

THE REPUBLICAN CITY AND WARD NOMINEES

For Mayor Albert P. Cook, for City Clerk Delos W. Adams, for City Treasurer Jesse Fuller

Short Biographical Sketch of the Candidates—Election to be Held Next Monday

FOR MAYOR.

The Republican candidate for Mayor was born in Hinkley, Medina county, Ohio. He acquired his early education in the schools of Hudson, Ohio, later entering Western Reserve University. In 1882 Mr. Cook moved to Millford, where for ten years he was identified with the schools of that city, nine years as superintendent. In 1892 Mr. Cook moved to Ithaca, where he remained ten years or until 1902, as superintendent of the Ithaca schools. In 1892 he accepted the secretaryship of Alma College which position together with that of assistant treasurer he still retains. In Mr. Cook are combined the traits of character that not only have made him an excellent educator but a business man of exceptional ability as well. For six and one-half years he has served the city of Alma as alderman from the Third ward and during that entire period has served either as chair-

A FINE STATEMENT

Your Special Committee appointed to audit the books and accounts of the City Treasurer and the City Clerk, beg leave to report that we have compared the paid orders with their stubs and we find that they agree and we have cancelled the same. We have compared all the orders with the stubs and find they have been correctly entered in the clerk's books and that the stubs and orders agree. We have compared the paid orders and vouchers with the Treasurer's books and find that they have been correctly entered. We find that the outstanding orders of one year ago have been paid and cancelled and that the two sets of books are in agreement except for the following outstanding and unpaid orders on the General Fund, viz:—No. 387, for \$14.34, No. 390 for \$25.00, No. 392 for \$25.00. All other orders have been paid.

The Treasurer's Bank Pass Books show that there are funds to the credit of the Treasurer in the banks to the amount of \$36,680.22, which is the sum total of the balances of the various funds as shown by his books, as follows:—
 General Fund \$12,316.73
 Highway fund 11,861.83
 Water fund 4,772.57
 Cemetery fund 42.97
 School fund 2,859.91
 Dog fund 46.21
 Park fund 7.22
 Sinking fund 4,747.30
 State St. sewer fund 25.48

Deducting the issued but unpaid orders noted above from this amount, we have the amount shown by the Clerk's books, \$36,615.88.

We also checked the Treasurer's items of cash received with the tax rolls and the Clerk's books and vouchers and found them to agree.

We desire to commend both the Treasurer and the Clerk for the excellent manner in which they have kept their books.

A. P. COOK,
 CHAS. O. WARD,
 Auditing Committee.

FOR CITY CLERK.

D. W. Adams was born in the Green Mountain state, Vermont, his early life being spent in the city of Chester. In March 1881 Mr. Adams came to Gratiot county and in 1890-91 served the citizens of Arcada township as their treasurer. In 1904 Mr. Adams was chosen assessor of the village of Alma, and in 1905

was supervisor of the second ward. In 1906 Mr. Adams was elected city clerk and so faithfully has he served the city that for seven successive times he has been re-elected. At the recent Republican city convention Mr. Adams was again nominated this time by acclamation. His election seems a foregone conclusion.

FOR CITY TREASURER.

Jesse Fuller who is just completing his first term as city treasurer has been re-nominated for a second term. Mr. Fuller's collection of the various tax rolls turned over to him during the past



year shows him to be an excellent collector, while his cash balanced to a cent with that of the clerk as shown by the report of the auditing committee published elsewhere in this issue of the Record. Mr. Fuller having served but one term is entitled to a re-election and the Record predicts a handsome majority for the gentleman from the First ward.

FOR WARD ALDERMEN

FIRST WARD.

George H. Peery Republican candidate for alderman from the first ward was born in Kansas. He commenced his business life with Swift & Co. in Iowa and before leaving that state was head accountant in one of the large branch houses of that concern.

He came to Alma some years ago as accountant for Swift & Co. and later upon the transfer of Mr. Ziegler to Chicago he assumed the management of the plant.

Today he is treasurer of the Alma Auto Truck Co. Mr. Peery is closely identified with the manufacturing industries of the city and should poll a large vote at the election next Monday.

SECOND WARD.

To fill vacancy occasioned by the removal of Walter Caple from the city the Republicans have named L. W. Race. Mr. Race has for six years occupied the responsible position of agent at the Union R. R. Station.

For alderman for full term the Second ward caucus presented the name of Henry Sandell, one of the older citizens of the city, a man who has made a success of his individual business and one who if elected will carefully care for the interests of his constituents.

THIRD WARD.

George Ogden, the Republican nominee from the Third ward is a man of experience in city work. He served several years on the council when a resident of the First ward holding important committee appointments and made good in the full sense of the word. Mr. Ogden has purchased a residence in the Third ward and will make that portion of the city his home.

FOURTH WARD.

Frank E. Pollasky, the Republican nominee for alderman was for years active in the mercantile life of Alma. He is a man whose business is such that he can devote all necessary time to the interest of the city.

REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET

For Mayor—Albert P. Cook.
 For Clerk—Delos W. Adams.
 For Treasurer—Jesse Fuller.

Republican Ward Tickets.

FIRST WARD.
 For Supervisor—Frank L. McConkey.
 For Alderman—George H. Peery.
 For Constable—Oscar Vibber.

SECOND WARD.
 For Supervisor—Arthur W. Brock.
 For Ald. One Year—L. W. Race.
 For Ald. Two Years—Henry Sandell.
 For Constable—O. F. Parker.

THIRD WARD.
 For Supervisor—Cris E. Renner.
 For Alderman—George Ogden.
 For Constable—George Brown.

FOURTH WARD.
 For Supervisor—Charles L. Delayan.
 For Alderman—Frank E. Pollasky.
 For Constable—Frank Bennett.

Pine River Township

REPUBLICAN TICKET.
 Supervisor—C. E. Vandemerk.
 Clerk—Leo H. Wood.
 Treasurer—Ira C. Moody.
 Highway Commissioner—B. T. Hamilton.

Highway Overseer—C. A. Russ.
 Justice of Peace (full term)—Cage Wood.
 Justice of Peace (three years)—Cass Curtis.
 Justice of Peace (two years)—William Gallagher.

Member Board of Review—Herschel J. White.
 Constables—Reuben Foglesong, Frank Frear, Wm. Michael, Leslie Miller.

PEOPLE'S PARTY.

Supervisor—John H. Lanshaw.
 Clerk—Andrew Noffsinger.
 Treasurer—Elmer A. Bauer.
 Highway Commissioner—Calvin P. Best.

Overseer of Highways—Edward O. Bryant.
 Justice of the Peace (4 years)—Lee W. Rycraft.
 Justice of the Peace (3 years)—C. Bert Packer.
 Justice of the Peace (2 years)—Wm. C. Sullivan.

Member Board of Review—John Pitt.
 Constables—Fred Lentz, Jeremiah Myers, Elmer N. Post, Fred Burt.

Arcada Township

REPUBLICAN TICKET.
 Supervisor—Geo. H. Kuhlman.
 Clerk—Vincent Roberts.
 Treasurer—Ed. M. Struble.
 Justice of the Peace (full term)—Melvin Sharrar.

Justice of the Peace (vacancy)—C. C. Curtis.
 Overseer of Highways—Walter Clark.
 Member Board of Review—Adney Dobson.

Constables—Aden Milliman, Er Newcomer, Henry Dayman, Fred Durkee.

UNION TICKET.

Supervisor—Fred Bradford.
 Clerk—Benjamin F. Cline.
 Treasurer—Hiram B. Currence.
 Justice of the Peace (full term)—Wm. Crozier.

Justice of the Peace (vacancy)—Jas. R. Wilson.
 Highway Commissioner—Ely Wolfe.
 Overseer of Highways—R. W. Anderson.

Member Board of Review—Ozom Roberts.
 Constables—Frank Gilken, Jesse Fink, Richard Thrush, Greve Peck.

SUMNER TOWNSHIP.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.
 Supervisor—E. A. Potter.
 Clerk—S. Cleverdon.
 Treasurer—John Rockafellow.
 Highway Commissioner—George Bryson.

DEMOCRAT TICKET.

Supervisor—E. T. Walker.
 Clerk—Fred Schaeffer.
 Treasurer—Harry Schaeffer.
 Highway Commissioner—Frank Clapp.

Weather Summary.

For March, 1914.
TEMPERATURE.
 Mean maximum 40
 Mean minimum 21
 Mean 30.5
 Maximum 63 on the 26th
 Minimum 5 on 1st and 2nd

ELECT OFFICERS.

The Ladies' Bible Class of the M. E. Sunday School met Tuesday evening with Mrs. James Redman and elected the following officers for the coming year:
 President—Mrs. Howard L. Holmes.
 Vice-President—Mrs. C. L. Wood.
 Secretary—Mrs. James Redman.
 Treasurer—Mrs. H. M. Dunham.
 Teacher—Mrs. H. M. Page.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Morning service, 10 o'clock.
 Sermon: "Christ our King."
 Sunday school, 11:30.
 Junior Union, 3 o'clock.
 B. Y. P. U. meeting, 6 o'clock.
 Topic, "The Ideal Christian: His Humility."
 Evening service, 7 o'clock.
 Sermon, "In this Place is One Greater Than the Temple."
 Thursday night prayer meeting, 7:30.
 All are cordially invited to these services.
 J. W. Priest, Pastor, 802 Gratiot Ave.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CITY OF ALMA

FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 17, 1914

STATE FUND.		Disbursements.		INTEREST AND SINKING FUND	
Receipts.				Receipts.	
State tax	\$ 8,910.07	Orders 1 to 161	\$24,257.77	Balance on hand, March 19, 1913	\$ 4,293.88
Rejected tax	7.30	Tax returned to county treasurer	114.11	Tax roll, 1913	5,368.45
	\$ 8,917.37	Paving tax returned to county treasurer	196.06	Return tax from county treasurer	74.58
Disbursements.		Sidewalk tax returned to county treasurer	43.32	Rejected tax	3.90
J. E. Fuller, checks to county treasurer	\$8,728.76	Weed tax returned to county treasurer	.50		\$ 9,740.81
To tax returned to county treasurer	188.61	Lost personal	5.75	Orders 1 to 8	\$ 4,875.00
	\$ 8,917.37	Cash on hand, March 17, 1914	11,861.83	Tax returned to county treasurer	114.76
			\$36,479.34	Lost personal	3.75
COUNTY FUND.		WATER FUND.		DOG FUND.	
Receipts.		Receipts.		Receipts.	
Balance, March 19, 1913	\$ 18.00	Balance on hand March 19, 1913	\$ 5,282.76	Balance on hand, March 19, 1913	\$ 11.00
County tax	3,826.92	Water tax collected	5,127.01	Received from dog warden	110.00
Chadwick fines	107.00	Water and sewer connections	501.90		\$ 121.00
	\$ 3,951.92	Ways and means committee	2,000.00	Orders 1 to 4	\$ 9.79
Disbursements.		General fund for use of hydrants	820.00	Transferred to Park fund	65.00
J. E. Fuller, checks to county treasurer	\$ 3,869.58	Water for Bailey circus	5.00	Cash on hand, March 17, 1914	46.21
To tax returned to county treasurer	82.34	Old pipe sold	1.71		\$ 121.00
	\$ 3,951.92	Reassessed sewer and water tax roll	350.95	STATE STREET SEWER FUND.	
GENERAL FUND.		Reassessed water connections on tax roll	124.93	Receipts.	
Receipts.				Transferred 40 percent of cost from General fund	\$ 552.73
Balance on hand, March 19, 1913	\$11,155.04			Special tax roll	773.38
1913	11.00	Orders 1 to 176	\$ 9,267.34		\$ 1,326.11
Rent of city land	1.00	Sewer and water tax returned to county treasurer	174.35	Orders 1 to 64	\$ 1,114.88
Map sold	1.00	Cash on hand, March 17, 1914	4,772.57	Transferred from Highway fund (for team work)	185.75
Garbage cans and fumigators	25.70			Cash on hand, March 17, 1914	25.48
Sewer tax, Cedar & River Ave.	308.08	CEMETERY FUND			\$ 1,326.11
Licenses	291.50	Receipts.		Orders 1 to 24	\$ 243.49
Tile sold	12.40	Balance on hand, March 19, 1913	\$ 2,546.65	Cash on hand, March 17, 1914	7.22
Return tax from county treasurer	856.36	1913	2,546.65		\$ 250.71
City tax	14,973.75	Reassessed for lots	613.00	Orders 1 to 24	\$ 243.49
Excess of roll	57.47	Reassessed for graves	183.00	Cash on hand, March 17, 1914	7.22
Rejected tax	22.50	Reassessed for care of lots	115.25		\$ 250.71
Penalty 4 percent	252.05	Interest on Deposit	53.34	RECAPITULATION.	
	\$27,966.85	Orders 1 to 392	\$15,299.79	General fund	\$12,252.39
Disbursements.		To tax returned to county treasurer	459.25	Highway fund	11,861.83
Orders 1 to 392	\$15,299.79	Sewer tax returned to county treasurer	18.73	Water fund	4,772.57
To tax returned to county treasurer	459.25	Lost personal	36.69	Cemetery fund	42.97
	\$ 15,759.04	Cash on hand, March 17, 1914	12,252.39	Interest and Sinking fund	4,747.30
UNION TICKET.				School fund	2,859.91
Receipts.				State street sewer fund	25.48
Balance on hand, March 19, 1913	\$ 11,155.04			Park fund	7.22
1913	11.00			Dog fund	46.21
Rent of city land	1.00				\$36,615.88
Map sold	1.00			OUTSTANDING BONDS.	
Garbage cans and fumigators	25.70			Water bonds	\$ 9,000.00
Sewer tax, Cedar & River Ave.	308.08			City improvement bonds	15,000.00
Licenses	291.50			Paving bonds	21,000.00
Tile sold	12.40			Time order No. 5	1,000.00
Return tax from county treasurer	856.36				
City tax	14,973.75			J. M. MONTIGEL, Mayor.	
Excess of roll	57.47			D. W. ADAMS, City Clerk.	
Rejected tax	22.50				
Penalty 4 percent	252.05				
	\$27,966.85				



Albert P. Cook.

man or member of the ways and means committee. He has been chairman of the council committee on streets, and has been a member of the committee having charge of salaries and health, sewers and drains, claims and accounts and printing. That he has been faithful to every duty imposed upon him is conceded by our citizens generally without regard to party affiliation. Mr. Cook's interest in municipal affairs becomes evident when the statement is made that of the nearly 200 meetings of the city council held since Mr. Cook's first meeting he has never been absent from a special session and less than a score of times all told from any meeting, regular or special, and these occasioned by absence from the city or sickness.

THE MAYOR'S ENDORSEMENT OF A. P. COOK

One Who For Nearly Four Years Has Been Associated With the Republican Nominees for Mayor and Clerk Voices His Opinion

Alma, Mich., March 31, 1914.
 Editor of the Alma Record:
 Dear Sir—We are again approaching another municipal election and as a taxpayer I wish to state a few things of interest to every citizen that has the welfare of the city at heart.
 Our city is now in the best financial condition that it has been in for a good many years and much credit for this may be given to the efforts of Mr. A. P. Cook, the present nominee for mayor on the Republican ticket and Mr. D. W. Adams, the Republican nominee for Clerk. Both gentlemen have served the city a good many years, one as alderman of the Third ward, and the other as City Clerk. They are thoroughly conversant with all of the city's business and can go along with the work at much less expense to the city than it would be possible for a new mayor and clerk.
 If our people will read the financial statement printed in the Record last week they will find that we have on hand over \$33,000.00 exclusive of school moneys and only \$46,000.00 indebtedness. This is a better showing than can be made by any other common-wealth of the same size in the state of Michigan. Especially is this true when you take into consideration the many improvements that have been made in the last three years, all of which the above-named gentlemen are in a great measure responsible for, in fact, more than any

other two men who have served the city continuously during the last three years.
 I have found Mr. Cook a very liberal-minded gentleman who has worked with the writer, assisting him in matters of counsel and all other matters pertaining to the interests of the city as has also the Clerk, Mr. Adams. Therefore, I think that from a business standpoint it would be very unwise indeed to attempt to make any change.
 Knowing Mr. Cook as I do, I do not believe that he will be in favor of materially changing the existing order of things in our city which have been running so very nicely for all concerned, nor do I believe that he will allow any man or set of men to influence him in any matter that might come up or that would not be for the best interests of all concerned. But as we have all kinds of people in a community like ours we cannot expect all people to think alike on certain matters.
 Therefore, knowing the gentlemen as I do, and believing that all good citizens are in favor of keeping our tax rate as low as possible and still keep our city in keeping with the times, I urge all people regardless of petty politics to vote, this spring, for candidates that are best acquainted with the work that is laid out for the coming year.
 Yours respectfully,
 J. M. MONTIGEL.

William Fulcher of St. Louis was an Alma visitor Friday.

Mrs. Mead of Mt. Pleasant was the guest of Mrs. Hutchinson Monday.

Bernice Walker, teacher at Romeo, is enjoying this week at home.

Beginning Sunday, April 4, all trains on the Ann Arbor road will run Sunday the same as week days. Another motor will also be added, making two motors each way every day. Motors going north leave Alma at 8:10 A. M. and 4:46 P. M. going south at 11:14 A. M. and 6:28 P. M. No change in steam trains.

Oxfords! Oxfords!

Don't forget if you want a pair of Oxfords for Easter to get our prices. Our line is on display and the prices "can't be beat."

New line of "Klosfit" colored petticoats \$1.35
 Black "Klosfit" satin \$1.00
 Gingham petticoats 48c

Our store will be open every evening after April first.

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