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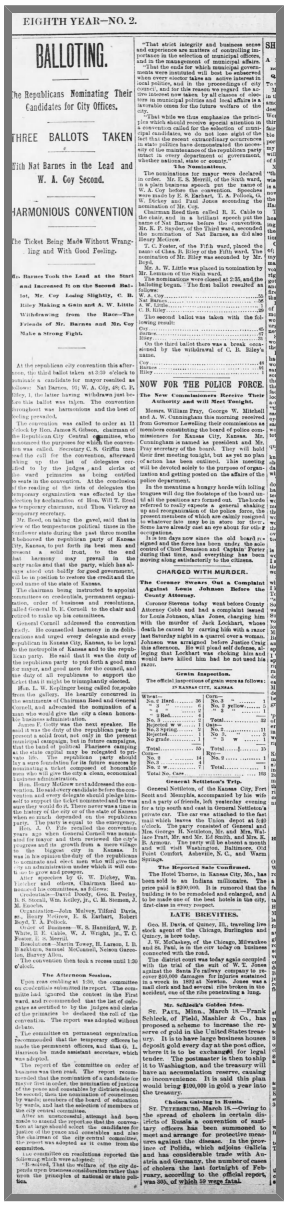

EIGHTH YEAR—NO. 2.

BALLOTING.

The Republicans Nominating Their Candidates for City Offices.

THREE BALLOTS TAKEN

Fith Nat Barnes in the Lead and W. A. Coy Second.

HARMONIOUS CONVENTION

The Ticket Being Made Without Wrangling and With Good Feeling.

Mr. Barnes Took the Lead at the Start and Increased It on the Second Ballot, Mr. Coy Losing Slightly, C. R. Riley Making a Gain and A. W. Little Withdrawing from the Race—The Friends of Mr. Barnes and Mr. Coy Make a Strong Fight.

At the republican city convention this afternoon, the third ballot taken at 5:30 o'clock to nominate a candidate for mayor resulted as follows: Nat Barnes, 91; W. A. Coy, 49; C. R. Riley, 1, the latter having withdrawn just before his ballot was taken. The convention throughout was harmonious and the best of feeling prevailed.

The convention was called to order at 11 o'clock by Hon. James S. Gibson, chairman of the Republican City Central committee, who announced the purposes for which the convention was called. Secretary C. S. Griffin then read the call for the convention, afterward taking up the list of delegates credited to by the judges and clerks of the ward primaries as being entitled to seats in the convention. The reading of the list of delegates and temporary organization was effected by the election by acclamation of Hon. Will T. Reed as temporary chairman, and Thos. Vickrey as temporary secretary.

Mr. Reed, on taking the gavel, said that in view of the unpropitious political times in the northwest state during the past three months it behooved the republican party of Kansas City, Kansas, to put forth its best men and present a solid front, to the end that harmony may prevail in the republican ranks and the democrats may be voted out lastly for good government. It will be in position to restore the credit and the good name of the state of Kansas.

The chairman being instructed to appoint committees on credentials, permanent organization, order of business and resolutions, called General D. E. Cornell to the chair and retired to make up his committees.

General Cornell addressed the convention briefly. He counselled harmony in its deliberations and urged every delegate and every republican in Kansas City, Kansas, to be loyal to the metropolis of Kansas and to the republican party. He said that it was the duty of the republican party to put forth a good man for mayor, and good men for the council, and the duty of all republicans to support the ticket that it might be triumphantly elected.

Hon. L. W. Keplinger being called for spoke from the gallery. He heartily concurred in the sentiments of Chairman Reed and General Cornell, and advocated the nomination of a man who would give the city a clean honorable and business administration.

James F. Goltry was the next speaker. He said it was the duty of the republican party to present a solid front, not only in the present municipal campaign, but in future campaigns, as the state capital may be relegated to private life. The republican party should by a sure foundation for the future success by nominating a ticket composed of honorable men, who will give the city a clean, economical business administration.

Hon. Henry McGee next addressed the convention. He counselled harmony in the present contest, and every delegate should pledge himself to support the ticket nominated and he was sure they would fix it. There never was a time in the history of the city or of the state of Kansas when the republican party was in such a bad fix. The party is equal to the emergency.

Hon. J. O. Fee recalled the convention of two years ago when General Cornell was nominated for mayor and then reviewed the city's financial condition. The city is now in debt to the bigger city in Kansas. It was in his opinion the duty of the republicans to nominate and elect men who will give the city an administration under which it will continue to grow and prosper.

After speeches by G. W. Dickey, Wm. Vickrey and others, Chairman Reed announced his committees, as follows:

Credentials—David Doody, Geo. R. Perley, Jas. Hall, Wm. Ashley, jr., L. M. Noonan, J. M. Rhodes.

Organization—John Mulvey, Tilford Davis, Sr., Harry Vickrey, T. S. Ballard, Robert Reed, T. A. Pollock.

Order of Business—W. S. Hazelrigg, W. E. White, H. E. Lasle, W. A. Wright, jr., T. C. Foster, J. A. Sewell.

Resolutions—Hiram Tower, H. Larson, I. B. Hamilton, Samuel McConnel, Nelson Gaeddis, Harvey Allen.

The convention then took a recess until 1:30 o'clock.

The Afternoon Session.

Upon reassembling at 1:30, the committee on credentials submitted its report. The committee had ignored the contest in the First ward, and recommended that the list of delegates as certified to by the judges and clerks of the primaries be declared the roll of the convention. The report was adopted without a dissenting voice.

The committee on permanent organization recommended that the temporary officers be made the permanent officers, and that G. L. Harrison be made assistant secretary, which was adopted.

The report of the committee on order of business was then read. The report recommended that the nomination of a candidate for mayor be made first in order, and that the nominations of the peace and constables by districts should be second, then the nomination of councilmen by wards, members of the board of education by wards, and last the selection of members of the republican city committee.

After an unsuccessful attempt had been made to amend the report so that the convention at large should select the candidates for justices of the peace and constables and also for councilmen by wards, the report was adopted as it came from the committee.

The committee on resolutions reported the following which was adopted:

Resolved, That the welfare of the city demands upon business considerations rather than upon the principles of national or state politics.

"That strict integrity and business sense and experience are matters of controlling importance in the selection of municipal officers, and should receive special attention.

"That the ends for which municipal governments were instituted will best be subserved when every voter takes an active interest in local politics, and in the proceedings of city conventions, and we congratulate the citizens of Kansas now taken by all classes of citizens in municipal politics and local affairs is a harmonious omen for the future welfare of the city.

"That while we thus emphasize the principles which should receive special attention in a convention called for the selection of municipal candidates, we do not lose sight of the fact that the recent extraordinary occurrences in the state of Kansas demand the active support of the maintenance of the republican party intact in every department of government, whether national, state or county."

The Nominations.

The nominations for mayor were declared in order. Mr. E. S. Merrill, of the tenth ward, in a plain business speech put the name of W. A. Coy before the convention. Speeches were made by E. S. Herbert, T. A. Pollock, ta., and Hon. Jas. S. Gibson, seconding the nomination of Mr. Coy.

Chairman Reed then called R. E. Childs to the chair, and in a brilliant speech put the name of Nat Barnes before the convention. Hon. Will T. Reed, in a few words seconded the nomination of Nat Barnes, as did also Henry McGee.

T. C. Foster, of the Fifth ward, placed the name of Chas. R. Riley of the Fifth ward. The nomination of Mr. Riley was seconded by Mr. Boyd.

Mr. A. W. Little was placed in nomination by Mr. Lemmon of the Sixth ward.

The nominations were closed at 2:35, and the balloting began. The first ballot resulted as follows:

W. A. Coy	35
Nat Barnes	37
A. W. Little	16
C. R. Riley	10

The second ballot was taken with the following result:

Coy	45
Barnes	51
Riley	1

On the third ballot there was a break occasioned by the withdrawal of C. R. Riley's name.

Coy	49
Barnes	91
Riley	1

NOW FOR THE POLICE FORCE.

The New Commissioners Receive Their Authority and will Meet Tonight.

Messrs. William Frey, George W. Mitchell and A. W. Cunningham this morning received from Governor Lewelling their commissions as members constituting the board of police commissioners for Kansas City, Kansas. Mr. Cunningham is named as president and Mr. Frey secretary of the board. They will hold their first meeting tonight, but as yet no plan of action has been outlined. This meeting will be devoted solely to the purpose of organization and getting posted on the affairs of the police department.

In the meantime a hungry horde will filling tongues will dog the footsteps of the board until all the positions are formed out. The horde referred to really expects a general shaking up and reorganization of the police force, the present members of which are calmly resigned. Many of the names of those who will fill the offices have already met an eye alone for only a occupations.

Things have been now since the old board resigned and the force has been under the command of Chief Donahoe and Captain Porter during that time, and everything has been moving along satisfactorily to the citizens.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

The Coroner Swears Out a Complaint Against Louis Johnson Before the County Attorney.

Coroner Stevens today went before County Attorney Cobb and had a complaint issued for Louis Johnson, alias Jones, charging him with the murder of Jack Lockhart, whose death he caused by carving him with a razor last Saturday night in a quarrel over a woman. Johnson was arraigned before Justice Craig this morning and his case continued, pending the legal that Lockhart was choking him and would have killed him had he not used his razor.

Grain Inspection.

The official inspections of grain were as follows:

IN KANSAS CITY, KANSAS.

Wheat—		Corn—	
No. 2 Hard	36	No. 2	1
" 3 "	6	" 3 "	2
" 4 "	2	No. 2 yellow	1
" 2 Red	4		
" 3 "	1	Total	32
Rejected w'r	1	Oats—	
No. 2 Spring	1	No. 2	11
Rejected	1	No. 3	3
No grade	1	" W	1
Total	53	Total	15
Corn—		Rye—	
No. 2	14	No. 2	1
" 3	7		
No. 3 w	7	Total	1
Total No. Corn			102

General Nettleton's Trip.

General Nettleton, of the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis, accompanied by his wife and a party of friends, left yesterday evening for a trip south and east in General Nettleton's private car. The car was attached to the fast mail which leaves the Union depot at 5:40 o'clock. The party consisted of General and Mrs. Nettleton, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nettleton, Miss Pratt, Mr. and Mr. Ed Smith, and Mrs. E. B. Armour. The party will be absent a month and will visit Washington, Baltimore, Old Point Comfort, Asheville, N. C., and Warm Springs.

The Reported Sale Confirmed.

The Hotel Theres, in Kansas City, Mo., has been sold to an Indiana millionaire. The purchase price is $500,000. It is rumored that the building is to be remodeled and enlarged, and that it will be one of the finest hotels in the city, first-class in every respect.

LATE BREVITIES.

Geo. H. Davis, of Quincy, Ill., traveling live stock agent of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, is in the city.

T. W. McCaskey, of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, is in the city today on business connected with the road.

The district court was today again occupied with the trial of the suit of W. S. Jones against the Kansas City Belt railway for about $10,000 damages for injuries sustained in a wreck in 1892 at Newton. Jones was a mail clerk and had several ribs broken in the accident, one of the ribs penetrating a lung.

Mr. Schiesk's Golden Idea.

St. Paul, Minn., March 18.—Frank Schiesk, of Field, Mashler & Co., has proposed a scheme to increase the reserve of gold in the United States treasury. It is to have large business houses deposit gold every day at the post office, where it is to be exchanged for legal tender. The postmaster is then to ship it to Washington, and the treasury will have an accumulation reserve, causing no inconvenience. It is said this plan would bring $100,000 in gold a year into the treasury.

Cholera Raging in Russia.

St. Petersburg, March 18.—Owing to the spread of cholera in certain districts of Russia a convention of sanitary officers has been summoned to meet and arrange for protective measures against the disease. In the province of Polida, which adjoins Galicia and has considerable trade with Austria and Germany, the number of cases of cholera the last fortnight of February, according to the official report, was 305, of which 97 were fatal.

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