

HATCH SCHEME ON PROXIES

That Mercer Primary Call Not Even Regularly Adopted.

ONE MAN VOTES THREE TIMES

Inside of the Deal Book Not Give It Ground to Find Favor with Republicans - Dissent in Committee.

From information which comes from the inside, it appears that the carefully prepared accounts given out to the newspaper in the handwriting of the chairman of Mr. Mercer's congressional committee, purporting to tell how the scheme for the independent congressional primaries was put through, were not just correct when gauged by the facts.

Instead of projecting the plan for securing the power vested in the regular county committee of the several counties in due form, it seems that only four bona fide members of Mr. Mercer's committee were present at the meeting Saturday, and of those four one insisted on being recorded in the negative. When the meeting was called to order it disclosed an attendance of five persons: T. W. Blackburn, chairman, John L. Carson and B. E. Wilcox of Douglas county, and Mr. Keyes of Sarpy county, who are members of the committee, and R. W. Breckinridge, holding a proxy. A cut-and-dried call had been prepared in advance by the chairman, together with a long typewritten document purporting to be the rules governing the primaries held by the congressional committee. Mr. Blackburn informed those present that he held two proxies in addition to that of Mr. Breckinridge and that he would vote them himself.

The reading of the resolution developed unconditional opposition to the scheme on the part of one member, who protested against it as designed to operate as a means of choking off all other candidates for congress except Mr. Mercer, as well as placing Douglas county in subjection to the other counties in the district. His opposition, however, met with no response from his associates, and when he voted "no" and insisted on a recorded vote the chairman reluctantly asked the secretary to call the roll.

On roll call the members voted "no." Mr. Blackburn voted "yes" three times, Mr. Breckinridge voted his proxy and the other two members voted "yes" whereupon the chairman declared the proposition carried and announced that "that settled it."

Washington county members were entirely absent except for the proxies only three out of nine of the committee would have been found voting in favor of the scheme.

Reports come from Washington and Sarpy counties to the effect that the attempt of Mr. Mercer's congressional committee to ignore the county organizations in those counties meets with as little approval there as it does in Douglas county.

"Republicans" as one member put it, "do not understand why Mr. Mercer should distrust the republican organizations in our districts and should seek to take out of our hands the machinery for holding primary elections, which has always been conceded to us."

It is said that several protests are being prepared to be forwarded to Mr. Mercer asking him to have his call rescinded in the customary form.

To secure the original with hazel salve, ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, well known as a certain cure for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. They are dangerous.

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

One of the most bitterly contested fights in the history of the local democracy will be fought today. Three delegations will contend for supremacy at the primaries and every trick known to politicians is being turned by those in charge of the three factions. Mayor Knorr is out for a third term and he has a delegation out in every ward. The Municipal league nominated F. J. Freitag as a reform candidate, while Tom Brennan, a former chief of police, has a delegation in the field and declares that he is a candidate. In addition to these three delegations Ed Johnston is hanging onto the edge and watching every play that is made, much as a cat watches a mouse. He expects to find weak spots in all of the delegations and by a judicious use of mustard plasters expects to draw enough delegates to him to secure the nomination.

Freitag seemed to think that he was getting the worst of it in the selection of judges and clerks in the first ward and appealed to the courts for relief. In compliance with an order of Judge Huron in the democratic central committee places J. S. Sexton on the first ward board as a representative of the Municipal league.

Nearly every democrat in the city was taking an interest in the contest yesterday and it is expected that today the excitement will be something out of the ordinary.

A great many democrats appear now to be sorry that they registered as independents last fall. Others refused to give their politics and were marked "No party." Only those who registered as democrats will be allowed to vote at the primaries and this fact is causing lots of discontent and may make trouble at the polls. It is expected that there will be a big vote cast on account of the rivalry between candidates.

Oratorical Contest. The high school declamatory contest will be held at the First Methodist church Thursday evening. The successful contestant will represent the South Omaha high school at the North Nebraska district contest to be held at Wayne March 28. A half-dozen or more pupils of the high school will contest for this honor and the occasion promises to be an interesting one.

State Convention Delegates. Delegates to the state convention have been named by the local democrats as follows: R. Reinhold, John Dohney, Ed Conroy, P. C. Caldwell, W. H. Risor, P. Cahill, John Jackson, William Martin, J. S. Walters, John McMillan, W. J. Brennan, F. J. Freitag. According to an agreement no county convention will be held, the selection

of delegates to the state convention being made by the democratic county central committee.

Republican Primaries Thursday. Republican primaries will be held Thursday at the following places: First Ward—305 North Twenty-fourth street. Second Ward—2409 Q street. Third Ward—Evans hall, Twenty-eighth and R streets. Fourth Ward—Morrison's barn, Thirty-second and K streets.

Populists to Select Delegates. The Populist of South Omaha will meet on Friday evening of this week at the office of O. M. Zander in the Pioneer block for the purpose of selecting twenty delegates to attend the county convention, which will be held in Omaha March 17. At this meeting the advisability of placing a city ticket in the field will be discussed.

Music City Gossip. City Clerk Carpenter is kept busy these days preparing for the coming election. The democratic city convention will be held at Hilum's hall Thursday afternoon. Mr. Kenyon of the Stock Yards company is to be elected to a short term. It is predicted that there will be unusually high times at the democratic primaries today.

Street Commissioner Ross is having the mud and ice cleaned from Twenty-fourth street. Friends of Frank Koutsky assert that he stands a good chance of being elected city clerk.

Candidates are sending out letters to voters in an effort to get out a big vote at the primaries. It is expected that before many days the printing houses will be working full time in all districts.

Several land deals of considerable magnitude were reported to be under consideration at the time.

Five weather is reported all over Montana and cattle are passing through the winter in remarkably good shape.

Commentary on the organization of the Republican party will meet this afternoon with Mrs. C. W. Wright, Twenty-fifth and H streets.

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Grading operations in many parts of the city have resumed and the city is to be put in better shape for the coming year.

The Woman's Relief corps of the local Grand Army post will give a social and entertainment at the post hall, Twenty-sixth and N streets, this evening.

Heavy shipments of sheep are expected to appear on the market in a short time. South Omaha is now considered one of the best sheep markets in the country.

IMMIGRATION BEGINS EARLY

Railroads Expect Present Year Will Be a Record-Breaker.

HOMESEEKERS LOOK TOWARD THE WEST

Omaha Railroad Headquarters Receive Many Inquiries from Prospective Settlers—Party of Immigrants Start for Alberta.

Railroads operating through Omaha to the west and northwest are anticipating a greater amount of emigrant travel this spring than ever before. Traffic of this sort has already begun in earnest and traveling passenger agents have brushed themselves up on facts and information relative to the resources of certain portions of the west toward which the emigrants are flocking and are now searching diligently for prospective immigrants.

A party of about fifty people congregated in Omaha yesterday, some coming from Kansas, southern Nebraska and other points in the middle west. Last night they left on the Northwestern for St. Paul and from there will go to British Columbia. Alberta province is their destination and they expect to settle there for the purpose of engaging in farming. The party is composed of several families who have been attracted to the northwest territory, believing the opportunities offered there are desirable in every respect. They are all practical farmers, and are embarking upon the enterprise of the frontier for which they are destined. A. L. Fisher, traveling passenger agent of the Northwestern at Kansas City, has been engaged for some time in working up this business and routing the Alberta travelers through Omaha.

An indication that Nebraska and Wyoming will be the goal for many immigrants from the east and south this year is the large number of inquiries being received daily by the railroads having headquarters in Omaha. Each month brings a host of prospective settlers and the work of setting forth the advantages of the state is being carefully looked after under the direction of the general passenger agents. The opening up of the Burlington of new territory in western Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado, and the fact that railroad to be especially bedesigned with letters seeking information from persons desiring to locate in the new country. Many have applied for advice relative to business opportunities in the new towns which are being opened up and in nearly every case the applicants have given evidence of good financial resources. It is estimated that the coming year will witness an influx of settlers to Nebraska in numbers approaching the years when immigration to this state was at its height.

CHANGE ON MISSOURI PACIFIC. General Manager Doolittle Resigns and Russell Harding Appointed. ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 13.—Rumors which have been in circulation for several months with regard to contemplated changes in the management of the Missouri Pacific, were confirmed yesterday when a circular issued by President George Gould of the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain road told of the resignation of W. B. Doolittle as general manager of the company, effective this date, and the appointment of Russell Harding, general manager of the St. Louis Southwestern road in his stead.

President George Gould, who is at present in St. Louis, was asked to make a statement with reference to the resignation of Mr. Doolittle, and he replied: "No, there is nothing for me to say. Mr. Doolittle has been working along for several years, and he is in need of a rest. Mr. Harding has been appointed his successor and will at once assume charge of the Missouri Pacific and the Iron Mountain. No other changes are contemplated."

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Missouri Pacific Directors Named. ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 13.—The stockholders of the Missouri Pacific railroad met in the company's offices in this city today and elected these directors for the ensuing year: George J. Gould, Russell Sage, Edwin Gould, Louis Fitzgerald, John P. Munson, Frank J. Gould, Samuel S. Gould, Samuel Sloan, James De Wolf Cutting, vice A. L. Hopkins, Thomas T. Eckert, S. H. H. Clark, C. G. Warner, Russell Harding, vice D. K. Ferguson.

Those of the Iron Mountain road did the same, with the result: George J. Gould, Russell Sage, C. W. Lowrey, John T. Terry, Henry Whelen, Jr., vice Henry Whelen, Sr.; R. Harding, vice A. L. Hopkins; Henry Marquand, R. M. Galloway, Howard Gould, Frank J. Gould, R. J. Lackland, C. G. Warner and William H. Thompson.

The officers of both systems will be elected in New York within two weeks. President George J. Gould, who has been in St. Louis for several days on business in connection with the two systems, left for New York tonight.

Holiday Notes and Personal. General Agent J. H. Taylor, who left last evening for a short business trip to Chicago.

M. Labbe of St. Joseph, traveling freight agent of the Santa Fe, is looking after business affairs in Omaha.

A. B. Cutts of St. Paul, general passenger agent of the Minneapolis & St. Louis, is in the city, accompanied by Mrs. Cutts. They are on their way to the coast.

William Spencer, superintendent of Rochester, is at the Merchants. He is on a business visit to Maryville, Mo.

W. F. Evans of Topeka, attorney for the Rock Island road, is at the Murray.

Peter Mortenson of Ord, treasurer of Valley county, was at the Millard Tuesday.

George E. Block of Rock Springs, Wyo., a prominent cattleman, is at the Millard.

J. O. Coulter of Chicago, representing the Carpenter Paper company, is at the Her Grand.

M. C. Steele, a railroad contractor of Columbia, Wyo., accompanied by his wife, is at the Millard.

B. F. Wagoner of Atchison, solicitor general of the Missouri Pacific Railroad company, is at the Millard.

Charles H. Swift of the Swift Packing company has returned from a ten days visit with his family in Chicago.

J. G. Bishop, assistant passenger agent for the Memphis route, with headquarters at Kansas City, was an Her Grand guest Tuesday.

F. W. Andrews of Lincoln, R. G. Harris of Ashland, E. L. King of Osceola, W. S. Cook of Atchison and John C. Barcroft were Nebraska people at the Merchants Tuesday.

W. A. Whitney, chief dispatcher of the Union Pacific stationed at Grand Island, and C. E. Parsons, son of M. K. Parsons, the cattle king, are in Omaha to attend the funeral of W. C. Allyn.

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DR. KILMER & CO., BINGHAMTON, N. Y. GREATER NEW YORK, NOV. 11, 1899.

In justice to you, I feel it is my duty to send you an acknowledgment of the receipt of the sample bottle of Swamp-Root you so kindly sent me. I had been out of health for the past five years with kidney and bladder trouble. Had our best physicians prescribe for me. They would relieve me for the time being, but the old complaint would in a short time return again. I sent for a sample bottle of Swamp-Root, and I found it did me a world of good. Since then I have taken eight small bottles bought at my drug store, and I consider myself perfectly cured. It seemed as though my back would break in two after stooping. I do not have to get up during the night to urinate as I formerly did, three or four times a night, but now sleep the sleep of peace. My back is all right again, and in every way I am a new man. Two of my brother officers are still using Swamp-Root. They, like myself, cannot say too much in praise of it. It is a boon to mankind. We recommend it to all humanity who are suffering from kidney and bladder diseases.

My brother officers (whose signatures accompany this letter), as well as myself, thank you for the blessing you have brought to the human race in the compounding of Swamp-Root. We remain, yours very truly, JAMES COOK, HUGH E. BOYLE, JOHN J. BODKIN.

Officers of the 65th Police Precinct, Greater New York.

THEODORUS VAN WYCK, former Editor of the Mt. Vernon News, and now one of the most prosperous real estate brokers in New York, 128 South Eleventh Avenue, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: I had been a sufferer for over four years from severe attacks of rheumatism and kidney trouble, probably contracted by exposure on hunting expeditions and wading trout streams. I tried many remedies, the patent and other kind, but none of them seemed to do me any good. I was persuaded by an old and valued friend to try Swamp-Root, and frankly confess that it has benefited me as no other medicine has. I now feel like myself again. I do not have the constant aches and pains which at one time seemed to make life unbearable. It is a positive benefit in ailments of this kind. I always keep it in the house, as it is just as necessary as bread and butter.

Very respectfully, Theodore Van Wyck.

EDITORIAL NOTE.—The great kidney remedy, Swamp-Root, is so remarkably successful that a special arrangement has been made by which all our readers who have already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent absolutely free by mail. Also a book telling all about kidney and bladder troubles and containing many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonials received from men and women cured by Swamp-Root. Be sure and mention reading this generous offer in the Omaha Morning Bee, when sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Free Methodist church at Eleventh and M streets, held a social and singing every night this week.

The Visiting Nurses' association will hold its regular meeting at 4 o'clock Thursday at 4 o'clock at the Arlington hotel.

The plumbers' union gave a smoker Tuesday night at the rooms in Labor Temple, and the members turned out in force and enjoyed themselves.

The first day's work of the city council, after a period of vacation, failed to bring out a single protest against the levy of the special taxes as fixed by ordinance.

William Brady, employed as a hatter by the city, was arrested on Monday for bringing out a burglar broke into his room in the barn March 10 and stole his best suit of clothes.

Frank Kohl, Fred Meehan and Andrew Campbell, boys between eight and fourteen years of age, were arrested in the Bee building Monday night and are now in the city jail booked as incorrigibles.

Building permits have been issued to N. Parsons, 213 North Twenty-ninth street, for an additional story to be built on a dwelling house and to H. E. Allen, Twentieth and Sprague streets, for a barn.

Ernest Riess has complained to the police that his pocket watch was picked of \$6 by a woman in the White Parlor on lower Farnam street. He says he had asked in one of the other rooms for new night clothes.

The regular semi-monthly dancing party of the Thurston Rifles' club was held Tuesday evening at the city hall. A large number were present and had a delightful time. As usual the affair was in charge of the entertainer, Louis Greese, 213 North Twenty-second street, reports to the police the loss of a small watch containing a lady's photograph and other jewelry representing a value of \$100. He says he lost it on Monday afternoon at the city hall.

A warrant is out for the arrest of Attorney J. S. Cooley, charging him with an attempt to have been committed upon the housekeeper of a flat at 213 North Fifteenth street. The warrant says that while at luncheon Monday Judge Cooley broke the monopoly of table talk by calling her a thief. He then, she says, followed her out into the hall and knocked her down.

In the report of the effect of the truancy circulars sent out by the secretary of the school board it was made to appear Monday that the secretary complained of the character of the school enrollment when he should have been quoted as saying the enumeration was at fault. The enrollment is the work of the teachers and is correct, and the affection extends into the cause, which the carelessness of the census enumerators and the failure of parents to give proper names in harmony with

Gold and silver are poured abundantly into the lap of the nation, but our material wealth and strength is rather in iron, the most useful of all metals, just as the wealth of a human being lies in a useful stomach. If you have a weak, sour, or until it is disabled, try Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It will relieve the clogged bowels, improve the appetite and cure constipation, dyspepsia, biliousness, liver and kidney disease.

Have you seen "The Balloon"? This is one of the pictures you get through a Bee coupon. It is a reproduction of a famous painting and is a work of art. Coupons and 10 cents.

Bicyclist Runs Down Woman. While Mrs. Phelan, riding the street at Twenty-fourth and Seward streets at 3:45 p. m. Tuesday afternoon she was struck by a bicycle knocked down and her head came in contact with the street railway track and sustained a severe cut and bruise. Dr. Christy was called and took the injured woman to the Clarkson hospital, where she was treated at a late hour that she was recovering from the effects of the fall, the skull not being fractured.

At Thirty-second and Cass streets and was accompanied by a neighbor, Mrs. Braden, at the time of the accident. H. M. Minnick, a newspaper carrier, was riding the wheel, but was not arrested as a witness, being innocuous in saying that the accident was wholly unavoidable on his part.

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The cure for these troubles is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the world-famous kidney remedy. In taking Swamp-Root you afford natural help to nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that is known to medical science. If there is any doubt in your mind as to your condition, take from your urine on rising about four ounces, place it in a glass or bottle and let it stand twenty-four hours. If, on examination, it is milky or cloudy, if there is a brick-dust settling, or if small particles float about in it, your kidneys are in need of immediate attention. Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is used in the leading hospitals, recommended by skillful physicians in their private practice, and is taken by doctors themselves who have kidney ailments, because they recognize in it the greatest and most successful remedy for kidney, liver and bladder troubles.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one dollar size bottles at the drug stores everywhere.

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THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT, military department of the Missouri, is busy shipping the regular quarterly and monthly supplies to various posts. In addition to his own posts this department supplies about half of the subsistence stores to the Department of Colorado and all of the supplies at Fort Mead, S. D. The subsistence department is short-handed by reason of one of the clerks having been sent to Manila.

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