

Some News About Kansas.

The State House dome is 285 feet high.

Ford county Republicans are against Morrill.

Atchison coal mines employ nearly 100 men.

A Kansas City politician has become a preacher.

Abilene wants the Republican State convention.

Leavenworth and Reno Democrats are for silver.

May 23 was flag day at the Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth.

Senator Leedy looks something like the late Senator Plumb.

The grand lodge of the Foresters met at Leavenworth last week.

Chancellor Snow says that 1.15 inches of water fell in an hour May 19.

The Prohibition National convention is in session at Pittsburg to-day.

Sedgwick county Democrats are for silver and demand resubmission.

The railroad assessment reduces the valuation in Phillips county \$9,079.

The Eldorado skimming station handles \$1,000 worth of milk per month.

The Iola *Friend* says that Allen county is for Senator Leedy for Governor.

Bank Commissioner Breidenthal reports that the bank of Argonia will pay out.

The Populist papers of the State are accepting the Breidenthal scrip on subscription.

C. F. Johnson, candidate for Senator in the Douglas-Jefferson district, is an Ingalls man.

A. H. Burtis has been nominated by the Republicans of Finney county for Representative.

Ex-Representative P. H. Dolan was chairman of the Populist convention in Saline county.

There is a deficiency of \$6,457 in the fund for the payment of the salaries of District Judges.

A three-story business block at Hiawatha belonging to Governor Morrill was burned May 21.

The *Burton Beacon* has been changed to a six-column folio. Its appearance is very much improved.

The Populists of Cowley county will use the Crawford county system in nominating candidates.

Jerry Simpson has written a letter in which he declines to be a candidate for Congressman-at-large.

T. J. Hadley, who was for years an editor of the *Olathe Mirror* (Rep.), has joined the Buchan bolt.

Joshua Wheeler of Nortonville, an old, prominent and respected farmer and public man, died last week.

Topeka joints are still running. Morrill's redeemer administration is making no effort to enforce the law.

The Executive Council will have the State House elevator run when meetings are in session in the building.

The decision of the United States Supreme court against the Kansas redemption law was a unanimous one.

A Republic county citizen has raised blue grass in that county measuring thirty-five inches in height this year.

A large delegation of members of the Kansas City Commercial Club made an extended tour through Kansas last week.

W. M. Douglas of Willard, Shawnee county, has announced himself as a candidate for Democrat nomination for Congress.

By appointing a Trickett Police Commission at Kansas City Governor Morrill has incurred the eternal enmity of the Buchan people.

The Populists of Wichita county have nominated W. B. Washington for Representative. The Republican nominee is F. E. Grimes.

The *Sedan Lance* says that the Populists of Chautauqua county are for Lewelling for Governor and Botkin for Congressman at large.

The newspapers are full of talk about candidates for Congress on the Populist ticket in the Second district. Toward the latter part of the year they

will be filled with reports of the election of a good Populist who will be nominated June 16.

The railroads will have a hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission at Kansas City, June 5, on the matter of rates to the gulf.

The *Hiawatha Democrat*, with its usual enterprise, prints a complete and detailed report of the cyclone that passed through that locality.

Francis Murphy was holding temperance meetings in Topeka last week while John Hoenscheldt was organizing resubmission lodges there.

Neosho county Populists instructed for J. M. Allen of Erie for Congress, and A. S. Lapham of Chanute for Judge of the Court of Appeals.

S. A. Riggs of Lawrence is being prominently mentioned for the Populist nomination for Judge of the Douglas-Franklin-Anderson district.

The Democrats of the Second Congressional district have called their convention at Ottawa June 16. It is the same day and place as the Populist convention.

The examiner who investigated the books of the Treasurer of Stevens county could find nothing the matter with them. He was elected on a Populist ticket.

County Attorney Sutherland of Jewell county believes that W. E. Bush of the *Mankota Advocate* will be nominated for Secretary of State on the Populist ticket.

Johnson county Populists nominated a county ticket, elected delegates to the various conventions and instructed for D. H. Hefeblower of Miami for State Treasurer.

A South Africa business house writes Secretary Coburn of the Board of Agriculture for information in regard to merchants of whom Kafir corn seed can be purchased.

The souvenir edition of the *Topeka Mail* is a very fine one. It is devoted quite largely to Shawnee county and contains a large number of pictures of prominent citizens.

There are 496,000 persons of school age in Kansas, and the school attendance is 381,123; 11,913 teachers are employed, and \$3,499,394 is paid in taxes to maintain the schools.

Gove county Populists elected E. C. Prather and J. W. Hopkins as delegates to the State convention and endorsed the course of Senator Peffer and Congressman Baker.

Kansas City Star: "The Scottsville *News* wants to know what has become of the 'middle-of-the-road Populists.' If the *News* will look again it will find that they have got all the road."

The *Aimena Plaindealer* and the *Glen Elder Sentinel* speak in very favorable terms of the candidacy of Dr. John B. Dykes of Lebanon for the Populist nomination for Congress in the big Sixth.

Wichita Eagle: "If Farmer Smith sues Leland for libel, Kansas may be confronted with the horrible situation of a Copeland hotel bell-boy put upon the witness stand and compelled to tell all he knows."

The Populists of Saline county endorsed ex-Superintendent H. N. Gaines for Congress and R. A. Lovett for Judge of the Court of Appeals. The resolutions score the present redeemer administration.

The *Arkansas City Dispatch* is energetically pushing ex-Representative Ed F. Green for the nomination for Congress in the Third district. Mr. Green is a farmer and made a good record in the Legislature.

The Democrats of Lyon county passed resolutions roasting Cleveland and his finance policy and declared for free coinage. Delegates to the Judicial convention were instructed for Judge Randolph for renomination.

Engineer McAllister of the Rock Island was recently elected Mayor of Herington. The company has a rule forbidding employes from accepting office. McAllister was relieved, but resigned his office and is now on duty again.

The *Spring Hill New Era* (Rep.)

would rather see John T. Little nominated for Congress by the Populists than any of the other candidates, and it speaks in complimentary terms of him as a man and as a political opponent.

The *Capital* feels somewhat indispensed over the defeat of Overmyer by the Democrats of his own county. It is natural that this paper should hope to see men in charge of the party who would use it in the interest of the Republican party.

The *Topeka Mail's* souvenir edition contains the pictures of a large number of public men, but Governor Morrill was left out. This may be due to one of the two following reasons: That Morrill is ashamed of Kansas, or that he voted for the *Capital* for official state paper.

President H. M. Brandt of the State Dairy Association is very much pleased with his tour of inspection of Iowa and Minnesota creameries and dairies. He feels that he has gathered many useful ideas, and that while the business in Kansas is young, dairymen here are on the right track.

Railroad Commissioner Joe Lowe was beaten in the Democrat convention of his home county. The dispatches say it was because of his views on the money question. Perhaps the fact that he recently signed a Murphy total abstinence pledge had something to do with it.

Washington county Democrats voted down silver resolutions by a vote of 46 to 16. It is a curious coincidence that this was exactly the same vote as that against Overmyer in the Shawnee convention. Railroad Commissioner Joe Lowe insisted that the convention was packed and he threatened to bolt.

The *Capital* printed an editorial one day last week calling on the Republicans of Shawnee county to nominate a man for County Attorney who would enforce the law. One who reads the *Capital* would be led to believe that the Republican who is not in favor of law enforcement could not be found.

The apportionment of delegates to the Judicial convention in the eastern division of the southern department at Chanute June 11 is as follows: Allen 2, Chautauqua 2, Crawford 8, Labette 6, Montgomery 5, Wilson 3, Anderson 3, Cherokee 7, Elk 3, Linn 4, Neosho 4, Woodson 2, Bourbon 5, Coffey 4, Franklin 5, Miami 4, Osage 7.

Frank Lockard of Norton, an ex-State Senator, at present Clerk of the Court of Appeals and a confirmed office-seeker, has been appointed to succeed Walter N. Allen on the Board of Charities. Lockard broke up in business a year or two ago, and is a fit subject for appointment under this "business" administration.

The *Beloit Gazette* says that the finance resolution adopted by the Sixth district Republican convention was garbled, to which the *Smith Center Pioneer* (Rep.) replies: "This is not true, but whoever was the author of the plank used a whole lot of words to say nothing, and we do not see how a copy could be any more 'garbled' than the original."

The Populist Congressional convention in the Second district will be held at Ottawa June 16. It is recommended by the committee that the primaries be held May 30 and the county conventions June 6. The apportionment of delegates is as follows: Allen 6, Anderson 7, Franklin 10, Douglas 9, Bourbon 11, Linn 10, Miami 8, Johnson 7, Wyandotte 16; total 84.

Speaking of the suggestion by friends of the name of O. L. Lennen of Ness City for State Superintendent on the Populist ticket, the *Ness City News* (Rep.) says: "The gentleman is being put forward by friends outside this county, and it is to be hoped that they may be successful in their efforts, as it would certainly be a credit to that party to honor so worthy a man."

John B. Park, the "kid" candidate for Superintendent of Clay county in 1890, died last week. Park was a rustler who never lacked the energy necessary to accomplish his purpose. He was more than a match for redeemer politicians, though less than 30 years old, and to his efforts is due the credit of making the *Clay Center Dispatch* a first-class Populist paper. He served two terms as Superintendent of Clay

county and made an enviable reputation as an educator. At the time of his death he was City Superintendent of Schools at Corinth, Miss.

The Populist papers of the Sixth district seem to be very much pleased over the nomination of Ellis by the Republicans. They will doubtless rejoice over the nomination of Parker for Senator in the Thirty-ninth. If there were any chance for the election of either the Republican party owed it to the people to nominate representative men, but as they are merely named to fill up the ticket it makes little difference.

J. B. Watkins, the Lawrence capitalist, has published a pamphlet entitled "The True Money System for the United States." He believes that gold should be demonetized, the greenbacks withdrawn from circulation and cancelled and that certificates should be issued against all bullion in the treasury. That all silver be coined in subsidiary coin; that the national banks be empowered to increase their circulation, and that 100-year 1.825 per cent. bonds in small denominations be issued and sold to the people.

Kansas City Gazette: "The Congressional swindle in the Second district was carried on entirely by proxies. The nigger thief who stuffed the ballot box in the Third ward of Kansas City, Kas., held a proxy for a county committeeman. The white tough who acted as Chairman of the Committee on Credentials at the Lawrence convention was also a proxy. George T. Anthony was never elected a delegate or an alternate, and nobody ever saw any proxy. Parties directly responsible to the people shunned the job."

The *Fort Scott Lantern* presents the name of R. H. Galloway for the Populist nomination for Congress in the Second district, and says: "He is a whole-souled, big-hearted, sensible, sound, earnest and patriotic citizen, than whom there is no better. He is always to be found in the councils of the party, and he never goes back on a friend. The boys slap him on the shoulder and call him 'Rod,' as he is familiarly known, and when elected to Congress they will strike him on the back and call him 'Rod,' and know they have one true, sincere friend and representative in Congress who cannot be bought, bullied nor cheated."

The *Paola Times* (Pop.) presents the name of Hon. D. H. Hefeblower as a candidate for State Treasurer, and says: "He was formerly a Democrat, but was a Peter Cooper Greenbacker and a third party man all these years. He has done more for the party in Miami county perhaps than any other man and stands high in the councils of his party in the State, and was the candidate for State Treasurer in 1884. Mr. Hefeblower is a man of independent means, and everyone who knows him knows that the cash of the State would be in safe hands if he should be elected and that the office would be conducted on legitimate business principles. Mr. Hefeblower stands high as a citizen and as a neighbor. He is respected alike by all who know him, rich and poor."

In commenting on the *Yates Center Advocate's* article favoring Senator Leedy for Governor, the *Burlington Courier*, his home paper, says: "The *Courier* indorses all the above and believes the Populists of Kansas will make no mistake in nominating Senator Leedy for Governor. The growth of Populist sentiment not only in Kansas but all over the nation makes the outlook hopeful for a victory this fall. The mistakes of Morrill have demoralized the Republicans and they go into the campaign disheartened. If we use discretion in naming candidates and then make the aggressive campaign we are warranted in doing, we will elect our ticket. Senator Leedy has not been an office-seeker. He is content to do the work entrusted to him in the best way he can. If the Abilene convention places him upon the ticket he will not be hampered by pledges to place hunters. He will give Kansas a clean, able and honest administration."

Why not make a few more Populist votes in your locality by sending in a few 25-cent subscribers to the *Advocate*.