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DEMOCRATS HELPING MERCER

They Are Anxious to Lead Him Onto the Republican Ticket.

PLAN TO TURN ORGANIZED LABOR VOTES

Wastefulists Figure that Mercer's Nomination Would Drive Hundreds of Votes Away from Entire Republican County Ticket.

"We are doing what we can to nominate Dave Mercer," said a candidate on the fusion legislative ticket yesterday morning. "because if we can lead him onto the republican ticket we will have a good chance of electing all our candidates in Douglas county."

The men who made this remark is a democrat and one who has a standing in labor circles. On account of his personal following he expects to be elected himself, but has no hope for the remainder of his ticket unless the republicans make an error that will alienate the republican labor vote. He thinks nothing better for the democrats could happen than the nomination of Dave Mercer for congress.

"I am in close touch with organized labor men both in this city and in South Omaha," said he, "and I know how they feel on the Mercer proposition. I am taking pains just at this time to mix with the republicans among the labor men, for I realize that I must get their votes to be elected. Most of them are with me on personal grounds, and I believe I will get enough republican votes to elect me. But, you know, I'm supposed to help out the rest of my ticket."

"In fact, the other candidates on the fusion ticket are relying largely on me to get

them votes among the republican labor men. I have been doing a good deal of sounding in a quiet way, with that end in view. Not less than 300 republicans of this particular class have already told me that they would vote the whole democratic ticket in this county if the republicans undertook to put Mercer back into congress. You have no idea of the strong feeling among the laboring men against Mercer. They hold him responsible for not putting an organized labor representative on the new police board. They have him marked plainer than ever as a tool of the Union Pacific and other corporations, and if the republican party doesn't turn him down at the primaries it is going to pay the penalty at the polls in November.

"Of course I'm in no position to boost Mercer. I'm after republican labor votes for the fusion county ticket and it's up to the other fellows on that ticket to do all they can to nominate Mercer to help me accomplish my purpose. I can give you a quiet tip right now that a good bunch of democrats are out plugging for Mercer every day and if there are any democrats registered as republicans you can offer about ten to one that they will be ordered to vote for the Mercer delegation. Every time I think of Tom Blackburn's test oath I have to smile."

E. W. Kerr is an old-time politician, for many years bailiff in the district court. He lives in the Sixth ward and knows about everybody else who lives there. "You can just say for me that I am for a congressman who lives in this district, and Mercer doesn't fill that definition. I'm a Pratt man from start to finish and I want everyone to know it."

Speaking of the present state of affairs in the county republican committee, a member of that organization said yesterday morning: "After being foiled in an attempt to

take snap judgment on the republicans of Douglas county in the selection of judges and clerks, in utter disregard of law and precedents, the congressional committee, owned by D. H. Mercer and manipulated by Tom Blackburn, is now proposing to turn another trick in defiance of the recent action of the county central committee. As necessary to this trick Mr. Goss, as chairman of the county committee, has become a party. In the amended call prepared by him as such chairman in pursuance of the action of the county committee he has not provided for the filing of lists of candidates for delegates to the congressional convention with the secretary of the county committee. The manifest purpose of this omission is to require all candidates for congress to file with Tom Blackburn their lists of delegates and submit to whatever action he may take with reference to them and the making up of the official ballot. The execution of this scheme is political anarchy. It would result in two forms of ballot, each purporting to be official. It might further result in two separate conventions, thus bringing certain defeat to the republican nominee for congress. To this desperate end has Congressman Mercer reached and to this end his co-conspirator, Tom Blackburn, is now scheming."

The county committee's action quoted above said in yesterday afternoon's Bee that Mr. Goss had at first made his amended call to include the filing of congressional delegations with the county committee and had later erased the word "congressional" from the call, "evidently as the result of a conference with Tom Blackburn."

"I want to be perfectly fair," said the committee man last night, "and I will therefore say that the copy of the amended call shows that he had the word 'congressional' written in and then scratched out again. I have since learned that Mr. Goss in making this copy of the amended call inadvertently wrote the word and scratched it out again as soon as his attention was called to it."

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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Members of Both Police Boards Are Out from Salary Ordinance.

MUST SUE IN COURT TO GET THEIR PAY

Councilmen Want Legal Status of the Boards Determined by Court Before They Take Any Chance on Salaries.

Neither of the boards of fire and police commissioners has been officially recognized by the city council and if the members of either body draw salary at this time for the month of August it will be by process of law.

When the appropriation ordinance to provide for the payment of the salaries of city officers and employees was presented by Comptroller Westberg to the council last evening it contained the names of the members of both boards of fire and police commissioners, the members of the mayor's board being credited with \$2.25 each as salary for the first two days of August, as members of the fire and police board and the same amount as members of the license board, and the appointees of the governor with the sum of \$30.10 each as members of each of those boards for the remainder of the month. When in the regular course of business the ordinance was referred to the committee on finance and claims, whose only members present were Councilmen Whitehorn and Burkley, it was returned with the recommendation that the names of the members of both boards be stricken from the list. The same recommendation applied to the salary of the mayor as a member of both boards, but this was at his own request, as he is under either construction of the law a member ex-officio of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and the License Board.

DESTROYED WAS A STREET.

On motion of Councilman Hancock the matter was referred to the city engineer, with instructions to prepare an ordinance providing for a fifty-foot street.

A resolution was adopted instructing the building inspector to erect a platform in front of the city hall for the Ak-Sar-Ben, and by a series of other resolutions it was provided that all license fees for electric wiring for the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities shall be remitted; that no license shall be exacted of those shows on the Oriental carnival grounds which make no charge for admission beyond the general fee for entrance to the grounds, and that the Ak-Sar-Ben association shall be permitted to extend its inclosure to Twentieth street.

An ordinance for the paving of Nineteenth street from Bancroft to Castellar street was placed upon its third reading and passed by a unanimous vote.

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Mortality Statistics. The following births and deaths were reported at the office of the Board of Health during the twenty-four hours ending at noon Tuesday:

Births—George Eldenour, 1823 Nicholas street; Edw. Anton Egermier, Second and Pierce streets; boy; Emil Johnson, 1907 North Twentieth street; boy; Christian Larson, 422 Lafayette avenue; girl. Deaths—Alfred S. Wildbeck, Eighteenth and Ohio streets; aged 5 years; Mrs. Sarah V. Jenkins, St. Joseph's hospital; aged 65 years; O. Y. Eastman, Chicago; aged 5 years; a month; Joseph J. Gomin, Douglas County hospital; aged 10 years.

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