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Is the county clerk's office to be a shaving shop for two years longer?

The Omaha Post supports Reese, Charley Banks is in Europe, but Mr. Kimball is still at home and may be found at Union Pacific headquarters.

The Republicans primaries, as usual, were a farce. The railroads, of course, are "out of politics," but Pat Hawes, Frank Walters and Hascall are taking care of their interest in the county.

We had no reference to the editor of the German Tribune when we spoke of the "great journalist from St. Louis."

Another sandstone man to the front. Mr. McGuckin wants to be County Commissioner. By all means Mr. McGuckin ought to be nominated.

If the Republican party wants to shoulder Mr. Baumer, with his peculiar methods of pocketing fees which he should turn into the treasury and shaving jury and witness fees, they will have a very heavy load to carry into the county campaign.

Mr. URAH BRUNER, of West Point, has lately been appointed special agent of the U. S. land office at Washington, and it is rumored he will soon proceed to the Stinking Water with a big bucket of whitewash which Valentine has had mixed for the Hon. James Laird.

The proper and graceful thing for all parties in the county to do is to renominate Judge Chadwick without dissent. That will show that our judiciary will be kept out of the slums of party politics, and competent judges who fearlessly do their duty will be sustained.

How long has Judge Savage been an Anti-Monopolist? Ever since he refused to accept a railroad pass while he sat as a Judge where railroad cases might be brought before him.

The reports of railroad earnings for the past nine months are generally favorable. The aggregate gain on 65 railroads is about \$17,740,000, or 9 per cent, only 14 roads reporting a decrease.

Young Mr. Estabrook after writing a series of foul attacks on Judge Savage in the Republican has finally ventured to sign his initials to a communication. One of his objections is that the Judge has not favored young lawyers while he was on the bench.

Mr. WAKELY mounted on the Republican platform occupies a very prominent position among the Republican candidates at the head of the editorial columns of that semi-pure, extra distilled Republican organ, the Lincoln Journal.

A great hue and cry is raised by wolves in sheep's clothing that Savage is the choice of the Monopoly Democrats. We fail to see where the Monopoly Democrats are doing anything for Mr. Savage.

Mr. COBLESS has had two terms, making in all six years, but Mr. Knight insists that he must run again.

DE LESSEPS' CANAL.

Work upon the Panama canal is being forwarded with a great deal of energy, although few items of its progress appear in the papers. M. De Lesseps has succeeded in procuring another large supply of money and has thus given a new impetus to the enterprise.

The benefit of this railroad, looking as it does to the development of Wyoming's richest belt of minerals, cannot be overestimated. At least for a few years the press of emigration will cease a steady settlement of the country, and manufacturing interests and thriving towns must follow.

Among the necessary habilitations provided by the recent Constitutional Convention of Southern Dakota, was the great seal of Statehood. The device is several degrees in advance of that of Nebraska, and far more original and truthful.

There is a prospect of competition to the Union Pacific in the coal fields of Wyoming, but to what extent is not yet definitely known. A New York corporation—the Western Improvement company—claims to own all the important coal fields of Western Wyoming, and propose to develop them as rapidly as possible.

The Bees is making bitter personal warfare on John Baumer, our county clerk. Mr. Baumer resents Rosey's charges in a plain, logical manner. He challenges public examination of his records and accounts. Mr. Baumer is a good, faithful, honest public officer and should be re-elected.

The Republicans of Douglas county had better unload. In the local campaign the people propose to vote for men and not for party. If they attempt to force a re-election of men who are notoriously inefficient, or what is worse, dishonest, they will meet a Waterloo defeat.

Montana papers give accounts of the operations of Union Pacific surveyors in the neighborhood of Yellowstone National Park. One party are said to be surveying a branch from a point on the Utah and Northern on the west side of the park.

Paul's Victim. Postmaster Gresham is done for. There is for him no further advancement in politics. The man Vandervoort, whom he bounced for being absent from his post 300 days in one year without leave, while he was engaged in the highly important business of establishing Grand Army posts in various states, has so declared. Vandervoort called upon General Gresham and informed him that a reconciliation was still possible, and that forgiveness could be obtained by the

General. All that was needed was that he should be reinstated. General Gresham willfully rejected his offer of forgiveness, and has sinned away the day of Vandervoort's grace. Sentence was then pronounced: "You have by this act, sir, assassinated your future political prospects." It is too bad that on the very threshold of a useful career the Indiana statesman should have thrown it all away by bawling a chronic deadbeat out of office. But the shores of the sea of politics are strewn with such wrecks.

STATE JOTTINGS.

The telephone has struck Wilber. Bricklayers and carpenters are scarce in Lincoln.

Frairie schooners are rolling into Blair quite numerously.

A \$1000 Congregational church is being built at Antelope.

There is quite a flood of emigrants washing the shores of Platte county.

Stove wood from the Pawnee reservation sells for \$7.50 a cord in Grand Island.

George Young raised on 94 acres of his farm in Dodge county 260 bushels of wheat, and challenges the State to beat it.

The Hastings gang of burglars have transferred their operations to Kansas and justify their boasted considerable property with little reward in the way of cash.

John R. Henderson, of Pawnee county, was found in coal holes than the average Nebraskan. He is prosecuting his search for black diamonds six miles southeast of Pawnee City.

Two train loads of cattle from the Western ranges came into Lincoln Sunday, and eleven trains more to come from Valentine in a few days—2,200 head are owned by one man.

A tragedy occurred at Valentine, on the 13th in which Clarence Hann, was instantly killed by the Sheriff, John Keys. An old feud existed between the parties, and both were reportedly well known to each other.

The St. Paul and Northern Pacific railroad company has been incorporated by law as an extension of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha line from Norfolk, Neb., westward. It is reported that the ultimate destination is to be Denver, Colorado, by way of Kearney, Neb. This is supposed to be an extension of the St. Paul system from Norfolk to Denver.

A young lady near Seward, is trying to discharge a man's collar with a revolver, discharged it into the man's shoulder. The man had asked her to button his collar, and she playfully picked up a revolver and said she would button the collar with it. The revolver had just been cleaned, and was supposed to be empty. The young lady is now crying over the sad affair.

A reward of \$50 is offered for the arrest of Jacob Haverly, who is charged with having raped a young girl at York. Haverly is described as weighing about 150 pounds, five feet and eight inches in height, is heavy set and broad shouldered, tall on right thumb thick and heavy, having been crushed, scars on middle finger of right hand, face heavy and coarse, eyes blue-gray and unsteady, whiskers dyed.

The gentler sex are gradually crowding the seats in the political arena. The Anti-Monopolists of York county have Miss Butler upon their ticket for superintendent of schools, and Dawson county Republicans have put Miss Jennie Owens in the same position upon their ticket. The People's ticket in Furnas county has Miss N. H. Rankin's name upon it for county superintendent. The Democrats of Webster county have nominated Mrs. S. Beall for that office, and the Anti-Monopolists of Harlan county have done the same for Mrs. M. R. Morgan.

"Father, do they call you the Hon John Johnson because you have been in the legislature?" "Yes my son."

"There was a long pause, says the Wall Street News, as the father finished and sealed his letter, and then he suddenly asked: "Oh, my son?"

"I don't know whether it was because you had been in the legislature and held free railroad passes, or because you got a job of building a \$10,000 county jail and made \$13,000 out of it? The next by who says you are 'Hon.' because you stole \$13,000 is going to get licked!"

BIG PLATTERS.

The Department of the Platte Carries Of the First Division Army Medal.

Lieutenant Merriam Presented With the Prize and Leads the Division Team.

Special to the Bee. FORT LEAVENWORTH, October 18.—After the skirmish match this afternoon the medals were presented by General Pope, assisted by Col. Volkner of Gen. Sheridan's staff, who brought the division medals. Appropriate remarks were made by General Pope, who presented the first gold medal to Lieutenant Merriam, and it was pinned on his breast by Mrs. Thompson, wife of Captain Thompson, of the 24th Infantry. This elegant prize has a cavalry soldier mounted, in a raised figure, the next three gold medals have raised figures of infantry soldiers on them, and the eight silver medals bear the head of our national maternal representative. This is the first time the department of the Platte has ever carried off the first division medal.

Captain Coolidge, in charge of the Department of the Platte team, returns to Omaha Friday evening, and Lieutenant Merriam and the Platte team the evening following. After the department competition to-day the individual skirmish match took place, running between 600 and 200 yards with ten halts of 30 seconds each, and no limit to the number of cartridges. This is the score:

Table with columns for Name, HITS, and SCORE. Includes names like Stuy, Jordan, Martin, Chaplin, Hornick, Robinson, Weagraff, Stevens, Merriam, Degan, Zakariason, Dillery.

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