

THE LIBERALS

Nominate Fred. J. Kiesel for Mayor of Ogden City,

S. M. Preshaw, M. H. Beardsley, W. M. Rank and A. Shaw for Aldermen,

P. Thorsted, E. T. Hulaniski, Ad. Kuhn, J. C. Armstrong, and C. J. Corey for Councilmen,

With Various Other Candidates for Salt Creek,

Whither They Will Set Sail, Feb. 10th, 1885.

On Monday evening, Feb. 2, the duly appointed time, the "Liberal" Convention of 49 citizens to select a ticket for the next City election met in the First District Court room, considerable good humor mingling with a little Havana leaf and an enormity of cabbage fumigation. Of course, the gentlemen only met as like gathered in an Irish wake, especially as the OGDEN HERALD specials concerning the shooting of O'Donovan Rossa cast a gloom over the Hibernian camp.

After J. G. Tyler, chairman of the "Liberal" Club had called the congregation to order, on motion of E. A. McDaniels, S. M. Preshaw was elected chairman of the meeting, and he thanked the Convention for the honor, after which Mr. O. E. Hill was unanimously sustained as secretary. On motion of M. H. Beardsley, M. H. Beardsley, C. R. Hank, W. M. Rank, H. M. Bond, and R. C. Miller were appointed a committee on credentials.

The chair appointed as a committee on business, J. G. Tyler, Theo. Schansbach, Wm. Farrell, W. V. Helfrich, J. E. Coolidge. On motion of E. A. McDaniels the chair was instructed to appoint a committee of five on platform, consisting of the following members, after the committee on credentials had reported the following list, those marked with asterisks having failed to present their documents.

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| Abbott, J. W. | Kuhn, Ad. |
| Beardsley, M. H. | Lambert Charles |
| *Biel, M. | Ledwidge, John |
| Bond, H. M. | Marth, George |
| Browning, J. T. | McDaniels, E. A. |
| Carroll, Wm. | McCarty, L. |
| Clayton, J. J. | McNutt, J. W. |
| Coolidge, J. E. | Miller, R. C. |
| Corey, C. J. | Moore, J. W. |
| Chapman, W. M. | Peebles, C. L. |
| Dallimore, Wm. | Preshaw, S. M. |
| Farrell, Wm. | Rank, Wm. M. |
| Ford, Philip | Schansbach, Th. |
| Goodfellow, J. B. | Schansbach, A. |
| Hank, O. R. | *Smith, Ransford |
| Helfrich, W. V. | Smith, A. C. |
| Heywood, A. R. | Stone, Amos |
| Hill, O. E. | Studer, Wm. |
| Hopkins, J. B. | Thompson, Jas. |
| *Hulaniski, E. T. | *Thompson, J. L. |
| Hurlbut, F. B. | Tyler, J. G. |
| *Hurlbut, H. H. | Wells, R. A. |
| *Kiesel, F. J. | Wild, Levi |
| Kiesel, J. | Woolner, Henry |
| Kimball, N. | |

The final roll examination showed that all of the 49 delegates except one (Captain Ransford Smith) were present and entitled to action. The report of the committee on credentials was accepted, and the vote, all night, was 48, with no blanks.

The report of the committee on order of business was accepted and adopted, and consequently the first thing coming up was, on E. A. McDaniels' motion, to appoint a committee of five on platform, which the chair constructed with the following timber: E. A. McDaniels, A. R. Heywood, C. J. Corey, J. B. Hopkins, A. C. Smith. The committee returned in astonishingly short time—barely enough to open the side-door, disappear behind it, and re-emerge before the public. Their report, as presented, and unanimously accepted, is as follows:

We, the representatives of the Liberal party of Ogden City in Convention assembled, believing it to be our duty to make a declaration of principles, and to propose certain necessary reforms in the administration of the City government, declare:

- 1st. That we disapprove of the practice of requiring a religious test for candidacy for office.
- 2nd. That taxation should be equal and for specified purposes.
- 3rd. There should be a strict accounting by all officers entrusted with public funds, not only to the officers as now provided by law, but by a public sworn statement showing amount of revenue collected, for what purpose it was collected, and how expended.
- 4th. That a certified tax list should be published each year, showing the amount and the value of the property of each citizen and corporation as assessed for taxation.
- 5th. That all public work should be done by the lowest bidder furnishing the necessary security.
- 6th. That Aldermen should be elected by the voters of the respective Wards that they represent, and not at large.
- 7th. That our City government should encourage manufacturing industries by all legitimate means.

Mr. Farrell objected to precipitate wholesale swallowing of this platform, and on it being read by sections, Mr. Farrell opposed the first section, which brings in the religious question, which he was in favor of leaving out completely. There was quite an animated discussion on the subject, several delegates making remarks, more or less irrelevant. Mr. Farrell's motion to expunge the "religious" clause as useless and inappropriate was lost, by nine ayes, to all the rest of negatives; section after section then went through on the even tenor of the "Liberal" love-feast.

Then came the nominating business, the motions for a majority of all votes cast (by secret ballot) being necessary, prevailing. Wm. M. Rank, W. V. Helfrich, J. W. Abbott were appointed tellers. Gen. Kimball nominated Fred J. Kiesel for Mayor, as representative of the "Liberal" party, which nomination was unanimously sustained by a rising vote.

Nominations for Alderman of the First Ward were made: S. M. Preshaw, M. Buchmiller, R. A. Wells, E. T. Hulaniski, G. L. Corey, Patsey Hailey, C. R. Hank. The first vote stood:

Preshaw.....	21
Buchmiller.....	4
Wells.....	4
Hulaniski.....	10
Corey.....	7
Hailey.....	1
Hank.....	1

The second ballot showed:

Preshaw.....	29
Buchmiller.....	0
Hulaniski.....	7
Corey.....	11
Wells.....	1
Hailey.....	0

This vote declared S. M. Preshaw the gentleman who is to undertake to get into the City Council with the unanimous support of the Liberals.

For Aldermen of the Second Ward there were nominated: M. H. Beardsley, Jas. Forbes, H. L. Griffin, G. O. Davis, Thompson ("the tinner"), J. C. Armstrong. The first ballot resulted as follows:

Beardsley.....	19
Forbes.....	3
Griffin.....	6
Davis.....	7
Thompson.....	2
Armstrong.....	11

The second vote showed the following results:

Beardsley.....	22
Forbes.....	0
Griffin.....	1
Davis.....	2
Thompson.....	1
Armstrong.....	22

Then came the third "tug of war:"

Beardsley.....	23
Forbes.....	0
Griffin.....	0
Davis.....	0
Thompson.....	1
Armstrong.....	24

At the fourth ballot the contest narrowed itself down to the two highest, Beardsley and Armstrong:

Beardsley.....	26
Armstrong.....	21
Thompson.....	1

For Alderman of the Third Ward the following citizens were nominated: Wm. M. Rank, J. W. McNutt, C. J. Corey, J. W. Millis, John Keck. The first vote was as follows:

Rank.....	15
McNutt.....	11
Corey.....	9
Millis.....	6
Keck.....	5
J. S. Lewis.....	1
Blank.....	1

The second ballot gave:

McNutt.....	12
Rank.....	20
Millis.....	3
Corey.....	12
Keck.....	1

Still no choice, and the battle for unattainable laurels went on, as Shakespeare calls it "Love's-Labor Lost," the third ballot resulting:

McNutt.....	9
Rank.....	27
Corey.....	11
Millis.....	1

The agent of the D. & R. G. R. thus took his rank among the "Liberal" would-be Aldermen, after which the following were nominated for the gratuitous honor of candidates for the Aldermanship of the Fourth Ward: Ambrose Shaw, R. C. Miller. The first ballot:

Shaw.....	40
Miller.....	8

This was the most rapid, and expeditious balloting done in the evening, also the highest vote.

Next came the nominations for Councilmen, regarding which a motion by Mr. M. H. Beardsley was made, to select one Councilor from each Ward and one at large. A. R. Heywood objected to this mode of the "opposition ticket," the motion of Mr. Beardsley at first, being lost by 20 to 27. Then there was some fun in everybody nominating everybody else, which is shown as follows by the subsequent list of a part of the Directory: R. A. Wells, E. T. Hulaniski, J. B. Hopkins, Peter Thorsted, J. C. Armstrong, J. W. McNutt, G. L. Corey, W. V. Helfrich, Ad. Kuhn, O. E. Hill, John Keck, V. M. C. Silva, J. S. Lewis, Henry Woolner, E. J. Wagner, E. A. Littlefield, Wm. Farrell, F. B.

Hurlbut, Jas. Forbes, Jas. Thompson, Wm. Carroll, and O. J. Corey. Finally it was decided to vote for five Councilmen at the time, so as to animate the proceedings and infuse life into the monotony. The nominees obtaining a majority were to be the ones. The various ballots stood, those with asterisks being the candidates elect:

	1st ballot	2nd ballot	3rd ballot
Hulaniski.....	*25		
Wells.....	10	7	
Hopkins.....	3		
Thorsted.....	*45		
Armstrong.....	16	24	*27
McNutt.....	14	6	2
G. L. Corey.....	6		
Funge.....	4	1	
Kuhn.....	*33		
Keck.....	16	16	17
Lewis.....	11		
Woolner.....	1		
Littlefield.....	1		
Wagner.....	1		
Hill.....	0	1	1
Silva.....	1	1	
Farrell.....	11	8	
Hurlbut.....	3		
Forbes.....	7		
Thompson.....	5	3	1
Carroll.....	5		
C. J. Corey.....	17	*29	

It appeared plainly from the vote that there was a flickering flame of hope by the "Liberals" to get some votes from the northern part of the municipality by patting one Mr. Thorsted, of Lynne, on the lower part of his dorsal spine by gratuitous compliments which he certainly never dreamed of in the frozen fjords of his Scandinavian home. The repeated calling of this Norwegian notability's name was received with a gratified sneer of contempt and a snicker of "Didn't I-tell-you-so?" which would certainly have taken out all the self-conceit even of a Krao. But it is too attenuated—the "bells of Lynne," of which the poet sings will not toll to the pull of "Liberal" wires; their chime will help in ringing the knell of the "Liberal" ticket, of the getters up of which not one in 25 ever heard of the gentleman whom they threw out as a bait to the presumably gullible voters in our northern suburbs.

On nomination for City Recorder, the following were mentioned: J. G. Tyler, O. E. Hill, W. V. Helfrich, the vote being as follows:

Tyler.....	36
Hill.....	12
Helfrich.....	1
Keck.....	1

Next came the "love's lost labor" of nominating for Treasurer, the following names being presented: O. E. Hill, J. S. Lewis, the balloting for which resulted as follows:

Hill.....	33
Lewis.....	12
Blank.....	3

The honor to be vastly left behind by Marshal-will-be-elect T. H. Ballantyne was contended for by Wm. Brown, which was largely and loudly seconded and made unanimous by acclamation, under suspension of the rules.

For Assessor and Collector the names of M. Buchmiller, John Keck, and John Restall were brought before the body, with the following result:

Keck.....	35
Restall.....	11
Buchmiller.....	2

Adjourned, to meet at the funeral exercises, on Tuesday, Feb. 10th, "Alderman" Preshaw officiating.