M'VANN ACCEPTS THE PLACE

Chicago Man Will Take Position of Commercial Club Secretary.

EDUCATED AND HAS RESIDED IN OMAHA

Attended Creighton University in Early Eighties and Was Formerly Associated with John E. Utt.

A characteristic scare story circulated by a local paper this morning, to the effect that E. J. McVann, the newly elected secretary and commissioner of the Commercial club, might not accept the position, falls to earth with a dull thud in view of the fact that before the type of this publication is scarcely cold, and really before it was "set," comes a letter from Mr. McVann stating he has accepted the position and will do his utmost to fill it satisfactorily and to the advantage of all interests concerned. There appears to have been no tangible grounds for the story, for no one connected with the Commercial club had heard it intimated that Mr. McVann "might not accept."

Sketch of His Career.

Mr. McVann will not be entirely a stranger in Omaha, for he was educated here, and once made this city his home. He found his wife, a native daughter of Omaha, here.

Mr. McVann was born at Medina, N. Y., July 22, 1869, and is, therefore, 35 years old. He finished his education at Creighton university, in this city, in 1885. He was "honor man" of the class of 1884 and stood second in rank at the end of '85, after which he entered the freight offices of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern railroad in the capacity of clerk. It is an interesting coincidence that his work was under the supervision of John E. Utt, the man whom he now succeeds as secretary and commissioner of the Commercial club. In 1887 Mr. McVann went to Lincoln as agent of the Star Union line, and a year later came back to Omaha as soliciting agent for the same corporation. He was made the Sioux City agent for the same corporation in 1888 and transferred to the Dubuque agency four years later. Mr. McVann was elected secretary of the Dubuque Business Men's association in April, 1900, and of the Sioux City Commercial club in January, 1902. A year after that he went to Chicago as the manager of the business of James Rowland & Co., which position he has resigned to return to Omaha.

Mrs. McVann was Miss Laura Longpre, a popular young woman of this city, where she was born and always lived until her marriage, in 1892.

WANTS COURT ROOM CLEANED

Judge Bartlett Will Insist on Better Sanitation in His Official Chambers.

"I do not wish to be put on record as a kicker," said Judge E. M. Bartlett, "but I would just like to have you take a look at this court room and its surroundings." He referred to room number 3 of the district court.

For a long time complaints have been made by members of the bar who have been obliged to try cases in this room because of its unsanitary and odorous condition. The carpet on the main floor is very old and dingy, while the toilet room in connection with the judge's private room is in a particularly bad condition. The cornices above the stone porch in front of all the windows of the rooms are the nesting and roosting place for a great number of pigeons, and the resulting filth, which amounts to several bushels, on the window sills and porch gives off a stench that with the advent of hot weather and open windows will become unbearable.

Judge Bartlett takes up his duties in this room at the beginning of the May term and will insist on some improvements being made in the line of cleanliness and sanitation.

Sciatica Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

For more than twenty years Mr. J. B. Massey of 2222 Clinton St., Minneapolis, Minn., was tortured by sciatica. The pain and suffering which he endured during this time is beyond comprehension. Nothing gave him any permanent relief until he used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. One application of that liniment relieved the pain and made sleep and rest possible, and less than one bottle has effected a permanent cure. Mr. Massey relates his experience for the benefit of others who may be similiarly afflicted. If troubled with sciatica or rheumatism why not try a 25-cent bottle of Pain Balm and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain.

DEFENDS BEER WITH RAZOR

Colored Man Gets All the Drink, but it Costs Him Seven Dollars.

"Levi King, you are charged with fighting and threatening to fight and using loud and obscene language. Do you plead guilty or not guilty?" asked Police Judge Berka of the prisoner when arraigned, with Willie Smith, who was arrested with King and on the same charge.

"Well, Judge, I plead guilty to the fighting, because Smith saw me first and I had to defend myself. I was sitting on a box in my own yard drinking a can of beer, when Smith came along and wanted a drink. I then told a friend of mine that I knew that Smith smelled beer, because he just came from the north and the wind was blowing from the south. Smith left and returned soon with three colored women. He then threw three bricks at me."

The evidence, however, showed that King drew a razor on Smith when the latter refused to buy a can of beer. King was fined $7 and costs, while Smith was discharged. Both parties are colored and live at Tenth and Capitol avenue.

A. B. Huberman, diamonds, own import.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our many kind friends during the death of our beloved father, Mr. Henry Pohlman. We were deeply touched by the many beautiful floral tributes that were sent us. We are grateful to all.

MRS. C. C. SCHAEFFER,
MRS. H. C. BARTELS,
MRS. K. JANKOWSKI,
HENRY POHLMAN,
and all sons-in-law, grand and great-grand children.

All goods sold at Huberman's jewelry store guaranteed as to price and quality.

PARSON GETS ON BAD SPREE

Man of the Cloth from Iowa Looks on Cup When it is Red.

John Doe No. 1, arrested on a charge of being drunk, has been released in police court without a fine or sentence and told to go his way and sin no more. It is more than probable that if a certain little Iowa parish knew of "John Doe's" whereabouts and condition for the last few days there would be many shocked parishioners.

Doe appeared in police court in full ecclesiastical raiment, including a polished silk tile, and his tall, straight bearing and black raiment seemed to lend a cloistetal air to the court room for the moment. When arraigned before the police court he was noncommittal.

GO TO LOS ANGELES MEETING

Three Omaha Delegates Leave and Others Will Follow for the General Conference.

Dr. J. W. Jennings, presiding elder of the Omaha district of the Methodist Episcopal church, and Rev. William Gorst, pastor of the Seward Street church, left yesterday to go via Kansas City to the general conference at Los Angeles. They go as delegates from this district. Mrs. M. J. Monnett, the third delegate, goes this evening.

The conference will be in session for a month and possibly longer and the delegates will remain until the end. A few laymen of the Omaha churches are thinking of attending and also some of the ministry. Among these is Rev. Clyde Clay Cissel of Hanscom Park church, whose expenses have been voted by the congregation. Rev. J. Randolph Smith of Trinity church is thinking of going, and Dr. E. Combie Smith of the First church may go, but not before May 15. J. W. Nicholson and wife of Seward Street church will attend, and Charles A. Goss and others are considering the trip. Most of those going will wait, however, until the more interesting part of the session is reached later.

A Favorite Remedy for Babies.

Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack.

DEPUTIES TAKE COURT ROOM

Fink's Force Will Do Extra Work in Chambers Formerly Occupied by Baxter.

The room occupied by former Judge Baxter in the county building will, for the next two months, be given up to the county treasurer for the use of his assistants who will have charge of the operation of the scavenger law with relation to the collection of taxes, which, if unpaid May 1, become delinquent and subject to the action of the scavenger board and to being taken into court September 1. Considerable indignation is expressed by court officials at this arrangement, which must necessarily disrupt the working of the wheels of justice to a considerable extent, but the county commissioners refuse to appropriate any money for changes for so short a time and allow that the courts must double up and get along as best they can.

BOSTON'S BARBER REGULATIONS.

Board of Health Orders Sterilization of All that Barbers Use on Customers.

A special dispatch from Boston, May 5, 1900, to the N. Y. Sun gives new regulations of the Boston Board of Health as to barber shops: "Mugs, shaving brushes and razors shall be sterilized after each separate use thereof. A separate, clean towel shall be used for each person. Material to stop the flow of blood shall be used only in a powdered form and applied on a towel. Powder puffs are prohibited." Wherever Newbro's "Herpicide" is used for face or scalp after shaving or hair cutting, there is no danger of infection, as it is antiseptic and kills the dandruff germ. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10 cents in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich. Sherman & McConnell Drug Co., special agents.

Attention, A. O. U. W.

Annual Ball given by the America Lodge, No. 299, at their hall, 17th and Vinton, Saturday, April 30, 1904.

RATHER DIE THAN SUFFER

Woman Broods Over Anticipated Operation and Takes Poison, but is Restored.

Hester Smith, 813 North Fourteenth street, attempted suicide at 2 yesterday morning by drinking a quantity of belladonna. The police surgeons were summoned and after hard work on their part the woman was declared to be out of danger.

The cause assigned for the attempted self-destruction is that the woman has been brooding over an operation she expected to undergo soon. It is said the more she thought of the matter the worse it appeared to her until it became more than she could bear.

CHANCE FOR CANDIDATES

Congressional Aspirants Have an Opportunity to Show Themselves.

OBJECTIONS FROM THE BLACKBURN CLAN

Some Who Profess to Be Anxious to Go to Washington Do Not Want to Test Their Personal Popularity.

Much interest and some speculation is being indulged concerning the republican primaries for Douglas county, at which delegates to the state and congressional conventions to select delegates to the national convention are to be elected. Candidates for district delegates must make their filings on or before Tuesday next with the county committee. Here is where the speculation enters.

Under the call issued by the county committee at its meeting last week it is provided that at the coming primary election preference for congressional candidates shall be expressed. Now, Congressional Chairman Blackburn specifically excluded the nomination of a congressman from his call for the convention which meets at Lincoln on the morning of the state convention May 18. He accepts the delegates to the state convention as the delegates to the congressional convention, but says they shall elect two delegates to the national convention "and shall do no other business." This does not alter the arrangement of the county committee for an expression of preference at the primaries, and it is expected that the candidates for congressman from the Second district will file with the county committee and go on the ballot along with the others.

Object to Referendum.

Several of the men who have been mentioned in connection with the nomination for congress, notably John P. Breen and F. H. Gaines, have sought to secure a modification of the rule of the county committee, but this can not be done, as there is no time for issuing a new call, even if the county committee were disposed to do so. The objectors argue that when Chairman Blackburn calls his nominating convention it will be time enough to secure an expression of preference, and that until then the matter can rest. W. S. Raker, the Sarpy county candidate, urges that the Douglas county unit rule leaves him out in the cold, for he says he will stand no show of nomination under such conditions. Wes Cook, who represented Washington county in the meeting of Mr. Blackburn's committee, sets up that Washington county will have no show against Douglas under the conditions named, and insists that the plan is not fair to the outside counties.

Inasmuch as the plan proposed is one originally adopted by Mr. Blackburn in order to secure the nomination of D. H. Mercer, the sudden discovery of the men who were formerly warm supporters of Mr. Mercer seems a little remarkable. Since the Second congressional district was established in 1890 it has had but one republican candidate for congress—D. H. Mercer. He has always been nominated by Douglas county. Neither Sarpy nor Washington county has ever undertaken to dominate the convention, nor is it expected that either will do so now. W. S. Raker is the first man from either county who has come forth seeking the nomination. He is not deprived of any of his rights, nor is his chance for the nomination apparently lessened by the rule that requires nominees to submit their names to the Douglas county voters at the primaries, in order that an expression of opinion may be secured for the guidance of the convention in nominating.

Another Blackburn Precedent.

Mr. Blackburn is also responsible for another precedent which his followers now find embarrassing, and that was when he accepted the delegates to the state convention as the delegates to the convention to nominate Dave Mercer. He has announced that he will call a convention to nominate a congressman in his own good time and under his own rules, but just what new scheme he is intending to spring on the voters he gives no inkling. The only object of the county committee in making its call as it did is to bring the candidates out into the open and to get a line on the individual strength of each with the voters. Whether the gentlemen who are anxious to succeed Mr. Hitchcock at Washington will accept the invitation to show themselves is yet to be determined. It will only cost $75 to make the experiment, and the man who gets the plurality of votes cast at the primary is promised the solid vote of Douglas county in the convention. That is something worth while, for it means the nomination.

Church Free of Debt.

The congregation of Unity church held its annual meeting in the church Wednesday night. Reports were given and officers elected. For the first time in a number of years the Unitarians are free from debt. The treasurer's report showed all bills had been paid, including the minister's salary, and the church during the year had been decorated and improved. Rev. Newton Mann, the pastor, and the superintendent of the Sunday school and the superintendent of the Woman's alliance made very pleasing reports. For trustees W. J. Everingham, F. M. Blish, Mrs. J. G. Haines and Mrs. H. C. Brown were elected.

DOVE OF PEACE STILL SLEEPS

Factional Strife Pervades Opposing Camps of Douglas County Democrats.

The Loyal Democratic league will meet tonight in Germania hall and the Democratic Success league will hold a session in Royal Arcanum hall Saturday evening. The latter has been threatening to issue a statement in reply to that given out by the Bryanites last week, but thus far the councilors have not agreed upon what is to be said. Each faction is trying to get together on a slate for the national delegation, but there seems to be difficulty in this, as not a few democrats are in a receptive mood.

The Hearst people declare Lee Herdman was circulating the printed charges made in a speech on the floor of the national house in 1897 by former Congressman Grove L. Johnson of California, and charging gross immorality on the part of Hearst. One of them said:

"I prefer to bolt the party and to see Roosevelt elected if the democratic convention nominates Judge Parker or a man of his type. I think Mr. Bryan and his closest friends feel the same way about the matter. It is more than likely, however, if Judge Parker is nominated the bolters will hold a convention of their own and name Bryan as their standard-bearer. Then you will see a campaign such as elected Lincoln in 1860. The politically discontented, socialistic and laboring classes will rally to the support of Bryan and should give him enough votes to win against a divided opposition."

GREATEST DRESSMAKING STOCK.

Choicest Goods from the $35,000 Dressmaking Stock of Madame Macheret 22 E. 23rd St., N. Y., Who Retired from Business.

AT J. L. BRANDEIS & SONS MONDAY.

A great stock, fresh from one of the most fashionable and exclusive dressmakers in New York City. It includes all the newest sheer materials that were imported for evening gowns, dressmaking, black and colored taffeta, all the dress goods from the great stock, and all the imported model dresses and imported model opera cloaks and gowns, some finished and some partly finished. The most beautiful array of exquisite silks, dress goods and gowns ever seen in the west.

This is an event of great importance to Omaha ladies.

ON SALE MONDAY, MAY 2.

J. L. BRANDEIS & SONS.

One Fare for the Round Trip

Plus 25 cents to Cleveland, O., and return via Nickel Plate road, May 16th, 17th and 18th. Tickets good going date of sale and returning to and including June 10th by depositing same.

Three through daily express trains to Fort Wayne, Cleveland, Erie, Buffalo, New York, Boston and New England points, carrying vestibuled sleeping cars. Meals served in Nickel Plate dining cars on American club meal plan, ranging in price from 35c to $1.00; also service a la carte. Chicago depot, La Salle and Van Buren streets. No excess fare charged on any train on the Nickel Plate road. Chicago ticket offices, 111 Adams St. and Auditorium Annex. 'Phone Central 2057.

REAL ESTATE BOOKS DONE

Total Amount of Property Foots Up Over Seventy-One Millions for Omaha.

Tax Commissioner Fleming has delivered to City Treasurer Hennings the real estate tax books for the current year. The total valuation of Omaha real estate foots up $71,340,365 and the tax to be collected on it amounts to $986,764.27.

Mr. Fleming says he will have the personal property books ready to turn over to the city treasurer before the end of the week.

The Nickel Plate Road.

Will sell tickets to Cleveland, O., and return, account of National Baptist Anniversary, on May 16th, 17th and 18th, at rate of one fare for the round trip, plus 25 cents. Tickets good going date of sale. By depositing same extended return limit of June 11th may be secured. Through service to New York City, Boston and other eastern points. No excess fare charged on any train on the Nickel Plate road. Meals on American club meal plan, ranging in price from 35c to $1.00; also service a la carte. Chicago depot, La Salle and Van Buren streets, the only passenger station in Chicago on the elevated loop. Chicago city ticket offices, 111 Adams St. and Auditorium Annex. 'Phone Central 2057.

Home from Foreign Lands.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Johnson have returned to Omaha after three years' absence in Cuba, Philippines and China, and are visiting Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Delaney of the St. James hotel. Their future home will be in San Francisco, where Mr. Johnson will be stationed in the quartermaster's department of the United States army.

World's Fair.

Via the
WABASH RAILROAD.
$13.80 St. Louis and return on sale daily. Wabash City Ticket Office, 1601 Farnam St., Omaha.

Marriage Licenses.

Up to noon April 28 the following couples had been licensed to wed:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Victor A. Wounder, Oakland	22
Amelia Freberg, Oakland	18
Anton Podrasky, Omaha	23
Minnie Barsall, Omaha	21
Joseph Prusha, South Omaha	21
Polly Remas, South Omaha	19
George W. Munger, Pilger	49
Isabel Cornwall, Omaha	45
Homer A. Pratt, Omaha	22
Anna F. Sovkup, Omaha	20
Charles E. Simmons, Omaha	21
Nina M. A. Frazier, Omaha	28

18-K. Wedding Rings. Edholm, Jeweler.

Mortality Statistics.

The following births and deaths have been reported to the Board of Health during the twenty-four hours ending at noon Thursday:

Births—Samuel Webster, 2552 Cuming, boy; Charles Dorsey Simpson, 2634 Caldwell, girl.

Deaths—Ida May Hartmann, 2708 Spaulding, 20; Theodore Ostrom, 1112 Ames avenue, 6 months.

DIED.

FULLER—Mrs. Minerva A., aged 76 years. Funeral services at residence of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Howard, 2624 Farnam street, Friday, April 29, at 2:30 p. m. Friends invited. Interment at Kingston, Mass.