

CUSHING'S ABUSE OF POWER.

What the Independents Think of the Mayor's Usurpation of Authority.

THEY DENOUNCE IT AS OUTRAGEOUS.

Reasonable Request of the City Committee Ignored in Order to Fix the Election Forwards to the Mayor.

OMAHA, Oct. 29.—To the Editor of THE HERALD: On behalf of the people's independent party, we have a serious and a grave abuse of power which characterizes Mayor Cushing's appointment of judges and clerks of election. Our party furnished his honor (C.) with a list of names which we had carefully selected to represent us in the booths on election day. We were modest and asked only for one-ninth of the judges and one-tenth of the clerks. With the exception of a few names this has been denied us. The voting booths have been staffed with democrats of the rankiest kind, and it looks to us as though it were the intention of countering rather than voting in candidates. An honest man would recognize the importance of a fair ballot box and this vice political trick. The rank and file of the democratic party are now, anxious for a fair count: it is the machine which will be responsible on election day for the debauchery of our city politics.

Chairman County and City Executive Committees.

From Edgerton's Former Home.

AMARILLO, Neb., Oct. 29.—(Special Telegram to THE HERALD.)—For two or three weeks J. W. Edgerton has been billed to speak at this place and extra preparations were made to have a large attendance at 3 o'clock today. He addressed about seventy-five or 100 persons tonight in the opera hall, fully one-third of whom were republicans. He made a few and only a few more than an hour, telling the present state of things, but as ever falling to tell how it was to be remedied. The only salient point in his speech was held up in all its glory. He said that when money was plentiful the farmers had good times. Then there was a war, and money was scarce, and they were all poor. If this had not been Mr. Edgerton's old home he would not have made the same speech. He would not have without supreme court qualifications, know that the present per capita is much more than \$20.

He devoted much time to sarcastic remarks on Mr. Rosewater and THE HERALD.

He made some criticisms on Mr. Rosewater's column speech, more particularly on the portion of it relating to the extravagance of the last legislature. Large posters were stuck up around town, and the Newberry men, who Edgerton, the well-borne, these were to be the drawing cards, but the canvass was wasted, and while his speech purported to be a fair one, and fact is known as dry as some of the wells he bored here several years ago. Joe Edgerton, the well-borne, cannot safely rely on any large majority from Parnis county.

Senator Stevens at Gering.

GERING, Neb., Oct. 29.—(Special to THE HERALD.)—Senator K. Stevens of North Platte addressed the independents of this county today. The attendance was swelled up as about fifty men, women and children. William Neville, candidate for district judge, was to have been here also, but his heart failed him when he got as far as Banner county, for Secretary of State, and he is considered to be a stronghold of the republicans. Mr. Stevens spoke at length, and it is not his discredit to say that he made the most conservative of the country speech in this section during the campaign, but he made no votes. He repudiated, virtually, the Newberry protection policy. He said, he believed, he believed to be the proper simplification of railroad rate reform, as a large margin of from 8 to 12 per cent over Iowa rates, while the Newberry men placed Nebraska roads on the same basis as Iowa roads of the "A" class, which he considered detrimental and unjust. He virtually apologized for the extravagance of the late legislature by saying that he personally had stood out for a curtailment amounting to \$500,000.

Many democrats in this county have pledged their support both to the republican ticket and to Judge Church for the district bench.

Reasons for Deserting Edgerton.

WAHNE, Neb., Oct. 29.—(Special to THE HERALD.)—Quite a number of prominent democrats of Wahne county say they intend to vote for Post for supreme judge. Some say they will not vote for Edgerton and it is fair to presume that they intend to vote for Post. In many cases they give as a reason, "The sordid attack of the World-Herald," while in others it is claimed that Edgerton is incompetent.

Mr. Russell (dem.) says that the mud-slinging of the World-Herald is a disgrace and that Post will undoubtedly be elected.

J. W. Lewis, a prominent democratic lawyer, says that he will vote for Post because of the mud-slinging of the World-Herald and the incompetency of Edgerton.

J. H. Mitchell, one of the prominent democratic farmers of Logan precinct, said that he will vote for Post because of the mud-slinging of the World-Herald and now he will vote and work for Post.

A. Ferguson (dem.), a prominent real estate dealer and loan agent, says that he is for Post and scores the World-Herald in a rough manner.

Nance County's Outlook.

FULLERTON, Neb., Oct. 29.—(Special Telegram to THE HERALD.)—The political outlook in Nance county may be said to be in an old time majority. The World-Herald's sordid attack has sent men in the field working for Post that otherwise would not have voted for him. Many old democratic voters are doing all they can to elect Post. Secretary's scathing letter in today's HERALD has strengthened the cause, and every voter will be glad to begin work on the democratic side to swell his majority here.

Douglas's Incompetency.

PIERCE COUNTY, Neb., Oct. 29.—(Special Telegram to THE HERALD.)—Douglas, attorney for Pierce county, a democrat, today said: "I will vote for Post for associate justice of the supreme court because he is a good lawyer and a good judge, while Edgerton is not a lawyer and would not, in my opinion, be competent to hold the position of supreme judge."

W. Y. Tate, a democrat of Plainview, this county, says: "Edgerton's record shows his incompetency. I shall vote for Post. Mr. Tate is one of the leading politicians of Pierce county."

Constantly Gaining Strength.

HOLDREGE, Neb., Oct. 29.—(Special Telegram to THE HERALD.)—Prof. Andrews and Hon. J. G. Tate addressed an enthusiastic republican audience this evening, discussing the issues of the day and looking over the records of the reform legislature of last winter. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Holmgren Cornet band. This demonstration clearly shows that republicanism is growing in Phelps county, and that the independent party is daily growing more popular, and he will have a large democratic vote in this county.

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