

# ABERDEEN DEMOCRAT

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## DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET

**For Congress.**  
W. S. Elder, Deadwood.  
S. A. Ramsey, Woonsocket.  
**For Governor.**  
J. A. Stransky, Pukwana.  
**For Lieutenant Governor.**  
James Coffey, Walworth Co.  
**For Secretary of State.**  
F. L. Latta, Hyde Co.  
**For Treasurer.**  
C. W. Martins, Grant Co.  
**For Auditor.**  
John Hayes, Stanley Co.  
**For Superintendent of Public Instruction.**  
Thomas Lyons, Clay Co.  
**For Commissioner of School and Public Lands.**  
C. G. Laughlin, Lake Co.  
**For Attorney General.**  
C. J. B. Harris, Yankton.  
**For Railroad Commissioner.**  
B. H. Lien, Minnehaha Co.

## CALL FOR CONVENTION

To the Democratic electors of the county of Brown state of South Dakota:

The Democratic central committee of Brown county, South Dakota, in compliance with the statutory requirement, has called a delegate convention of the Democratic electors of the county of Brown, state of South Dakota to meet at the Farmer's Room in the court house, in the city of Aberdeen, Brown county, South Dakota on Tuesday the 18th day of September A. D., 1906 at 11 o'clock a. m. of said day for the purpose of placing a nomination candidates for the following offices: County treasurer, county auditor, sheriff, register of deeds, clerk of courts, states attorney, county judge, superintendent of schools, coroner, surveyor, two senators, four members of the house of representatives.

The various precincts will be entitled to the following representation: One delegate at large and one delegate for each ten votes or fraction thereof cast for Hon. Louis N. Crill, the Democratic candidate for governor at the election of 1904. The caucuses for the election of delegates to said convention will be held on the 11th day of September, A. D., 1906, the polls opening at 3:30 o'clock p. m. and closing at 8:30 o'clock p. m. of that day. The representation to which the several primaries will be entitled under this call and the place of holding the caucuses in each of said precincts, is as follows:

Aberdeen—First ward, 11 delegates, Askew House; Second ward, 7 delegates, city hall; Third ward, 10 delegates, City Hack barn; Fourth ward, 12 delegates, Sherman House sample room.  
Aberdeen Township, 5 delegates, town hall.  
Allison, 2 delegates, School house No. 2.  
Bath, 3 delegates, town hall.  
Brainard, 3 delegates, School house No. 5.  
Cambria, 3 delegates, School house No. 2.  
Carlisle, 3 delegates, School house on Sec. 8.  
Claremont, 4 delegates, Abraham's Lumber office.  
Columbia, 5 delegates, township hall.  
Detroit, 3 delegates, town hall.  
Franklyn, 2 delegates, School house on Sec. 22.  
Frederick, 3 delegates, city hall.  
Garden Prairie, 4 delegates, school house district No. 26-3.  
Gem, 4 delegates, school house No. 5.  
Greenfield, 3 delegates, school house No. 3.  
Grotton—First Ward, 5 delegates, Milwaukee Depot. Second Ward, 3 delegates, engine house. Third Ward, 2 delegates, W. I. Irwin's office.  
Grotton Township, 3 delegates, town hall.  
Hanson, 5 delegates, school house No. 3.  
Hecla Village, 4 delegates, fire hall.  
Henry, 5 delegates, Draeger's Hall, James.  
Highland, 3 delegates, school house No. 1.  
Lanning, 3 delegates, school house No. 3.  
Laurie, 4 delegates, school house No. 3.  
Laurie, 3 delegates, Hunt's residence.  
Meadow, 3 delegates, school house No. 2.  
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Oneota, 2 delegates, town hall.  
Ordway, 4 delegates, Hall's store.  
Oscola, 3 delegates, school house No. 4.  
Palmyra, 2 delegates, school house No. 2.  
Portage, 3 delegates, banquet room, Union Temple.  
Ravina, 2 delegates, Beigler school house.  
Richland, 2 delegates, school house No. 3.  
Riverside, 6 delegates, school house No. 2.  
Rondell, 3 delegates, Humphrey's store.  
Savo, 2 delegates, school house No. 3.  
Shelby, 3 delegates, school house No. 6.  
Verdon Village, 2 delegates, A. O. U. W. hall.  
Warner, 6 delegates, railroad depot.  
Westport, 4 delegates, town hall.  
Immediately following adjournment of the county convention the delegates of the First, Third and Fourth commission districts will assemble in separate conventions and place in nomination candidates for county commissioner from their several districts.

—Chas. N. Harris,  
F. M. Morse, Chairman.  
Secretary.  
Dated at Aberdeen, S. D., August 22, 1906.

## HARPER'S WEEKLY ON BRYAN

The silver issue is dead, and need no longer scare away from Bryan any one who likes his leadership in other particulars. The sentiment that a man who went wrong on silver has not sound enough judgment to be fit to be president is much modified by the thought that Bryan is ten years older than he was in 1896, and has spent that interval in the court house, in the city of Aberdeen, Brown county, South Dakota on Tuesday the 18th day of September A. D., 1906 at 11 o'clock a. m. of said day for the purpose of placing a nomination candidates for the following offices: County treasurer, county auditor, sheriff, register of deeds, clerk of courts, states attorney, county judge, superintendent of schools, coroner, surveyor, two senators, four members of the house of representatives.

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## SPELLING REFORM BOOM

The latest boom is in the line of spelling reform. Years ago a move in this direction was made by the National Educational association which gave out a list of about a dozen words. This list was quite generally adopted by teachers but the press with a few exceptions ignored it. Then sometime during this year it was announced that Andrew Carnegie was financing a new move in the direction of spelling reform. A committee of college men and writers, headed by Brander Mathews of Columbia university, financed by Carnegie, prepared a list of 300 words with reasons for the new spelling, and sent the list broadcast through the country, not only to educators but to editors. Still the movement failed to attract attention and support. Something else seemed wanting.

Now our impulsive president has sprung into the breach, and the movement promises to move. And why shouldn't it? The tendency of the movement is toward brevity, the elimination of the silent letters. Every click of the typewriter and the linotype costs money and the use of unnecessary characters delays the rush of modern business. The president has struck a fatal blow to orthographical standardism.

The most remarkable innovation is the changed spelling of the past tense and perfect participle of many verbs. A few are as follows: Clapt, lapt, snapt, tapt, trapt, wrapt, blint, crunt, hucht, washt.

The great majority of the leading newspapers are scoffing at the president and ridiculing the movement, but it will be interesting to watch how he succeeds in this new reform.

## SENATORIAL TIMBER

Some pretty good men in this county are being groomed by their friends for the race for senatorial nomination in the republican convention next month. It is whispered that, although Mr. Lincoln voted for Coe I. Crawford at the state convention, the machine representatives in this county have become reconciled to his nomination. It is also hinted that if Mr. Witte goes into the field his candidacy will have an anti-machine flavor.

Over on the east side of the Jim are three would-be candidates for the senate, while it is said the machine has selected a man whose name has not been made public. A. W. Kruger, the most uncompromising insurgent as well as the pioneer anti-pass man of the county, is in the field, as well as N. O. P. Synoground. The latter is an unusual order. He is president of the Grotton-Ferney Telephone company and the Ferney Farmers' Elevator company, two remarkably successful enterprises. J. F. Lafky, an unusually successful and up-to-date farmer of Riverside township, is also in the race.

It is anticipated that the little boss of the county, who is arranging the republican ticket, will have to do a little very smooth and rapid work when the part of the ticket calling for senatorial nominations is reached, to avoid a little display of discord that even the best regulated of machines is sometimes subject to.

A remarkable situation exists in the price of feed grains in this county. Last fall oats sold as low as 15 cents per bushel and this spring for 32 cents. Now people are begging buyers to take speltz for 35 cents per hundred, almost as low as a third of a cent per pound. These feed grains offered are usual, the share of the land renter who has no granary now in which to store them. Buyers with storage room can make 50 per cent on money for a six months investment. A chance for capital.

Many republican papers, the kind that uphold the evil boss system, are pointing out that LaFollette is a boss. In a sense he may be, in the sense that Roosevelt is also "boss." The boss who is a popular leader and exercises his powers as leader for the common benefit of the whole people is vastly different from the boss who is a boss for boodle, as are the kind these same papers find it to their material advantage to keep in power.

Bryan's welcoming back to the shore of his native land which took place yesterday in New York was the most remarkable ever accorded a private individual. It is also a trying position to place a man in, but he is big enough for the occasion.

## HOUGHTON

There is a crew of men at work preparing the Atlas elevator for the coming crop of grain. They are putting in a stone foundation and a gasoline engine.

The Sleepy Eye elevator has sent up George Downer to get everything in readiness for the opening of the season.

Mr. Patterson, who has represented the Northwestern railroad here for the past three years, has just returned from a visit to his family. This is the first vacation since he came here. L. W. Smith, who relieved him, has folded his tent and gone.

We have just heard of the death of Ole P. Hanson's mother. She was quite an old woman. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made public.

A postoffice inspector has been up on Jay recently and inaugurated some needed changes.

There will be preaching in Houghton next Sunday by a gentleman from Huron.

Some of our neighbors are not waiting for September 1st for their chicken dinners even if the birds are small.

An Iowa cattle buyer is around buying up fat cows for which he is willing to pay from \$2.25 to \$2.50 per hundred.

Our hotel man that was to be has been seen again, this time at Sand Lake seeing how many young ducks were there. We understand he has moved his tent to the Big Slough. He ought to be looked after.

Americus Dakin, the land man all the way from Missouri, is up here looking after his share.

Mr. Evans, our butter maker, has a little daughter that arrived the other morning to be taken care of. He is fully prepared for the "Just Hke '81" crop, Bert Fessenden has bought the largest threshing machine outfit in this vicinity. We hope he will realize his expectations. He is a hard worker and will do his best to please.

Dr. Holmes of Hecla has visited here professionally several times recently.

The telephone has been repaired and is open (in the postoffice) for business.

Dr. Elliott of Aberdeen was called up here the other evening to see a sick horse belonging to Fred Overacker.

Owing to an encounter with a skunk that visited our chicken house last evening, my wife says that I ought to go out and air myself, so I will quit for this time.

## COLUMBIA

Miss Wilson, who has been engaged for the primary school, has resigned her position, concluding to teach near home. Mrs. King will again teach the Heman school. There has been no application yet made for the daily school.

Charles Van Drew, a prominent citizen of Sterling, Ill., accompanied by his son and daughter, has been visiting at the Besse home south of town. He is an old-time friend of Mr. Besse, whom he has not seen in over twenty years.

Fred Clark is doing his own threshing, as a wise man should, before starting on the waiting fields of his neighbors.

Oats and barley are the only grain yet being marketed here. The former sells from 19 to 21 cents and barley, which is pretty badly off color, at 26 and 29 cents.

## BERN

Mr. and Mrs. James Neer of Oregon visited last week with their daughter, Mrs. E. B. Friel.

Mrs. Winnie Murray spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. S. Barnes, near Ipswich.

Mrs. J. A. Walker and sister, Miss Ethel Roberthi, were shopping in Westport Saturday.

George Stone is suffering from an abscess on one finger.

The recent rains have put harvesting back in this part of the county and many seemed to forget about Sunday, as several cut grain all that day.

Arthur Broadbent spent Sunday with his parents in Leola. He found his brother George so greatly improved from his recent relapse as to be able to walk down town.

Mrs. Roy Merritt and children who have been visiting for several weeks in Iowa, have returned home.

Mrs. William Holmes, Sr., and Mrs. Lew Holmes drove to Aberdeen Thursday.

Miss Lizzie Bake, who has been visiting with relatives in Minnesota for several months, came home today.

Mrs. Art Young of Aberdeen spent several days at Bern, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Friel.

O. D. Harmon was calling on friends Sunday.

Misses Eunice and Mertie Harmon were pleasant guests at the Stone home recently.

## STATE ASSESSMENT SHOWS INCREASE

GAIN FOR THE PAST YEAR IS OVER \$2,000,000

Total Valuation is \$222,426,629—

Most of the Counties Show Distinct Increase in Valuation but Lawrence Shows a Slump of Over a Million—Corporate Property is Raised.

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 30.—(Special to the American).—The total assessment figures of the state as left by the state board of equalization on all classes of property is \$222,426,629, an increase of \$2,778,795 over the figures as left by the board a year ago. Of this increase \$482,532 is on corporate property and the balance on lands, lots and personal property.

The increase on corporate property was \$236,481 on railroads, \$235,073 on telephones, \$6,685 on telegraphs, and \$4,293 on express companies. The total valuation of the state by counties is:

Aurora	\$2,665,343
Beadle	5,565,734
Ben Homme	6,268,948
Brookings	7,385,634
Brown	9,934,842
Brule	2,440,378
Butte	498,104
Butte	2,650,239
Campbell	1,611,541
Charles Mix	4,358,222

Clark	4,277,362
Clay	4,855,319
Codington	5,384,813
Custer	1,261,312
Davison	4,069,812
Day	5,181,569
Deuel	4,360,398
Douglas	2,833,330
Edmunds	2,854,510
Fall River	4,684,358
Faulk	2,681,660
Grant	4,977,210
Gregory	1,945,292
Hamlin	3,922,098
Hand	4,244,249
Hanson	3,099,473
Hughes	2,814,394
Hutchinson	7,905,485
Hyde	2,147,021
Jerauld	2,597,028
Kingsbury	5,402,394
Lake	5,391,638
Lawrence	9,018,531
Lincoln	7,109,666
Lyman	2,083,881
McCook	4,722,752
McPherson	2,207,238
Marshall	2,887,233
Meade	2,063,091
Miner	2,965,105
Minnehaha	12,191,634
Moody	4,872,630
Pennington	3,215,084
Potter	1,754,627
Roberts	4,637,309
Sanborn	3,261,231
Spink	7,313,707
Stanley	1,821,129
Sully	1,806,919
Turner	7,318,681
Union	5,126,298
Walworth	1,940,224
Yankton	6,246,538
Unorganized	314,098
Unorganized	185,391

Most of the counties have an increase in valuation over last year, the greatest shrinkage in the few which show a decrease being in Lawrence, which was reduced over a million dollars from the returns of last year. The increase in real and personal property is practically all new property, as the general valuations are practically the same as for last year.

## PRESIDENT HIPPLE BLEW OUT BRAINS

COMMITTED SUICIDE AT HIS HOME LAST FRIDAY

News of the Tragic End of the President Was Withheld to Prevent Run on the Institution—Undoubtedly Did the Act to Escape Failure of Company.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 31.—The suspicion entertained that Frank K. Hipple, president of the embarrassed Real Estate Trust company, who was found dead at his home in Bryn Mawr last Friday, committed suicide, was confirmed yesterday by Joseph N. King, coroner of Montgomery county. When he made the announcement, Dr. Albert H. Read, the coroner's physician was standing near and he added:

"You can say that Hipple blew out his brains."

Since the death of Mr. Hipple the family physician and the coroner have maintained that he died of cerebral hemorrhage while taking a bath. The coroner yesterday said, "When I went to Bryn Mawr Friday morning to investigate the sudden death of Hipple I found that he was the president of a trust company and when I discovered he had committed suicide, I decided to suppress the fact for a few days in order to prevent a run on the trust company. I thought that if there was anything wrong in Hipple's transactions, the directors would have a chance to make up whatever defects there were."

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The Maniac's Wife.....Miss Sliter  
Music.....Orchestra  
The Bugle Call to the Church-  
es.....Miss Welch  
Decision of Judges.....Rev. Pierce  
Presentation of Medal.....Rev. Pierce

## FIRE DAMAGES KLINE STREET BARN

About 9:15 last evening fire was discovered at the barn of F. J. McArthur on Kline street. The department reached the scene and had a stream playing on the flames in short order and it was extinguished without much trouble.

The barn was empty save for an automobile which was saved by early comers.

Mr. McArthur is at a loss to account for the fire as no light was about the place and he was in the barn about supper time and everything was all right at that time. It is thought the fire was of incendiary origin. The loss will not exceed \$200 or \$300 and probably will be fully covered by insurance.

A marriage license was issued to John Smith and Luecia Stager of Mansfield.

## LATEST MARKET REPORTS

**Minneapolis Cash Close**  
No. 1 hard ..... 76 1/2 %  
New ..... 75 1/2 %  
No. 1 northern ..... 75 %  
New ..... 74 1/2 %  
..To arrive ..... 72 1/2 %  
No. 2 northern ..... 73 %  
New ..... 73 %  
..To arrive ..... 70 3/4 %  
No. 3 northern ..... 72 %  
New ..... 71 %  
No. 1 durum ..... 67 %  
..To arrive ..... 64 %  
No. 2 durum ..... 65 %  
..To arrive ..... 60 1/2 %  
No. 3 yellow corn ..... 47 1/2 %  
No. 3 corn ..... 47 1/4 %  
No. 3 white oats ..... 28 1/4 %  
No. 3 oats ..... 26 %  
Barley ..... 33 @ 46  
Rye ..... 52 1/2 %  
Flax ..... 1.09 3/4

**Northwest Cars**  
Today. Last year.  
Minneapolis ..... 54 138  
Duluth ..... 16 4  
Winnipeg ..... 41 11

**Chicago Car Lots.**  
Received Graded Last Year  
Wheat ..... 47 25 45  
Corn ..... 223 119 440  
Oats ..... 187 32 230

**Chicago Live Stock.**  
Chicago, Aug. 29.—Hog receipts, 17,000; light, \$5.85 @ 6.35; mixed, \$5.75 @ 6.30; heavy, \$5.25 @ 6.25; Yorkers, \$6.25 @ 6.35; cattle, 10,000; market steady; sheep, 18,000; market steady; closed strong.

**Sioux City Live Stock.**  
Sioux City, Aug. 29.—Hog receipts 2,500; market weak; light, \$5.75 @ 5.95; heavy, \$5.55 @ 5.80; mixed, \$5.60 @ 5.75; cattle, 400; market steady; closed 5c lower.

**St. Paul Produce Exchange**  
The following official quotations were made on open change August 30th, and represent prices obtained for the various commodities, usual commission to be deducted from account sales:  
BUTTER—Extra creamery, 22c; first creamery, 20 @ 20 1/2 c; dairy, 18 @ 18 1/2 c; renovated, 19 1/2 @ 20c; fresh sweet packing stock, 16 @ 16 1/2 c; grease, 4c.  
EGGS—Fresh at market, per case, \$4.65; seconds and dirties, per doz., 12 1/2 c.  
POULTRY—Hens, 11c; spring chickens, 14c