

LITTLE CONTEST FOR NONPARTISAN STATE OFFICES

Smaller Number of Petitions Submitted for These Offices Than in Big Political Scramble.

From a Staff Correspondent, Lincoln, Aug. 8.—(Special).—Much interest is being taken in the campaign for the non-partisan office of regents of the state university, state superintendent and supreme judges.

If the closing of the time for filing, Friday, brings many filings there will be more of a scrap than now is indicated.

For the regents of the university, half a dozen have filed. Two regents are to be elected in the general election in November which will necessitate that four be selected at the primary.

For supreme judges three will be elected in November, but the voters of the state will be required to select twice that number out of the seven already filed, so that one man will fall by the wayside in the elimination contest a week from next Tuesday.

Much interest has been awakened in the supreme judge fight because of the fact that a number of the State Bar association agreed on the endorsement plan for securing candidates. An election was held among the members and the first six receiving the highest number of votes should receive the endorsement of the lawyers at the primary.

For some reason the endorsement lost much of its "pep" and as a result but five candidates are running who had the endorsement.

On the other hand two candidates who did not ask for nor seek the endorsement of the Bar association, Judge Francis G. Hammer, present member, and former Gov. Chester H. Aldrich, have filed, each with large petitions and are awaiting the verdict of the people whether the people have a right to select their candidates or whether the lawyers have the right to stipulate who shall be on the supreme bench of the state.

Kearney Young Man Is Killed When Team Takes Fright at Engine

Kearney, Neb., Aug. 8.—(Special Telegram).—Clarence, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Cruik, residing four miles north of Kearney, was almost instantly killed in a runaway this afternoon while working with a threshing crew on the Monroe Day place.

Hayes County Crops Are Undamaged by Heat Wave

Hayes Center, Neb., Aug. 8.—A general rain of .65 of an inch fell over Hayes county Tuesday night, which will be of great benefit to the corn, feed and potato crops, and the pastures. While it was very hot here during Sunday and Monday, there was no wind, and no damage was done to the corn. This county is now assured of the largest corn crop ever raised as most of it is now far enough advanced to make a good crop without more rain.

Judge E. B. Perry will hold a special term of district court in this county this week to dispose of the application of Rev. Vewig, an enemy alien Lutheran minister, for a license to preach.

At a meeting of the directors of the Fair association last Saturday it was decided that owing to the war conditions, and the need for every man to put in full time in taking care of the crops, no fair would be held this year.

Dodge County Wheat Will Average 15 Bushels an Acre

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 8.—Reports received by County Agent L. C. Christie from 40 of the 70 threshing men operating in Dodge county show that the wheat crop is averaging slightly better than 15 bushels to the acre. Mr. Christie is receiving reports from all machine operators and will report to the farm bureau of crops.

Fremont Chautauqua Will Discontinue During War

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 8.—Fifty Fremont business men who signed as guarantors for the chautauqua will probably have to dig down into their pockets to make up a deficit of about \$300. It is probable that this will be the last year, during the war, at least, that Fremont will have a chautauqua.

Rates at Division Points.

Lincoln, Aug. 8.—(Special).—Adjutant General Bross is considerably wrought up over the fact that letters are coming to him declaring that old soldiers going to Portland are not able to get the reduced rates except at division points on the Burlington. A letter from Department Commander Hoagland at North Platte states that applicants for tickets have to pay full fare to either Cheyenne or Grand Island before they can purchase tickets for Portland. It is now too late to rectify the matter.

Must Rotate Names.

Lincoln, Aug. 8.—(Special).—Secretary of State Pool is calling attention of county clerks that they must in printing ballots for the primary rotate the names of the candidates where there has been more than one candidate certified to.

The Bee's Fund for Free Milk and Ice

H. G. Coy, seed grower, Waterloo, Neb., heads today's list of contributors to the fund with \$10, and an additional \$2.50 in the name of Harlan Coy.

The hot weather has been hard on the small children and helpless babies of the very poor. The nurses have been busy and The Bee's fund has been doing a great work, thanks to those who have made it so large with their generosity.

Not a penny of this fund goes for anything else than pure milk or cooling ice for the tiny tots of deserving poor.

You can help in this great and most necessary work. Send or bring any sum, from 10 cents to \$5 to The Bee office. It will be acknowledged in this column.

Previously reported: \$754.43 H. G. Coy, Waterloo, Neb. 10.00 Harlan Coy, Waterloo, Neb. 2.50 Mrs. U. G. Brown 1.00 "In His Name" 2.00 A. M. B. K., Minden, Neb. 2.00

Total \$771.93

Bumper Potato Crop Is Assured Western Nebraska

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 8.—(Special).—The prospects are for a bumper potato crop in western Nebraska this year, according to R. F. Howard, secretary of the Nebraska Potato Growers' association, who recently spent several days in the spud belt. Not only are irrigated potatoes doing well, but the moisture has been so abundant that dry land crop will be large. Although the acreage is 10 to 15 per cent less than in 1917, present indications are for a total yield equaling last year.

Plans are already under way to care for a big potato crop. In addition to improved transportation and direct selling this year, potato starch and flour factories may be in operation. Nebraska potatoes will be graded to compete with the best, Professor Howard said.

The second annual convention of the Nebraska Potato Growers' association will be held at Scottsbluff November 13 to 16. At that time full plans will be made to handle the big spud crop. County and individual potato exhibits will be a part of the convention, as well as large displays of potato machinery. Prominent potato men of the United States will be on the program.

South Dakota Board Plans Request Upon Washington

Lincoln, Aug. 8.—(Special).—Chairman Thomas L. Hall of the state railway commission has received a communication from P. W. Dougherty, chairman of the South Dakota commission, stating that he believes that representatives of the Iowa, South Dakota, Nebraska and Utah boards meet in conference in Chicago August 10 and prepare a definite proposition to present to Commissioner Prouty of the interstate commerce commission and that the conference at once proceed to Washington and present their claims regarding express rates in the four states.

Corn Crop in Holt County Will Be Largest in Years

O. O. Snyder, who has been engaged in the lumber and coal business in this city for the past 27 years, disposed of his business last week to Seth Neble of Los Angeles, Cal.

An inch of rain fell in this county last Monday night and 3.15 inches fell in this county and assures the greatest corn crop that Holt county has ever produced. Threshing is in full blast and while the wheat yield is not as large as it was thought it would be, will probably average 12 bushels to the acre. The quality is better than it has been in years.

Nebraska Straw Will Be Sent to Army Cantonments

Lincoln, Aug. 8.—(Special).—Nebraska straw for the army! No longer are Nebraska harvest fields aflame with burning straw piles during the threshing season. Thousands of tons of straw will be baled this year for army cantonments. The demand is so great that it will well pay farmers to bale their straw and load it on cars for shipment. Oats straw will be in high demand at home for feed. Two new sources of profit for farmers have opened up in Nebraska since the war began—walnut logs and straw.

Four Fremont Physicians Called for Army Service

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 8.—Dr. R. T. Van Metre and Dr. Grant Reeder, who have been given commissions of captain and lieutenant, respectively, in the medical reserve, have received instructions to report for duty. Dr. Van Metre will go to Ft. Riley, Kan., and Dr. Reeder to Yale university the latter part of August. Dr. G. H. Rathbun and Dr. A. E. Buchanan left last week for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and Camp Mead, Md., respectively. Both have commissions of captains.

Seward Phone Users Must Not Speak German

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 8.—(Special).—A communication was received from L. E. Hertz, superintendent of the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company, by the state railway commission, calling attention to the fact that the county Council of Defense of Seward county had notified the exchange at Milford to discontinue service to phones where the subscribers were talking in a foreign language over the wires, in cases where they could talk English if they wanted to.

COLLECTION OF SUFF EVIDENCE NEARING END

Declaration Made Enough at Hand to Show Many Names On Petitions Were Forged.

The gathering of testimony by suffrage leaders of the state to refute the referendum petition circulated in 1917 by anti-suffragists, for the purpose of nullifying the limited suffrage law passed by the last legislature, is nearing an end. The suffragists assert that they already have enough depositions to show conclusively that a great number of the names appearing on the anti-suffragists' petitions were forged.

The hearing has been in progress for nearly two months, the last three weeks having been consumed in taking testimony out in the state. A special hearing has been going on at the court house during the last two days before Special Examiner Emery, who was appointed examiner for the hearing by the Lincoln district court, before whom the evidence will be submitted.

According to J. B. Haynes, who appeared on the witness stand Thursday morning, he was commissioned to take charge of circulating the anti-suffrage petition in May, 1917, but after he had worked two weeks he discovered that it was impossible to get enough competent men to do the work in a capable fashion. Circulators of the petition were being paid for each name secured on the petitions, according to the suffragists. Mr. Haynes said that he got up the work on that account and that W. N. Jamieson, lawyer, succeeded him.

'Just Keep the Change,' Says Cashier to Crook, As He Melts Into Crowd

A clever crook is \$100 long and the cashier of Orkin Bros is \$100 short as the result of a lightning transaction Thursday afternoon about 5 p. m. Owing to the crook's boldness and his agility in making a getaway he had had disappeared in the crowd before the cashier had fully realized what had happened. The crook asked the cashier to change a \$100 bill. After she had counted out the change, the man made a lightning like motion, procured the change and his bill and lost himself in the crowd.

Heavy Rains Reported Over All of Nebraska

Rain continues to fall over most of Nebraska is the report that comes to the railroads. According to reports, a narrow strip of country, up and down the river from Omaha was about the only portion of the state that was not given another wetting down Wednesday night.

Along the Northwestern there was an inch, or more of precipitation most of the way from Fremont, west to beyond Long Pine. All through the sandhills country along the Burlington the rainfall was one to two inches, with nearly as much over a good deal of the South Platte country.

The Union Pacific reports light to heavy rain most of the way from Columbus, west to the state line.

Suffers Fractured Leg In Auto Race With Train

Norfolk, Neb., Aug. 8.—(Special Telegram).—George W. Sherwood, an automobile salesman, suffered a fractured leg near Apex, Neb., Wednesday afternoon when his car upset. Sherwood, accompanied by W. J. Meyers, another salesman, was racing with an M. & O. train. Meyers jumped from the car and was not hurt.

GIRLS! USE LEMONS FOR SUNBURN, TAN

Try it! Make this lemon lotion to whiten your tanned or freckled skin. Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of Orchard White, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle, sunburn and tan lotion and complexion whiteners, at very, very small cost.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of Orchard White for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands and see how quickly the freckles, sunburn, windburn and tan disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.—Adv.

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Store your household goods, etc., in our FIREPROOF WAREHOUSE and take your time in looking for the place you call home.

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Albert W. Jefferis FOR CONGRESS Republican PRIMARY, AUG. 20.

Methodists Confer on Plans for Drive for Centenary Fund

A conference in the interests of the Centenary fund of the Methodist church was in session Wednesday and through part of Thursday, under the chairmanship of Bishop Homer C. Stuntz, representing the churches of the Omaha area, which includes Iowa and Nebraska.

There are in attendance all the district superintendents of the area, together with three or four leading ministers and laymen from each district in the conferences of the area. The first session met in the assembly hall in the City National bank building at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. The afternoon session was transferred to the First Methodist church.

The centenary fund, which is to be raised within the next five years, has been set at \$80,000,000 for Methodism in the United States. Forty million dollars of this is to be used in the work of home missions and \$40,000,000 in foreign missionary work.

The purpose of the conference here is to put before the ministers and laymen the special needs, which have called for the raising of the fund, and to acquaint them with the general plans for the campaign, with which they will co-ordinate their local and district plans.

Dress Voiles

36-Inch Fancy Print Dress Voiles in a splendid assortment, pretty styles and color combinations, at yard 25c



Women's Blouses of Silk Stripe Taffeta and Crepe de Chine, in the season's newest colorings, \$2.95 and \$3.95 values, Friday and Saturday 2.69

Two More Days of Our Shoe Clearance

Thursday's sales proved that people appreciate the values we are offering here. Several thousand pairs of Women's and Misses' Boys' and Girls' and Men's Shoes at prices far below the regular.

Men's Oxfords, \$1.95

Gun Metal Calf, Russia and White Canvas, Button and Lace style; Goodyear welted sole, English and high toe. 500 pair, sizes up to 11. Values up to \$3.50, at \$1.95

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In Vic Kid, Gun Metal Calf, Tan and White or Palm Beach, Blucher and Bal, English or high toe. Every pair has Goodyear welted sole. Sizes 6 to 11. Values up to \$5.00, at \$2.95

Boys' Oxfords and Shoes, \$1.95

Sizes from 2 1/2 to 5 1/2. A clearing on all our boys' odd lots. Values up to \$3.50 \$1.95

Domestics

32-Inch Zephyr Dress Gingham—Genuine imported and domestic brands. Beautiful plaids, checks, etc., in a wonderful assortment of new Fall patterns. Values to \$1.00; at, per yard .75c and 59c

36-Inch Dress, Wrapper and Shirt-Jug Percale, light and dark colors. All new Fall styles and printings; at, a yard .35c and 29c

27-Inch Silk Finished Dress Poplin in a variety of pretty plain shades, also white and black, highly yarn mercerized; for misses' and children's school dresses, waists, etc.; at, a yard .35c

32-Inch Woven Stripe Shirting Madras, in a pretty assortment of new figures and jaquard effects; will launder perfectly; at, yd., 39c

36-Inch Bookfold Cotton Challie, in Persian, Floral and Oriental designs for kimonos, dressing gowns, wrappers, etc., at, yd., 25c

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Knit Underwear

Women's Cotton Gauze, Sleeveless Union Suits, Teddy Bear style, in sizes 5 and 6; at .35c

Sizes 7, 8 and 9, at .39c

Women's Cotton Shaped Vest, sleeveless and short sleeved style, all sizes .19c

Women's Cotton Gauze Vests, 10c

Infants' Shirts, your choice, 10c

Misses' and Boys' Union Suits in sleeveless and short sleeve style; to clean up, per suit .25c

Women's Sleeveless, Lace Trimmed Union Suits, all sizes .50c

Notions

10-yard bolted bias Tape, ea. 5c

Fast colored Wash Edging, ea. 5c

Darning Cotton, spool, 1c

J. & P. Cotton's best 6-cord thread spool, 4c

Safety Pins, card, 3 1/2c

Rust-proof Dress Clips, cd., 3 1/2c

Rust-proof Hooks and Eyes, 3 1/2c

Large pieces Garter Elastic, 5c

Large pieces Hat Elastic, 1c

Crochet Cotton, all colors, spool, 3c

Red Cross Knitting Cotton, ball, 3c

Dress bottles Machine Oil, 5c

Dressing Pins, brass, paper, 3 1/2c

Knitting Needles, all sizes, pr. 10c

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Held to the District Court for Robbing Drug Store

Ernest A. Baker, 1718 Nicholas street, arraigned on a charge of breaking and entering, entered a plea of not guilty in police court Thursday morning, and was bound over to the district court on a \$750 bond.

It is alleged that Baker broke into the Hyland drug store 1101 North Eighteenth street, owned by Nathaniel Somberg Wednesday night and stole cigars and toilet articles valued at \$12. According to Mr. Somberg's testimony, Baker was discovered in the basement of the store. He said he was looking for liquor and escaped. He was later arrested at his room.

Percales

36-Inch Percale, in dress, wrapper and Shirting styles in light and dark colors, in long mill lengths, yd. 22 1/2c

Wash Dresses

This lot includes a large assortment of Women's and Misses' Fancy Tub Dresses, House Dresses, Porch Dresses, etc. Worth from \$1.49 to \$2.00 on today's market. Made of Percales, Gingham and Fancy Prints. Hundreds in this group. Sale price Friday and Saturday . . . \$1.19

Wash Skirts

300 Wash Skirts in Gabardines, Repps and Plain and Fancy Materials. Worth from \$1.25 to \$2.00. While they last . . . 79c

Children's Wash Dresses

A fine lot of Children's Wash Dresses in Gingham, Percales and Repps. They are daintily made and trimmed; some with late pockets and vest effect. Values from 75c to \$1.25. Friday and Saturday . . . 65c

Women's and Misses' Silk

Poplin Skirts; all shades and sizes; \$4.95 to \$6.50 values; Friday and Saturday, \$3.69

Women's Pumps and Oxfords, \$1.95

In this lot we have 1,500 pairs in White Canvas, White Kid, Patent Colt and Gun Metal Calf. New and up to date lasts. Odd lots of 20 different styles. Values up to \$6.00. Good run of sizes and every pair has turned or welted sole, short or medium vamp, full Louis covered heel. Splendid fitting pumps, sure to please you. One price for clearance . . . \$1.95

Boys' High Shoes, \$1.45

1,500 pairs in this lot and shoes worth from \$2.00 to \$2.50. Stitch-down sole, leather or rubber, no heel. Every size, from 5 1/2 to 2.

Misses' Pumps and Oxfords, \$1.95

785 pairs in sizes from 8 1/2 to 2. Vic Kid, Gun Metal Calf and White Canvas. Any style from Mary Jane to two-strap Pumps. Made up with inside soles. Values from \$2.50 to \$3.25. A clearing of lot . . . \$1.95

Tennis Shoes and Pumps

Men's Black, 5-eyelot, sizes 6 to 11 . . . 75c

Boys' Black, 5-eyelot, sizes 7 1/2 to 6 . . . 69c

Youth's Black, 5-eyelot, sizes 9 to 2 . . . 69c

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Damask 59c

A limited quantity, full bleached Table Damask, mercerized, very pretty patterns. Special, yard 59c.

Crash, 15c

Full bleached twilled Crash, soft and absorbent, per yard 15c.

Crochet Spreads, \$2.00

For Friday we will place on sale Crochet Spreads, regulation size, hemmed ends, of best wearing quality.

Fancy Linens, 79c

One lot of Lace Scarfs, also embroidered and scalloped ends. Slightly soiled