

## CONCERNING KANSAS.

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### NOTES.

H. J. Dennis, the faithful old state librarian, died at his home in Topeka last Friday.

The Kansas State Horticultural society will hold its twenty-eighth annual meeting in Ft. Scott, December 11, 12 and 13.

Just as soon as Pete Kline gets out of the St. Louis jail he will furnish some more affidavits for the republican state committee. The public should be patient.

There will be two Jerry's from Kansas in the next congress. Hereafter when a man in the gallery shouts "Hurrah for Jerry," it will be hard to tell whether he means Simpson or Botkin. The name is a mascot.

Dr. H. V. Nichols, a member of the Douglas house of representatives from Seward county, is making Populist speeches. He said it was a ground-hog case; the republicans in that county had to be turned down or the county would soon be depopulated of all except the corrupt ring that had been in charge so long. They had stolen the county poor.

Labette county is the cradle of progressive politics in Kansas. Away back in the "Eighties" the people of Labette arose in their might and struck a blow at republicanism which jarred the whole state. Since that time, although republicans have been elected to office there, their party has always been in the minority. This year the Populists present a solid front and will carry the county.

The News-Blade, published at Oswego by S. C. Steinberger, recently republican, has come to the support of the People's party. The Girard Daily World and the Columbus Star-Courier, while not claiming to be Populists, are supporting our candidates. The Third district has nothing to complain of. Kirkpatrick, republican, will be snowed under; Sapp, democrat, will enjoy the \$2,500 he gets for being a candidate, and Botkin will go to congress.

### A New Court.

Secretary of State Osborn and Attorney General Little began Monday to inquire into several cases growing out of the new election law. Auditor Prather is a member of this board, but he is sick abed. It is the duty of these three officers to decide certain questions regarding the new law.

The present case came of the filing of protests with the secretary of state as follows: Chairman Richardson protested against placing the name of Jerry Simpson on democratic tickets of the Seventh district, as the democratic congressional committee of that district wish to have it done. Richardson also objects to the candidacy of A. D. Gilkerson for judge in the Twenty-third district.

Chairman Breidenthal objects to a ticket headed by Cyrus Corning for governor being called "Populist state ticket" on the official ballot, as the Corn-

ing crowd want it called. He objects to it being on the ballot at all, because the alleged signatures accompanying it (as required by law) are not genuine, but many of them written by the same person. The objection to the name Populist on this ticket is on the ground that the People's party is now generally known at the Populist party. This is a very valid objection. Mr. Breidenthal also objects to the naming, on the official ballot, of David Rathbone for judge in the Twenty-third district, as a People's party candidate. Rathbone is not a Populist and never claimed to be.

### Railroad Men Quit the Republicans.

Here is a list of thirty-five republicans who have signed a paper which binds them to the support of the new party. The paper was circulated by Bruce Lynch, republican candidate for state treasurer in 1892, and the signers are all railroad men.

Of Chanute: F. J. Whisnand, W. H. Stewart, M. J. Cunningham, G. R. Hamper, G. H. Miller, H. G. Barnes, G. H. Brooks, G. W. Reed, Peter Westling, J. J. Toms, M. Fetterolf, E. B. Fortney, A. C. Cross, J. T. Hanna, Alex. Andrews, J. T. Wallar, W. D. Frisby, Sid Long, Thomas H. Jackson, A. A. Amole, A. P. Bowles, J. D. Morgan, A. W. Nelson, J. H. Fialer, W. E. Humphrey, John W. Fox, Abe Baker, John Coats, Gus Hedern, G. Self.

Those of other towns are Ross Prentice, J. E. Thorne, and J. C. Prentice, of Girard; D. G. Parker, of Moline, and S. E. Webb, of Ottawa.

### Republicans Howl at Glick.

An alleged democratic rally was held in Topeka the night of October 8. Democrats of all kinds were invited to take part in it; but circumstances show that it was run by the republican committee. A large number of republicans were in the procession, and they occupied almost exclusively a part of the hall in which the meeting was held. Ex-Governor Glick was the first speaker, and before he proceeded far with his speech these republicans shut him off by yelling for Overmyer. Mr. Overmyer, on taking the stand, rebuked them for their indecency and acted as if he were ashamed of his republican associates.

J. W. F. Hughes, of court martial fame, was one of the most conspicuous in the mob. The cause of their dissatisfaction with Glick was that he had in a recent speech advised democrats to support the Populist ticket.

### Convocation of Redeemers.

Last Sunday there was a remarkable council of war held in Kansas City, Mo. It was between E. N. Morrill, W. C. Edwards, Blarney Kelley, Ralph Burton, J. K. Cubbison, and that quartette of snaking dogs, Corning, Bennington, Henderson and Pratt. What deviltry they were plotting will probably appear later. Corning has stated openly that he is to get \$20,000 in case he can get 10,000 votes for his unnamable ticket, and he was probably consummating the bargain on that Sunday morning.

### Shawnee County Populist Ticket.

Clerk of the District Court..... J. O. Butler  
Probate Judge..... C. H. Custerborder  
County Attorney..... E. E. Chensney  
Superintendent Public Instruction.....  
..... Miss Nettie Wright  
Representative Thirty-fifth District.....  
..... J. J. Sobenk  
Representative Thirty-sixth District.....  
..... R. J. Sloan  
Representative Thirty-seventh District.....  
..... F. A. Kiens  
County Commissioner..... F. S. Stevens

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### An Open Address.

TOPEKA, KAN., October 15, 1894.

To the People of Kansas irrespective of political parties:

The Initiative and Referendum association of Topeka issued an address to the people some time since, asking the voters not satisfied with the tickets then in the field to send in their names and present their views as to putting another ticket before the people, pledged to direct legislation. The views of those heard from have been to the effect that, owing to the brief time allotted to us before the election, it has been deemed inadvisable by the advocates of the initiative and referendum in the state, to place a ticket before the people, but to support only such candidates for office, and especially for members of the legislature who pledge themselves to work and vote to have the initiative and referendum system adopted in the state of Kansas, thereby eliminating possibility of boodle or partisan legislation; and, further, to work for securing statutory enactment by which to provide for the submission of important measures to the people pending the adoption of the initiative and referendum amendment to the constitution of the state. While the reform forces, especially the Populists, have declared in a formal manner in conventions for the initiative and referendum principles, yet without advocating the measure as an issue, we are satisfied that they express none the less the honest convictions to the rank and file of all other parties in the state who believe that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, expressed at the ballot box, and not from the will of their representatives who have been clothed by the votes of the people with a little brief authority.

We therefore urge upon every good citizen, regardless of party affiliations, who believe in a government of the people, for the people, and by the people, to use his influence to elect every candidate for the legislature who will unequivocally pledge himself, if elected, to use his vote and his influence to establish direct legislation by the initiative and referendum in the state of Kansas. This matter must come before the next legislature and be acted upon by it. There is no time to lose. Do everything in your power before the election to secure a legislature favorable to this most vital measure of reform, organizing at once in every ward and township in the state Initiative and Referendum associations. Put the wheels in motion by petitions from the elections of such precincts to the legislature to enact such laws as the people demand, and thus be ready to command the attention of that body to these matters as soon as it shall be organized. Insist upon prompt and energetic action along these lines, until the people shall rule in fact as they now do under our representative system only in name.

All who are ready to unite on these demands write us at once for further particulars. Address, Frank Curry, secretary, 414 Kansas avenue, Topeka, Kas.

JOHN RADFORD,  
JAMES H. LATHROP,  
FRANK CURRY,

Committee.

### Democratic Candidate Withdraws.

August Johnson, who was the democratic nominee for representative in Saline county, against Henry Berg, Populist, and Joe Moore, republican, on October 11 sent this communication to R. P. Cravens, democratic chairman of that county:

DEAR SIR:—After considering over th,

nomination for representative of Saline county on the democratic ticket with which the delegates have seen fit to honor me, and which came to me wholly unsolicited, I have come to the conclusion that at this time it is not the best policy for either myself or the party to go before the people of this county to solicit their support, when, as I view it, it would do more to help fasten again on the people the corrupt power that they have been making such strenuous efforts for the past four years to overthrow. So while believing in true Jeffersonian democracy, I cannot lend myself to aid in fastening again on our state the Bill-Higgins or the Billy-Buchan republicanism. I feel more anxiety to see the interests of our state advanced than I do for any party, and believe every voter at this critical period, whatever his politics may be, should feel the same. I therefore desire to withdraw my name as nominee for representative. Thanking the gentlemen of the committee and the delegates for the honor conferred I remain, Yours truly, A. JOHNSON.

### A Dirty Fact.

In some parts of the county the posters advertising Populist meetings have been torn down in less than one hour after they were tacked up.—Dispatch.

That is a dirty insinuation. Nothing direct about it, nothing tangible, just a lying, snaky insinuation which is infamous.—Times.

There is no insinuation about it, it is a dirty fact. We get our information from some of the best and most reliable farmers in Clay county. Men who would disgrace poor little Dal Valentine's "mug" for him if he should dare to stand before them and dispute their statements. In one instance, Populist posters were torn down three times in one day from the same board, and the last time the board itself was split off the post on which it was nailed. The week before a republican poster was tacked on the same board and remained there until the meeting was held.

The tearing down of posters is a "dirty, snaky, infamous" piece of business, contrary to law, and we trust no Populist will ever be guilty of resorting to such infamy. Let Kansas "redeemers" have a monopoly of the business.—Clay Center Dispatch, October 11.

### Shawnee County Alliance.

The regular meeting of the Shawnee County Alliance meets at the league room, 118 East Eighth street, Saturday, 2 p. m., October 20. Important business will come up. Full attendance desired. Delegate to State Alliance to be elected. All old Alliance members living in the city are urgently requested to meet at same place and day an hour earlier, viz., 1 p. m., to organize a sub-Alliance. We want every member in the city; if you can't come in person, send in your name.

### Notice.

The Topeka lodge of the Alliance aid have rented the nice hall of the Topeka Post, 422 Kansas avenue. Regular meeting, fourth Monday night in each month. All members and visitors are cordially invited.

Lyman Trumbull, the distinguished jurist and ex-United States senator, has declared himself a Populist, and to make it more binding, he addressed a large Populist meeting in Chicago, his home, a few days ago. When Henry D. Lloyd introduced him as "America's grand old man," the audience went wild with enthusiasm. Trumbull was a co-worker with Lincoln.

Wanted—Location to establish a Populist paper. Good outfit and several years' experience. Address, A. B., care of ADVOCATE.

Hundreds of young people are going to attend the Wichita Commercial college this fall. Y. M. C. A. building.