

Police Surgeons to Quit; Protest No Salary Order

Pinto Not Worried by Threats of Doctors; Says Knows 50 Who Will Work Without Pay.

Omaha police surgeons will quit their posts October 3, Chief Surgeon F. H. Kinyoun announced Wednesday following notice from Dr. A. S. Pinto, health commissioner, that the three police surgeons could hold their positions only by serving without pay until January 15.

Kinyoun announced that his resignation, which he will submit next Monday unless Pinto's order is retracted, would include the resignation of his two associates, Dr. M. E. Grier and Dr. W. T. Ranney.

Pinto declared the threats did not worry him, as he has a list of 50 physicians who have offered to work without pay until January 15. Pinto said he had received no formal protest from the police surgeons and denied that the police surgeons had been discriminated against in the attempt to reduce the \$5,000 deficit in the city health department finances.

All Doctors Without Pay. "Every doctor in the department, including myself, has been laid off without pay for the past two weeks," Dr. Pinto said. "By this means we saved more than \$2,500. In order to make up the remaining deficit, I decided to lay off the police surgeons, as they also have private practices. Dr. Kinyoun scoffed at this defense, pointing to the fact that a police surgeon's private practice is secondary to his work for the police department. Dr. Kinyoun has been a surgeon for five years, and Dr. Ranney for three years. Dr. Grier has held his position for 19 months. Pressing his charge of discrimination, Dr. Kinyoun declared that the department could save \$5,800 by laying off every employe of the department for three weeks, whereas only \$5,100 is saved by laying off the other doctors for two weeks and the police surgeons for four months.

Salary \$1,200 Annually. "The salary of a police surgeon is only \$1,200 per year," Dr. Kinyoun said. "To ask us to lose one-third of this, with no assurance that our salary will be paid regularly after next January 15, is a serious injustice."

Mr. Pinto pointed out that it is only recently that police surgeons have been paid from the funds of the health department. They were formerly paid by the police department. Pinto said that there was no legal means by which the health department could make up its deficit from other funds, as is possible in other departments.

Hall's Salary Raised. Outlining the grievances of the police surgeons, Dr. Kinyoun declared that Dr. C. C. Hall, employed at the city hall, had recently been granted an increase from \$200 to \$250 per month. This increase, coming at this time, has angered the police surgeons.

Kinyoun condemned the "false economy" which has brought about the present condition in the health department. "Lack of funds has also caused much suffering to the sick and injured who have been compelled to ride in the wagon-like ambulances now used by the police department," he said. "More funds are urgently needed for the purchase of an up-to-date ambulance."

The doctors who have worked for two weeks without pay, in addition to the police surgeons, are: Dr. Thomas D. Boler, detention home physician; Dr. Millard Langfeld, city bacteriologist; Dr. F. A. Sedlacek, Dr. L. P. Murphy, Dr. W. M. Gordon, Dr. A. J. Young, Dr. C. C. Hall and Dr. A. S. Pinto.

Nominations at Wymore. Wymore, Neb., Oct. 1.—At a republican caucus held in the Wymore city hall presided over by Leonard D. Densmore, local attorney, the following nominations were made: John McQuart, assessor; First ward, John Jones, assessor; Second ward, Dave Humphreys, assessor in country; C. J. Werner, city justice of peace; O. N. Roberts, country justice of peace; Allen Jones, township clerk; D. K. Windle, township treasurer.

Sterling Academy Closes. Tecumseh, Neb., Oct. 1.—Martin Luther academy at Sterling, failing to secure a sufficient number of pupils to pay operating expenses, has closed for the year. The students have been sent to a German college at Hebron, and the teachers are still at Sterling, hoping to obtain employment somewhere.

Stricken After Meal. Atlantic, Ia., Oct. 1.—Loren D. Roper, 72, resident of Cass county since 1882, died at his home here Monday night of a heart attack. Death came suddenly shortly after he had eaten supper.

Two Nebraska Counties Bear Candidates' Names

Chadron, Neb., Oct. 1.—Two Nebraska counties, Dawes and Wheeler, are said to be the only counties in the United States bearing the name of a presidential or vice presidential candidate.

This fact was brought out at an organization meeting of the Chadron Coolidge-Dawes club held at the city auditorium. Officers were chosen as follows: President, A. M. Bartlett, president of the Dawes county farm bureau; vice president, Lester Gibson, commander of Chadron American Legion post; secretary, H. F. Meyer, auditor Chadron, and Creamery company; treasurer, Elmira Scovall; executive committee, L. N. Costley, former superintendent of the Chicago & Northwestern railway; Mrs. Ada Morgan, post secretary of the county central committee; W. A. Danley, treasurer of the county central committee; Mrs. Olive Good, wife of ex-Senator J. W. Good; and Elizabeth O. Smith, state secretary of the D. A. R. A forecast was made that Dawes county will increase its usual republican majority.

"Of Course I'll Stand by My Husband," Says Wife of Banker in Shortage

David E. Larson, accused of embezzlement of \$5,400 from the livestock National bank, was released on \$5,000 bond shortly after noon Tuesday.

He left the court house with his wife, an attractive woman with gray bobbed hair, who has stood by him since the beginning of his trouble, and sat beside him at the county jail during his short incarceration.

"Of course I shall stand by my husband in this time of trouble," said Mrs. Larson. "It was through his efforts to help friends that he now is in distress. But I am sure that it will all come out all right in the end."

Suffers From Flu. Friends of Mrs. Larson and her husband were incensed at the allegations of former neighbors that the wife's "extravagance" might have led to the trouble. "It is true," said Mrs. Larson, "that I have traveled a great deal. I suffered from the flu which turned my hair gray and left me in a highly nervous condition. I went to the home of my sister in California where I stayed last year until I had recovered my health and returned to my home in Omaha. But the money which went for the traveling I did was secured through business deals which I effected myself."

Same Car Since 1919. "The report from 'friends' that my wife had a desire for fine clothes, motor cars and extensive travel, is absolutely false," interjected her husband.

"She just used good judgment in selecting her wearing apparel. And as for the motor cars, why, we've had the same automobile since 1919."

Alvin Johnson, vice president of the bank, spoke only in good terms of Larson who waived preliminary hearing Tuesday afternoon and was held to the grand jury.

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The Columbus Railway, Light and Power company is said to be a larger organization than the Nebraska Power company. It owns and operates the commercial light and power and street railway business in Columbus, a city of 300,000 inhabitants. This company will be operated just as the Kansas City Power and Light company, Lincoln Gas and Electric Light company and other Continental subsidiaries are now operated.

Facilitates Financing. The newly formed Continental-United Power company owns public utility properties serving 1,750,000 persons in the middle western states. Electric plants of the company's subsidiaries have a total generating capacity of 340,000 kilowatts and electric plants have an annual output of 3,000,000,000 cubic feet.

"Forming of the new company will facilitate the financing of improvements on all the properties involved," declared Mr. Lee. "The diversity of interests of the communities served will stabilize the company's finances. This will make it easier at all times to obtain money with which to build extensions and improvements to meet the needs of our customers."

Offices Here. Cyrus S. Eaton of Cleveland, O., who founded the Continental corporation in 1913, heads the new company as chairman of the board. Frank T. Huswit of Chicago is president. Rufus E. Lee of Omaha, Richard Schaddelee of Grand Rapids, B. J. Denman of Davenport and William Chamberlain of Cedar Rapids are vice presidents. Other members of the board of directors are: Joseph F. Porter, Kansas City; Landon K. Thorne, New York; Burton A. Howe, Warren, H. Snow and L. E. Heinke, Grand Rapids; William Butterworth, Moline, Ill.; Glenn M. Averill, Cedar Rapids; C. H. McVider, Mason City; T. H. Jones, Cleveland.

The new company will maintain offices at Omaha, Chicago, Grand Rapids and Cleveland.

Republican Spellbinders Visit Stella and Tecumseh. Stella, Oct. 1.—R. H. Thorpe of Lincoln, Ex-Governor D. W. Davis of Idaho, Senator John Wiltse of Falls City and Mrs. Charles Schuttler of Farmington, Mo., constituting a republican caravan, spoke here from the bandstand on Main street Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Schuttler is a national worker from Chicago headquarters. Her official title is director of work among rural women.

The caravan went from here to Tecumseh, where its members spoke last evening. Stella, Oct. 1.—S. B. Rice of Tecumseh, roadmaster of the Nebraska City division of the Burlington, is in a Rochester (Minn.) hospital, where he is to undergo a surgical operation within a few days. He has been in failing health for a number of weeks. His son, Vance Rice, of Lincoln, is with him.

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