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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1908.

### Democratic National Ticket

**For President:**  
W. J. BRYAN  
of Nebraska.  
**For Vice President:**  
J. W. KERN  
of Indiana.

### STATE TICKET

Governor.....A. C. Shallenberger  
Lieutenant Governor.....E. O. Garrett  
Secretary of State.....John Mattes, jr.  
Auditor.....W. B. Price  
Treasurer.....Clarence Mackey  
Supl. of Pub. Ins.....N. C. Alcott  
Attorney general.....H. B. Flechary  
Com. Pub. Lds. and Bldgs.....W. B. Eastham  
Railway commissioner.....Wm. H. Cowgill  
Congressman, 6th Dist.....Wm. H. Westover  
State Senator, 11th dist.....George M. Adams  
Representative, 32nd dist.....J. F. Carr

### COUNTY TICKET

County Judge.....James C. Quigley  
Commissioner 2nd Dist.....N. S. Rowley

Last Thursday the democratic County Central Committee met at the office of THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT. J. R. Lee, of Brownlee, was chosen chairman of the meeting and conducted a very enthusiastic meeting. Several members were present from different parts of the county. Some others sent their regrets for necessary absence. Dr. Plumer of Hyannis was in Canada. G. W. Kellar of Cascade was also unable to be present and sent regrets.

John F. Carr of Springfield, candidate for representative, was present and gave us an interesting talk. N. S. Rowley also spoke on the importance of the people taking up the campaign for those who expected no reward for services sufficient to warrant getting out and working for the office. It was the feeling of the committee, however, that a man nominated for office should make an effort to see the people and secure his election if possible. This duty should not alone devolve upon Mr. Rowley, and if his friends will take a prominent interest in his campaign, which several promised to do, he will feel grateful to them.

J. C. Quigley was present and was called upon for a speech in regard to his candidacy for county judge. He convinced his audience that he was out to win this campaign if the people would permit him and made a good earnest plea for the loyal support of his friends and hoped to prove himself worthy of their support. W. E. Searby of Crockston introduced the following resolution in his behalf, which was adopted by the committee:

Whereas, by the death of Judge Layport, the office of county judge became vacant and this vacancy must be filled at the general election to be held Nov. 3, 1908, and the said vacancy occurring so late that party nominations cannot be made in the regular way.

Now, therefore, this committee recognizes in James C. Quigley a man of superior educational attainments; upright character and good judgment, and recommends

him to the voters of Cherry county as a man well fitted for the important office of county judge, and asks every democrat in Cherry county to aid in the election of Mr. Quigley.

Adopted by County Central Committee and ordered published.

A. M. Morrissey was chosen chairman, I. M. Rice, secretary and Jas. H. Quigley treasurer of the Dem. Co. Cen. Com. for the ensuing year and the meeting adjourned.

## AN OPEN LETTER to CONG. KINKAID By W. R. AKERS

The following open letter to Congressman Kinkaid appeared in The Star, a republican newspaper published at Scottsbluff, Neb., under date of September 4, '08. P. J. Barron is the editor of the Star:

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of a letter from James H. Hewitt of Alliance in which he informs me you made the assertion on the train between here and Alliance that I was going around the country electioneering against you. Now this is absolutely untrue. The fact is that I have not been able the past year to go around the country to any considerable extent. I have been as far from here as Mitchell, Morrill and Gering. And I believe I have stated in each of these towns that I was not going to vote for you. Is that electioneering? If so, then I am guilty. Mr. Hewitt also informs me that both Wilcox and I were opposed to him for reappointment. Now if you said that you knew at the time it was false, because I have talked to you by the hour in his interest as clerk and as successor to myself. The general land office records will show that I always supported him for clerk, and Senator Burkett will tell you that I made a trip to Lincoln to urge his appointment as receiver to succeed me.

I did not intend to do or say anything in a public way against your nomination, but intended to be satisfied in saying that I did not intend to vote for your nomination. But since you have rushed in the open and sent your tongue wagging allow me in this very unsatisfactory way to make some statements as to why I will not support you. In the first place, I believe your whole life has been a bundle of deceit. I do not believe you ever made an honest statement in your whole life, or ever fulfilled a promise unless you saw some gain for yourself. You deny any responsibility every failure on the part of securing any appointment or securing any other benefit in Washington. You claim all the credit for every favor which any one receives in Washington, you claim credit for every pension or increase of pension or increase of pension of every old soldier in the country, notwithstanding they had their attorneys and you knew nothing of the case until it had been allowed, then you rush in and notify the soldier that you secured it. I wonder how many old soldiers you think you have hoodwinked in this manner?

You state in your announcement that "several years after his legislative experience Mr. Kinkaid became District Judge, why did you make that statement? Did you want to deceive some one? Is it not a fact that you as senator introduced and passed the bill which formed and established the 15th judicial district in the state of Nebraska? What was the district doing all these years without a judge? Why did you say several years after, if not to

convey the idea that you had not always been in public office since you came into manhood? Now Judge, if I am mistaken in this matter, I am ready to acknowledge the error when the proof is forthcoming. And again I ask you if you have not been in public office ever since, except at the most four years? And were you not a candidate every election after that until you were finally elected? If not I stand corrected, when the proof is shown.

I may be mistaken as to the year 1896. But I believe you thought you would make an excellent supreme judge, and of course you could not be a candidate for supreme judge and congress at the same time. While you were judge you rendered your decisions as a grandstand play to the litigant and bystanders, and that you had the faculty of making the fellow upon whom you sat down think you had rendered him a great favor. You have the faculty of deceiving the unsophisticated and making them believe that you remember and hold them in high esteem, when in fact you do not know them at all or remember their names. How many hundred times have you approached men when you did not know them at all or remember their names. How many hundred times have you approached men whom you did not know and point out some fellow on the other side of the street and ask "who is that fellow" and as soon as informed make a rush with extended hand and exclaim "Hello Jim or Charley, or whatever his name might be. What did you do that for, judge, if not to deceive someone? You never deceived any in this way but the unsophisticated. I understand, or at least am informed that when you finally went off the district bench you left cases which you had under consideration and advised and were afraid to decide for fear of making enemies in politics, which had to be retried, enough to cost the litigants several thousand dollars to retry. Do you think that a record to be proud of?

Why then when you were making up your record, did you not tell us that you left a number of cases undecided because they smacked of politics and would have injured your chances? Why did you write this record as if the editor wrote it? Did you think that the dear people never saw but one paper or did you think we were so thick headed that we would not notice that the language was the same in each paper? How does this sound for an article written by the candidate himself: "The Congressman's greatest legislative achievement is his one section homestead act, generally known as the Kinkaid act. That sounds much like something which happened a long time since in this country. Christopher Columbus discovered America, so acknowledged by every historian, but Amerieus Vespucci stole the name. Hon. William Neville, Democra: congressman, conceived the idea of the enlargement of homestead bill, introduced it into congress, but because he was off color with the congress politically, he was not able to pass it. When you came into his shoes you inherited the bill and I have been informed that you and Judge Norris, took this matter up and prepared this bill together, and it was to be introduced jointly by you, and it would be known as the Kinkaid-Norris bill, or Norris-Kinkaid bill. How is this, judge, have I been misinformed? I await to be shown."

While you actually got the credit for the passage of this bill, it would seem better if it should have received the name of the "Neville Bill," because Bill Neville wrote the bill and tried to pass it, and would have done so only for the reason a democrat must not be allowed to get any credit. Why give Roosevelt any credit? Did not you, Judge and Congressman Kinkaid, pass the bill yourself? Did none of the other congressmen from Nebraska have anything to do with its passage? Did you get over into the senate and pass it there alone? Oh, come now Judge just be fair and say that you and Norris dug up Bill Neville's bill out of the files and remodeled it and then you took advantage of Norris and passed it without his assistance and got the name. I want you to say if that is true, and if not, don't say that it is not true.

I have a few questions which I desire to ask you and I want you to answer them through some news paper in this district. Did you not lead Henry Reynolds to believe that you intended to support him for the position of Receiver of the U. S. Land Office at Alliance on my retirement? Did you not say to Henry Reynolds in Washington, when he and Charles Cornell of Valentine, were sent down there by the Western Nebraska cattle association to assist you (and at your request), in passing a lease bill, that "now you are here we will have that land office matter fixed up." And did you not pretend to him that you were alone for him, and that you might have difficulty to get the senators to agree with you? Did not Henry Reynolds

come back to you the same day and tell you that both senators have informed him that they have agreed that you should settle the matter alone? And did not you say, "Oh, they are lying to you? And did you not, before he left you in Washington, admit to him the senators had agreed that you should make that appointment? But you stated that you must give it to Ellis. Is this true or not? I believe the story. If I am wrongly informed, I am from Missouri. Show me.

Now you told Hewitt that you could not control that appointment. Did you not make it alone, without the intervention of any man on earth, and with the consent of both senators? If not, show the proof. You presumed to tell Hewitt why I opposed you, but you only told him a part. You will know why I oppose you without anyone in Mitchell telling you. Do you remember a long talk I had with you at my own desk in which I told you of the trouble with the register of Roderie about the appointment of Roderie Williams as clerk in the land office? And do you remember that I told you that I believed that the object in getting him into the land office was to educate him to take the place of Jim Hewitt? And do you remember that you voluntarily said that you did not think Hewitt should be interfered with? Did you not know that Wilcox and I disagreed about the appointment of Williams? And did you not know that Williams could not be appointed over my protest without congressional interference? And did you not as congressman from the 6th district in obedience to the command of a democratic boss, your democratic boss, go up to the general land office and interfere and secure the appointment of the said Roderie Williams? Answer this. I see, Judge, that this letter is already much longer than I intended, and yet I am not near done telling you the reason why I do not support you for this nomination. I do not know why you should take umbrage. I always supposed I had a right to choose between candidates who were asking the suffrages of my party. I was fool enough over at Crawford to turn down Judge Grimes, who I now consider a much better man than you, and voted something like a hundred times for you, for which I have been trying for the last four years to hire some cheap guy to kick my pants. W. R. AKERS.

### You Need to Know More.

About up to date Sunday school methods and the county convention of all the Sunday schools of Cherry county is the place to get this knowledge. Oct. 14th is the date at Valentine. Every up to date school in the county will be represented at this convention. Session begins at 2:30 p. m. J. ROBERT BEALE, Co. Pres.

### St. Nicholas Church.

Services will be held as follows:  
In Crockston on Sunday, Oct. 4 at 10 a. m. sharp.  
In Arabia on Saturday, Oct. 10 at 10 a. m.  
In Valentine on Sunday, Oct. 11. At 10 a. m. high mass and sermon. Benediction with Blessed Sacrament after mass. At 3 p. m. instruction for the children. LEO M. BLAERE, Rector.



A. C. Shallenberger,  
THE NEXT GOVERNOR OF NEBRASKA

A. C. Shallenberger, democratic candidate for governor of Nebraska, will be in Valentine, Saturday, October 10, 1908, and address the people on the political situation. Come and hear him.

Hon. George M. Adams of Crawford, democratic candidate for state senator of this district, was in town Monday getting acquainted. Mr. Adams is at present state representative and was in the legislature with Hon. A. H. Metzger a year ago last winter and was one of the faithful members. Let's give him our hearty support for the senate this year.

The man who went up in the balloon last Wednesday evening, cut loose too soon and his parachute failed to protect him and he was severely hurt in the fall. It was said to be his first ascension.

Most people with whom we have talked would prefer to have a county fair next year to a carnival.

G. A. Chapman is in Omaha this week on business.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Rev. Edgar D. Clark of Gordon, formerly of Valentine to Miss Carrie Weldon of Wood River.

Wesley Holsclaw was visiting his family Sunday.

The baseball game last Friday was declared off after the third inning by the carnival management on account of two of the prominent players being a little unsteady.

### U. S. Weather Bureau Report for week ending Sept. 29.

Daily mean temperature 54°. Normal 58°. Highest 92°; lowest 25°. Precipitation 0.09 of an inch. Total precipitation from March 1st (the crop season) to date was 0.32 inches and the average for same period for 20 years is 14.26

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