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## COUNTY ELECTION GOES VERY CLOSE

Liebershall, Pitz and Mike Tritsch Have Good Show of Being Elected—All Democrats.

Jim Robertson Seems to Be a Winner, and Cole and Judge Beeson Also—All Republicans.

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Up to 3 o'clock this afternoon the probabilities of the candidates with Nehawka, Mount Pleasant and Plattsmouth Third ward missing, are as follows:

Dry	.....582
Wilson	.....359
Kennedy	.....13
Neville	.....114
Maguire	.....166
Strum	.....138
Murtey	.....298
Todd	.....250
Liebershall	.....350
Robertson	.....91
Tritsch	.....392
Quinton	.....386
Cole	.....238
Farley	.....139
Johnson	.....41

The battle of the ballots in Cass county yesterday resulted in many surprises in the general result and especially in the wet and dry proposition as from the scattering returns the county has landed in the dry column with a decisive majority which will range from 200 to 300 when all the precincts are in and may perhaps make it even greater from the outlying districts. The length of the ballot has made the count very difficult and it will require all day before the full result can be determined but the fact that Nebraska is going dry is clearly shown from all over the state and it is also evident that the majority of President Wilson in the state will reach 20,000 at least. The election of senator and governor is still in doubt with both parties claiming the election of their candidates but the indications seem to point to the republican candidates, Kennedy and Sutton as the winners although Senator Hitchcock is running strong throughout the state and even the republican leaders concede that their majority for senator will be very small if any.

In the county election the result seems to have made little change in the personelle of the court house officials as the present incumbents seem to have all been returned to office. In several cases the contests have been very close and the candidates hung well together in the race. Plattsmouth city gave the democrats a strong majority and especially Commissioner Julius Pitz who will have in the neighborhood of 225 in the city. John Wunderlich, candidate for sheriff, made a fine run in the city but his lead was not sufficient to overcome the republican vote in the county and it seems to indicate the return of Sheriff Quinton to office but by a greatly reduced plurality over the past years. For county clerk, a pretty race was staged in this city between County Clerk Liebershall and Clarence Beal, his opponent, but the city was carried by Mr. Liebershall by a good majority and in the republican stronghold of Stove Creek precinct, Beal was only able to secure twelve majority while the other republican candidates ran from 90 to 110 in that precinct.

In the race for treasurer it looks decidedly like Mike Tritsch, the present deputy treasurer would be promoted and seems to bid fair to head the democratic candidates in the majorities received although this may be changed by a later return. The city gave a strong vote for Mr. Tritsch as did the precincts in the northern part of the county and especially in Eight Mile Grove and Louisville.

For Clerk of the District Court, James Robertson seems to have won a re-election but by a much smaller majority as Mr. Nemetz, his opponent has made an effective campaign and in his home here received a very handsome vote.

On the legislative ticket it seems that Sturm for senator has carried the county by a majority on the republican ticket while on the democratic ticket John Murtey and L. G. Todd for representatives seems to have been the winners.

## RAILROADS MAY RESIST ORDER OF COMMISSION

The indications are that the railroads of Nebraska may resist the order of the state railway commission requiring them to file monthly reports of freight bills. The roads have put in effect increased rates under an order of the interstate commerce commission. The increased rates are a subject of litigation in the federal court of Nebraska and that court has required the railroads to give bond for any damages that may be caused by the increased charge in the event the increased rates do not stand.

The state railway commission has followed this with an order requiring the railroads to report monthly to the commission copies of all freight bills. This order was issued so that in the event the increased rates are not finally found to be legal the shippers and receivers of freight will have a firm basis for the recovery of any overcharge in freight. The roads have not announced whether they intend to comply.

## SCHOOL BONDS CARRY BY FIVE MAJORITY

From Wednesday's Daily.  
From the returns on the school bond proposition which was submitted to the voters yesterday the latest returns seem to indicate the carrying of the bonds by five majority. There was quite a heavy vote cast on this at all the wards and all were greatly interested in the outcome of the struggle to settle whether or not there should be \$15,000 additional given for the new building that it is expected to erect in this city. In all the wards a large number of women voted on the proposition, but their vote was about evenly divided between the two sides. In the First, Third and Fourth wards there was 97 majority rolled up for the bonds, while in the Second and Fifth wards there was a majority of ninety-two against the bonds, which leaves the total for the bonds at five majority. The closeness of the result will make the official count watched with interest to determine whether or not the school board is to go ahead and erect the building according to their present plans and see that as adequate a building as possible is furnished the city. The fight over this question has been intense and a great deal of discussion on both sides indulged in by the supporters and the opponents of the bonds.

## THE DIFFERENCE OF THERMOMETERS NOT ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Why does a weather bureau thermometer show lower temperatures in hot weather than the thermometer at the corner drug store? asked the Popular Science Monthly for November. When discrepancies exist, they are due chiefly to the fact that the official thermometer is installed in a wooden cage, where it is open to the air, but screened from both direct sunshine and the heat reflected from surrounding buildings, etc. Only under such conditions does a thermometer measure accurately the temperature of the air. A thermometer in the sunshine becomes much hotter than the air around it, and its reading simply tells us how hot the instrument is, not how hot the air is. In large cities the weather bureau thermometer is often installed on the roof of a high building, where the temperatures differ somewhat from those prevailing at the street level. The object sought in this arrangement is to obtain a record of the natural temperature of the locality in general, rather than the artificial temperatures of the city.

We will enable the first five young people who answer this advertisement to earn board while attending business college in Omaha, giving each a good paying business position when competent. This is a rare opportunity, so answer today before you are too late. Catalogue and details free. Boyles' College, 1812 Harney St., Omaha, Neb. 10-26-2twkly.

## A GREAT DRAMA RETURNS AGAIN

"In Old Kentucky" Revives Memories of Twenty Years Ago, and Gives Rising Generation Opportunity to See a Truly Southern Play.

It has been a season for melodrama in the theaters and the poor word has been tremendously strained to cover all the different kinds of shows that have had to be included in this all-embracing title. We have modern detective melodrama, society melodrama, English melodrama, humorous melodrama and half a dozen variations. It remains for "In Old Kentucky," however, to bring back the real old-fashioned American melodrama, the kind that packs the big theaters, the kind that old people—as we of today call them—go to see again and wipe their eyes, not so much at the pathos of the actors as at the memories the old play revives.

But the newer generation of theatergoers should not imagine for a moment that "In Old Kentucky" is not a delightful entertainment even in these base and cynical days. Doubtless there are certain crudenesses of construction that would not be tolerated in a modern play; doubtless there is often an overemphasis on certain emotional situations; doubtless the actors from necessity, and because it is part of the play, disclaim certain lines in a manner to make the worldly-wise auditor smile at and not with the speaker; but the love of excitement and the love of lovers is ever present, and the couplet, "True hearts are more than coronets," etc., always gets its answering thrill, even from the man who has never stopped to think what the words mean. Many people who have forgotten that a man named W. D. Howells ever existed, still read Fenimore Cooper. There are plenty of women who openly admit that their addiction to periodical doses of Jane Eyre, and men who would do the same if they told the truth.

And so Joe Lorey, the young moonshiner, has the sympathy of the audience when he makes love to Madge, the flower of the mountains, even though every one knows his suit is hopeless. One waits in tense silence while he shoots away the bridge over which she must come to help young Frank Layson, lying unconscious, and there is a vast sigh of relief when Madge swings herself across the chasm by the severed rope and throws the sputtering bomb into the gulf before it explodes. It is hard not to begin wondering what would happen if she were ever too late and the bomb burst in her hands.

And again, good old Colonel Sandusky Doolittle wins the hearts of his auditors today as he did twenty years ago, particularly when he forswears attention to the race tracks and limits himself to three juleps a day—"on the honah of a Kentuckian, mam"—at the behest of the lady it took him twenty years to propose to. And its the same with the homely humors of Neb, the old family servant, who dates "befo de wah," and the villainy of Horace Holton, as black as his whiskers.

Everybody knows exactly just how that race is going to come out and everybody knows who the jockey is and so forth, but it all holds its excitement and the man who doesn't find it amusing and interesting and even a bit touching is keeping himself base or "highbrow" out of pure obstinacy. Then there is the picanniny band which is always welcome and which plays as if it couldn't get out of swing if the earth blew up, and the skylarking of the "niggers" in the beginning of the second act which always brings its roars of laughter.

"In Old Kentucky," along with a few others—very few—of the old-time plays, is an institution. It's something like the "sulpher an' lasses" our grandmothers used to prescribe in the spring. Perhaps we don't need it every year, but its good for us to have it every once in a while and its still better than many of the new-fangled stage "cures for the blues."

The present production is well staged and the piece is presented by a cast of excellence, and will be seen at the Parmele theater on Tuesday, November 14.

## REV. MCCLUSKY CALLED EAST BY THE DEATH OF HIS FATHER

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Rev. H. G. McClusky last evening received a message conveying the sad news of the death of his father in New York at his home in the northern part of that state. The message did not give the particulars of the illness and death and came as a great shock to Rev. McClusky, who departed last night for the old home to be present at the last services that will law away the beloved father. In his loss Rev. McClusky will have the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

## W. C. T. U. MEETS WITH MRS. WILES

From Wednesday's Daily.  
The ladies of the W. C. T. U. held one of the most delightful social meetings Monday afternoon at the charming home of Mrs. J. E. Wiles on High School hill. This meeting was the beginning of their new year's work and was in the nature of a reception for the new members that have joined this organization during the past year. For the occasion the pretty rooms of the Wiles home had been very appropriately and attractively decorated in the national colors, the red, white and blue. One of the pleasing features of this afternoon's entertainment was a splendid program consisting of readings by Mrs. William Baird, vocal selections by Mrs. E. H. Wescott and violin selections by Miss Genevieve Whelen, which was most highly enjoyed by the large number in attendance, there being some sixty ladies dainty luncheon was provided by the hostess, which was likewise most thoroughly enjoyed by the guests and which materially added to the pleasures of the afternoon. After the serving of the luncheon the ladies tarried for a few moments and indulged in a very pleasant social time and then dispersed, declaring this meeting to be one of the best held for some time and voted Mrs. Wiles a most excellent entertainer.

## PLEASANTLY ENTERTAINED AT THE PETERSON HOME

Yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Peterson, jr., was the scene of a very pleasant gathering when she entertained a number of ladies at a most delightful kensington. The Peterson home rang with merriment as the ladies passed the time in the plying of the busy needle, a swell as social conversation. Thus did the time pass very rapidly, and it was with regret that the members of the party saw the hour for going home draw near. Dainty and delicious refreshments served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. J. C. Peterson, sr., and Mrs. William Ballance, aided in the general enjoyment of the members of the party. The occasion will long be very pleasantly remembered by everyone in the party and it was one most thoroughly enjoyed. Those who enjoyed the occasion were: Mesdames L. B. Egenberger, J. C. Peterson, sr., Val Burkle, P. F. Goos, Olga Crosskary, George Thomas, F. R. Guthmann, J. E. McDaniel, W. D. Smith, William Ballance.

## HEAVY RAINSTORM HERE.

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Following the storm of the ballots which brought out the heaviest vote in recent years in the city and county, close to 1,000 being cast, the community was visited by a very heavy rainfall that fell for the greater part of the evening and while the result of the election was decidedly dry the rain was very much wet as those who were out in the storm found out. It was very disagreeable in getting around for those making the polling places to gather returns from the election and was one of the old soaking storms that you read about.

J. T. Reynolds of Union came up last evening from his home and spent a few hours here with his friends, and attended to a few matters of business, returning this morning to his home.

## MORE ELECTION RETURNS FROM CASS COUNTY

Democrats Get Treasurer, County Clerk and Commissioner, With John Murtey for the Legislature.

Senator Mattes Re-Elected by a Good Majority, and L. G. Todd Elected For Float Representative.

The result of the election in the state and county indicates that the people are very independent in their thoughts and action at the ballot box and display their citizenship in the selection of officers with true Nebraska fearlessness, and especially so is this true in the state, where Senator Hitchcock has an apparent good lead for re-election. He was fought by a great many of the dry boosters but the people have apparently acted as they deemed best regardless of the bosses.

In the county there were a number of close contests, and especially in the office of the clerk of the district court and county commissioner. John Nemetz, democratic candidate for district clerk, made a great race and was only defeated in the final result by a majority of something like eighty in the whole county, and he was able to carry the city by an extremely large vote. Mr. Robertson received a good vote in the country districts, which gave him a safe lead.

In the commissioner race, Julius A. Pitz, present commissioner, was re-elected by 79 majority over Joseph J. Johnson, the republican candidate. W. D. Wheeler, who was a candidate for the office on the socialist ticket polled a splendid scattering vote over the county, but not sufficient to have any bearing on the result.

This county will have a solid democratic delegation to the legislature this session, which will be headed by Senator John Mattes of Nebraska City. Mr. Mattes was defeated in this county by less than 200, and in Otoe county received a majority of 500, which put him over the wire. For representative, John Murtey of Alvo received a large majority, as did L. G. Todd, float representative for Cass and Otoe counties, as his majority here was large enough to overcome that of Marshall T. Harrison in Otoe county.

The high man on the list of candidates in the county was Mike Tritsch, who was selected by the voters to be county treasurer for the coming two years. He secured an enormous vote in his old home at Louisville, where he received 208 to 68 for his opponent, and in this city was also given a heavy vote.

County Clerk Frank Liebershall was a close second to Mr. Tritsch in the list of the candidates, as his majority was very heavy, and he secured an especially large vote in the country precincts, although in this city his opponent secured a very pleasing vote from his personal friends.

For sheriff, the present occupant, C. D. Quinton, was returned to office, but by a greatly reduced majority, and Mr. Wunderlich, the democratic candidate was able to carry this city by a handsome majority.

County Attorney Cole secured a re-election by a vote of 395 over J. A. Capwell of Elmwood, his opponent. The assessor race was a very keen one, and George L. Farley, the republican candidate was able to secure only 181 majority over P. E. Ruffner, the democratic candidate for the office. Mr. Ruffner made a very strong race in the country precincts.

The Majorities in Cass County.  
Dry Amendment .....625  
PRESIDENT.  
Wilson .....503  
U. S. SENATOR.  
Hitchcock (dem) ..... 70  
GOVERNOR.  
Sutton (rep) ..... 65  
CONGRESS.  
Maguire (dem) ..... 90  
STATE SENATOR.  
Sturm (rep) .....155  
REPRESENTATIVE.  
Murtey (dem) .....329  
FLOAT REPRESENTATIVE.  
Todd (dem) .....559

COUNTY CLERK.  
Liebershall (dem) .....436  
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT...  
Robertson (rep) ..... 86  
COUNTY TREASURER.  
Tritsch (dem) .....489  
COUNTY SHERIFF.  
Quinton (rep) .....270  
COUNTY ATTORNEY.  
Cole (rep) .....395  
COUNTY ASSESSOR.  
Farley (rep) .....181  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER.  
Pitz (dem) ..... 79

## MRS. WILES' BROTHER DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Last evening Mrs. Thomas Wiles has just returned from a visit to Oklahoma, reaching here Sunday evening, and at the time she left her received a message from Midford, Okla., announcing the death of her brother, T. J. Palmer, who passed away at his home in Medford on Tuesday afternoon last. Mrs. Wiles brother he was showing more improvement than he had for some time and his death came unexpectedly. He had been suffering from paralysis, that had affected his brain, and for the past few months had not been able to aid himself and required constant care. For several years Mr. Palmer was the editor of the Medford Star, one of the leading newspapers of that section, and was well known in the state as a man of much ability. Mr. Palmer leaves to mourn his death two daughters and one son, as well as two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Wiles and Mrs. H. C. VanHorn of this city. This is the third brother of Mrs. Wiles and Mrs. H. C. VanHorn to pass away in the last two years and the loss comes as a severe blow to the sisters.

## DR. GILMORE IS A VERY SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN MANAGER

One of the hard workers of the campaign just closed has been Dr. G. H. Gilmore of Murray, vice-chairman of the democratic county committee, and who guided the battle in Cass county with remarkable success. Dr. Gilmore is deserving of a great deal of credit for the victory and was assessed in this city by the live workers of the city committee and F. M. Bestor as city chairman, and the hard work and time expended by the doctor certainly has borne good fruit. It can be stated that the work for the ticket is shown in the returns on all candidates and where the republicans were chosen it was by much smaller majorities than has been the rule for years gone by, while the heaviest votes were received by the democrats. It has clearly demonstrated that Dr. Gilmore was the right man in the right place, and while hampered in the campaign in many ways secured a notable victory.

## "IN OLD KENTUCKY," AT THE PARMELE THEATRE

The modern stage darkey is so thoroughly identified with "In Old Kentucky" that it is scarcely necessary to refer to the origin of this novel feature. Prior to the advent of this successful play it is doubtful if half a dozen of these frolicsome youngsters had ever set foot beyond a stage door. Put with "In Old Kentucky" came the new world-famed Picanniny Brass band, and the wide-spread interest these dusky comedians created can best be judged by the statement that there are now, perhaps, no less than 5,000 colored actors struggling for fame. It has remained, however, for "In Old Kentucky's" celebrated band to first introduce the buck and hand dancing, cake walking and other diversions peculiar to the race, and maintain against all competitors the proud distinction of excelling in the execution of each accomplishment. "In Old Kentucky" will be seen at the Parmele theater on Tuesday, November 14.

Miss Rachael Livingston departed this morning for Omaha, where she will visit at the Immanuel hospital with her sister, Miss Helen Livingston.

## SILAS R. BARTON DIES AT HIS HOME IN GRAND ISLAND

Was Member of the Sixty-third Congress—Metcalf's Son-in-Law.

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Silas R. Barton, member of the sixty-third congress and congressional candidate from the Fifth district, died at his home in Grand Island at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning of acute pneumonia. He was 45 years old. Mr. Barton closed his campaign in his home city Monday evening with an open-air meeting. Intimate friends knew that severities of the campaign had previously affected his health, causing him to remain at home on several occasions during the past few weeks. Monday night he stood bareheaded for several hours while he addressed the crowds at Grand Island. The exposure is said to have caused his death.

Surviving Mr. Barton is his wife, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Metcalfe of Omaha, and one son, Silas R. Barton, jr. Upon returning from a campaign through the state, Mr. Metcalfe was advised yesterday of his son-in-law's critical condition. Accompanied by Mrs. Metcalfe, he left immediately for Grand Island.

Born near New London, Ia., on May 31, 1871, Mr. Barton was brought to Nebraska one year later by his parents who settled on a homestead in Hamilton county near Aurora. He was educated in the county schools there and the Aurora High school, later taking a course in the state normal school at Peru.

After teaching school for a while, he was in 1897 elected deputy treasurer of Hamilton county, serving for three years. In 1901, he was appointed grand recorder of the Ancient Order of United Workman and moved to Grand Island.

In 1909 he was elected auditor of public accounts, of the state, serving two terms.

As congressman from the Fifth district, he held the record for the most continuous attendance at the session, neglecting his campaign because he did not wish to leave his duties. Later he attributed his defeat in 1914 to the fact that he did not give his close personal attention to the campaign.

The death of Mr. Barton gives rise to a peculiar situation. There is provision for the calling of a special election where a vacancy occurs in the office of congressman, but the question has been raised whether votes cast for Mr. Barton could be counted for him since his death occurred yesterday morning before a great many ballots were marked.

In the event the greater number of votes are cast for Mr. Barton it is held that these must be counted for him, though dead, there will be a vacancy which must be filled by a special election to be called by the governor.

## FORMATION OF AN ENFORCEMENT LEAGUE

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Those who were active in the conduct of the prohibition campaign in this county are now planning for the formation of a law enforcement league that will assist in the work of seeing that the dry laws are enforced when on May 1st next the state goes from the present local option system into statewide prohibition. If the projected league is organized it is hoped to deal with the bootleggers and others who might seek to conduct an unlawful sale of liquor in this city and county. Now that the people of the state have registered their wish that the territory in its confines be dry it certainly should be the object of the officials to see that the laws are enforced in regard to the operations of bootleggers as far as is possible to do so. The plan is just being formed by the more active of the dry leaders and will be taken up later by them in interesting the citizens of the city and county in the work.

CREAM, 37c, at Dawson's store, Plattsmouth. 9-19-d&wtf