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Firmament of the Union

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A Brief Announcement of the

Glorious News, But it is Enough.

Washington. November 2.-Pres mation admitting North Dakota and

South Dakota to the union.

Proclamation Issued for South and North Dakota. Two New Stars Shining from the

A Historic Vote



Yankton County voters are being asked Tuesday to approve the "Historic Preservation Ordinance," which would implement a special property levy for historic projects. While the Mead building (shown) may be a beneficiary of the project, the ordinance levy could be used for any historic projects throughout the county.

Ordinance Intended To Help In Preservation, Won't Raise Taxes

BY ROB NIELSEN

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When Yankton County voters go to the polls Tuesday, at the very end of the ballot, they'll see an option for the "Historic Preservation Ordinance," which was put forward by the Yankton County Historic Preservation Commission. If passed, the ordinance would implement a special property levv.

Crystal Nelson, commissioner and director of the Dakota Territorial Museum, said this is by no means an additional tax on county residents.

"One of the things that we wanted to do was to request to have a historic preservation ordinance put on the ballot asking for the voters of Yankton County to create a small, budgetary lineitem for the commission," Nelson said. "This preservation ordinance is about asking for a portion of what's already being collected. It's not a tax increase. It's not a new tax."

The levy would not exceed 1/20th of the mil, or 5 cents per \$1,000 valuation, and could not be increased without another

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The late Bob Karolevitz was one of the great chroniclers of local and state history. The Yankton native wrote ex-tensively on the past, entertainingly bringing to life colorful characters and important events with that influence us now. Today, on the eve of South Dakota's 125th anniversary of achieving statehood in 1889, we re-print this article Karolevitz wrote as part of his "The Way It Was" se-ries that was published for several years in the Press & Dakotan and was eventually compiled into the book "Yankton: The Way It Was!" This article originally ran in the Dec. 26, 1994, edition of the P&D.

BY BOB KAROLEVITZ

Beginning shortly after the official organization of Dakota Territory, the quest for statehood became a continuing political

As Congress gradually whittled mately was to become the states of North and South Dakota, the process of entering the federal union became very complicated.

Those who championed a single state of Dakota were challenged by those who wanted two. Chasms of difference between Republicans and Democrats, northern Dakotans and southern Dakotans, idealists and opportunists, rural elements

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Nebraska Voters **Face** Many Choices

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Tuesday's election may be one for the record books, at least in one northeast Nebraska county.

Knox County Clerk Joann Fischer is seeing strong early voting in the days leading up to the general election.

"Early voting this year is setting a record for a non-presidential election year," she said. "We were up to 500 early voters as of the end of (Thursday).

And the final push is yet to

Voter turnout usually dips in a non-presidential election year. Fischer credits a large number of local races as the driving force for Knox County's strong interest.

"I believe there will be a large turnout, especially in several precincts due to the races," she said. "There is a recall election in conjunction with the general election in the Verdigre Area Precinct. The recall election is being held on recalling two Verdigre Rural Fire Board members.

The Knox County ballot will include races for district court clerk and the board of supervisors, along with a number of local races. Statewide attention has been drawn to the school board races in Bloomfield, Wausa, Creighton, Osmond and Plainview as those five schools move forward with merger

In neighboring Cedar County, Clerk Dave Dowling doesn't have many local races. However, he

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Halloween Heat



Yankton firefighters responded to a hose fire in the lake area at approximately 2 p.m. Friday afternoon. While the fire did burn through the roof and cause considerable damage in the attic area, the structure was saved in part due to the rapid response of lake-area firefighters, who were on the scene in seven minutes. For details, see page 2.

Birds Of A Feather



KELLY HERTZ/P&D This family of penguins stopped by the Riverfront Event Center Friday afternoon to take part in the Press & Dakotan's annual Spotted Halloween event Friday afternoon. Hundreds of kids (and adult kids) stopped by for a photo and some candy. More photos can be found on page 5. For more, go online to spotted.yankton.net/

Decision 2014

Stone Wants To Help Solve The State's Budget Issues

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the last in a series of profiles on Yankton County candidates running for office in the general election. Today's profile is part of the series on the two District 18 candidates for the State Senate. The election is Nov. 4.

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Washington has overstepped its authority and is beginning to negatively impact South Dakota and its citizens. I cannot think of any better way for me to have a

1. Why are you run-

positive impact and fight for South Dakotans and our way of life.

2. What experience do you believe

has prepared you for the positions? My 22+ years of experience as a small business owner. Of which 15 years have been spent dealing with finances and economics. It is the finan-

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