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POLITICS LIVELY AGAIN AT LINCOLN

Two Presidential Headquarters and One for Governor Open at Hostelry.

ACTIVE WORK AMONG DOPESTERS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The opening of headquarters for the boosting of Senator Cummins for Iowa for the republican nomination for the presidency today in the Lindell hotel on top of the fact that headquarters for another presidential candidate, Henry D. Estabrook, is already established there, and also that Ernest M. Pollard, candidate for the republican nomination for governor, also has headquarters in the Lindell, has made that place a popular resort for the politicians. This morning they were in evidence as in days of yore.

R. B. Howell of Omaha dropped in last night and was immediately in consultation with F. P. Corrick, chairman of the night committee and with J. R. McCarr, in charge of Cummins' headquarters. This morning he was in consultation with the political representative of the local democratic party, and the three incidents at once set the political heads to bobbing.

Not one of the three men would admit that there was any arrangement previously for the conferences and all were mum and close as an oyster over what took place.

MELDRUM'S BONDSMEN THINK HE IS DEAD

RAWLINS, Wyo., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The bondsmen of Robert (Bob) Meldrum, the famous "gunman" who failed to appear here, last Monday, for his trial for the killing of "Chick" Bowen at Hagers, Wyo., in 1912, today held a meeting and decided to offer inducements to peace officers to be on the lookout for the fugitive, hoping that he may be recaptured before April 17, on which date the bondsmen have been ordered to show cause why Meldrum's bail of \$15,000 shall not be forfeited.

Meldrum's bondsmen, who were amazed by his failure to appear for trial when, a few days previously, he had come from New York with the apparent intention of being present, are at a loss to understand his action. They have advanced theories that he either committed suicide or met with foul play.

REPUBLICANS OF DAWES COUNTY YFORM CLUB

CHADRON, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The republicans of this county met in the court room at the court house, Saturday night and formed the Dawes County Republican club. Representatives were present every precinct in the county and a most enthusiastic time was had. Addresses were made by representative men from all over the county, and the meeting was adjourned until next Saturday night, when the committee appointed to perfect organization plans will report. Over fifty men signed the roll of the club at the meeting, and every precinct took a home to increase the membership in their home.

FARMERS WILL HAVE ELEVATOR AT HOLDREGE

HOLDREGE, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—President C. O. Drayton of the Farmers' Equity union spoke of several hundred farmers at a mass meeting in this city Saturday afternoon, with the result that a local organization with seventy members has been formed. The union will either buy or build an elevator in this city, and will confine its operations to the buying of grain and selling coal. Local market prices will be paid for the grain and the profits returned at the end of the year according to the amount of grain each stockholder sells to the elevator.

LINCOLN MAN NAMED BANKING BOARD CLERK

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Edward L. Clark of Lincoln was appointed this morning to the position of chief clerk in the office of the state banking board to take the place of Samuel Hinkle, who has been appointed postmaster at Havelock. The outcome of the fight at the locomotive city has been a bitter dose for the Bryan element.

VALUABLE DIAMOND RING STOLEN AT COLUMBUS

COLUMBUS, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—A \$150 diamond ring was taken from the Eagle cafe cash register, belonging to Mrs. Walter Scott, proprietress, this evening. Mrs. Scott missed the ring as two girls were about to leave. She had been washing and for that reason put the ring away. The girls have been arrested by Sheriff Burke, who will make a thorough search.

BABY INSTANTLY KILLED AS PARENTS WATCH BLAST

SCOTIA, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The 1-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wetzel Coomer of Scotia was instantly killed this afternoon while her parents were watching the blasting of ice at the Union Pacific bridge at this town. A large piece of ice was thrown high in the air by an explosion and fell on the child, crushing her skull. A large crowd of people witnessed the fatal accident.

DEATH RECORD

Mrs. George S. Cackley. Laura B. Cackley, wife of George S. Cackley, of the firm of Cackley Bros., died Sunday at the family residence, 2215 Florence Boulevard. She is survived by her husband and one son, Glenn, 7 years old. The funeral will be held from the residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment at Forest Lawn cemetery. Rev. T. J. Mackay officiating.

N. H. Friend. SYRACUSE, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The body of M. H. Friend, formerly a citizen of this town, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Lyon, at Clifton, Kan., Thursday, was brought here Saturday and buried in Park Hill cemetery. Deceased resided here for a number of years. He is survived by his wife, one son, Robert, of Tennant, Ia., and one daughter, Mrs. Lyon of Clifton, Kan.

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Gurney Announces His Candidacy for Delegate-at-Large

FREMONT, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—E. R. Gurney, the well known Fremont banker, has announced his candidacy for election as delegate-at-large to the Republican national convention at Chicago. In making the announcement, Mr. Gurney sent out the following letter:

"In making this announcement, I beg to submit the following in order that I may not benefit by or suffer through any misunderstanding. I am an old-fashioned republican without hyphen or prefix. I am a standpatter. I believe in protection and in preparedness, the latter because I love peace. I do not admire the present administration. Its fiscal and its foreign policies are weak. Its handling of the situation in Mexico and in the Philippines has been bad, varying in degree from erratic to damnable.

"It will be the duty of the Chicago convention to nominate a winning ticket, and if I am elected a delegate I will use my best endeavors to vote wisely in decision. While I am and always have been regular in my republicanism, I am not afraid to look new problems in the face, and I shall vote to keep our party progressive in the future as it has been for more than sixty years in the past. It will be my inclination to throw out olive branches to any reasonable degree at the Chicago convention, that our brethren of progressive leanings may be with us again, a united family, in the face of a common political enemy. The nation needs the republican party now—I believe more critically than at any time in the past forty years."

Cambridge Honors Dr. Aiken at Funeral

CAMBRIDGE, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Dr. Samuel Armstrong Aiken, aged 56, was buried here today, funeral services being held at the Congregational church in charge of Rev. John Gallagher. Dr. Aiken was one of the influential men in this vicinity, having amassed a considerable estate during his twenty-five years of practice here. He was a graduate of Bellevue college of medicine in New York City.

Dr. Aiken died of heart failure while driving his car to make a call, his two daughters being with him at the time. He left his wife as well as three sons and two daughters.

Morehead Will Speak to Kansas Democrats

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Governor Morehead has accepted an invitation to deliver the principal address at the annual banquet of the Kansas democratic league, which will be held in Topeka, Thursday evening. There are about 800 members of the organization. Governor Morehead left this evening and will arrive in Topeka early in the morning.

TECUMSEH GIRLS' CLUB ENTERTAINS MOTHERS

TECUMSEH, Neb., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—The girls of a club just being organized in the Tecumseh high school entertained their mothers with a banquet at the Methodist church Friday evening. About 100 were in attendance. There were several speakers, including Miss Drake, who has charge of the Young Women's Christian association work at the state university, Lincoln, high school teachers, and others. The organization of the club is for the improvement of social conditions among the students. A club has also been organized by the boys. Up to this time the Board of Education has received about twenty applications for the position of superintendent of schools for the coming year.

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License Will Be Issue at Wymore

BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—A petition is being circulated in Wymore to be presented to the mayor and city council for the purpose of submitting the saloon question to a vote of the people. M. L. Rawlings, a high license man, has entered the race for mayor, against K. O. Parrish, a Burlington engineer, who is circulating a petition for his candidacy. F. E. Stewart, an old resident of Gage county, died suddenly Saturday of pneumonia at Liberty, where he and his family went a few days ago to visit. Mr. Stewart was 41 years of age and leaves a widow and three children. The body was brought here today for interment.

Joseph N. Uri, a well-to-do farmer, died at his home southwest of Steinauer, after a brief illness of pneumonia. He was 40 years of age and leaves a widow and five children.

E. L. Hevelone of this city has entered the race for national delegate to the republican convention to be held at Chicago in June. He served two terms as treasurer of Gage county and has always taken an active part in politics in the county.

SHUMWAY IS CANDIDATE FOR LAND COMMISSIONER

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The filing of G. L. Shumway of Scott's Bluff was received by the secretary of state this morning for the democratic nomination for commissioner of public lands and buildings. George N. Seymour of Elgin has filed for regent of the state university. The acceptance of the petition from Beatrice filing the name of C. J. Miles of Hastings for the republican nomination for governor, was received from Mr. Miles today.

CONTEST FOR SUCCESSION TO JUDGESHIP UNDER WAY

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The news from Omaha that Judge J. P. English of the district court of Douglas county was dead has opened up interest in the succession. Judge English was appointed over a year ago after a very strenuous campaign by the friends of different candidates. It is expected that this will be a recurrence of the previous fight.

CUSTER DEMOCRATS WANT MAHER FOR GOVERNOR

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—A petition was received from Custer county today filing the name of John G. Maher of Lincoln for the democratic nomination for governor. It is headed by Clarence Mackey of Ansley. It is understood that Colonel Maher will refuse to accept the filing.

Dobbs Recovers Thousand

BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The jury in the \$25,000 personal damage suit of Rexford Dobbs against the Burlington railroad, after being out since Saturday evening, this morning brought in a verdict awarding Dobbs \$1,000. Dobbs brought suit against the company for injuries sustained when his automobile rolled over the embankment near Halvey, Neb., on the Burlington right-of-way last fall while the plaintiff and a party of friends were returning home from a football game at York.

Brick Concerns Consolidate

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The Polenske Schellak & Polenske Brick Yards were consolidated by the sale of Doede Smith's interest in the former plant to Emil Polenske and A. Lambach for \$25,000. This will make the Polenske company one of the largest brick concerns in the state. The estate of William Schellak will retain its interest in the enterprise.

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Shooting Follows Dispute Over Rent

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—W. P. Cook shot Arlo McLaren with a shotgun this afternoon when McLaren attempted to attack him. Three months ago Mr. Cook leased a furnished portion of his home to McLaren, for which he paid one month's rent. When the time expired McLaren refused either to vacate or pay more rent, saying that he would have to keep what money he had as he had no work.

Since then Mr. Cook has been trying to get possession of the place in a portion of which he lived himself. This afternoon while the McLaren's were away Mr. Cook carried out in the yard McLaren's household goods and locked the door. The shooting occurred from the accidental discharge of the gun in the resultant quarrel and fight. McLaren's wounds are not necessarily fatal.

ATTORNEY GENERAL REED HAS SEVERE GRIPPE ATTACK

Attorney General Reed is again confined to his room with grip, bordering on pneumonia. Two weeks ago Mr. Reed spent several days at Excelsior Springs, following a severe attack of quinsy. On returning from the Springs, supposing he had fully recovered, he resumed the duties of his office, but the lingering effects of his first ailment culminated in a severe case of grip.

A week ago Mr. Reed, in spite of his condition, appeared in federal court in Omaha and argued the state's side of the Cook Island 2-cent tax injunction suit, and on returning to Lincoln he was forced to remain at his hotel. On Sunday his brother, Dr. W. H. Reed of Omaha, diagnosed his case and ordered him to remain quiet for a week or ten days more.

Notes from North Platte

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The liquor question will be made an issue at the spring election in this city. A petition bearing more than the required number of names has been filed with the city clerk, asking that the question be put to a vote. At the last saloon election the wets won by a very small majority.

A report reached here today that the postoffice at Ringgold, Neb., was destroyed by fire late Saturday night. Postoffice Inspector Haggerty of this city was at once notified of the loss and left for Ringgold today to investigate the amount of damage to the office.

Part of Syracuse Flooded

SYRACUSE, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The warm weather of the last of the week caused the Nemaha to overflow its banks and cover the lowlands in the south part of town and the valley above and below town was like a lake. Six miles below here the new drainage ditch which is in course of construction took care of the overflow nicely and kept the stream within its banks.

German Diplomats Object to Deputy Marshals On Appam

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Representations against the presence of United States deputy marshals on the captured British liner Appam, a German prize in Hampton Roads, were made today to the State department by the German embassy. Prince von Hatzfeldt, counsellor of the embassy, discussed the whole subject with Counsellor Folk. It was said that while the embassy realized that that feature was out of the hands of the State department and in the courts, it was anxious to know when some decision might be expected.

The presence of the marshals was objected to, it was said, because it was feared some friction might develop.

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The amount of new insurance paid for during the year, including dividend additions, was \$148,176,711. If we include revivals and increase of policies in force the total insurance paid for was \$160,882,145.

Balance Sheet, December 31st, 1915

Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES. Assets include Real Estate, Mortgage Loans, Loans on Policies, Bonds and Stocks, Interest and Rents due and accrued, Premiums in course of collection, Cash, and Deposited to pay claims. Liabilities include Policy Reserves, Supplementary Contract Reserve, Other Policy Liabilities, Premiums, Interest and Rents paid in advance, Miscellaneous Liabilities, Taxes, License Fees, etc., payable in 1916, Dividends payable in 1916, Reserve for future Deferred Dividends, and Contingency Reserve. Total Admitted Assets: \$616,528,254.00. Total Liabilities: \$616,528,254.00.

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