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REPUBLICAN CITY CONVENTION.

To the Republican Electors of the City of Alma:

A Republican Convention is here by called to meet at the City Hall, Friday evening, March 20, commencing at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of nominating city officers, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention. Each of the wards is entitled to represent ten delegates. Dated, Mar.

ORDER OF COMMITTEE.

DEMOCRATIC CITY MASS CONVENTION.

A Democratic City Mass Convention will be held at the City Hall, in the City of Alma, State of Michigan, on the evening of Wednesday, March 25, 1914, for the purpose of placing in nomination City and Ward Tickers to be held upon in the coming election in the said city April 6, and to transact such other business as may legally come before said convention. A full attendance is desired.

CITIZENS' CITY MASS CONVENTION.

Citizens' City Mass Convention will be held at the City Hall, in the City of Alma, State of Michigan, on the evening of Wednesday, March 25, 1914, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination City and Ward Tickers, and to transact such other business as may legally come before said convention. A full attendance is desired.

NATIONAL PROGRESSIVE CITY MASS CONVENTION

A National Progressive City Mass Convention will be held at the City Hall, in the City of Alma, State of Michigan, on the evening of Wednesday, March 25, 1914, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination City and Ward Tickers, and to transact such other business as may legally come before said convention. A full attendance is desired.

PEOPLE'S PARTY CAUCUS.

People's Party Caucus of Pine River township will be held at the town hall, Friday March 27th, 1914 at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination a township ticket to be held on April 6th, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the caucus.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

Republicans of Pine River township will meet in caucus at the town hall, Hill, Mich., on Saturday, March 28th, 1914 at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination a township ticket, and for such other business as may legally come before said caucus.

BY ORDER OF COMMITTEE.

The newest styles and most desirable trimmings will be shown at Mrs. Humphrey's millinery opening Friday, Friday and Saturday of next week.

EXPRESS CO. TO QUIT

Stockholders Get Ninety Dollars a Share From Sale of U. S. Co.

At a meeting of the directors of the United States Express company Friday it was voted to liquidate its affairs and cease operation as soon as possible. The reason given for this action is that the parcel post has made such inroads on its business that it cannot operate at a profit and that this fact in connection with the lower rates forced upon it by the interstate commerce commission makes it imperative that it go out of business.

The method of disposing of the company's assets has not been decided, but it is intimated that they may be taken over by a syndicate in order that the highest values may be received.

The company owns considerable real estate and it is thought that shareholders will receive between \$90 and \$100 a share.

The passing of the company will throw 15,000 persons out of employment, about 2,000 of whom work in the New York and New Jersey offices of the concern. These employees receive in salaries and wages approximately \$6,000,000 a year, of which \$765,000 was paid to employees at Jersey City alone.

Many of these employees, especially in the larger offices, have grown old in the service of the company and it is said today that few of them were financially able to retire from active employment of some sort.

The prospective dissolution will affect express service covering 32,938 miles of railroad with between 5,000 and 6,000 stations, according to a statement made public today by Duncan I. Roberts, president of the company since January, 1913. Mr. Roberts denied that the parcel post was responsible for the proposed liquidation, but said that the new rates fixed by the interstate commerce commission was the chief factor in influencing the directors. Mr. Roberts also blamed state rate commissions, which he declared ordered rates in some instances lower than those fixed by the interstate commerce commission.

Continuing, Mr. Roberts said: "There is no quarrel over the parcel post. The fault lies with the change in our rates."

A. A. RAILROAD HIT

Its Indicted For Violation of the Interstate Commerce Law

A press dispatch, dated March 13, said:

"In two indictments returned by the March term of the federal grand jury, the Ann Arbor Railroad company and the Saginaw Beef company, the latter with headquarters in Saginaw, are charged with violating the interstate commerce law in granting and receiving concessions. The concerns are indicted on 10 counts each, and on each count are liable to heavy fines.

It is said the method of receiving and granting concessions consisted in sending small shipments of beef over the Ann Arbor road to a number of dealers at car load rates. The Saginaw Beef company is said to have had the beef billed over the Ann Arbor road, and at the division points would allow a man in the employ of the company to board the car and scatter the meat to the different customers along the way. In this way a saving of about \$50 freight on each car of beef was made. The meat was shipped by Swift and Co. of Chicago.

The concession system was discovered by examiners of the interstate

commerce commission when they made an examination of the books of the Ann Arbor railroad in 1912. W. C. Cornell is head of the Saginaw Beef company, while Neuman Erb is president of the Ann Arbor Railroad company. According to District Attorney Bowman the cases will probably be disposed of at the present term of court."

EACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Regular Teachers' Examinations To be Held in March and April.

A State Examination will be held at the office of Supt. F. L. Keeler during the week of March 23 to 27, 1914. Applicants will be required to write an examination in twenty subjects and the certificates granted on this examination qualify for life in the schools of Michigan. Only teachers of at least two years experience are qualified to receive this certificate.

The County Examinations will be held in the various counties April 30 and May 1 and 2. These examinations lead to the first, second and third grade certificates. Oral work will receive emphasis.

The Eighth Grade Examinations will be held in the various counties May 14 and 15. The questions will all be prepared by the State Superintendent.

DEFEATS RIVERDALE

Alma Basket Ball Team Met a Good Team at Riverdale

The Alma High School Basket Ball team Reserves journeyed to Riverdale Saturday evening and defeated the Riverdale City team by nine points. Total score 39-30.

Line-up:—Alma—Jessup and Haner, forwards; Perry and Handley, guards; Gaffney, center. Riverdale, Swope, Nunn, Moblo, Highfield and Keith.

Baskets first half—Jessup 5, Haner 2, Gaffney 1, Fools, Gaffney 1 in 8, Keith, Riverdale, 8 baskets and 1 in 2 fouls. Score 17 all. Score being tied every one was excited. The Alma boys began to realize that they had some fast opponents.

Second Half—Baskets, Jessup 4, Haner 1, Handley 2, Swope 1, Keith 5, Fools, Gaffney, 4 in 6, Keith 1 in 6. Score, 22-13. Final score 39-30.

Keith was by far the best man for Riverdale. Highfield also played a fast game in defensive work. Time, 20-minute halves. Referee, Crisp. Time-keeper and scorer, Hanna.

ST. PATRICK DANCE

Given at Moose Hall By Pythian Sisters

The Pythian dance Tuesday evening was one of the best social events of the season, everyone on the best of terms, whether Irish or otherwise. The hall was draped with orange and green in an attractive manner. The punch served was of an orange tint and in a bowl covered with green. A large orange half moon was hung at the end of the hall with enclosed electric lamps, and moon light dances were the novelty of the evening. The music was by French and Keenan, the popular artists from the Central Normal town. The costumes of some of the guests were in harmony with their environment. The music did not cease until very much later than usual, so great was the enthusiasm which was shown by all. The financial showing was favorable for the Pythian Sisters.

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FOR SALE—Brunswick-Balke-Coller Pool Table, 8x4. Bert Bridwell, Vestaburg, Mich. 1828-3

LOST—Lady's gold watch and fob. Return to 518 State St. and receive reward. x

FOUND—In the city of Alma, a watch and chain. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Inquire at 147 Valley Ave. 182716

FOR SALE—Seven brood sows, one Chester White male. Enquire of D. Frick or at Brewer's Meat Market, Alma. 1828tf.

WANTED—Horse, weight about 1200. Call at Smith's Bakery. x

FOR SALE—A pair of sorrel Belgium Gelding colts coming 4 years, weight about 1600 each, well matched, two geldings coming 3 years, gentle and well halter broke. Also some young colts, older mares and work horses, state road, 1 1-2 miles south and 1 1-2 5 miles straight west of Riverdale, on miles east of Cedar Lake. Gust E. Hilding.

FOR SALE AT ONCE—One gray horse, eight years old this spring. One sorrel mare, five this coming spring. Both in best working condition. Apply S. N. Bailey, R. R. 1. 182712

WANTED—Single man, by the month. L. W. Raycraft, Forest Hill, Mich. 18271f.

WANTED—Ten girls, steady employment, telephone or write Libby, McNeil & Libby, Stanton, Mich. 182713

FOR RENT—Furnished Rooms. Alma Garage. tf

DRAYING—For work in this line telephone SMITH & WALSTOW.

LOST—Black fountain pen. Initials E. J. Return to this office.

FOR SALE—Cornstalks and bean pods. Enquire Ed Stevens.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room with modern conveniences, with or without board. Mrs. Bart Miller, 502 Woodworth Avenue. x

FOR SALE.

Buff Orpington and Buff Leghorn eggs, at \$1.00 per setting of 15, from prize-winning stock. Great winter layers. Birds scoring 91 1-2 to 93 1-4. Cockerels weighing 9 lbs. at 6 months, pullets, 8 lbs. Also, 50-egg incubator, good as new. Andrew Shaw, 420 W. Superior St. x

Mrs. W. Humphrey will personally conduct the opening sales of her stock of Spring millinery Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 26, 27 and 28.

FOR SALE—At a very low price, 50 Bedsteads, some oak, some ash, some walnut, come and look them over if you want to buy a bedstead. H. Montague, Supt.

Mrs. I. N. Brainerd entertained with a four course dinner, Wednesday evening at her home. The guests were Mrs. Sylvia Gaffney, Mrs. A. B. Scattergood and Mesdames Finch, French, and Miss Palmer of Stanton.

ITHACA ENTERTAINED

The Alma Epworth League Friday Evening of Last Week

Last Friday evening two wagon loads of Epworth League members went to Ithaca where they were entertained by the county seat Epworth League. Forty-six from Alma attended in addition to a hundred from Ithaca. The Almatites were royally received and a short program was given. After the formal program was concluded, various amusements were participated in and prizes of green pigs were awarded to Mrs. Frank Parker and Ruth Dunham. An elaborate lunch was served and the guests returned to Alma at an early hour, fully convinced that Ithaca was not behind our city in sociability.

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CHAS. RHODES

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 E. R. Wilson to J. Anderson, lot 2, blk 3, Cheesman add, St. Louis 600
 F. A. Watson to R. C. Naldrett, N 1-2 NE 1-4 sec 36 and SE 1-4 sec 25, Lafayette 13000
 W. Stewart to N. M. Wolfe, lot 12, Kress add, Alma 1425
 F. J. Kennett to W. H. Kennett, N 1-2 S 1-2 SE 1-4, sec 30, Hamilton 4000
 W. H. Kennett to T. P. Bartlett, N 1-2 SW 1-4, sec 29 and N 1-2 S 1-2 SE 1-4, sec 30 Hamilton 13100
 W. Allen to S. L. Bennett, lot 2, blk 35, Alma 3300
 G. A. Brown to P. C. Husted, NW 1-4 NE 1-4, sec 36, Summer 2000
 D. Brown to A. F. Crawford, NW 1-4, sec 1, Washington 15400
 R. C. Naldrett to W. A. Seamon, pt NE 1-4, sec 3, Newark 6000
 T. P. Bartlett to A. F. Crawford, N 1-2 NW 1-4 NE 1-4 SW 1-4, sec 12 and SE 1-4 SW 1-4, sec 1, Bethany 15200
 P. H. Pettit to O. Parker, pt NE 1-4 NE 1-4, sec 21, Lafayette 600
 W. H. Zimmerman to G. F. Cross, pt NW 1-4 NW 1-4, sec 30 Wheeler 3000
 M. M. Page to H. L. Taylor, W 1-2 SE 1-4, sec 25 North Star 4000
 F. H. Bernard to J. D. White, NW 1-4 SE 1-4 and pt SW 1-4 NE 1-4, sec 33, Bethany 3000
 S. M. Kenyon to J. J. Robbins, lot 95, Sup plat, div E, Ithaca 800
 G. E. Church to E. V. Burch, S 1-2 NW 1-4, sec 13, Lafayette 4000

F. J. Soule to L. B. Soule, lot 7, blk 48, Gargett's add, Alma ... 2000
 A. J. Stafford to W. Plank, E 1-2 NE 1-4 NW 1-4, sec 33, Summer 1500
 W. G. Jolly to C. C. Campbell, pt NW 1-4 NW 1-4, sec 34 Elba .. 900
 D. H. Fisher to G. M. Wonnacott, pt SE 1-4 SE 1-4, sec 16 Emerson 1500
 O. A. Post to E. N. Parsons, pt NW 1-4 NW 1-4, sec 16, Pine River 1000
 C. J. Thoenen to L. E. Welch, pt NE 1-4 NE 1-4, sec 6, North Star 500
 Burt, Sharrar & Moore Land Co., to C. H. Garton, W 1-2 SW 1-4 sec 34 and NE 1-4 SE 1-4, sec 33, Bethany 16500
 G. W. Stambaugh to A. J. Davidson, pt lot 2, blk 34, St. Louis 1400
 J. Lutz to J. Bartley, pt NE 1-4 NE 1-4, sec 34, Pine River 1150
 F. Simmons to J. Ark, E 1-2 SE 1-2 and SE 1-4 SW 1-4 NE 1-4, sec 28 Emerson 13950
 D. F. Abbott to L. F. Hilsinger and R. D. Olmstead, W 1-2 NW 1-4, sec 9, Seville 1200

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To keep your hair and scalp dandruff-free and clean, use Harmony Shampoo. This pure liquid shampoo gives an instantaneous rich lather that immediately penetrates to every part of hair and scalp, insuring a quick and thorough cleansing. Washed off just as quickly, the entire operation takes only a few moments. Contains nothing that can harm the hair; leaves no harshness or stickiness—just a sweet-smelling cleanliness.

Both preparations come in odd-shaped very ornamental bottles, with sprinker tops. Harmony Hair Beautifier, \$1.00. Harmony Shampoo, 50c. Both guaranteed to satisfy you in every way, or your money back. Sold only at the more than 7,000 Rexall Stores, and in this town only by us. Grover's Drug Store, The Rexall Store.

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Everyone needs Parisian Sage. CHAS. RHODES

New Lace Curtains for Your Windows

You will soon be thinking of cleaning house and redecorating after the winter's cold, and we wish to call especial attention to the values we are giving on lace curtains and curtain nets and scrims.

We fear no competition on the prices below:

- White and Ecru Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 1-2 yards, long, 52 inches wide, \$1.40 pair
- White and Ecru Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 1-2 yards long, 52 inches wide, \$1.35 pair
- White and Ecru Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, 50 inches wide \$1.20 pair
- White and Ecru Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, 50 inches wide \$1.00 pair
- White and Ecru Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, 50 inches wide 98c pair

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