

THE DEMOCRAT.

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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.
For Representative.....IRA D. BROUGHNER
For Treasurer.....F. H. MILLER
For County Clerk.....ANDREW ORIL
For Sheriff.....GEORGE VALERIO
For Register of Deeds.....H. J. KLEIN
For Coroner.....G. L. KOCH
For Commissioner, Third District.....D. G. BIRD

Comment Unnecessary.
READ THIS. I have received, that we have by pledge ourselves to use every honorable effort to secure a free and unimpaired ballot and to insure a fair and impartial election on the 11th of November next. I am confident that we will be able to do so without the expenditure of a cent. I am confident that we will be able to do so without the expenditure of a cent. I am confident that we will be able to do so without the expenditure of a cent.

EVERY man on the democratic ticket is worthy of support. Don't forget it.

ALL the nominees of the democratic party are men worthy the support of every voter in the county.

EVERY democrat will make an X opposite the name of George Valerios on election day, and hundreds of other voters not hide-bound partisans will do likewise.

It is stated that September will show an excess of receipts over expenditures in the national treasury the former being \$26,250,000 and the latter \$24,250,000.

WE are reaping one of the benefits of a rather quiet campaign in the fact no one seems to feel called upon to go beyond the bonds of legitimate criticism of opposition candidates.

SHALL the question of prohibition be resubmitted to the people for a vote? Does any fair minded man doubt that it should? The democratic party will do this if given the power.

The democrats and populists have agreed to support a joint ticket in Johnson county this year, the Democrats naming the candidates for treasurer, surveyor and coroner and the Populists the balance of the ticket.

If the new woman would stop at wearing bloomers, voting and acting on the police force, all might be forgiven. But there is a new woman over in Isenberg's town who leads the process by purchasing an incubator for family use.

It may be remarked in passing that while the republicans are filling the air with the hue and cry that "there is no democratic party, it has disbanded, etc., etc.," they are not wasting any time about getting their breast works in order preparatory to the coming battle.

The most important democratic victory of the year was won at Indianapolis Ind., last Tuesday, when the democratic candidate for mayor was elected by 3,000 majority. The result was largely due to the dissatisfaction of the public with the recently enacted republican gag law.

Under the present laws grain is shipped out of the state to be manufactured into beer and spirits. The product is reshipped to the state and sold here. The grain crop is reduced in value because it is taxed for transportation both ways. How does the republican party stand on this question? Who knows?

SOL MILLER says some one has made the discovery that buttermilk will kill cabbage worms, and adds this catchy testimony: "We drink buttermilk." And yet there are times when Sol gives every evidence of being wormy; as for instance, when he was crying for a bigger piece of pie soon after Gov. Morrill's inauguration.

"The hand of God is seen in the formation of the people's party," says an enthusiastic pop. Oh yes, so are the two heads, claws, and fangs of the Old Serpent seen in its formation; so while one hand is pulling up the whole of the Old Serpent is pulling down. The less the pops say about the hand of God being seen in their party, the better it will be for God.

EVERY officer in this county, from notary public up through all township and county officers who are authorized to receive fees for any part of their services, are by paragraph 3,049, of the general statutes, required to post conspicuously in their respective offices a list of the fees they are permitted to collect for any or all of their official acts, and any officer who fails to so post such a list is liable to a fine of \$3 a day for each and every day he fails to post such list. If this law was enforced in this county the treasury would soon be full to overflowing, as nearly all officers fail to post their fees.

The democratic party has in the field a ticket worthy of your consideration. It is made up of men, business men, fully capable to look after the county's interest, and the county's interest is that of the people's. The ticket, taken collectively or individually, is a better one than that put up by the other parties. The qualifications of every man in eminently suited to the places for which they are candidates. They are not mere office seekers looking for the spoils. The candidates on the other tickets are men who are after office several of them not being competent even to fill the duties of the office to which they aspire. Democracy, we admit, is in Barton county, and in Kansas too, for that matter, in a minority, but in a county election where the candidates are personally known and in many instances have made a personal canvass the ruling should be to vote for the men who will best subserve the public, and work for the interest of the people. And we submit you the democratic ticket and the principles on which they stand asking that you think carefully and vote the right way.

BARTON county suffragists never in the history of the county have had a cleaner, brighter set of men on a ticket than the names that appear at the head of our editorial page, and the attention of the individual voter is called to the personnel of each candidate. The ticket presented to the people this fall by the non-partisan convention, is one of the best every nominated by any party. There isn't a man on the ticket who cannot be trusted to perform the functions of his office honestly and faithfully if elected. Give the ticket a fair consideration and put good men in office is all the DEMOCRAT desires.

AFTER all, is it not true, that in the years of a man's life, say three score and ten; things are pretty well evened up in this world. In these years how often does greatest become the smaller and the smallest the greatest? What is fame, wealth, power, to the man who stands beside the coffin of his child and weeps? What is ambition of the world if the home be darkened with shame, disaster or death? The proudest must become the humblest, the humblest the proudest through the great law of compensation.

This is a world in which genuine manhood wins in the long run every time, for manhood understands and puts to use the lessons of adversity and is not spoiled by success nor turned aside by criticism or applause. It pays to be a man rather than an animal and it looks infinitely better, too. He who sinks his manhood for the sake of having what he calls a good time will taste the bitter ashes of remorse, regret and failure.

The editor of the Randall Times is a man of great discernment and he has discovered that when a man hitchs a mule at your gate, kisses the baby as he comes up the path, stops to shoot a marble out of the ring with your boy, puts your girl on the head and gives her a stick of gum, you may know before he opens the door that he is a candidate.

The people have a right to expect that any man who is a candidate for office is competent to do the duties of that office. We have overwhelming proof that one of the pop candidates is totally and wholly incompetent and if elected would be a burlesque in office holding. But as the aforesaid pop has no earthly show of being elected we withhold any humiliation of himself and friends.

THAT many wicked characters use the cloak of religion to hide their many sins is evidenced by the number of so-called priests, preachers and men high in church authority convicted of the blackest of crimes. These instances are greatly to be deplored as it lessens confidence of the public in really good men. The punishment on earth of these arch hypocrites is light compared with their eternal damnation.

THESE are days of the decadence of the massmeeting. This is not a year for popular assemblies. The people are too busy in the attempt to recover from hard times to turn out to hear political speeches. They are occupied so busily in taking advantage of democratic prosperity that they have no time to hear republican howls about general calamity.

THERE is scarcely a voter in the county who doesn't know F. H. Miller, the popular candidate for county treasurer.

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Drouths and Insects.

In looking through the Farmers Voice I thought I had some experience that may be useful to some one living in some section where they do not get as much rain as desired, which may, as in my experience, be remedied considerably. Land that is sheltered from the prevailing wind will stand the drouth longer than land that is in an exposed situation. Such shelter is made by planting a strip of timber around Northwest sides of the farm, using a variety of trees, half evergreen. Trees do best on a ridge formed by throwing the soil out of two ditches, one on each side of the row of trees. The strip of land containing the trees should be about fifty feet wide, with such trees as elm, maple or poplar on the ridge. In the central part, flanked by spruce and cedar. If the strip of timber was 100 feet wide it would be much better, and a ridge raised on one side by a single ditch. Some think it is the cold northwest wind that does the damage to fruit. So it does, but in a different way from that supposed. The evaporation that takes place in the soil leaves insufficient moisture for the growth of the plants. When weather is favorable, while if it is hot winds and hot sunshine, the evaporation in the soil reduces its temperature so that the cold in the soil prevents the plants from taking up the small amount of moisture that still remains in it, and the plant dries up with the heat that shines upon it and want of moisture and cold feet. Shelter from the wind, whether cold or hot, for both are too cold and too hot. They are too cold for the soil and too scorching hot for the crop.

All insects need water as well as higher animals and they go to the crop for it. They wound the plant and extract as their need requires of the juice of the plant, and such insects as the ant are not suspected of the amount of damage they do as they do not appear to devour the crop as the grasshoppers do. Yet I believe one year with another they destroy just as much as the grasshopper. The best way to combat them is to have an army of turkeys, ten to fifteen would not be too many to keep over winter, and the extra crop you get from their destruction of insects will more than keep them in winter. Fatten the young ones.

Managing Butter.

Too much of the butter made on the farm is churned too long and worked too much. The rule with the best butter-makers is to stop the churning soon as the grains of butter are as large as wheat grains. Then the buttermilk is drawn off and water added to wash out the buttermilk and nothing else. Only what washing is necessary to take out the buttermilk should be given, and the butter then be brine salted. In this way there is no necessity for working the salt into the butter, and it is distributed more evenly through the butter. Only one working is necessary. It is the air that furnishes the influence that detract from the good taste or aroma of the butter. The less working or exposing to the air the better and purer it will be.

Sugar and buttermilk may readily be dissolved out of butter, but cannot be worked out beyond a certain proportion. Then working is certain to break up the grains to a more or less extent, and this, of course, injures the quality. The butter can readily be washed and worked all that is necessary in the churn, and can be taken out and packed and will keep better than by any other plan when the quantity made will admit of its plan being followed. The less the butter is exposed to the air the better, and it should be packed away and kept at a low temperature.

When sent to market the butter should be wrapped in parchment paper rather than in cloths. Every effort must be made to have it in an attractive form when placed on the market. To a considerable extent it is the quality and the appearance that determines the price. It must be of a good color and put up neat, clean and attractive to appear well, and it must be fresh, whole-grained, waxy, and of a good aroma. Such butter is in demand; and while there is much in the feed and management of the cows, there is fully as much more in the management of the milk, cream and butter in making a quality that will bring the best prices; and even then after it is made it is quite an item to know how to sell it to the best advantage. But in the managing of the butter after it has come in the churn, it is less work to follow the plan of those who make and sell the best than that usually followed by those that make nearly or quite the worst, and especially so as regards working, salting and packing. —Journal of Agriculture.

Yawning cracks in the floor may be neatly and permanently filled with a paste made by soaking newspapers in a mixture of half a pound of flour, half a pound of slum, and three quarts of water. The mixture, newspapers and all, should be thoroughly boiled until it is about the consistency of putty. It may be put in the cracks and smoothed flat with a case knife. It will harden like paper mache and will take paint like the wood.

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