MAKE WANTS KNOWN

William B. Egan Files for Democratic Nomination for Auditor

FITZGERALD RUNS AGAIN

Aspirants for County Office Call Early in Anticipation of Scramble for Preferment—Rogers Takes It Easy.

William B. Egan yesterday filed his certificate of nomination for the Democratic nomination for county auditor, and Register of Deeds Michael F. Fitzgerald made his intentions to run for a second term official, by depositing $10 with Auditor Johnson.

The manner in which the aspirants for county offices are getting out from under cover indicates that they are far from few and that most of them expect to fight hard for the good things they most desire.

The candidacy of Mr. Egan came as a surprise to most of his friends, who have known him only as an enthusiastic Democrat, with his services at the command of his party. Mr. Egan was born in St. Paul and numbers among his friends all who know him. For six years he has been with L. N. Scott as treasurer and press agent of the Metropolitan opera house. Prior to that he was five years in the county auditor's office; two years as deputy auditor, and is thoroughly familiar with as well as competent to fill the office which he seeks. He has already received promises of liberal support and his friends say he will canter under the primary wire a clean winner of the nomination.

Sets Fears at Rest.

Mr. Fitzgerald's candidacy to succeed himself was a surprise to no one but the political weather prophets who have been touting him for auditor, county clerk, congress and a few other offices, to make trouble in return for his rather decided lack of interest in the recent municipal campaign. The early announcement of his intentions was probably made to set at rest the tongues of the political busy bodies.

Mr. Fitzgerald is a Republican of the old strait-laced type, and has paid in honest service for all the good things his party has ever given him. He has lived in St. Paul thirty-three years. He was admitted to the bar in 1876 and was one of the original promoters of the Commercial club, in fact it was he who drew the by-laws and constitution of that organization. He was first a candidate for elective office two years ago and was elected register by an immense majority, running far ahead of his ticket. Prior to his election as register he was chief deputy in the clerk of court's office from January, 1895 to January, 1901. Mr. Fitzgerald is the first registrar of titles under the Torrens land law.

ROGERS SAYS THIRD TERM WILL SUIT HIM

Clerks of Courts Is Too Good to Desert for Kiefer's Benefit.

E. G. Rogers is a candidate for the Republican nomination for a third term as clerk of courts. The woods are full of Barkises who would like the nomination, but it is a safe bet that Rogers will land the plum.

The little sideplay to get Rogers out after the congressional nomination, manipulated by the Kiefer people, did not have the right kind of bait. Rogers would like to go to congress and the chances are even, that in a fair field between himself and Stevens for the nomination he could give Stevens a warm run for his money. But the play to let Kiefer land the nomination was too plain to fool a politician, far less astute than Rogers.

The Kiefer people figured that with Rogers in the field he would divide the vote with Stevens that Kiefer could not get anyway, and that the "colonel" would slip by with the German vote and the nomination. To make sure that there would be no slip on the German vote in Ramsey county E. G. Krahmer was to be the Kiefer candidate for clerk of courts.

Threats Are Easy.

When Rogers gave it out cold that he would be a candidate to succeed himself, the Doran people began to use threats of political violence to drive him into the field with the campaign arguments manufactured by McCardy for the joint use of himself and Doran. The threats and the Doran machine advocacy of the candidacy of Charles Arrol seems to have had little effect on the nervous system of Rogers. He has dismissed the whole thing with one of his characteristic shrugs and when he returns from a vacation trip will file his certificate of nomination.

That vacation trip again shows the political cool-headedness of Rogers. He has met the political grafter lo, many and oft the time, and he is perfectly willing to let the other fellow pay the booze bills for a month or two. There will be plenty left when he gets back.

SIXTH PROMISES A STRENUOUS BATTLE

Fight for New District Narrows Down to Hempstead and Buckman.

Matters congressional in the Sixth district seem to have taken on pretty definite shape. The battle seems destined to be between Dr. Werner Hempstead, of Brainerd, who is expected to carry the Democratic banner to victory, and Senator C. B. Buckman, of Little Falls.

C. A. Stanto, of Cass Lake, whose friends were grooming him for the Democratic nomination, has evidently other political ambitions and is expected to make the race for county attorney. Mr. Stanton probably never had any idea of interfering with Dr. Hempstead's chance for congress.

At the organization meeting of the new Sixth district Democratic congressional committee, Hempstead was practically united upon as the man to make the Democratic race and the Democrats of the new district think too much of their chances of landing a congressman in the one district which the Republican gerrymandering committee did not make overwhelmingly Republican, to throw them away by a row in the party ranks.

Ready for Hard Fight.

This attitude was pretty well defined by the outspoken declaration of several of the committeemen at the organization meeting when they bolted the candidacy of Judge Brunner. The Democrats are ready to get together and stick together until they elect their man, but they gave it out cold that the man would have to be one who has stuck to the party through thick and thin.

The Republican insurgents have apparently subsided and on the cards Buckman will be the Republican nominee. If it is Buckman and Hempstead, the districts with big Republican majorities will have an opportunity to see the fur fly in a nip and tuck race for the initial control of the keystone district. Both men are fighters. They are personal friends and it's a 3 to 1 bet that the scrap they will put up will be clean, but decidedly strenuous. The district is naturally so close that the state organizations on both sides may be expected to take a deep interest in the result and the first congressional battle in the new Sixth promises to furnish an epoch in Minnesota's political warfare.

M. F. FITZGERALD.

First Republican Official to File for Renomination.

BEDE'S CHANCES LOOK GOOD.

Eighth District Politicians Discover He Is Not Joking.

Things are looking good for Adam Bede in the new Eighth district. The political wiseacre laughed at Bede last winter when he prophesied that Page Morris would pull out of the race and give him a clear field.

Bede is so accustomed to creating laughs that the merriment failed to disconcert his plan of a school house campaign and when Morris made good Bede's prognostication, the little joker had things sewed up so tightly that it now looks as though it would be extremely difficult for any of the wise ones to step in and relieve him of the nomination, which is considered by Republicans to mean the election.

So far every one that has bobbed up as an opponent to Bede's nomination has found after looking over the situation that he had rheumatism or some other ailment which incapacitated him from further pursuit of Eighth district congressional honors at the hands of the G. O. P.

Morris will probably land on the federal bench, in the seat that was originally intended for Robert G. Evans. Judge Lochren's district has long been considered too large for one judge and the original scheme contemplated shutting off the iron country as a separate district or securing the appointment of an associate judge.

Mr. Morris' friends want the place for him and the members of the Minnesota delegation have almost without exception declared themselves in favor of the plan. Under the constitution, if Mr. Morris were in congress when the new district were made he would be ineligible, and some one else would carry off the desired appointment. Bede is also heartily in favor of putting Judge Morris on the federal bench, and in consequence Morris' friends are expected to be not unfriendly, if not very enthusiastic, in their support of Bede.

POLITICAL GOSSIP.

Since the election is over and McCardy has no use for any latter-day votes, neither Mr. Griggs or any of the other McCardy agents have been heard boosting the name of George Thane as the Republican candidate for county auditor. Prior to the election and McCardy's Waterloo, every time one of Thane's friends met a member of the city hall close corporation, the conversation at once drifted away from the chances of the "watch dog's" re-election to speculation on "What a lovely auditor George would make."

The McCardy people are a little short of their usually well assorted stock of offices which they have promised promiscuously for a few years. McCardy is now busy refusing the $15,000 per year jobs which the public discovered were waiting for him. After he gets rid of all the giant corporations that are now clamoring for his services he may decide to run for auditor himself.

The friends of James Drummond are grooming him for the Republican nomination for county auditor, and should he decide to run he can be relied upon to make the other aspirants hustle. Mr. Drummond is the chief clerk in Auditor Johnson's office and at the special request of the board of county commissioners two years ago was made secretary of the board. He has the business of the auditor's office, which has in a very large degree devolved on him in the last year, at his finger tips and his uniform courtesy to the patrons of the office has made him a host of friends.

The insurgents have disappeared from their favorite stamping grounds and the Van Sant rooters and organs between whoops of alleged complete victory for the governor are casting anxious weather eyes to leeward for insurgent squalls in the rural regions.

The people are fully acquainted with Mr. Doran's explanation of his drubbing and their folishness. Now they can suffer from insomnia and remorse for two years. The eminent endorser of Swamp Root has promised not to again enter the mayoralty race until the expiration of that period.

The report that County Auditor Johnson could not attend the game yesterday with his associate rooters, because of his overpowering grief for the defeat of F. B. Doran, lacks confirmation.

Fred Schiffmann has discharged both the bookkeepers who were engaged in figuring out how much he did not make out of the municipal election.

NOTHING GAINED BY ROBBERS.

They Hold Up a Train and Now Bloodhounds Are After Them.

BONNERVILLE, Ark., May 10.—A passenger train on the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad was held up between Jonesboro and Bonnerville early this morning. There were four men in the attacking party. After stopping the train they detached the engine and express car and pulled to a "blind siding," where they blew open the safe with dynamite. The explosion wrecked the car and the men escaped in the darkness.

A posse has been organized and, with blood hounds, is on the trail of the robbers. The express messenger says the robbers secured no booty.

BUILDING UP FORTIFICATIONS.

Appropriation Bill Carries Nearly Eight Millions.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—The senate committee on appropriations today concluded the consideration of the bill making appropriations for fortifications for the next fiscal year. The additions recommended by the committee bring the total appropriation up to $7,946,481, an increase of $1,438,481 over the amount carried by the bill, as it passed the house.

The aggregate sum carried by the bill as reported is $582,470 in excess of last year's appropriation, but $11,060,717 less than was called for by the estimate of the war department.

DEVOTING MORE MONEY TO IRRIGATION

Material Changes Made in the Agricultural Appropriation Bill by Senate Committee.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—Senator Proctor, from the committee on agriculture, today reported the agricultural appropriation bill. It carries $5,240,860, or an increase of $135,140 over the amount carried by the house bill. The principal item of increase is $50,000, added for the purchase of sites for weather bureau observatories. The committee also added $250,000 to the $50,000 appropriated by the house for the aid of irrigation.

The house provision directing the consolidation of the department of bureau of statistics with the weather bureau was struck out, and in its stead a provision was inserted directing the secretary to report upon the advisability of such a consolidation.

More Presidential Postoffices.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—The following postoffices have been advanced to the presidential grade: Stevensville, Mont.; Platte, S. D.

EARTH CLOSES OVER FORDS.

Novelist and Brother in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery.

NEW YORK, May 10.—A double funeral Paul Leicester Ford, the author, and Malcolm Ford, the brother who killed him and himself on Thursday, was held today in the late residence of Paul Ford. The bodies were taken to Sleepy Hollow cemetery, Tarrytown, and buried in different parts of the Ford family plot.

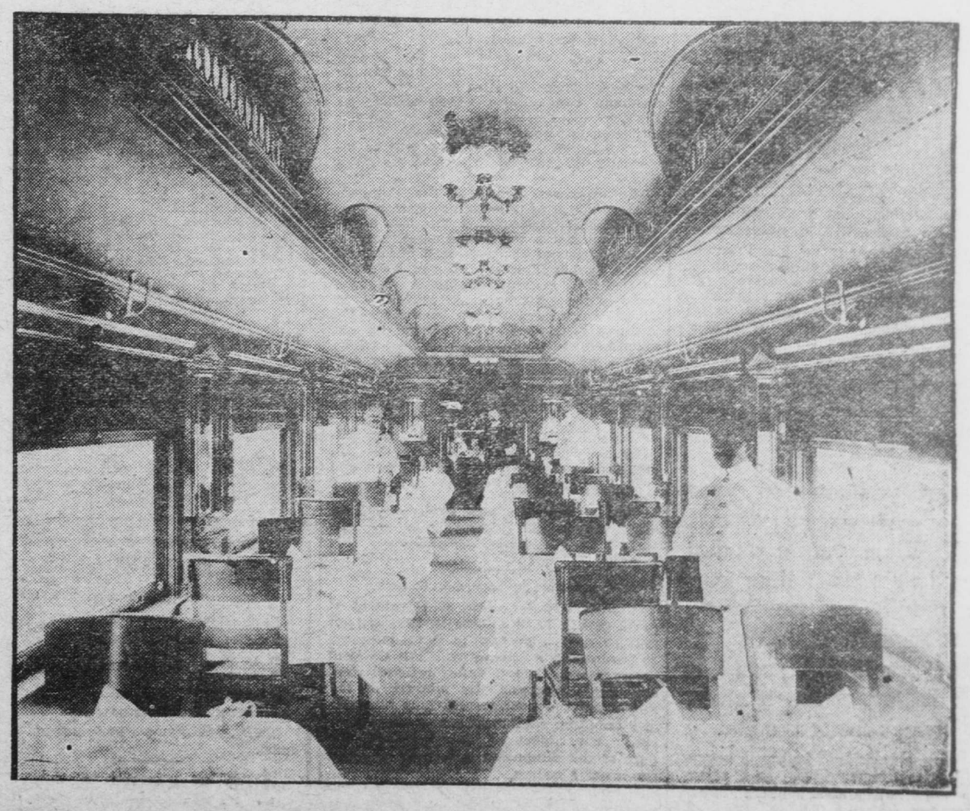
Bishop Edward Burgess of Long Island, read the funeral service. He was assisted by the Rev. Dr. E. M. Stirch, of St. Thomas church, this city.

FIRST MAY SNOW FOR YEARS.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 10.—A heavy snow storm set in here today, the mercury registering 35 above zero.

Only once before since the local weather bureau office was established in this city, thirty years ago, has snow fallen so late in the season that occasion being on May 14, 1888.

SUPERB NEW DINING CAR OF THE GREAT NORTHERN.



The above cut shows the interior of one of the new dining cars which the Great Northern has recently received from the shops. The cars, which are finished in mahogany, are the acme of the car builder's art. They are fitted with every modern appliance, and are large and roomy. They are now running on the coast trains of the Great Northern.