

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For President, ALTON B. PARKER of New York. For Vice-President, HENRY G. DAVIS of West Virginia.

Presidential Electors.

Electors at Large—John H. Kern, Marion, Mo.; S. C. Mathews, St. Louis, Mo.; R. M. Franklin, Macon, Mo.; J. R. Lowell, Randolph, Mo.; James L. McQueen, Daviess, Mo.; J. G. Williams, Dossaway, Mo.; A. H. Campbell, Kansas City, Mo.; W. H. Anthony, St. Louis, Mo.; J. G. Newbill, Greene, Mo.; John G. Moran, Mo.; H. H. Hill, Montgomery, Mo.; Leonard Peim, St. Louis, Mo.; Thomas M. Jenkins, St. Louis, Mo.; Joseph Traubler, St. Louis, Mo.; A. H. Smith, St. Francis, Mo.; A. H. Smith, St. Francis, Mo.; A. H. Smith, St. Francis, Mo.; A. H. Smith, St. Francis, Mo.

State Ticket.

Governor—Joseph W. Folk. Lieutenant-Governor—Thos. L. Kuley. Secretary of State—Sam B. Cook. State Auditor—Albert O. Allen. State Treasurer—James Cowgill. Attorney General—Elliott W. Major. Railroad Commissioner—H. R. Oglesby.

For Congress.

Edward Robb, Circuit Judge. R. A. Anthony.

County Ticket.

Representative—Joe H. Dunham. County Collector—Ed. Byington. Prosecuting Attorney—F. M. Carter. County Treasurer—J. J. Hensley. Sheriff—H. M. Murphy. Assessor—Ed. Byington. Surveyor—Thos. H. Bolman. Coroner—Dr. A. L. Davis. County Judge—Ed. Byington. F. L. Walker.

Shall Monda Murphy be defeated for Sheriff because he is honest and has done his duty? That is the issue.

Governor Doekery will speak in Farmington Friday, October 28, at 1 p. m., and at Bonne Terre the evening of the same day at 7 p. m.

THE TIMES certainly hit the "bull's eye" last week from the way it stirred up the animals in the Bonne Terre corporation cage.

Don't fail to read the explanation of the initiative and referendum on the first page, and don't fail to vote "yes" on constitutional amendment No. 2, which is to vary out this reform.

The county candidates on the Democratic ticket are requested to meet the executive committee at the place of business of the chairman, J. H. Tetley, at Flat River, next Monday, October 24th.

Both the Bonne Terre Democrat Register and the Bonne Terre Star rush wildly to the snesor of Dell Evans, chairman of the Republican organization. It is enough to excite the risibility of the sphinx to see B. A. Roy and I. L. Page sucking cider through the same straw and ko-towing to the St. Joe Lead Company.

The Bonne Terre Star, in its malignant effort to create local prejudice against the people of Farmington, has the brazen effrontery to question the political sincerity of the Democrats of this place and their zeal for the party. I. L. Page, its editor, who stood on his constitutional rights with a \$1,000 boodle bill in his pocket to keep from erminating himself, and who was disgracefully booted out of the Democratic Press Association, of which he was corresponding secretary, is a sweet-scented geranium to be censoring the Democrats of Farmington or any other locality.

"FISHER'S RAVINGS."

Under the above elegant caption, in defending Dell Evans, chairman of the Republican county organization, from the charge of being subservient to the corporations, and the St. Joe Lead Company of the imputation of sending a special car of heaters to the Farmington Republican mass meeting to dominate it, the Bonne Terre Democrat-Register says, "Mr. Fisher knows it is untrue." Now, Mr. Fisher doesn't know anything of the sort. We gathered our information and formed our inference from the general talk, indignant and outspoken, of Republicans in this vicinity who participated in that mass meeting—some of them life-long Republicans who were active party workers long before the editor of the Democrat-Register renegaded to their party, and who are supposed to know something of the inside workings of the Republican party. Is

it such a disgraceful imputation to be classed as a political corporation server that mere mention of the fact makes the guilty one shrink into hiding? Much as it protests, the Democrat Register is perpetually counting its beads before the shrine of the St. Joe Lead Company.

The Democrat Register further says: "THE TIMES 'corporation influence' cry is old enough to grow whiskers. Year in and year out Mr. Fisher continues his wailing, first hurling the charge at Democrats and then at Republicans." It is refreshing to have the truth spoken about us once in awhile, even though couched in contumely. We have discovered that the corporation in politics, seeking favors at the hands of both State and National governments, is not particular as to the party affinity of the men it employs to do its work—it is after results. Hence we find both Democrats and Republicans, some for large and others for smaller pay, willingly sacrificing the general good and their own party principles for the greed of corporations. It is true that THE TIMES has been combating this baneful and corrupting influence in politics for years, and has had occasion to criticize members of its own party as well as Republicans for their subservency. This influence, the corporation in politics, seeking special governmental favors, is responsible for nearly all the corruption and boodling in our municipal, State and National governments. Back of every piece of boodling that has been unearthed in St. Louis and Jefferson City are big wealthy corporations seeking valuable franchises or legislation in their interest. THE TIMES' continuous fight on the corporation in politics has been fully justified, and it expects to keep it up. The boodlers are on the run in this State now, and their only hope lies in flocking to the support of Walbridge and the Republican State ticket, and that is a forlorn hope.

MR. CROKE.

Since the Farmington News is so intensely engaged in attempting to create false impressions concerning the official acts of Sheriff Murphy, whose personal character is above reproach and who is opposed by certain people because he has faithfully and conscientiously done his duty as an officer, it may not be amiss for the people to learn something of the Republican nominee for Sheriff, whom the News claims is such an honest and proper man to succeed to that office.

His name is James Croke. He is a locomotive engineer on the M. & B. T. railroad, and his nomination was made by a convention which many Republicans declare was dominated and controlled by the corporations of the county.

In 1886, according to the criminal records of this county, one James Croke was the principal in a little transaction that caused him to take a sudden notion that it would be healthier for him in another State than in this. For this little transaction an indictment charging him with felony was sworn by the grand jury, from the sworn testimony of J. A. Abernathy, that Croke had stolen \$180 and other valuables from him and skipped out. Mr. Croke was brought back to this State on a legal requisition, and in some way fixed up matters with the prosecuting witness, Mr. Abernathy, so that when the case came to trial, February 19, 1887, the latter's testimony was so "modified" from that given before the grand jury that Mr. Croke was acquitted.

The question might be asked why Mr. Croke skipped out and had to be brought back by legal process if he had done nothing wrong? He has lived in this county ever since.

Again, on the 20th day of February, 1887, James Croke appeared before the Circuit Court under an indictment for carrying concealed weapons, pleaded guilty to the charge, submitted his cause to the mercy of the Court and was fined \$50 and costs.

Again, in 1890 he was indicted for gambling, and at the fall term of the Circuit Court of that year, on the 17th day of November, pleaded guilty to this charge also, submitted his cause to the mercy of the Court, and was fined \$5.00 and costs.

But his backers for the shrievalty say that he has reformed. We sincerely hope he has, for that is to his credit; and while we like to encourage people who turn from the evil of their ways, still we do not think that his is a record to point him out to the good people of St. Francois county as a man to be preferred to Monda Murphy for Sheriff.

Mr. Croke is said to be a good locomotive engineer, and we believe the people of the county will vote for him to continue in that honorable occupation.

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A FEW COMPARISONS.

The Farmington News, in a brief comment on Senator Cokrell's speech at this place, says: "His statement as to the difference in the assessed valuation and tax levy in Missouri and the surrounding Republican States is pretty well answered in our supplement." The supplement referred to is a promiscuous dish-up of characteristic Republican campaign literature sent out by the Republican State Committee to country Republican papers. We turned to it to see how the question was met by its campaign figure contortionists.

We will first state the issue: Missouri, a Democratic State, has been charged by the Republicans with discriminating in favor of railroads and other corporations in assessing them for taxation. It has been shown, and the Republicans do not attempt to deny this, that the railroads are assessed at from \$12,000 to \$15,000 a mile in Missouri, while in Republican Illinois they are assessed at only \$6,000 to \$7,000, and in Republican Iowa and Kansas at even less. The tax rate in Missouri for State purposes of all kinds is 17 cents on the \$100 assessed valuation; in Illinois it is 52 cents, in Iowa 57 cents and in Kansas 62 cents.

In the "supplement" article referred to by the News, an attempt is made to show that the taxes in Missouri are relatively higher than in either Illinois or Iowa—Kansas is left out—by reason of the more favorably worded revenue laws of those States. We quote from the article:

"The laws of Missouri require property of all classes to be assessed at its actual cash value.

"The revenue laws of Illinois require property of all kinds to be assessed at one-fifth of its cash value.

"The revenue laws of Iowa require property of all kinds to be assessed at one-fourth of its cash value."

The article then goes on to argue that a piece of property, the cash or selling value of which is \$1,000, is assessed at \$100 in Missouri, at only \$200 in Illinois and at \$240 in Iowa.

Now there isn't a farmer or property holder in this State, Republican or Democrat, who, if he has thought of the matter, doesn't know that a farm worth \$1,000 is not assessed at that sum in Missouri. If he does not know this, let him think to himself what he regards as a fair cash price for his farm or property—what he would be willing to take for it if he wanted to sell—and compare this with what his farm or property is assessed at for taxable purposes.

He will discover that his land is assessed at about one-third of its cash value; so that, instead of being assessed \$1,000 on a farm the cash value of which is \$1,000, he is assessed at only about \$340, and his horses, cattle and other stock are assessed in about the same proportion to their cash value if not lower.

Now, with this clear and honest understanding, let us figure a little. A farm worth \$1,000 in Missouri is assessed at about \$340, the State taxes on which at 17 cents on the \$100 valuation amount to 58 cents.

In Illinois, a farm of the same cash value is assessed, according to this Republican figure twister, at \$200. The State taxes on this at the Illinois rate of 52 cents on the \$100 valuation would amount to \$1.04, nearly twice as much as in Missouri.

In Iowa, a farm of the same cash value, according to this same Republican authority, is assessed at \$240. The State taxes on this at the Iowa rate of 37 cents on the \$100 valuation would be 92 1/2 cents.

Another boast of the Republicans is that Illinois receives more in the way of taxes from railroads, notwithstanding the low assessment placed on railroad property there, than Missouri does. That may be true, but so do all taxpayers in Illinois pay more State taxes than the taxpayers in Missouri on property of approximately the same value, because the State tax rate in Republican Illinois is three times as much as it is in Democratic Missouri.

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The Nebraska Predicted Overwhelming Success in His Macon Speech.

Hon. William J. Bryan, in his speech at Macon, Mo., on the 11th inst., had the following to say of Joseph W. Folk:

"I feel that I am now in a position to devote my time to making the government better, and I do not know of anything that will help in that direction more than the election of Mr. Folk by so large a majority. Then we will have not only less betrayal of the trust, but more men who are willing to undertake the prosecution of those who betray their trust. Unless you reward men who do their duty fearlessly in public office, unless you hold up their lands and show your appreciation, you cannot expect public servants to do their work and their duty as they should. Therefore the larger the majority you give to Folk this fall the greater will be the consternation among those who make a profit out of public offices and the more numerous the young men will be encouraged as officials to prosecute those who betray their trust. I learned to know Mr. Folk before many of you did. I learned to know him seven or eight years ago. He took an interest in our campaign. Four years ago he was practically an unknown man, yet in that time this young man, now barely 35, has made a national reputation."

GENERAL NEWS GOSSIP.

Exit Base-Ball—Eater Foot-Ball.

A physician in New Jersey, who has studied the subject carefully, says that candy eating dulls the brain and makes children stupid.

During the past year automobiles valued at \$1,600,000 have been imported into this country. They averaged nearly \$4,000 apiece in value.

Tuesday, October 11, Missouri Day occupies the fifth rank in point of attendance at the World's Fair, 179,847. The attendance last week on no day fell below 153,000.

President Kirk of the Kirksville Normal School very sensibly says that more attention should be paid to the three R's than to the many fads now prevalent in educational circles.

A \$60,000 mausoleum is to be built in Graceland cemetery, Chicago, in memory of Potter Palmer. It will be one of the most beautiful in the country and will be built entirely of granite.

The cook at State Hospital No. 2, at St. Joseph, is under arrest for stealing supplies of all kinds from the store room. Not only provisions were stolen, but clothing and blankets were taken.

The Indians of New Mexico have so far progressed in civilization that they are manufacturing relics of former times, which are supposed to be found under ground. Old war clubs, jugs and pottery of all kinds, are manufactured and smoked and buried for a few weeks, with the result that they look centuries old.

The longest married couple in Missouri is supposed to be George W. Smith and his wife of Princeton, who have been married 69 years. He is 90 and his wife is 82. Their oldest grand-child is 42 years old, the oldest great-grand-child 24 and a great-great-grand-child 7. There are 32 grand-children, 40 great-grand-children and two great-great-grand-children.

Last July there was a wreck on the Missouri Pacific near Lee's Summit, and while the passengers for the relief train in the woods, Miss Ada M. Foster came in contact with a pole and was so seriously ill that she died of a railroad company for \$5,000, and has just been awarded \$2,000 damages.

Possibly the largest communion service ever held was that in the Coliseum, St. Louis, Sunday afternoon, when about 12,000 members of the Christian church in convention observed that service. Twenty-four loaves of unleavened bread were used and twenty-four gallons of unfermented wine. The thank offering following the service for the benefit of old ministers filled twelve parades, amounting to \$1,000.

The youngest murderer possibly on record is a boy not three years old at Nyack, N. Y. He was desperately jealous of a little sister that had just come into the household. He upset the cradle one day and annoyed the little baby in many ways, and finally crushed his skull by striking it six times with a bronze ornament. The child seems perfectly happy and contented since the baby's death.

John T. Smith, of the Hospital Corps of Forty-second Coast Artillery, was married last week to a negress, and an effort has been made to compel him to resign. The girl had nursed him through a siege of yellow fever, and he decided to marry her. He says he has as much right to choose a negro wife as President Roosevelt has to choose a negro guest like Booker Washington.

More Perjury Informations Filed.

On Tuesday Prosecuting Attorney Marbury filed with the Circuit Clerk his informations against George Gordon, Corbin Huddleston, John (commonly called Jack) Moore, Linnie Moore and Lydia Jacobs, charging them with perjury. This alleged offense is charged to have been committed on the 30th day of August, 1904, during the trial of the McCarver murder case. George Gordon, it will be remembered, swore that he and Jesse Biggs were out in front of Ryan & Bentley's saloon on the night McCarver shot Harry Lett (Nov. 14, 1903) and saw Leo Lett attempt to pass Harry Lett a pistol. The State showed to the satisfaction of the McCarver jury that Gordon was at James Fields', in Ste. Genevieve county, that day and night. The other four swore at the trial on August 20th that they each saw Gordon in Farmington on the day and night of the murder (Nov. 14, 1903). Thus the offense charged.

More arrests, we understand, are to follow, but as the defendants have not yet been apprehended their names are withheld by the officials.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a general execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of St. Francois county, Missouri, dated the 30th day of September, 1904, made returnable to the November term of said court for 1904, to the Sheriff of St. Francois county directed and to me delivered, in favor of George E. Hunt and against Charles E. Knight and Mary E. Knight, I have seized and levied upon all the right, title, claim, interest and estate severally and jointly of the said Charles E. Knight and Mary E. Knight of, in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: and being in the county of St. Francois and State of Missouri, to-wit:

Lot number three (3), four (4), five (5) and six (6) of block numbered 125 in the town of Bismark; also part of lot No. three (3), shown on amended plat of Lotamora's addition to the said town of Bismark, of the Recorder's office of St. Francois county, Missouri, in plat book 24 page 18, and I will on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1904,

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the south front door of the Court House, in the city of Farmington, in said county of St. Francois and State of Missouri, and during the session of the Circuit Court of said county, sell at public vendition to the highest bidder for cash, all the right, title, claim, interest and estate of the said Charles E. Knight and Mary E. Knight of, in and to the foregoing described real estate, to satisfy said execution and costs.

October 11, 1904. H. M. MURPHY, Sheriff.

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By virtue of a general execution, issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of St. Francois county, Missouri, dated the 30th day of September, 1904, made returnable to the November term of said court for 1904, to the Sheriff of St. Francois county directed and to me delivered, in favor of the Mincey Lumber Company and against W. E. Norris, I have seized and levied upon all the right, title, claim, interest and estate of the said W. E. Norris, of, in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: and being in the county of St. Francois and State of Missouri, to-wit:

Lot numbered five (5) in block numbered three (3) in the town of Clay Place, which is a subdivision of a part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and a part of the east half lot one (1) of the northeast quarter of section five (5), in township thirty (30), range four (4), east, as fully as is shown by reference to the plat of said subdivision, of record in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of said St. Francois county, Missouri, and I will on

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1904,

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the south front door of the Court House, in the city of Farmington, in said county of St. Francois and State of Missouri, and during the session of the Circuit Court of said county, sell at public vendition to the highest bidder for cash, all the right, title, claim, interest and estate of the said W. E. Norris, of, in and to the foregoing described real estate, to satisfy said execution and costs.

October 11, 1904. H. M. MURPHY, Sheriff.

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