

THOMPSON IS NOT OPPOSED

Organized Opposition to Lincoln Man's Senatorial Candidacy Grows. HIS ORGANIZATION SEEMS PERFECT

Suggestion of a Mass Meeting to Protest Against His Endorsement Not Received with Favor-Party Must Unite.

LINCOLN, April 1.—(Special.)—The expected fight between the senatorial candidates of this city for the endorsement of the Lancaster county republicans has not materialized and all indications now point to a victory for D. E. Thompson in the convention here next Friday.

The political situation in Lancaster county, very one-sided and it is even conceded by those identified with the opposition that Thompson will succeed in securing the nomination of his chosen candidates for the legislature and an approval of his own candidacy for the United States senate.

Following the public announcement of Thompson's candidacy, his opponents held a meeting in the Commercial club building and discussed plans for carrying on a vigorous fight, both at the polls on primary day and later in the convention.

The principal card used by the anti-Thompson men is the charge that Thompson tried to make a deal with the fusionists after Hayward had been selected by the republican caucus.

Concerning the candidacy of Thompson for senator, Frank M. Hall, Lambertson's law partner, said: "I am opposed to Mr. Thompson, because his candidacy means the disintegration and ruin of the republican party."

One of the most important things to the state of Nebraska, in my mind, in the coming election, is to elect a republican to the legislature in the interests of the republican party.

There will be a fight in the county precinct between E. H. McKeen and John Truppen for senator. Dick O'Neill is slated for the upper branch of the legislature for the house and W. Lane, R. S. Mockett and C. R. Taylor.

Little interest is being manifested in the race for county commissioner or for delegate to the state convention. L. W. Billings is the only one who has been named.

REPUBLICANS AT PAWNEE CITY.

Notations are made and delegates named to different counties. TABLE ROCK, Neb., April 1.—(Special.)—The Pawnee county republican convention met yesterday at Pawnee City, Neb., and nominated for members of the legislature J. F. Wenzel and Andrew Scott, also J. J. Dorr for county attorney.

The following are the delegates to the state, congressional and senatorial conventions: State—R. H. Henderson, E. H. Gilles, William Gilroy, F. D. Kirsch, W. J. Halderman, F. E. Johnson, J. W. Moore, H. C. Lindsey, J. T. Treney, C. A. Schappell, C. J. Wood, W. H. Wilson, N. E. Leonard, N. A. Steinbauer, J. W. O'Leary, C. H. Harris, John Dehl, J. A. Combs, W. M. McConnell, J. F. Griffith, William Hall, W. M. Pyle, W. B. Castle, W. F. Huff, E. H. Taylor, C. H. Barnard, J. M. Hurd, W. E. Atkinson.

LANG WILL SEE THE GOVERNOR. Anxious to Keep Position as Superintendent of Beatrice Institution. LINCOLN, April 1.—(Special Telegram.)—B. F. Lang of York, who was removed from the position of superintendent of the Beatrice Institution for Feeble Minded Youth last week, will appear before Governor Poynter tomorrow to ask for reinstatement.

It is learned semi-officially that he has been circulating a petition in his own behalf. The petition was signed by the attorney, E. B. Huff, the governor tomorrow. Lang was in the city today, but he refused to be interviewed concerning the action taken by the governor.

It has been reported that Lang has not resigned his position, but that he has been retained to retain his position until removed by the courts, but this report he today refused to either affirm or deny. It is announced in advance that Governor Poynter will stand by his decision and refuse to further consider the case.

Train Runs Over Unknown Man. COLUMBUS, Neb., April 1.—(Special.)—A man named Martin Jensen was run over by the Columbus-Stout City freight train last night near Platte Center. He was brought to the city and placed under the care of the company surgeons and later removed to St. Mary's hospital.

Child Swallows Poison. PLATTSBURGH, Neb., April 1.—(Special.)—Saturday the little 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Martin was playing with a bottle containing some poisonous medicine and in some manner got the cork out and drank a portion of the contents.

Reception for Victims. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 1.—(Special.)—James V. Wolfe, commissioner of public lands and buildings, and J. F. Porter, secretary of state, were here yesterday to inspect the gymnasium at the Institute for the Blind, which has just been completed. The cost of the building was \$4,100, which was appropriated by the last legislature.

Teacup Election Tuesday. TUCUMPHER, Neb., April 1.—(Special.)—At the municipal election here Tuesday the issue will be license or no license. The voter is given his choice of two candidates for each office and politics is lost sight of.

Nebraska News Notes. Analey Woodmen will dedicate their new hall April 6. More barley will be sowed in Lincoln county this season.

SOLDIER JUSTIFIES THE WAR

South Dakota University Man Answers Questions About the Philippines. CONFLICT WITH INSURGENTS IS OVER

Wonderful Improvements Made in Islands Since American Occupation—Natives Are Not Yet Ready for Self-Government. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., April 1.—(Special.)—A letter bearing on the Philippine question has been received from E. E. Goding, sergeant of Company I, Thirty-seventh United States Volunteer Infantry.

"What is your opinion as to our advantages in their (the Philippines) possession, and their advantages under our control?" "How do the natives take to our modes and customs when pacified?" "How do our soldiers treat them, and how are they treated by our government?"

"We are told by people here that these natives are capable of self-government—how is that?" "We are also told that our boys fired into the insurgent lines first with pistols, and that this was the cause of the war."

War is Now Over. "Further, the islands are continually in insurrection and the Spaniards dared not go outside of the old walls of Manila. Under the strong rule of our glorious government, with this insurrection wiped out and the whole of the islands in our hands, it will be quite different. You ask when will the war be over? It is over now. There is no organized army left. It is only a matter of breaking up a few lads and robbing natives and Americans alike. They fight only when forced to. Their war will be their utmost to aid the Americans to capture them."

It is to their interest to do so and they know it. The masses have only been fighting through ignorance. They have been told by their leaders that we are monsters who butcher our prisoners and insult their wives and sisters after looting their property. But when they fall into our hands and find that it is all false they are forever our friends and go back to their homes and work and attend to their business. The southern islands have all greeted the Americans with wide-open arms and many provinces of this island are now doing the same.

Do they take to our modes and customs? There are hundreds now going to our free schools in Manila, where they are taught and those who have not gone to school speak it quite well. It is wonderful what a change there has been made in this city in the short period since August 13, 1908. It is clean, healthy and almost all human beings, where two years ago it was filthy, unhealthy and quite dead.

You ask how our soldiers treat the Philippines. Well, they are our enemies. We are in our power, and we kill them if we can, as they would us, but when they are wounded or prisoners there is not a soldier in the Eight army corps who would not divide his rations and the water in his canteen with one of them. We are not savages. The American soldier is not a rule a salvager, but he is not a savage. How are we treated by our government? We have everything that circumstances will allow. No army in the field ever fared as well as we do now.

Is our war in the Philippines just and humane? You ask. I will answer: Are we governed by some tyrant who is to gain glory and wealth by taxation? Is it the duty of the government to hang and execute other nations have said who had subjects there? I think our war is just and humane. You ask if the natives are capable of self-government. No, the Philippines is not.

Nebraska Boy Fires First Shot. "You say that you are told that the Americans fired with pistols the first shots of the war. One of the Nebraska boys did fire the first shot, but not with a pistol. There was a bridge across a small stream which flowed between the two lines of our outposts where the two sentinels met. There were no hostilities between the two, but it was understood that neither should pass the center of the bridge.

SENATORS BACK FROM CUBA

Member of Subcommittee Speaks on Conditions in Island. MUCH DEPENDS ON COMING ELECTIONS

Majority of Natives Seem to Recognize Value of American Instruction and Are Willing to Wait for Change in Government. WASHINGTON, April 1.—The subcommittee of the senate, consisting of Senators Platt of Connecticut, Aldrich and Teller, which went to Cuba for the purpose of personally investigating conditions on the island, with a view to intelligent action by congress with respect to Cuba, has returned to Washington.

Senator Platt, chairman of the subcommittee, tonight authorized the following statement concerning the subcommittee's observations on the island: "We inquired carefully and completely as we could with the limited time at our disposal into the condition of the people of the island, their needs and the prospect of the establishment of an independent, satisfactory and stable government by and for the people of Cuba."

"We were in Havana in all five days. We also visited the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Matanzas and Santa Clara, being unable to go to Santiago and Puerto Principe, as we very much wished. We saw and conversed with a great many prominent and leading men from all portions of the island, men who represented different ideas and interests, from intense conservatism to decided radicalism, and returned with a much better understanding of the problem to be solved and the steps to be taken in its solution than we could possibly obtain otherwise than by a personal visit."

It may be said of all classes in Cuba that they are looking to the establishment of an independent government, a Cuban republic. A few are impatient and wish for immediate and complete independence. Others are less impatient, believing that sufficient time should be taken to avoid mistakes and to set up the new government upon such a firm basis as to insure its success and permanence. All are looking forward to the municipal elections that are to take place in the latter part of May, regarding such elections as the first step toward the establishment of the new government. Much will depend upon the result of the municipal elections. If they take place without disorder and good officials are elected that will go far to prove the capacity of the people for self-government.

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Union for Ball Players. WASHINGTON, April 1.—President Gooden of the Federal Baseball Labor said today that the federation had under consideration the organization of a union of professional baseball players. His chief object, he said, had been the desire to have the players' clubs have been reduced to eight there was more disposition to effect a union.

GOOD TIMES AT ORPHANAGE

Report of Father Carroll Shows the Institution to Be a Flourishing Condition. At the fourth annual meeting of St. Vincent's union, Sunday afternoon at St. Vincent's school hall, a full report of the condition of St. James' orphanage was given by Father S. J. Carroll, director in charge.

The orphanage depends for its maintenance principally upon the efforts of the St. Vincent's union, an organization which is non-sectarian in its membership. It now has on its rolls 4,000 members, which produced \$8,042.41. Of the money taken in \$3,963.72 was paid out for the various needs of the institution, including interest on mortgage, improvements and general expenses. Thus the sum of \$4,078.69 remains with which to diminish the mortgage of \$20,000 resting on the institution.

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