

Omaha Officers Want Teeth Put in Criminal Law

Beal and Pzsanowski to Urge More Severe Penalties for Offenses Upon Present Legislature.

Police Inspector Jack Pzsanowski and County Attorney Henry Beal launched a campaign Wednesday to put more teeth in Nebraska criminal laws.

They will go to Lincoln this week to urge the adoption of one of the most drastic criminal codes in the country.

Some of the sentences they will urge are: For burglary in the night time, life imprisonment; for highway robbery, 30 years; for auto theft, 3 to 10 years.

Announcement of the program for a more rigid criminal code was announced following a conference between Beal and Pzsanowski Wednesday morning.

"We don't need any more laws than we have now," Pzsanowski said. "What we need is teeth in the present laws. The punishments fixed are too light and offer too much leeway to soft-hearted judges."

Criminals Take Chance.

"The result is that criminals will take a chance. They know that they will get off with light sentences and be free again in a few years or months. That is the reason for the great increase in crime since the war."

Beal and Pzsanowski assert that the entire Omaha delegation in the legislature will support their program for "laws with a bite."

Most of the proposed statutes, Beal and Pzsanowski said, are modeled from the criminal code of Ohio, which is known as one of the strictest in the country. It has kept crime in that state to a minimum, it is claimed.

The most drastic change to be urged by Beal and Pzsanowski will be, "but it is a wise law. Burglars who enter homes at night are invariably armed. They are as dangerous as murderers, with only the difference that they are caught before they commit the deed."

The proposed program would also designate a punishment for attempted burglary. This crime is not now specifically recognized and has no fixed punishment.

Larceny from a building would be made a felony, no matter what the value of the articles stolen. At present it is only a misdemeanor unless the value is sufficient to bring it into the class of grand larceny.

Triple Auto Theft Penalty.

The minimum sentence for auto theft would be tripled. The sentence at present is from one to seven years. This would be changed to from three to 10 years. The law would not recognize "borrowing" cars for joyriding, but would punish this as a theft.

Theft of accessories, including motors, tires, lights and chains, would be made a felony.

The law governing concealed weapons would be made particularly rigid. At present the punishment is imprisonment for from one to 10 years. This would be changed to from three to 10 years.

In addition, the law would require all persons desiring to buy revolvers or pistols to file an application with the chief of police. The police would be allowed 10 days in which to investigate the character of the applicant and issue or refuse the permit.

Mutilation of the serial numbers of a weapon would be made a felony.

The present penalty for highway robbery is from three to 20 years. This would be changed to 30 years. The trial judge would be allowed no discretion in fixing the term of imprisonment.

VETERAN OMAHA RESIDENT DIES

Cornelius Callahan, 89, who had lived in Omaha 55 years, died Wednesday at the home of his son, P. J. Callahan, 2401 South Sixteenth street. The funeral will be held at 8:30 Friday morning from the son's residence at St. Patrick church at 9.

Surviving are three sons, J. P., P. J. and T. J. Callahan, and one daughter, Mrs. Abbie Delaney, all of Omaha.

Funeral Services Held at Ponce for Harry D. Mabie

Ponce, Jan. 14.—Funeral services for Harry DeWitt Mabie, 74, who in the earlier days shipped many high class horses from Iowa to Texas, were held here at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Louis Rahn.

Hearts of Omaha Co-Eds Flutter as "Sure-Enuf" Sheik Hits Campus

He Sees First Toothbrush in U. S.; His Teeth Are Ivory White.

Coeds at the University of Omaha were astir Wednesday morning when Sheik Rafel Emanuel strode down the corridors and across the campus in his flowing robes and headress.

When the girls and men students had gathered in the auditorium this sheik from the plains of Mesopotamia told them of the customs of his country, sang the folk songs and gave a brief history of his country to the east of Mosul.

Sees First Tooth Brush.

This son of the desert since his arrival in the United States in 1917 has lectured in all the states and in Canada. In the meantime he has mastered six languages and acquired the culture of civilization. He is a tall young man with dark skin, black hair and eyes and teeth that shine ivory white when he smiles. As for these teeth, he admits he never saw a toothbrush until he came to America.

"There is no truth to this sheik idea that has taken hold of everyone here," the sheik declared. "In the first place, you all pronounce it wrong. It is called 'sheek' and spelled 'shaiik.' Sheiks that run off with women and ride through the countries are only in books and in moving pictures. I laughed heartily when I first heard of Americans' conception.

"I met Valentine in California last year and was much amused. He seemed to enjoy the meeting, too. It is ridiculous the way they impersonate a sheik on the stage.

"They are Arab chieftains, and heads of tribes, but they live quite peacefully. The parents secure a wife or husband for their child when he or she has matured. There is no divorce. There is no divorce. If the marriage is a discontinued one they continue to live together and believe that it is the will of God that they should be unhappy. Generally speaking, the man of my country has but one wife.

"My father, who was an exalted high priest, has died and when I return to Chaldea, my country, I will be head of the tribe. The Chaldean language is a combination of Hebrew and Arabic."

Doesn't Know His Age.

The sheik could not tell his age for no record of births is kept in his country. He appears to be about 28. No calendars are kept, either, and the only way in which Sunday is designated is when the American or English merchants in such cities as Baghdad close their stores. Saturday is determined by the Jews observing it as the Sabbath, he said. Time is told only by the moon and the stars.

The sheik will lecture Friday at Creighton university. He spoke to the North High school students Tuesday.

Coleridge Lodge Reorganized.

Coleridge, Jan. 14.—At a meeting here to reorganize the Royal Neighbors lodge, 25 members were received into the order. The degree team from Hartington exemplified the degree.



Sheik Rafel Emanuel.

SONS OF VETS INSTALLATION

W. H. Hatteroth, recently elected commander of Manderson camp of the Sons of Veterans, was placed in office at installation ceremonies Tuesday night. Earl S. Lewis, division secretary, was the installing officer. C. E. Smith, retiring commander, was presented with a past commander's badge.

Other officers installed Tuesday night were F. A. Holt, senior vice-commander; John E. Himco, junior vice-commander; Earl S. Lewis, secretary; Frank A. Agnew, chaplain; John H. Berger, patriotic instructor; C. E. Richter, guide; Clarence O. Fritchoff, color bearer.

WORKERS' PARTY FOR LABOR BILL

"The united campaign of the reactionary interests against the proposed child labor amendment must be opposed by a united campaign of farmers and workers who favor the ratification of this amendment," a statement issued Wednesday by William Jonisch, chairman, and David Cuts, secretary of the city central committee of the Workers' Party of America, asserts.

"The workers' party favors the ratification of the child labor amendment," the statement concludes.

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Greenleaf Seeks Readjustment in All Assessments

"Glaring Inequalities" Make Changes Necessary, Says New County Official.

Readjustment of all property assessments in Douglas county was proposed Wednesday by Sam K. Greenleaf, who took office as county assessor last Friday.

Greenleaf declared that "glaring inequalities" in assessments made the readjustment necessary.

"Houses of exactly the same type, standing side by side, are assessed at prices which vary by several hundred dollars," he said. "In the case of office buildings and industrial plants, there is sometimes a difference of \$200,000 or even more between the real value and the assessed value."

Wants Board of Five.

To make the readjustment, Greenleaf asked the county commissioners to permit him to name a board of five expert appraisers to re-examine all assessments.

This board, Greenleaf explained, would establish a set of standards by which the regular appraisers would be guided in fixing their estimates. The board would also establish the assessments on the larger buildings and properties.

Greenleaf said that the work would occupy about six months, and that it would need to be done only once in 10 years. "There are several reasons why such a board is needed in making the proper readjustment," he said.

Task for Experts.

"In the first place, it should be done by experts, highly skilled in making valuations. The men employed in our regular staff are not specialists. The highest paid men on our staff get only \$130 per month, and it would be necessary to pay much more than this to get men really competent to make a readjustment."

"Aside from that, however, our staff has not the time to make a study of the entire assessment problem. We have 3,000 new buildings to inspect this winter, in order to get them in the 1925 assessments. This will take the time of the entire staff."

Greenleaf said his proposal has the support of the board of commissioners, and he believes the board will grant his request at its next meeting.

W. L. Woods Made Chairman of Jefferson County Board

Fairbury, Jan. 14.—The board of county commissioners of Jefferson county reorganized by naming W. L. Woods chairman. Louis Jarchow, chairman for the last six years, retains a place on the board.

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AT THE THEATERS

A novelty that is interesting for its entertainment and stimulating for its educational value is being offered at the Orpheum theater this week in the appearance of Miss Birdie Reeve, world's champion typist, an undefeated spelling champion and mistress of lexicography. Miss Reeve has yet to find a man or woman who can talk as fast as she can type, and compilers of dictionaries have yet to invent a word that she can't spell. Birdie Reeve is a faster—not of rubber balls, like Rastelli, or of music, like Zelaya—but of words, and makes her mundane and prosaic art a source of wholly enjoyable amusement.

Nellie V. Nichols, noted comedienne, headlines the special seven-act vaudeville bill at the World, starting Saturday. Dorothy De Vere and her dancing girls, a company of five local entertainers, is an important added attraction. "The City of Yesterday" and Charles T. Aldrich, together with other acts of merit, will be seen for the last times today and tomorrow.

Something very much out of the ordinary will be an added feature at the Empress theater tomorrow evening, following the first performance of "Lena Rivers." It is the Fort Calhoun band of 32 boys and girls. The youngsters in this big organization range in age from 7 to 14 years and have been trained by W. L. Dodson of Omaha, who has organized a number of these community bands in various Nebraska cities. "One Wild Night," a musical farce, is the attraction announced for Saturday.

A young lady, new to Columbia Burlesque, who bids fair to take all laurels for being the best soprano on the circuit, is Violet McKee, who appears in a featured position with "Nitties of 1925" at the Gavety twice daily this week. As a youngster she was billed as Baby Violet, dancer and mimic. Previous to signing with Producer Joe Hurlst she was a featured member of Earl Lindsay's "Dance Creations." She appears in a specially written part, devised to show off her peculiar ability with "Nitties of 1925" all week, with daily matinee at popular prices. Ladies will be particularly interested in Miss McKee's new and original wardrobe.

"Blossom Time" the fascinating Franz Schubert opera, so enthusiastically received here last season, will play a return engagement at the

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Brandeis theater, beginning next Sunday night. Founded on the life and romance of Franz Schubert, the great composer, "Blossom Time" is a fascinating story; music of the most entrancing kind, most of it being composition by Schubert himself; delightful and clean comedy, and most colorful embellishments in the way of scenery and settings. The company includes Messrs. Bertram Peacock, William Danforth, Roy Cropper, Yvan Servais, David Andra, Paul Ker, Townsend Ahearn, George Hackett, Lawrence Roberts, Clement Taylor, Frank Noyes, Philip Kelman, and the Misses Edith Thayer, Laura Arnold, Ferné Newell, Adele St. Maur, Alma Keller, Virginia Danforth, Erba Robinson, Polly and Peggy O'Donnell, the dancers.

OMAHA YOUTH TO GUS EDWARDS

Louis Kaplan, 19, son of Mrs. Besie Kaplan, 2018 North Twenty-second street, leaves Wednesday night for New York City to join a Gus Edwards dancing troupe.

When Gus Edwards was in Omaha he asked Kaplan and Franklyn Vincent, pupils at the Vincent School of Dancing, to join his revue. Franklyn Vincent, a pupil in Central High school, will join a Gus Edwards' revue in June.

Meadow Lark Seen.

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