.

Can you remember any recommendation of Mr. Roosevelt for economy in expenditures?

If we assume that a family consists on the average of five persons, it will cost every family in the united states \$55.10 to pay the debts contracted by the last session of congress. Congress appropriated a sum equal to \$11.02 per capita on the 60,000,000 people in this country. It was not a property tax, but an indirect, insidious, dishonest tariff and internal revenue tax, equivalent in its operation and effect to a poll of about \$33 on

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### THE BANKS GAIN MILLIONS.

Press reports from New York report that the secretary of the treasury when in that city a few days ago authorized the statements that he would promptly deposit money in the banks, if money rates hardened and that he would immediately return to the banks in the shape of public deposits the money received from the sale of Panama Canal bonds. So the banks under this arrangement are to have their cake and eat it too. They buy the canal bonds and draw the interest and our kind and devoted friend of the corporation, the secretary of the treasury, will hand them back the money. "if money rates harden" and who can doubt the rates will not "harden" under such an incentive. If the rates "harden" to 8 per cent, the banks would (Continued on page 5.)

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ROBERT DYER, Rosebud, S. D.

Halldorson's photos 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5th of each month.

### Strayed or Stolen.

From my range on Gordon creek, north of Simeon, Nebr., in 1905, one three year old steer, branded —11— on left side, dehorned; also, four head of young horned cattle branded 5 on right side.

A suitable reward will be paid for information leading to recovery of this stock by the owner  
C. L. DORSON, Valentine, Neb.

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Don't miss seeing "Carmen" the equine watch charm and favorite clown pony with Bonheur Bros. Golden Mascot Railroad Shows, Wednesday and Thursday, August 1 and 2.