Wets and Drys Wage Battle in Nebraska, Latter Making Gain

Local option elections over Nebraska, according to reports received yesterday, resulted in nineteen changes from wet to dry and eleven changes from dry to wet in 165 towns reporting.

The wets made the gain of Ord, Greeley Center, Comstock, Republican City, Alma, Wilcox, St. Paul, Albion, Fullerton, Genoa and Roca.

The drys gained Arapahoe, Bancroft, Rushville, Callaway, Emerson, Falls City, Humboldt, Hickman, Ewing, Lexington, Ogallala, Red Cloud, Superior, Silver Creek, Thurston, Wolbach, Bellewood, and Wahoo.

A noticeable feature of the change recorded was that Harlan county towns were recorded in the wet column with victory in the fights waged in St. Paul, Greeley Center and Albion. In many instances the majorities were small.

The dry forces secured some large places on their list, a number of which had not been there before in years. Falls City, where there is a brewery, and which has not been dry in forty-five years went dry by seventy-three votes. Wahoo turned over into the dry column after a bitter contest. Superior was dry by one vote and Red Cloud went dry by a narrow margin. The turnover at Emerson was one not expected by the opposition nor was the change at Ogallala. Hickman in Lancaster county voted out saloons, but Roca, four miles nearer Lincoln voted them in. Elwood has a wet board, but litigation is promised that will attempt to prevent introduction of saloons.

Sunday base ball scored a notable victory. Seventeen towns voted in its favor and five against. Norfolk, the new member of the state league is for it as is Kearney.

One Ticket in Columbus.

COLUMBUS—There was but one ticket in the field today, but an effort was made to defeat at least two of these council men and members of the school board. The regular ticket, which was elected is: School board, Carl Kramer, republican; Frank Rudat and A. Plagemann, democrats. Councilmen: First ward, James Haney, democrat; second ward, I. Brock, republican; Third ward, C. F. Elias, democrat; Fourth ward, L. F. Restor, republican. The saloon question was not an issue.

To Raise License.

WATERLOO—Village election resulted in the vote favoring license, 63 to 31, and the following were elected trustees: Temple Robinson, Otto Wilson and W. H. Jacobsen. Another proposition to raise saloon license brought a vote as follows: For $1,250, 67; for $2,000, 38.

LAUREL—Durrie and Simpson were re-elected to the town board, 87 to 50. Champlin defeated Oxby by three votes.

KENESAW—Today's election gives the wets a majority of fourteen. Fischeer, Blythe and Bosman, all old members of the board, are re-elected.

CRAIG—Trustees elected: E. J. Martin, J. T. Garner, Aug Carlson. For licensing pool halls, 57, against, 26.

STELLA—Stella remains dry.

SEWARD—W. T. Saunders was elected mayor on the citizens' ticket. License was not voted on, the town remaining wet.

WAUSA—With two tickets in the field, the Wausa progressive and people's temperance won. The election was the closest ever held in Wausa. The progressives elected two of three of their candidates, Emil Engdahl and S. J. Larson. A. J. Colson, people's party, was high man with sixty-eight votes. On the license question, the vote stood 19 for and 74 against.

EMERSON—Voted dry the first time in the history of the town, by a vote of 94 to 67. Guy Inman was re-elected mayor. A 3-mill levy for a Carnegie library was defeated.

Fairbury Stays Wet.

FAIRBURY—Fairbury went in the wet column by approximately fifty votes from incomplete returns. There is no change in policy from last year. Returns indicate that the entire citizens' ticket has been elected. No mayor was elected this year as the mayor elected last year holds over. Mrs. Olive True has the chance of being elected on the school board to succeed J. A. Axtell. Socialists polled a light vote and none was elected.

BLOOMFIELD—H. W. Phillips was elected mayor on the citizens' ticket. There was no issue. A license board for the city the same as last year carried.

SILVER CREEK—By a vote of 69 to 51 this town was changed from the wet to the dry column. F. Buchanan and M. S. Squires were elected trustees.

No Change at Shelton.

SHELTON—J. B. Hodge, Lee Roberts and Fred Spahr of the citizens' ticket were elected village trustees today. Two hundred and fifty-seven votes were cast, as follows. For license, 166, against license, 90. The town has had two saloons the last year.

GIBBON—B. F. Henline, Charles Wallace and W. H. Buck, were elected councilmen. The mayor is elected by the board. The vote was: Against saloons, 160; for saloons, 59; against Sunday base ball, 86; for Sunday base ball, 70.

LYONS—For village trustees: Paul Karo, 204; M. Schumway, 137; J. J. Haiden, 129; Henry Preston, 114; Walter White, 97. The first three were on the citizens' ticket, the latter two by petition. The big fight was against the pool halls and the present city marshal, made by the losing party.

ORLEANS—Remained wet by a margin of thirteen.

BLOOMINGTON—Voted wet, 82 to 38. S. T. Harte was elected as mayor.

PILGER—This town remains wet, this being the only issue of the election. The citizens' ticket was elected.

HERMAN—Remained wet, the vote being 73 to 22. William Shaferman was re-elected mayor.

WILBER—V. J. Kopout and Joseph Bartos were elected to the village board without any opposition. There was no issue and no change from last year.

License by Eight Votes.

SPRINGFIELD—Election resulted in a majority of eight for license, a loss of ten from last year. There were 130 votes cast. Dr. A. J. Peters, R. V. Cornish and W. W. Dow were chosen members of the town board.

GOTHENBURG—T. L. Carroll was re-elected mayor by forty-six majority. Anton Jenkins was elected councilman in the Second ward and Frederick Karlson re-elected to the council in the First ward. The town goes wet by a majority of two votes. In the school election G. Carlson and M. Anderson were elected by thirty-eight majority.

PAPILLION—Fred Hawhow and Elmer Lundgren, republicans, and William Patterson, democrat, were elected members of the town board.

PONCA—E. L. Woods, republican, was elected mayor over Walter Heyden, democrat, by twenty-four majority. The town voted no license. The town of Craig today voted to license pool halls, 57 to 26, and elected three trustees.

GREENWOOD—The wets won by a margin of thirty-two. John Connelly, Dan Kelly, John E. Schulling and A. D. Wilson were elected trustees.

Wet at Eustis.

EUSTIS—At the most exciting village election ever held here, at which 168 votes were cast, G. K. Holbein, J. S. Thrasher and John Frew were elected. There were two tickets in the field. The village is wet although license was not the issue. The initiative and referendum question and Sunday base ball proposition were killed, they being the issues of the campaign, the former lost by nineteen and the latter by three.

Hebron Goes Dry.

HEBRON—The town voted dry by a margin of eleven. A tie vote of 180 on each side was recorded on the question of admission of pool halls. Sunday base ball was defeated by forty-one votes. W. C. Coufer was re-elected mayor by a margin of four votes.

FALLS CITY—This town voted dry by a margin of seventy-three, and the brewery located here will be compelled to close. John Wilce was elected mayor.

Sunday Ball in Kearney.

KEARNEY—The entire county went wet at the election yesterday by approximately the same majority as two years ago, the city giving a majority of forty-three for liquor licenses. Sunday base ball carried by ninety-three votes, and the light contract carried by 182. Hawley, Lowenstein, Mercer and Arbuckle were elected councilmen.

OAKLAND—Oakland went dry by a majority of seventy-three for the seventh consecutive year. The question of granting an electric franchise resulted in 181 votes for and 69 votes against. There being but one ticket in the field, the following were elected: A. Hammarstrom, mayor; S. A. Lundstrom, councilman, South ward; C. M. Holbert and O. Samson, councilman, North ward; A. F. Wickstrom, clerk; W. E. Minier, treasurer; Charles Fisk, city engineer.

GENEVA—Geneva went wet by seventeen. A. T. Bedford elected mayor for second term; William Hosack, M. Tolson, Dennis Manning and H. S. Page, councilmen. Bonds of $10,000 for new city hall were defeated by majority of ten. Referendum ordinance prohibiting the keeping of bees within the city limits was carried by sixty votes.

DORCHESTER—Voted dry by seventy-one majority. No change. N. L. Curtis and George Mooberry were elected councilmen.

MADISON—W. H. Field was elected mayor. A $40,000 bond issue for the building of a school house carried.

Callaway Dry.

CALLAWAY—After the town has been wet for two successive years, the drys carried the election today by a majority of three. The question of Sunday base ball carried by a majority of ten. The temperance candidates lost by an average of seventy votes.

OAKLAND—At the election today Oakland went dry by a large majority. For license, 101; against, 187. The electric light franchise carried by almost a three to one majority.

FORDYCE—The first election since the incorporation of the village of Fordyce was held yesterday. The vote was overwhelmingly in favor of Sunday base ball and against license, thirty-two. There were two tickets in the field for village trustees, progressive and citizens' league. The result follows: F. H. Browne (prog.), 66; L. T. Galbraith (prog.), 73; James Ferrier (citizens' league), 56; George Hill (citizens' league), 23.

Votes Out Saloons.

ARAPAHOE—Arapahoe voted out its three saloons in today's city election with a majority of thirty-one votes. Each of the three wards went dry for the first time in the city's history. A light vote was polled; dry, 106; wet, 75. Last year Arapahoe went nine wet. The town has been dry two years before in 1907 and 1910 by small majorities. The only issue in today's election was the license question, only one ticket being in the field.

OGALLALA—Ogallala changed from wet to dry by one majority.

ORLEANS—Alma changed to wet. J. G. Thompson, mayor, citizens' ticket. Orleans stays wet. J. C. Gay, mayor, citizens' ticket.

ARLINGTON—Arlington goes dry again this year by eight votes, against one vote last year. J. W. Hatton, Henry Rurup and F. G. Menking were elected on the village board.

BASSETT—Basset went dry again. The vote was 48 wet, 74 dry. Only one ticket in the field question.

TEKAMAH—Voted dry by 89. Pool halls were defeated. A. M. Anderson was elected mayor.

DAVID CITY—License was defeated by three votes here today. License was defeated last year by twenty-eight votes. J. R. Evans was elected mayor on the citizens' ticket.

VALENTINE—George E. Tracewell for mayor defeated Mayor Nicholson, 218 to 72. To build or not to build municipal dam issue was a complete victory for those favorable to building. Wet by 17.

BENKELMAN—License, 63; no license, 74. Trustees, Milton Earl, J. A. McDonald and D. G. Hines.

ORD—The wet element carried the election here by a majority of thirty-two. Sunday base ball and the matter of pool hall licenses both carried by substantial majorities.

VALLEY—Village trustees elected W. G. Whitmore, C. B. Nichols and S. H. Howard, no issue. Mayor will be elected by the board.

YORK—The quietest election ever held in this city passed off today. The republicans elected two members of the school board and two councilmen, while the democrats elected two councilmen.

NEBRASKA CITY—Election today was very quiet and a large vote was polled. Henry Katzstien and Burt Ryder were elected councilmen, with a tie between Paul Toupping and A. O. Reed.

AUBURN—Church Howe was re-elected mayor over Lafayette Higgins by a majority of 82. The city was again voted dry by a majority of 143, the largest in years. In the First ward W. G. Welch defeated D. E. C. Long for councilman by a majority of 42. The rest of the ticket consisted of: A. L. Allen, councilman for the Second ward; I. H. Criley, councilman for the Third ward; W. B. Fisher, clerk; A. M. Engles, treasurer; C. H. Hacker, engineer.

Bridgeport Again Wet.

BRIDGEPORT—Bridgeport again went wet by a majority of thirty-three, an increase over last year. Clyde Spanogle and Mark Iddings were re-elected members of the board.

UPLAND—Upland voted for license by majority of twenty-one votes, against pool hall by five votes, for Sunday base ball by thirteen votes, at present Upland wet, no pool halls.

REPUBLICAN—H. Worthman, two years; L. C. Huffman, two years; C. A. Luce, two years; O. D. Hansen, one year; T. H. Gordon, one year. Three majority for saloons.

STANTON—The following officers were elected today at the city election: Frank A. Raabe, mayor; G. H. Glaser, treasurer; W. T. McFarland, clerk; Ray K. Person, engineer; A. H. Loebs, councilman First ward; Fred Feyerherm, councilman First ward. The issue for sewer bonds carried by a majority of forty-seven and an ordinance for narrowing a street was passed by a small majority.

Neligh Stays Wet.

NELIGH—On referendum vote Neligh went wet by a majority of seventy-nine. N. B. Sweitzer was re-elected mayor along with the entire ticket representing the progressive improvement policy of the present administration.

LEIGH—Although there was but one ticket in the field and a light vote cast, the result showed an undercurrent sufficient to defeat R. H. Goodge, one of the regular candidates. Gus Hahn and F. L. Vlach were elected members of the town board. No issues were voted on and the town remains wet.

WAHOO—Wahoo went dry, by a majority of but seven votes, this is the first time Wahoo has gone dry since 1884, when the council voted it that way. James Kearney was re-elected mayor on the citizens' ticket over C. L. Mielenz on the municipal ticket, vote being 287 to 222. G. E. Loder was re-elected clerk and Ernest Hanson, treasurer. Dr. Miller and C. P. Hultin were re-elected members of the Board of Education, there was some talk of a contest being started on the wet and dry proposition.

Albion Changes.

ALBION—The city election today resulted in the election of D. J. Poynter, mayor; George Browder, city clerk; W. S. Price, treasurer; F. M. Sillick, city engineer, and S. J. Oliverious and J. Thorstenson, councilmen. The city went wet by twelve majority, changing from the dry to a wet town.

AINSWORTH—Both wards of Ainsworth voted dry at the municipal election here today. The First ward by six votes and the Second by two. In the mayoralty race J. M. Hanna came out nineteen votes ahead of Cass Moore.

CHADRON—Allen G. Fisher was re-elected mayor on the republican and citi-

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Wet or Dry

WET.

Alliance, *Alma, *Albion, Beatrice, Benson, Barneston, Bruning, Burwell, Bloomington, Bridgeport, Bloomfield, Blue Hill, *Comstock, Cedar Bluffs, Chadron, Cook, Craig, Crete, Columbus, Culbertson, Clarks, Dakota City, Dawson, Eustis, Elwood, Eustis, Elgin, Fairbury, Florence, Fremont, *Fullerton, *Genoa, Gothenburg, Greenwood, Geneva, *Greeley Center, Grand Island, Herman, Hartington, Hastings, Havelock, Homer, Harvard, Johnson, Kenesaw, Kearney, Laurel, Leigh, Loup City, Madison, Nebraska City, Neligh, Newport, North Platte, O'Neill, North Bend, Norfolk, *Ord, Orleans, Oshkosh, Oakdale, Oconto, Odell, Papillion, Pender, Plattsmouth, Pilger, Fender, Pickrell, Pierce, Plainview, Phillips, *Republican City, Ravenna, *Roca, Rulo, Sterling, Stanton, Stapleton, Schuyler, *St. Paul, Springfield, Sidney, Scotia, Shelton, Seward, Talmadge, Table Rock, Tilden, Utica, Upland, Valentine, Wilber, Waterloo, West Point, Wood River, Wymore,

DRY.

Ainsworth, Ashland, Auburn, Aurora, Arcadia, Arlington, Ashland, *Arapahoe, Brock, *Bancroft, Beaver City, *Bellewood, Clay Center, Blair, Bassett, Broken Bow, *Rushville, Benkleman, *Callaway, Central City, Cosad, David City, *Dorcester, Edgar, *Emerson, Fairfield, *Falls City, Gibbon, Giltner, Hampton, *Humboldt, Hebron, * Change.

New Nebraska Mayors

Albion	D. J. Poynter
Auburn	Church Howe
Ainsworth	J. M. Hannah
Ashland	Thomas Daley
Alliance	A. D. Rodgers
Benson	Edward Sorenson
Beaver City	T. N. Hinson
Broken Bow	A. M. Brew
Blair	W. D. Haller
Chadron	Allen G. Fisher
Cosad	A. V. Marshall
Clay Center	J. E. Wheeler
Crawford	Albert McLain
David City	J. R. Evans
Edgar	G. R. Woods
Falls City	John Wilise
Fordyce	William C. Dirks
Geneva	John Bedford
Fairfield	William Emrick
Florence	F. S. Tucker (rep.
Hebron	W. C. Cooper
Hartington	Anton Wald
Herman	William Shaferman
Lexington	James Byrnes (bus. men
Madison	W. H. Field
Minden	I. A. Hill
Neligh	N. B. Sweitzer
Orleans	J. C. Gay
Pender	H. G. Hancock
Ponca	G. L. Wood (rep.)
Pawnee City	D. E. Wherry
Plattsmouth	John P. Sattler
Red Cloud	Dr. Robert Damarell
Superior	Peter Johnson
Seward	W. T. Saunders (cit.)
St. Paul	F. S. Nicholson
Schuyler	D. McLeod
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Weeping Water	Fred Gorder
Wahoo	James Kearney
Wymore	I. I. Cutshall
West Point	Albert F. Walla

Sunday Base Ball

FOR

Amherst, Ashland, Blair, Broken Bow, Bruning, Chadron, Callaway, Fordyce, Hartington, Kearney, McCook, Norfolk, Ord, Oshkosh, Plainview, Sumner, Schuyler, Upland,

AGAINST

Beatrice, Clay Center, Eustis, Gibbon, Hebron, Tecumseh.

The number of saloons in the village was reduced from two to one, and on a vote, it was decided that the saloon license there be given to F. W. Shaefer. William Dirke was elected mayor; Ruslow, trustee; Anehm, Pexa and Wise were elected to the council.

PAWNEE CITY—The entire non-partisan ticket was elected here today, by an overwhelming majority. D. E. Wherry, elected mayor, headed the ticket. A $20,000 bond issue for refunding outstanding warrants carried by a vote of 152 to 51.

HARTINGTON—The town here voted for Sunday base ball by a vote of 135 to 92. Anton Wald was elected mayor for the fifth time. R. D. Mason was chosen treasurer; W. H. Pohle, clerk; J. E. C. Smith, city engineer; Hirschman, Lammers and Edy elected councilmen.

RAVENNA—The wet element won the election here by a majority of sixty, the people's ticket being elected. Clark, Linn and Dieregg were elected councilmen.

ELM CREEK—The pool halls here were voted out at the election yesterday.

MILLER—Miller went dry by thirty votes and the pool halls were voted out by a small majority.

St. Paul Votes Wet.

ST. PAUL—Voted wet by a margin of one. The town has been dry for one year. The vote was 177 to 176. F. S. Nicholson was elected mayor.

FREMONT—At today's election there was no special issue. Republicans elected S. Koeberlin and Henry Jess to the council, and democrats Henry Carroll and Harry Larson. E. R. Gurney and C. D. Marr were elected to the school board on the nonpartisan ticket. There was a full progressive ticket in the field but not a progressive candidate was successful.

CRETE—Edward Parker was elected mayor. No other candidate was in the field. For councilmen the following were elected by large majorities: John Kerst, Andy Pfiffner and John Shabel. John Sully was elected member of the school board over A. V. Matthews. Henry Eichelberber was chosen second member of the Board of Education. A large number of women voted for school board candidates. The wet or dry question was not an issue.

WEEPING WATER—At the city election held here today all candidates on the business temperance ticket were elected. No other party was in the field. The following were elected: Fred Gorder, mayor; W. H. Lyman, clerk; Thomas Murtey, treasurer; Harry Reed as councilman for the First ward; John Crizier, Second ward; Ernest Stoner, Third ward. John Crozier and C. E. Teft as members of the school board.

BROKEN BOW—At the municipal election held here today A. M. Brew, on the people's independent ticket, was elected over Mayor E. E. Squires of the citizens' ticket. The contest was close and spirited. Brew's majority being about sixteen. Sunday base ball was carried. Pool halls were voted out. Saloon license was not voted upon and the town remains dry.

CULBERTSON—The village election passed off quietly. A proposition of license or no license submitted to referendum vote was for license, sixty-nine

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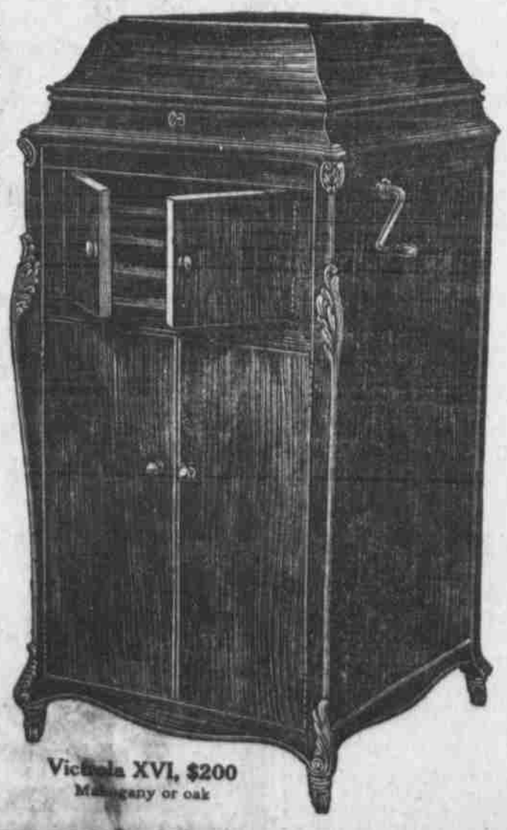

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