Mercer Gives Refection to South Omaha Delegates to Republican Convention.

SUPPRESSED CANDIDATES ASKED TO FEAST

Tenders Empty Honors to Men He Offended in Day of His Questionable Victory When Favor Meant Something Substantial,

A banquet was given yesterday at which Mercer and his managers expected to heal the sores which have festered upon the delegates to the republican county convention since they were incontinently dropped from the proceedings of that convention by the Mercer managers and their candidates for offices not only denied them, but the men they had selected for members of the central committee turned down in favor of men who had been rejected at the

This feast, which was given in Omaha, was probably the last of the feeds by which Mr. Mercer has endeavored to capture the support of the electors of the district in lieu of arguments or speeches. Twice before the primaries he gave banquets to the voters at the South Omaha stock yards. A third banquet was spread at the Omaha Commercial club rooms to members of the old county central committee in his endeavors to capture that organization, and two banquets were given at the Millard to certain people upon whom he desired to noted for the potations which were supplied with the eatables. They were certainly a part of the campaign expenses of the candidate and were provided out of the \$335 which Mr. Mercer swore he expended to secure the nomination.

To the dinner yesterday were invited the men who left the republican conbly given to understand that nothing good 1901, section 18, may be found the followpersons invited are those persons who were candidates for nomination. In addition to the feast Mr. Mercer's managers, it is understood, have consented to change the by the affidavit or oath of at least two members of the central committee from freeholders, residents of said precinct in South Omaha and to place thereon men who will be satisfactory to the majority of the year immediately preceding said elecrepublican voters of that city. This will tion; that they know such person to be be done now that the campaign has ended an inhabitant and qualified voter of said and the present committee will have noth- precinct. ing to do but to call the next convention and make preparations for the election of their successors. It is too late to give South Omaha any candidate on the ticket, but it is stated that Mr. Mercer will express regret for that fact and that with dents of the same election precinct as these promises and this feed he expects to capture the men as he hopes to capture the women by kissing the babies.

The true inwardness of all of this profession is shown by the remarks of Grant Williams, a Mercer supporter in the Sixth ward, made to Van B. Lady a few days ago. They were talking of the political situation, in Williams' barber shop, and the Mercer champion said in effect: "We have got the opposition down. We will control the party for the next ten years and there is not a man who took part in the fight against us who will get a nomination for office. We are going to reward our friends now rather than placate our enemies."

The Illinois Central graders on the East Omaha bottoms have become residents of Nebraska. This was done by the simple GAUTIER RELEASED ON BOND expedient of moving the boarding car across the Iowa-Nebraska line about eleven days before the election, so that the men who board in those cars could say that they resided in East Omaha days before the election. That an attempt will be made to have them vote in East Omaha precinct is currently reported and steps will be taken to ascertain if they are legal residents of Nebraska before they will be permitted to vote, while arrests will be immediate and prosecution sure in case they attempt to vote illegally.

Sam Huff and Gus Harte were checkman, ignorant of the laws governing regismated in an attempt made to reward the latter for certain political work through the agency of the taxpayers of Douglas county at the last meeting of the county commissioners. Huff was employed early in the campaign to secure Clontarf precinct for Dave Mercer. He secured a proxy on the central committee and later brought the one vote of the precinct in for the nonresident congressman. the last meeting of the county commissioners he filed a bill for county work done in Clontarf. The bill was peculiar in that it specified work done between October 15 and October 25, while elaimant swore to the accuracy of the account on October 20, five days previous to the last day upon which it was alleged that work was done. Gus Harte immediately moved that the rules be suspended and the bill be paid. The rules refused to suspend, as the majority of the commissioners desired to see the work, something which has not yet been seen.

The circular stage of the campaign has been reached by the state committees of the political parties and the forces at the democratic and fusion headquarters at the Delione hotel are sending out the final circulars of the campaign. In this circular claim is made that the state is safe to the fusion parties in case a full vote is polled and precinct workers and others are requested to agitate the indifferent.

"We have no figures to give out at this time," said Chairman Webber of the populist committee. "We have a fairly complote poll of the state, which we have not had time to tabulate, so we cannot tell exactly what the present condition is. We will get around to that late in the week and by Sunday we will probably know where we stand upon the face of the poll

The First ward furnishes a batch of three unfindables today, men who voted at the last republican primary before the county convention and cannot be discovered at the places at which they gave their residence at the time their vote was cast. The men reported not found are Ed Brandt, who voted from 123 Martha street, and Paul Wowell, who voted from 2005 South Seventh street. The eligibility of Brandt to vote

LUNCHEON FOR THE KICKERS | was certified to by Clyde Sundblad and J. B. Lindberg. The elegibility of Howell by F. W. Koettler and P. N. Hanson. E. D. Smith, who voted in the First ward, is recorded by the election officers as living at 902 Pierce street, and probably the reason that he isn't living there is that there is no house at that number. He was certified to by E. L. Cain and P. N. Hanson.

> C. A. Lindsey, who voted in the Fourth ward from 2423 Cass street, is now a restdent at the Millard hotel. He left the Cass street address just after the primaries of September 19, which is the reason that he could not be found. He is an employe of the Boston store. Speaking to a Bee re-porter, he said: "I do not recall the reason given on my affidavit for not being registered at the time of the primaries, but I have not been out of the city for three years and do not think that could have been the reason assigned."

The Swedish-American Independent club held its last meeting of the campaign at the Dellone hotel Wednesday night, a fairsizer crowd being present. Short addresses were made by C. O. Lobeck and Frank Planck, the Swedes on the fusion ticket. A number of other fusion candidates were present. The club will hold no meetings until after the fall election, but intends to maintain its organization for the spring

N. C. Pratt and J. H. Van Dusen will speak at the meeting of the Sixth Ward Republican club Friday night.

WAY OF SWEARING IN VOTERS operate. These banquets, six in all, were City Clerk Elbourn Intends to Apply Law Strictly to Unregiatered Citizens.

> City Clerk Elbourn, having received number of inquiries regarding the manner of swearing in voters on election day, has made the following statement:

"On page 966 of the compiled statutes, could come out of South Omaha and other ing: "The person offering to vote, whose name is not on two of said registers, shall furnish to said judges his affidavit . . * and shall prove before said judges,

which he offers his vote, for at least one

"In the recent Unitt-Miller contest Judge Baxter held that the word 'precinct,' as used in this section means not a ward, but an election precinct of a ward and that the two freeholders must be restthe unregistered voter for whom they make affidavit. The affidavit made on election day must be in compliance with this decision.

"Frivolous excuses for failure to register, such as 'forgot' or 'too busy' will not be accepted. In view of the fact that it will be very difficult to obtain two freeholders in each election precinct having sufficient knowledge of the unregistered voters therein to make the required affidavit and that persons who do not register this fall cannot vote the the primaries for the city election next spring without overcoming the same difficulties. It is necessary that all voters who have not already registered, do so next Saturday, the last day of registration previous the election on November 4."

Man Charged with Illegal Registra-

tion Will Have Hearing

November 7.

Charles Gautier, arrested Wednesday for illegal registration, was arraigned in police court yesterday morning and his hearing was set for November 7. Gautler has been released under \$250 bond, signed by his employer, William Spence, who said Gautier had worked for him for two years, and during that time had not missed a day, and that he considered him a thoroughly honest

Nothing so Good for Coughs and Colds. Mr. J. N. Perkins, druggist of Lawton, Okl., who has been in business eleven years, says of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy that during all this time he has never had a bottle of this remedy returned as not having given satisfaction, proving conclusively that this preparation will do all that is claimed for it. There is nothing so good as this remedy for coughs, colds and croup. It is pleasant to take and, as tt contains no injurious substance, may be given to a child with perfect confidence.

Wright wrongs no man. Wright's old fashioned buckwheat flour is pure.

Announcements of the Theaters. The Heras family of acrobats is one of the features of the diverting bill at the Orpheum this week that is scoring heavily. There are seven of them, three men, three women and a boy of about 10 years of age Some of the feats they accomplish are re markable and it is only after being tired with encores that the audiences are satisfied. The remaining portion of the bill is for the most part cast in comedy, with some dancing and novelty music and Jessie Dale's well received baritone selections. The next matinee will be given Saturday

"Down by the Sea," a comedy-drama will be presented at the Boyd tonight and Saturday matinee and night.

Four Personally Conducted Excur stons

From Omaha to California, with choice of

These excursions leave Omaha every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 4.25 p. m., in Pullman tourist sleeping cars. The cars are accompanied all the way by conductors skilled in the service of excursion parties. The Union Pacific is the only line from Omaha running four excursions to California every week,

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Children's Cloaks

We make a specialty of these goodscarry the most popular styles, as low priced cloaks as will give satisfaction as to Miss Lyon making the payment of these men went. It is known that in almost the \$5 to Miller. There was other unimand up to the best, ages from the first portant testimony, and then the court long cloak up to 10 years.

All wool coats, \$2.65 up. All wool Bedford cords handsomely trimmed, colored

or white, ages from 6 mos. up to 4 yrs, prices \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.50. Fine qualities of cloth from \$3.75 up to \$12.50. Black silk BURNETT-S. H., October 30, 1902, aged 30 moire coats, \$5.87 and \$7.50. Velvet coats, \$5, \$7.87, \$9.50, \$12 Funeral 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. and \$18.50. All kinds of headwear to match children's coats.

PRESIDENT MILLER IS HELD

County Judge Binds Over to District Court Alleged Boodler.

GEORGE B LASBURY GOES HIS BAIL

Amount is Fixed at \$1,000, Which Prosecuted President of South Omaha School Ho Able to Furnis

Alonzo V. Miller, president of the South Omaha school heard, had preliminary hearing before Judge Vinsonhaler in county court yesterday on the charge of having accepted, October 3, from Cecile Lyon of the schools there a bribe of \$5 for efforts to secure her a raise in salary from \$55 to \$60 per month, Judge Vinsonhaler found that there "was probable cause to believe that bribery was committed" and bound Miller over to the district court under \$1,000 bond, which was furnished by George E. Lasbury.

Early in the hearing Ed P. Smith, as counsel for defendant, indicated that the plan of the defense was to show that there was "a put up job" against Miller to trap him, but Judge Vinsonhaler discouraged this with the statement that the matter material to the court was simply the guilt or innocence of Miller and that "it is sometimes necessary to employ unusual methods to detect crime." This pronouncement came after the court had repeatedly sustained the county attorney's objections to Smith's pointed questioning of Miss Cecile Lyon, the principal witness of the forenoon, as to whom she had talked with concerning her alleged payment of \$5 to Miller. Court Differs with Smith.

"If such questions are with a view to impeaching the witness they will be admitted," said the court. But Smith would not specifically avow such as his intent and the court finally said: "Well, then, I don't see what all this is going to lead to, Mr. Smith, unless it is the finding out of what the whole city of South Omaha has said or thought of the matter."

"If the whole city of South Omaha has been stirring this up, maybe we ought to know it," was Smith's reply. "And this is no ordinary witness, your bonor. She is the star, the prima donna of the prosecution, and her testimony is the foundation of the whole prosecution. I have the right, then, to ask of her a repetition of everything that she has said to anybody at any time, anywhere, concerning the matter-even as late as yesterday."

Shields Rebukes Cross-Examiner.

"No gentleman would speak of Miss Lyon in such language," interposed County Attorney Shields with warmth. Miss Lyon herself blushed, but remained silent. Later the county attorney publicly retracted his reference to Mr. Smith, the latter merely smiling assent. The court remained tranquil through the discussion, but was firm in austaining the objections. Finally Smith abandoned cross-examination entirely.

The first witness of the morning was Secretary Lott of the school board, who produced the records showing the salaries paid the teachers at various times.

Miss Lyon's testimony was in substance that given in The Bee at the time the com-She stated that shortly after the noon bell September 19 Miller balted her as she was BARTON DECLINES TO SERVE Drugs at plaints against the members were filed. her a paper on which was typewritten a list of teachers whose salaries had been raised and the amounts of the old and new salaries. She was shown that hers had been raised from \$45 to \$55 per month and as a marginal note was marked th

Miller's Alleged Proposal. She testified that Miller then told her that he had succeeded in having the \$10 raise made and that he hoped to get it up to the \$60 mark; that she told him she was satisfied with \$55, but that he persisted in the proposition and informed her that that was the time to get a raise; that she had best pay \$10 to Kubat and \$10 to Murphy, other members of the board, and that if she didn't know Murphy, to give him (Miller) the \$10 for transmission: that he added "that is the political part of it;" that she gave him no definite answer, but backed away; and that he recalled her just after their

parting, to warn her to say nothing to any-

one about it. Continuing her testimony, she related that she took the tale to Member Morrill of the board, who advised her to give Miller enough to make the matter a transac tion; that she advised also with her pas tor, Dr. Wheeler, and that on October 3 at Twenty-fourth and N streets, in the presence of Lorena Johnson, she stepped upon a horse block and after a short conversation about blackboards, handed to Mr. Milier, who was on horseback, a \$5 gold piece, saying: "This is in payment of that \$5 I spoke to you about some time ago;" that Miller's reply was: "That's all right, Miss Lyon."

When Miller Returned the Money. Their next meeting was, she testified when Miller came to the school house a week afterward, late in the afternoon, and, her to take back the \$5, stating that he sideration, but the executive officers have thought it wouldn't be right for him to kes,) it. She declined to accept it, she out announcing it to the members of the said and remarked to him that that "was committee. his affeir." She further testified that he spoke of another teacher being present and said that he would return the money if he had to do so by mall, and that the next morning she received in an envelope, with nothing to indicate the identity of the sender, a \$5 bill similar to the one he had tried to have her accept the night before She stated that she could not identify the handwriting on the envelope as Miller's because she did not remember ever having seen his writing, but that she did not return the bill to him, but kept it and later spent it.

in Cross-Examination. In cross-examining, Counsel Smith, after drawing from Miss Lyon the statements. that she has forty children in her department and "has charge of their general moral welfare," declared that he wished to show that this woman, with the moral welfare of ferty children entrusted to her, wished to bribe a public official. He asked her pointedly if she offered a bribe to Miller, but upon the court asking him if he would be bound by her answer, he said he would not, but that he wished to show

the intent. Among Miss Lyon's answers to question in the cross-examination were these: "I paid that \$5 upon the advise of Mr. Morrell;" "I did not pay it to influence official action," and "I did not promise to pay Mr. Miller \$10 if he would cause my salary to be raised."

In the afternoon Secretary Lott gave some evidence from the records of the board and parts of its rules were read, men affiliating with strikers in any way Lorena Johnson corroborated the testimony bound Miller over.

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TODAY A GREAT

Interest Paid on

25c

39c

Remnant Sale

50c French Flannels at 15c Yd Having bought all the short lengths of French fiannel from a French fiannel waist factory, we will place on sale tomorrow thousands and thousands of remnants o f French flannel in lengths from % to 2% yards, in reds, blues, greens, browns and old rose. Many of these remnants match and every yard is the finest all wool French finnel manufactured-on sale at,

Manufacturer's Dress Goods Pieces

10,000 pieces of dress goods, %-yard lengths, imported from one argest dress goods manufacturers in the world. These are the highest grade dress goods, in plan colors and in stripes, all of them pure wool and silk and wool, in reds, cremes, light blues, pinks, greens 25C and silk and wool, in reds, cremes, light times, plant and % and blacks, all running from 5 to 7 pieces of a kind and % 35c to \$2.50 a yard; they are all matched and pinned together and go on sale at 25c and 35c for an entire piece.

Remnants on Bargain Square

Dress goods remnants running from 2 to 7 yards in lengths, in all wool materials, such as covert cloths, cheviots, serges, cashmeres; in checks, plaids and stripes, also challis, albatross and French flannel waistings, all go on sale on bargain square in two lots, at 25c and 39c a yard.

SILK VELVETS .- In Short lengths, in reds, cremes, blues, greens and black, go at,

for entire remnant...... 10c, 15c, 25c

SILK REFINANTS.—A new lot of short lengths of brocaded and taffeta silks, in stripes, checks and plaids, in lengths from 1-2, 3-4 to 1 yard, at, for an entire remnant at, for an entire remnant 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c

Grand Special Sale Remnants

In the Basement Today. One table of fine white percales, long cloths, cambrics, etc., all 61C go at a yard.

One big table of heavy unbleached be muslin, at 31C one big table of best standard prints, dress styles and comfort styles, a yard.

One big lot of standard calicos, indigo blues and comfort styles, at, a yard. lc 81c

31c At the linen counter, grand special bargain in all grades of towelling, for remnants, running from 2½ yards to 10 yards, at much less than the regular price.

SALE OF SAMPLE SUITS AND OVERCOATS

An immense purchase from eastern manufacturers enables us to offer a sample line of clothing at a great bargain-\$25, \$20, \$18 Suits and Overcoats, Saturday at

Watch Our

Auditorium Company.

WATTLES OR NASH MAY BE Directors Will Meet Evenings Here after Instead of at Noon-Pro-

posed Changes in Plans

for the Building. It was stated yesterday by a member of the Board of Directors of the Auditorium company that Guy C. Barton had made up his mind not to accept the presidency of the company. The member added: "It is now between Gurdon W. Wattles and F. A. Nash. A number of the members of the committee have suggested these men as candidates and no others are men-It has not been ascertained

whether either of them will take the post-The time of the meetings of the Board of Directors has been changed from noon to evening. Ever since the company was organized meetings have been held at noon. For the first year they were held Sherman & McConnell Drug Co each Monday at the Commercial club rooms. Later the meeting day was changed from Monday to Thursday and recently meeting place was changed from the Commercial club rooms to the Millard hotel. discused by the board before the last election of directors, but it was decided o make no change, although each member was taking an hour or more from the made the change and cards have been sent a decision in their favor.

Special Notice!

In setting the type for J. L. Brandeis & Sons advertisement last evening the printer made a mistake in putting the price of the outing fiannels at 31/2 cents. The right price is 81/2 cents, today.

DISCHARGES SEVENTEEN MEN Enion Pacific Lets Out Number Strike Brenkers at the

Shops.

It is reported at strike headquarters that the Union Pacific discharged seventeen of its shopmen Wednesday on the ground of library-buffet car, dining car, new coaches. incompetency. The men let out say there City office, 1504 Parnam street. are a number of other discharges to follow the middle or latter part of next weekafter politics has cooled down.

While admitting that the shops are filled with incompetent men strikers are inclined to think there are other reasons for the discharge of these seventeen. It has been hinted that they became intractible when approached with a request to register in the elty, so as to be in line for voting on election day. However, since the men, who were nonresidents of the city, have scat-

tered, this cannot be confirmed. Another report says that among this numer were some whom the company suspected as being union men and that in accordance to an inexorable rule, observed since the beginning of the strike, that all must be put on the outside of the shops, every batch of shopmen imported from the

Reduced Prices

We are selling Patent Medicine toilet preparations—way below par—WRITE FOR OUR CATALOGUE—which will tell the whole story—or order from the list Mc Mennen's Talcum Powder for.....

Windows

WRITE FOR CATALOGUE Wholesale and Retail Druggists, CORNER 16TH AND DODGE, OMAHA.

east there have been some unionists and in The question of changing the hour was many instances their identity has been discovered and they were let out forthwith. Strikers received information yesterday morning that the decision in the Baldwin injunction case would be handed down next busiest time of the day to attend the meet- Wednesday, the day after election. Judge ings. Since the new board was elected the McPherson, it is said, will be back in the while they were alone in the hall asked matter has not formally come up for con- city by that time. In view of this information the strikers are hopeless of getting

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MEN'S SHIRTS AND DRAWERS-in heavy merino, in camely tural colors, non-shrinkable and an excellent wearing garment, worth \$1.00

MEN'S SHIRTS AND DRAWERS-made of an extra fine quality of all and French merinos, in natural gray and camel's hair, with heavy sateen facings and pearl buttone, \$159 values, for

MEN'S SHIRTS AND DRAWERS-made of a very fine Audiouble-breasted shirts and double-scaled drawers, no better

ments made for warmth and wear-exceptional values at CLOTHES FOR MEN -- WOM



The Flag

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The men of yester-year were content to be "muzzled" with a deposit in advance on all tailoring orders. 'They've got bravely over it to-

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in our ability to please the most

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Wax We sell the BUTCHER WAX, the best on the market. Every-body uses Butcher's Wax at 50C PER CAN. Brushes You should by all means prices are down. A 15-in brush, \$1.50;

Fuller Drug & Paint Co.

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P. S.-We have decided to quit selling