

Rediscovering OMAHA

By T. W. McCULLOUGH
MUCH interest was felt through out the late presidential campaign, because of the presence of Charles W. Bryan on the ticket. Would the governor be able to carry his own state? The governor was not. Even the active assistance of his more distinguished brother was not sufficient to induce the voters to give further endorsement to the house of Bryan.

Much water has run under the bridge since 1890, when the name of Bryan first flashed across the political firmament. Richard Lee Metcalf is more than any other candidate, entitled to credit for setting Bryan on his way to fame. "Dick" was the political reporter for the Omaha newspaper of which he later became editor, succeeding Mr. Bryan when the gentleman left the tripod to be his party's candidate for president.

James E. Boyd had been nominated for governor by the democrats on a platform that opposed the prohibition amendment, submitted that year. W. J. Connell was assured of a re-nomination for congress by the republicans, and the problem before the democrats was to get some one to go against the sitting member. The old first district included practically the counties that now constitute the first and second districts. This brought Lincoln and Omaha both in the same district.

Metcalf early started to boom Bryan for the nomination. He had heard the young Lincoln lawyer at some sort of a gathering the year before, and was impressed by his eloquence and genial personality. Dick still insists that W. J. B. was one of the most likeable men he ever knew, whom he met within the last few years, when for some reason much of his geniality has given way to an austerity and occasionally irritability that seems foreign to his nature. "Met's" pertinacity for Bryan impressed other democrats, and the unknown youth was named as the party's candidate for congress.

It was the beginning of the liveliest campaign Nebraska ever knew, and Omaha was a storm center. Right at the start the republicans made a monumental blunder. Bryan challenged Connell to a joint debate, and the match was made. It is hardly fair to call it a match. Connell, with all his ability and experience, was hopelessly outclassed from the start. Bryan was not a debater, he was an orator, a rabble-rouser, and with his wire nail he prodded Connell into desperation every time they met. Republicans, realizing that something must be done to head off this rampant crusader, from Lincoln county, plighted him against John M. Thurston. Thurston was booked upon as inevitable, the Lancet of the republican "Round Table." "Wait until Thurston gets at him," said Charlie Marple to me one day, and that was the sentiment expressed on every side. Well, we waited, and finally the foreign gladiators came together. Such a clash Omaha may never see again. Thurston was without a peer when it came to panegyrics to the flag. He could make the old American eagle scream through all the range of harmony. Bryan was then the Gallahad, the Parsifal, "the pure-blameless fool." But, how that man could talk. It is not recorded that either paid a great deal of attention to the issue, which was the McKinley bill, but each did say a great many words that rang and sung, and inspired and blistered. So both sides came away from the meeting, each confident that each other had been annihilated.

Bryan pursued his way to congress, with an enormous vote from Omaha great vote that made James E. Boyd governor, although it only served to swell the majority against prohibition. Enough voters in the state opposed the amendment to have defeated it, regardless of Douglas county.

Charlie Orden managed the campaign for "Jim" Boyd, and Edward Rosewater led the fight against prohibition. A great association of Omaha business men financed this battle, and speakers from outside the state were brought in to assist. Nor did they omit anything from their efforts to win. The presence of J. Filippus Rose as a visitor to the other side reminded me that he was one of the local leaders in that great contest. Rev. A. W. Clark was another. Sam Small and other workers came from abroad, and the state was in a turmoil from June until November. A gesture toward a contest of the result was made by the prohibitionists before the legislature, but it was soon abandoned.

One of the interesting features of the election was the close race between the three candidates for governor. In round numbers, 210,000 votes were cast. Boyd, democrat, received 71,000; John H. Powers, "Honest John," populist, had 70,000, and L. D. Richards, republican, 69,000. As the count narrowed down, and the last few votes might decide the result, all eyes turned to the recently organized counties in the sand hill region. Arthur, Blain, McPherson, Thomas, and the unorganized territory attached to them, might settle the result. On election night a hand out swooped down on the region, and cut off all communication. Nearly two weeks elapsed before messengers could get through with the returns. It cost the Omaha newspapers about a dollar for each vote cast to get these returns, and then they did not affect the result.

A whole page might be used in ad equately describing the events following the election in Omaha. Jubilation did not cease until the celebrants were exhausted. More money changed hands on that election than any other event in the city's history. Both sides were flush, and confident, and bets of thousands were numerous. The late Mark Coad was prob-

ably the heaviest loser, for he had much faith in the prospects of Richards, and the late Dr. Ralph Connell also parted with considerable cash because of his belief that his brother would defeat Bryan. Another time I may recall some of the things that happened between the time Boyd was elected and the day when he was finally given clear title to his seat by the supreme court of the United States.

NOMINATIONS FOR WEST POINT MADE

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee, Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—Robert Chard, 908 North Thirty-second street, was nominated for appointment to West Point Military academy by Congressman Willis G. Sears. Byron R. Dunham, 311 South Fourteenth street, was nominated first alternate; Eldridge B. Scott, 5523 Howard street, second alternate, and Charles M. Garvey, 433 North Thirty-eighth avenue, third alternate. John Dehnbach, 433 North Thirty-eighth avenue, third alternate. John Dehnbach, Cray was appointed a principal cadet some time ago. Herbert Lichtenberger, Coronado apartments, was appointed first alternate for Cray.

Nominations were based on grades made by candidates in examinations before a civil service commission in Omaha, October 24. Principals are to report to the military academy in 1925.

NEGRO SLAYER TO GO TO PRISON

Frank Owens, colored, sentenced to life imprisonment for the slaying of his common-law wife, will be removed from the Douglas county jail to the penitentiary at Lincoln next week. Owens, a cripple, has been in the jail here for about a year. It is the custom to admit only able-bodied men to the penitentiary, but Owens' admission to the institution has been gained by Deputy County Attorney Gordon Nicholson, the man who prosecuted him, because of the nature of the sentence which he is serving. Owens is elderly and long confinement in the county jail, where there is no chance of recreation or diversion, would be disastrous to his health, Nicholson declares.

Public Installation.
The women of Mooseheart legion, Omaha chapter No. 532, will hold a public installation Tuesday evening in Moose temple, 117 1/2 North Sixteenth street. Following the installation there will be an entertainment and dance.

Mrs. A. L. Payne will be installed as senior regent; Miss Lorena M. Webb, junior regent; Miss E. E. Newton, chaplain; Mrs. H. H. Crosser, recorder; Mrs. Mildred Joseph, treasurer; Mrs. Henry F. Wolf, guide; Mrs. Frances Ryan, sentinel; Mrs. L. R. Black, arguer; Miss Rachel Wolf, musician.

Doane College Notes.
Miss Lucile Carter gave a talk at Doane on the session Day at Oberlin. The orator "Elijah" will be given Sunday afternoon at the college chapel by the chorus of 120 voices. W. Lewis of Lincoln will come for the tenor solo part. Phi Sigma Tau initiated its new members Saturday night. Several old members came back to take part in the exercises. The dining hall was closed Thanksgiving day, as the girls who remained were invited to homes in Crete for dinner. Former Prof. G. H. Scott of Jacksonville, Ill., stopped in Crete Monday night on his way home from a trip to Jackson, S. D., where he taught mathematics before coming to Doane in 1892. Franklin Scott got his A. M. at Chicago university and is teaching in the Jacksonville High school.

York College Notes.
Flournoy Cave Hughes, 16, received her Master's degree in English from Columbia university last summer. She is now located at Oberlin college. York college graduates and former students who are in the city were Grace King, Menden; Mabel Meeker, Bradshaw; and Mrs. Jim Brooks, Clayton, Kan.; Floyd Laws, Norton, Kan.; Irvin Caldwell, Shelby, N. H.; Bearse, Baker. Clyde Reynolds, 21, is intern in one of the city hospitals. The W. A. A. elected Florence Jenkins, 22, president. Dean Ashcraft addressed the Y. W. C. A. chasm school last Monday on "Marriage." Miss Emma Fye, matron of the girls dormitory, spent part of her vacation at Aurora.

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WOAW Radio Programs

Sunday, December 7.
8:30 a. m. radio chapel service, conducted by Rev. R. H. Brown, pastor of the Omaha Gospel tabernacle of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, 2018 Douglas street. ("Bible Sunday of the air.")
9:10 a. m. matinee program by Simpson's concert orchestra.
9:30 p. m. Bible study hour, under the personal direction of Mrs. Carl R. Gray.
9:50 p. m. musical chapel service, conducted by Bishop E. M. Shaylor, D. D., music by the choir of St. Mark church. Sacred choir director, organist, Ovington hymn, "My Country 'Tis of Thee," hymn, "The Sun of God Goes Forth to Win." Scripture lesson. Nunc dimittite. Creed and prayer. Hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord." Hymn, "Religious, Social and Economic Conditions in Palestine, Greece and Sicily." Bishop Shaylor. Hymn, "O Zion, Hasten" and "Abide With Me." Benediction.

Monday, December 8.
6:00 p. m. dramatic hour, Davis Studio of expression. Selected readings and weekly lesson in "Voice Improvement" by J. Simmons Davis.
6:30 p. m. to be announced.
8:15 p. m. dinner program, Sammy Hargrave's orchestra of Lincoln's steel restaurants.
9:10 p. m. concert program, by the 17th U. S. Infantry band, Herman Westel, conductor.
9:30 p. m. "Florentine".....Suek Overture, "Isabella".....Ruppe Selection, "The Passion Play of the Omaha Daily News".....Waltz "Jolly Fellows".....Volstead Fantasia, "Robert Bruce".....Bonnieau Hungarian song ("Last Love"), Calcutta Characteristic song, "Musical Singers" From Switzerland.....Lansley

Tuesday, December 9.
6:30 p. m. "Advice to Lovelorn" period, conducted by Cynthia Gray, editor of "The Tell Me" column of the Omaha Daily News.
8:15 p. m. Dinner program, transmitted from WOAW's remote control studio in the May Seed & Nursery Co. building, Shoenshoody, Ia. Auspice Auto Electric & Radio corporation.
9:10 p. m. First Christian church orchestra, Joseph F. Swoboda, director.
(a) Fox rot, "Love Taboo"
(b) Waltz, "What'll I Do?"
Violin solo, "Adagio Pathetique".....Godard
Hazel Beyer, accompanist.
"Blossom Time".....Orchestra
Piano solo, "Country Gardens".....Grainger
Violin solo, "Violet Duet".....H. G. Kiddon
Flute solo, "Goodnight, Little Sweetheart".....Popp
Belle Kucera.
(a) Waltz, "A Kiss in the Dark"
(b) March, "The Captain".....Souza
Orchestra.
9:45 p. m. Studio of Walter B. Graham, baritone.
Soprano solo, "The Harp in the Air"
Wallace
Bass solo, "Give a Man a Horse".....O'Hara
Edward E. Swoboda.
Contralto solo, "Gray Days".....Johnson
William Ingraham.
Tenor Solo—Selected.
Soprano solo, "O Sleep".....Handel
Alice Van Duff.
Baritone solo, "The Trumpet".....Dix
Walter B. Graham.
10:30 p. m. "Woei frolic" by Frank Hodek, Jr., and his Omaha Nightingales. Transmitted from Wowl roost at Roseland gardens.

Wednesday, December 10.
6:30 p. m. Dinner program by Ash Stratton's orchestra of the Empress Rustic garden.
8:15 p. m. "Spelling" Concert orchestra of Lincoln's steel restaurants.
9:10 p. m. "Woei frolic" by Frank Hodek, Jr., and his Omaha Nightingales. Transmitted from Wowl roost at Roseland gardens; G. A. Spelling, director.
Thursday, December 11.
6:30 p. m. "Woei frolic" by Frank Hodek, Jr., and his Omaha Nightingales. Transmitted from Wowl roost at Roseland gardens; G. A. Spelling, director.
Friday, December 12.
5:15 p. m. "Wooden of the World" Employs' Glee club; Margaret R. Burns, director.
6:30 p. m. "World Herald" ("Tonic Rose") story hour, conducted by Doris Claire Seved.
8:30 p. m. To be announced.
9:10 p. m. Half-hour musical, by Harry Hodek, violinist-conductor, and Frank Strawn, pianist, of Rialto Symphony orchestra.
9:30 p. m. To be announced.
9:50 p. m. Program of old-time music, arranged by H. G. Kiddon.
Violin—Stock Yards Quadrille"
Mr. Greer Zeller; Mrs. Arthur Bailey, accompanist.
Violin—Three "Garden".....H. G. Kiddon
(Prizes given to winners reporting their names.)
Vocal Duet—"In the Evening".....Little Anderson and Hollis E. Gamel.
Mrs. Bailey, accompanist.
Swedish Dialect Story.....C. W. Owen, accompanist.
Harmonia Solo—"Old Gray Bonnet".....C. W. Owen.
(a) "Anne Laurie".....H. G. Kiddon
(b) "Marching Through Georgia".....H. G. Kiddon
(c) "Honey Dog Hornpipe".....H. G. Kiddon
Mrs. G. Arthur Bailey, accompanist.
Tom Fields.
Voice—"Silver Threads Among the Gold".....H. G. Kiddon
Harmonia Solo—"Ring Those Charming Bells".....C. W. Owen.
Violin.....H. G. Kiddon
(a) "Old Folk at Home".....H. G. Kiddon
(b) "Hay Foot Hornpipe".....H. G. Kiddon
(c) "Dixie Land".....H. G. Kiddon
Banjo—"Dixie's Dream".....H. E. Tagger
Mingus—"Songs From the County Fair".....H. G. Kiddon
Harmonia—"Mocking Bird".....C. W. Owen.
Violin.....H. G. Kiddon
(a) "Auld Lang Syne".....H. G. Kiddon
(b) "Kilbridey Comin'".....H. G. Kiddon
(c) "Hail Fanny Bell".....H. G. Kiddon
(d) "The Olden Days".....H. G. Kiddon
Vocal Duet—"Old Gaken Bucket".....Little Anderson and Hollis E. Gamel.
Mrs. G. Arthur Bailey, accompanist.
Saturday, December 13.
6:00 p. m. Maupin family program.
"By the Waters of Minnesota"
"The Waters of the West"
"Hear a Thrush at Eve"
"Nightingale"
Mrs. Dorothy Maupin Beindorf.
Reading—"Selections from the pen of Will Maupin."
Will Maupin.
Sylvia.....Speaks
"Carissima"
"Stars That Light My Garden".....Russell
Mrs. Lawrence Foster.
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RADIO

Program for Dec. 7.
(Courtesy of Radio Digest.)
By Associated Press.
WHAA, Iowa City (434): 8 p. m., familiar hymns.
KPGZ, Harrison Springs (270): 7, story; 8:15, sacred music; 8:30, sermon; 9:30, musical program.
WVER, Boston (200): 7, Sunday Evening club speaker.
WVBC, Chicago (526): 7, Sunday Evening club speaker.
WLV, Chicago (441): 8:30, organ; 7:30, musical program.
WJWO, Cleveland (232): 7, church service; 8, concert.
WFAA, Dallas News (476): 7:30, service; 8, chorale; 9:30, orchestra.
WOC, Davenport (484): 8, services; 9:30, program.
WHQ, Des Moines (525): 7, church service; 8, concert.
WGN, Detroit Free Press (517): 6:15, service.
KNS, Hollywood (387): 9, boys and girls; 10, features; 12, large singer.
WRL, Iowa City (484): 9, hymns tenor.
WJCF, Jefferson City (410): 7:30, service; 8, concert.
KJR, Los Angeles (350): 8, vesper service; 10, service; choir.
KHI, Los Angeles Times (385): 8:30, musical program.
KESG, Los Angeles (278): 9, services; 10, concert.
WFAF, New York (492): 8:30, Roxy and his girls; 9:15, organ.
WBY, New York (249): 9, entertainment.
WJY, New York (405): 7:30, concert orchestra.
WCAI, Northfield (568): 8:30, sacred program.
KGO, Oakland (312): 10, musical church service.
WOAW, Omaha (526): 4, Bible study; 5, musical choir.
WOP, Philadelphia (508): 6:30, services.
WIP, Philadelphia (595): 6:30, services.
WIP, Philadelphia (599): 6:30, services; 8:30, concert.
KWP, Portland (492): 8, services; 9, concert.
KPO, San Francisco (423): 10:30, concert.
WGY, Schenectady (386): 7, services; 8, symphony orchestra.
KBY, St. Paul (366): 6:30, sacred songs.
WBEZ, Springfield (337): 7:30-9, concert.
WBRB, Staten Island (272): 8:30, choral

County Agent Quits.
Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 16.—A meeting of the farmers and stock raisers of Gage county has been called for December 16, in this city to discuss ways and means of continuing the office of county agent, the place being made vacant by the resignation of L. Boyd Rist, who recently located at Maryville, Mo.
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