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THE COURIER. By Percy R. Grubbs.

REPUBLICAN TICKETS.

NATIONAL.

For President—
THEODORE ROOSEVELT, New York.
For Vice-President—
CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS, Indiana.

STATE.

Presidential electors—
B. S. RUSSELL, Stutsman.
RODGER ALLIN, Walsh.
SAMUEL RICHARDSON, Ward.
J. F. V. KIEBERT, Oliver.
Governor—
E. Y. SABLES, Traill
Lieutenant-Governor—
DAVID BARTLETT, Griggs.
Congress—
THOMAS F. MARSHALL, Dickey.
A. J. GOBNNAN, Nelson
Supreme Court Justice—
N. C. YOUNG, Cass.
E. E. ENGERUD, Cass.
Secretary of State—
E. F. PORTER, Foster.
Auditor—
H. L. HOLMES, Pembina.
Treasurer—
A. PETERSON, Sargeant.
Superintendent of Schools.
W. L. STOCKWELL, Walsh.
Attorney General—
C. N. FRICH, Nelson.
Insurance Commissioner—
E. C. COOPER, Grand Forks.
Commissioner of Agriculture—
W. C. QILBREATH, Morton.
Railroad Commissioners—
C. S. DEISEN, LaMoure.
E. STAFNE, Richland.
JOHN CHRISTIANSON, Towner.

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

For Judge—
E. T. BURKE, Barnes County

COUNTY.

For Sheriff—
JOHN L. HOUGHTON.
Supt. of Schools—
CLARA FEIRING
Register of Deeds—
O. M. WESTLEY
States Attorney—
FRANK GLADSTONE
County Auditor—
R. M. OWEN
County Treasurer—
S. FRISWOLD.
County Judge—
W. H. CARLETON.
Clerk District Court—
O. D. PURINTON.
Coroner—
DR. M. D. WESTLEY.
Co. Commissioner 3d District—
T. A. HUSO
Co. Commissioner 4th District—
WM. HADLOCK.

Grover Cleveland, August Belmont and one or two Wall street operators will edit Judge Parker's speech of acceptance. Democrats will approve of this, nit!

From all parts of the county come favorable reports for the republican county ticket. Everybody is pleased and the party will go to the polls united this fall with the best show it ever had of electing the entire ticket. There is certainly no reason why every nominee on that ticket should not be elected.

Lieut. Governor Bartlett was in the city last Friday evening, enroute to Bismarck for a few days stay. After the convention at Grand Forks he visited at Cooperstown, his home, until that day. Upon being told that Rev. Greene reported the North Dakota exhibit at St. Louis as very creditable, he remarked that he was glad to learn of one Valley City man who thought so.—Alliance. This will give old man Lampan a hard stroke.

The county conventions are over so far as Griggs county is concerned and the candidates for office are now before the public limelight. Both parties have nominated the best men obtainable and each and every one is a good man for the place for which he has been nominated. In as much as the men on both tickets are all right so far as character and ability is concerned it simply simmers down to a question of personal friendship and politics. With this county having a large republican majority it would seem to us that the republican ticket should be elected.

The resolutions committee of the democratic convention held here last Saturday afternoon, did not exert itself any in passing upon any of the important issues before the public, but just satisfied itself by jollying the county officials and praising their work. The matter of prohibition was totally ignored, which is just what could have been expected of this party as it is generally pledged to resubmission. Primary election was also unnoticed and as the state officers were opposed in politics they also failed to condemn and deplore them as is the usual custom and we take it for granted that the republican state officials have done nothing to condemn. National affairs were let alone because we know that Gold Telegram Parker is not the choice of Griggs county democrats and therefore there is nothing to say which was a Johnny wise movement on the part of the convention.

When the Minnesota primary election law was adopted it was predicted that the people would soon weary of it, and would demand a return to the old convention system. Instead of this the people have demanded extensions of the primary law, and amendments to make it more effective. The last republican state convention has furnished a splendid argument for the further extension of the system so as to include all candidates, state as well as local. It is important that the fact should not be overlooked that so far as the nomination of state candidates is concerned Minnesota is still operating under the old convention system. If the partisans of all factions are to be believed the late state conventions there was about as disgraceful an event as could be imagined, and it is natural that there should be an effort to prevent a repetition of the scenes there enacted. In this connection the Crookston Journal says:

"Primary election laws to extend to nominations of state officers, is a question which is being very thoroughly agitated by the press and the sentiment favoring such laws seems to be strongly in excess of that against the same.

"The cut and dried manner of conducting state conventions has caused in the voter much indignation and disgust, and the recent state convention but strengthened that feeling. It seems probable that the vest-pocket sort of political manipulations would find it a more difficult task to corrupt and control the great body of voters, who acting according to their own judgment, expressed their preference for a candidate by direct vote, than to control a handful of delegates who are frequently either "tied up" before the convention or "available" and "on the market" at it.

"The time has come when the preferences of the people are secondary considerations, it would seem, and primary election laws extended to state officers might obviate some of the unsatisfactory conditions which now exist. Things certainly could be no worse, and it seems the only feasible plan by means of which the voter can exercise the right of suffrage in a manner which signifies anything so far as respect for his own views on questions of candidate choice is concerned."—Grand Forks Herald.

Democratic Convention.

The democrats of Griggs county had their innings last Saturday and assembled as per call to nominate a county ticket to go before the electors this fall. J. H. Sinclair was elected chairman and Oscar Greenlund secretary.

There was a very good attendance, most of the precincts being represented and it was a good natured gathering with very little strife for the positions on the ticket.

P. A. Melgard was nominated by acclamation for county auditor and if elected will have sixteen years of steady pull at the court house to his credit, which is quite a long time.

Benjamin Tufte was also lucky and was handed out a nomination for states attorney. M. H. Hagen was given a place on the ticket for clerk of court and S. B. Langford for county judge.

Jack Flynn, the owner of Wyandotte, was given an endorsement for sheriff and will no doubt make a strong fight to retain his job.

For the office of treasurer there was quite a little fight for the nomination between Wilmot Houghton, H. S. Rearick, Carl Scott and F. D. Williams. Wilmot Houghton was the holder of the most votes and was nominated for the office.

For register of deeds J. H. Sinclair was nominated for a fourth term the convention thinking it wise to let well enough alone.

Dr. Bergstrom was nominated for coroner and M. A. Ueland for surveyor.

For superintendent of schools Prof. H. A. Farr was nominated and will no doubt make a good run for the office but being on the wrong ticket will hardly win out.

C. O. Johnson was nominated for county commissioner of the 4th district and John B. Armstrong for commissioner of the 3rd district.

For public administrator Carl A. Nelson was nominated.

For justices of peace A. M. Sinclair, H. S. Rearick, J. C. Thinglestad, Henry Peterson were nominated.

For constables Martin Rood, Robert Thorn, Ray Vogen and Ole Larson were nominated.

The following central committee was appointed.

W. T. McCulloch, A. H. Berg, Wm. Howden, H. S. Rearick and Oscar Greenlund.

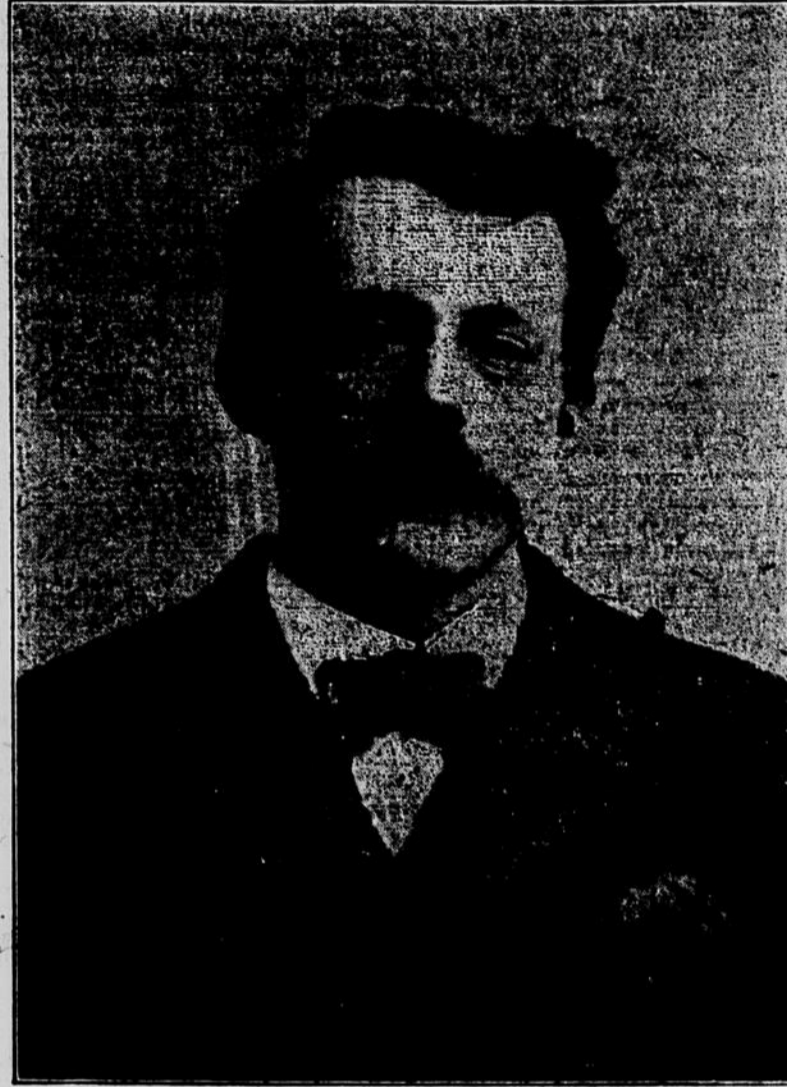
The following resolutions were adopted:

We, the democratic and independent voters of Griggs county, in convention assembled, feel proud that we can recommend the efficiency, ability and honest performance of all past county officials placed in office by our party since its first inauguration into county politics, and pledge our future candidates, if elected, that the voters of Griggs county can depend on a faithful performance of duty in office, with efficiency, honesty and economy in every department; that we feel justified in appealing to all voters in the county of Griggs for their hearty support of our candidates.

Baptist Church.

Baptist Missionary and Evangelist, Rev. Frank Sprague, of Fargo, will hold regular services both morning and evening, Sunday, Aug. 14. Subject of Sermons at 10:30 a. m. "An Unreasonable Prayer." At 8:00 p. m. "What Price Do You Set on Your Soul." Prayer meeting and bible study will be held on Thursday, evening at 8:00 o'clock. Subject of bible study will be "Am I a Christian, What Then?" You will be welcome to all these sermons.

O. M. WESTLEY.



We present a very good picture of the republican nominee for register of deeds this week, Mr. O. M. Westley. This gentleman was honored with the nomination without any solicitation on his part. He has accepted that nomination and will make a fight for the election. Mr. Westley is a farmer living in Greenfield township near Haunaford. He is well educated, competent, and a worthy citizen, who, if elected, will fill the office with credit to the people of Griggs county and to himself. The COURIER heartily believes that he will be elected. We certainly cannot see any reason for any republican not voting the entire ticket this year.

There is a movement on foot around the state to induce Congressman Spaulding to run for congress as an independent candidate. The COURIER deplors the turning down of Mr. Spaulding by the state convention as much as anybody in this state, but does not believe that he will enter into a deal to run independent. There would absolutely be no show of his being elected but it might result in splitting up the vote so that one of the democratic candidates might slide in as a consequence. Of course democratic papers will continually show up how he was abused by the republican leaders and will try and keep alive the seeds of dissatisfaction with a view to splitting up the party to work in a democrat, but just the same had the democrats a show of carrying North Dakota they would form the same kind of combinations over which they are so righteously deploring and condemning. We do not approve of the methods used in nominating a ticket by our republican convention but just so long as we turn down primary election we shall have to put up with these methods from all parties. Mr. Spaulding took his chances along with the others and the combination turned him down. It is the fortune of war as it were and he should abide by the result or should not have gone into the convention at all. We believe that he will not run as an independent as that would be playing the baby act. Mr. Spaulding has the satisfaction of knowing that he was the popular choice of the people—which is considerable glory, anyhow, but the politicians controlled the convention and he fell by the wayside.

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Cooperstown, North Dakota.