



This is the closing paragraph of a letter written by Chris Gruenther and published in the World Herald on August 9.

Chris Gruenther is the democrat who whipped Edgar Howard in the last Platte county democratic convention by a vote of 108 to 20.

Chris Gruenther found out that the rank and file of Platte county democrats wanted Berge by writing 250 letters to them and asking them to state their preference for governor.

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If the democrats of Platte county want to prove that Howard was right and Gruenther wrong they will vote for Shallenberger and thereby prove to the democracy of Nebraska that Chris Gruenther and John Byrnes and Hans Elliott and a few other leaders "tricked" the democrats of Platte county into supporting Berge.

If the democrats of Platte county agree with Chris Gruenther, they will prove that Edgar Howard told an untruth when he declared that Chris Gruenther had "tricked" Platte county democrats to the support of Berge, by turning down Howard's candidate, Shallenberger.

If Chris Gruenther was right when he wrote the lines quoted above, the only way to elect Shallenberger is to "explain away" the defeat of George W. Berge which has "humiliated" the democratic party in Bryan's own state.

It remains to be seen whether the democrats of Platte county will vindicate Edgar Howard or Chris Gruenther.

No candidates so far have announced themselves for float representative or state senator from Platte county. Nance county is entitled to a candidate for representative and it is Colfax county's turn to name the senator.

Whether or not Colfax and Nance will insist upon exercising their rights in this matter remains to be seen. Platte county republicans however, will insist that men be named for these offices who have no railroad records or affiliations to explain away.

No republicans who opposed the introduction of anti-pass and rate-regulation resolutions in the Platte county republican convention, can expect support for a legislative office from those republicans who favored the program that was adopted by the republican state convention. No shame or eleven-hour conversions will go this fall. And so far as the Journal is concerned, while having no personal quarrel with the republicans who honestly opposed the Sheldon program in the county convention, it will oppose both the nomination and election of any man to the legislature, who has not been on the Sheldon platform at least long enough to find sitting room. Nebraska is going to have some rate regulation next winter whether it has a railroad commission or not. And the Journal is going to help to send men from Platte county who will stand right. We hope and believe those men will be republicans.

Edward Rosewater emerged from defeat at the republican state convention a bigger man in the eyes of Nebraska than he would have been had he come out wearing the senatorial top. Norris Brown was nominated because he promised to stand for the things for which Edward Rosewater has fought for twenty years. Edward Rosewater lost because he had killed off two many republican candidates, some who should not have been defeated. He has paid the price of his political independence but he stands today a mightier force in Nebraska politics and in the business life of Nebraska than any other man.

I SINCERELY TRUST THAT THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF MR. BRYAN'S OWN STATE WILL NOT BE PLACED IN THE HUMILIATING ATTITUDE OF EXPLAINING THESE THINGS AWAY.

THE STATE CONVENTION.

Long editorials and long speeches are not required to explain the work of the last republican state convention. It was a victory for the masses. That is the whole story.

The platform adopted is concise and strong. But there will be little discussion of platforms this year. As a matter of fact there are no party issues in Nebraska this year. There are no differences among the taxpayers on state politics. Republicans and democrats want the same things. They know exactly what they want and will be satisfied by no shams or makeshifts. It has been a question of the people against the bosses in both parties. At the democratic convention, the bosses won out by defeating Berge. At the republican state convention the masses won out by nominating Sheldon and defeating Galusha. It only remains for the masses of Nebraska to register their approval of the work of the republican convention by electing the republican ticket by an overwhelming majority.

When the democratic party turned down Berge at Lincoln it divorced 20,000 independent democratic and populist votes in Nebraska, the same votes that Parker's victory over Bryan divorced two years ago.

When the republican party nominated George L. Sheldon it named a man who is entitled to every vote that went to Theodore Roosevelt two years ago.

All Nebraska republicans are jubilant and they have cause to be.

Dr. C. D. Evans secured 23 votes for United States Senator in the state convention. This vote compares favorably with the vote cast for Meiklejohn, Crounce and Currie, from which fact Dr. Evans finds cause for self-congratulation.

As the Journal goes to press it is announced with what seems good authority that Frank Wurdeman is a candidate for the nomination for float representative.

PERSONAL AND PERTINENT

If there were a republican corruption fund this year it would be easy to account for the work of the democratic bosses at Peoria and Lincoln. As it is, they have made a republican campaign fund unnecessary.

The first symptom of intelligence on the part of the "Bryan Boosters" was their plan for Bryan's return to Lincoln during state fair week. Next week the Parker-Shallenberger newspapers will be printing great columns of figures to show the number of pilgrims who went with bowed heads to Lincoln to do homage to Bryan and incidentally to see the "black bear pie" and the "spotted cow speak."

Why did the democratic bosses knock out Berge at the state convention? In order that they themselves might occupy reserved seats on the Bryan pig-wagon two years hence. But they forgot to consider that Berge's defeat would promote Bryan's presidential ship before it could rise above the dome of the Nebraska capitol.

Columbus has a Twelfth & O that rival Tenth and O of Lincoln. It is said that down at Lincoln that when a fellow went a political scrap he goes too 10th and O where all the big politicians congregate, and have it out. Just so it is with our 12th and O The Meridian hotel corner. You can meet any old time and Chris Gruenther, Judge Hensley, Henry Currie and Judge Ratterman there, and they are always ready to meet all comers. (contributed).

It is unjust taxation for a man with a common dog to be taxed as much as his neighbor who has a hundred dollar bird dog. It was this principle for which our fathers fought, bled and died. If we must fight again, let us prepare to do it now. And as a certain rascal we propose to make the next majority contest on the dog tax issue. If Mayor Phillips does not instantly make public apology for approaching the editor of the Journal with a written document demanding the "payment of one dollar for keeping, maintaining and harboring one our dog of the male persuasion," we solemnly threaten to raise up a candidate against him and run him on an anti-dog tax platform. We may compromise the case if he will amend by cutting out the word "one" or appoints a dog committee on the council to praise and grade the Columbus members of the canine family.

A rare musical treat is the William H. West Big Jubilee Minstrels. It was the best show in Columbus last year. There is no speculation concerning the flow of melody and merriment that the Minstrels will bring to the North Opera House, next Tuesday, Sept. 21. This organization of singers, dancers, comedians and specialty artists has no superior on the road. Manager Richby made heads of friends last winter here by giving his whole show to a very small home and he returns this year only at the urgent request and assurance, of those who heard him. The Journal recommends this attraction to its readers as one worth traveling miles to see. There is no better.

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Float Senatorial Convention.
The delegates to the republican state senatorial convention of the twelfth senatorial district comprising Platte and Colfax counties are hereby called to meet in convention at the Meridian Hotel at Columbus, Neb., at 1 p. m., sharp, Saturday, September 8, for the purpose of placing in nomination a republican candidate for state senator from said district.
Committee: Carl Kramer and O. VanHousen.

"A Company of Fifty People."
The William H. West Big Jubilee Minstrels. The name of Van is by no means an unfamiliar one to amusement patrons, for every once in awhile it crops out from among the countless array of comedy talent and bobs up serenely in a most unexpected manner. George S. Van, however, has for a considerable space been recognized as the accepted leader in the fun monologue line and his reputation was not long in attracting the attention of manager Richby, who was indeed fortunate in adding this extremely comical Van to the William H. West Minstrel aggregation, which is scheduled to appear at the North Opera House next Tuesday night Sept. 21.

The advantage that George S. Van has, and a very decided one it is too is that he is as original as he is funny and that the laugh provoking material he uses is as wholesome and healthful as it is amusing. There is an irresistible something about this comedian that leaves a pleasant taste in the mouth after the convulsive smiles they produce.

Real Estate Transfers.
Bocher, Hockenberger & Chambers, Real Estate Agents, report the following real estate transfers filed for record in the office of the County Clerk during the week ending Aug. 25, 1908.
U. P. R. Co. to Albert Koza, w d \$30.00, 1 11 b 13, Duncan.
Rosina Sperry to Adolph Hoge, w d \$275.00, 1's 8 and 4 in b 176, Col.
E. A. Gerrard to Platte Co., w d \$100, pt 11 Gerrard's Add. Tarnov.
Abbie G. Taylor to J. Held, w d \$10,000, s w 12, s e 11-30-1 E.
M. B. White to M. C. Cassin, w d \$2,695, e s e 36, e s w 36, 18-17-1 E.
B. Matzke to Jos. N. Smith, w d \$1,500, 1's 7 and 8 b 2, Robinsons 1st Add. to Humphrey.
L. Everett to J. B. Babcock, w d \$1,400, s w 15-17-1 E.
H. Hockenberger to Louisa S. Coolidge, w d \$400, 1's 8 and 9, Bocher Place Add. to Columbus, Neb.

R. F. D. No. 2.
There was a family reunion at the home of Fred Luckey, jr. last Sunday. The families of William, Henry and George Engel and Frank Stevenson were present.
Mrs. Gets and Mrs. Clift, her daughter, are visiting relatives on this route.
A new granary is being built to Home Farm.

Route 5.
Albert Stachura is building a new summer kitchen.
The young people of the neighborhood helped John Hahn to celebrate his birthday last Sunday.
A. W. Hahn of Osceola is looking for a farm near Columbus.
Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Hahn, Dick Kummer and Miss G. M. Hahn attended the chautauq at Fullerton Sunday.

Route 1.
Nick Adams is building a new granary on his farm occupied by Friedrich Bros.
Adolph Fross and family of Medford Wis., have come to Platte county to live. Mr. Fross is a son-in-law of Gerhard Losko.
David Luechen is rebuilding his barn.
William Durkop is building a new house.

Fullerton Chautauq Aug. 24 to Sept. 8, 1908.
On Sunday, August 6 and September 2, the Union Pacific has arranged to run special trains to Fullerton; leaving Columbus at 8 a. m. and arriving Fullerton 9:35 a. m. Returns leave Fullerton at 10:30 p. m. Tickets on sale for this occasion at \$1.00 for the round trip. Inquire of W. H. Bushman, Agent.

The Journal wants all the news. Please or write it in.

The following letter from one of the oldest settlers of Platte county is a sample of the expressions received frequently at the Journal office.—South Omaha, Neb., August 21, '08 Editor of the Columbus Journal, Dear Sir:—I enclose three dollars to pay subscription to Columbus Journal to July 20 '09 I have read the Journal continually since its first issue. I hope the good old Journal friend may continue to increase in circulation and influence until old Platte, the Gibraltar of false Democracy in Nebraska will be reclaimed.
Yours truly,
D. Anderson

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R. S. Palmer, the tailor, cleans, dyes and repairs ladies' and men's clothing. Hats cleaned and reblocked. Agent for Germania steam dye works, Olive St. Between 12th and 13th St.

Cured Hay Fever and Summer Cold
A. J. Nuebaum, Batesville, Ind., writes: "Last year I suffered for three months with a summer cold so distressing that it interfered with my business. I had many of the symptoms of hay fever, and a doctor's prescription did not reach my case, and I took several medicines which seemed to only aggravate my case. Fortunately I insisted upon having Foleys' Honey Tar and it quickly cured me. My wife has since used Foleys' Honey Tar with the same success."
Oha. H. Dock.

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