

Fred A. Wright, Omaha Attorney, Heads Bar Body

North Platte, Wayne and Tecumseh Lawyers Vice Presidents—Speaker Warns of Reformers.

Lincoln, Dec. 29.—Fred A. Wright of Omaha will head the Nebraska Bar association during the coming year, having been elected president this afternoon at a business session of the organization, which is in convention here.

Vice presidents elected today include: Robert H. Beatty, North Platte; Fred S. Berry, Wayne; and L. S. Westwood, Tecumseh. Anan Raymond, Omaha, will be secretary and Virginia Haggart, Omaha, treasurer. Backers of a measure which would introduce a bill into the coming legislature from appearing before Nebraska courts unless accompanied by a Nebraska attorney as an associate, were forced to accept a compromise today when the association voted to leave the matter to the state supreme court.

Bloes Run Country. "Efforts on the part of blocs, sects and 'movements' of various sorts to impose their ideas and practices upon the rest of mankind have resulted in America in a state of 'paternalism run mad,' according to Robert E. Lee Saner, president of the American Bar Association, in an address this noon before the convention.

"We are no longer a united, homogeneous people; we no longer legislate and plan for the welfare and benefit of the American people as a whole nation," he declared.

"We are now confronted by blocs, which mean nothing more or less than a sinister kindling of the flames of class consciousness, and an attempt by ambitious and weasel-minded demagogues to divide the citizens of this nation against themselves."

Defends States' Rights. Mr. Saner exhorted his hearers not to remove the landmarks set by their fathers, and set forth as exhibit A the chief landmark, the constitution of the United States. He deplored a universal tendency to amend the constitution "like a laundry ticket" and the gradual encroachment by the federal government on the power of the states.

"Not only is constitution tinkering the leading outdoor sport with the typical politician of today, but hand in hand with it goes the steadily increasing encroachment of the federal government on the rights of the commonwealths and the individuals who are citizens of these commonwealths," he said.

"The states are dwarfed and the nation magnified, and all to govern a people who can best govern themselves."

"The age through which we are now going may well be termed the age of constitutional amendments and federal encroachment. This is the age of the moral and political Lilliputians and the land of Lilliput, instead of producing Gullivers, shackles them by the overwhelming numbers of its mediocrity and mendacity."

Times Have Changed. Referring to the men who framed the constitution, Mr. Saner asserted that it would be impossible in this day to assemble their like again.

"In this statement I am not entering into a discussion of the fundamental ability of the fathers as compared to our present statesmen and near statesmen," he explained. "I mean that it would be impossible under the present dispensation to elect them to a constitutional convention."

Mr. Wayne B. Wheeler of the Anti-Saloon league would immediately read out a questionnaire asking George Washington and John Marshall if they ever in all their lives took a drink, and Dr. Harry Bowdler of the Blue Sunday league would interrogate Benjamin Franklin as to whether he ever flew his kite on Sunday in Philadelphia.

Fairbury Conductor Is Nabbed on Liquor Charge. Beatrice, Neb., Dec. 29.—State agents today arrested Robert Poole, 55, Fairbury, Neb., for 20 years conductor on the Fairbury-Horton branch of the Rock Island, on the charge of having liquor in his possession. When the officers searched the way car in the Rock Island yards here they found a gallon of liquor in Poole's locker.

Poole, Sheriff Saffling says, will be held in jail here until Monday. Mrs. Poole, who came here to see her husband, was questioned by the officers. She returned home this evening.

Former Tecumseh Girl and Kansan Are Wed in Chicago. Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 29.—Miss Blanche Buerstetta, daughter of Mrs. Etta Buerstetta of Portland, Ore., married here and formerly of Lincoln, and Addison L. Dolling of Topeka, Kan., were married in Chicago.

American Missionary Freed. Pakin, Dec. 29.—E. W. Schmalzried, an American missionary attached to the Reformed Church in the United States, who was kidnapped by bandits last November, was released on December 20, according to advices received here from Changsha, Hunan province. No details were given.

December Coasting and Skating Replaced by "Migs"



Instead of skates, sleds and skis that are usually brought out in the month of December in Omaha, the mild weather has brought forth roller skates and marbles. Here is a group of boys in the neighborhood of Twenty-eighth street and Laurel avenue, who are practicing at shooting "migs."

Farmer Hit by Rum Car Dying

Pathfinder of Runners Strikes Aged Minnesota Man—Driver Also Hurt.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 29.—Charles Dam, farmer of Watab, Minn., run down by a flashy roadster, pathfinder for a fast whisky runners' caravan from Canada, is at the point of death today at St. Raphael's hospital, St. Cloud, Minn., while police of the Twin Cities and sheriffs of several counties, in possession of the numbers of the cars of the bootleggers, one of whom is seriously injured, are combing the country to expect to make several arrests soon.

Dam, an elderly man, was driving home last night to his farm six miles north of St. Cloud on the paved Jefferson highway, when the expensive roadster struck him, instantly killing one of his horses, injuring the other, and hurling Dam 20 feet, fracturing his skull, ribs and right arm.

Almost simultaneously with the crash, the second car of the runners' caravan, carrying five or six men, pulled up, extricated the driver of the first car, who was badly injured. His car, full of whisky, had gone into the ditch and overturned on him. The second car drove away with him, leaving Dam bleeding and dying.

Coolidge Wins Alabama Fight. Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 29.—Alabama republicans will not enter the Alabama presidential primary. It was decided here today at a meeting of the state republican executive committee, but will elect delegates to state convention Tuesday, May 20, 1924. This, it was said, is a victory for the forces supporting President Coolidge.

The vote came on motion by C. B. Kenna, United States district attorney of the northern district, of Birmingham, as a substitute to one by Judge C. R. Lunsford of Marion to go into the primary and to notify the national committee. The vote on Kenna's motion was 37 to 2.

\$100,000,000 for Pictures in 1924. Los Angeles, Dec. 29.—Upwards of \$100,000,000 will be spent in the making of motion pictures in southern California during the coming year, according to film company officials here. Warner brothers' Hollywood studio, which recently suspended operations, yesterday announced that production would be resumed January 7 in pursuance of a 1924 program calling for expenditures of more than \$6,000,000. Other producing organizations made public their plans for what they predicted would be a year of record activity.

Woman Would Be Mayor of Seattle. Seattle, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Kathryn Miracle today filed her candidacy for mayor of Seattle. Before she was elected to the city council two years ago with Mrs. Henry Landis no woman had belonged to that body.

Roosevelts Reach Coast. San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Roosevelt, widow of the late Theodore Roosevelt, and her son, Capt. Kermit Roosevelt, arrived here yesterday from the east and will board the liner President Lincoln today for the coast.

BEATRICE—Five boys, three of whom are high school students at Filley, were fined \$5 each for stealing candy from Filley High school girls. They were also required to subscribe \$3.50 among themselves to pay for the stolen sweets.

Dawes Sails Shouting His 'Hell and Marias' at Scribes. In the way of reparations, "Hell and Maria," he stormed, "if there's any bunch of men that can help a man to invent new cuss words it's reporters."

"Have you tried to translate 'Hell and Maria' into French so that it will be useful in Paris, general?" "Hell and Maria, no! Never thought of it," he replied, assuming an expression of perplexity and twirling his pipe in his teeth.

His fellow voyager was more communicative. "I'm going over there," said Mr. Young, "with the impartiality of utter ignorance; but I have hopes that we'll accomplish something."

Rufus C. Dawes, the general's brother, and P. M. Crocker accompanied the reparations contingent men as aids.

Wife Says Mate Tried to Sell Her



The entire country has been aroused by the charge of Mrs. Helen La Maie, who alleged in the Los Angeles divorce courts that her husband, Elsie La Maie, Hollywood motion picture director, had tried to sell her to Lou Harris, an immensely wealthy negro gambler at Tia Juana, Mexico for \$500,000, of which, she alleges, she was to receive \$150,000 if she permitted herself to be sold. La Maie denies the charges.

Chief Van Deusen Is Shot in Hand

Revolver Trigger Catches on Drawer and Weapon Is Discharged.

Chief of Detectives Charles H. Van Deusen accidentally shot himself through the hand shortly after noon Saturday, while removing a revolver from a drawer.

The trigger caught on the edge, and the revolver discharged, the bullet passing through Van Deusen's hand in front of the knuckle.

The injury was attended by Police Surgeon Rance. Paul Steinwender had asked Chief Van Deusen to get him a revolver to keep in his office, and it was for this purpose he was removing the gun from the drawer.

Dakotans for 50-Cent Tariff. Lower Canadian freight rates, lower taxes and lower wages for labor permit Canadian farmers to produce wheat for at least 50 cents a bushel less than American farmers, according to Paul Hancke, 1110 South Twenty-eighth street, who has just returned from a business trip through the Dakotas.

"I talked with many farmers of North and South Dakota who were downhearted at the failure which they feared," he said. "These men claim that the Canadian government subsidizes large tracts of unfenced land for raising wheat."

"Average cost of harvest and farmhands and employing in general in Canada is about half of what it is in the United States. The taxes on the land are not as high and the Canadian freight rates are considerably lower, these Dakota farmers told me."

State Distributes 150,000 Fish in 1923. Lincoln, Dec. 29.—Records of the department of agriculture, released today, show that the Valentine fish hatchery distributed 150,000 fish, between the end and five inches in length in 1923. Of this number more than 95 per cent have lived, according to the secretary of the department, Grant L. Shumway.

The fish, which included perch, black and rock bass and crappies. The hatchery also put out 10,000 bullfrogs.

George Koster, state game warden has placed, throughout the state, 1,556 pheasants which were purchased by the state at a cost of \$3 each. Pheasants in Nebraska have also been increased in number by 4,608 eggs that were given to poultry raisers to hatch.

Wife of Wynore Salesman Dies at Beatrice Hospital. Wynore, Neb., Dec. 29.—Mrs. R. J. Jones, Jr., 32, died at a Beatrice hospital, where she underwent an operation. She was the wife of R. J. Jones, traveling salesman, former Wynore banker, and lived here many years of her childhood. Her maiden name having been Myrtle Brewer.

She is survived by the husband and a 12-year-old son, three brothers and three sisters, all of Wynore and vicinity, and the father and mother. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brewer of Lincoln, Neb., will be at Wynore Sunday afternoon.

Colorado Code for Attorneys Points Morals

Canon of Ethics Fixes Rules for Admitting Lawyers to Practice—Forms High Standards.

Denver, Dec. 29.—A canon of ethics for the legal profession and new rules for the admission of attorneys to practice in the Colorado have been promulgated by the supreme court of Colorado.

The philosophy of morals, the first recognized rule of ethics to be laid down in the Centennial state is based upon the code adopted in practically all states of the union dealing with the relations of lawyers to the courts, to their clients and to others engaged in the legal profession. In outlining the duties of a lawyer, the canon of ethics says in part:

"No client, corporation or individual, however powerful, nor any cause, civil or political, however important, is entitled to receive, nor should any lawyer render any service or advice involving disloyalty to the law, or disrespect of the judicial office, or corruption of any person exercising a public office or private trust, or deception or betrayal of the public."

"A lawyer will find his highest honor in a deserved reputation for fidelity to private trust and to public duty, as an honest man and as a patriotic and loyal citizen."

"It is the duty of the bar to endeavor to prevent political considerations from influencing the judicial process in the selection of judges."

"The primary duty of a lawyer engaged in public prosecution is not to convict, but to see that justice is done. The suppression of facts or the secreting of witnesses, capable of establishing the innocence of the accused is highly reprehensible."

In fixing fees it should never be forgotten that the profession is a branch of the administration of justice and not a mere money-getting trade. Lawyers should avoid charges that overestimate their advice and services, as well as those which undervalue them. A client's ability to pay cannot justify a charge in excess of the value of the service, though his poverty may require a less charge or even none at all.

"All attempts to curry favor with juries by flattery, or by pretended solicitude for their personal comfort are unprofessional."

"Solicitation of business by circulars or advertisements, or by personal communications or interviews, is unprofessional."

"It is unprofessional for a lawyer to volunteer advice to bring a lawsuit. Stirring up strife and litigation is not only unprofessional but it is indictable as common law."

"The lawyer must decline to conduct a civil cause or to make a defense when convinced that it is intended merely to harass or to injure the opposite party or to work oppression or wrong."

The new rules for admission of attorneys to the bar provide that if an applicant for admission is filed after January 1, 1927, the applicant "shall furnish proof that at the beginning of his law studies, or within six months thereafter, he had a general education, in addition to a high school course, equivalent to that of one year of an ordinary undergraduate course in an approved college or university."

This is a new requirement in Colorado and puts the state in the front rank of states so far as educational requirements are concerned.

Another change in rules of admission is the creation of a special committee to investigate the character of all applicants for admission to the bar.

Sentiment for Coolidge Grows. Chicago, Dec. 29.—Sentiment favoring President Coolidge for the republican presidential nomination is increasing in every section of the country, William M. Butler, general chairman of the Coolidge campaign, declared in a statement here yesterday.

Coolidge clubs are being organized, he declared, in many sections of the country, many admirers of the president forming these clubs on their own initiative.

B'Nai B'Rith Head for Coming Year Chosen



Harry Trustin who was elected president of the Omaha lodge of B'Nai B'Rith, Jewish fraternal organization, at the annual election of officers held at a meeting of the organization last week.

Four Are Killed as Train Strikes Auto

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 29.—Four persons were killed and a fifth probably fatally injured today when their automobile and a Southern railway train were in a collision at a grade crossing near Aiken, S. C., according to word received here. The dead, three men and a woman, were traveling in an automobile with a New York license number, and are believed to have been tourists bound for Florida. The names of the dead were given as Al Berber, J. Talin and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Resen.

Two-Gun Bandits Seize Payroll

St. Louis, Dec. 29.—Three two-gun bandits, pistols in each hand, swept the office of the E. E. Funston and company, fruit dealers, this afternoon, lined up 10 employees against a wall and escaped with a payroll amounting to \$2,300. An investigation is under way to determine why a patrolman assigned to the building this morning was away from his post.

Father and Son Are Sought as Holdups

Denver, Colo., Dec. 29.—Working on the theory that a father and son are responsible for several "stickups" in the residential district here, police are searching for a boy about 2 years old and a companion aged about 25. According to police, the man forces the victim at the point of a gun to hold up his hands while the boy searches for money and valuables. Both wear masks.

Only 21 Names Are on Capital Rum List

Washington, Dec. 29.—Commissioner Blair of the bureau of internal revenue declared in a formal statement today that the bureau's agents had found a list containing 21 names in the recent raid which has become the center of a bootleg scandal here.

The statement emphatically denied knowledge of the missing list of several hundred names taken in the raid.

U. S. Cruiser Is Sent to Honduras

Washington, Dec. 29.—The armored cruiser Rochester, flagship of the United States special service squadron in Central and South American waters, has been sent to Port of Amapala, Honduras, and will remain in that vicinity until the present disturbances in Honduras and southern Mexico have quieted.

More McCray Indictments.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 29.—The Marion county grand jury which investigated the financial affairs of Governor Warren E. McCray and returned eight indictments against him charging forgery, embezzlement and larceny today returned seven additional indictments charging specific instances of the crimes. The indictments made no new accusations against the governor.

Taxi Driver Arrested.

John Melvin, taxi driver, was arrested Saturday on a charge of violating the Harrison narcotics law. He is alleged to have had a quantity of dope on his person.

He recently was released from the penitentiary on a similar charge.

Millinery Buyer Leaves. Marie Flannigan, manager of the trimmed hat department of the Macy's department store, leaves for New York city today to buy millinery for spring.

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