

## POPOCRATS AVOID CROUNSE

Decline to Compare with the Last Republican Governor's Administration.

## THEIR OWN EXTRAVAGANCE EXPOSED

**Figures Which Show How Much More It Costs to Run State Institutions Now Than It Did Then.**

**LINCOLN.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—The campaign circulars sent out by the popocratic officials all purposefully fail to compare the expense of managing the institutions with the period when Lorenzo Crounse was governor of the state. As the period of 1893-4 was when the state was entirely under republican control and as it has been partly under popocratic control ever since that time it is no more than fair that the figures under the Crounse management should be used. In most of the institutions there has been no material increase in the number of inmates. Some of them have changed in the method of management by the passage of laws, such as the penitentiary, while a new soldiers' home has been established and the aggregate number of inmates increased. The popocrats have refused to pay money to support the Home for the Friendless, so it cannot be included in the comparison.

In going through the records for the periods of 1893-4 and 1897-8, taking the figures showing the expenditures up to the 1st of October, 1894, and the 1st of October, 1898, it is found that the expenditures for the board and clothing, fuel and lights for the institutions at Omaha, Nebraska City, Geneva, Beatrice, Hastings, Norfolk, Kearney and the hospital at Lincoln, the republicans spent in eighteen months almost exactly the same amounts as have the popocrats in the past eighteen months. At the Lincoln Hospital for the Insane, Governor Crounse spent \$35,875.37 for maintenance, while during the comparative period under the Rewick contract system the maintenance has cost \$36,147.19, besides \$11,198.86 that was drawn from the former appropriation before April and August 1, 1897. So there is no refund in that item, being, in fact, an increase in expense of \$4,500, which could hardly all be accounted for in the item of vegetables carted away by the secretary of state for his family use.

At Norfolk the expense for fuel and lights runs about \$500 in favor of republican economy, while at Nebraska City in the three items of living expenses, fuel and lights and employees' wages, the popocrats have spent \$2,000 more than the republicans did for the same identical items during the Crounse period. At the Institute for the Deaf and Dumb at Omaha the popocrats used \$1,000 more to buy fuel and lights than the republicans required for a like period, and at Beatrice the popocrats overrun in the same item over \$1,500. At Geneva the popocrats increased the fuel and light expense over \$500. So it will be observed that under popocratic "reform management" there are a number of leaks that cannot be explained.

Viewing the matter in another light other than of extravagance and mismanagement, the republicans ought to have been able to maintain the institutions at a larger reduced expense as almost every item furnished the institutions is sold now at a lower price than during 1893-4.

The time the report shows that the reduction in the cost of living, it is apparent that the popocrats have been much more extravagant than were the republicans. But this will not deter the "reformers" from going over the state with their statements about "republican steals," and the figures showing the "amount saved per capita."

## TRY TO CAUSE A PANIC

**Popocrats Circulate Incendiary Mis-information Concerning the Banks of Nebraska.**

**LINCOLN.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—The vicious and incendiary letter sent out by the popocratic officials for publication in the country press, and which the leading popocratic paper of the state pronounces as harmless, calling the republicans "unities" for exposing it, reads in part as follows:

The last report of the condition of the 493 banks state and national, doing business in the state has caused a good many men to put on their thinking caps. It appears that the popocrats have no liabilities to the amount of \$31,000,000 in the total cash in their possession only amounting to \$5,710,880. Here is a pretty state of affairs—one dollar of money and ten dollars of wind. The limit of safe banking has always been considered one dollar of money for four dollars of wind, but in these days of sound money the banks are going in six better. That statement shows the full foundation upon which all business rests in this state. A single breath would knock the whole row of cards down. But suppose really that the bank standard and only gold were legal tender. Where would we then? Instead of having \$5,710,880 to pay off their indebtedness of \$33,000,000 they would only have \$2,461,770, or one dollar of money to twenty-six dollars of wind. And a pretty good thing, but if too much of it were to get into any hands of receptacle it is sure to burst. If only one-tenth of the banks' creditors should take a notion that they wanted their money the whole \$50 would go up the flume in fifteen minutes.

The time for another panic is getting close hand. This report shows that the conditions which produce panics are already here.

T. H. TIBBLES.

**Name Queers the Article.**

This man Tibbles is a sort of dummy, whose name is used to exploit all the state and political rot desired to be sent out by the reformers. He is furnished an office in the capital building along with all the other conveniences. The state officials pay him \$10 a week for sitting still and for mailing out stuff over his own signature that is written by them. They paid him \$2 to cover the postage on the bank articles and neither their responsibility nor their intent in the matter can be denied. That the article did not cause a financial scare in the state is because of the little credence that is given to the articles signed by the man Tibbles.

The secretary of the State Banking Board said today in an interview that the report upon which this incendiary article was based is the best report ever issued in the state. He said that the banks of the state of Nebraska now are in a better condition and show a larger per cent of legal reserve than those of any other state in the union, even Kansas being outstripped for the first

time in the history of the state. In going over the showings made by the state banks, taking the records on file in his office, Secretary Hall found that in 1892 the legal reserve held by the state banks was 25 per cent; in 1893 it was 26 per cent; in 1894 it was 30 per cent; in 1895 it was a little over 35 per cent, and at present it is over 50 per cent.

In discussing the weight of signatures attached to published articles Mr. Hall said that if the Tibbles article had appeared in print over the signature of any one of a number of responsible names in this state it would have caused a financial panic, but that appearing as it did, there was not so far as he had heard a flurry in a single locality. He thought the article was ill-advised and uncalled for, and that a man of influence issuing such an article would cause untold damage.

**Riot in Nebraska.**

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Hon. T. L. Matthews, candidate for auditor, opened the meeting with a short address. The rally will result in increased enthusiasm among republicans here.

**NELSON.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—A fine rain fell yesterday evening and continued the most of the night. Fall wheat, which is looking fine, will be greatly benefited by it. The precipitation was 1.56 inches.

**ST. PAUL.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—A lively thunderstorm passed over here yesterday between 4 and 5 o'clock. For about fifteen minutes the thunder and lightning was almost incessant. The rainfall, however, was very light. A wheat stack was struck by lightning and burned two miles south of town.

**NELSON.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—A heavy rain fell here last night which will put the ground in the finest condition for the newly-sown crop of winter wheat. The early snow wheat is making a magnificent growth.

**FAIRBURY.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—In coming to 1.44 inches fell during last night. Today the weather is warm and pleasant. The rain will be of great benefit to fall wheat and rye, the acreage of which is considerably greater than last year.

**EDGAR.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—A heavy thunder storm visited this section last night. Rain poured down heavily nearly all night and the amount of precipitation was about two and three-fourths inches. Wheat, of which a very large acreage has been sown, is looking fine and corn is going to yield much better than was expected four or five weeks ago. It was the general opinion of farmers at that time that corn would be almost a failure in this section, but the weather has been so favorable for maturing the crop that now they report that the yield will exceed half, if not two-thirds of a crop.

**CULBERTSON.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—One of the heaviest rains that had fallen in this locality for some time fell last night between 5 and 6 o'clock. A small amount of hail fell also. The streets were almost flooded.

**DUNCAN.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—A fine, warm two-inch rain fell here last night. Today is warm and just what is needed for fall grain. Corn is almost ready to crib. Stock of all kinds looks fine and the quality of hay was never better.

**SILVER CREEK.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—A fine rain fell last night. Everything has been and is very favorable for fall grain.

**Body Found at Wymore.**

**WYMORE.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—Joe Little, a Hixson, West, two boys of the family, discovered the body decomposed remains of a man in a field, near where the Union Pacific and Burlington roads cross a mile east of this city. It is thought that the man had been buried in the ground of the Third. A committee consisting of Hon. E. D. Brown, Dr. J. R. Burfittong and W. T. Bottendoff was appointed to draft resolutions and petitions for signatures and arguments why the First regiment should be mustered out, all to be presented to the proper authorities.

**Greene and Brown Talk.**

**ST. PAUL.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—The joint debate between Norris Brown and W. E. Greene, candidates for congress from this district, came off in the open house Saturday. The house was crowded. The speakers occupied about three hours and did their best, amid great applause accorded to both. Greene appealed to the prejudices of the people, depending mostly on ridicule and sophistry, while Brown made a good impression by his clear, plain, convincing argument of republican principles. Greene said he would have 500 majority in the county, which remains to be seen.

**Unsuccessful Attempt at Suicide.**

**HASTINGS.** Oct. 10.—(Special Telegram).—Miss Genevieve Timbrell, who was stopping in this city at the Gibout house, attempted suicide last night by taking a large dose of laudanum. She became hysterical and as soon as her condition was learned a physician was called, who saved her life. Her home is in Lexington and she has relatives in Hastings. It is not known what caused her to attempt her life.

**Jefferson County Mortgagors.**

**FAIRBURY.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—The Jefferson county mortgage record for September is as follows: Farm mortgages, 27 filed, amounting to \$34,797.30 released, amounting to \$35,120; city mortgages, 10 filed, amounting to \$30,350; 5 released, amounting to \$19,500; chattel mortgages, 40 filed, amounting to \$14,921.00, 50 released, amounting to \$14,848.66.

**Freight Wreck on Union Pacific.**

**BEATRICE.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special Telegram).—The Union Pacific had an expensive freight wreck eight miles north of Beatrice early this morning. Train No. 55 was running at a high speed, when the engine and eight cars loaded with grain and merchandise left the track and were piled up in the creek and on the right of way, some of them being made into kindling wood. On the engine were Engineer Charley Burt, Fireman John Froese and R. A. Latten. The engine was thrown from the track and went plowing into the ditch without a second's warning and all three men miraculously escaped injury except Burt, whose shoulder was dislocated. Froese was covered with coal from the tender and had to dig his way out. Neither can tell how he got out. Passenger train arriving an hour later transferred passengers, mail and baggage and proceeded after several hours delay.

**Poynter Drives Them Away.**

**SUPERIOR.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—George Poynter & Son of Edgar are going to build a new merchant flour mill in this city on the Kansas City & Omaha right-of-way. It will be of about sixty barrels capacity and equipped with modern machinery. Work will begin soon and its completion will be rushed.

**Boy Breaks Both Arms.**

**HUMBOLDT.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—George, the 10-year-old son of David Speiser, Jr., met with a serious accident while running a horse race with a youthful companion. Young Speiser's horse stumbled and threw him, breaking both arms near the elbow.

**Killed by Lightning.**

**HASTINGS.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—During the terrific electrical storm last night, Otto Epics was struck by lightning and killed almost instantly while unhooking his team at his home near Glenville. The team was also killed.

**Gives Up the Chase.**

**TECUMSEH.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special)—After trailing the harness thieves from here over 100 miles into Iowa with bloodhounds, the officers gave up the chase and returned without their men yesterday.

**Republican Convention at Ord.**

**ORD.** Oct. 10.—(Special Telegram).—The republican county convention met here today was well attended. W. T. Thompson was nominated for representative and G. W. Ayres for county attorney. Mr. Thompson is an able lawyer and will make a strong fight. Merrick county being close by, the campaign will be a lively one. After the convention, W. S. Summers of Lincoln delivered an able address. He gave an analysis of the two platforms and showed conclusively why the republican platform was in the interest of the people, instead of Bartley and Moore being the only defaulter. He showed Poynter's relation to the stock yards people and while the populists howled agains passes every man who could get one carried one. The address was listened to with attention and received favorable comment.

**Rasmussen Dies of His Injuries.**

**CENTRAL CITY.** Neb. Oct. 10.—(Special Telegram).—Rasmussen, the soldier injured at Chapman yesterday, died today. The body was taken to Grand Island to close.

**S.S.S. For the Blood.**

**WAHOO.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—Private S. E. Johnson was laid to rest in Sunrise cemetery near this city yesterday afternoon. Rev. J. W. Swan, assisted by Rev. Anderson, officiated. The music was excellent and appropriate, and the floral decor-

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time were beautiful. The pall bearers were members of the Second, who are home on furlough. There were members of the Third present. Dr. Hall and wife, State Superintendent Jackson and wife, Hon. J. N. Gaffin were present from Lincoln. The firemen, Bohemian Knights, Woodmen, Odd Fellows and Grand Army of the Republic were in the line. It was the largest funeral ever held in this city. The services were held in the opera house, which seats 1,200, and it was packed to the door.

## REPUBLICANS HAVE A RALLY.

**HON. WEBSTER DAVIS OF MISSOURI GIVES A FIRE ADDRESS.**

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**In Compliance with the Provisions of the New Plumbing Ordinance.**

**LINCOLN.** Oct. 10.—(Special)—John Young, member of the Illinois Live Stock board, is in the city visiting his brother, Colonel A. L. Lott, secretary of the local live stock exchange.

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**The Fire and Water Committee Reported Having Insured Fire Hall No. 2 for \$1,500 and as This was Not Considered Enough an Additional \$1,000 Will be Placed on the Structure.**

**City Attorney Montgomery Was Directed to Prepare a Contract with Bernard Luckey for a Small Piece of Property at the East End of the Q Street Viaduct.**

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