

TREMENDOUS VOTE PRIMARY OUTLOOK IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Mitchell, S. D., March 23.—(U. N. S.)—Weather through the state today is ideal for turning out of a tremendous vote. The winds of the past three days have dried up the roads to such an extent that the country vote will be many times larger than had been expected. The women are voting generally throughout the state and their ballots will play a vital part in today's election.

W. H. King, state Republican chairman, who has been handling the Wood campaign, predicts a Wood victory by anywhere between 40,000 and 50,000. "It's a typical Wood day," King said. "We will win in a walk."

GERMANS FOR JOHNSON

Charles Weller, who is handling the Lowden interests here, predicts a majority of 12,000 for the Illinois man. "The rural conditions," he said, "will increase our vote. The German precincts in the state we concede to Johnson."

O. L. Branson, caring for the Johnson interests here, is also optimistic. "A big Johnson vote—enough to snow under all the other candidates," he said.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

Former Ambassador James W. Gerard and James Monroe, Illinois politician, were named on the Democratic ballots. The non-partisans have no place on the ticket, as there are no contests in their party. Governor Peter Norbeck and Judge Richard Haney, Huron, are Republican candidates for United States senator, while the Democrats will choose between U. G. Cherry, Sioux Falls, and Thomas Taftman, Plankinton.

Sugar Price Soars To Record Figures In San Francisco

San Francisco, March 23.—(U. P.)—Sugar today reached the highest price ever recorded here—16 cents a pound wholesale and 18½ cents retail. Secretary Connolly of the Retail Grocers' association explained refiners must pay \$18.04 per hundred for raw sugar. To this \$2 is added for refining and the difference is credited to freight, he said.

Farrell to Settle At Sound Quarters During Next Week

Practically all furnishings in the offices of J. D. Farrell, vice president of the O-W. R. & N., have been removed from his former headquarters in the Gasco building and forwarded to his new offices in Seattle. Farrell and his immediate staff will go to the Puget Sound city next week, where he will disassociate himself entirely from railroad operation to take charge of the Union Pacific system's allied properties.

Offices formerly occupied by Farrell have been taken over as an off-line agency for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad. R. L. Ford will be general agent in charge of the office and G. R. Webster will be traveling freight and passenger agent. Webster was with the C. M. & St. P. prior to federal control and until early this year served as traffic manager for the Meier & Frank company.

J. McCOURT FILES AS-CANDIDATE TO SUCCEED HIMSELF

John McCourt, presiding judge of the circuit court of Multnomah county, is filing at Salem today his petition as a Republican candidate for election to the position on the bench he now occupies by appointment.

Judge McCourt was named October 20, 1919, by Governor Ben Olcott, succeeding Calvin U. Gantenbein when the latter died suddenly.

McCourt attained prominence in Oregon as United States attorney from 1908 to 1912, when he successfully tried many of the land fraud cases and other important government cases. He was formerly city attorney of Pendleton and deputy district attorney of Umatilla county.

Following his resignation from the United States attorneyship he reentered private practice and from 1914 to 1918 was chairman of the grievance committee of the Oregon State Bar association.

Lights on All Lamp Posts

Lights must be placed on all lamp posts downtown before the Shrine convention in June or owners must remove the posts entirely, according to the text of an ordinance that Mayor Baker has instructed City Attorney LaRoche to present to the council on Wednesday.

REPUBLICANS WILL VOTE ON HOOVER

Herbert C. Hoover's name will be placed on the Republican ballot in the primary election to be held in Oregon, May 21, as the result of an informal meeting of personal friends who met at the call of Chester G. Murphy, a boyhood friend of Hoover at Salem. A meeting will be held at the Central library Friday night to organize a Hoover Republican club.

"The meeting," said Murphy, Monday night, "was purely informal. Those present expressed enthusiasm for Hoover's manifest personal qualifications for the presidency. Those present were Republicans who believe that Hoover has been a life-long Republican, although he has not taken an active part in partisan politics, especially during the time that he has been engaged in war and humanitarian work."

"There is a strong sentiment among the rank and file of the Republican party for Hoover, and it is in response to many requests that the people be given an opportunity to vote for him that this effort will be made to place his name on the Republican ballot."

A public meeting of Republican men and women has been called for Friday night at 8 o'clock in the north gallery of the Central library, third floor, when the matter of organizing a Hoover Republican club will be discussed and steps taken to circulate petitions to place his name on the Republican ballot. One thousand signatures are requested.

Exalted Ruler-Elect Is Dead at Seattle

Seattle, March 23.—(U. P.)—Homer Myers, exalted ruler-elect of Seattle lodge of Elks, died in Minor hospital at 9 o'clock this morning. He was stricken with kidney trouble while on a Portland excursion of the local lodge Sunday, March 15.

Soldier Dead to Be Returned Home Soon

Washington, March 23.—(U. N. S.)—American soldier dead are to be returned from France as rapidly as their bodies can be reached in the course of operations of the American graves registration service, according to a cable received today from Ambassador Wallace at Paris.

Richard Bowles Is Drowned in Slough; Law Is Violated

Richard Bowles, 19 years old, a pupil of James John high school, was drowned in Columbia slough Monday afternoon by the capsizing of a small boat.

His home was at 1821 West Ann street, St. Johns.

John Redding was arrested by Harbor Patrolman Fehn at St. Johns ferry shortly after the drowning. He was charged with renting a canoe to a minor. He was released on his own recognizance.

Bowles and Peter Ermier, a friend, had rented a canoe at the Redding boat house, at Whitcomb court during the morning. Lack of electric power, resulting from destruction of the power substation during the night, interfered with the heating system at the high school and the boys took advantage of the holiday.

Ermier managed to seize the side of the canoe and saved himself, but Bowles could not reach the gunwale and sank before Ermier could assist him, according to reports.

W. P. Ballard Buys Telephone System

La Grande, March 23.—The Union county telephone system has been sold to W. P. Ballard of Walla Walla county, an employee of the Home Independent Telephone company, for \$37,000. Ballard takes possession May 1. It is understood Ballard will sell the La Grande and Union parts of his new line to the Home Telephone company. This will do away with the present duplication of two lines in the same territory. The Home Independent company is contemplating building a new office at Union and making considerable repairs here.

The Union county telephone system was built by farmers of this valley six years ago.

Elmer Tow Arrested

Pendleton, March 23.—Elmer Tow, wanted here for larceny by baillee, was arrested at Condon Sunday and brought here Monday for trial. He disappeared after harvest last August, leaving debts of several thousand dollars, part of which were made good by business partners. He was indicted secretly by the September grand jury.

Deluded Portland Man Escapes From Astoria Authorities

Astoria, March 23.—Laboring under the delusion that he is being pursued by invisible spirits and psychic influences which torment him day and night and have followed him wherever he goes, a man giving his name as Albert E. Boshe, recently of Portland, and claiming to have served in the First company, coast artillery corps, Fort Stevens, in 1918, entered the local employment office of the American Legion and asked Manager Cosovich if it were not possible for the legion to banish the spirits. While Legionnaires were summoning an officer, Boshe escaped.

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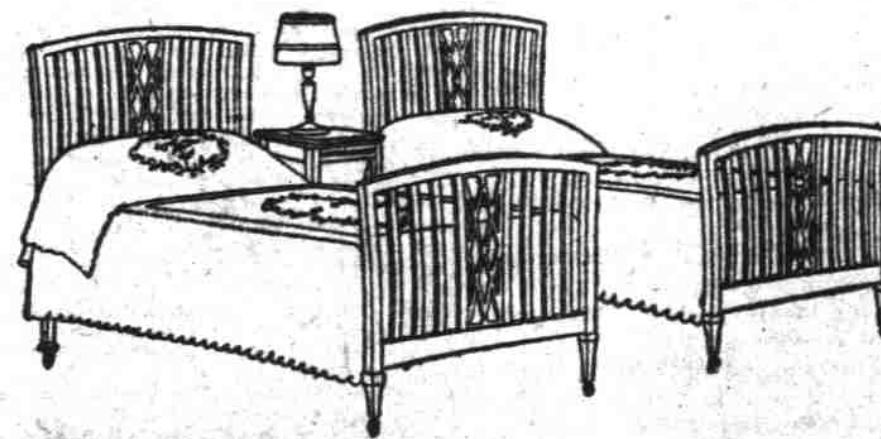
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