

# THE HAYS FREE PRESS

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### Primary Election August 4.

Two weeks from next Tuesday, on August 4, the primary election for national, state and township officers will be held in every city in the state of Kansas. It will be the initial trial of the new primary election law and county clerks are anticipating much trouble.

It appears that even Secretary of State Denton is a little "balled up" on the primary ballot. The primary election law provides that in case any points not covered in it shall be governed by the Australian Ballot Law. Now, according to the sample primary ballot received by county clerk W. T. Cox, containing therein instructions from Sec. of State Denton that no county clerk shall fill in the words "No Nomination" for offices for which no nomination papers have been filed. This is directly contrary to the Australian Ballot law and Mr. Denton does not stick to his own advice when he puts the words "No Nomination" on the same sample ballot. Mr. Cox points out another discrepancy which appears on the sample ballot: on the republican ticket are the names of ten presidential electors and ONE blank line. This gives the republican voter but one option out of the ten electors, whereas if the voter is to have the full benefit of his franchise, there should be ten lines, one for each elector. In case the primary ballots are the same as Mr. Benton's sample, the voter will have to vote for his party's electors or get an independent ballot and write in the names.

When the voter goes to the polls on August 4th, he will be asked on which ticket he wishes to vote. He may choose either republican, democratic, socialist, prohibition or independent.

The ballot he will be given will be a long strip of white paper about six inches wide by twenty inches long. On this will be two columns of names—in the first the national and state officers and the second the county and township officers. There is no circle at the top of the ticket and the voter will be compelled to make a cross in each square, or about forty-two votes in all. About ten minutes will be required by the average voter who marks his ballot carefully.

But little call will be made in this county for the socialist or prohibition ballots. At the last election three socialist votes were cast and no prohibition; the independent voters are also in very small numbers.

Should the voter call for a republican ballot he will find printed thereon the names of the republican nominees who have filed their nomination papers as prescribed by the new primary law. But should said voter not desire to vote for any of these nominees or should no one have been nominated for certain offices he shall have the privilege of writing in, in blank lines provided for that purpose, any name he wishes to and making cross mark after same.

Following are the names of those who filed their nomination papers:

Governor—W. R. Stubbs, C. Leland, Jr., republicans. J. D. Botkin, W. H. Ryan, Russell J. Harrison, democrats. Lieutenant Governor—W. J. Fitz-

ald, republican. Harry McMillan, democrat.

Secretary of State—Chas. E. Denton, republican. Willis H. Kemper, democrat.

Auditor—James M. Nelson, republican. Lewis B. Eppinger, democrat.

Treasurer—Mark Tully, republican. Conway Marshall, democrat.

Attorney General—Fred S. Jackson, A. F. Williams, republicans. James M. Meek, Geo. W. Freeks, democrats.

State Supt. of Public Inst.—E. T. Fairchild, republican. Mrs. Ella G. Burton, democrat.

Supt. Insurance—Charles W. Barnes, republican. Milton F. Belisle, democrat.

State Printer—T. A. McNeal, W. C. Austin, Albert T. Reid, republicans. E. F. Hudson, J. S. Cobb, democrats.

Railroad Commissioners—George W. Kanaval, Frank J. Ryan, C. A. Ryker, republicans. A. W. McVey, Taylor Riddle, Frank C. Fields, J. E. Howard, O. O. Ayres, democrats.

U. S. Senator—J. L. Bristow, C. I. Long, republican. Hugh P. Farrelley, democrat.

Congressman Sixth District—W. B. Ham, W. A. Reeder, republicans. John R. Connelly, W. S. Flemming, democrat.

State Senator Thirty-ninth district—A. B. Jones, Wm. Wells, republicans. Fred Robertson, democrat.

Representative—Wm. Grabbe, Miles H. Mulroy, democrats.

For county clerk—W. T. Cox, democrat.

For county treasurer—B. M. Dreiling, democrat.

For register of deeds—William Holtenbeck, John Troth, republicans. J. V. Eckrodt, Anton Klaus, Paul Pfannestiel, Nick Reidel, Alex Schueler, Jr., democrats.

For county attorney—Edw. C. Flood, A. D. Gilkeson, C. M. Holmquist, J. P. Shutts, democrats.

For probate judge—David Bobst, republican, J. B. Gross, democrat.

For sheriff—Geo. H. Bown, republican. Joe Dome, Anton Jacobs, democrats.

For coroner—Dr. J. U. Catudal, democrat.

For Co. Supt.—Joseph Jacobs, Anthony Kuhn, democrats.

For county surveyor—B. Markey, democrat.

For clerk of district court—Walter M. Stanton, democrat.

For county commissioner 2nd district—M. E. Dixon, republican. Jacob Brull, democrat.

For county commissioner 3rd district—Joseph Goetz, Joseph Rupp, Nick Schmidt, democrats.

### BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP.

Justice of Peace—F. E. McLain, republican. B. C. Arnold, H. Reemanyder, democrats.

For trustee—W. H. Levick, democrat.

For Clerk—Wm. Richmond, democrat.

For treasurer—Jos. Bahl, democrat.

For constables—Mike Quint, republican. C. C. Rupp, S. F. Joy, democrats.

For precinct committeeman—C. W. Miller, republican. John Brumitt, democrat.

### ELLIS TOWNSHIP.

Justices—E. A. Flood, R. A. Walker, republican.

Clerk—W. F. Boyles, republican.

Constable—A. S. Hughes, republican.

Treasurer—S. J. Holman, republican.

Precinct committeeman—F. J. Brettle, G. W. Murden, republican.

### PLEASANT HILL TOWNSHIP.

Trustee—Jos. Engle, Jr., democrat.

Clerk—John Lathigan, democrat.

### BUCKEYE TOWNSHIP.

Precinct committeeman—James Ross, democrat.

### WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP.

Trustee—Joe Binder, democrat.

Treasurer—F. A. Pfannestiel, democrat.

### SALINA TOWNSHIP.

Justice—F. E. Potter, republican.

Constable—J. P. Neilson, republican.

Trustee—C. M. Hadley, republican. S. L. Bowlby, democrat.

Treasurer—F. B. Shirley, republican. Precinct committeeman—R. G. Craig, republican. Herbert Cuff, democrat.

### HERZOG TOWNSHIP.

Trustee—Martin Windholtz, democrat.

### HAMILTON TOWNSHIP.

Trustee—C. W. Thayer, democrat.

### CATHERINE TOWNSHIP.

Precinct commissioner—Alois E. Karlin, democrat.

### The Carnival.

The Brundage & Fisher Carnival Co. have been showing in Hays this week on the vacant lots in front of the court house. The amusements are all that could be expected for the price and most of those who attended were satisfied with what they saw. The company carries a large troupe of actors, helpers, and show people. They are an unusually courteous troupe and the shows are clean, moral and attractive. The electric palace, crazy house and the Merry Widow shows were all very good and are drawing good crowds every night. A collection of preserved sea fish is one of the finest things on the grounds and a visit to this tent is truly a lesson in natural history. The large African snake attracted considerable attention and was worth the price of admission. The Ferris wheel and the merry-go-round both received liberal patronage, especially at the hands of the younger folk.

Taken all in all the show is all that is claimed for it and it serves very well to relieve the dull summer days.

### Deadly Effects of Excesses.

Nothing is known of the value of abstinence in this age. Fasting and prayer as a combination have not been handed down to us by our forefathers. Dissipations of every kind stare us in the face at every turn. The victim of excesses knows nothing of life from its most magnificent viewpoint. He is usually jaded, worked out; and there are very few moments in his existence that he really feels that exhilaration, that buoyancy, that comes with superb health.

Intemperance is a terrible sin. Alcohol has ruined millions of lives and has shortened the lives of millions more. But it is not by any means the only evil. Over-eating is a sin that exists in practically every home. It is not here and there—it is everywhere. How many years of your life are you spending for the privilege of stuffing your stomach? Some give twenty to twenty-five years, others from forty to sixty years. Have you figured out, dear reader, how many years of your life you are expending in this manner? There are excesses everywhere in life, but there is no evil or no combination of evils that has such a terrible effect upon bodily vigor, upon nervous energies, as a continuous habit of eating beyond the needs of the body. You simply wear out the human machine years and years before there is really any need of its showing the slightest sign of weakness.

Learn to eat what you need. Learn to scientifically feed the human machine. Don't dissipate in work. Take care of your body. It is the only one you have and you are liable to need it next year and the year after, and in fact, for years to come. Don't wear out the vital organs by compelling them to handle from two to four times as much food as is needed to fully nourish your body.

Any attention that is given to these very important subjects will be repaid over and over again, hundreds, yes, thousands of times, not only in increased physical health, but your earning power financially will be vastly increased. You will be a better man, a stronger woman, and life will open up opportunities under these changed conditions that would amaze you.—Physical Culture Magazine.

### Reeder Visits Hays.

Wm. A. Reeder, candidate for renomination as representative from the Sixth Congressional District, was in Hays Thursday evening and Friday morning shaking hands with the citizens and soliciting the support of the republicans at the August primary.

### The Harvest Is Over.

The wheat harvest in Ellis county was all finished this week and in some parts of the county plowing is well under way. Farmers now realize the advantages of early plowing and but few days are wasted after the crop is gathered until the soil is turned over.

Although this year's crop will hardly come up to the prophecy of a prominent Hays citizen, which was published in this paper at the beginning of harvest, "that it will be the biggest crop ever harvested in Ellis county," yet it has been a very good year with most of the farmers and they are well satisfied. One of the things worthy of note in this year's wheat harvest is the ripening of the crop. For nearly four weeks cutting has been going on in different parts of the county, beginning in the east end of the county as early as June 22 and lasting until the present date in the north part of the county. This is rather out of the ordinary, as the harvest generally lasts only about fifteen days.

### From Russell Record.

Jas. Madsen of Fairport was in town last Saturday. Judge Ruppenthal returned the latter part of last week from Denver where he attended Bryan's convention. H. L. Pestana of Hays was in Russell Monday, he being one of the attorneys in the Langhofer versus Herbel case. Last Friday was the hottest day of the season, the thermometer registering 94 in the shade the greater part of the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Levick of Hays came down Friday and stayed over Sunday visiting the latter's parents, F. B. Himes and wife. Mrs. Carrie Rockefeller-Colliver came down from Hays last Friday morning to visit the home folks and her friend, Miss Edna Mann of Chicago.

### Dirt in Potato Sacks.

Topeka, July 15.—An excess of dirt in sacks of potatoes is adulteration under the rulings of the pure food department and the attorney general, and farmers must see to it that the potatoes they sell do not contain too much earth. The pure food department is planning some prosecutions against farmers who are not careful enough in packing potatoes. A groceryman wanted to prosecute a commission firm for selling five sacks of potatoes weighing 530 pounds which contained 65 pounds of earth. Attorney General Jackson ruled that the commission firm cannot be prosecuted but that the farmer who packed the potatoes can be arrested for selling adulterated foods.

### Thorstenberg Concert.

Those who attended the Thorstenberg-Hobbs concert last Friday night were more than repaid. Although the weather was close and warm the interest of the audience was held from first to last. Several numbers were given by each and were greatly enjoyed. The main number of the evening "Enoch Arden" which was given with a musical setting, was far beyond anything ever given in this city. Miss Hobbs is certainly a talented elocutionist and Bethany College can well be proud of her. Prof. Thorstenberg is a true artist at the piano and his selections were very classical. The professor also has a fine baritone voice. He complimented the Normal highly on its new grand piano. This was the first evening entertainment held in the new auditorium of the Normal and those who were present were much pleased with the new hall. The four beautiful electric chandeliers light up the large room very nicely.

### New Church Dedicated at Ellis.

The new Congregational church at Ellis was dedicated with appropriate exercises last Sunday. The pastor was assisted by the State Superintendent of Missions and President Thayer of Fairmount College, Wichita. All the exercises, including the music, were very pleasing.

The cost of the new church was \$3000, all of which was subscribed within a half-hour at the dedication exercises. It is said to be the finest congregational church in western Kansas.

### Union Services.

The union services will be held on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the Baptist church. Rev. Brown will preach.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

Glen Jones, C. B. Kelley and a couple other young men from Wakeeney were in Hays Sunday. They came down in an automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Isaacson and family moved from Yocemento to Hays this week. They are staying at the Hotel Brunswick.

Lots of lumber is being hauled to the country now and there will be more building on the farms in the country this fall than ever before.

Misses Mabel and Ethel Rowlison expect to leave next week for Nebraska to visit relations. They will be followed later by their mother and sister.

Dr. M. Jay Brown, the eye and ear specialist from Salina, made his monthly professional visit to Hays last Monday. He expects to return August 17.

Frank Bissing and Henry Giebler returned Tuesday evening from a trip through eastern Kansas. They visited several days with Jos. Ryan at Frankfort.

Few farmers have been in town this week. The attraction of a street carnival is insignificant compared to the attraction of the big, yellow wheat stacks.

W. H. Snyder who has been employed by the News Publishing Co. and H. H. Baker who has been in the employ of Mr. Griffith, changed places Monday morning.

Two attempts to set fires were made Saturday evening in Hays. One fire was started near the barn of Isaac Zeigler and the second near the barn of Jacob Feitz.

H. C. Freese and Geo. Worth left Wednesday morning for Topeka where they will attend the Merchants Carnival. Both will be guests of the Continental Creamery Co.

Mr. Tom Cox leaves this Friday for South Dakota and Minnesota where he will visit a brother. Mr. Cox is in poor health and hopes to be benefitted by the change of climate.

The FREE PRESS scooped every other weekly paper in the state (to our knowledge) when we announced the nomination of John W. Kern as vice-president in last week's issue.

A stockholders meeting of the U. S. Portland Cement Co. took place at Yocemento on Tuesday. On Wednesday a directors' meeting was held in the office of Pres. I. M. Yost.

George and Harry Fields, nephews of Frank Fields proprietor of the Brunswick hotel, returned with him from Denver last Saturday morning. They are guests at the hotel.

George Drake brings to this office some very fine specimens of timothy and billion-dollar grass. The former measures four feet above the ground and the so-called "cat-tail" is over six inches long.

Louis Johnson retired from the meat market business on Wednesday of this week and sold his meats and tools to the other two butchers Frank King and A. C. Staab. Hays now has but two meat markets.

Erasmus Haworth of Lawrence, H. H. Lynn of Wetmore, S. P. Kramer of Kansas City, Mr. Anspaugh of Wilson, were among those to attend the stockholders meeting at Yocemento Tuesday. They are directors of the U. S. Portland Cement Co.

The weather has been very hot and close most of this week and the finishing days of harvest have been very strenuous.

There is a great demand among the farmers for teams to plow. One hundred extra teams could get work here now at good prices.

Prof. E. B. Matthew delivers the graduation address to common school graduates at Sharon Springs this Friday evening, the 17th.

## The Man Behind the Plow.

There's been a lot to say about the man behind the gun, And folks have praised him highly for the noble work he done; He won a lot of honor for the land where men are free— It was him that sent the Spaniards kitin' back across the sea.

But he's had his day of glory, had his little spree, and now There's another to be mentioned—he's the man behind the plow.

A battleship's a wonder and an army's mighty grand, And warrin's a profession only heroes understand;

There's something sort o' thrillin' in a flag that's wavin' high, And it makes you want to holler when the boys go marchin' by; But when the shoutin's over and the fightin's done, somehow We find we're still dependin' on the man behind the plow.

They sing about the glories of the man behind the gun, And the books are full of stories of the wonders he has done; The world has been made over by the fearless ones who fight; Lands that used to be in darkness they have opened to the light;

When God's children snarl the soldier has to settle up the row, And folks haven't time for thinkin' of the man behind the plow.

In all the pomp and splendor of an army on parade, And through all the awful darkness that the smoke of battles made; In the halls where jewels glitter and where shoutin' men debate, In the palaces where rulers deal out honors to the great,

There's not a single person who'd be doin' business now Or have medals if it wasn't for the man behind the plow.

We're a-buillin' mighty cities and we're gainin' lofty heights; We're a-winnin' lots of glory and we're settin' things to rights; We're a-showin' all creation how the world's affairs should run; Future men'll gaze in wonder at the things that we have done,

And they'll overlook the feller, just the same as we do now, Who's the whole concern's foundation—that's the man behind the plow.

—S. E. KISER.