

REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET. Governor..... JOSEPH FLORY

CONVENTION DATES. REPUBLICAN. National, Philadelphia, June 19.

DEMOCRATIC. National, Kansas City, July 4.

ANNOUNCEMENT. We are authorized to announce A. S. Smith of Benton township, as a candidate for the office of Collector of Holt county, subject to the decision of the Republican Nominating Convention.

TEASURER. We are authorized to announce Lewis I. Moore, of Lewis township, as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Holt county, subject to the decision of the Republican Nominating Convention.

ASSESSOR. We are authorized to announce William H. Weightman, of Benton township, as a candidate for the office of Assessor of Holt county, subject to the decision of the Republican Nominating Convention.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY. We are authorized to announce Ivan L. Blair, of Lewis township, as a candidate for the office of Prosecuting Attorney of Holt county, subject to the decision of the Republican Nominating Convention.

Let the Books Be Examined. Not many years ago the Democracy raised the cry that the Republicans had been in control of the federal government so long that they had become corrupt and demanded an investigation, an opportunity to inspect the books, to ascertain just how much the Republicans had stolen from the people.

They know that the treasury is practically bankrupt, and that the last general assembly voted down a resolution to investigate the treasury condition; they know that Mr. Stephens has admitted that others before him committed frauds belonging to various school districts are held up in the state treasury with which to meet current expense, when they should be apportioned to the various counties. They know many other things equally interesting which furnish a sufficient excuse for again raising the cry, "Let us examine the books."

The Democratic party in the state is now dominated by as corrupt a crew as ever scuttled a ship or cut a throat; and the tax payers should rise in their might and "turn the rascals out." Take up the cry and pass it down the line: "Let the Books Be Examined." The successful way to bring this about is to see that your state ballot next November is headed:

Joseph Flory for governor, S. F. Fallon for attorney general.

Methodists and the Canteen. After a month of bitter debate concerning the canteen question, the Methodist general conference on the last day of active session voted not to ensure President McKinley for his attitude toward the canteen law. Thus the Methodists have adopted the only just and courteous conclusion. This church has considered that it has more at stake, more vital interest in the president's action of lack of action than has any other ecclesiastical body. President McKinley is the most distinguished layman of his denomination, and with the old time minute surveillance of a member's conduct the church has sat in judgment and came very near toward passing a ban of excommunication. It has saved itself at the 11th hour.

There seems to be a mistaken idea among many members of this church as to what the president wishes, that he should do and what he could do. Few people, including Methodists, will but acknowledge that President McKinley loves his religion and loves his church. With the single exception of Abraham Lincoln, there has been no president of the United States so strong in his religious nature as William McKinley. It is, therefore, not surprising that he should feel hurt at this expression of opinion from a body of religious people whose sympathies for him should be the most intense and helpful. That he has had firm friends in the councils of the church who have finally effected a settlement of the question is a matter of

congratulation to the body at large that the church should take a decided stand upon the liquor question is expected and desired. That it should take such a decided stand upon the canteen question is not unexpected, however, undesirable it may be from a practical point of view. That it should take such a position of censure toward President McKinley as a personal factor was not to be expected and was blindly mistaken. The president, in the interpretation of the law, is expected to consult the attorney general. Unless the legal decision annuls a law which is of immediate importance, and which cannot be reached by further legislation, the president is not expected to override that decision. President McKinley recognized the difficulty of his position. If he had the Methodist on one side, he had also the attorney general, the secretary of war, the adjutant general and a host of experienced army officers on the other side. Between the opinions of those looking only at theory and the opinions of those who recognized results it was necessary to halt. As the president himself said concerning another question: "It is sometimes difficult to determine what is best to do, and the best thing to do is oftentimes the hardest. On those who have things to do there rests a responsibility which is not on those who have no obligations as doers."

Needs of a Change. Do the general run of Missouri's voters realize what a valuable advertisement for their state the rolling up of a Republican majority this fall would furnish? It has been computed that Populism in Missouri has cost that state 300 million dollars. These figures were published by the Business Men's League of Denver, which is composed of voters of all parties, and hence there is no politics in this charge.

Democratic rule in this state has not been quite so destructive as this. Democratic rule has been spread out in this state over a quarter of a century, and its evil influence on all the state's interests and values, though not quite as calamitous as Populism has been in Colorado, has still been continuous and disastrous, Illinois, which in the beginning, was behind Missouri in population and wealth, is far ahead in both now, even in proportionate wealth, although Missouri is greater in area and immensity of resources. The per capita value of the property of all sorts in Missouri in 1890, according to the census of that year, was \$895, while that of Illinois was \$1241. Even Iowa, with not a tinge of Missouri's mineral riches and general natural advantages, leads that state by a per capita wealth of \$1106. There are more vacant lands in Missouri than in Illinois, Iowa and Kansas combined.

Illinois and Iowa, with only short interruptions, have been controlled by the Republicans for many years, while Missouri has been under Democratic domination. Is there not some connection between Republicanism and the rapid growth of proportionate wealth in those two states and between Democracy and the much slower growth in the state of far greater natural resources, Missouri? If the comparison be made with Kansas the story is the same. Kansas' per capita wealth was \$1261, as against Missouri's \$885. That was the Kansas of 1890, however—Republican Kansas. Does not this association of Republican prosperity and Democratic disaster represent something more than accident or mere coincidence?

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A recent Republican victory in Missouri this year of our Lord, 1900, would remove this discredit of Democratic domination, and give it an advertisement all over the country that would instantly add to the value of every dollar's worth of property in the state.

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Goes Republican. Complete returns from twenty two counties out of the thirty-three in the state show that on Monday's election the Republicans of the state of Oregon carried the head of the ticket by at least 8,000 plurality. Returns so far give Wolcott, Republican, for justice of the supreme court, a plurality of 7,971. For congressman in the First district, Tongue, Republican, has 2,221 plurality. In the Second district, Moody, Republican, for congress has 5,590 plurality.

The Republicans will control both branches of the legislature and will have a majority of 22 on joint ballot.

The two houses will be made up as follows: Senate—Republicans, 20; opposition, 10. House—Republicans, 30; opposition 24.

The woman suffrage amendment is defeated.

Democracy Killed It. The lower house of congress on Friday of last week, after a lively debate extending over two days, defeated the joint resolution, proposing a constitutional amendment empowering congress to regulate trusts. It requires a two-thirds vote, under the constitution, to adopt an amendment to the constitution. The vote stood, yeas 151, nays 131.

The affirmative vote, therefore, was 38 short of the requisite two-thirds, 192.

Five Democrats, Messrs. Campbell, of Montana; Napheo, of Massachusetts; Sweeney, of New York; Shibley of Pennsylvania, and Thayer, of Massachusetts, and one silverite, Mr. Newlands, of Nevada, voted with the Republicans for the resolution, and two Republicans, Mr. Lusk, California, and Mr. Call, of Massachusetts, with the Democrats. These were the only breaks from the party line. The Populists voted solidly against the resolution. The debate preceding the vote had a strong political flavor throughout and was at times very personal.

Mrs. O. V. Seils, of Savannah, sister of Mrs. C. L. Evans, came over last Saturday to visit friends and relatives for a week or two. Mrs. Pearl Reese, a niece, accompanied her.

Why Not? Holt county has never in all her history, we believe, had the candidate of either of the great parties for congress. She has furnished a strong Republican majority for that party's nominee for that office every two years for the last half a century almost, and still whenever there is a nomination to be given out to somebody, it goes to some other county, usually to St. Joseph.

Holt county has as good congressional honor as any other county in the district, and has a right, at least once in a life time, to be recognized.

We have not talked with the different members of our party in the county on this subject, and therefore do not know what they think about the matter, but to our mind, we have a gentleman in Holt county that would make an ideal candidate, and we believe that if the proper influences were brought to bear upon him, he would accept the nomination with good faith and make a dignified, clean, honorable campaign, in keeping with his magnificent manhood.

We refer to Judge H. T. Alkire. He has been one of the leaders of the party in northwest Missouri for the last twenty years, and has always been in the very front rank of the Republican hosts whenever there has been anything to do for his party. He is also a gentleman of sterling worth and of high moral character. He has been honored and again by his party and the people both at home and abroad. He has represented our county in the legislature; was for four years judge of our probate court; for many years was president of the Oregon school board. He served three terms as mayor of our city, and in 1892 was his party's nominee and candidate for secretary of state.

Where could a more suitable, more honorable, more worthy and better qualified candidate for this position be found?

We ask the Republicans of our sister counties to consider this matter, and to here and now present the name of Judge H. T. Alkire for their consideration in connection with the party's nomination for congress.

Pretoria—and the End. Yesterday, Johannesburg, today, Pretoria. So rapid is the culmination of incidents at the close of the Transvaal war. The dispatches of Tuesday announced that Pretoria had fallen. The fate of Johannesburg too clearly foretold the fate of Pretoria and the whole Transvaal.

The fall of Pretoria must end the war, either in a natural resource. The per capita value of the property of all sorts in Missouri in 1890, according to the census of that year, was \$895, while that of Illinois was \$1241. Even Iowa, with not a tinge of Missouri's mineral riches and general natural advantages, leads that state by a per capita wealth of \$1106. There are more vacant lands in Missouri than in Illinois, Iowa and Kansas combined.

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A Close Call. Saturday morning of last week, our people were in a high state of excitement caused by the news that David Miller, confined in jail under death sentence, had succeeded in sawing the bars of his cell window, and could have made good his escape but he came in contact with a heavy steel screen upon the outside and gave up.

Miller was confined in the lower cell, and had the freedom of his cell. The window bars are of one and a-half inch iron, outside of which is a steel one-eighth inch netting. This it seems Miller was unable to make any.

As soon as he discovered this he called Sheriff Ramsay, who answered his call promptly, and one can imagine the surprise of this officer when Miller gave him a goodly sized piece of the bars he had removed, and showing him the opening in the window.

Miller claims that the reason he did not make his escape was, that he did not kill old man Crow; that while he knew of it, he did not commit the act, being he had nothing to fear so far as being executed for the crime.

It has been the custom to allow the condemned to receive calls from relatives, and this our sheriff has done. These relatives or friends have visited this privilege, because Miller has been supplied with three-cornered files, with which he has used from time to time, using colored soap to hide the seam in the iron during the day, renewing his labors at night.

There are always on such occasions many who are ready to say why was not this or that precaution taken that if they had been sheriff they would have done "so and so." Nine chances out of ten they would have done just as the general run of officers have been in the habit of doing. It is the old verification of the "I told you so."

There have been dozens of jail deliveries in Holt county; men have escaped not only while in jail, but while on their way to the penitentiary, and we presume it will always be so. But of course, the officer after the occurrence always wishes it had not happened, to him at least.

We have never thought that David Miller would hang for the murder of Samuel Crow. We have looked for commutation of life sentence, or an escape or self destruction. We think so yet. It is said that three of the jurors who said he was guilty of the crime, have already signed a petition for commutation.

Here is a list of some of the jail deliveries that have occurred in Holt county:

David Hatfield, December, 1876. D. F. Ames, December, 1876. James Kinberly, October, 1880. George Marshall, St. October, 1880. Tom Murray, September, 1885. Jim Murray, September, 1885. Clay Marshall, September, 1885. D. H. Leida, March, 1892. Alf Allison, March, 1892. Ephraim Coverdale, April, 1870. G. W. Greeley, March, 1871. Francis May, October, 1873. Aspher Leese, October, 1873. Josephus Grimes, February, 1875. Frank Miller, December, 1877. Clinton Williams, December, 1877. Grant Bonner, February, 1887. Lewis Boyles, May, 1873. Ed Roberts, October, 1865. Robert Gibson, September, 1865. S. Vanwick, September, 1865. David Nickley, November, 1865. Lafayette May, January, 1872. C. Cook, March, 1869. Peterson, June, 1865. Vanwickle was in jail charged with the murder of his step father, Dr. Best, which resulted in Rush Bottom near Bigelow. Peterson was also charged with murder—for killing a man named York, in the winter of 1865.

Sau Raymond made good his escape in May, 1868, while being taken to the penitentiary.

Ivan L. Blair. The name of this excellent young man appears this week in our announcement column, for renomination in the office of prosecuting attorney. He is one of our progressive young attorneys, and a wide awake, energetic young man. His experience for the past two years especially qualifies him for his second term, having made a record during these two years that any man who has ever held this position can well be proud of. His life is such that no one can truthfully say that he is not a candidate who could show a cleaner record than Mr. Blair, and his record is such as to entitle him to a second term.

Nicholas Stock. This gentleman's name appears in our announcement column this week as a candidate for collector. It seems to us almost useless for us to say anything in connection with this gentleman's candidacy. He is an honorable citizen, of the highest sense of integrity and he has never been at all true to the grand old Republican party than he. He has never faltered. Always ready and willing to do his part in keeping the party's banner aloft, he is a credit to the party in recognition of his long service as a private in the ranks of the G. O. P.

Who May Witness an Execution. The death sentence having been passed upon David Miller, and the day set for June 15th, Sheriff Ramsay has had a number of applications for permission to witness the execution. The statutes of our state are very explicit upon this subject, and while Mr. Ramsay would like to grant permission to the applicants he tells us that he cannot go outside of the statute. The law says:

SECTION 2578. At Execution, Who Present. At the execution there may be present, besides the officers of the court wherein the conviction was had, such other officers and such guards and assistants as the officer executing the sentence may see proper to admit. He shall request the presence of the prosecuting attorney of the county, the clerk of the court and twelve reputable citizens of the county, to be selected by him, two of whom shall be physicians or surgeons, and he shall also permit the presence of the counsel of the convict, and such minister of the gospel as the convict may desire, and such of the convict's relations as the officer may deem prudent; but no person under twenty-one years of age, not related to the convict, shall be allowed to witness the execution. (R. S. 1889, § 2550.)

If there are any members of the 35th Missouri Infantry in this county, they would do an old comrade a great favor by writing to Z. T. Wright, Hind, Oklahoma.

County Court. A brief term of this court was held this week, the court adjourning Wednesday.

W. A. Martin resigned as constable of Milton township.

Circuit Clerk Hoguefile filed his report of fines collected for the April term, amounting to \$220.

The court awarded the building of certain bridges to the following parties:

1 to J. H. Sparks..... \$115 00  
2 to John Gelligan..... 120 00  
3 to John Gelligan..... 120 00  
4 to J. H. Sparks..... 130 00  
5 to J. H. Sparks..... 150 00  
6 to J. H. Sparks..... 150 00  
7 to T. A. Dean..... 280 00  
8 to J. H. Sparks..... 150 00  
9 to J. H. Sparks..... 120 00

The sum of \$1280 was ordered appropriated out of the road and bridge fund for the construction of these bridges.

The sum of \$2000 tax was levied against the lands listed as benefited by the Corning ditch, in compliance with a pre-emptory writ from the circuit court.

In the road controversy between the K. C. St. Joe & C. B. railroad company and Mrs. M. A. Darons, the matter was referred to the county attorney for investigation.

Commissioner Landon reported that bridges were needed at the following places:

No. 5, at the Meltry place, southeast of Oregon.  
Repairs were needed on bridge over Davis Creek, 1/4 mile west of Mound City.  
No. 10, a 22 foot wooden structure at the O. M. Kelley place 6 miles northwest of Mound City.

No. 11, Bridge near George Holton's place.  
No. 12, A 22-foot bridge near Jonas Whitmer's place.  
No. 13, A 22-foot bridge at the Poyotter grave yard.

Putting in of steel tubes under span of bridge west of Bigelow across Big Tarkio.

Likely to Hang. On next Friday between the hours of 6 a. m. and 5 p. m. David Miller will likely pay the death penalty for the murder of Samuel Crow. A strong petition signed by the jury that found him guilty, and by a number of our citizens has been forwarded to the governor, asking that the sentence be commuted to life imprisonment in the penitentiary. Unless this is granted the sentence of death will be carried out by Sheriff Ramsay.

OSTEOPATHY. It is through the earnest solicitation of many friends of osteopathy that Dr. Kingsinger, of Mound City, a graduate of the American school of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo., will be at the parlors of the Hotel Woodland, June 11, to establish a regular branch office. All the afflicted of his community should avail themselves of this opportunity. Free consultation and examination absolutely free this trip. Don't forget the date, June 11, 1900.

The Weather. Corrected weekly by William Kaucher Justice of the Peace, Oregon, Mo.

PRECIPITATION.

RAIN. Rain fall for May, 5 inches, which is 16 more than normal, being a small gain over the estimate of last week.

The mean temperature for the month was 58 degrees, which is nearly two degrees above normal. The highest was 87 on the 11, 13, 30 and 31st days. The lowest was 37 degrees on the 3rd. The extremes between the extremes of May is generally over 50 degrees; this time it was just 50.

There was frost and ice on the 3rd, in low and sheltered places.

The High school class of '98 had a pleasant reunion Saturday evening of last week at the home of F. S. Rastock. This class is composed of John Paret and William Sawyers; Misses Stella Dunagan, Daisy Rostock, Maud Crampton, Jessie Davis and Blanche Jackson. In order that each may know of the whereabouts of each other they agreed on establishing and maintaining "a class letter." The class meetings are among the pleasantest of landings in life's voyage. We trust they may be able to continue their class meetings in "beautiful Oregon" for years and years. Now let the other classes do something along this line.

A Valuable Folder. L. W. Wakeley, of St. Louis, general passenger agent of the Harrington route, has just issued a very attractive and valuable folder descriptive of the new transcontinental route established recently in the splendid new train service in the "Harrington Northern Pacific Express." The publication is elegantly printed and contains valuable maps and illustrations. The text gives excellent information of the vast domain through which this train runs. It is noteworthy that this new route closely coincides with the route of the famous Lewis and Clark expedition of 1804. It was then the new Louisiana purchase and this interesting folder briefly tells of the marvelous territory that has taken place in this territory since that time and that it is proposed to greatly demonstrate in the great fair to be held in St. Louis in 1903. The great Harrington system is closely connected with this territory. Of the 7500 miles of the Harrington, 6,000 miles are within the Louisiana purchase, and this constitutes one-tenth of the entire mileage of the territory.

M. Wakeley has gotten out a very interesting and valuable folder and every one interested in the great Northwest should secure a copy.

Shaeffer. Mrs. Wilks is on the sick list this week.

Our Sunday school is progressing very nicely.

Mrs. Mariah Shaeffer is visiting at her mother's this week.

Corn plowing is the principal occupation of the farmers now.

Ilen Shaeffer is at Mound City, in visiting relative here this week.

There will be Children's day exercises and a basket dinner in the grove on June 21.

Miss Sillie Elder, of Carzon, is visiting her sister, Mrs. James Foster, a few days at the home of Mrs. A. D. Taylor, of Forest City, and Mrs. Thorp, of Leavenworth, Kansas, are visiting in our vicinity this week. ST. DAMINGO.

For Sale or Rent. Mrs. M. E. Moss, having removed to St. Joseph, desires me to find her a buy or center far her home here in town. The very best price to sell is \$750 each and to rent is \$7 per month, payable strictly monthly in advance. Apply to H. T. ALKIRE, Oregon, Mo.

FOR FURNITURE. Go to the Weigel & Sons Furniture Co. No charge for Packing. We also pay the freight. Largest stock in the state. 107-109-111 South 6th St. St. Joseph, Mo

ABSTRACTS OF TITLE. To Holt county lands and town lots promptly and accurately made by PETREE BROS., OREGON, MISSOURI. We have purchased the abstracts compiled by Gov. Morris, since owned by A. VanBuskirk and are prepared to furnish abstracts of title to any lands or town lots in Holt county on short notice. When in need of any thing in that line call on or write us. We want your business. PETREE BROS., Up Stairs in VanBuskirk Building. OREGON, MISSOURI.

J. RANEY, Manufacturer of Buggies and Wagons, Repairing and Painting a Specialty. Telephone 824. 1401 South 11 Street. ST. JOSEPH, MO.

AS TO RAIN ON EASTER. For the benefit of those who still think that when it rains on Easter it will rain on seven successive Sundays, we give a table prepared from the records of this station which gives the condition of the weather on Easter Sunday and of the six following Sundays from and including the year 1856 to 1900. The figures show the amount of rain or melted snow. The cipher indicates no rain; the letter T a trace of rain or snow. It will be seen that rain occurred on 25 Easters out of 45 and that only one of all these 25 Easters did rain fall on six successive Sundays thereafter.

Table with columns for year, month, and amount of rain or melted snow. Rows include years from 1856 to 1900.

WHITE CLOUD Chautauqua WHITE CLOUD, KAS., July 7-16, 1900. Free Opening, Friday Night, July, 6th.

Prof. A. W. Hawks. July 7, "Noses Ninety Minutes Long." July 8, "Sunshine and Shadow."

Rev. Robt. McIntyre. July 9, "Fun on the Farm, or Old Times in the West." July 10, "Buttoned Up People."

Dr. Thos. H. Dinsmore. July 9 to 12. Series of Illustrated Scientific Lectures.

Mrs. Thos. H. Dinsmore. Series of Conferences for the benefit of Ladies—How Homes may be Made Happy. July 9 to 12.

Congressman Dooliver. July 11, American Destiny: Imperialism.

Hon. Champ Clark. July 12, Anti-Imperialism.

Rev. Sam Jones. July 13, "Get Thero and Stay There." July 14, "Shams and the Genuine."

Geo. W. Bain. July 13, "Among the Masses, or Traits of Human Character." July 14, "The New Woman and the Old Man."

Rev. Mr. Moore, London. July 15, Sermon.

W. L. HARRY. Notice to the Public. Notice is hereby given to the public that I will not be responsible for any bills contracted by my wife, Mrs. Ina B. Hoffman. ALBERT HOFFMAN, Oregon, Mo., May 29, 1900.

Notice to the Public. List of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice at Oregon, Mo., of the week ending June 8, 1900: Miss Mary Cagin, Mrs. Minnie Lewis (card), Calvin Kuhl (card) and M. H. Wright. Please ask for "advertised" letters and cards when calling for any in the P. M. Office hours from 7:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. THOMAS CRYST, P. M.

DENTIST. J. C. WHITMER, East Side Square, Powell Building, OREGON, MISSOURI. Office Hours: 8:00 to 11:30 a. m. 1:00 to 5:00 p. m.