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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1908.

Democratic State Convention

The democratic state convention is hereby called to meet at Omaha on Thursday, March 5, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a member of the democratic national committee for Nebraska, four delegates at large and two delegates from each congressional district to attend the democratic national convention to be held at Denver on July 7, 1908. The delegates from each congressional district shall select the two delegates from each of said districts and report same to the state convention for ratification. Delegates from the various counties to the state convention shall be selected from each county by a convention duly called or by a primary election. If petitioned for by 50 democratic voters of said county, petition for same to be filed with the county committee on or before Feb. 14, 1908.

The basis of representation shall be one vote for every fifty votes or major fraction thereof cast for the democratic electoral ticket in 1904. Cherry county is entitled to 6 delegates.
C. M. GRUENTHER, T. S. ALLEN,
Sec. Chm.

County Convention.

The democratic voters of Cherry county are hereby called to meet in the district court room in Valentine on February 29, 1908, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing six delegates to represent said county at the state convention to be held in Omaha, March 5, 1908. Every democratic voter is hereby invited to attend and no credentials shall be necessary to secure the right to vote in this convention.

By order of democratic county committee.
I. M. RICE, A. M. MORRISSEY,
Sec. Chm.

Dr. Ayers, the Longpine dentist, will be in Woodlake Monday, Feb. 10. It

When you send out a lot of statements you will notice that the first returns are from those anxious to settle up; the second lot is from the kickers and people who "never got it"; the third lot hasn't come in yet.

Are the thrones of the old world to be maintained for kings by their assistance to each other in times of threatened revolution? The people seemingly have little to say or do but to obey their masters. Life is short and opposition is not fairly begun until new leaders must succeed and fight the same ground over again with little advancement for the peoples' cause and the leaders are often termed revolutionists if too persistent in their work, and revolutionists without the crowning glory of success are often called anarchists.

Frank Harrison and the Omaha Bee are having a hot time telling their grievances to the public. Frank claims that he is working for reform now but that Rosewater is tied up with the Burlington as a side partner. It hasn't been long since the editors along this line of road thought they had Frank located as a tool of the corporations and refused to print his stuff sent out free to them. If he is a reformer now it is time for the boys to make up with him and show him the glad hand, but he may decide to "change right back." Frank always has "an ax to grind" and seems to be either working for a stipulated remuneration or for revenge because he can't get it. If he is right he has exhibited bad tendencies in the past.

"Taft A Sealed Book."

The following editorial from the York Democrat will be interesting to many who are studying the character of the republican eligibles that are being groomed for the next presidential nomination. We believe that Sec. Taft is much more desirable to western republicans than Hughes or Cortelyou or Foraker or Cannon or Fairbanks, but we think Senator La Follette would come nearer being their ideal candidate for the west than Sec. Taft. The article referred to is as follows:

A republican paper says: "Secretary Taft is an open book that any man can read. He is not reticent, politic or designing, but he talks right out in meeting straight from the shoulder regardless of the consequences."

It seems to us that the very reverse of this is true. It may be we are prejudiced against Secretary Taft but we do not think we are. There has never been a time when we would not have rejoiced to see Sec. Taft give a cordial outspoken endorsement of what are known as the Roosevelt policies but we have watched in vain for him to do so, and we sincerely regret it. Our reluctant conclusion is that instead of being an open book, he is a closed book that no man can read. He is so reticent and politic on public questions that nobody can tell where he stands. He acts to us like he was trying to stand under both wings of the republican party. He is apparently trying to pose as the chosen successor of the president and at the same time secure the support of the reactionary branch of the party. In place of "talking right out in meeting straight from the shoulder" he is non-committal, evasive and disingenuous. In plainer words he dodges and straddles. Instead of belonging to the class who never "palter with eternal God for power," he must be classed with those whose first consideration is to get there "regardless of the conse-

quences." Mr. Taft is a politician who is plainly trying to carry water on both shoulders instead of "talking out straight from the shoulder," and is willing to be considered a radical when he in fact is a reactionary, in order to get the nomination. From all we have seen of Sec. Taft we believe his sympathies are on the side of privilege and plutocracy. He was brought up in that school. His father before him was a stalwart of the Grant regime. He comes from a race of appointive office holders. He was not only born with the proverbial silver spoon in his mouth and raised to consider power his birthright, but as judge of a United States court and governor of a subject people he has shown that he believes in dealing with the under classes summarily. He granted the writ of injunction without hesitation and he exercised despotic power without misgivings. Without any visible quom he exacted \$20,000 a year as a salary to himself from a poverty stricken people.

We do not believe we do Sec. Taft any injustice in placing him where we do. We have watched his career carefully and we feel we have got him sized up right. No one can point to any decided stand he has taken in favor of the new republicanism. As much as we regret to say it we believe Sec. Taft is not in sympathy with the popular protest against plutocracy.

King Carlos of Portugal and his son Crown Prince Luis were both assassinated February 1st while returning to the capitol. The second son, Manuel, has been crowned king and is yet in his teens. He has displaced Dictator Franco and chosen a new cabinet entire. The work of revolution has been making some headway and it is feared by crowned heads of Europe that Manuel will need assistance to maintain his throne. King Edward of England has sent warships to be in readiness to assist him. Great enthusiasm has marked Manuel's succession on account of his valor in firing a revolver repeatedly at the assailants of his father until himself was wounded in the arm, rendering him unable to continue.

Harry Thaw was found not guilty last Saturday on account of being insane, says the jury. Judge Dowling immediately committed him to the insane asylum for the criminal insane as a dangerous character but how long he will remain there is yet a question. This is but another way of turning a murderer free, if he has money to fight the case. No matter if a few wild sensational characters flooded the court room trying to manufacture sentiment in favor of Thaw, the American people will not be satisfied with such decisions. Lynchings will be encouraged by such outcomes and public safety must be protected even though "Judge Lynch" rules supreme. Where lawlessness goes unpunished the way is paved for lynchings. One crime does not right another but may prevent many and is proper punishment for such enemies of the law.

Dr. Compton returned from Omaha Saturday and Miss Wren Donohoe returned Monday night. Miss Catherine remained at the St. Joseph's hospital for treatment for stomach trouble and was looking and feeling pretty well when Miss Wren left her.

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