RALLY MEETING OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN PLANNED

Wednesday Gathering In Lyric Building Most Important Before Primaries, Says Mrs. Draper Smith.

Mrs. Draper Smith, chairman of the republican women's committee, announces that the meeting of republican women called for Wednesday afternoon in the Lyric building, Nineteenth and Farnam streets, will be the big rally for workers.

Miss Nettie Bauer, national organizer, assigned to Nebraska by the women's division of the republican national committee, will speak at this meeting and will offer the benefit of her wide experience as an organizer. She will tell the women how they can simplify their work to obtain the best results.

Mrs. M. D. Cameron of this city, district representative of the national committee, has gone to Lincoln to meet Miss Bauer, who speaks tonight in the capital city. Mrs. E. E. Drake of Beatrice, state chairman of the women's division, will attend the meeting here Wednesday afternoon.

"This meeting on Wednesday will be the most important for republican women before the primary next month," Mrs. Smith said. "After Miss Bauer has spoken to us, we will then have group meetings of the ward chairman and their precinct workers. We invite all republican women to attend this meeting and hear Miss Bauer, whether they are precinct workers or members of the rank and file."

The republican women's committee, 310 South Nineteenth street, has received 30,000 circulars for general distribution. Women are invited to call at headquarters.

ASKS RECEIVER FOR MANHATTAN OIL COMPANY

John B. Nichols Files Suit Accusing Officers of Unfair Practices.

An accounting of the affairs of the Manhattan Oil company and appointment of a receiver were asked yesterday by John B. Nichols in a suit filed in district court against the company, George A. Steele, its vice president; C. A. Youngerman, secretary-treasurer; James P. Howe, president, and Mrs. Amanda Howe, his wife.

Nichols alleges that Mr. Howe has had issued to himself 14,380 shares of the company's stock, and to his wife 1,498 shares for which shares he alleges no services were given or money paid except a promissory note which is held by Mr. Howe, Nichols alleges.

He charges that Messrs. Youngerman and Steele have conspired with Mr. Howe to control the company to the detriment of the small stockholders. He says large sums have been taken from the company's assets by the defendants and charges that Mr. Howe has used funds of the company in developing other corporations in which he is interested. Nichols charges that unreasonably large salaries have been paid.

He charges the defendants issued large amounts of stock to themselves at par though the stock is selling at a premium. This, he alleges, is a fraud upon the minority stock holders.

A plan is now on foot to increase the capitalization from $300,000 to $1,000,000 which, Nichols says, is a move not necessary to provide funds for operating the company.

The company's main plant is at 1433 North Eleventh street. It is in a flourishing condition. A semi-annual dividend of 10 per cent on the common stock was declared last December. Mr. Nichols has also filed suit for $1,609 of the $2,400 which he says is due him for this dividend. He was paid only $780, he says, though he owns 2,400 shares of stock, par value $10 a share.

Detectives Catch Prowler Escaping With Stolen Goods

Trailed by two officers called when the home of H. W. Gilliland, 2865 Pinkney street, was looted and robbed of $2 in cash and other valuables, Orville Young, 2863 Miami street, was arrested crossing a vacant lot at Twentieth and Emmet street Sunday night, and booked for investigation.

Motorcycle officers who made the arrest declared Young had the stolen articles in his possession when captured. He told police he was a salesman for the United States Rubber Co.

Entrance to the Gilliland home was gained through a back door, and the prowler was still in the house when police arrived, the officers stated. He escaped through a rear window, but was apprehended in his flight.

Policeman Resigns From Force Because of Old H. C. L.

Policeman J. H. Brown resigned from the police force yesterday on account of Old Man H. C. L., he said.

He will take up contract grading work.

"I can earn more money in that line in a week than on the force in a month," he said. He was being paid $125 a month on the police department.

Policeman Brown was appointed on the force five months ago.

Demented, Police Say

Police found Mrs. Esther Stearns, 2329 South Eighteenth street, in a demented condition at Seventeenth and Harney streets, yesterday. Mrs. Stearns was laboring under the delusion that someone was stealing her wealth, police say.

Sergeant Donaldson of New York Disputes Claim of Sergeant York

Disputing Sergeant Alvin C. York's claim as the world war's greatest hero, Sergeant Mike Donaldson of New York has challenged the Tennessean to a debate on who is the greatest war hero. Donaldson has been decorated with the Medal Militaire, the Croix de Guerre, the D. S. C. and has been recommended for the American Congressional Medal.

Hiram Cunningham, Detective, Retires, From Department

Detective Sergeant Hiram A. (Art) Cunningham retired from the police department after 20 years service. His retirement will take effect on April 1.

Detective Cunningham quit work yesterday, having been granted his annual leave of 10 days.

Of the past six months, he has been assigned to cases out of Chief of Detectives Dunn's office. Previous to that, Detective Cunningham was in charge of the morals squad and was instrumental in establishing that force as a separate department.

He was appointed to the police force as patrolman in April, 1900, and was made a detective several years later.

On September 29, 1913, he was severely wounded in a gun battle with a negro desperado in the basement of Mauer's cafe, that was at 1306-08 Farnam street. Detective Cunningham lingered for days between life and death following the battle. He was shot three times in the abdomen. The negro was killed.

Woman Attacked and Robbed On Way Home by Lone Holdup

Mrs. Amy Peterson, 2505 Reese street, was the victim of an attack by a lone holdup Sunday night at 10 between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets on Pacific street, according to police reports.

Mrs. Peterson alighted from a street car and was enroute to her home, when a man leaped from behind some billboards, struck her three times over the head with a blunt weapon, and she fell.

Neighbors heard her screams, and rushed to her assistance, but her assailant had already disappeared with her purse, containing $4. They bore her home and called police. Surgeons attended her wounds.

Mrs. Peterson suffered a severe gash over the right eye, and another behind the left ear. She told police her attacker was a negro.

Former Omaha Woman Died Saturday In Minneapolis

Mrs. J. T. DeBarry, 30 years old, a former resident of Omaha, died in Minneapolis, Minn., Saturday morning, following an operation. She was better known in Omaha as Miss Mary Delaney.

Surviving relatives are her husband, her mother, Mrs. Pauline Delaney; two sisters, Mrs. J. T. Culkins of Omaha, and Mrs. George Grundy of New Orleans; and three brothers, Howard, James and Charles, all of Minneapolis. Burial was in Minneapolis today.

Brief City News

Visits in Omaha—Will F. Hitchcock of Sterling was in Omaha Monday on his return from a business trip to the Dakotas.

Talks on Balloons—Lieutenant Foster of Fort Omaha spoke at the University of Omaha Monday morning on the use of helium in inflating balloons.

Not This Joe—Joe Nightingale, 1524 Ames avenue, is not the Joe Nightingale who was arrested on the South Side Saturday night, he wishes to make it known.

Pray for Dr. Mackay—Prayers for the recovery of Rev. T. J. Mackay, who has been seriously ill for the past two months, were offered at All Saints and St. Andrews Episcopal churches Sunday.

To Lecture on Birds—William L. Finley, Oregon state ornithologist, will lecture on birds and bird life at the First Baptist church on the night of Friday, April 2, under the auspices of the Nebraska Audubon society.

Two Couples Wed—Two couples were wed by Rev. Charles W. Savidge Saturday. They were: Lucy C. Henrich and Harry J. Greaver of Sioux City and Pauline Peterson and Thomas W. Pettit.

Released from Hospital—W. E. Reed, president of the Board of Education, has been removed from a hospital to his home. He is suffering from an affection of the jaw, caused by a defective tooth.

Roman History Lecture — Dr. Dean P. Lockwood of Haverford college will give a stereopticon lecture at the University club tonight at 8:30 on "Historical Sketches of the Roman Campagna, Ancient, Mediaeval and Modern."

Week's Mission Begins—A week's mission opened at Holy Name church, Forty-fifth and Maple streets, Sunday morning. It is the first mission to be held in the newly established parish. Hours for service are: 7:45 p. m., special lecture; 6 p. m., holy mass and instruction; 8 a. m., holy mass and instruction.

J. J. Gillan Recovering—J. J. Gillan, internal revenue agent here, who was injured March 11 when struck by an automobile, was released from the hospital and has returned to his home, where he is recovering rapidly.

Thirty Confirmed—A class of 30 was confirmed at St. Barnabas Episcopal church Sunday night by Bishop E. V. Shayler, who also preached the confirmation sermon. Rev. Lloyd B. Holsapple, rector, presented the candidates.

Sues for Damages—Pincero Miller sued Sam Rubin in district court Monday for $10,000 damages, alleging that Rubin called him a thief in the presence of witnesses in the store of E. Fleishman, Twenty-fourth and Clark streets, March 3.

B'nai B'rith Dance—Omaha lodge of B'nai B'rith will hold a dance at the Municipal auditorium Wednesday evening to meet the organization's war relief pledge. The regular meeting of the lodge, scheduled for Thursday, has been postponed until April 1.

Watch Mrs. Magee—The case of Mrs. Wayland Magee, who is suffering from a form of sleeping sickness brought on by influenza, has attracted the interest of more than a score of Omaha physicians. The case has been diagnozed as encephelatis lethargia.

Census of Creighton—Students from 26 states and four foreign countries are attending Creighton university, according to a recent census taken by the student body. Nebraska leads all other states in the number of students attending the school, with a total of 590.

Mayor Enters Kick—City commissioners referred for future action a plat for Fontenelle View addition, embracing a tract from Ames avenue to Grand street, Forty-fifth to Forty-sixth streets. Objection was made by Mayor Smith to 44-foot streets and to jogs which would result if the plat should be adopted.

Bee Want Ads Produce Results.

Appropriate Property to Widen St. Marys Avenue

The city council committee of the whole yesterday recommended for passage an ordinance which declares the necessity of appropriating property for the widening of St. Marys avenue, Nineteenth street to Twenty-fifth avenue and extending Jackson street, from Nineteenth street to St. Marys avenue. The proposed widening of St. Marys avenue takes seven feet from each side of the present street width.

Suit Is Postponed

The suit of Jamin B. Root against the Douglas county commissioners and the Allied Contractors, (Inc.,) to stop them from paving 12 miles of Lincoln highway with bitulithic compound was postponed yesterday in District Judge Sears' court because of the illness of County Attorney Shotwell, who has a cold.

Two Men Held as Alleged Prowlers of Omaha Hotels

Two men giving their names as I. R. Zook and Carl Zunthet, Hotel Castle, are being held at Central police station for investigation in connection with recent hotel prowling thefts, police say.

They were arrested Sunday night. Two suitcases filled with men's apparel belonging to H. M. Martin, Hotel Connant, were found in their possession, police say. A mask was found on Gunther, when searched at the police station.

Divorce Court

Divorce Decrees.

Mabel Tripp from Albert Tripp, cruelty.

Divorce Petitions.

Elizabeth Hershorn against Bernard Hershorn, extreme cruelty.

Elwood Horner against Amy Horner, extreme cruelty.