

## POLITICAL IDEALS.

Appropos of the Senatorial situation, the question confronts us whether we are drifting away from our political ideals. A nation like an individual should have ideals, which they should ever keep before them.

A celebrated philosopher of antiquity has said, "Some good man must be singled out and kept ever before our eyes that we may live as if he were looking on, do everything as if he could see it."

The people must have lofty standards and must not abandon or surrender them in this critical hour of our country's history.

When we consent to place in the highest office in our gift, unworthy men, we lower our ideals. We not only sully the national honor but degrade ourselves. The plea of party necessity will not save our conscience.

George William Curtis in his eloquent address on James Russell Lowell says, "Our marvelous material development and the swift advancement of civilization in the Western World is not the picture of national greatness, it is only the glittering frame. Intellectual excellence, noble character, public probity, lofty ideals, art, literature, honest politics, righteous laws, conscientious labor, public spirit, social justice, the stern self-criticising patriotism which fosters only what is worthy of an enlightened people, not what is unworthy—such qualities and achievements, and such alone, measure the greatness of a state, and those who illustrate them are great citizens. They are the men whose lives are a glorious service, and whose memories are a benediction."

To be a senator of the United States, to be one of ninety persons picked out of seventy-five million of people is to hold one of the most exalted offices in the gift of the nation.

A senator of the United States stands next to the president of the United States in position, prestige and power. It is greater than a Cabinet position.

The men we should elect to the senate this winter should be statesmen, men versed in political and governmental affairs, men of wide learning and experience in public matters. More than all they should be men of high character and unquestioned probity. Their loyalty to the political principles they espouse should be above criticism and beyond suspicion. We all recall the celebrated 7th of March speech of Daniel Webster when he surrendered his party and his country to the slave power. Hear what Wendell Phillips says of this act of treachery and disloyalty:

"Rarely in the course of human events is it given to a single man to hold in his hands the destinies of a great and mighty people. He stood like the Hebrew prophet of old between the living and the dead. He had but to uphold the common truth and honesty, and the black dishonor of two hundred years would have been effaced forever. He bowed his vassal head to the temptation of lucre and the flesh. He cast himself into the lap of the Delilah of slavery, not for a 'mess of pottage' but for the promise of a mess of pottage; a promise which thank God is to be broken. Another Lucifer fallen from the very battlements of Heaven into the lower deep of the lowest deep of Hell." Such was the obloquy passed on Daniel Webster because of his sale of the liberties of the Black race.

We ask the people of this country to pause and reflect whether the announced senatorial candidates of the republican party measure up to their ideals. Do they not fall short in every way? Does the candidacy of D. E. Thompson meet with your approval? If so, you may well stop and ask whether you have

any moral fibre left in you.

You have but to recall the names of the great men who have made the senate illustrious: Clay, Webster, Crittenden, Sumner, Seward, Ben Wade, Hendricks, Morton, Edmunds, Thurman, Conkling and Blaine, to see the vast gulf between them and such a man as D. E. Thompson. If you can support him and his legislative ticket, then all your political ideals have been de-throned. He is a man of no political convictions. It was his proud boast a few years ago that he had never voted in his life. He carried the legislative ticket in his pocket two years ago and voted it as he pleased for three long months. At the end of that period he was repudiated, and then he sought to barter away for the senatorship of the grand old Republican party, and embrace all the heresies of the Fusion party.

Is a place in the United States senate to be won by a low intrigue and an absolute sale of political principles? Is the Republican Legislative ticket of this county to receive your support when they have pledged their souls to Mr. Thompson, after they are aware of his treason?

Has Mr. Thompson any experience in public affairs? Has he the ability, knowledge and sterling worth and integrity to equip him for the highest office in the gift of this commonwealth? Does he fill out in complete and rounded measure your ideal of what a senator should be? If not, then condemn him and his pledged supporters at the polls.

## THEATRICAL.

## THE FUNKE.

Charles H. Boyle is not only the star, but the author of the "Star Boarder." Mr. Boyle has surrounded himself with a lot of good looking girls and funny men, and many of them contribute specialties to the general run of entertainment. The fun is continuous, the music bright and new, and the specialties clever all through.

Comes to the Funke Opera House Monday and Tuesday, October 15th and 16th. Prices 15 to 50 cents. Seats now on sale at box office.

Many of the musical numbers introduced in "The Two Merry Tramps," are original with this company. The Indian Opera sung in the second act being notable—other musical gems from standard operas have been re-written and now become a part of the play, the bright, dashy melodies being all that is retained.

William A. Griffin, one of America's most popular banjoists is a member of "The Two Merry Tramps" company. Mr. Griffin is an artist of national reputation and has written many solos for the banjo.

"The Two Merry Tramps" at the Funke Opera House, Wednesday and Thursday, October 17th and 18th. Prices 15 to 50 cents. Seats on sale Tuesday morning.

Lincoln theatre goers will have the pleasure on next Friday and Saturday, October 19th and 20th, with a special matinee on Saturday afternoon, of seeing at the Funke Opera House, that beautiful mountain melo drama of the hills of Tennessee, "At Piney Ridge," at popular prices for the first time in Lincoln. The play and company are too well known for an introduction. All the original scenery and property are carried.

Prices 15 to 50 cents. Matinee prices 10 and 25 cents. Seats on sale Thursday morning.

WANTED—ACTIVE MAN OF GOOD CHARACTER to deliver and collect in Nebraska for bid established manufacturing wholesale house. \$600 a year sure pay. Our reference, any bank in any city. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manufacturers, Third Floor, 334 Dearborn St., Chicago.

## OLIVER

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF  
O. T. CRAWFORD & F. C. ZEHRLING  
Corner 13th and P. Phone 354

ONE BIG NIGHT—First Time in Lincoln  
Saturday, October 20.

(By arrangement with the Augustin Daly estate), an elaborate production of the international comedy success,

## A RUNAWAY GIRL

—with—

Mr. ARTHUR DUNN

And sixty people in the cast.

Prices 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Seats on sale Thursday, 9 o'clock sharp.

## FUNKE

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF  
O. T. CRAWFORD AND F. C. ZEHRLING  
COR. O AND TWELFTH. PHONE 355

## TWO NIGHTS

MONDAY October 15 and 16  
TUESDAY

The new and latest farce comedy,

## THE STAR BOARDER

Headed by CHARLES H. BOYLE and a big company of funny people; new songs and medleys, pretty dances, a host of charming girls and a number of bright specialties; more music than a comic opera, and a bright ray of talented fun-producers.

Charles H. Boyle, Will J. Holmes, James C. Dixon, Bart J. Linn, Miss Sue Bell Mead, Miss Viola Bennett, Miss May Orletta, Esmeralda Lester, Fern Melrose, Lillian Griest. 22 Clever Entertainers—22.

Prices 15 to 50 cents.

WEDNESDAY Oct. 17 and 18  
and THURSDAY

Return of the Favorites,

## Wood &amp; Ward's

## TWO MERRY TRAMPS

An excellent company with their own Brass Band and Orchestra. Prices 15c to 50c. Seats on sale Tuesday.

Friday and Saturday,

October 19 and 20.

## Saturday Matinee at 2:30.

The first time in Lincoln at popular prices, the original production of

## AT PINEY RIDGE

All the original scenery and properties. Prices, Matinee 10 and 20c, evening 15c to 50c. Seats on sale Thursday.

LAWYERS-- Send The Courier your LEGAL NOTICES files are kept in fire proof buildings.

H. W. BROWN

Druggist and  
Bookseller.

Writing's

Fine Stationery

and

Calling Cards.....

127 So. Eleventh Street.

PHONE 68

Do you get your Courier regularly? Please compare address. If incorrect, please send right address to Courier office. Do this this week.

To clubs of ten taking The Courier the annual subscription price is seventy five cents (75 cents). Regular subscription price—one dollar per year

"DR. LE DUE'S FEMALE REGULATOR" is a reliable and honest remedy for tardy menstruation. Kidd Drug Company, Elgin, Ill., mailed \$2. Riggs' Pharmacy, Lincoln, Nebr. 1