

TOM BLACKBURN PERPLEXED

Doesn't Know When and How to Call Congressional Nomination.

SAVAGE AND BARTLEY IN THE QUESTION

Mr. Breen Refuses to Allow Mercer's Man to Withdraw His Name—John L. Webster Talks of Political Honesty.

Mr. Mercer's engineer is perplexed and good reason has to be for being so. In addition to his inability to carry other candidates off the congressional track he is up to the trouble of choosing the conditions upon which to seek a renomination for his chief. Realizing that the opposition to Mercer is not to be dispelled, Blackburn is just now trying to figure out the best way in which to meet it, and the problem has so far remained unsolved.

As chairman and "whole thing" of the congressional committee, Blackburn may call for a congressional nomination whenever he pleases. How and when to exercise this power is the most perplexing question he has ever had in hand. If he chooses to have the county convention which will name the delegates to the next state convention select the men who are to make the congressional nomination, an embarrassing situation will confront him, for then it will be necessary for him to take sides in the gubernatorial contest.

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had. This being a well settled principle, and the evidence being that Mr. Mercer did not keep his agreement, it is two years ago, when he was allowed a renomination without opposition, I believe Mr. Rosewater is entirely justified in fighting against the return of the congressman for another term. If I were in Mr. Rosewater's place I would pursue exactly the same course, and so would any other honest and fair-minded man.

The above is substantially the statement made by John L. Webster to a group of gentlemen in a chair car on the Burlington train en route to Lincoln several days ago. When Mr. Webster was seen in his office by a Bee reporter yesterday and asked if he had any such statement to make, he said: "Yes, I not only said that on the train the other day, but I have said the same thing many times and in various places. I don't believe a man has any better right to violate his agreements in politics than he has to repudiate his contracts in business."

"I am not sure of my premises, but I presume that Mr. Rosewater is sure of his, and if his premises are well taken my conclusion that the opposition to Mercer is amply justified is correct. I am not sure of my premises because my memory does not retain the names of the men who, as representatives of Mr. Mercer, agreed that the congressman would not interfere in the senatorial contest if he were permitted a renomination for congress without opposition two years ago. That such an agreement was made by the representatives of Mercer I am certain, but I cannot remember the particular gentlemen who acted for the congressman at that time. Mr. Rosewater can probably remember them, for he and I were both parties to the agreement."

"Mr. Rosewater and I kept our part of the contract, and Mercer was given the prestige of a unanimous nomination and saved the expense of a contest by our action. In return for this Mr. Mercer was bound by the promise of his representatives to keep out of the senatorial contest absolutely, but what does he do? After Mr. Rosewater, in a contest with me at the primaries, wins the legislative delegation from this county and is by all means entitled to the support of the republicans in this county for the senatorial seat, Mr. Mercer goes down to Lincoln and announces himself as a candidate for opposition."

"If I had secured the Douglas county delegation, as Mr. Rosewater did, and Mercer had given me the same opposition that he gave Mr. Rosewater at Lincoln, I would certainly be acting just as Mr. Rosewater is acting at this time. I have talked of this matter to a great many republicans, and I have yet to meet one who will even attempt to justify Mr. Mercer's interference in the senatorial fight. It may be that Mercer's opposition had nothing to do with Mr. Rosewater's defeat, but that has nothing to do with the principle of integrity which is involved and that we must act in good faith in politics as in business if we are to save our reputations."

CHURCH ADVERTISING PAYS

New Policy of North Side Christian Church Brings Increased Attendance.

Large congregations attended all the services at the North Side Christian church on Sunday. Many new faces were seen, which is taken as an indication that the policy of newspaper advertising, recently adopted by the North Side church, has already begun to produce results.

The pastor, Rev. W. T. Hilton, occupying the pulpit morning and evening, having just returned from Columbia, Mo., where he attended the Missouri Ministerial Institute and presented the claims of the national convention, which meets in Omaha next October.

Mr. Hilton reports widespread interest in the coming convention throughout Missouri, and that large numbers are planning to come to the Omaha meeting, the management of a seminary at Columbia having arranged to bring 100 of the young women students in a body.

Arbor day will be observed at the North Side church by the planting of trees about the building. Plans are also being made for the erection of a flagstaff, from which "Old Glory" will be flown to the breeze in the near future.

SCHEME FOR TREE PLANTING

To Be Tried on Twenty-Eighth Street, Regardless of Mayor's Veto.

The bulletin board in the office of the Board of Public Works shows that proposals for planting trees and sodding along the margins of Twenty-eighth street, between Leavenworth and Farnam streets, will be opened May 2. This is all that is left of Mayor J. H. Wheeler's ordinance providing for improvement on all residence streets of the city, which was vetoed by the mayor three weeks ago. Major Wheeler owns property on this particular part of Twenty-eighth street, and he proposes to test the efficiency of the measure there, with a view to reviving it should it prove attractive.

In order to secure uniformity in the appearance of the street the work is to be done under the city's direction and one contractor is to do it all. Bluegrass sod and soft maple trees will be used.

ELSASSER'S APRIL REPORT

It Shows Collections and Disbursements and Deposits in Banks.

The report of County Treasurer G. Fred Elsasser showing the whereabouts of the county funds April 1, 1902, follows: Balance March 1, 1902, \$100,266.14; Collections in March, \$1,332.44; Total, \$101,598.58.

Balance April 1, 1902, \$101,598.58; Cash in drawer, \$39.73; Checks in drawer, \$3,351.50; Postage etc. paid, \$1,346.08; Tax paid under protest fund, \$1,346.08; On deposit: Merchants National, \$3,213.65; United States National, \$1,386.12; Commercial National, \$4,896.90; First National, \$3,286.11; Packers National, \$11,599.99; Omaha National, \$1,458.71; Union National, \$7,778.97; Total, \$140,399.61.

Mortality Statistics. The following births and deaths have been reported at the office of the Board of Health during the forty-eight hours ending Monday noon: Births—Sol Prince, 2211 Burt street, aged 48 years; Olive Wood, 3416 Patrick avenue, aged 35 years; Frances Jackson, 1323 South Twenty-ninth avenue, aged 29 years; William Hall, 104 South Thirteenth street, aged 58 years; William F. McKinley, 108 South Twenty-fourth street, aged 28 years; Francis Jackson, 1323 South Twenty-ninth avenue, aged 29 years; May Murphy, 384 Manderson street, aged 39 years; Charles Landak, County hospital, aged 92 years.

EXCURSION TO SOUTH PLATTE

Commercial Club Decides on Itinerary of Jobben's Special Trip.

ARRANGES FOR A TRAIN OF PULLMANS

Nebraska City, Auburn, Tecumseh, Falls City, Oxford Junction, Holdrege, Beatrice and Crete on the Route.

The spring excursion of the Omaha Commercial club was decided upon yesterday and an itinerary adopted, which, however, is subject to slight amendments. The train, which will consist of three Pullman sleepers, a day coach and a baggage car, will leave the Burlington depot at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday, May 13, going to Lincoln; from there to Nebraska City, thence through Auburn and Tecumseh to Fall City. From that point the Wymore branch will be taken to Oxford Junction. The return will be through Holdrege, Beatrice and Crete to Lincoln and Omaha. The trip will occupy three days, the train arriving in Omaha on the evening of May 15.

Commissioner Ute and the chairman of the excursion committee, L. L. Kuntze, will prepare a complete schedule of the trip, after which a circular will be issued to the members of the club asking them to designate a representative on the excursion. It will be urged that the heads of the houses be sent.

Seems Some Trouble.

The Commercial club sees in an announcement of the Agricultural department of the United States government something which may injure business men of the city to a considerable extent. Preamble and resolutions adopted at the session of the executive committee recites that it is understood the department contemplates the publishing of a number of formulae of proprietary articles used on the farm, including insecticides, stock foods, remedies and poultry foods, and that such a course would have a tendency to injure the business of the firms manufacturing these articles; therefore the club protests against such action and asks the department to reconsider its course.

Endorses Irrigation Bill.

A resolution endorsing the irrigation bill now pending in the senate, as amended, was adopted. Herman Drishman, manager of the Gate City Hat company, was elected to membership in the club. A committee consisting of John Steel, G. M. Ribbel and George H. Lee was appointed to visit the city council committee this afternoon for the purpose of representing the club in the matter of the closing down of the Union Pacific foundry. The committee was given no instructions and it was understood that it would take no part in the discussion as to the proper course for the council to pursue.

GOOD ROADS MAN RETURNS

Secretary Richardson Talks of Trip with Special Train Through South.

R. W. Richardson, secretary of the National Good Roads association, returned Sunday from the south, where he has been in charge of a road-building train of thirteen cars, a complete account of which was in the illustrated supplement of Sunday's Bee. The train has made a tour of nearly all of the southern states, and in many of the principal cities good roads conventions were held to awaken public interest in the movement.

"We visited the Charleston exposition," said Mr. Richardson, "and in the exposition grounds built a section of modern road, which attracted much attention and favorable comment. While the Charleston exposition presented many excellent features, it is not to be compared for enterprise and originality with the Transmississippi exposition. The buildings as a rule were essentially southern in their style of architecture, being low and characterized by heavy columns, porticoes and columns.

"We have under contemplation now a tour through the northwest, but the plans for it are not yet settled. As yet, I hope to be able to remain in Omaha for a while."

Guard Against Imitations. To guard against imitations of our celebrated Budweiser bottled beer, which have again entered the market under the same name or similarity of the label, we beg to inform our patrons and the public that all corks used for Budweiser are branded "Budweiser." Anheuser-Busch Brewing Ass'n. Orders promptly filled by George Krug, Manager, Anheuser-Busch Branch, Omaha.

Tourist Car Service to Denver.

On April 15 the Union Pacific placed in service between Council Bluffs, Omaha and Denver a through ordinary (tourist) car, "The Colorado Special." Both first and second-class tickets will be compared on these cars, and passengers wishing to economize in their traveling expenses may avail themselves of this excellent service. The rate for a double berth between above points is \$1.50. The cars are just as neat and clean as Palace Sleeping cars, are well ventilated, have separate lavatories for ladies and gentlemen, all the cars being carpeted and upholstered.

Sleeper will be open to the traveling public at 9 p. m., and persons bound for Denver need not wait until the train leaves at 11:30 p. m. before retiring. This train leaves Omaha 11:30 p. m. today. Arrives Denver 2 p. m. tomorrow. For further information, reservations, etc., call on or address City Ticket Office, 1324 Farnam St., Phone 3216. Union Station, 10th and Marcy, Phone 629.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to officers and men of the Union Pacific car department and to street railway men, and to all the friends and neighbors for their sympathy and kindness to me and family in the loss of our beloved son, William J. Saunders. JAMES AND ANNA SAUNDERS, 4016 N. 25th St.

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Publish your legal notices in The Weekly Bee. Telephone 238. Stillman & Price, atty's, law, collections. A. P. Lillis, notary, 23 S. N. Nat. Tel. 1728.

COMSTOCK & AVERY'S

A VERY REMARKABLE SALE OF RUGS & CARPETS

Comstock & Avery's (Peoria, Ill.) Stock on sale at about half of value.

This carpet sale affords opportunities for money saving that has never been equalled. The values are actually phenomenal. High grade and standard goods were never subjected to such reductions. It is a sale you cannot afford to miss. You will want carpets soon, and now is the time to buy them.

\$50.00 Wilton Rugs \$25.00 Royal Wilton Rugs, beautiful Oriental and Geometrical patterns, rich colorings, 9x12 size, worth \$50.00, go at \$25.00

\$35.00 Rugs \$19.98 Wilton, Smith's Axminster and all wool Smyrna Rugs, also velvet and Saxony Rugs, 9x12 size, all high grade goods, \$35 value, for \$19.98

\$25.00 Rugs \$15.98 8-3x10-6 Axminster, Smyrna and Body Brussels Rugs, very beautiful Oriental and handsome floral patterns, terms \$15.98

36x72 Heavy Moquette Rugs worth \$5 at \$1.50 Made-up Carpets at Just Half Price. Before the sale Comstock & Avery had secured the contract for furnishing one of the largest eastern summer resort hotels. They had made up over 100 carpets of Moquette, Body Brussels, Tapestry Brussels, Wilton, Velvets, etc. They are in sizes that will fit the average room. These are all high grade goods, and we will sell them at about half Comstock & Avery's price. Bring the measurements of your room, and if you find your size you will secure a big bargain.

\$1.50 High Grade Carpets 69c Wilton, Wilton Velvet, Axminster, Savonnerie and extra Axminster carpet, all the best grade of 3/4 carpets, Comstock and Avery's price was \$1.50 yard, they come in the newest patterns with and without border, per yard \$69c

\$1.00 Brussels Carpet 35c yard The best Brussels Carpet, the newest and most beautiful patterns, many with borders to match, they are worth \$1.00 yard. A very few rolls are slightly damaged, most of them absolutely perfect, per yard, only \$35c

Ingrain Carpets 25c, 39c, 49c All the Ingrain Carpet on sale in three lots. Carpets, 69c and 99c Ingrain Carpet, 25c yard, 39c yard, 49c yard. All worth \$1.00, go at \$49c

DELAYS FUNERAL AN HOUR

Trouble Between Employers and Employees at Stable Parish—In the Hearse. There was an unpleasant feature connected with the funeral of Joseph R. Stafford, which took place Sunday afternoon from the residence of his son, Harry Stafford. The members of Nebraska lodge No. 1 of the Masonic fraternity had made arrangements to hold Masonic services at the grave, as Mr. Stafford was a past master of the lodge. The family had made arrangements for a hearse and two carriages from an undertaker, while the lodge had secured ten carriages from another house. When the drivers of the carriages secured by the lodge arrived and saw the hearse and carriages from the opposition house they declined to drive to the cemetery and returned their rigs to the stables. Other carriages were called, but their drivers also refused to take part in the funeral as long as the hearse and two carriages from the rival lodge arrived and saw the hearse and carriages from the opposition house. As a last resort the order for the hearse and two carriages was cancelled. The funeral was delayed an hour by the difficulty.

MRS. GRAHAM'S Toilet Preparation

We have recently received a full line of Mrs. Graham's Toilet Preparations direct from her laboratory. We mention some of the leading articles: Mrs. Graham's Bath of Iodine—50c. Mrs. Graham's Hair Dressing—50c. Mrs. Graham's Cucumber and Elderflower Cream, 50c size for \$1.00. Mrs. Graham's Eucalyptus Enamel, \$1.00. Mrs. Graham's Face Bleach, \$1.50. Mrs. Graham's Moth and Freckle Lotion, \$1.50. Mrs. Graham's Tooth Powder, \$1.50. Mrs. Graham's Blood Syrup, \$1.00. Mrs. Graham's Eucalyptus Face Powder, 50c for \$1.00. Mrs. Graham's Castoria Hair Growth, \$1.50. Mrs. Graham's Dandruff Cure, \$1.00. Mrs. Graham's Hair Restorer, \$1.50. Mrs. Graham's Oriental Hair Dressing, \$1.50. Mrs. Graham's "Do the Story of Your Mirror Please You," free for the asking.

MISSOURIA COLLAR

A SKIN OF BEAUTY IS A JOY FOREVER. DR. F. FELIX GOUDAUD'S ORIENTAL CREAM, OR MAGICAL BEAUTIFIER. Removes Tan, Pimples, Freckles, Moth Patches, Rash and Skin Disease, and every blemish on beauty, and restores to the complexion its natural beauty. It has stood the test of 24 years, and is still the most reliable and most successful skin preparation. It is properly known as "The Skin of Beauty." Accept no counterfeits of similar name. Dr. F. Felix Goudaud, Surgeon to a Hospital (a patient). "As you ladies will use them, recommend GOUDAUD'S SKIN PREPARATIONS." For sale by all Druggists and Fancy Goods Dealers in the U. S. and Europe. F. FELIX GOUDAUD, Prop'r, 27 Great Jones St., N. Y.

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GRACKER ABANDONS CONTEST

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Send articles of incorporation, notices of stockholders' meetings, etc., to The Bee. We will give them proper legal insertion. See telephone, 228. "Miss Alcott," by the "Laurie of Little Women," Unity church Tuesday evening, 35 cents. DIED. SADRER—Clarice M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sadler, Monday morning, April 15, 1902, at 5:06 o'clock, aged 29 years, 2 months and 21 days. Funeral from residence, 527 Park avenue, on Wednesday, April 23, 1902, at 2 p. m. Interment in Forest Lawn cemetery. HAYNES—James, aged 75 years, at his residence, 2833 Hampton avenue. Funeral notice later.

Ladies, Do You Wish You Were in OUR SHOES?

We wish you were, as we know you would be in the best shoes sold in America for TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY-CENTS. We know this because we know the shoes. We know the maker, and in all his years of experience he never made anything but high-class footwear. We don't claim it to be a little better than other \$2.50 shoes, but we do claim it to be better than most \$3.50 shoes. Examine shoes that cost \$3.50 in other stores, then look at our \$2.50 shoes. We didn't make our reputation with poor shoes. They're always best by test. We have them in all conceivable styles—lasts, designs and trimmings that go to make new, natty, nobby footwear. Fine dress shoes, in vici kid and patent calf leathers, with light weight soles, with kid tops, high military or concave heels, also heavy street shoes in fine vici patent kid, close or extension edges \$2.50

Men's Furnishings For the Wives to Buy.

Women, as a rule, are more scrutinizing buyers than men. We shall be pleased, therefore, to have you delegate the women-folks to examine these lots that we have specially for Tuesday's selling. You will find them exceptional and extraordinary.

MEN'S SHIRTS—in soft bosom, fancy madras, a big assortment of patterns, perfect fitting and well made, with each shirt a pair of separate cuffs to match, really a leading value at 75c—our price \$45c

MEN'S SHIRTS—in soft bosoms, fine imported madras, some with plain and others with platted bosoms, new and attractive patterns, separate cuffs to match, worth \$1.25—our price \$75c

MEN'S BALBRIGGAN SHIRTS and drawers, shirts have French neck and pearl buttons, drawers have double seats and pearl buttons, they are positively good values and actually worth 35c—Tuesday—our price \$25c

MEN'S BALBRIGGAN SHIRTS and drawers, nicely finished with pearl buttons, double gussets, and reinforced throughout, in good full regular sizes, worth the garment—\$45c—our price \$35c

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IMPORTANT. W. R. Bennett Co.'s Art Souvenirs.

In accordance with our advertised plan we began Monday, distributing our Art Souvenirs. If you call for this gift in person any day during this week (on our second floor, just where you registered) between the hours of 8 and 12 and 1 and 6, we will present you with a magnificent portfolio of photographs embracing about 18 pictures (with descriptions of each) all vividly presenting and accurately describing the manifold marvels of the Paris Exposition.

The task of delivering our art souvenirs involving 15,000 addresses is herculean. It will take time—perhaps more than your patience would allow—HENCE THIS SPECIAL APPEAL AND THE REMUNERATION going with its response. Our delivery system—the best in Omaha—is for the present overwhelming the extraordinary volume of business accruing from our new store opening. For this reason especially we are apprehensive of not being able to accomplish the additional work of souvenir distribution, with that dispatch which we had originally marked out. If you do not call during the next two weeks, we hope to deliver the souvenir to every name on our list immediately thereafter. Country residents will have their gift sent by express. If in town, call on us. We'll be glad to see you.

W. R. BENNETT CO., 16th and Harney Sts. ANY DAY BETWEEN 8 AND 12 OR 1 AND 6—Second Floor.

Metz Bros., Brewing Co. Telephone 119, Omaha. Or Jacob Neumayer, Agt., care Neumayer Hotel, Council Bluffs, Ia.

Best Paint, Best Price

Lowes Bros' high standard Liquid Paint, in black and white and thirty-eight beautiful shades. 1 quart Outside Paint, \$1.50; 1 gallon Outside Paint, \$1.50; 1 quart Floor Paint, \$1.50; 1 gallon Floor Paint, \$1.50; 1 quart Carriage Paint, \$1.50; 1 gallon Carriage Paint, \$1.50; 1 quart Wagon Paint, \$1.50; 1 gallon Wagon Paint, \$1.50; 1 quart Oilwood Stain, \$1.50; 1 gallon Oilwood Stain, \$1.50; 1 quart Varnish Stain, \$1.50; 1 gallon Varnish Stain, \$1.50; 1 quart Bathing Enamel, \$1.50; 1 gallon Bathing Enamel, \$1.50; 1 quart Bicycle Enamel, \$1.50; 1 gallon Bicycle Enamel, \$1.50.

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Try one, then notice the fine Aroma of our present Havana Tobacco and compare it with high priced imported Cigars. F. R. Rice Mercantile Cigar Co., Manufacturers, St. Louis, Union Made.

Muscle

Does not make the man. "The blood is the life," the vital force of the body. So it not infrequently happens that the man who looks to be a picture of physical strength falls a victim to disease. A proper care for the blood would prevent many a serious sickness. The cleansing of the blood is perfectly accomplished by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It drives out the impurities and poisonous substances which corrupt the blood and breed disease. It increases the activity of the blood-making glands, and so increases the supply of pure blood. It builds up the entire body with good sound flesh. There is no alcohol in "Golden Medical Discovery" and it is entirely free from opium, cocaine and all other narcotics. The dealer who offers a substitute for this "Discovery" does so to gain the little more profit paid by inferior medicines. There is nothing "just as good" for the blood as "Golden Medical Discovery" therefore accept no substitute. I took five bottles of "Golden Medical Discovery" for my blood," writes Mr. William L. Shambaugh, of Army, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory. "I had that matter in my mind for some time, and when I would come right back, and they were on me when I commenced using "Golden Medical Discovery," and they went away and I haven't been bothered any more." Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation.