VROOMAN DROPS OUT

STANDPAT SCHEME TO DIVIDE VOTE IN EIGHTH DISTRICT FAILS.

HOPED TO WEAKEN DARRAH BY BRINGING OUT VROOMAN

Could Not Get Sufficient Signers to Petition to Get Name on Ballot—Bashor Neither a Preacher Nor Prohibitionist—Garrett's Candidacy Progressing—Other News of the State.

Special to Times-Republican.

Des Moines, May 3.—The situation in the Eighth district as regards the republican congressional nomination has been left in excellent shape. It was planned by some persons, identity not disclosed, that the fight should be complicated by having three candidates. The name of C. E. Vrooman of Centerville was brought out and petitions put in circulation for him. He was to be a progressive candidate. While he lives nominally in Centerville he has in fact been a resident of Washington, holding a departmental place for many years, and is almost unknown to the majority of the voters. It was very plain at the outset that, whatever might be his ideas, his candidacy would injure that of Representative John H. Darrah and improve the chances of Judge H. M. Towner. But after some weeks of hustling for signatures it was found impossible to secure a sufficient number to warrant placing the name of Vrooman on the ballot and the candidacy was dropped. This leaves a square fight between two men upon issues that are clear. Aside from his being thoroughly in sympathy with the progressive policies of the republican national platform, Mr. Darrah, however, is recognized as an exceptionally able and successful business man who will approach the large business problems of the national situation with experience. His opponent has been on the bench so long that he has little familiarity with practical business affairs.

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In the democratic campaign for governor some matters have been cleared by a statement from Mr. Bashor's friends in which it is declared that he is neither a minister nor a prohibitionist. It was commonly supposed that Mr. Bashor was a minister, but it seems that he has done nothing other than to accept many invitations for addresses in pulpits and has never been ordained. While a number of persons have assumed that he was a prohibitionist, yet he has long been an earnest advocate of high license as the best way of dealing with the question. Mr. Bashor will have a very large vote here in Des Moines among the democrats.

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Hon. B. W. Garrett, the progressive candidate for clerk of the supreme court, is a man of unusual ability and a fine speaker. For a good many years under the administration of Governor Cummins, he devoted himself to the problem of betterment of the prison methods of Iowa. He early became an advocate of the indeterminate sentence and parole method and during several sessions of the legislature he was constantly in consultation with the men who were urging this long delayed reform. In fact, Mr. Garrett worked out a system of reporting and rules in regard to the paroling of prisoners which was the foundation for the present system now enacted into law. The state was exceedingly fortunate in having Mr. Garrett at the head of the parole department during the period of establishing the new system. He is recognized as one of the foremost thinkers on the subject of prison reform. Last year at the state Christian Endeavor convention at Iowa Falls he delivered an address which delighted the delegates, as a result of which he is on two programs for district conferences soon. He is to be the leading speaker for the first day of the Eighth district C. E. convention at Pella, May 4, his address to be on "Prison Work." He is also urgently invited to speak at the district convention at Winthrop in June. In addition to being thoroughly devoted to the cause of good government, Mr. Garrett is an active christian worker in all lines, a member of the official board of the large Christian church located near the state capital.

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The democratic attitude toward law enforcement in Iowa seems to have been outlined by Representative W. L. Etter, of Keokuk county, in his Sigourney paper in his "boost" for Ex-Representative Walters for attorney general. Representative Etter is for Walters because they used to go to the same school. He states that there was a time when the people of the state considered the attorney general one of the biggest and best lawyers of the state and "in fact there was a time when only such could be nominated and an opinion from that office was worth something." Mr. Etter says that would be true with Charley Walters, "however," he says, "of late years the attorney general's office partakes of the nature of police headquarters." He adds that the attorney general doesn't need to be a lawyer at all but "a man catcher." This refers of course to the ousting of Chief of Police Richmond for permitting Council Bluffs to go wrong, and to the ousting of Mayor Henderson, of Marengo, whose brother is managing the Carroll campaign, and to similar activities of the office of attorney general. It would seem from this statement of a prominent democratic representative in the legislature that the democratic plan is to drop all this law enforcement business and have the attorney general confine himself strictly to giving opinions to state officials on details of their offices.

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The "R. F. D. News," published in Washington, which circulates generally among the rural mail carriers, tells of some recent work at Washington on behalf of the carriers in their efforts to get a little better pay for their work. It states that among others found to be against the proposal was Walter I. Smith, of Iowa. The carriers also recall that Smith voted to raise his own salary and also to pay himself mileage home and back again while sitting in his seat.

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Now the Clinton Herald, which on the day following the Carroll good roads conference and organization of the Jackson committee, declared that the war was on and it was to be a fight to a finish, has joined the Iowa City Republican in denouncing Governor Carroll for undertaking to make a campaign astraddle of the fence. The Herald denies that the Carroll branch of the Jackson committee has correctly stated the issue. "The issue in Iowa today," it is declared, "is not whether Governor Carroll is entitled to a second term by reason of party precedence and faithful performance of duty, then adds:

"The question to be determined is whether Iowa republicanism indorses the attitude of the party as measured by the Taft administration or whether Iowa republicanism endorses first of all the position of the Iowa senators."

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Des Moines people have become still more interested in the Illinois political scandal involving Senator Lorimer, because of the fact that Congressman McKinley appears to have had a hand in the game, and McKinley is head of the organization responsible for the Jackson committee which is managing the standpat campaign for Carroll. It appears that among the letters turned up was one which indicates that the democratic legislator who was bribed to support the Illinois standpat program, secured free passes over the "Illinois traction lines" which are owned by McKinley, and thus that the McKinley interests were closely connected with the whole plot to debauch Illinois politics. McKinley aided in having organized the fight in Iowa and is understood to be sponsor for the movement to force a factional fight here.

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RICHMOND TO APPEAL

DEPOSED POLICE CHIEF OF COUNCIL BLUFFS TO CARRY CASE HIGHER.

REFUSES TO DISCUSS JUDGE WOODRUFF'S RULING

Office of Chief Temporarily Filled by Deputy United States Marshal — Sixteen-Year-Old Railroad Employe Killed at Council Bluffs—Other Iowa News.

Special to Times-Republican.

Council Bluffs, May 3.—Chief of Police George H. Richmond, who was ousted from office after a trial under the Cosson law, declared today he would appeal from the decision of Judge Woodruff removing him. Other than this he would nave nothing to say. Deputy United States Marshal Clarence Crum has been appointed chief of police temporarily.

FORTUNE NOT FOR CHILDREN.

Benton County Man's Wealth Goes to Grandson.

Vinton, May 3.—An interesting fight for the wealth of a rich farmer of this county who died last June, has been in progress in the district court here and has been occupying the attention of a jury for the past week.

George Smith, of Norway, this county, died last June, willing his 300 acre farm worth more than $45,000 and most of his monies, aggregating over $12,000, to his grandson and namesake.

The two daughters tried to break the will of their father, who was at the time of the making of it, 81 years old and, as they allege, very enfeebled in health. Even the sanity of the testator was brought into question in the trial which was bitterly contested on both sides, both of which subpoenaed many witnesses which included the entire neighborhood and dozens of acquaintances.

Tre court, however, took the case from the jury and allowed the will to stand as made.

Items From Carroll.

Special to Times-Republican.

Carroll, May 3.—Mr. and Mrs. George M. Stanton are home from Excelsior Springs, Mo., where they have been in quest of the former's health.

City Superintendent H. A. Mitchell will address the old soldiers on Decoration day.

Our city superintendent has been mentioned as a possible nominee for state superintendent on the democratic ticket. Carrollites think Mitchell is all right, only he is on the wrong ticket.

W. R. Foster, for fourteen years station agent for the Illinois Central at Webster City, is now operator for the Great Western here.

John Selzer has installed a new 25-horse power engine for his ice plant and wholesale ice cream establishment. The engine is the first of its kind to be installed i Iowa, and is operated from crude oil, at a much less expense than the ordinary engine.

At the present time there is not a republican official in the Carroll county court house, by reason of the large normal democratic majority in the county. There is a dearth of candidates asking for consideration before the June primaries for every office to be vacated. Charles F. Hamilton, sheriff, and George Bartels, recorder, are two-termers, and are asking for renomination. John Greick, clerk, and William Langenfeld, treasurer, are asking to be considered, while County Attorney E. A. Wissler and Auditor Peter Stephany are not asking for a renomination. There is some opposition to the two-term rule and this year will prove a real test as Hamilton has been a good official and is popular with the voters. As to the republicans, little is being said at the present time, but it is known that, at least it is thought there is a fighting chance to elect a republican to one office.

Trear News Letter.

Special to Times-Republican.

Traer, May 3.—A double wedding took place at the Tranquility manse Thursday, when Rev. J. N. Currens united in marriage Louise Hagedorn and Miss Laura Otterman, also Harry Otterman and Miss Ruby Ross. They are all fine young people and have the good wishes of a large circle of friends.

Ernest Quick, a carpenter on the new schoolhouse, who was called to his home in Joliet, Ill., last week by the illness of his son, returned this week bringing his wife and son with him. They are staying at the H. J. Patterson home and Mr. Quick will again sesume work.

Henry Staker went Saturday night to Davenport, to meet Mr. and Mrs. Chris Hoeppner and son Frank. From there the party will go to Germany where they expect to spend two or three months visiting relatives.

It is expected that the new schoolhouse will be completed in about two weeks. The building will cost something over $40,000 and is a decided improvement to our little town.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McKerral and three chidlren and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McKerral expect to start for England some time the first part of June. They will return in the fall.

Sioux Rapids Sundries.

Special to Times-Republican.

Sioux Rapids, May 3.—Haifdon Holmers fell Friday and broke his arm at the elbow. He is still holding down his position at F. D. White & Son's store, but it is a one-handed business with him.

Dr. and Mrs. Hart are the proud parents of a daughter who arrived at their home May 1.

Charles Gilmore and H. H. Powell will not be candidates for members of the board of supervisors of Clay county this year. Mr. Gilmore has been on the board for fifteen years.

Dave Williams went to Watertown, S. D., last week. He will conduct a stand at Lake Kampeska this season.

R. B. Smith has sold his launch to parties at Storm Lake.

John Williams has shipped his steamboat to Worthington, Minn., where he will run it this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Torkelson and son, Lawrence, returned from California last week.

Birthday Party at Gifford.

Special to Times-Republican.

Gifford, May 3.—On Sunday, May 1, Mrs. A. W. Waddell entertained a company of relatives and friends at a dinner party in honor of the seventy-fifth anniversary of her father, W. A. Wentworth. Thirty relatives were present to enjoy the occasion. A sumptuous dinner was served by the hostess. Those present from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wentworth and daughter Ruth, and sons John and Charley, of Oskaloosa; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wentworth and daughter Estel, of Oskaloosa; Mr. C. A. Miller, of Hubbard, and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Willis, of Marietta.

Mr. Wentworth was presented a handsome gold watch fob as a memento of the occasion.

KEOKUK DAM QUESTION.

Size of Lock to Be Determined by Government Soon.

Keokuk, May 3.—Hugh L. Cooper will be in St. Louis next Monday to be present at the meeting of the board of engineers for rivers and harbors to consider the size of the lock to be built in connection with the dam that is to span the Mississippi river at this place. The question has been discussed at a previous meeting held in Rock Island and the present plans for the lock as approved by the war department were determined by the river interests present and everything was satisfactory.

The question revived again is now one for the government to determine as to modifications, the government having already entered into a contract with the Keokuk and Hamilton Water Power Company relative to the lock. The question will not affect the building of the big dam which is going forward as rapidly as conditions will permit.

River Front Case Nears End.

Sioux City, May 3.—What probably is the last move in the famous "river front" case as far as the courts are concerned was made today, when Judge Gaynor ordered that the costs be apportioned among the various defendants. The court costs amount to about $600, and C. C. Hamilton, one of the official court records, will go over the records and ascertain the exact amount, which will be divided between twenty or thirty defendants.

The case is known as the Dumbarton Realty Company against Erickson and others, and it is one of several involving the title to a long strip of valuable river front land in Sioux City.

Three Can Put Lid On.

Sioux City, May 3.—A judge, an attorney and a sheriff are the only officials necessary to make a town dry, according to C. W. Trickett, "the man who cleaned up Kansas City, Kan.," who made an address at the Auditorium. If they are fearless and willing to enforce the law every saloon in the city can be closed and the city benefited. The address was heard by a crowd that filled the entire main floor of the building.

Marble Rock Brief Mention.

Special to Times-Republican.

Marble Rock, May 3.—James Barr is on crutches because of a fall on last Saturday.

Mrs. Will Shepardson and daughter, Julia, accompanied by Miss Forest Losee, were at the twin cities last week.

Charles Bowman and wife returned from their winter's sojourn in California last Thursday.

Harry Trimble was at home over the Sabbath. He has been elected to a place in the Cherokee schools for next year and also has received the appointment to a valuable scholarship in Cornell University at Ithaca, N. Y. The latter is an honor that does not often come to students in the western states.

Mr. Louie Messerschmidt died early last Tuesday morning, after a long and painful affliction of cancer of the stomach. He was one of our most highly esteemed citizens. Funeral services were held in the M. E. church on Thursday morning.

Editor Nies visited his son and wife at Colfax last Sunday and Sunday, and he reports both improving.

Breakfast Picnics Latest Fad.

Corning, May 3.—It has become the fad in Corning among the high school students to go to the woods for picnic breakfasts instead of evening parties. Friday morning the members of the freshman class, twenty-five in number, hied them forth to Camp grove for a 6 o'clock breakfast. The girls of the class furnished the treats. The same morning the sophomores were out to the lake at an early hour. It is said that there was a sleepy bunch in school that day.

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Northern Iowa Items

Lake View.

H. P. Helms has been re-elected principal of the Lake View schools for next year at a raise of $10 per month in his salary.

Forest City.

Peter Klang, while blasting rock near the Sime residence, lost an eye. While watching a blast it went off and hurled a fragment of rock into his eye and totally destroyed the sight. The eye had been injured before and was defective.

Carroll.

The official program for the ninth annual state convention of the Knights of Columbus, to be held at Carroll, May 10th and 11th has been issued. The headquarters will be at Burke's hotel, and the convention will be held in the court room.

Hampton.

The first litter of cub wolves captured this season were brought to the county auditor's office by Henry Marty of Geneva township. The consignment consisted of seven young cubs and Mr. Marty received two dollars each for the seven scalps.

Waukon.

The Missouri Iron Company is completing the purchase of the land for the right-of-way to the mines. This insures the building of a railroad track which has been looked for these many years. The iron mines are going to be worked.

Whittemore.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Esser have ended the fiftieth year of their married life and the event was duly celebrated. High mass was celebrated at St. Michaels church in honor of the event and their children and their respective families gathered at the Esser home to help make the day a joyful one.

Montgomery.

Three members of the family of B. F. Pierce, Rock Island agent at Montgomery, are quarantined with smallpox. There are also three cases in the family of a brother of the agent, who resides in Lakeville township. The brother recently visited in Oklahoma and contracted the disease. None of the patients are dangerously sick and it is thought that all danger of new cases is past.

Boone.

The big barn on the Crawford Hess estate in the country was completely destroyed by fire, the blaze being discovered about the middle of the afternoon. Nothing could be done to prevent the spread of the blaze and the structure was soon doomed. The adjacent buildings also went up in smoke. Some implements, feed and the like, which the tenant, Charles Brown, had in the barn at the time, were destroyed.

Le Mars.

The dog poisoner is getting in his dirty work in LeMars and a number of faithful companions have gone to their long home the past week. The miscreant is particularly active in the southwest part of town. Eugene Eilenbecker, residing on Court street, lost one of his valuable imported beagle hounds by poison. The dog was valued at $150.

Forest City.

P. Clang met with a bad accident while blasting rock. He was in the act of setting off a charge of dynamite when in some unaccountable manner the charge was prematurely exploded, horribly mutilating Mr. Clang's face insofar that it was necessary to remove one eye, and at the present writing it is not known whether the other can be saved or not, but the chances are that it cannot be saved. Mr. Clang was blind in one eye before, and it was this blind eye that was removed, the other one remaining doubtful. He is in his seventies, living alone, being a widower, and the accident is indeed a severe one.

Ida Grove.

Landlord Ferguson is out $35 and protest fees which he advanced on a worthless check presented by W. H. Blair, who claimed to be a traveling salesman for J. H. Benson & Co., of Kansas City, dealers in auto oils. About April 9 Blair stopped at the Hotel Ferguson and made the rounds of the automobile houses selling oils. When ready to depart he asked Mr. Ferguson to cash the expense check for $35 drawn by J. H. Benson & Co., in favor of Blair. This Mr. Ferguson did. The check was cashed through the bank at Baxter, Reed & Co., and was later returned by the Security Bank of Kansas City endorsed "not paid for want of funds." The Kansas City bank sent a letter stating that while J. H. Benson & Co. had at one time carried an account there it was long since overdrawn and stating that a least a dozen checks each in the sum of $35 had been presented for payment after the account was closed, all doubtless forgeries.

Ruthven.

J. H. Thatcher received word from the National fish hatchery to the effect that the perch and pike which had been promised for stocking Lost Island lake will be here in the next thirty days. The bass will be shipped some time in August. The planting of these fish in the lake will make some fine fishing in a few years and those who enjoy fishing will certainly appreciate the efforts of those who pushed the movement to secure them.

Ellington.

Anders O. Tiegen, of Ellington, one of the old settlers of the township, was found dead by his son Andrew. He had been chopping down a small tree near the house and the exertion evidently overtaxed his heart. Altho he had been somewhat feeble, his health was good. Some years ago he was a sufferer from heart disease, but recently had not been troubled with it. Mr. Teigen had lately sold the old homestead in Ellington and was contemplating moving to North Dakota where his wife and a number of his children now are.

Kanawha.

Judge Kelly has taken under advisement the drainage case in which land owners along the proposed line of the big county ditch have objected to its establishment. The pricipal objection was that the outlet in Twin Lakes township was not deep or wide enough. The judge will recommend that these defects be remedied, and if this be done the ditch will probably be established. This ditch follows closely the west branch of the Iowa river. Another big ditch along the east branch is now going through the preliminaries for establishment.

Emmetsburg.

The attempt at pumping out the lake and making a sand wharf is not the success that it was hoped to be. It is a pretty easy matter to pump out the silt on the top but below this and next to the sand is a compact body of blue clay and this is too tough to be pumped out by suction. What is needed is a pump with a mechanical device on the end of the pipe to cut this loose, then it is an easy matter to pump it. The experiment is still being tried and it is hoped that sufficient sand will be pumped to make a good shore line along the north end of Broadway.

Dubuque.

Edward Walter died at Mercy hospital late Saturday afternoon, as the result of appendicitis. He was working Monday and appeared in ordinary health. He was taken sick Monday night and his condition soon became serious. An operation was attempted, but it proved futile. Walter was 55 years of age, and a native of Switzerland. He was in charge of the Highland stock farm for a long time and was also engaged in the dairy business. He has been employed as stationary engineer in the Chicago and Great Western shops. He is survived by his widow and seven children.

Sioux City.

August and Grover Jacobsen, two brothers, whose home is on a farm near Charter Oak, were arrested by Deputy Game Warden Charles B. Kuhl not long after they had sold 110 squirrels to the L. G. Wertz bird store. They are charged with the illegal trapping of game. The boys have been selling squirrels to Mr. Wertz for several years and did not know that they were doing so in violation of the law. They raise the animals in their farm yard and allow them to run loose in the yard and among the trees, bringing them to Mr. Wertz in large numbers each spring. The lot brought $45.

Le Mars.

At a meeting of the executive board of the directors of the Western Union college the faculty for the ensuing year was elected and action taken on a number of matters relating to the college. The presidency of the college was offered to Bishop Heil, of Highland Park, Ill., some time ago, but he has not signified his acceptance or made a declination of the offer. The board of trustees is still sanguine as to his acceptance. In the meantime Mr. Thomas, who has been conducting the affairs of the college for some time, will remain in the capacity of head. The next school year will open Sept. 20.

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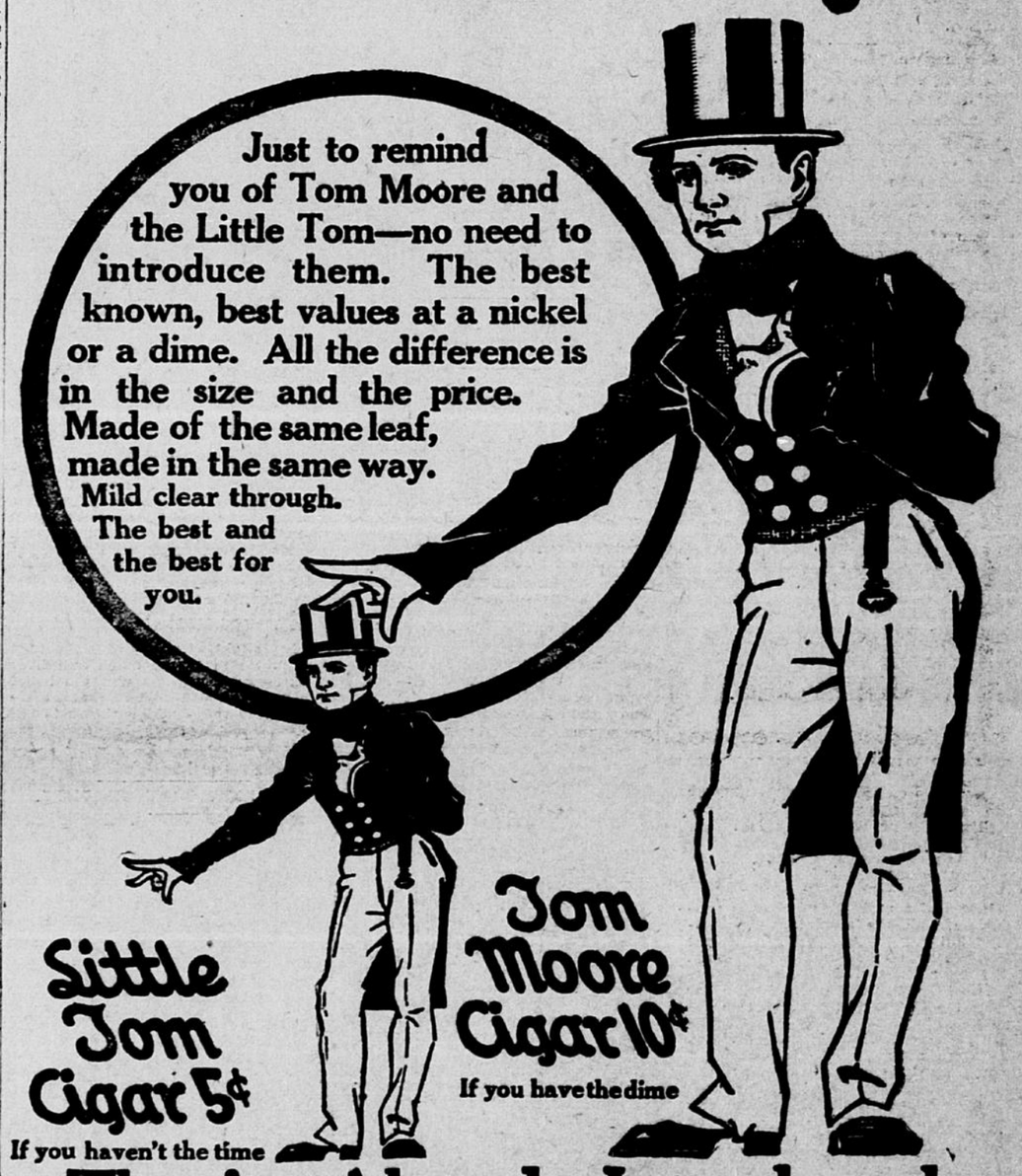

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