SCRAMBLING TO REACH COUNTY'S PIE COUNTER

Within the ranks of the republican party the candidates suggested for the different county offices are becoming as thick as honey bees in a clover patch at midsummer. Among the aspirants are some of those who have not been missed from the Spokane county pie counter in a decade; and there are others who would not have been missed if they could have avoided other engagements. There are also those who have not discovered political hunger until recently.

First in the list of offices to be filled are the two superior judgeships—the one occupied by Judge Kennan and the joint judgeship of Spokane and Stevens county now held by Judge Richardson. For these offices among the men already mentioned are Judge Kennan, to succeed himself; Attorney William A. Huneke, Attorney James Dawson and Police Justice J. D. Hinkle. Judge Hinkle is old in the politics of the county and is popular with the rank and file of the republicans. Attorney Huneke, although the youngest man named, is regarded as an able lawyer, and as a member of the firm of Danson & Huneke has made a name for himself as a practictioner at the Spokane bar. Attorney Dawson is an old resident, has many friends, and is now associated in the practice of his profession with the firm of Nash & Nash. Justice Hinkle is being urged to enter the race, because of the record he has made as a police justice, but as yet he holds aloof from the temptation of trying for the higher court bench. Attorney John Peacock, who has been active in republican politics for a number of years, has also been named. Attorney Sam Douglass of Colville is an avowed candidate for the joint judgeship, and is said to have the endorsement of a majority of the Stevens county bar.

In the contest for prosecuting attorney, among those named are Assistant Prosecuting Attorney R. M. Barnhardt, W. Sherman Dawson and Theodosius Rockwell. Mr. Barnhardt has handled many important cases while in the position of assistant prosecutor. Mr. Dawson has lived in Spokane for a number of years, and served one term as councilman from the Third ward. Mr. Rockwell has served at different times as assistant corporation counsel.

The race for sheriff is attracting a number of candidates, among them Deputy Sheriff Howard Doak, Bailiff Rolla C. Harboard and William Dean.

In the race for treasurer among those named are H. H. Hubbard, ex-county auditor, and W. E. Goodspeed, who ran for treasurer last year.

Things are warming up wonderfully in the contest for the county clerk nomination. At the head of the list are Captain R. A. Koontz, who is deputy clerk, and J. Oscar Peterson, clerk of Judge Belt's court, who is an ex-newspaper man. Considerable tension is already shown in the contest between these two favorite. Another strong possibility for the race is Oscar Loe, editor of the Fairfield Standard and postmaster of Fairfield, who is a topliner in the ranks of the party, although he has not openly announced his candidacy.

It is practically agreed that Auditor Z. Stewart is well in the lead to succeed himself, and the opposition to him has been slow in coming forward.

Assessor Dayton Stewart is believed to have everything fixed to succeed himself, although he may encounter a fight from some of the bigwigs in the party.

Joe Snow is out for the renomination to be surveyor.

There is little talk about the candidate for commissioner as yet, because, as in the past, these nominations are likely to be given to the county at large.

Rates Change Little.

Beginning last Monday the new transcontinental freight rates went into effect, superseding the tariff sheets issued July 1, 1902. The new rates are nearly the same as those that have been in effect since a year ago last July, although a few minor changes are reported. "There has been some slight changes in order to have an excuse to issue a new book," is the way the railroad men think of it.

The principal change in the new tariff is the slight raise in the rate on furniture. Several more articles have been added to the freight commodity list. This raise is said to be an adjustment of rates now used by the transcontinental lines.

Hereafter box cars over 42 feet in length, and flat cars over 41 feet in length, will be subject to a 25 per cent on the minimum carload weight. Freight cars more than 50 feet long will not be handled by any of the through lines.

Refrigerator cars will hereafter be charged $15 for icing between St. Paul and Chicago.

Advance sheets of the new changes first reached here last July.

The next man who tries to make Langley's airship fly should wear a diving suit.

PRAISES THE PLUCK OF A SPOKANE MAN

James D. Sword, M. E., of Rossland, arrived in the city last night from the north, en route to Alaska. At the Hotel Spokane he told a Press reporter that the prospects of the successful operation of the Ellmore oil process in treating the low grade gold-copper ore bodies of the Rossland mines had done much to renew confidence in British Columbia's pioneer camp.

"Over in the Boundary district a most hopeful feeling prevailed due to the report issued by the Granby Consolidated company on its financial condition and the prospects of an early dividend being declared. The Granby made a profit of $295,463 in its operations for the past 12 months, despite the most depressing circumstances, due principally to a suspension of shipments and treatment of the ores on account of the lack of a continuous supply of coke. With the surplus of the preceding year the company has on hand $693,535. That would provide a 5 per cent dividend on the issued capital, $13,363,030, in $10 shares. Once again Spokane mining men have picked a plum in British Columbia mines. All credit is due Jay P. Graves, who purchased the group of mines in Phoenix camp as mere prospects when practically every expert that went up the hill to examine them stated they were too low grade to be worked. In spite of almost impossible conditions he succeeded in obtaining capital, and has built at Grand Forks a smelting plant that is not only an honor to a Spokane man's perseverance, but is today ranked as one of the most notable reduction plants on the continent. Mr. Graves and his plucky associates deserve all their success."

Mr. Sword expects to leave today for Prince of Wales island, Alaska, where he has considerable property in the vicinity of Hedley, the new camp founded by Sam Silverman, a Spokane mining operator.

FEAR DRIVES A FAIR GIRL TO DRINK ACID

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—The mystery of the beautiful young woman who committed suicide whose body has been for a week awaiting idenfification in the Brooklyn morgue, was solved today when Mrs. Gear of No. 1362 Fulton street identified the body as that of Miss Katherine Hallen, who formerly lived at No. 1342 Fulton street.

Young, beautiful and possessed of ample wealth, Miss Hallen was the victim of a mental malady. Her affliction made her retiring and she had few friends. Even to her intimates she revealed nothing of her family history. She lived entirely alone in a comfortably furnished apartment, going out for most of her meals. She was fond of the theater and made friends with Mrs. Gear, an elderly woman, in order that she might have company.

Early in September Miss Hallen felt her mental ailment increasing and went to St. John's hospital. She was discharged about September 15. She closed her apartment, put her furniture in storage and went to St. Catherine's hospital. After leaving there she spent several days with Mrs. Gear.

Mrs. Gear noticed nothing peculiar about her except that she was inclined to moroseness and talked a great deal of her fear of eventually becoming insane. On October 6 she left the house, saying she would ride to Coney Island and back. She did not return.

That evening a policeman noticed a stylishly dressed young woman sitting as if in a sleeping posture on the curbstone in Douglass street. When he shook her he discovered that she was dead. She had bought carbolic acid in a neighboring drug store and drank it. Nothing was found on her but eight $1 bills.

Mrs. Gear did not learn of the finding of the body until today. She identified her friend at the first glance, but could tell the police nothing of the girl's antecedents. Miss Hallen evidently had money or relatives who were able to take care of her, but unless they communicate with the Brooklyn police the young woman's body will be buried in Potter's Field.

Award Grading Contract

At a meeting of the board of public works held this morning the contract for the grading and curbing of Knox avenue, from the center line of Mill street to the center line of Monroe street, was awarded to Mitchell Bros. for th sum of $948.00.

The assesment roll for the grading and curbing of Ash street from Tenth to Fourteenth avenues, and the assessment roll for the sidewalking of Ash street between the same limits were forwarded to the council for approval. The assessment roll for the Mansfield avenue grading and curbing from Monroe street to Mill street was approved and forwarded to the council for their confirmation.

The board allowed an estimate amounting to $7000 in favor of August Ilse on his contract price of $13,456.00 for the construction of the concrete pier at the south end of the Monroe street bridge.

The board requested the city engineer to prepare plans for the Latah creek bridge, to consist of a steel span in the center, and the balance of the bridge to be built of timber, same to be what is known as a "combination" bridge.

As will be seen by watching Russia, there is no diplomacy so successful as that backed by a big army and navy.

Entertained for Servant

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 13.—Mrs. Harrison Spaulding, a well known club and society woman of this city, has found what she declares is the real and only solution for the servant girl problem. The other evening she entertained for Miss Helen Miller, her servant. Miss Miller made out her list, and Mrs. Spalding sent invitations to 30 young men and women.

Every room in the big residence on twenty-sixth street was at the disposal of the young woman and her friends. The elaborate spread was prepared by Mrs. Spalding, who herself waited on the tables.

Some of the inivited guests were musicians of considerable ability, and they sang and played. In speaking of the success of the affair, Mrs. Spalding said:

"Helen has been faithful in her work for three years, drudging without a murmur when I had the house full of company. I thought it wouldn't do any harm to show her I appreciated her willing service, and I must say that the young people whom she invited were as much gentlemen and ladies as the young people in our church."

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Floral association is being held this afternoon at the residence of the president, Mrs. A. J. Burt, 1109 W. Nora avenue.

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GIRLS WORE DRESSES BACKWARD ON PARADE

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Oct. 13.—Six young girls of the most exclusive families of Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, with their dresses on hind part before, their hats on backward, their gloves pulled on the wrong hands and wearing huge placards on which the Z I T were emblazoned, made a tour of the Fulton street shopping district yesterday and for half an hour paralyzed business and halted traffic by their strange antics.

These six schoolgirls were being led about by a dozen older young women as part of their initiation into a secret Greek society formed of the wealthiest members of the juvenile Heights set.

Apparently the worthy members of the looking backward party were entirely oblivious of the tremendous sensation they created. Though women turned and gasped at the strange collection of jaunty tan coats, silk Monte Carlos and heavy reefers worn hind part before, and stared in wide-eye amazement at the ridiculous aspect of their reversed millinery, while the groups of men in front of the courthouse and the municipal building made audible remarks about and to the queer procession, the young women pursued the even tenor of their way in utter unconcern.

The first seen of the strange initiation procession was when it entered a dry goods store about 3 o'clock.

Pushing their way past the floorwalker the young women formed in line with their faces toward Fulton street, and at a sign of command from the leader proceeded to stalk slowly backward down the center aisle.

Walking in this strange fashion they made a complete tour of the ground floor, and then, after taking the elevator, repeated the strange performance till every department of the store had been visited.

Pa on Paregoric.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 13.—Has "papa" a right to insist on baby's having a dose of paregoric? And has mamma a right to declare baby shall not have paregoric and to tell "papa" to "shut up?"

A difference in views upon these questions landed Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Olson of Minneapolis in the divorce court. The woman asked for a divorce and petitioned this in her complaint. The woman said the paregoric bottle had finally brought her to the point where she must choose between her husband and her family—and she selected the latter. The court backed "mamma." and Mrs. Olson got her divorce.

G. A. Gaunce, secretary of the Greenwood board of trade, left today for Seattle.

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