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CHANGES IN THE PRIMARY LAW

Women May Vote for Most of the Candidates—Precinct Committees to be Elected.

The exact provisions of the primary law governing the April 20 election has baffled nearly all of the voters and some of the politicians are asking questions. The attorney general's office has sent out bulletins by the dozen and ruling on most of the points in dispute has been made.

County Clerk W. C. Mounts has issued a statement giving answers to several of the most common queries. It follows:

To the Public: Because of the rather unusual conditions under which the coming primary of April 20, 1920, is to be held, many questions have been asked of this office regarding ballots, voters, etc., and in view of these numerous inquiries, we beg to submit the following rules that should govern.

1. March 20, 1920, will be the last day for receiving filings.

2. As soon as possible after time for filing expires, a list of candidates filed in this office will be distributed to all clerks. In this certification all district officers will be certified, but each clerk will be expected to place on the ballot only the name or names of the particular candidate or candidates to be voted for in his respective district or county.

3. The statutory provisions concerning citizenship will prevail as at general elections, which bars aliens, but gives women the right to vote on candidates and provisions as more fully explained in another paragraph.

4. This year precinct delegates to county conventions must be elected in the county primaries. The county central committee will determine the number for the respective parties. Precinct committees for each political party must also be elected at the primaries. A man and woman for each precinct must be elected as members of the county central committee.

There will be separate ballots for republican male voters, republican female voters and non-partisan ballots will also be printed separately, but unless the county must elect a superintendent of public instruction, separate non-partisan ballots for men and women will not be necessary, as women will vote for no other non-partisan officer.

6. Separate ballots will be used for men and women voters and the ballots kept separate. The names of the men and women electors should be entered in separate poll books, or in separate divisions of the same book.

7. Women will be entitled to vote for all national, state, district, county or municipal officers except the following: United States senator, United States representative, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, treasurer, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, commissioner of public lands and buildings, members of the railway commission, members of the state legislature, judges of the supreme court, judges of the district court, judges of the county court, justices of the peace, police magistrates, regents of the state university.

8. Women will be eligible to appointment on election boards.

INSURANCE AGENTS TO MEET HERE TUESDAY

Tuesday, March 23, members of the Nebraska association of local insurance agents will gather in Alliance for their first state convention since 1917. An attendance of at least 125 is expected, and it is probable that the number will exceed this estimate. President J. W. Guthrie of this city has already received requests for reservations, and more are coming in every day. Registration headquarters will be the Alliance hotel.

The meeting is expected to be an enthusiastic one, and an interesting program has been arranged. Tuesday morning will be devoted to registration of members. At 2 p. m. there will be an automobile trip to the potato plants and at 8 p. m. a smoker and buffet lunch at the Elks club, given by the local insurance agents. The meetings are to be held at the court house.

Wednesday will be devoted to a discussion of the problems facing the local agents, and among the speakers on the program are: James F. Joseph, of Chicago, secretary of the

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For Alliance and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness with probably snow Tuesday and west portion tonight; colder east and central tonight.

ward of fire underwriters; Robert of Milwaukee, second vice president of the Milwaukee Mechanics Insurance company, and E. R. Guerne, president of the Lion Bonding company, of Omaha; W. H. Ahmanson, president of the national American Fire Insurance company, of Omaha; Ed Bach, state fire marshal, of Lincoln. These are all big men and will bring with them an inspiration.

The Alliance Chamber of Commerce will banquet the visitors at 7 p. m. Wednesday at the armory. The committees in charge are as follows: J. W. Guthrie, president of the Nebraska association of local insurance agents.

Auto rides—John Snoddy, E. T. Kibble, Will Hamilton.

Hotels—E. B. O'Keefe, Glen Miller.

Banquet—M. S. Hargraves, J. D. Emerick.

Smoker—F. E. Reddish, C. R. Wiese, C. W. Jeffers.

THIRD REUNION OF SCOTTISH RITE

The Scottish Rite will hold its third reunion in Alliance Thursday and Friday, March 18 and 19, of the Adoniram Lodge of Perfection No. 6 and Alliance chapter Rose Croix No. 4. All degrees from the fourth to the eighteenth will be given. All inquiries should be addressed to the secretary, H. F. Thiele, who will be glad to furnish any information in his power at any time. It is expected there will be one hundred candidates in attendance.

Frank Patton of Omaha, who is the sovereign grand inspector of Nebraska, is one of the notables who will be in attendance. Meetings are to be held at the Masonic Temple with the exception of the banquet Friday evening which will be served by the ladies' Scottish Rite club and will be given at the armory.

SATURDAY LAST DAY TO FILE FOR OFFICE

Saturday, March 20, is the last day for making filings for county and state offices. To date but two men have filed in Box Butte, T. D. Roberts for justice of the peace and Joseph Duhon for county commissioner. County Judge Tash expects to file today or tomorrow. His petition has been ready for several days.

TWO CASES SCHEDULED FOR COUNTY COURT

But two cases are listed on the county court docket for adjudication this week. Wednesday morning will be heard the suit of Oscar Bremen vs. Oscar Brush. Bremen asks for payment on a note given as a portion of the purchase price for a stallion, and Brush sets forth in his answer that the animal failed to live up to the guarantee.

Saturday morning Judge Tash will hear the State of Nebraska vs. Worley, in which the state charges that the defendant, after losing several hogs by cholera, failed to dispose of the carcasses as required by law.

COUNTY ATTORNEY TAKES PERRY BOY TO LINCOLN

County Attorney Lee Bayse left for Omaha the first of the week on a business trip connected with the settlement of the Brause estate. He was accompanied by Herman Krause. Dorse Bruce Perry, the eight-year-old son of B. J. Perry, who was committed to the state detention home a few days ago following complaint made by the father that the boy was incorrigible and beyond control, was taken to Lincoln by Mr. Bayse.

The Herald is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Perry, in which he objects to an account of the trial and testimony as published in one of the Alliance newspapers. In addition of this, there is a general defense of his stand in the matter, as well as that of his wife, and an invitation to other people, particularly his near neighbors, to keep their noses out of his affairs. The Herald cannot see that any good purpose would be served by publishing this communication. Its tone, to say the least, is undignified.

The original plan had been to have the boy's father take him to Lincoln, but when the authorities were informed as to the reason that he was making the trip, they changed their minds.

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CONTESTANTS IN HERALD'S PRIZE CAMPAIGN DIVIDE HONORS EVENLY

JUST A FEW SUBSCRIPTIONS WOULD MAKE VITAL CHANGES IN LINE-UP

RELATIVE STANDINGS TO BE PRINTED AGAIN FRIDAY

Effort Now Counts Most as Number of Votes Allowed for Subscriptions Will Be Materially Reduced April 3—Standings of the Contestants

Standing of Contestants

In The Herald's Prize and Auto Campaign. Totals below include votes cast up to 8 o'clock Monday evening, March 15, only. Next publication Friday.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND VOTES TO APPEAR IN FRIDAY'S REPORT MUST BE TURNED IN BY 8 O'CLOCK THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 18.

MISS MARGARET BARRY	324 First	331,250
MISS SARABEL NEWMAN	222 Toluca	355,150
MR. RALPH COX	405 Cheyenne	344,050
MISS LYDA GASSELING	Hemingford	310,500
MISS LORETTA HODGKINSON	1004 Big Horn	278,100
MISS MINNIE ANDERSON	Maubhattan Cafe	230,550
MRS. J. WONG	315 Cheyenne	229,500
MR. R. M. KELLEY	Angora	177,500
MISS RUTH THOMASON	904 Big Horn	85,000
MR. NORBERT BROWN	322 W. Fourth	19,500
MRS. FRANK KOPAC	Antioch	16,500
MISS GRACE JOHNSTON	1011 Box Butte	16,500
MR. CARLETON TAYLOR	Long Lake	16,500
MR. RAY SMITH	408 Niobrara	6,100
MR. LLOYD EDMONDSON	Bingham	5,000
MR. GEORGE DITSCH	Ranch	5,000
MR. N. W. BULLOCK	220 Box Butte	5,000
MR. JORDAN ROBINSON	414 Niobrara	5,000
MISS HELEN COKER	905 Yellowstone	5,000

The standing of contestants in The Herald's big prize and auto campaign appear today.

A glance will convince the most skeptical that this is to be SOME race.

With honors thus far about equally divided contestants are preparing with feverish haste and intensity to make the most of the remaining two and a half weeks of the "first period" of the campaign—while the big votes are in effect.

So close is the battle of ballots that just one or two "clubs" or \$20 in subscriptions—for which 50,000 extra votes are allowed—would put any one of the leading contenders over the top and change the positions entirely.

Miss Barry Leads
Out of the maelstrom of the first week's voting Miss Margaret Barry emerges with colors flying and leads the race by a goodly margin. Miss Barry has not shown all her voting strength as yet and her many friends will be delighted to see her in first place today.

Just a pace behind the leader, and coming strong, is Miss Sarabel Newman. She, too, is just getting started and may display unexpected strength when the votes are counted Thursday night for Friday's report. Miss Newman is an energetic worker and she is out to win the Reo Six touring car or know the reason why.

Ralph Cox, who is known to every railroad man from Deadwood to Grand Island, occupies third position. Mr. Cox was two or three days' late getting started but he is making up for lost time and when the race ends his many friends hope to see him declared winner of the capital prize.

Miss Loretta Hodgkinson, whose picture appears in these columns today, holds fourth place. Miss Hodgkinson's time is limited but she has done exceedingly well notwithstanding and can be relied upon to make a strong bid for the place of honor within the near future. She is favorably known all over Box Butte county and big results can be expected from her interested friends and acquaintances.

Hemingford is well represented in the first counting of the votes. Miss Lyda Gasseling, the popular contestant from that thriving little city, has come right to the front in the short time the campaign has been in progress and may show them all cards and spades before April 24.

Miss Minnie Anderson has not had much time for campaign work as yet

make them all sit up and take notice.

Miss Ruth Thomason, who is employed by the Western Union, Mrs. Frank Kopac, of Antioch, Norbert Brown, and several new nominees—Ray Smith, George Ditsch and Lloyd Edmondson—are getting well started and are not to be counted out of the race by any means. There is still time for them to do wonders in this campaign. And they are determined to do that very thing. Watch their counts next week this time.

Don't Be Discouraged
The race is just getting started and no telling who will be ahead next week at this time. An entirely new contestant could enter the race now and by persistent aggressive application get enough subscriptions in a week's time to lead the entire field.

Impossible, you say? Not a bit of it. Remember—50,000 EXTRA votes are issued for each "club" of \$20 in subscriptions. A very few clubs will boost any candidate's vote total mightily.

Don't be discouraged if you are not in the lead today. Nearly five weeks remain in which to bridge the chasm between the leader and the candidate with the least number of votes in the entire campaign. The campaign is in full swing, and it means hustle to keep up, but anyone with ambition, stick-to-it-iveness and ginger will not be discouraged with today's totals. Just a handful of subscriptions will put any candidate in the race right up among the leaders. There is just as good an opportunity to win NOW as there ever was, regardless of whether you have 500,000 votes or 5,000.

Still Time to Win
Bear in mind, the race is still in its infancy. There is not a candidate in the campaign—no matter what her present total—who cannot make a record and eventually win out. The good things in life are not acquired without effort, and those who are easily discouraged will not share in the melon-cutting April 24. Don't let the little matter of a club or two of subscriptions put YOU down and out. Now that the standings are announced, scores of subscriptions will be volunteered and YOU may get the lion's share of these orders. You are sure to get your part and perhaps more if you show aggressiveness now.

Another Vote Standing Friday
The votes will be counted again at 8 o'clock Thursday evening and the result published in Friday's Herald. Turn in every available subscription you can now so that you can lead the field on Friday. The Herald office will be open until 8 o'clock Thursday night.

IF YOU HAVE A FRIEND IN THIS CAMPAIGN SEND IN YOUR PREPAID SUBSCRIPTION AT ONCE. YOU WILL BE DOING YOUR FRIEND A GREAT FAVOR—AND YOU WILL HAVE A PERSONAL INTEREST IN A RACE THAT PROMISES TO BE EXCITING—EVEN THRILLING.

HOW TO GET HALF A MILLION VOTES
Here's an example of how easy it is to secure 550,000 votes in The Herald's auto campaign:

25,000 votes are allowed for each 5-year subscription to The Herald, provided same is turned in before the close of the first period, April 3.

Ten such subscriptions (amounting to but \$125 in business) would entitle you to 250,000 REGULAR votes. And, according to the rule of issuing 50,000 extra votes for each "club" of \$20 turned in, (\$125 constitutes six "clubs" and \$5 over) you would be entitled to 300,000 EXTRA votes. This number added to the 250,000 regular votes makes a grand total of 550,000 votes for only ten five-year subscriptions.

Haven't you ten friends who will help you to the extent of a five-year subscription to The Herald, toward winning that new Reo Six valued at \$1985? Surely you have. Try it and see.

RED CROSS SECRETARY AT HEMINGFORD FRIDAY

Miss Josephine Ganson, local Red Cross secretary, will be at the First State Bank, Hemingford, on Friday of this week, and hopes to meet ex-service men who are having difficulties with their war risk insurance, discharge papers or other matters in which she can be of assistance. Miss Ganson plans to make regular Friday trips to Hemingford until further notice.

ALLIANCE MEN OWN OSAGE OIL GUSHER

Alliance Syndicate Drills in Thousand-Barrel Well in the Newcastle, Wyo., Field.

The first big oil strike by Alliance men in the Wyoming oil fields came Sunday morning when a well being drilled by an Alliance syndicate "came in" with a production of 1,000 barrels of oil per day, with the drilling tools still in the hole. J. S. Adams of Alliance, superintendent of the drilling, was seriously burned in the fire which followed the gas. He was taken to Newcastle, where he is receiving treatment.

The Alliance men who are interested in the well are Dr. H. A. Copesey, Charles Brittan, J. O. Walker, Oscar and Richard O'Bannon, Delos Barber, William King and Arthur Eastburn. Another man who benefits is C. M. Carroll of Newcastle. These nine men financed the drilling of the well on their Osage holdings, of which they have 1,600 acres. Most of them are today in the field.

Saturday evening about 9:30 the well suddenly began to gas heavily. The driller tending the string of tools shouted a warning to Superintendent Adams and the others to throw out the forge and the stove which were in the shack over the hole, but they were unable to get them out in time and the shack was quickly in flames. A steam hose was used to put out the fire. The fire was also drawn from the steam boiler, which was only a short distance from the shack. The tools were then raised as far as the remaining steam in the boiler would allow, but are still hanging from 300 to 400 feet in the hole.

The casing in the well as 6 5/8 inches in diameter and the drilling steen on the string of tools has a 5 1/2 inch swivel at the top. The oil coming from the well must pass through the one-half inch space left between the casing and the swivel. Expert oil men estimate the present flow at not less than 1,000 barrels per day. Inasmuch as the drill had not yet penetrated the oil sand, but had simply struck the strata above the same, in which the gas was found, it is impossible to estimate the production of the well after the hole has been drilled into the sand. It may run several thousand barrels per day.

This well was spudded in on September 28, 1919. At a depth of 602 feet the well struck an oil deposit and the oil came up 480 feet in the casing. However, this oil escaped away and the drilling was continued in an effort to find the Graneros shale or muddy sand. The men backing the enterprise were some what discouraged at the outlook recently on account of being down around 1,400 feet, but they found the pay sand. They feel differently now. The discovery well in the Osage field, which was first located by C. M. Carroll of Newcastle, was brought in last October at a depth of 318 feet. There are now about fifty wells in the field, producing from twenty to fifty barrels of oil per day at an average depth of from 300 to 600 feet. The discovery of the heavy bearing lower sand will cause these holes to be put on down.

The Alliance men were discouraged in their attempt to drill for a deep sand, a number of prominent geologists saying they were wasting their money. Only one geologist gave them a favorable report and they went ahead on his advice. It paid them.

The gusher is located on the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 19, township 46, range 63, and is about three miles southeast of the Osage townsite. Other Alliance men who have holdings in the Osage field are Lloyd Thomas, C. M. Looney, F. A. Baird, R. M. Baker, J. D. Emerick, H. E. Reddish, Dr. H. H. Bellwood and their associates at Edgemont and Newcastle. They have 960 acres adjoining the gusher on the north and west. Their holdings are now being drilled.

DIERKS TO BUILD OFFICE BUILDING

The Dierks Lumber company expects this spring to complete the erection of a new office building, and will in addition make extensive improvements in their yards. The office building will be a one or two-story brick. Plans were sent to Kansas City for approval three weeks ago, and the local manager expects to receive an O. K. on them almost any day.

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MISS LORETTA HODGKINSON

Miss Loretta Hodgkinson, energetic contestant in The Herald's auto and prize campaign, has been a resident of Alliance for years. She finished the business course of the A. H. S. in 1919 and is now employed by the Bald-Russ Real Estate company. Her pleasing manner and charming personality have made her loyal friends in town and country, and they are unanimous in their desire to see her the winner of the big Reo Six. That they are suiting action to their determination is indicated by the fact that Miss Hodgkinson is one of the leaders today. Miss Loretta is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hodgkinson of Alliance.