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NEW TRIER CRUSHES SMALL-CROWE TICKET

Electorate of Township Delivers Knockout Blow to Big Ma- chine Candidates

What New Trier Township may have lacked in numbers, it most assuredly made up in percentage last Tuesday in contributing richly to the almost complete obliteration of the pernicious Small-Thompson-Crowe political combine which in its various aspects has held Chicago, Cook County and the State of Illinois in veritable bondage for the past eight or ten years.

Representing a comparatively small corner of Cook county, New Trier delivered virtually all she had in the way of ballots in the Republican Primary election—the biggest vote in north shore history—in the determination to lend every ounce of strength to the forces that were united in the cause of removing from Chicago and Illinois the unsavory reputation gained by the state and city.

An Awakened Citizenry

New Trier's contribution to the route of the Small-Thompson-Crowe forces will stand for many years as a model example of the tremendous power of the ballot when placed in the hands of a thoroughly awakened citizenry. That the township would handsomely support the Anti-Small-Crowe candidates was taken as a matter of course, but that this opposition to the Republican machine would develop into an all but unanimous expression of condemnation of the powerful combine, was beyond the fondest dreams of the most sanguine of voters.

In not a single precinct did Len Small poll as high as fifty votes. One precinct in Winnetka was unanimous for Louis L. Emmerson. The 26 districts gave Emmerson the tremendous majority of 9,758 to 487.

Nor did Dailey, Smith, Crowe or any of the lesser Small-Crowe candidates fare much better. Crowe, admittedly the strongest of his group, was forced to be content with a total of 876 votes as against 9,166 for his opponent, Judge John A. Swanson.

All Deneen Men Won

Bernard Barasa polled the highest vote of the Pro-Crowe group, his total being 1,267, his opponent, Edward Litzinger of the Deneen garnering 8,242 votes.

Attorney General Oscar E. Carlstrom's total in the township was 9,133, as against 675 for John Dailey.

For United States Senator Otis F. Glenn, the Deneen candidate, overwhelmed Frank L. Smith, 9,180 to 728.

Ruth Hanna McCormick led the way among the candidates for Congressman-at-large with a total of 6,798, Henry R. Rathbone was next with 5,664, while Richard Yates trailed with 3,437.

In the battle for State Representative Mrs. Anna Wilmarth Ickes was first choice with 15,927, with Lewis B. Springer, Charles F. W. Forberg and William F. Propper following in that order. Mr. Springer had 7,294; Forberg, 1,861, and Propper, 513.

Congressman Carl R. Chindblom was the overwhelming choice for Representative in Congress, amassing 7,100 votes. His nearest competitor, Leslie Scott Lowden, polled 726.

Primary Election Notes

One precinct in Winnetka, the twenty-fourth, established a record seldom equalled. When the votes for governor in that precinct were counted it was discovered that there wasn't a single vote for Len Small. Louis L. Emmerson got them all and there was a total of 207. In the same precinct the Small-Thompson-Crowe machine got another rap almost as disastrous when Swanson, seeking the nomination for State's Attorney, collected 196 votes while Crowe was given two. Also, Frank L. Smith got six votes against 192 for Otis F. Glenn.

The total number of votes cast in New Trier Township establishes a new record. There were more than 10,000, the fine weather enabling men and women to invade the polling places in forces. In many of the polling places it was necessary to stand in line for an hour to vote. This was particularly true of the polling places in Wilmette. A 60% vote came out, it was estimated.

The popularity of Louis L. Emmerson was attested by the fact that he received more votes than any other nominee. He ran ahead of his ticket by six hundred votes. In contrast Len Small, who failed to get 500 votes out of the twenty-six precincts in New Trier, ran behind his ingloriously defeated ticket by two hundred votes.

In one Wilmette polling place sixty votes were cast for Emmerson before a vote was given Small. And, oddly enough, every one of the sixty, on entering the place, announced jubilantly that he or she was there for the express purpose of voting for Emmerson.

Mrs. Anna Wilmarth Ickes of Winnetka made it a runaway race in every precinct and chalked up a huge vote in being nominated for state representative. Another front runner was Congressman Henry R. Rathbone, who was far behind Mrs. Ickes.

Mrs. Ruth Hanna McCormick was given a big boost in every precinct and indications point to her election later as Congressman-at-large from Illinois.

Sixteen of the 26 precinct committeemen elected last Tuesday were of Deneen-Emmerson affiliation. Six of the ten committeemen in Wilmette endorsed by the Wilmette Voters' Advisory committee went into office with flying colors. Several veteran committeemen suffered defeat in the lower section of the township due to the intensive Deneen campaign in Wilmette.

Friendship Circle Will Give Play on April 24

The Friendship Circle, club for young women working in Winnetka homes, will hold a rehearsal Tuesday evening, April 17, for the play, "A Lunch in the Suburbs," which is to be presented for members and guests at the regular meeting of the club Tuesday evening, April 24. The Circle meets at Community House.

Make Sure Leaves Are All Consumed if Burned at Curb

In former years the Village strictly prohibited the burning of leaves on pavements in the public streets, but recently, recognizing the difficulty of finding a safe place for burning leaves during the spring and fall clean-up seasons, Village authorities have permitted householders to place leaves in the gutter on paved streets, for burning.

However, the street cleaning department reports that this privilege is being abused by many people, who place leaves in the gutter and do not see that they are completely burned up, thus leaving unsightly piles of partially burned leaves, which can be picked up by the street cleaning machine only with great difficulty.

It is not the function of the street cleaning department of the Village to dispose of leaves from private property and householders are requested to co-operate in seeing that all leaves placed in the gutter are completely burned up and ashes distributed uniformly along the gutter. Unless this request can be observed in the future, it will be necessary to prohibit entirely the burning of leaves in the public streets.

In this connection, it is announced that anyone wishing to remove the manure protection around hydrants in any portion of the Village, for fertilizing purposes, is at liberty to do so without special permission.

DR. DAVIES TO PREACH

In the absence of Rev. James Austin Richards, who is in the East, Dr. J. W. F. Davies will conduct the morning service at Winnetka Congregational church at 11 o'clock. His sermon topic will be, "Camping Out with Jesus." The sermon topic at the Vesper service at 5 o'clock, by the Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin, will be "After Easter."

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DENEEN COMMITTEEMEN WIN MOST PRECINCTS

Anti-Crowe Candidates for Pre- cinct Posts Take 16 of 26 New Trier Districts

The avalanche in New Trier Township last Tuesday which swept Small, Smith, Crowe and others into political oblivion was made complete when sixteen candidates for precinct committeemen, avowed foes of the Small-Thompson-Smith-Crowe machine, were carried to victory. These sixteen men were returned winners out of a total of the twenty-six precincts, twelve in Wilmette, one in Kenilworth, ten in Winnetka and three in Glencoe.

In Wilmette, the struggle for votes was spectacular and raged hot until the final ballots were cast. Six men aligned as anti-Crowe battlers, Lewis B. Springer in the Seventeenth, George W. Kibby in the Sixteenth, Harry C. Kinne in the Thirteenth, Fred V. Lippen in the Fourteenth, E. A. Zimmerman in the Eighteenth and Elmer Lundin in the Nineteenth were the candidates who came through with flying colors, to the humiliation of their over-confident opponents.

Overcome Big Odds

The triumph of these committeemen candidates is of great importance in view of the fact that no less than three—Kinne, Zimmerman and Lundin—were eleventh hour entries, going into the race too late to have their names placed on the ballot. Their names had to be written in on the ballots.

Receiving the endorsement of the Voters' Advisory committee of Wilmette, after filing time had elapsed, they consented to run in order to "bust" the anti-Crowe forces. For this reason their success was a big achievement.

Much credit is due the Advisory committee and others who individually worked night and day to bring about Tuesday's great victory.

Gets Lucky 'Break'

There would have been at least one more defeat of a Thompson-Crowe candidate in Wilmette but for careless marking of ballots. Roger Williams, who, like the successful candidates mentioned, entered the race too late to have his name placed on the ballot, would have been returned a winner had not at least twenty-four votes been thrown out because of improper marking. As it was Williams was defeated by the scant margin of thirteen votes by County Commissioner Oscar W. Schmidt, who is a veteran committeeman of the Fifteenth precinct. It was a close call for Schmidt, and a tough break for Williams with votes thrown out.

There were numerous close contests and a few upsets. In Winnetka the battle for votes between Carlton Prouty and George Campbell was a hot one. Prouty, long a committeeman in the Twenty-fifth precinct, won, but his margin of victory was only seven votes, the figures being 138 to 131.

Woman Candidate Wins

A woman candidate crowned her campaign with success in the Twelfth precinct in Kenilworth and in winning turned a big surprise for her opponent, C. A. Thorsen, who in years past

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