

KEITH NEVILLE FIRST NATIVE SON TO BE GOVERNOR

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RECEPTION IS A SIMPLE AFFAIR

Legislature Adjourns Until Tuesday When Real Work Will Be Begun.

NEW STATE OFFICERS.

Governor—Keith Neville, North Platte. Lieutenant Governor—Edgar Howard, Columbus. Secretary of State—Charles Pool, Hyannis. Attorney General—Willis E. Reed, Madison. Auditor—William Smith, Seward. Railway Commissioner—Victor Wilson of Stromsburg. Land Commissioner—Grant Shumway, Scottsbluff. Treasurer—George Hall, Franklin. State Superintendent—W. H. Clements, Fremont. Regents—P. L. Hall, Lincoln; Harry Landis, Seward.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 4.—Democracy's triumph in the state became complete today when eleven state officers of that faith were inducted into office.

The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice A. M. Morrissey of the state supreme court.

The proceeding was simple and short. Members of the legislature in joint session looked on, and so did thousands of friends and relatives who had thronged here from all over the state to witness the ceremonials.

A reception was held tonight at which incoming and outgoing state officers and their wives were in line, and at which the legislative members and their wives and the public generally was made very welcome. It was a very simple affair with good, old-fashioned handshaking prevailing and with light refreshments and some good music on the program.

At its conclusion the legislature which got under headway on Tuesday took an adjournment until Tuesday afternoon. At that time both houses will reconvene to take up the real work of the session.

Messages of the outgoing and incoming governors were both read and were listened to closely by all officials and all people present. Governor Morehead, who concluded four years of honorable service, was roundly cheered when he took his place to read. No less hearty were the cheers which greeted Governor Neville when he arose to make his maiden effort before the assembly.

Scattered among the hundreds that looked on were Mrs. Morehead and Mrs. Neville and relatives who had come with them to see the scepter of state government pass from the old to the new executives. A number of young men from North Platte were here also to see their comrade, Keith Neville, take charge. And Frank Woodard, wealthy Richardson county land owner and the man who obtained the first job John Morehead ever held in this state, was here to see his old friend step down and out. Mr. Woodard was here four years ago to see Governor Morehead take charge. He has been his lifelong friend and although a republican in politics has been one of the governor's staunchest boosters through all the years.

Governor Morehead, in his valedictory message, urged the continuance of the policy of business economy, establishment of good roads, and use of convict labor on them. He complimented the printing commission and suggested certain regulation; pointed to the necessity for a better capitol building, and urged a shorter ballot. He again urged the selection of the chief justice from the state at large and the associate justices by districts, criticized the primary law, discussed the schools and advocated the teaching of the life and works of Lincoln in the public schools. Conservation of water power, discussion of veto power and new legislation were other features.

Sessions of the legislature were brief today. Both houses met in the morning. The senate listened to de-county senate bill.

Fenses made by the four Douglas county senators who were assailed in a statement made on the opening day by Senator Ed Howells, also of that county.

The house also accepted the resignation of Lee Metcalfe, first assistant chief clerk, who was yesterday made secretary to Governor Neville, and decided not to act at once upon the se-

lection of Walter Weise of Hebron as his successor.

The senate drew particular attention because of its airing of Omaha affairs. The four senators whom Ed Howells had charged with high crimes and misdemeanors administered a verbal castigation to their colleague, Senator Howell.

As soon as the formalities of the opening of the third day's session were disposed of, Senator John F. Moriarty, the Douglas county delegation leader, arose to a point of personal privilege.

"If those charges are true," he declared, at the climax of his remarks, "drive us out of the senate in disgrace—all four of us except Howell. Call in the attorney general and start proceedings right away. We are in the contempt of the senate and the people of the state of Nebraska."

The senator said he had hoped that the remarks of Howell, made in heat, would be retracted by him after sober consideration. Since they were not, he said he felt it his duty to the senate and the people to reiterate them.

"Before the ink was dry with which I signed an oath before God that I would my election to no illegal influences—before that ink was dry—I, with my colleagues, was charged with contemptible relations with corporations, with perjury, with disgrace. I cannot let it stand.

"We are held to the scorn of the senate and of our constituency by the press of the state, taking up and publishing the unfounded words of this man.

"I owe my election to no corporation or influence. I know no officers of public service corporations. I was never in the Budweiser saloon in my life. Further than that, I made no political speeches, attended no meetings, handed out no cards nor paid for any political advertising.

"I happen to know the president of the Willow Springs brewery, an honorable man. He's a friend of yours, Howell," he said, pointing to his recalcitrant colleague, "and you have sustained business relations with him."

Senator John M. Tanner, against whom Moriarty pointed out the charges were made in his very hour of affliction, just after the death of his wife, was more bitter in his refutation.

"It is intimated that we are buccaners and ship scuttlers," he said. "The charge happens to be made by one who has been ringmaster of these buccaners for twenty-five years—ringmaster of 'the gang' he talks about as controlling this delegation.

"Wait until the end of the present session," he declared. "Then compare this man's record with the others he makes charges against."

The senator remarked that many jokes were made matters of record in the senate journal, and this was one of them. This one has taken an unbecoming turn, and he thought it ought to be expunged only out of kind charity for Howell.

Senator Bennett pointed out his long residence in the state, many years as a citizen of McCook and then his twelve years' residence at Omaha. He declared that he had been indorsed by all manner of improvement and other clubs during the campaign, but that he had not solicited the support of Tom Dennison.

"If Mr. Dennison supported democratic candidates this year," he said, "it was because the democratic platform appealed more to him than did the republican platform."

Mr. Bennett declared, as had the others, that they were here to represent the people of Douglas county and not any particular clique or clan or corporation or insidious influence.

Senator Strehlow indorsed the words of his fellow senators and declared that he, too, had come down to Lincoln to listen to the voice of the people, not of any favored class.

Representative George Liggett of Seward county sprung on the lower branch of the legislature Thursday morning his proposal for a voluntary limitation of the number of bills to be introduced at this session, not exceeding five for each member. The suggestion came in the form of a resolution, which went over for one day under the rules, and was not discussed.

Expressions of opinion on the proposition indicate that the house will not agree to the restriction absolutely, although many members realize that the number of bills introduced at every session has passed all reasonable limits. Mr. Liggett recently made a canvass by mail among his fellow representatives and fifty-one of them answered favorably, but it is realized that the lid cannot be put on effectively, inasmuch as the state institution gives and member the right to offer as many measures as he sees fit to.

The esthetic soul of Mr. Gormley, representative from Kearney county, revolts at the spectacle presented by rows of heavy bridge timbers along the south and east sides of the house chamber, placed there to insure the safety of the members. Some legislators think that anything which conceals the walls of the chamber is an

improvement, but not Mr. Gormley.

He offered a resolution requesting the board having charge of the capitol to cover the scaffolding over in some suitable and artistic manner, just as though an imitation railroad bridge trestlework could be made artistic. The resolution was forthwith adopted, and the board has a job on its hands which some people would not care to tackle.

The committee on house employes, accounts and expenditures has added the following to the list of employes: E. L. Vogt, St. Paul, bookkeeper and timekeeper; Edmund Carlson, Ceresco, and Arthur Howard, Lincoln, stenographers; Henry Clayburn, Monroe, custodian of the gallery; J. M. Fowler, Sary county, custodian of the cloak room; Robert Craig, Lincoln and Ross McGasson, Lincoln, pages.

At the conclusion of the inaugural ceremonies Lieutenant Governor James Pearson, who presided, chanted his own swan song and that of the people's independent party.

"I am the last of my kind," said Mr. Pearson. "My party lived for a purpose, and when it achieved that end it passed away, but if there is ever need for it again it will be found and brought into existence again."

The lieutenant governor thanked the people for electing him and assured them that he had done the best he could.

TWO ASSOCIATIONS PLANNED.

It has come to light that there is a well defined movement on foot to split the Nebraska State Teachers' association into two organizations. The present association has grown so large that none but Omaha can handle its meetings. The location of Omaha makes it too expensive a trip for some of the western teachers to attend the meeting of the association. According to the proposed plan the state association would be divided into eastern and western associations. Not only would this make it possible for the meetings to be held closer to all the teachers of the state but the character of the programs could be made more suitable to those attending. With the control of the association in the hands of Lincoln and Omaha the programs are said to be formed to serve best the interests of the teachers in those cities. The western teachers oftentimes find nothing of real value to their communities. It is argued that the programs as now arranged are too extensive and could well be cut in half as far as the benefit derived is concerned. There would be plenty of money to handle two programs of merit, it is stated. Before another meeting of the state association it is believed that plans for dividing the organization will be well formulated.

BOYS AND CIGARETTES.

Discovery by members of the anti-nicotine association that the use of cigarettes has increased enormously in the state during the past two years and that their sale has been widespread among youths of 18 years and under, should carry home the lesson which legislative leaders tried to impress upon the public two years ago.

The present law is fractured wantonly—and the very ones whom the anti-nicotineists wanted most to protect are the least protected under its present provisions. The amendment asked for two years ago, allowing the sale of cigarettes to persons under 18 year or over, would not have changed actual conditions but unquestionably would have given law officers a statute which would have been readily enforced and which would have given real protection to immature youth.

That was the position taken by the solons and by some of the most active boy-workers in the state. Their indorsement of the bill providing this amendment came from the knowledge of boy life. They knew better what legal steps were necessary to protect the growing youth than did those inexperienced legislators who defeated the measure. There has taken place just what friends of the bill said would take place if the law went unmodified.—World Herald.

TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON.

The eclipse of the moon last night was witnessed by a large number of the residents of the city who remained up for that purpose or arose from their downy couches to view the sight of the silvery orb of the night veiled in the dark shadows. The eclipse was total at 1:15 and remained so for several minutes before the shadow of the earth moved from across the face of the moon. The sight was a very pretty one and attracted much attention all over the west where it was visible.

Paul Heil returned to Omaha this morning after spending Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Heil, in Eight Mile Grove, and will resume his school work.

No. 1914 REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK At Plattsmouth, in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business December 27, 1916.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. RESOURCES includes Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U.S. bonds, etc. LIABILITIES includes Capital stock, Surplus fund, etc.

MRS. RICHEY ENTERTAINS IN HONOR OF JOSEPHINE MURPHY

The beautiful new home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Richey was the scene of one of the prettiest parties of the season, when on Saturday Mrs. Richey was the hostess at a one o'clock bridge luncheon, honoring Miss Josephine Murphy, whose marriage to Dr. W. F. Wild, of New Orleans, will take place on January 10th.

White roses, narcissuses and ferns made resplendent the already attractive home and the color scheme of green and white also was charmingly carried out in the five course luncheon. Covers were laid for thirty-two guests at daintily decorated tables. Bridge followed the luncheon, the prize being won by Miss Ione Dovey and a guest prize being given Miss Murphy. Those fortunate enough to enjoy Mrs. Richey's hospitality voiced the one sentiment, "charming hostess." Those attending were Miss Verna Cole, Majorie Agnew, Margaret Donelan, Jeanette Patterson, Ione Dovey, Lillian Cole, Barbara Gering, Dora Fricke, Mac Murphy, Mrs. Henry Herold, Mrs. J. A. Donelan, Mrs. C. W. Baylor, Mrs. R. W. Clements, Mrs. W. J. Straight, Mrs. J. S. Livingston, Mrs. T. M. Patterson, Mrs. Earl Travis, Mrs. W. A. Robertson, Mrs. J. T. Begley, Mrs. H. A. Schneider, Mrs. C. O. Dovey, Mrs. L. O. Minor, Mrs. Henry McMaken and Mrs. Mary Murphy, mother of the guest of honor. The out of town guests were Mrs. Tom Murphy, of Omaha, Miss Lillian Murphy of Omaha and Miss Ruth Steitz of North Platte, Neb.

THE MAN KILLED AT LA PLATTE A TOUGH ONE

The man who was killed at La Platte on Thursday night by Special Agent Epperley of the Missouri Pacific when he resisted the order of the officer to hold up his hands to be searched, has been identified by Chief of Detectives Maloney and Detective Deveresse as Frank K. Markin, itinerant, who is known in police circles of Omaha and had been bound over to the district court on the charge of highway robbery together with his associate, Frank Moran. The dead man was undoubtedly a gunman of experience and had the Missouri Pacific officer been a few seconds later in getting the drop on him he would undoubtedly have finished the officer. It was shown by the gun of Markin that he had tried to shoot and the fact that the gun had misfired was all that saved the officer. The inquest over the body was held at Papillion by the Sarpy county authorities, and the officer of the railroad company was released from all responsibility for the shooting as it was clear it had been done in self defense and in the discharge of his duty. Owing to the fact that it was impossible to get in touch with any relatives of Markin, the body was buried by the Papillion authorities.

Doing the Work. W. T. Nanney, Noel, Mo., writes, "Your B. A. Thomas' Hog Powder is doing the work down in this part of the world. It proved to be what we needed to prevent and cure hog cholera and expel worms." H. M. Soennichsen, Pals & Gansemer.

MATT A. JIROUSEK IS TO BE DEPUTY CLERK

The question of the deputyship in the office of County Clerk Frank J. Libershal was decided this morning when Mr. Libershal announced the appointment of Matthew A. Jirousek of this city for the position. Mr. Jirousek is among the best known and popular young men in the city and has held several clerical positions in this city. He was for a great many years connected with the office of the store-keeper of the Burlington in this city as clerk, and has, since quitting the service of the railroad, been in the employ of Philip Thierolf in the clothing store. Mr. Jirousek is well qualified in every way for the position he has just been appointed to and will make Cass county a most efficient official and an able assistant to Mr. Libershal. The appointment becomes effective at once and Mr. Jirousek will enter in on his duties. Since the resignation of B. A. Rosencrans Mr. Libershal has been looking after the affairs of the office, and will welcome the services of the deputy to assist in the duties. The new deputy has not been actively identified with politics and is strictly a business man, and will be able to give the taxpayers full service in his new position.

Z. C. B. J. LODGE ENJOYS PLEASANT SOCIAL EVENT

The Z. C. B. J. lodge of this city enjoyed a very pleasant social event on Saturday evening, when their members were entertained at an old-fashioned dance that proved one of the most delightful that the society has held for many months. The dance was given at the T. J. Sokol hall and the music for the event was furnished by the Bohemian brass band. The merry dancers continued their pleasures until the early hours of the morning, when they wended their way homeward feeling that the event had been one of the greatest pleasure. This organization is a Bohemian fraternal insurance order and has quite a large membership in the city and ranks very high as one of the best insurance organizations in the city and state. It has a very large membership among the Bohemians in this section of the state.

SOCIAL WORKERS' CLUB NOTICE. The Farmers' Social Workers' club will meet with Mrs. Sarah Gouchenour on Wednesday, January 17th.

Advertisement for C. E. Wescott's Sons gloves. Includes text: 'Gloves—so handy for any man!', 'Cold hands—a warm heart', and 'Everybody's Store'. Price list: \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and Up to \$5.00.

Advertisement for W. A. Robertson, Lawyer. Includes text: 'For Sale—Two fresh milk cows', 'Mrs. Louis Leiner returned home last night from Lincoln where she has been at the bedside of her daughter, Miss Caroline, who was injured in the wreck at Gibson on December 23rd and reported that the young lady is showing some signs of improvement.'

Advertisement for Philip Thierolf clothing. Includes text: 'Going Some!', 'Setting the pace—making 'em hustle. That's what Clothcraft clothes are doing to those who would try to equal them in value.', 'Manhattan Shirts Stetson Hats', 'Carhart Overalls Hansen Gloves'.

Advertisement for Fetzer Shoe Company. Includes text: 'Style AND Fit!', 'Why is it that one will sometimes see a shoe of beautiful design in a window which, when tried on looks shabby and unkempt?', 'UTZ & DUNN CO. Style Shoes of Quality', 'Fetzer Shoe Company'.