

PRIMARY IS A FAILURE

THIS IS GENERAL VERDICT IN NORTH NEBRASKA.

HEAVY COST, NOTHING GAINED

Nebraska's New Statewide Open Primary Election System Found Few Friends on Its First Practical Operation, According to Comment.

Bassett, Neb., Sept. 4.—Special to The News: Expressions from the general rank and file of both parties last evening is that the primary law is a flat failure in many ways. In Rock county the independents and democrats had no interest in it and very few of them apparently voted. Some of them whom all know to have been democrats walked into the polls and asked for and voted the republican ticket in order to assist (?) the republican friends who were seeking nomination.

One old-time democrat was heard to remark after he voted that "tomorrow he would be a democrat again." This kind of thing disgusts the best element of all parties. This fact and also that the state in general is put to a double expense will, it is believed, kill this primary law.

The new primary law in Nebraska has few ardent friends in Norfolk today. If one may judge from remarks heard among people of all parties. A great many different features of the new law were severely criticised and few if any features were commended.

It was complained that the primary makes as much unnecessary expense to the county as is involved at a regular election. The taxpayers pay this cost. It was argued that no more people go to the primary election than would go to a caucus, so that nothing was gained. It was argued that "ring rule" is simpler under the primary than under the caucus system, and that one party can go in and nominate weak candidates on another party's ticket, in order to score a strategic point for the general election.

"It is all farce," said a prominent farmer who is involved at a regular election. The taxpayers pay this cost. "I like the old way of getting together in big crowds at a caucus—that is where patriotism is aroused," said a republican.

"It is unnecessary expense, when there is no object attained. The object was to do away with machine rule. If the people will only turn out, they can do that simply enough under a caucus," was a common comment.

All in all the general verdict was that the primary had proved a failure.

THURSDAY TIDINGS.

Miss Lizzie Schram was in Pierce Wednesday. Sol Mayer returned from Lincoln last evening. Miss Florence Barrett is home from a visit at Tilden. Miss Fale Burnham returned yesterday from a short visit at Tilden. C. B. Durland left Wednesday morning on a business visit to Council Bluffs. Miss Nan Carberry left Thursday for a short visit to the state fair at Lincoln. Miss Serle Small left at noon for a five weeks' visit with her sister at Omaha. Mrs. Edward Tanner and daughter of Battle Creek were in Norfolk yesterday. Miss Bertha Pilger leaves Friday for Stanton, where she will teach school this year. D. F. O'Brien arrived home last night from a two weeks' visit at Afton, Iowa. Miss Marion Preece, who has been visiting in Norfolk, went to Battle Creek last evening. Miss Susie Hayden of Danbury, Ia., is visiting in Norfolk this week, the guest of Miss Anna Keleher. J. M. Flannigan of Stuart passed through Norfolk yesterday to join a hunting party out of Bonesteel. Miss Oille Elliott of Lincoln, who is the guest of Miss Mino McNeely, has been in Winslow for a few days visit. Miss Della Howard is home from a west Nebraska trip made in the interests of the Nebraska children's home society. Miss Lena Miller of Utica, who has been the guest of Miss Anna Miller in Norfolk this summer, will return home tomorrow. Rev. J. L. Vallow and family left on the morning train for Alliance where Mr. Vallow will be pastor of the Alliance Methodist church. Mrs. O. R. Ellor of Lincoln, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Matrau, since returning from a Colorado visit, left at noon for Lincoln. Mrs. M. E. Wilson, who is making her home in Norfolk with her daughter, Mrs. Hall, left yesterday for a visit at her former home in St. Joseph. Tom Bell of Lusk, Wyo., was the guest of his brother, P. F. Bell, today. Mr. Bell is returning to Wyoming after accompanying a shipment of cattle to South Omaha. Among the day's out of town visitors in Norfolk were: Miss Margaret Meyer, Bloomfield; M. Melcher, Pierce; C. Martin, Pierce; Miss Mary Smith, Verdel; Miss Cate, Pierce; A. O. Bauman, Calhoun; N. C. Estabrook, Carleton; Miss Bernice Spees, Belgrade; Geo. W. Kirk, Plainview; A. E. Hixson, Gibbon; J. H. Mark, Naper; Miss Bernice Kilbourne, Battle Creek; R. T. Cain, Battle Creek; M. P. Kavanagh, Petersburg; Mrs. F. H. Klocke, Bel-

den; Dr. Thomas, Pierce; Gus Schneller, Pearl Layton, Frank Driscoll, Pilger; Mrs. A. J. Lamm, Bloomfield; Robert Anderson, Genoa; Mrs. Thomas Dwyer, Miss Maggie Shandean, Silver Creek; Charles L. Linn, Hoskins; C. Schrauder, Gray; W. R. Locke, Stanton.

Charles Nenow of Gordon, who has spent the summer in the east visiting New York, Washington and the Jamestown exposition, is in Norfolk on a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Mary Nenow.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hayes, Miss Beulah Hayes and Mrs. C. S. A. Bargelt arrived in Norfolk last evening after a five weeks' visit in the east that included trips to Canada, New England, New York, Washington and the Jamestown exposition.

Earl Henderson of Washington, D. C., is in Norfolk on a visit with his cousin, Lawrence Hoffman. Both young men will enter the state university at Lincoln this month. Lawrence Hoffman registering for the course in medicine.

The Commercial club did not meet Tuesday.

This week's meeting of the Trinity guild will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Morrison.

Stanton Register: A party was held at the R. Y. Appleby residence Monday night in honor of Jeannet Parish of Norfolk. A very pleasant time was had.

Rev. H. G. Knowles, the "boy preacher" who is holding revival services in the new Christian church, will preach will preach Thursday evening on "The Divine Name." The meetings start at 8 p. m. and conclude at 9:15.

Congressman J. F. Boyd of Neligh will be in Norfolk on the afternoon of Saturday, September 14, and would be pleased to meet any old soldier having pension or other business which he desires Congressman Boyd to look after.

The marriage of Mr. K. D. Small of Norfolk and Miss Ida von Goetz of North Platte took place at 7 o'clock this morning in the Church of Our Savior, North Platte. Mr. Small and his bride will come to Norfolk tomorrow. They will make their home at 1107 Koenigstein avenue.

Next Sunday is the date of the mission festival to be held by St. Paul Ev. Lutheran church in Pasewalk grove. The services will be held in the morning and afternoon. Christ Lutheran church of Norfolk and the Lutheran churches at Hadar and Stanton will join with St. Paul's church in the services of the day.

Miss Agnes Barnes of Battle Creek was in Norfolk yesterday afternoon. Miss Barnes was winner of The News piano contest last Saturday night and says that the instrument has arrived at her home and that she is very much pleased with it. Miss Barnes said that she wished to express her thanks to The News and to the friends who voted for her in the contest.

The Norfolk Long Distance Telephone company is constructing a telephone exchange at Hoskins to replace a purely local system of farm lines. A switchboard of 100 capacity has been ordered for the exchange, which when completed will be turned over to the men who have built the farm lines running into Hoskins. This will be the first exchange to be connected with the Norfolk independent exchange.

The Norfolk Brownies are the latest organization to entertain a Norfolk baseball tournament project. A three days' tournament with four teams contesting is the arrangement they have in mind. Teams would be secured from Norfolk, O'Neill, Stanton, Pierce, Pilger or other north Nebraska towns. A meeting to discuss the tournament will be held by the Brownies at once. The tournament will probably be held in two or three weeks.

Orin H. Covell and Miss Jennie Armet, both of North Platte, were married in Norfolk Wednesday, the ceremony occurring at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Horner, on Hastings avenue. Rev. F. W. Benjamin of the Baptist church performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Covell left Thursday morning for North Platte. The bride was a Madison county school teacher last year and made her home with her sister in Norfolk during the time she was teaching near the city.

Concerning a report current that Ringling brothers aspire to control the principal circus business of the world and are negotiating to get the majority of stock in the Barnum & Bailey show, which is owned by the widow of the late James A. Bailey, J. T. McCadden said yesterday in New York that there had been no option given as reported, but did not deny that negotiations were in progress. Further than saying that his sister, Mrs. Bailey, had not contracted to sell her control of the circus and that he, as the next largest stockholder, had not disposed of his share of stock, Mr. McCadden was reticent about the report. Besides the show under their own name the Ringlings own the Forepaugh-Sells circus. The Barnum & Bailey circus ownership carries with it a contract with Colonel W. F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," to present him in this and other countries. With the acquisition of the Barnum & Bailey show the Ringlings would control the circus business of the globe. The question of the great amount of money necessary to finance such an undertaking arises. The Ringlings would have to secure an amount of cash which would tax the coffers of a Monte Cristo to accomplish their reported ambition to control the circus business of the world. They are wealthy men and money makers and it is believed that they could get together all the capital needed.

AFTERMATH IN MADISON

LIST OF CANDIDATES WHO WERE FORMALLY NOMINATED.

SOME NAMES WERE WRITTEN IN

If the Ruling of the Secretary of State Holds Good, There May Have Been Some Unlooked for Nominations at the Primary Election.

Madison county with other Nebraska counties is now in the midst of a direct primary law campaign. It is innovation all along the line. The effects of the new primary law do not stop with the primary election but extend through the campaign.

It is a wise politician who has a clear vision of how the campaign is to proceed under the new order of things.

In Madison county the results of the primary are known as far as they affect the candidates who fled with the county clerk for nominations. These men who formally entered the primary contest won county nominations: for county treasurer, Frank A. Peterson rep., Otto Zuelow dem.; for county clerk, George E. Richardson rep., Matt Shaffer, Jr., dem.; for county sheriff, J. J. Clements rep., Geo. W. Losey dem.; for county judge, Christopher Schavland rep., William Bates dem.; for county superintendent, Frank S. Perdue rep.; for clerk of the district court, W. H. Field rep.; for county assessor, P. W. Ruth rep., John R. Manning dem.; for county coroner, Homer L. Kludred rep.; for county commissioner, J. H. Harding rep., Sunderman dem.

May Be Others.

But if the secretary of state's ruling respecting the legality of names written in on the primary ballots hold, then there were a large number of other county nominations made Tuesday. There were no aspirants for populist, socialist and prohibition county nominations and for certain places on the republican and democratic tickets. As a result the canvass of the ballots at Madison Friday will show that many of these nominations which went begging will have been captured by men receiving a few scattering votes. It is very probable that Field and Perdue in addition to getting their party nominations have also won the opposition nomination through democrats writing their names on the democratic primary ballots.

In Norfolk a large number of complimentary votes were cast that may in some cases result in nominations. These scattering votes will be counted when the county board of canvassers meets Friday morning in Madison.

The county central committees by the new law will be chosen by the county nominees, who will also select a delegate for their respective parties to represent the county in the delegate meetings at Lincoln which will select the state central committees and draw up the state platforms.

The new law does not prohibit candidates running by petition.

PUBLIC READING ROOM.

Will Soon be Established by the Public Library Committee.

A public reading room to be open on week day evenings is being planned by the library committee of the Norfolk Woman's club.

A formal announcement of the opening of the reading room is not yet ready but it is probable that after October 1 such a reading room with periodicals and books at hand will stand with open doors to the Norfolk public.

The public library committee, appointed by the Woman's club, is back of the plan. It was this committee which started and still has control of the public library. But the library has only been open on Saturday afternoons for the circulation of books and the library committee has desired to render its library rooms in the Bishop block more serviceable to Norfolk.

To Norfolk people and to the young men of the city it is thought that the reading room will hold out a pleasant invitation to spend an hour or so in the library when down on the streets evenings. In addition to the magazines and books Chicago, Omaha and Norfolk daily papers will be placed on file each evening.

A special committee has been appointed by the library committee to work out the details connected with their new plans.

Pending the efforts of the new city library board to secure a city library through appeal to Andrew Carnegie the library committee of the club still has charge of the public library and continues to improve its service. The following new books will be in the library ready for circulation next Saturday afternoon:

- Crawford, "The Ralstons."
- Thackeray, "Vanity Fair."
- Thackeray, "Pendennis."
- Mrs. Sarah Pratt Carr, "The Iron Way."
- "Langford of the Three Bars."
- Richard Harding Davis, "The Scarlet Car."
- Marah Ellis Ryan, "For the Soul of Rafael."
- Marah Ellis Ryan, "Told in the Hills."
- Dixon, "The Traitor."
- Charles E. Craddock, "In the Tennessee Mountains."
- Charles E. Craddock, "Prophet of the Great Smoky Mountain."
- Lytton, "The Last Days of Pompeii."
- Oxenham, "The Long Road."
- "Alice For Short."

"The Invaders."
Blanch McManus, "Our Little Dutch Cousin."
Blanch McManus, "Our Little Japanese Cousin."
Stockton, "The Ting-a-ling Stories."
Stockton, "The House of Martha."
Howard Pyle, "Stolen Treasures."

Funeral of a Child.
Gertrude Wachter, the four months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wachter, living five miles north of the city, was buried Tuesday, the funeral taking place from St. Ev. Lutheran church. The little one died Sunday night. Interment was in the Lutheran cemetery.

TO REHEARSE PLAY HERE

TWELVE THEATRICAL PEOPLE COME TO NORFOLK.

PREPARING FOR THE SEASON

"A Bachelor's Honeymoon" Will be Rehearsed on the Stage of the Norfolk Auditorium From Now Until the Middle of September.

For the first time in its history, the Norfolk Auditorium will from now until September 14 be the scene of the rehearsal and staging of a professional play. Twice each day, beginning tomorrow, a theatrical company of twelve people under the management of Oakes & Gilson will rehearse the lines of "A Bachelor's Honeymoon." Herbert de Guerre is leading man in the troupe. The company will open its season in this city September 14. The twelve members of the troupe will remain in town until the opening, going through their parts twice a day on the Auditorium stage with empty chairs for an audience. Their rehearsals will not interfere with the West minstrels Friday night, or with any other attraction that may be announced.

PRIMARY COST JUST \$2 PER VOTE

THAT WAS THE PRICE PAID IN KNOX COUNTY.

PEOPLE THERE ARE DISGUSTED

There Were 600 Votes Cast in Knox County and the Primary Election Cost the Taxpayers \$1,200—General Public Thinks That's High.

Creighton, Neb., Sept. 5.—Special to The News: There were 600 votes altogether cast in Knox county. The primary will cost the taxpayers of this county \$1,200, so that, getting down to a fine point, the primary has cost the people of Knox county just exactly \$2 per vote.

Everybody in this part of the state is disgusted with the high priced and useless luxury.

Olson Runs Strong.

West Point, Neb., Sept. 5.—Special to The News: Ten precincts of Cumming county give Albert 190, Loomis 292. No republican returns are available except West Point, where Reese has 45 majority. Fifteen precincts give, for district judge, Moodie 509, Graves 449. Indications are that A. R. Olson (rep.) will carry the county by 100 votes. The republican vote was extremely light. For county officers the nominations are not yet determined. On the democratic clerk of district court, the result will be very close, chances in favor of Zacek. Accurate returns, especially republican, are impossible to procure.

In Brown.

Ainsworth, Neb., Sept. 5.—Special to The News: Returns are slow coming in, but enough is known to determine a part of the county ticket. Republican—H. S. Jarvis for county clerk; Florence N. Johnston for county superintendent; John M. Gardner for surveyor; Frank Pierson for sheriff; Uriah Chester of Long Pine and E. E. Waggoner of Johnston for county commissioners. Wright and Hughes for treasurer, very close; Jacobs and Pettijohn for assessor, very close, probably Pettijohn. Jacobs was nominated on the democratic ticket.

The other democratic nominees are, Clyde Perkins for county clerk; Wm. Perkins for sheriff; T. W. DeLong for treasurer; C. W. Potter for county judge.

For supreme judge, so far as known, Reese has 177 and Sedgwick 67. For district judge, Scattergood 198, Alder 134, Douglas 24, Brown 18, Porter 26, Jenckes 61, Morgan 21.

Wayne County Result.

Wayne, Neb., Sept. 5.—Special to The News: George Farran of Winslow has been nominated for the second district over August Ziemer of Hoskins, by 14 votes. Ed Carroll was nominated by the democrats.

In Cherry County.

Valentine, Neb., Sept. 5.—Special to The News: Twelve precincts in Cherry county out of twenty-seven, give Reese 131, Sedgwick 64, Alberts 26, Loomis 42, Meier 35.

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED

CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN NORFOLK FORMALLY OPENED.

STARTS OUT FREE FROM DEBT

The New Church, Built on Park Avenue and Sixth Street, Has Seating Capacity of 250 People—Will be Veneered With Brick Later.

The new Park Avenue Christian church building was dedicated Sunday, the congregation occupying their first church home in Norfolk for the first time on Sunday morning. Sufficient funds were raised during the morning to clear the new church from debt. Special services will be held all through the present week in the new church, Evangelist H. G. Knowles of Topeka, Kan., coming to the city for the purpose.

The dedication sermon Sunday was preached by Rev. W. A. Baldwin of Lincoln. Services were also held in the afternoon and evening.

The new church building is a frame



REV. H. G. KNOWLES.

structure furnishing an auditorium with a seating capacity of 250. The interior is of neat design and opera chairs are used in the auditorium. A frame building at present, the new church is to be covered later with a brick veneer. The building will also be extended within the next few years by the addition of class rooms. These improvements will be made within the next three or four years for the congregation enters its new home free from debt, the \$774 raised Sunday closing up the church's outstanding financial obligations.

The Christian church has a membership of sixty-three. Ten of these members were added yesterday. The special meetings which will be continued from Sunday through the present week will be conducted by Rev. H. G. Knowles of Topeka, Kan. Mr. Knowles is known as the "boy preacher."

NEW AIM AT OIL MONOPOLY

GOVERNMENT WILL PUSH EFFORTS TO DISSOLVE TRUST.

ARE AFTER BIG OFFICIALS

A Hearing Will Begin in New York Wednesday Which, the Government Officials Hope, Will Furnish Evidence That May Dissolve Trust.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 3.—Successful in its anti-rebate prosecutions of the Standard Oil company, the United States government will renew more confidently than ever its efforts to force dissolutions of the trust. Out of the mouths of officials and employees the government proposes to establish the monopolistic character of corporations. This proof will be secured from more than fifty witnesses, who will be examined in New York beginning tomorrow.

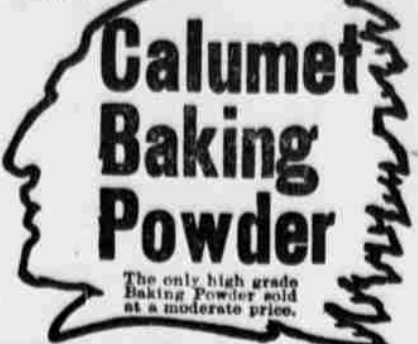
Tremendous though the blow struck by Judge Landis at the Standard, it is really the anti-trust proceedings upon which the government depends to destroy the monopoly and create a condition of fair competition. The policy to be pursued in the case has been framed with the utmost care, the intent being not merely to dissolve the trust but to institute criminal prosecutions of men "higher up," who will be proven guilty of willful violation of the law.

Rockefeller Immune.

John D. Rockefeller and John D. Archbold are entitled to immunity through appearance in Judge Landis' court, but Henry M. Flagler, Charles Pratt, O. H. Payne, William Rockefeller, H. H. Rogers, and others have no claim to governmental consideration. Few, if any, of these men will be required to testify.

The government will rely upon subordinates to show conditions which exist and to make a chain which will convince an impartial jury that acts of minor officials really were initiated and directed by the oil magnates. The attendance of witnesses, of course, can be enforced by government prosecutors. It is also claimed here that witnesses can be compelled to give evidence, even if their testimony might tend to incriminate them. Under the law, however, such witnesses would be immune from punishment as to matters of which they should testify.

Always the Same



REESE AND LOOMIS LEAD

REESE APPARENTLY NAMED BY REPUBLICANS.

AND LOOMIS BY FUSIONISTS

Returns Are Being Received Slowly, But at a Late Hour Indications Pointed to the Selection of These Two For Supreme Judge.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 4.—Returns continued to come in slowly today but at a late hour today indications pointed to the nomination of Reese for supreme judge by republicans and Loomis by the fusionists.

OLSON AND GRAVES STRONG.

Stanton County Gave Them Votes for Judgeship Nomination.

Stanton, Neb., Sept. 4.—Special to The News: Returns at a late hour today indicated that Sedgwick was running slightly ahead of Reese, but the result will be close between them. Neuman is nominated by democrats for commissioner, this office having been contested.

A. R. Olson of Wisner received practically the unanimous support of republicans for the district judgeship nomination, as did Graves among the democrats.

Antelope County.

Neligh, Neb., Sept. 4.—Special to The News: Not half the vote was polled in Antelope county. Returns from townships up till a late hour this morning gave Sedgwick a lead of six votes over Reese. Anderson and Coupland are running strong for regents. The vote for regents in Neligh was: Anderson 69, Coupland 97, von Mansfeld 18. For county treasurer two wardgave Fletcher 116, Malzacher 42, and for sheriff Barkdoll 60, Hughey 28, Prater 27.

Pierce County Result.

Pierce, Neb., Sept. 4.—Special to The News: Pierce county gives Reese about 75 over Sedgwick. There was only one contest in each party for county offices, on the office of assessor. It seems probable that Pulcifer (rep.) was nominated, and Gus Lierman (dem.)

It will require less advertising to sell that property now than at any other season of the year.

Don't throw that piece of machinery on the scrap heap unless it is really not worth advertising.

You can buy some things in the stores today for less than the merchants paid for them—for such are the vicissitudes of store-keeping.

SPECIAL CIRCUS TRAINS

EXCURSION WILL RETURN AS FAR AS VERDIGRE.

EXTRA COACHES FOR THE EAST

The Northwestern Railroad Announces That Special Excursion Train Arrangements Have Been Made for Next Tuesday, Circus Day, in Norfolk

The Northwestern will arrange their train service to care for the circus day crowds.

The road will care for the circus day visitors, giving train service to north Nebraska people on the lines leading into Norfolk that will permit a visit to Norfolk on next Tuesday and enable the visitors to return to their homes the same evening. North Nebraska people can come to Norfolk on next Tuesday, witness the big afternoon performance of the Barnum & Bailey circus and still have several hours for shopping and visiting in the city, both before and after the big show.

The Northwestern on circus day will run a special train from Norfolk to Verdigre which will leave this city at 7:30 p. m. People living on the Bone-steel line may accordingly come to Norfolk on the morning train, arrive in this city at noon and return on this circus special.

The Northwestern has also arranged to accommodate the people who come into Norfolk on Tuesday from the east. For their benefit the freight which leaves for the east at 8:30 p. m. will be turned into an accommodation train, passenger coaches being added for the service as far east as Hooper. The train connections on the Northwestern west through north Nebraska are perfect for a circus day visit to Norfolk. Tuesday visitors to this city can arrive from the west on the regular trains either in the morning or at noon. The westbound Deadwood passenger leaves the Junction depot at 8 p. m.