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STATE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

The formal call for the republican state convention was issued Saturday from headquarters in Chicago. The convention will convene at Springfield, Wednesday, April 29, at 12 m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates to be voted for at the November election, 1896, by the following officers, in the order named, to-wit:

Lieutenant governor. Secretary of state. Auditor of public accounts. State treasurer. Attorney general. Three trustees of the University of Illinois.

Also to nominate two electors-at-large, and one elector from each congressional district in the state, to be selected by the delegates to said state convention from each district, except where candidates for elector have before that time been selected in congressional district conventions.

Also to select four delegates-at-large and four alternates-at-large to the national republican convention.

Also for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it. Except where conventions for a like purpose shall be otherwise called, the delegates from the several counties comprising the several grand divisions of the supreme court and the several appellate court districts will meet in separate conventions immediately after the adjournment of the state convention and nominate one candidate for clerk of the supreme court in each of the said grand divisions, and one candidate for clerk of the appellate court in each of said appellate court districts.

The basis of representation for the several counties will be one delegate for every 300 votes cast for the republican presidential electors in 1892, and one for each fraction thereof of not less than 150 votes. Under this representation DuPage county is entitled to eight delegates.

ILLINOIS FOR MCKINLEY.

Following its telegraphic collation of presidential opinions from Wisconsin and Indiana correspondents, showing that the preponderance of sentiment in those states is unquestionably for McKinley, the Tribune makes a showing of Illinois sentiment which confirms what The Times-Herald has contented all along and merely emphasizes the fact that the remarkable McKinley demonstration at the Springfield love feast was fairly representative of the popular will in Illinois.

The Tribune very properly assumes that the country editors stand very close to their constituencies and may therefore be regarded as faithful reflectors of political sentiment in their respective communities.

Letters from 150 republican editors in Illinois to the Tribune giving their personal choice for president show Major McKinley to be far in the lead, notwithstanding the fact that the republican bosses of the state have indicated a desire that the delegation should stand for Senator Cullom until the party managers could use it advantageously for trading purposes when the critical moment for action arrived.

Out of the 150 responses 40 are for Cullom for first choice, while 83 are for McKinley for first choice and 12 of those for Cullom are for McKinley for second choice. Four are for Allison and 6 for Reed.

In this connection it must be borne in mind that many of the editors who declare in favor of Senator Cullom are not only animated by feelings of state pride, but their declarations are also influenced to some extent by unwillingness to be published as being in an attitude of opposition to the state machinery of the party, which at one time seemed to be perfecting plans for holding the delegation in Mr. Cullom's name until the opportune time arrived for throwing it to the winner, whoever he might be.

This is no reflection on Senator Cullom; neither is it a reflection upon the editors who declared for him. It is perfectly natural that the editors of the purely party organs should desire not to go contrary to the dictates of the party machine. It is also a significant fact that many of the editors who failed to respond are known to be favorable to McKinley, but doubtless were disinclined to express themselves for publication, not knowing what use might be made of their replies.

Notable instances of this are such well-known republican dailies as the Danville News, Bloomington Leader, Decatur Herald-Dispatch, Elgin News, Freeport Journal, Galesburg Mail, Galesburg Republican-Register, Moline Republican-Journal, Springfield News, Peoria Transcript and the four daily papers at Aurora.

The country press has a habit of adhering to Lincoln's injunction to

keep close to the people. A large majority of the Illinois republican editors are for McKinley. There could be no better evidence of the popularity of the distinguished Ohioan among the common people of Illinois.—Times-Herald.

VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS.

Downers Grove, Ill., Jan. 6, 1896.

The regular monthly meeting for the month of January 1896, was called to order by Trustee Bunge. President Carpenter being absent. It was formally moved, seconded and carried that Trustee Gallup take the chair as president pro tem. Trustee Wetten was appointed clerk of the village pro tem, Village Clerk John M. Wells being absent.

The roll call noted present, Trustees Chilvers, Moss, Gallup, Bunge and Wetten. Absent President Carpenter. The minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and approved. The village collector's statement of all monies received and paid to village treasurer since his last report read, approved and ordered placed on file.

Claim ordinance No. 30, providing for the payment of certain bills and bonds, was read and was as follows, to-wit:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes F. W. Hoffert (\$30.00), M. Slumer (\$15.00), J. D. Fowler (\$60.00), Jesse Hall (\$2.40), Globe Light & Heat Co. (\$130.88), Garlock Packing Co. (\$17.49), H. Reitch (\$9.55), W. H. Metz (\$17.59), P. J. Kearney (\$2.00), Horace Aldrich (\$7.78), Mertz & Moebel (\$10.04), John M. Wells (\$23.78), Pittsburg Meter Co. (\$12.40), F. A. Brode & Co. (\$66.15), Pittsburg Oil Co. (\$39.41), White & Williams (\$30.80).

Farmers & Merchants Bank. Bonds 10, 11 and 12 of 2nd installment. Special assessment No. 1 total of \$21.15. Also bond No 13 2nd installment Special assessment No. 1, 107.05.

Farmers & Merchants Bank. Bonds 8 and 9 of 2nd installment Special assessment No. 2, 211.60. Also bond 10 of 2nd installment. Special assessment No. 1 from deferred special assessment No. 2, 105.75.

Farmers & Merchants Bank. Bonds 9 of 2nd. installment special assessment No. 3 from deferred special assessment No. 3, 105.75. Upon a motion being regularly made and seconded the said claim ordinance No. 30 was placed upon its passage and carried. Those voting aye, were Trustees Moss, Bunge, Chilvers, Gallup and Wetten. were none.

The report of the Superintendent of the water works for the month of December was read and ordered placed on file. Sidewalk ordinance No. 14 requiring a sidewalk to be built on the west side of Foots street between Chicago and Prairie avenues immediately in front of lots 1 to 16 inclusive of block 15 in E. H. Prince & Co's addition to Downers Grove was formally read. It was moved and seconded that said ordinance be put upon its passage and the clerk instructed to see to its proper publication. Same was carried.

A petition asking for a sidewalk to be laid on the north side of Randall at between church and Washington sts, was presented and read. It was moved and seconded that the petition be granted and the ordinance committee be instructed to draft a proper ordinance covering same and present it at the next regular meeting of the board. Carried.

An application from G. F. Hawkins applying for a renewal of his plumber's license for a term of one year from Dec. 18, 1894, enclosing the required fee of \$10 for same was read and upon motion of Moss, seconded by Bunge that said Hawkins be granted the license and ordered to file his bond with the clerk at once in accordance with the village ordinances regarding same. Carried.

A communication from John H. Hughes regarding the bad condition of the street drain in Prince st was read and upon motion of Wetten the matter was referred to the street commissioner for investigation with orders to remedy the trouble if it proved to be caused by the negligence of the village.

An electric light ordinance, introduced by C. C. Carnahan representing Chas. D. Wright asking for a 30 year franchise to maintain and operate an electric light, heat and power plant in the village, was read and upon the request of Mr. Carnahan action on same was deferred until later in the evening.

The resignation of John M. Wells from the office of village clerk and collector was read and upon the proper motion and second same was voted accepted.

The matter of lowering the sidewalk grade on the south side of Maple avenue between Washington st and Belden ave in front of the Blodgett's and Trobridge's property had previously been to the street and alley committee with instructions to report recommendations as to what should be done in the matter. In accordance with said instructions, the committee advised that the sidewalk grade surveys made under instructions of the present board by E. A. Matter C. E. In this the board concurred.

The report of the finance committee on the auditing committee on the auditing of the village collector's books covering the period of time from March 3, 1895, to the date of the last auditing by the previous board to Dec. 14, 1895 was read by

the clerk. The summary of same showed John M. Wells, as collector indebted to the village in the sum of \$444.33 as follows: On acct special assessment books 301 04 " " water rates and tapping fees. 138.29 On acct of dog license. 2.00

The report was ordered placed on file. Upon the suggestion of the finance committee, and its predecessors, the committee was instructed to re-audit the collector's books from the date of opening same, July 26, 1894, to March 2nd, 1895, the beginning of the present auditing.

A motion was made by Trustee Moss, and seconded by Trustee Chilvers, that in view of the fact that it is not the duty of the finance committee to audit the books kept during the preceding administration of the board, the said committee be paid for their services in such work and be requested to render the village a bill for same. Motion was carried. Those voting aye, were Trustees Moss, Chilvers, Gallup, Bunge and Wetten, nays none.

At this juncture of the proceedings President Carpenter arrived and took the chair, Trustee Gallup vacating. The electric light ordinance hereinbefore referred to, was again ordered read and after some discussion it was referred to the ordinance committee for investigation and disposal.

The matter of filling the vacancy of village clerk and collector caused by the resignation of John M. Wells was brought up for discussion and it was finally decided to lay the matter on the table until an adjourned meeting of the board to take place at W.S. Carpenter's at 8 o'clock p.m. Jan. 7, 1896.

A motion for adjournment until said date was made and the meeting adjourned. A. H. WETTEN, Clerk of the Village pro tem.

Downers Grove, Ill., Jan. 7, '96. The adjourned regular meeting of January 6th to January 7th, 1896, was called to order by President Carpenter. Trustee Wetten was appointed clerk of the village pro tem.

Roll call found present President Carpenter, Trustees Bunge, Moss, Chilvers and Wetten. Absent Trustee Gallup. The matter of filling the vacancy in the office of village clerk caused by the resignation of John M. Wells, was moved taken from the table and open for discussion. It had been previously decided to separate the office of village clerk and collector, and accordingly the application of Bert C. White to fill the office of village clerk was considered and President Carpenter offered his appointment to the position. Upon a formal motion and second the appointment was concurred in by the board and Bert C. White instructed to prepare a proper bond in the sum of \$1,000 with proper sureties, and present same at the next adjourned meeting of the board for approval.

The matter of supplying the vacancy created in the office of village collector was moved taken from the table. There being no other formal application for the position save that of G. F. Hawkins, President Carpenter offered his appointment to fill the vacancy and upon it being regularly moved and seconded his appointment was concurred in by the board and G. F. Hawkins instructed to prepare his bond in the sum of \$5,000, with good and sufficient sureties, and present same at the next adjourned meeting of the board for approval.

Upon motion of Trustee Moss, seconded by Trustee Bunge, the board adjourned to meet at the same place Jan. 13, '96. A. H. WETTEN, Clerk of Village, pro tem.

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Roll call noted present, President Carpenter and Trustees Moss, Gallup, Chilvers, Bunge and Wetten. Trustee Wetten was appointed clerk of the village pro tem.

The bond of G. F. Hawkins for the office of collector, with J. S. Godson and E. O. Stanley as sureties, was read by the clerk. It being formally moved and seconded that the bond as read be accepted and approved, the motion was carried.

The bond of Bert C. White for the office of village clerk, with George Hoffert and W. H. Edwards as sureties, was read by the clerk, and upon a proper motion and seconded the bond was approved and accepted as read and the clerk instructed to deliver the bonds of both the village clerk and collector to the president of the board for keeping.

Upon the request of Trustee Gallup the clerk read Sections 153, 154 and 155 of Chapter 17 of the village ordinances, relating to the case of fire apparatus belonging to the village. After some discussion the board reached a mutual understanding that in the future the new fire hose shall not be taken from the house for other than fire, or fire drill purposes. Further that in the future only the old hose shall be used for village purposes aside from fire, such as flushing the water ditches, sewers, etc. Also that the fire hose shall in no case be loaned to private individuals and that in no instance hereafter will the village fill cisterns, wells, or any receptacles where the use of the fire hose is necessary.

The matter of opening the drain running west from Main street, between Warren avenue, and Franklin street, was brought up for discussion. The board finally decided to go over the ground together, and dispose of same at the next meeting.

The matter of feeding the lake for skating purposes as per a petition in the hands of the clerk was left with the water committee.

Upon motion board adjourned. A. H. WETTEN, Clerk of village pro tem.

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SOCIETIES. Grove Lodge, 324, A. F. & A. M. Meets every second and fourth Friday in each month. O. E. S. Vest Chapter 242. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month in Masonic Hall.

Village Officers. President—W. S. Carpenter. Treasurer—Jas. Chilvers. Police Magistrate—D. G. Graham. Fire Marshal—F. Blinhard. Health Officer—J. M. Wells.

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