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Leave Valentine at 8 o'clock every morning, Sundays excepted.  
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Dinner at Britt at 11 o'clock a. m.  
Special attention to passengers, baggage and express or packages.  
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### THE PRIMARY ELECTION

The vote in Valentine was pretty fair for the primary Tuesday. Many republicans voted a straight democratic ticket, perhaps the first time in their lives, and may vote for a few democrats at the general election they say. Party lines are not so closely drawn now, we are glad to note, which shows that the people are beginning to think more of men and less of party. It's the men that make the party, and likewise, what we want of an officer is what he will do when in office.

We note that some ballots showed only the vote on governor and representative, those offices being the bone of contention.

Valentine gave Shallenberger 82, Dahlman 79, Carr 64, Christensen 90.

Metcalfe 80, Hitchcock 60.  
Burkett got only 6 while the big vote of 27 went to Birmingham.

The republicans cast 42 votes and the democrats 162.

The papers say that Dahlman is 5000 ahead in returns available Tuesday afternoon. Carried Omaha by 5000 and Lancaster Co. by 200. It is also stated he carried Fremont, Grand Island and Kearney and the World-Herald predicts his probable nomination, though Shallenberger may overcome the vast lead in the remainder of the state which will most likely be for him and will make it close at the best.

Hitchcock is safely nominated. The republicans claim Aldrich and Whedon nominated.

It looks like Carr will be the nominee for representative if he runs at all in his own county, Keya Paha, as Christensen is running very little ahead in Cherry. Dean and Taylor seem to be the leading ones for the 6th congressional district.

We like the primary law, though we hear some complaint here and there. There may be some changes that will be beneficial and silence opposition but we hope they can be made without "sprinkling kerosene on the cow to kill the mites, and setting fire to the kerosene to keep the cow from freezing." They say Phi Young will use different methods from that when he doctors cows. We knew a man at Randolph, Kas., who sprinkled his chicken house with kerosene to get the mites and seeing the mites still agoing he vowed he'd fix em, and he did—with a match. Thought the fire would go out when the oil burned off. They used to be able to fix things in the old fashioned conventions but the present primary law fixes the fixers. Over in Iowa their law needs a little kerosene and probably a match, if there's enough material left to build another primary, but we think our law is alright for the people. It is one of our privileges to have a voice in the selection of our candidates and it would have taken a great deal of fixing to keep the people from voting for Gov. Shallenberger and G. M. Hitchcock.

### EDITORIAL NOTES

Vice-president Sherman says Roosevelt "will indorse the tariff law and will indorse Mr. Taft in every particular." If Mr. Roosevelt does this it will be his Waterloo.

The extent of official rottenness in Washington will never be known until the democrats are again placed in power and get a half dozen investigating committees working.

Only \$120,000,000. That's all the wearers of ready made clothing will have to pay this summer in excess of former prices as a result of the passage of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill.

It would be no more difficult for a camel to enter the eye of a needle than for Roosevelt to indorse the Taft administration and get away with it.

Eleven employees of the interior department have been forced out by Bellinger. Fortunate men, to have their honesty and loyalty to the people who pay them thus recognized.

"I will not lie for the republican party," says Senator Cummins of Iowa. Ye Gods, this assurance would please us mightily did it not but serve to remind us of that army of stump-speakers who will

### OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

(Special Correspondent)

Thousands of republicans throughout the land, and in the insurgent districts particularly, are becoming impatient at Roosevelt's apparent reluctance to state exactly where he stands on the subject of insurgency.

The result is that Theodore Roosevelt is not quite as popular an ex-president as he was immediately following his return from Africa.

This is an unbiased conviction that has been forced upon me after having travelled from Washington to the Pacific coast and back. I have talked with hundreds of persons of all classes, and have sojournd especially in the insurgent districts.

Roosevelt is not unpopular. I do not wish to convey that impression. He still has a large following.

But many of Roosevelt's admirers seem to feel the ex-president is waiting to see which faction of his party is the strongest, instead of making a decision on the basis of which faction is morally right.

If Roosevelt acts quickly and with clear-cut candor he may prevent further inroads on his popularity. If he does not so act, the movement which he is given credit for having started will march on without him, with LaFollette or some other genuine progressive at the head.

### Will T. R. Aid Lodge

Word has come into the West via the Associated Press that Roosevelt will campaign for the re-election of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, who declares the ultimate consumer is a myth.

Roosevelt's admirers are gulping hard over this information. They have been educated by LaFollette and other genuine progressives to know Lodge as a tool of Aldrich and the special interests.

They also have the word of no less authority than Representative Butler Ames, a republican insurgent of Lodge's own state of Massachusetts, that the political machine of Senator Lodge "is backed by all the large corporations" and is used to "advance the selfish financial schemes of the large railroads, banking and manufacturing interests he (Lodge) serves in the halls of congress."

Roosevelt's great popularity has been largely due to the belief of

the people that he was the enemy of such corporation servers as Lodge.

Therefore all over the land the ex-president's friends are asking: "How can Roosevelt conscientiously speak for a man like Lodge, when he does nothing for men like LaFollette?"

The mere asking of this question has the tendency of placing Roosevelt on the defensive. And it is bad for any politician, great or small, to be on the defensive.

### Taft Won't Interfere

The new railroad rate law will not be used to keep down railroad rates.

Correspondents at the summer capital at Beverly, Mass., recently got this news. It means that the strongest feature of the new railroad law is to be a dead letter under the Taft administration.

The section of the law referred to is that giving power to the interstate commerce commission, on complaint against an increase, to suspend any freight rate for eleven months pending decision as to the justice of the rate. This section was forced into the law by the democrats and insurgents and was strongly opposed by President Taft and the Aldrich-Cannon regulars.

Being hostile to this feature of the new law, President Taft will not use it to prevent the railroads from increasing their rates.

### Contest Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Broken Bow, Nebraska, August 19, 1910.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Samuel L. Wether, contestant against Homestead entry No. 6265, Serial No. 6381 made August 16, 1907, for NW 1/4, E 1/2 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, Sec. 3, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 6, NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 7, Township 25 N, Range 28 W, 6th Principal Meridian by Jesse Hunnicutt, contestee, in which it is alleged that Jesse Hunnicutt has never established a bona fide residence in a house on said tract, and has wholly abandoned same for a period of more than six months last past, and that the tract is not now resided upon, cultivated, improved or grazed by claimant as required by law, and that all of said failures exist at the present time.

Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on September 21, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Broken Bow, Nebraska.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed July 28, 1910, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

JOHN KEENE, Register.  
DARIUS M. AMBERLY, Receiver.  
Record address of entryman Diller, Nebraska, 32-11.

### Contest Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Broken Bow, Nebraska, August 19, 1910.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Charles A. Putnam, contestant against Homestead entry No. 2727, made February 20, 1908, for all of Section 32 Township 25 N Range 27 W, 6th Principal Meridian by James M. Dunning, contestee, in which it is alleged that the said James M. Dunning has never established a bona fide residence on the above described land; that he has never made any improvements on the land; that he has never cultivated or used the land in any way, and that these conditions exist at the present time.

Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on September 21, 1910, before the register and receiver at the United States Land Office in Broken Bow, Neb.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit filed August 1, 1910, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

JOHN KEENE, Register.  
DARIUS M. AMBERLY, Receiver.  
Record address of entryman, Theodor, Neb., 32-11.

## THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL

# Old Settlers' Reunion

Of Cherry and Keya Paha Counties will be held at Sparks Friday and Saturday

# AUGUST 26 AND 27

## FIRST DAY

10:30 o'clock--Singing  
Speaking--J. M. Caldwell, D. F. Story  
Program--Sparks Committee  
Dinner  
1:30 o'clock--Ball game  
Pony Race--One-fourth mile, 14 hands, 1 in, and under  
Saddle Horse Race--One-half mile  
Horse Race--One-half mile, free for all

## SECOND DAY

10:30 o'clock--Singing

Speaking--Col. G. E. Tracewell, Judge Quigley, Atty. Ruby and others  
Program--By committee of Kewanee and Keya Paha Counties  
Dinner  
1:30 o'clock--Ball Game  
Pony Race--14 hands 1 in. and under  
Saddle Horse Race, one-half mile  
Mule Race--One-half mile  
Horse Race--One-half mile, free for all  
Foot Race--100 yds., free for all  
Boys Foot Race--15 years and under  
Boys Foot Race--10 years and under  
Fat Mens Foot Race, 50 yards  
Side Holt Wrester  
Tug of War

All Horses Must be Entered by 2 o'clock P. M. of Each Day

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