

POINTS IN POLITICS

He is a little man, and he is modest, but his non assertiveness does not prevent his being appreciated. The nominee of the republican party for judge of the supreme court is respected by the people of the state. He is popular with the bar. Judge Norval applies himself closely to his judicial duties. Certainly no one can accuse him of lack of concentration. He is not much of a politician, nor very much of a public man. Whatever distinction he has earned has come to him through his services as a lawyer and judge, and I imagine his campaign will be made solely on his official record. I do not know whether Judge Norval is an advocate of free silver, or a believer in what we dissenters from Bryanism like to call "honest money." In fact I do not know whether he is for high tariff or low tariff, and I doubt if many republicans know his position on these things. And it is well that this is the case. Judge Norval has the proper conception of judicial dignity. He is no stump speaker. He is not what is known as a "worker." And all honor to him that he is not. There are enough of us laymen to keep the machine going without asking the judges to get off the bench and put their judicial shoulders to the wheel. There has been in this state far too little of judicial dignity, such as Judge Norval's; far too much of political tinkering on the part of judges. This candidate of the republican party has always been a consistent republican, and he is a proper judge. He deserves re-election.

Opposing Judge Norval is a venerable ex-judge well known to the people of Nebraska. Judge Maxwell's advanced years serve to temper criticism. The populist candidate, by all the laws of propriety, humanity and health, ought to be spending his declining days in the peace of his own home, instead of doing battle in the political arena. He has earned, by long service, an unmolested retirement, and it is to be regretted that he has seen fit to again go out in the field where he will find trouble and many vexations. If the populist candidate were younger there would be many unpleasant things said about him. And even his years will not wholly protect him. For Judge Maxwell has many bitter opponents, and those who have felt the keen edge of his malice will not remain entirely silent. On the bench Maxwell was industrious, and I believe he was honest, taking the word in its narrow sense. But he was vindictive. He allowed himself to be roused out of that equable temperament a judge should always maintain, and he had a way of getting even or squaring accounts that some attorneys have called persecution. He was erratic and dogmatic. He made law out of his own head. Prejudice sometimes influenced him far more than precedent. The judgment of his official career could never honestly be, "He was an impartial judge."

Judge Maxwell has always inclined toward politics. This side of his career has spots on it. The republican party was not chary in giving him honors. The judge took all that was offered him and then when it seemed that there would be an end, he cast him about for new political pastures. He leapt the bars and has been grazing on the garlic and stubble of populism for several years. His avowal of populism has often been called demagoguery, but the judge is an old man, and I have too much respect for his years to say anything so

unkind. It would look a little strange if Governor McKinley, proving unsuccessful in his candidacy for the republican nomination for president, should go over to the populists and, modifying his views, take a nomination for president at their hands. I think this would be called apostasy. Judge Maxwell is not Governor McKinley; but in a much smaller way has done what, if Governor McKinley should do, would brand him with infamy. The republican party is composed, in the greater part, of ordinary men, and there is much in it that is not pure and clean. It is like all things human. Any man has a right, at any time, to leave it. But Judge Maxwell has failed to show any good reason for his departure, and his letter fails to justify his present candidacy on a platform of Maxwellism.

The blue shirt is becoming more and more familiar in this city. Events are fast vindicating THE COURIER's statement that Tom Majors' lurid hope of victory had hardly become ashen disappointment last year when he set about laying plans to secure the nomination in '96. If the inside history of the passage of the bill for a new method of selecting the board of fire and police commissioners in Omaha could be written some interesting light would be thrown on Majors' capacity for manipulation. I have no hesitancy in hazarding the

SHERIFF SALE.

(First publication Sept. 28, 1895.) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of an order of sale issued by the clerk of the district court of the Third Judicial district of Nebraska, within and for Lancaster county, in an action wherein Frederick S. Stein is plaintiff, and Thomas Sewell et al are defendants, I will, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the 29th day of October, A. D., 1895, at the east door of the court house, in the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction the following described real state, to-wit: Lot seventeen (17) in Eldredge's addition to Lincoln, in Lancaster county, Nebraska, according to the survey and recorded plat thereof.

Given under my hand this 26th day of September, A. D., 1895.
FRED A. MILLER, Sheriff.

NOTICE OF PROBATE WILL.—In the county court of Lancaster county, Nebraska.

First published Sept. 28, 1895. The state of Nebraska, to Mrs. W. C. Pritchard, W. C. Pritchard, and to any others interested in said matter: You are hereby notified that an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of R. P. Lawton, deceased, is on file in said court, and also a petition praying for the probate of said instrument, and for the appointment of C. A. Lyman as executor; that on the 19th day of October, 1895, at 3 o'clock p. m., said petition and the proof of the execution of said instrument will be heard, and that if you do not then appear and contest, said court may probate and record the same, and grant administration of the estate to C. A. Lyman.

This notice shall be published for three weeks successively in the Courier prior to said hearing.

Witness my hand and official seal this 26th day of September, 1895.
J. W. Lansing, County Judge.
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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LETTERS. In the county court of Lancaster county Nebraska, in re estate of Anthony Deffenbaugh, deceased. The State of Nebraska to Roy Deffenbaugh and to any other persons interested in said matter.

Take notice, that a petition signed by Susan Deffenbaugh praying said court to grant letters of administration of said estate to Susan Deffenbaugh has been filed in said court; that the same is set for hearing on the 24th day of October 1895 at 9 o'clock a. m., and that if you do not then appear and contest, said court may grant administration of the said estate to Susan Deffenbaugh.

Notice of this proceeding shall be published three weeks successively in THE COURIER prior to said hearing.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 20th day of September A. D. 1895.

(seal) I. W. Lansing, county judge

SHERIFF SALE.

First publication Sept. 21. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of sale issued by the clerk of district court of the third judicial district of Nebraska within and for Lancaster county Nebraska in an action wherein Alexander Lederer and Moses Strauss, partners as Lederer and Strauss are plaintiffs and John H. C Meyer et al are defendants.

I will at 2 o'clock P. M. on the 22nd day of October, A. D. 1895 at the east door of the court house, in the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction the following described real estate to-wit.

Lot twenty-one (21) in block one (1f) of Knob Hill, an addition to the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska. Given under my hand this 20th day of September A. D. 1895.

Oct. 19. Fred A. Miller, Sheriff

First publication Sept. 21.

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL In the County court of Lancaster county, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska to Daniel W. O'Connor, Patrick O'Connor, James W. O'Connor, Ellen Keating, Sarah E. Donohoe and to any others interested in said matter:

You are hereby notified that an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Mary O'Connor deceased is on file in said court and also a petition praying for the probate of said instrument, and for the appointment of Michael O'Connor as executor. That on the 17th day of August, 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m., said petition and the proof of the execution of said instrument will be heard, and that if you do not then appear and contest, said court may probate and record the same, and grant administration of the estate to Michael O'Connor.

This notice shall be published for three weeks successively in THE COURIER prior to said hearing.

Witness my hand and official seal this 25th day of July, 1895.
[Seal] I. W. LANSING, County Judge.

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