18,694 VOTES WERE CAST AT TUESDAY'S SPECIAL ELECTION

CANVASSING BOARD COMPLETES WORK—ESTIMATES MADE ON TURN OUT PRIOR TO TUESDAY PROVE FAIRLY ACCURATE.

Practically no change was made in the returns of Tuesday's election from the unofficial returns which were received over the phone from the seventy-five precinct polling places on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. The official canvass showed that 2,763 votes were cast in the county in favor of the proposed constitution and that 15,895 votes were cast against it.

The unofficial returns had listed two less "Yes" votes and one too many "No" votes.

The canvass was completed last night by the board, composed of County Clerk Ferguson and Justices of the Peace Koenig and Ankney. The abstract of the votes has already been sent out by the county clerk to the secretary of state. The canvassing board found the tally sheets of every precinct in excellent shape this time and encountered none of the irregularities and difficulties they found at the Nov. 7 election.

In all a total of 18,694 votes were cast. Only thirty-six of these were defective in any manner and could not be counted. This was an extremely small number of defective votes, averaging less than one-half of one ballot to a precinct polling place.

The highest vote in the county was cast in the sixth precinct in Ottawa, where 735 ballots were voted. South Ottawa came second with a vote of 661.

The total number of votes was just about half of the number cast at the Nov. 7 election.

The number of votes cast in each precinct were:

Adams	320
Allen	237
Brookfield	167
Bruce—First	335
Second	308
Third	411
Fourth	279
Fifth	188
Sixth	241
Seventh	201
Eighth	389
Ninth	279
Tenth	215
Eleventh	203
Dayton	108
Deer Park	110
Dimmick	85
Eagle—First	158
Second	96
Earl—First	196
Second	146
Eden—First	169
Second	129
Fall River	25
Farm Ridge	221
Freedom	79
Grand Rapids	81
Groveland	146
Second	158
Hope	188
La Salle—First	318
Second	319
Third	243
Fourth	272
Fifth	303
Sixth	242
Seventh	365
Eighth	228
Ninth	262
Manlius—First	352
Second	397
Mendota—First	340
Second	221
Third	242
Fourth	304
Meriden	60
Miller	82
Mission	196
Northville	123
Ophir	126
Osage	[illegible]
Ottawa—First	453
Second	523
Third	459
Fourth	408
Fifth	280
Sixth	735
Otter Creek—First	96
Second	171
Peru—First	393
Second	346
Third	318
Fourth	381
Fifth	347
Sixth	419
Richland	118
Rutland—First	440
Second	64
Serena	186
South Ottawa	661
Troy Grove	158
Utica	420
Vermillion	69
Wallace	58
Waltham	158

Total vote, 18,694.

FREEPORT'S SANTA CLAUS EXPIRES

Freeport, Ill., Dec. 16.—William Ascher, 71 years old, who had been "Santa Claus" to the children of Freeport for thirty years, died Wednesday night of pneumonia.

Mr. Ascher each Christmas remembered the children of rich and poor alike with a gift package containing toys, fruits and candies for each, the distribution entailing an expense of several thousand dollars.

He was a fuel dealer and general contractor. A widow and a son survive.

Tim Healy Guides Ireland

The new governor general of the Irish Free State is shown here on a tour of Dublin in his new official capacity. He was snapped while examining a river-lock which is being protected against Republican dynamite.

Local Briefs

Robert Chalot, who has been making his home in Tulsa, Okla., for the past several months, has returned to Ottawa to spend the holidays.

Ed Rochelle and Ed Robbs of Peoria are spending a few days in this city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Allen attended the play, "Lightnin'," in Streator last evening.

Andrew Lelx and Elmer Hitter motored to Streator last evening.

A. R. Fleming spent last evening in Streator.

Robert F. Morrison of Peoria is transacting business in this city today.

Miss Sue Hetzel and Jean Zenor spent last evening in Streator.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sheedy, of Seneca, were Ottawa visitors yesterday.

Miss Nell Bernard spent last evening with friends in La Salle.

Frank Perkinson, of La Salle transacted business in this city yesterday.

Lester McManus was a Streator visitor yesterday.

Ernest Crawford, of Grand Ridge is spending the day in Ottawa on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Larson, of Leland, were Ottawa visitors yesterday.

William Cosgrove, of Utica, spent yesterday in this city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peterson, of Leland, spent yesterday shoping in this city.

Miss Ethel Shippey attended the dance at the Halladay hall in Streator yesterday.

John Futterer went to Chicago today to drive home a new Hudson sedan.

Mayor George V. B. Weeks went to Chicago today to spend the week end.

Samuel Raymond was a Streator visitor last night.

Miss Launia Aussem was a Chicago visitor today.

Thomas Cundy, of Odell, is spending the day in Ottawa on business.

Mayor Geo. V. B. Weeks is spending the day in Chicago on business.

Peter Brennan, of La Salle, was an Ottawa caller last evening.

Miss Irene Cuziemba, of Peru, spent yesterday with friends in this city.

Jack Parks, Ned McCormick, Ed. Clancy and Lawrence Guthman, of La Salle, visited in this city last evening.

Ed. Scherer, Frank Sprague and John Scannel are spending the day in Chicago.

Mrs. John Morrissey, of Aurora, is spending the week-end visiting relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. R. C. McFarley, of Chicago, is spending a few days visiting in this city.

GIBBONS WINS EASILY FROM BILLY MISKE

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 16.—Nearly 6,000 fight fans who saw Tommy Gibbons pummel his way to an easy victory over Billy Miske here last night, were convinced today that Gibbons is a logical contender for Jack Dempsey's world's heavyweight boxing crown. Tommy demonstrated in a no doubtful manner that he was the master of Billy. Bibbons' punches to the stomach and kidneys had Miske in distress and at the finish, the latter was graggy. Tommy's only mark of the battle was a closed left eye, inflicted in the sixth round.

Cook Book for Xmas.
Ottawa Woman's Club Cook Book for sale at Kreussl Brothers'.

C. OF C. CLOSING UP YEAR'S WORK; GETS PREPARED FOR 1923

SECRETARY CARROLL OUTLINES SOME OF THE UNDERTAKINGS PLANNED AHEAD IN GREETING TO CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP.

Red and green "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" bulletins have been sent out by the local Chamber of Commerce to all their members. The bulletin contains the report of the organization, and an announcement of a "good roads division" meeting which will be held on next Tuesday night Dec. 19, at the Clifton hotel.

It reads in part:

Merry Christmas.

Dec. 15, 1922.

Members' meeting, 8 p. m., Dec. 19, Clifton hotel—Good Roads division.

This meeting will be in charge of Chairman Clarence Griggs and the first of a series of membership meetings to keep you advised on the Chamber of Commerce activities. Mr. Fleming, district superintendent of the state highway department, will tell us the reason why the east hard road has not been constructed into Ottawa. This is a real live issue and we want to see if there is any way to adjust the differences arising over the routing of this road so we can be assured of connecting up our eastern city limits with the concrete highway.

This means that the work of your waterway division has produced results and we are glad to say that Al F. Schoch will continue as chairman of this activity and will, no doubt, be reappointed local chairman of the state chamber of commerce waterway committee.

State police—R. C. Jordan has been appointed local chairman of the state police committee and will arrange his plan of organization report at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce within the next week.

Security information—We again call your attention to the desire of the secretary of state for co-operation through the Chamber of Commerce to make Illinois a safe state for investments. Do not invest your money until you know what you are going to receive in return. We will be glad to secure reports on the legality of any security.

Art extension—A committee from the Cniversity of Illinois will conduct a photographic contest for the purpose of selecting and marking 100 beauty spots in Illinois. Why not try for this distinction. Send photographs to the office or direct to Mary E. Aleshire, Plymouth, Illinois.

Saturday, Dec. 16, there will be a meeting of the comaiittee for the reorganization of Company C in the Chamber of Commerce rooms at 8 p. m. Col. W. S. Meyers Jr. of Pontiac will meet with the committee.

Casper, Wyo., sends us an interesting bulletin which records the history of their tourists' camp, which entertained tourists in 3,385 cars that stopped there this year. They came from every state in the union except Delaware and Vermont. Registration cards show a total expenditure by tourists stopping at the camp of $51,001.63. They thing it is a good thing.

Traffic bureau—We are now prepared to offer a service to merchants and manufacturers that should prove of interest and profit to them.

We have made arrangements whereby members may have their freight bills audited for a very reasonable charge of twenty-five per cent of the amount of overcharge detected and refunded. We are also in a position to render valuable assistance to manufacturers and business men in the matter of rates, routes, claims, delivery schedules, etc.

This is the last 1922 bulletin so we wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

500 Conversions the Goal

Fairfield Business Men's Gospel Team.

After six weeks of evangelistic effort on the part of the Fairfield gospel team and hundreds of local people, the tabernacle meeting will come to a close Sunday night. It has been a great meeting, and with the conversions numbering 457 up to Saturday noon it looks to the committee that the number would reach over 500 by Sunday night.

Seldom in the history of Ottawa has there been a better meeting or a more thorough evangelistic campaign. There have been others where the number of conversions reported were larger, but there have been few more thorough campaigns than that which will come to a close Sunday night.

All the churches will join in the morning meeting at the "wooden temple" tomorow morning at 11 o'clock and again at 3 o'clock, at which time the Ottawa business men's gospel team will be organized.

The young people of the city will meet in the choir loft of the tabernacle for a union service at 6:30, then at 7:30 there will be a song service in the main autditorium.

DELAY ISSUING CALL FOR NEW PASTOR OF ILL. AVENUE CHURCH

Members of the United Evangelical church on Illinois avenue, will not secure a new pastor to fill the pulpit of their church until the annual conference of the church in March, it was announced today.

The pulpit of the church has been vacant since early in the fall, when Rev. R. P. Maue, who had been pastor there for more than a year, became ill and had to return to his former home in Pennsylvania. The official board of the church at once started a quest for a successor for Rev. Maue, but found a very difficult task ahead of them.

Not only was there a scarcity of Evangelical pastors, in this vicinity, but all of the ministers the board would like to secure for Ottawa were in their charges and did not desire to make a change until the close of the fiscal year of the church, which ends with the conference in March.

The members of the board, after looking around for a time, decided they would get a stronger rector, and one who was better fitted for the Ottawa work if they waited until the time of the conference and allowed the church officials to assign them one, than if they took any one they could get at the present time.

U. S. Victory 4¾ Bonds.
Letters A, B, C, D, E and F are called for payment December 15, after which interest ceases. Bring in your bonds to us, and we will give you credit either in our commercial or savings department.
MERCHANTS AND FARMERS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK.

War Savings Stamps
Due January 1, 1923. Bring them in to us and we will collect them for you. No charge for this service.
MERCHANTS AND FARMERS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK.

WOOL POOL PROVES SUCCESS; FARMERS EARN BIG PROFITS

REPORT ON SALES ISSUED BY FARM BUREAU OFFICE SHOWS MONEY WAS MADE BY CREATING SALES CENTER TO DISPOSE OF SUPPLY.

The farmers who pooled their wool this year, through the La Salle County Farm Bureau, have received their money and seem to be well pleased with the prices received, says a report issued today by the farm advisor. Continuing the report says:

"The wool sold at an average price of 40.76 cents per pound for all in the La Salle County pool. The total marketing expense, including freight, cartage, grading, commission, and everything, amounted to an average of 3.95c per pound; thus netting the consignors an average of 36.81c per pound.

"The different grades sold as follows:

½ Blood Staple	51.9c
Tub Washed	50.0c
⅜ Blood Staple	46.0c
½ Blood Clothing	45.9c
¼ Blood Staple	42.9c
⅜ Blood Clothing	40.9c
¼ Blood Clothing	39.6c
Medium Black	34.6c
Medium Burry & Seedy	34.5c
Low ¼	33.9c
Braid	29.6c
Dead	29.6c
Tags	18.9c

"The local buyers paid from 23c to 35c for wool this year, but the most of the wool they purchased at an average price of about 26c per pound.

"The extra money which the pool netted the farmers paid them well for waiting on their money, and it returned this extra money to the farmer who fed the sheep and produced the wool, instead of putting it into the pocket of the transcient wool buyer."

GIVEN ROCKFORD ATHLETIC LETTER

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 16.—(Special)—Miss Marion Hanna, 303 Highland Place, Ottawa, Ill., has been given the official athletic sleeve emblem at Rockcollege for women because of her participation in the school's athletics. The emblem is second only to the official Rockford college "R".

CLASSIFIED ADS.

WANTED—Experienced boy for Saturdays. T. R. GODFREY.

FOR RENT—Furnished room; steam heat; modern; close to town. 514 Illinois Ave.

The Woman's Relief Corps
Will give a chicken supper Saturday evening, Dec. 16, from 5 to 7. Fifty cents a plate.

$40 BUYS your wife a new Eldredge sewing machine for Xmas.
T. R. GODFREY.

FOR SALE—Upright piano; in first-class condition; $95 for quick sale. Phone 532-R.

FOR SALE—A floral basket suitable for painted leaves and weeds at old high school building, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 15 and 16, from 2 to 4:30 p. m.; also one reed floor lamp, two table lamps and a few doll cradles. Inquire at 820 Mulberry St. or Phone 274-K.

FOR RENT—Newly decorated flat, five rooms; gas, electric lights, toilet. T. R. GODFREY.

FOR SALE—Baled timothy hay. CHAS. DUTTLINGER. Phone Co. 9015-2.

LOST—Vanity case, probably on crossroad in Deer Park township, one mile south of Starved Rock; contained su mof money, keys and other articles; reward. Return to this office or address SEYMOUR CLARK, R. F. D. 2, Utica.

War Savings Stamps
Due January 1, 1923, should now be sent for payment. Bring them in to us. We will collect them free of charge.
MERCHANTS AND FARMERS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK.

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"TWENTY ACRES AND PLENTY"—FREE book tells truth about Florida land; monthly payments $1 an acre; orange groves planted, cared for 10 per cent above cost. SYLVESTER E. WILSON, Dept. M-86, Orlando, Fla.

GALLSTONES—Improved treatment for catarrhal inflammation of gallbladder and ducts associated with gallstones; booklet free; write today. DR. PADDOCK, Box G-201, Kansas City, Mo.

MEN—MEN—If you are losing your manly strength and are nervous, despondent, weak, run dow, or suffer from unnatural losses, we want to mail you our book entitled "Perfect Manhood, Its Real Meaning and How to Attain It." This book describes "Sextonique," a restorative tonic that costs you nothing if not relieved or benefitted. Write today to LUMBERLAND CHEMICAL CO., 484 Berry Block, Nashville, Tenn., U. S. A.

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PRIVATE PARTIES OR PUBLIC DANCES—Will rent the American Legion hall, with two dressing rooms or complete suite with lounging rooms, for any occasion; newly decorated. See LOUIS T. FOX, chairman house committee.

FOR SALE—Eight room modern dwelling, 507 Marcy St.; $5,000; with extra lot. F. A. HATHEWAY.

FOR SALE—Six room dwelling, 520 Adams St.; $2,000.
F. A. HATHEWAY.

Notice.
The Westminster Guild will not meet at the Presbyterian church Monday night.