

NEWS OF INTERESTS FROM IOWA

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MUNICIPAL POLITICAL TALK

Mayor Macrea Said to Be Out of the Running by His Own Volition.

SEVERAL REPUBLICANS WILLING

Maloney said to Have the Call for Mayor with the Democrats—Not Much Talk Yet Regarding Other Possibilities.

With the primary election on February 8, and January 22 the date set by City Auditor McAnney as the last day on which candidates can file their petitions, there is beginning to be more or less discussion of city politics. Up to date no candidate for a municipal office has filed his petition, but it is believed that after the new year things politically will begin to shape themselves.

Naturally, chief interest centers in the successor to Mayor Macrea, who will not seek a third term under any circumstances. On the republican side W. F. Sapp, who was the party candidate two years ago and who was beaten by Dr. Macrea by only 18 votes, is said to be in the field again for the nomination. Robert B. Wallace, a councilman for the Third ward, has told his friends that he will not be a candidate for ward councilman again, but that he would be perfectly willing to accept the nomination for mayor. Mr. Wallace, it is understood, will have the support of the Cummins republicans. The name of Spencer Smith has also been prominently mentioned of late, and it is said that while he would not make any campaign for the nomination, he would accept it if the republican voters tendered it him. There has also been some talk of Attorney Charles M. Harl, but it is understood that Mr. Harl will not be a candidate, being too busy with his legal practice. Friends of Attorney H. J. Chambers are booming him and the talk is that Mr. Chambers can be considered a candidate for the mayoralty nomination.

Present indications are that Thomas Maloney, councilman from the Second ward and patron saint of Indian creek, is practically conceded to have the democratic nomination for mayor natted down. At the same time others are being mentioned, among the number being Lucius Wells and Andrew C. Graham, president of the Park board. Major G. H. Richmond, chief of police, has also been mentioned in this connection, but he recently declared that he was not in the field. It is not unlikely that other candidates will appear on the scene before the last day for filing nomination petitions.

Aspirants for Other Places. Outside of mayor there has been but little talk as yet. It is understood that City Solicitor Kimball will seek a re-nomination by the republicans, and up to date no democrat has been mentioned as willing to enter the race against him. City Treasurer True and City Auditor McAnney are not likely to meet with any opposition to re-nomination by the republicans, and the democratic aspirants for these offices have not yet declared themselves. City Engineer Elyne will, in all probability, be re-nominated by the democrats, and it is likely that Harley Mayne, city street surveyor, will be the republican candidate for this office.

Candidates for ward councilmen do not have to secure nomination petitions as do the aspirants for other municipal offices. They are merely required to file with the city their intention of being a candidate. Councilman Fleming, it is understood, will ask a re-nomination for councilman-at-large at the hands of the republican party, and Councilman Younkerman of the First ward, it is stated, will this year seek the democratic nomination for councilman-at-large instead of merely from the First ward. Councilman Smith of the Fifth ward and Harlow of the Sixth, it is understood, will both seek nominations on the republican ticket. In the Sixth ward there is some talk among the democrats of W. C. Boyer and Frank C. Hendricks for councilman. Mr. Boyer formerly represented that ward in the city council. John Olson, councilman-at-large, is said to have told his friends that he would not seek a re-nomination and to the future he intended to devote all his time to his business. Councilman Knudsen of the Fourth ward is also said to wish to retire into private life, and consequently will not be a candidate for re-nomination by the republicans.

There may be, it is said, an attempt on the part of a certain faction to inject the water works question into the municipal campaign this spring, but business men generally feel that this should be left to be disposed of by the new city council.

How to Get on Ticket. Under the new primary law a candidate for any office but that of councilman will have to secure a petition for nomination, which must be obtained by some other person than the candidate himself. In the case of a republican candidate this will have to bear the signature of fifty bona fide voters and in the case of a democrat by fifty-three. The party circulating the petition will have to make affidavit that the persons signing the petition are all qualified voters of the city when filing it with the city auditor. The names of such candidates will be printed on the primary ballot, but the names of candidates for councilmen will have to be written in by the voters. In case there are more than two candidates on a ticket for one office and neither receives a majority of the votes cast then the nomination will go to the city convention. In the case of councilmen the one receiving a plurality of the votes cast will be nominated.

At the primary election in each precinct delegates to the city convention and precinct committeemen will be elected. The city election will be held Monday, March 11.

County Board Meets Thursday. The supervisors of Pottawattamie county will meet for their annual session Thursday of this week. The session promises to be a busy one.

The first matter to be attended to will be naming of the jury list for 1908. The men who are to serve have already been selected by the board and all that will have to be done will be to formally ratify the list.

The election of a chairman of the board will be held at this meeting, which also has in time for letting the contract for publishing the board's proceedings during the entire year to three of the newspapers of the county having the largest circulation.

IOWA LOSING ITS FARMERS

People Are Waking Up to Need of Thorough Exploitation.

NUMEROUS PLANS ARE DEVISED

Construction of New Primary Law with Respect to Expenditures. Awaited by Hawkeye Politicians.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—The State Board of Agriculture is wrestling with the problem how to advertise the agricultural resources of Iowa so as to keep the farmers that are here and attract others. At first blush the answer is that the agricultural resources of Iowa do not need any advertising, and so it is thought, until it is realized that practically every southern state and all the new states, such as Oklahoma, the Dakotas and other western states are using state funds to advertise in order to attract new comers, it is recognized that the idea has some merit.

Advertisements are flooding Iowa from a score of states, holding out the promise of fortune and opulence are to be had in agriculture in these states. The railroads are spending a great deal of money to advertise the cheap lands in Texas, the Dakotas, Oklahoma, Arizona, Wyoming, Montana and Colorado, as well as the southern states which are heralded as having an agricultural awakening. At the same time, through one department or another, spending a great deal of money in the same line of advertising. The agricultural departments are writing their year books and reports with a view to using them for sending to inquirers and possible immigrants from other states. But in Iowa not even the railroads are doing any advertising.

The last census reports show that the rural communities in Iowa are growing more thinly populated. So thinly populated that many public schools have been closed for lack of children. The same reports show that most of the cities and towns of Iowa have gained in population, but the total for the state by the last state census shows a small decrease.

Decrease in Population. At the time the last state census was announced, in 1905, many explanations were made by leading citizens for the decrease in population. There is only one explanation that is worth considering and that can be expressed in a very few words. The rich farmers of Iowa have bought up the land adjoining their farms and have made it bigger and the farmers fewer. This reason, of course, includes the fact that when these rich farmers bought the land adjoining their farms they bought out and answered some of the glowing advertisements of other states and went elsewhere to farm on cheaper and and grew up again with a new country.

Secretary Simpson of the Board of Agriculture believes the day of more intensive farming is near at hand. He believes the rich farmers who own half-section and section farms are moving to town to live off the interest and rents. They have taken their children with them and the children will remain in town and are for the most part lost to the farm. In the course of a few years, possibly twenty-five or fifty, these farms will all be sold and the heirs will reinvest the money in city enterprises. All of this is believed by Secretary Simpson as being merely preliminary to the time when the farms of Iowa will consist of a much smaller number of acres. The average is now about 160 acres. The day will come when it will be nearer 40 acres. The change must be gradual, necessarily, but should the state of Iowa sit idly by and watch some of its best citizens emigrate to other states? Couldn't the progress toward small farms and more intensive farming be considerably hastened by a little judicious advertising put in the right place and if the advertising is done how should it be done? These are the phases of the problem that are bothering the Board of Agriculture.

Attractive Advertisements.

The advertising literature of most of the southern states and Oklahoma, as well as the northwest, is replete with attractive suggestions. The southern states are touting that fortunes are to be made out of truck gardening. The climate, which gives a much longer growing year, is in their favor and government reports are replete with the fact that the country is healthful and the climate salubrious. Especially in the extreme part of Texas and the Gulf coast the country is being advertised as a second southern California, soon to become the winter garden of the world, where garden truck and fruit grow all the year round and where profits of \$300 and \$400 an acre will soon make the land worth \$1,000 an acre, as it is today in southern California.

Of course in all this advertising there is somewhat of exaggeration, and even if it is all true there is only the bright and beautiful side of it held out to the prospective immigrant. But the burden of the argument in all these advertisements is the extreme need of an opportunity to make a profit on cheap land, while in Iowa and the better agricultural states it is small profits on high priced land. The idea of Secretary Simpson is that if the intensive farming principle is applied to Iowa farms there will be big profits from the land here, the extensive farming will also be profitable, the problem of farm labor to a large extent because the farmer will have a farm on which he can do all the work, practically, himself.

Want Light on Primary.

The attorney general's office through George Coombs, assistant attorney general, has given the opinion that voting machines cannot be used in the coming primary election. The law as to voting machines provided that they can be used in all elections, including primary elections, but the attorney general holds that the primary election law makes this impossible. Some little inquiry was made and it was discovered that there is no voting machine in existence that will register so as to show the full ticket that any one man voted. The primary election law provides that a voter going to the polls must be given the ballot of his party. If he is a republican he can vote at the primary only for republican candidates. If a democrat he can vote only for democratic candidates.

There is no voting machine made that is so arranged that a voter can at a primary vote only for men of one party. All the voting machines are arranged so as to be used for the general elections at which time the voter has the privilege of "strawing" and can vote for members of all political parties. There is only one way in which the voting machines could be used at a primary election and that would be to have a machine for each political party. Since this is entirely impractical because of the machines being so expensive voting machines cannot be used at the primary election.

Money Mole Attraction.

The theory is that the farmers of Iowa are selling out and going to other states because there is held up to them the idea that they can make more money, Human beings will ever strain for the stimulus

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To get in or out of business To secure help To find a position To buy, to sell, no matter What you want Use This Coupon A BEE Want-ad will get it

I WANT The following ad put in the want columns of the BEE for days, commencing at once. Ten cents per line for each insertion or \$1.50 per line per month. Enclosed find in stamps to pay for it

Form for placing advertisements in the BEE, including a table with rates: SIX WORDS TO A LINE, 10c PER LINE FIRST INSERTION, 5c PER LINE IF RUN MORE THAN ONCE.

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FIRE IN ALLEGHENY PRISON

Thousand Inmates Terror Stricken, but Are Kept Secure in Their Cells.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 30.—The chapel of the Allegheny workhouse, located at Clairmont, was burned Sunday, and as a result there were several fatalities among the thousand inmates of the institution. The prisoners had barely left the chapel when fire from an open grate ignited some Christmas decorations. The prisoners were locked in their cells, but when they became aware of the fire they began such a chorus of cries and prayers and imprecations as is seldom heard. Some of the prisoners were terror stricken, more were resentful and the dominating sentiment of the walls was that the flames might lick up the entire institution.

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Advertisement for Blatz Beer. Includes text: 'Just a grand old Beverage for people who appreciate a mild stimulant that is at the same time nutritious and healthful.' and 'Always the Same Good Old Blatz'. Features an image of a Blatz Beer bottle.

Advertisement for Omaha Silver Company. Includes text: 'EVERYTHING IN YOUR HOME SHOULD LOOK BRIGHT AND NEW FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON'. Features an image of a man's face and text: 'We Repair and Replate Table Ware, Re-finish Statues, Electric Light Fixtures, Lamps, Etc. HAVE THIS DONE. It will help to make your entertainments a success. Omaha Silver Company. Phone Doug. 1773. 314 South 13th St. Between Farnam and Harney. MEN CURED \$6.00 FOR \$6.00. WE CURE, THEN YOU PAY US OUR FEE. Established in Omaha 15 Years. FREE Consultation and Examination. Write for Symptom Blank for Home Treatment. Dr. Searies & Searies. S. E. Cor. 14th and Doug. Sts., Omaha, Neb.'

Advertisement for 'Secret!' hair treatment. Includes text: 'Secret! Atys's Hair Vigor, New Improved Formula. Destroys germs that cause dandruff and falling hair. Cures itching and eruptions of scalp. Soothes itching. Food to the hair-bulbs. Quizzes a strong tonic, antiseptic, stimulant. Cleanses scalp, clearing, quieting irritation of scalp. Restores natural color and activity of glands. Hair Vigor. Stop this. Stop. Stimulant, tonic. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.'