

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Murdock Files Mandamus Action to Compel Election Call.

WILL TEST MUCH MOOTED POINT

Check Artist Works Independent Telephone Company for \$8.40 by Paying Subscriber's Bill in Advance.

Attorney A. H. Murdock last night filed in the district court a petition for a writ of mandamus compelling Mayor P. J. Trainor and City Clerk Frank Good to call a primary election for city offices on February 27 and a regular election for April 2.

The papers were filed with the clerk at 1:30 p. m., and deputies immediately set out to serve them. Attorney Murdock early in the afternoon had foreseen the probability of delay and had made provision with the clerk of the district court and the sheriff's office to have the papers filed and served without delay last night.

Up to a late hour the deputies had not arrived at the homes of either Trainor or Good.

The action at last precipitates the issue of the constitutionality of that part of the city charter that extends the term of office from one to three years. The petition takes in all the present administration, including the fire and police board.

Mayor Trainor in discussing the mandamus proceedings declared that according to the charter he could not call an election at this time without the authorization of the court. He maintained that the initiative must come from the other side.

At the matter now stands an issue will be taken upon the extension clause and the election must depend upon the judgment of the court.

One of the leaders in the movement for an election declared last night that a number of business men had contributed money for the purpose of electing a citizens' ticket. So far, no candidates have been named, but the business men in question have declared their intention of supporting a citizens' movement and will proceed with their plans as soon as a decision on the extension clause has been reached.

Phone Cashier Worked.

R. E. Severns, a stockman of 128 North Twenty-fifth street, has his telephone bill paid for the next three months. The independent telephone company has a had check paid for with good money and a stranger in possession of \$4.00, the difference between the check cashed for him by the company and the telephone bill of Severns.

It happened yesterday afternoon after the police had industriously circulated the information that check workers were busy in town. An imposing stranger entered the office of the telephone company at Twenty-fifth and M streets and announced that he was R. E. Severns, a subscriber, who wished to pay his bill for the next three months. The cashier smiled pleasantly, it is not usual to pay telephone bills three months in advance. How much was the bill? About \$2. He "so distant" Severns was sorry, but he had not enough of cash. Would the company cash a check? The company would and did. The check was drawn to a certain Wroth for \$14.00. The stranger accepted the receipt and \$4.00 in change. He departed happily, conscious of having done a perfect work.

When later Mr. Severns was notified of the matter that the check was bad, he explained that he was unaccustomed to pay his bills with worthless paper; besides, he denied that he ever paid a telephone bill three months in advance.

Boy Dies of Tetanus.

James Caraway, the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Caraway, died of tetanus yesterday morning at the home of his parents, 321 Jackson street. The child was drawn to a certain Wroth for \$14.00. The stranger accepted the receipt and \$4.00 in change. He departed happily, conscious of having done a perfect work.

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New Bank May Start.

Following the resignation of W. A. C. Johnson, lately cashier of the Packers National bank, a rumor gained circulation that a new bank was about to be organized in South Omaha with Mr. Johnson at its head.

The rumor contemplated the absorption of a smaller bank of the city. A prominent and popular employe of one of the local banks is mentioned for the position of cashier in the new institution.

It is known that for some months there has been quiet talk among certain capitalists looking toward the establishment of a new bank. It is argued that the big interests of the town warrant another banking institution.

W. C. T. U. Program.

The following program will be given, under the auspices of the Women's Christian Temperance union, Tuesday evening, February 27, at the Christian church, South Omaha:

- Piano duet..... Mrs. Arnett and Mr. Howe.
- Vocal solo..... Miss Georgina Davis.
- Piano solo..... Miss Kate Swartzlander.
- Vocal solo..... Miss Bessie Royce.
- Vocal solo..... E. P. Baker.
- Piano solo..... Miss Myrtle Royce.
- Violin solo..... Miss Kate Swartzlander.
- Vocal solo..... Mrs. R. O. Haskins.
- Piano duet..... Watch and Fish for Clark.

Louis Clark, who has been buying hogs for the Omaha Packing company on this market for the last twelve years, was given a very pleasant surprise yesterday by a number of friends.

The occasion was the departure of Mr. Clark from the yards and the boys decided to remember him in a way that he would never forget. At noon time he was called out of the office and presented with a fine engraved watch and fob by his many friends and associates.

On the back of the watch was engraved Mr. Clark's initials, while on the inside of the case was the inscription, "From the boys of the hog yards, South Omaha, 1912." The charm bore the following:



"From the South Omaha boys, 1912."

Louis thanked the boys for their remembrance.

Getting Ready for Postal Bank.

Postmaster Louis F. Etter yesterday morning received most of his supplies for the postal savings bank which will open its doors for business March 1 if the necessary arrangements can be perfected by that time. Considerable work has to be done in getting the office fixtures and making arrangements with local banks as depositories, but Mr. Etter is expediting this matter and he hopes there will be no delay in opening the bank on the above date. He is now distributing information to the public and already a large number of persons have made application to make deposits as soon as the savings bank is in operation.

This department will be run in connection with the money order division and the banking hours will be the same, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Magie City Gossip.

Frank A. Agnew, law office, Hanmon block.

Emil Lund has taken an extended trip to Hirservik, Fla.

Turkey dinner Sunday, Atlas cafe, 4th N. 24th.

Mrs. Day at Twentieth and H streets is reported as improving in health.

Dr. John Clark will occupy the pulpit of the Christian church at both services today.

Pine turkey dinner Sunday, Atlas Cafe, 4th N. 24th.

Charles Ziegler will give a tea at the home of N. M. Graham on February 21 in honor of the Willing Workers.

The Mothers' Self Culture club met Friday afternoon with Mrs. J. Laverty. An address was given by Dr. Ralston.

Mrs. L. M. Lord entertained the Fortnightly Kensington club Thursday afternoon at home.

Great Hotel, under new management.

The Standard Hostess met Monday evening at the home of Miss Marrian Dennis, 75 North Eighteenth street.

The Swiss Hill Singers will give a musical entertainment on March 5 at the high school auditorium. Tickets are on sale at Fisher-McGill's, Twenty-fourth and N streets.

Gentlemen may have furnished room, 214 J. St. B. modern.

Miss Beulah Davis entertained the following at a Kensington Wednesday afternoon: Misses Nell Howard, Jessie, Mrs. L. M. Lord, Neel Gwynn and Mrs. A. J. Sletak.

Mr. and Mrs. Phinney, 323 L street, entertained Wednesday evening in honor of their daughter, Frances. Games and music followed by a luncheon were enjoyed.

Mrs. C. A. Cline entertained at a twelve-thirty luncheon Friday, George Washington tickets were used as favors. Decorations were worked in pink and white carnations.

Covers were laid for: Mesdames A. W. Tagg, J. L. Shainholtz, H. Bennett, Guy Cliffler, W. B. Routt, J. Chisek, C. C. Clifton, W. Hancock and C. A. Cline.

Mrs. A. J. Caughey entertained at a 7 o'clock dinner Friday evening. When covers were laid for: Mesdames A. P. Adams, A. G. White, W. Scott King, A. L. Lott, Jr., and Connell.

The literary department of the New Century club will have a business meeting Tuesday afternoon at library hall.

An address on "Civil Service Reform" will be given by Mrs. F. H. Cole of Omaha.

Mrs. A. D. Majors entertained at a Valentine's party Wednesday evening. Decorations were worked in hearts and red carnations. Prizes in high five were awarded to Mrs. L. VanSant and Mrs. Miller. Places were arranged for: Mesdames A. L. VanSant, E. J. Hursey, Will Green, Charles Kades, Cassius Schmidt, Peggy Jones, May Wadell, Vera King, Vera DeBois, Mary Sheehy, Laura Paterson, Middle Ward, Mabel Malcher and Frances Willard.

Mesdames George Schlie and E. G. Barnhardt of Omaha.

One of the novel affairs of the week was the party given Friday at the home of Miss Stella Holmes, Twentieth and J streets. Those present were: Mesdames Mary Miller, Cecil Nixon, Marrian Dennis, Louie Hickey, Florence Brooks, Flora Robinson, Frances Case, Irene Holmes, Myrtle Taylor, Olla Holmes, Gertrude Casey, Grace Mowley, May Bergquist, Carrie Anderson, Stella Holmes.

At 7 o'clock Pancoast has moved his bill office to 415 Omaha National Bank Bldg Phone Douglas 386.

A banquet under the direction of Miss Florence Brooks was given to the Red Guards at the First Methodist church Tuesday evening. The members include: Masters Clifford Porter, Lynn Case, Truman Green, Leonard Matthews, Marcel Williams, Lloyd Hamilton, Gale Marshall, Francis Hines, Lewis Hines, Walter Shainholtz, W. Wilson, Bennie Chick, J. Louis Shainholtz, Earl Jacobson, Lyle Hodgens, Homer Luckett and Cromley Carter.

The Phi-Kappa party entertained at a Valentine's party Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Beulah Carter, Thirtieth and M streets. Those present were: Mesdames Bess Wilson, Edna Philip, Grace Brooker, Ula Hutchinson, Flora Robinson and Beulah Carter. Messrs. Roy Green, Walter Jones, Lewis Shainholtz, W. Wilson, Bennie Chick, J. Louis Shainholtz, Earl Jacobson, Lyle Hodgens, Homer Luckett and Cromley Carter.

The Neighborhood Card club met Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Pike, 224 F street. Each member came in some costume, pertaining to St. Valentine's day. Decorations were in hearts. W. W. Fisher won first prize. Players present were: Mesdames and Messdames John Smith, Frank Prucka, Hattie Gribble, Helen White, Helen Jetter, Singley, James Trimble, J. G. Martin, R. E. Schindel, Howard Heyman, Edgar Chick, W. W. Fisher, C. M. Schindel and H. G. Pike.

"Phone Bell South 508-Ind. F-1868 for a case of Jetter Gold Top. Prompt delivery to any part of the city. William Jetter, 119 North Twenty-fifth street. The place cards and the color scheme throughout the rooms was worked in pink. Those present were: Mesdames Katherine Walsh, Margaret Walsh, Ola Otterworth, Clara Barnum, Adel Davis, Frances Tanner, Eddie Sturrock, Helen White, Helen Jetter, Kee, Maurine Murdock, Pearl Laverty, Mary Lewis and Hazel Cook. Messrs. Emmet McMann, Fred Wegger, John King, Walter Thier, Shirley Menefee, Will Sheehy, Russell Philip, Earl Kover, John Keany, Ralph Lyman and Clark Mack.

Mrs. A. L. Powell, 224 B Street, assisted by Mrs. Walter Ritchie, entertained at a Valentine's party Thursday afternoon. Twelve tables were placed for the players. Places were arranged for: Mesdames Kate, Bessie, Bryson, Burson, Clark, Gould, Gibson, Tanner, Melcher, Tagg, Gribble, Ennor, Lott, Jr., Lott, Jr., Wadell, Wadell, R. E. Schindel, C. M. Schindel, Trumbull, P. dock, Connel, Caughey, Prucka, Dudley, Martin, John Smith, Edgar Smith, Russell, H. Elliott, Durkin, Saxe, Saxe, Cheek, Rose, Fisher, William Van, George Davis, Watkins, O'Neill, Van Alstien, Lott, Jr., Fred Ertter, McGraw, Mann, Marling, Holmes, Strang, Anderson, Blanchard, Muller, Bateman, Lambert, Kelly, Nithrie and McCullough.

Skinned from Head to Heel was Ben Pool, Thresh, Ala., when dragged over a rough road, but Buckle's Arnica Salve healed all his injuries. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

FINE ARTS EXHIBIT OPENS

Society Turns Out at Formal Opening in City Library.

WORK OF NATION'S BEST ARTISTS

Many of Pictures Were Hung in National Academy and Some in Home—Exhibit Will Continue Two Weeks.

If you wish to see paintings by the best American artists—John W. Alexander, Child Hassam, Birge Harrison, Kenyon Cox, Wilton Lockwood—a dozen of which pictures were hung this year in the National Academy of Design, four of which are just back from an international exhibit at Rome and one of which is by the hand of the most-talked-of artist represented in the exhibit of the Academy of Fine Arts, now being held in Philadelphia, you should go to see the annual exhibit of the Omaha Society of Fine Arts in the public library building.

The exhibit will be open to the public this week and next, every day from 10 o'clock in the morning until late in the evening, except today and next Sunday, when it will be open from 1 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon. On Saturday mornings, 10 to 12 o'clock, children will be admitted free. Except for this, a small admission charge will be made.

Omaha art connoisseurs say this is a really notable exhibit of American art, the best ever brought to Omaha. No pictures by foreign painters are included. There are fifty-five pictures in the exhibit, worth approximately \$100,000. The individual pictures range in value from \$100 to \$4,500. Insurance covers the paintings to their full value.

National Academy Pictures. Among the pictures of the exhibit which were hung this year in the National Academy of Design are: "The Roaring Main," Frederick J. Waugh; "A Quiet Corner in Bruges," Ossip Lidine; "September Day," Gustav Cuntz; "A Hazy Morning—Fifty-ninth Street," Paul Conroy; "October," Frank Vincent Du Mond; "Portrait of Miss Lamont," G. Von Glehn; "Solebury Hills," Daniel Garber; "Peonies," Wilton Lockwood; "The New Hat," Westcott Loomer; "Winter Woods," Hobart Nichols; "In a Strange Land," "In the Himalayas," Henry B. Hall; "Eucalyptus of California," Gardner Symons; "The Cliff Dwellers," E. Irving Couse.

"Autumn Glory," by Robinson; "The Breakfast," by Mrs. Kenyon Cox; "A Breakfast Party," by Charles C. Curran, and "The Crevasse—Liberty Street, New York," by Colin Campbell Cooper, are just back from the art exposition at Rome.

There is shown a picture by H. G. Dearth, who is getting more attention than any other artist at the exhibit now being held in the Academy of Fine Arts at Philadelphia.

Wilton Lockwood's "Peonies," besides having a place in the national academy this year, was exhibited last year in the Corcoran art exposition.

Unique Painting. J. Alden Wain, "The Hunter's Moon" will be one of the most discussed pictures of the exhibit, according to local art critics. Although it is one of the highest priced pictures in the collection, many people will pick out 1400 paintings that they would prefer. It attracts at once by its similarity to the other pictures, as an ornithomorphous in a zoo would attract visitors away from the deer and camels. It is very large, and consists mostly of heavy sky, with a dark landscape at the bottom and a small, hazy moon high above it.

Four portraits of well known persons are on the walls—Kenyon Cox's portrait of C. Grant La Farge, the architect; Ralph Clarkson's portrait of Lorado Taft, the sculptor; Irving Wilson's portrait of Henry Wolf, the engraver, and G. Von Glehn's portrait of Miss Lamont, which is loaned by Mrs. D. R. Lamont and which is insured for \$4,000.

John W. Alexander is represented in the exhibit by his picture, "Mother." It was loaned by the artist himself to the Omaha society.

Formal Opening Last Night. The exhibit was opened last night. It was "members' night," and only members and specially invited guests were present. Dress suits and decollete gowns were much in evidence and there was music and light refreshments. From now on, formal dress will not be necessary for admittance.

Counterfeit Dollars. buy trouble, but a genuine quarter buys Dr. King's New Life Pills; for constipation, malaria, headache and jaundice. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

PRESIDENT OF THE NEBRASKA RETAIL HARDWARE ASSN.



M. D. HUSSIE.

Washington Program For Night School

Students and teachers of the Keillon Night school and local speakers will join in celebrating George Washington's birthday at the school Wednesday evening. The program to be given under the direction of Miss Bertha Schaller, principal. Judge Howard Kennedy of the juvenile division of the district court will give a talk on the life of Washington. Superintendent E. U. Graff will also speak.

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Judge Kennedy will point out the advantages to all people of making their homes in America. Superintendent Graff has not announced his subject. Impromptu speeches from students will fill out the program.

Mrs. Mary Morton Pollock of Flagstaff, Ariz., has given the school a victrola. It was received Thursday. Selections will be played on this during the entertainment. Mrs. Pollock has been interested in the school for several years and a girls' gymnasium is named after her. She furnishes gymnasium suits for the girls each year.

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FOR ALL MEN AND WOMEN

I will give you free a sample of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, that have brought health and happiness to thousands—also a book on any chronic disease you need.

The story of my free offer to you is quickly told. During my many years of practice I have used numerous combinations of curative medicines for liver ills. I have kept records of results in case after case, so that my staff of physicians and surgeons, at the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., are able to diagnose and treat cases at a distance with uniform good results. I am going to send you free a sample package of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, which will relieve biliousness and ill health due to a disordered liver. Write at once for a sample or a book.

But for the permanent relief of blood disorders and impurities, I can recommend my "Golden Medical Discovery"—a blood medicine without alcohol.—R. V. PIERCE, M. D., Buffalo, N. Y.

Nature's Way Is The Best.

Buried deep in our American forest we find bloodroot, queen's root, mandrake and stone root, golden seal, Oregon grape root and cherrubark. Of these Dr. R. V. Pierce made a pure glyceric extract which has been favorably known for over forty years. He called it "GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY."

This "Discovery" purifies the blood and tones up the stomach and the entire system in Nature's own way. It's just the tissue builder and tonic you require.

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In coughs and hoarseness caused by bronchial, throat and lung affections, except consumption, the "Golden Medical Discovery" is a most efficient remedy, especially in those obstinate, hang-on-coughs caused by irritation and congestion of the bronchial mucous membranes. The "Discovery" is not so good for acute coughs arising from sudden colds, nor must it be expected to cure consumption in its advanced stages—no medicine will do that—but for all the obstinate, chronic coughs, which, if neglected, or badly treated, lead up to consumption, it is the best medicine that can be taken." Sold by all principal dealers in medicines.

To find out more about the above mentioned diseases and all about the body in health and disease, get the Common Sense Medical Adviser—the People's Schoolmaster in Medicine—revised and up-to-date book of 1000 pages—which treats of diseased conditions and the practical, successful treatment thereof. Cloth-bound sent post-paid on receipt of 31 cents in one-cent stamps to pay cost of mailing only. Address Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

Doctors Get All Heated Up Over Lord Operation

The non-rupture of a smoldering volcano in the Douglas County Medical society seems to have been successfully guarded since the meeting last Tuesday evening, but the details are now coming out.

In an exciting session, verbal charges of unprofessional conduct were made against Dr. J. P. Lord growing out of the extensive free newspaper advertising he received in connection with the "bloodless surgery" operation on a little child a few weeks ago.

According to best information obtainable, the onslaught against Dr. Lord was led by Dr. Ernest Powell and Dr. McDermott, who were not at all mealy-mouthed about expressing themselves. As member of the committee of censors, Dr. Lord was to present a report on the unethical practice of fee splitting, but the document remained restfully reposing in his pocket while he was invited to resign from the committee so that he, himself, could be censured. Dr. Millard Langfeld is said to have come to the front with a resolution expressing confidence in Dr. Lord, but before it could be put to a vote, the outcome of which was uncertain, Dr. Crummer cut the Gordian knot with a motion to adjourn, which Dr. McClamham, as presiding officer, hastily put.

The rules of the society require charges of unprofessional conduct to be made in writing and substantiated before the committee of censors, but so far as can be ascertained, no formal charges have yet been preferred. A physician, who is not a member of the society, ventures the opinion that the affair will be hushed up before the next meeting, and nothing more come of it.

Cattle Losses to Be Light in Wyoming

"Doc" Spear of Spear Brothers, the most extensive cattle raisers in Wyoming, with ranches scattered over the country from near Sheridan to Basin, in town. Mr. Spear says the losses sustained by the cattlemen during the winter have been greatly exaggerated.

Through some portions of Wyoming, according to Mr. Spear, losses were rather heavy, but in the aggregate they were only about normal. What saved the stock was the sudden coming of the chinook after cold weather and hard storms had prevailed for nearly a month. When the chinook came the ground was covered deep with snow. Most of it disappeared within twenty-four hours after the warm wind from the west began to blow.

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Exclusive Features for 1912

A greater year for a greater paper

The Omaha Bee

All the news that is real news.

Mutt and Jeff

Character creations from the pen of "Bud" Fisher that have made all the world laugh and turned many a sad face into a smile.

Looking Backward

This day in Omaha during the history-forming periods of 30, 20 and 10 years ago, briefly and interestingly reproduced for Bee readers.

The Bee's Wedding Book

A chronicle of marriage anniversaries of Omaha's own people, simply and entertainingly detailed from day to day.

Silk Hat Harry

Tad's dog-man invention who has more trouble than anyone, but trouble that is so funny it makes amusement for every Bee reader.

Katzenjammer Kids

These two youngsters who are the source of Sunday fun for thousands of children, promise many new tricks and delightful for this year.

Nell Brinkley Drawings

Nell Brinkley developed a new idea in pen drawings, and her sketches of men and women caught by Cupid, not only have artistic beauty, but also always teach a lesson.

Sherlock the Monk