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VICTORY FOR HIGH LICENSE

High License Ticket Elected By Good Majority, Except Assessor.

Worthington Maintains Record of Only One Year at the Time Dry.

Highest Vote in City's History Polled---529---Majority For License Only 1.

Bob Reed Falls By the Wayside---Defeated By the Invincible Mishler.

The village election held last Tuesday passed off quietly, so far as outward appearances were concerned, but under the surface there was the most intense excitement. The no-license party had conducted a hard campaign, and made herculean efforts to carry the day. They claimed a victory by 40 majority at four o'clock with 8 more votes to be put in, but they were doomed to defeat. The license people were equally confident of success but conceded that the result would be very close. They claimed they had about 25 votes that they failed to get in because the people were out of town. The other side had in practically theirwhole strength. This would indicate that the village is normally for license by a comfortable majority, although not large enough to insure success every year unless conditions are favorable. The saloon, if it would exist at all in Worthington, must be conducted strictly according to law, and the license people must see to it that this is done. The other side is willing that it be run on a wide open plan that sentiment may turn their way again next year.

The whole number of ballots cast was 530, but as two tickets, one a high-license and one a no-license, were folded together, they were both thrown out, leaving 528 votes. There were 529 names on the poll list. This is the largest number of votes ever polled in the city. A few did not vote on the license question at all.

The following is the result of the election:

LICENSE.

For license	263
Against license	262
Majority for license	1

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.

W. E. Madison	288
E. V. Voak	237
Madison's majority	51

TRUSTEES.

C. P. Dolan	290
William Ronan	282
C. B. Ward	261
Fred Goff	247
Ray Humiston	239
Geo. Wiedman	252

RECORDER.

R. H. Torrance	270
Will Schrader	256
Majority for Torrance	14

TREASURER.

Sam Swanson	271
Oscar Sterling	253
Majority for Swanson	18

ASSESSOR.

Ira Mishler	271
Robt. Reed	252
Mishler's majority	19

There were 221 straight license votes and 219 straight no-license votes.

The result of the election is very gratifying to the license people, considering that they made no campaign whatever, and did little or no work except to get out their voters.

BASKET BALL VICTORY

The Worthington H. S. Girls Team Defeats Windom in an Exciting Contest.

The Windom and Worthington H. S. Girls' basket ball teams played a very good game at the Chautauqua auditorium here last Saturday evening. Both teams were in good trim and gave a fine exhibition of the game. Worthington had the best of the argument throughout, however, and defeated the visitors by a score of 18 to 8. The following is the line-up of the two teams:

Windom.	Position.	Worthington.
Maud Parson	C	Margaret Dieckhoff
Ruth Olson	For'd	Theresa Selby
Emma Baxter	"	Marion Deickhoff
Bertha Noble	Guard	Julia Town
Nellie Thompson	"	Bernice Wiedman

About a dozen Windom rooters accompanied their team on the trip

ARRESTED FOR FORGERY

Adrian Business Men Alleged to Have Been Victimized By Oscar Evenson.

County Attorney E. J. Jones was called to Adrian last Saturday to investigate a case of forgery,the alleged culprit being Oscar Evenson, a young man who had worked in that vicinity the past year. Frank Prideaux, the hardware man, and Albert Zolmer, were victimized by the forged paper. The county attorney issued a warrant for Evenson, and Sheriff Fauskee located the man at Colman, S. D., and brought him to Worthington on Tuesday morning. The prisoner was arraigned on Wednesday afternoon before Judge Dow, but he intends to fight the case from the start, and the hearing was set for tomorrow. Evenson claims that he is the victim of a conspiracy, and that some one else used his name.

Birthday Club.

The annual dinner of the Ladies' Birthday club was held on Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs Thos. Dovery and was well attended by the members of the club and their husbands and families. After the dinner had been disposed of several hours were spent in games, contests and social intercourse.

New Charter Needed.

That Worthington needs a new and up-to-date charter is admitted by everybody. Some years ago a commission was appointed to draft such a document, but its activities were stifled by jealosies and bickerings, and it has been dormant so long it is considered dead under the statute of limitation. The council can cover itself with glory and gain the plaudits of the citizens if it will promptly take up the work of providing the city with modern government.

Will License Vote Be Contested?

A few of the leaders of the no-license party are sorely disappointed over the outcome of the election on the license question, and it is rumored they have taken steps to contest it. It would seem there has been enough hard feeling created over this matter already, and that it would be imprudent to continue the agitation.

A few of the no-license leaders are sore because the Advance did not take their point of view, and claim they were not treated fairly; this, too, after we had accorded them every courtesy within our power. Mr. W. W. Loveless, one of the leaders, called yeaterday to square his account for last year's business, amounting to $2.85 and subscription, and announce he had no further use for this paper. We sincerely regret anyone should feel called upon to boycott us because of difference of views, and mention this as a matter of general interest, and that the public may take due notice and govern themselves accordingly. We do not know whether there are many of the same mental calibre, but time will tell.

THE NEW COUNCIL

Brief Sketches of the Men Who Assume the Reign of Village Government for the Ensuing Year.

W. E. Madison, the mayor-elect, is not a stranger to the office nor to the people of Worthington. He has been a resident of Worthington for nearly 32 years, and of the county five years longer. He received his education in the Worthington schools, and is a thorough Worthington boy. He learned the butcher's trade with his father, and in partnership with W. E. Oliver, bought Otis Bigelow's meat market in 1892. They retired from the business for seven years, but re-entered it again about a year ago. Mr. Madison has heretofore served one terms as mayor, and has always proved a capable and conscientious officer. His large vote gives but a faint indication of his universal popularity. He tried to avoid the office this year, but it was practically forced on him by his friends.

Dr. C. P. Dolan, the first on the list of trustees elected, has been a resident of Worthington for about five years, and is one of the most successful physicians in this part of the state. He served a year on the council in 1906 and demonstrated that he was the right man in the right place. He is a man of large capacity and has always taken a lively interest in the affairs of the city.

Wm. Ronan, the second member of the council, is one of the oldest business men of the city, and with his brother, John, has been engaged in buying live stock and hay, doing the largest business in this line of any firm in southwestern Minnesota. Mr. Ronan's friends believe that as a member of the council he will make good.

C. B. Ward, the third member of the council, has for several years been the landlord of the Western hotel, which he has conducted in such a way as to gain the good will and esteem of all who know him. He is first lieutenant of Company F, and has done much to bring that company up to its high standard. We believe he will prove a good man on the council, and that the city in securing his services has an able official.

R. H. Torrance, the recorder-elect, is a new man in politics, and his entrance is somewhat accidental. He was put on the ticket in place of John Boberg, who was nominated by the caucus, but who declined to run because he expected to be absent from the city the greater part of the year. Mr. Torrance has spent most of his life in Worthington, and received his education in the high school here. He has for several years been a member of the firm of F. A. Torrance & Son, who conduct one of the best stocked department stores in southern Minnesota. He is a wide-awake young man, and is especially well equipped to discharge his duties as recorder.

Sam Swanson, the new village treasurer, is one of the successful contractors of Worthington. He has been a resident of the city many years, and was formerly engaged in the furniture business in partnership with Carl Anderson. His name added strength to the ticket, and that he will jealously guard the city's treasure box goes without saying.

To Meet Assessors.

Members of the State Tax Commission have arranged to meet with assessors and county officials at each county seat during the spring months to discuss taxation matters and to endeaver to secure the co-operation of the assessors in making their work as thoro as possible. Each of the three commissioners will cover a certain district, so that the entire state can be covered by the end of the first week in May, allowing a day's stay in each county seat. The meet for Nobles county will be held in the court house at Worthington on March 26th. All assessors are expected to attend the meeting.

A SOCIAL EVENT.

Mmes. Dolan, Coughran and Rew Hold a Joint Reception St. Patrick's Day.

Mmes. C. P. Dolan, F. R. Coughran and Harvey Rew held a joint reception on Tuesday afternoon St; Patrick's day, at the pleasant home of the former. The decorations were appropriate to the day and very pretty. An Irish flag with the motto: "Auld Eriu Go Brau" was the main feature.

The function was held in three sections, from 3 to 4, from 4 to 5, and from 5 to 6. About 75 ladies had beed invited, a third of which number were present at the time. The refreshments were elaborate, and were as far as possible emblematic of the of the day. The reception proved to be one of the most delightful social events of the season.

Married.

On Wednesday the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Larson, on 7th ave., was the scene of an auspicious event, when their daughter Hannah was married to Mr. Oluf Anderson, of Minneapolis. Rev. C. O. Swan performed the ceremony, which was witnessed by a company of relatives and friends,and was followed by the usual festivities. The young people will make their home on a farm near Kandiyohi, this state, and left for there on the afternoon train.

Couldn't Sell His Potatoes.

A farmer in Iowa once sent his boy to town with a sack of potatoes and after lingering around town all day, came home without selling them. When arked why he had not sold the potatoes, he said, "No one asked me what I had in the sack."

There are many merchants like that boy. They have plenty of goods to sell but fail to tell what is in their sack.

If business men expect to make sales in this day and age of the world, they must open their sack and expose their goods to the public gaze and be continuously shouting their merits.

Married.

Mr. Wm. A. Vollmer and Miss Edith M. Davis were married on Friday evening, March 13, 1908, at the home of the bride's parents, in Clary addition. Rev. G. A. Cahoon officiated and pronounced the mystic words that made the two young people one. Miss Hattie Bedient was bridesmaid and Mr. John Sowles attended the groom. The ceremony was followed by the usual festivities. The young people will make Worthington their home for the present.

Last Monday Bert Thurber took possession of the Amondson lunch counter, and will continue the business. Mr. Amondson built up a fine business and there is every reason to believe it will continue to grow under Mr. Thurber's management.

MASSACRE IS FEARED

Conditions in Hayti Suddenly Assume Most Critical Stage.

MAY ATTACK CONSULATES

Government Threatens to Go After Refugees Under Foreign Protection.

Paris, March 16.—The situation between the Haytian government and France has become acute and critical. The French legation at Port au Prince is menaced and a general massacre of the white residents of the island is feared. This information was conveyed in an official dispatch to the foreign office from M. Carteron, the French minister to Hayti.

The latter part of last week M. Borno, the Haytian minister of state, assured M. Carteron that Hayti would agree to allow the refugees who had taken asylum in the French consulates at Gonaives and St. Marc to leave the island. New there comes the news of the execution at Port au Prince on Sunday of between ten and twelve prominent persons on the charge of conspiracy against the government, together with a cablegram from M. Carteron that General Nord Alexis, president of Hayti, had not only refused to confirm the assurances given by M. Borno but had flatly declined to permit the refugees in the consulates to depart. Eleven additional persons have taken asylum at the French legation.

The French cruiser d'Estrees is expected very soon at Gonaives, where she will act in co-operation with the British and German ships of war now on their way to Hayti.

Firmin Among the Refugees.

General Antenor Firmin, who led the last revolt in Hayti, is among the refugees under the French flag. The foreign office recognizes that the general and his followers are revolutionists, but it declined to hand them over to the Haytian government on the ground that there were no assurances that the men would have a legal trial. In this connection it was explained that, according to French tradition, any man who sought refuge under the French flag should have at least temporary protection. The refugees number about 100 in all.

The French foreign office pointed out recently that in taking this sta: it was only following out the French traditional policy in Hayti and it explained that General Nord Alexis himself, when he was a revolutionist, once sought and obtained from France the same protection that France is now giving to the men who attempted to overturn his government.

The Temps publishes a special dispatch from Port au Prince saying that the local situation is grave. General Nord Alexis claims that the plot against him was hatched in the French legation and an attack upon the legation is feared, the correspondent says, because M. Carteron, the French minister, declines to deliver the refugees under the French flag to the Haytian authorities.

TERMS OF SETTLEMENT.

China Agrees to Jap Demands in Tatsu Maru Case.

Peking, March 16.—The full terms under which the case of the Tatsu Maru, the Japanese steamer that was seized by China in February on the allegation that she was conveying arms and ammunition to the Chinese revolutionists, has been settled are as follows:

First—China agrees to punish the officers who lowered the Japanese flag on the Tatsu Maru and to send a warship to the place where the vessel was seized to fire a salute as the Japanese flag is rehoisted.

Second—The Tatsu Maru is to be released at once.

Third—China will purchase the arms and ammunition seized.

Fourth—She will punish the officers who committed this breach against international usage.

Fifth—The viceroy of Canton will settle the amount of demurrage for the retention of the steamer after consultation with the Japanese consul and, finally, Japan agrees to exercise extra vigilance against her subjects in the matter of smuggling arms into China.

Oscar Kunzman, who has been a patient at St. Luke's hospital at St. Paul for several weeks, came home on Monday for a few days' visit. He went up there to have his leg straightened, and believes the doctors have done a good job. He will return there at the end of the week to have the plaster cast removed.

BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

Senate Committee Amends the Aldrich Currency Bill.

MAIN OBJECTION REMOVED

Railroad Bonds Eliminated as Security for Emergency Circulation of National Banks.

Washington, March 17.—The senate committee on finance voted unanimously to amend the Aldrich financial bill by eliminating railroad bonds as security for national bank note circulation. It also was decided to amend the bill so as to retain the provision of the present law prohibiting the retirement by national banks of more than $9,000,000 of circulation in any one month. The committee discussed the proposition of increasing the taxation on emergency circulation outstanding more than six months. The rate under the bill as it now stands is 6 per cent. No action was taken on this feature.

An amendment also was agreed to affecting the amount of circulation which may be taken out on bonds of the various kinds applicable for such purposes. The bill provides that circulating notes may be issued equal in amount to 90 per cent of the market value of any bonds deposited. The amendment adopted adds the provision that the issuance shall not be in excess, however, of the par value of the bonds. This is intended to meet the criticism that certain securities might be inflated above par value through the action of speculators and the committee believes the amendment will effectually eliminate such danger.

DECLARED TO BE ILLEGAL

Senate Sub-Committee Passes on Liquor Regulation Bills.

Washington, March 16.—By the vote of 3 to 2 the sub-committee of the senate committee on judiciary has declared unconstitutional all of the bills intended to remove federal barriers against states exercising control of their police powers for the regulation of the liquor traffic. Hearings on these measures have been held covering almost the entire present session and the bills were advocated by representatives of practically all of the states where there is a strong prohibition sentiment. The members of the sub-committee are Senators Knox, Nelson, Fulton, Bacon and Rayner.

COLLEGE STUDENTS IN RIOT

Star Theater at Ann Arbor, Mich., Thoroughly Wrecked.

Ann Arbor, Mich., March 17.—Twenty-two University of Michigan students spent the night in jail and the Star nickel theater was thoroughly wrecked as the result of the riot of students. The moving picture machine and the theater piano were broken to pieces. Some of the police and several students were slightly hurt, but luckily no serious injuries resulted. It was reported, however, that the police averted a tragedy by overpowering one of the theater employes just as he was on the point of discharging a revolver point blank into the crowd of students.

SPERRY IS SELECTED.

Will Command Battleship Fleet on Its Homeward Voyage.

Washington, March 18.—Rear Admiral Charles S. Sperry will be commander-in-chief of the Atlantic battleship fleet when it leaves San Francisco in July to encircle the globe. This important detail was decided on by President Roosevelt and his cabinet.

Rear Admiral Evans, on his personal request, will be relieved of the command at the conclusion of the naval review at San Francisco May 8. The admiral considers this the completion of the work he was assigned to do—take the Atlantic fleet to the Pacific coast. Admiral Evans retires in August.