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Notes from the Insurance Field

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

City Clerk Wheeler Has Rush of Inquiries on Vote Swearing.

ISSUES COMPLETE STATEMENT

Frank Koutsky Will Be Nominated Republican Candidate for Mayor Next Tuesday.

City Clerk Perry Wheeler says his office has been besieged by inquiries as to the methods of swearing in voters for the primary election next Tuesday.

"Voters who have not registered during the last year, and who desire to vote at the primary election next Tuesday, are entitled to do so providing that they can comply with the provisions of the statute as set forth in the primary election law.

"The law provides that the voter shall go to the city clerk's office, accompanied by two freeholders of the ward and precinct in which he resides, and there make an affidavit as to the reason for his not being registered, and also as to the party with which he affiliates. The following are the only legal provisions made for swearing in voters: If the elector is a first voter; if he has moved into the precinct since the last day of registration; if the elector was absent from the city on all three registration days; if he was detained by illness, or if he can set forth facts showing that it was impossible for him to register for any unusual cause."

Without leaving his office Frank Koutsky, the republican candidate for mayor, will be nominated on Tuesday. Koutsky entered the race at the instant urging of the republicans of the town. Democratic gang influence has worked overtime to get a fight against him, but without success. In the interests of the colored republicans of the city will hold a meeting Monday night at the old Eagle hall, Twenty-sixth and N streets. The meeting will be open to all the candidates who wish to be present. While the democratic nominees for mayor are wrangling for inside places on the track Jerry Howard is reported to be making great strides in the ranks of the voters of the party. The packing house employees are behind him to a man. It is said. His meetings are crowded at the noon hour when the men forget their lunch to hear him discuss the issues of the campaign. Mayor Hoctor and others of the candidates by the liberal use of beer and liquid refreshments can scarcely muster more than the candidates and the so-called beer voters.

Gang Fighting Howard

Hoctor an Ennor have taken to fighting Howard openly. This has not increased the prestige of either with the voters. Among the business men who are democratic and among the insurgent element generally Howard will get the vote Tuesday. The Gillin gang is bending every effort towards crushing Howard. The report is that Gillin has knifed Ryan in the west end of the city while pretending to be his friend in the south end. Sam Winters was invited to a democratic meeting Saturday night to hear a man named Jameson, imported from New York by Gillin, denounce him. Even O'Sullivan, who is opposed to Winters in the race for the democratic nomination as city attorney, refused to party to the onslaught made on Winters. O'Sullivan explained after the Jameson thrash that he was not present to make attacks on any one. O'Sullivan has been in the city for less than six months, during which time he has won a number of friends by his personal characteristics. Among other things it now develops that the Industrial Workers of the World, of which organization there are two councils in South Omaha, have gone on record against Mayor Hoctor because of his attitude towards the laboring man.

Rev. Aherne Joins Committee.

Rev. James Aherne, one of the well known and highly esteemed clergymen of the city, pastor of St. Agnes' Catholic church, was elected a member of the general relief committee at a meeting of the committee held yesterday morning in the city hall. Rev. Mr. Aherne was delegated to look into the matter of giving a Christian burial to the unidentified man who has been kept at Larkin's funeral parlors since the cyclone at Ralston last Sunday. The funeral was arranged for this morning at 10 o'clock from Larkin's chapel. The relief committee donated \$50 for the burial and the undertaker furnished the rest. Interment will be made in Laurel Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Lottie Williams, another storm sufferer made destitute by the cyclone, was provided with transportation to her home in Colorado. A meeting of the committee will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Leg Crushed by Ice.

Frank McMaster of Thirty-third and Q streets was crushed beneath two heavy blocks of ice while repairing Cudaly's ice house at Ralston yesterday. McMaster was caught between the walls and the ice. His left leg was splintered so badly that Dr. A. H. Koenig ordered him removed to the South Omaha hospital where a number of bone splinters were removed. McMaster may lose his leg.

Another Fatal Burial.

Lee Nelson, one of the South Omaha men killed in the Omaha cyclone last Sunday, will be buried Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Bethel Baptist church. Nelson was visiting in the Abernathy home at Twenty-fifth and Burdette streets when the storm broke. He was killed outright and his wife injured. She is still in the South Omaha hospital.

Rev. Richard Quarles will have charge of the services, and the interment will be made in Laurel Hill cemetery. The following are pallbearers: R. L. Woodward, T. H. Hopper, John McNeils and George Riddle.

Undertaker Wanted.

Jerry Howard wants the services of a good undertaker to do the offices at Mayor Hoctor's political funeral. He says he has secured Morgan Heafey to preside at the interment of Dr. Ennor. Both Ennor and Hoctor are opponents of Howard in the race for mayor. Yesterday morning Ennor and Howard met Morgan Heafey at Twenty-fourth and M streets. "Here, Morgan," said Howard, "take the doctor, here, and do the necessary by him while I go and get an undertaker to look after Hoctor." "Too funny part of it is that Howard's foe has more truth than poetry in it and his opponents know it," said Howard.

"SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., March 28—

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To the Voters and Citizens of South Omaha.

In soliciting your support of my candidacy for the nomination of city attorney at the primary on next Tuesday, I deem it my duty to call your attention to the fact that I am opposed by every gangster and combination of professional politicians who look upon the people and the people's good money as their legitimate spoil. This to my election pledges, I have stood between the people and their spoilsman, and for that reason the gang and their affiliates have marked me for slaughter.

Here are some of the reasons why the politicians do not want me to be city attorney:

1. Because I believe "the revenues of each year should be fairly satisfied by discharging all the debts and liabilities contracted by the city in that year; because I have insisted that according to law all back tax money should be carried forthwith into the interest and sinking fund, and not spent in hiring unnecessary help in the different city departments merely with a view to increasing the strength of certain perpetual officeholders.

2. Because I would not permit the city treasurer to increase his already too large office force by hiring additional tax collectors.

3. Because I firmly refused to countenance a scheme whereby the paving tax burdens of certain influential citizens should be imposed upon the city at large.

4. Because, notwithstanding the "pulls" of gang politicians, I vigorously prosecuted the toughs and hoodlums who insulted the wives and daughters of honest men on the streets of the city.

5. Because I drew a special ordinance seeking to eliminate the slot machines from the city.

6. Because I have fought grafters at every turn of the road so the you and every citizen might get a square deal regardless of politics, race or creed. Because when the chief of the fire department says he can man his forces with twenty-six men that it is dishonest to employ twenty-nine men. I don't understand it the city with \$600,000 on deposit, is the only depositor who gets only 2 per cent interest on its money.

Even my opponents are compelled to admit that I have managed the affairs of the people with absolute probity and justice to all. If you are with me against grafters and gangsters, I want your support on Tuesday.

H. C. MURPHY, City Attorney.

Advertisement.

Magie City Gossip.

Vote for C. M. Rich, school board. Miss Berger of Lincoln is the guest of Miss Beanie Robinson.

For cyclone and windstorm insurance recall Joe Murphy, 80, 71.

For tornado insurance see F. W. Black, 235 N street. Phone South 121.

Miss Maudine Murrlock is spending the week-end with her parents.

Mrs. R. E. Schindel has returned from an extended visit in Kansas City.

Mrs. R. M. Lavery was hostess for the O. W. Club Saturday evening.

For sale, three-quarter Jersey cow, fresh in three weeks, 1514 Missouri Ave. Tornado insurance in strong companies written by J. H. Kopleck, 228 North 24th street.

Jack Parks solicits your vote for democratic nomination for Sixth ward councilor Tuesday evening.

Miss Frances Tanner gave a party last evening at her home, Twenty-fourth and B streets.

Miss Adele Davis will return to Lincoln today after spending the week-end in South Omaha.

Miss Florence Smith entertained the P. E. society with an art lecture Saturday evening.

B. H. Langer, republican candidate for nomination for councilman for the Fifth ward, will be here Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. W. Chadd and daughter, Mrs. L. M. Sloan, will return this week from an extended visit in Kansas City.

Mrs. E. H. Rice of Villisca, Ia., and grandson, Thomas, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Robb.

Mrs. C. Orchard and Mrs. Francisco held luncheon invitations for a large party for Tuesday afternoon and evening at the home of Mrs. D. L. Holmes Wednesday afternoon.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church will meet at the home of Mrs. D. L. Holmes Wednesday afternoon.

Stephen Carroll, democratic candidate for member of Board of Education, republican ticket.

Election of delegates to grand lodge will be held at a meeting of lodge No. 98, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Tuesday evening.

John Howard says the only benefit ever derived by the public from his democratic competitors for the mayoralty was "the air" coming from their mouths.

The body of Joseph Quinn, who died Friday at his home, 184 South Twenty-first street, will be taken to Cedar Rapids for burial this afternoon.

A. H. Kerst, 608 North 15th St., candidate for school board, subject to republican nomination, taxpayer and resident for twenty-four years in South Omaha.

Mrs. J. B. Philip assisted by Mrs. Robertson will entertain the Ladies' Aid society of the First Methodist church at the home of Mrs. Philip, 1301 North Twenty-second street, Thursday afternoon.

Vote for W. E. Schneider, democratic candidate for school board, sound teacher, economy, home talent, personal untiring efforts for the highest degree of efficiency in our schools. Primaries April 1, election May 6.

South Omaha camp No. 21, Woodmen of the World, will conduct a number of candidates into Perfecto Woodcraft at Odd Fellows' hall Wednesday evening, March 2, assisted by Druid camp No. 21 degree team and staff.

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Penny by penny and nickel by nickel the little school children of the city have collected a fund amounting to \$125 for the storm victims at Ralston. The work has been done by the children themselves, according to the report of Mrs. Graham, in whose hands the money now is.

STATE DEBATING CONTESTS

First Series Honors Decided and Second Series On.

DOZENS OF DEBATES HELD

District Championships Will Be Decided and Then Decision Will Be Reached Between Teams of Various Districts.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 29.—(Special.)—In the sixth annual contest of the Nebraska High School Debating League, the first series honors have been decided and those winners have been decided second series in the race for the district championships and places in the state debate at the University of Nebraska on High School Debate Day in May.

First Series Winners.

A summary of the first state proposition that American cities should adopt a commission form of government follows: CENTRAL DISTRICT—York won from Fremont, Council from Central City, Geneva from David City.

EASTERN DISTRICT—Nebraska City won from Weeping Water, South Omaha from Bellevue Academy, Schuyler from North Platte, Fremont from Plattsmouth (default).

EASTERN CENTRAL DISTRICT—Havelock from University Place, Teachers' College High School from Sterling, Wilbur from Nebraska Military Academy, Lincoln from Wilbur.

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT—Omaha from Alton, North Platte from Alton, North Platte from Alton.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT—Pierce from Creighton.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT—Alliance from Rushville, Sidney from Minatare (default).

SOUTHERN DISTRICT—Fairbury from Diller, Edgar from Superior.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT—Wymore from Pawnee City, Falls City from Auburn, Beatrice from Tecumseh (default), Humboldt from Table Rock.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT—McCook from Holbrook, Oxford from Franklin (default), Trenton from Stratton, Oxford from Haverock.

WEST-CENTRAL DISTRICT—Ord from Broken Bow from Meral.

WESTERN DISTRICT—Holdrege-Minden, at Minden, April 1; Kearney-Harvard, at Kearney, April 1.

Second Series Contests.

The following contests have been held or are scheduled:

EASTERN DISTRICT—Fremont-Schuyler, at Fremont, March 21. Won by Fremont, unanimous.

Fremont-Nebraska City.

EAST-CENTRAL DISTRICT—Teachers' College High School, at Havelock, March 23. Won by Havelock, two-to-one.

NORTHERN DISTRICT—Valentine-O'Neill.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT—Sidney-Allamore.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT—Beatrice-Wymore, at Beatrice, April 4.

Humboldt-Fall City.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT—McCook-Trenton.

WEST-CENTRAL DISTRICT—Ord and Broken Bow.

Third Honor Series.

EASTERN DISTRICT—Bellevue Academy-Weeping Water, at Bellevue, March 22. Won by Bellevue, unanimous.

South Omaha-Schuyler, North Bend and Weeping Water.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT—Superior-Diller, at Superior, April 4.

The following officers for the Southeast Nebraska Debating association were elected: President, Superintendent C. L. Cherry of Wymore; vice president, Superintendent Harry L. Reimund of Weeping Water; secretary and treasurer, Superintendent Strickland of Tecumseh.

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