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LEGISLATURE MAY INCREASE SALARY.

MOVEMENT ON FOOT TO RAISE COUNTY ATTORNEYS' COMPENSATION.

GADD IS OPPOSED TO IT.

County Attorney Needham of Boone County Asks County Attorney Gadd to Influence Local Members of The Legislature.

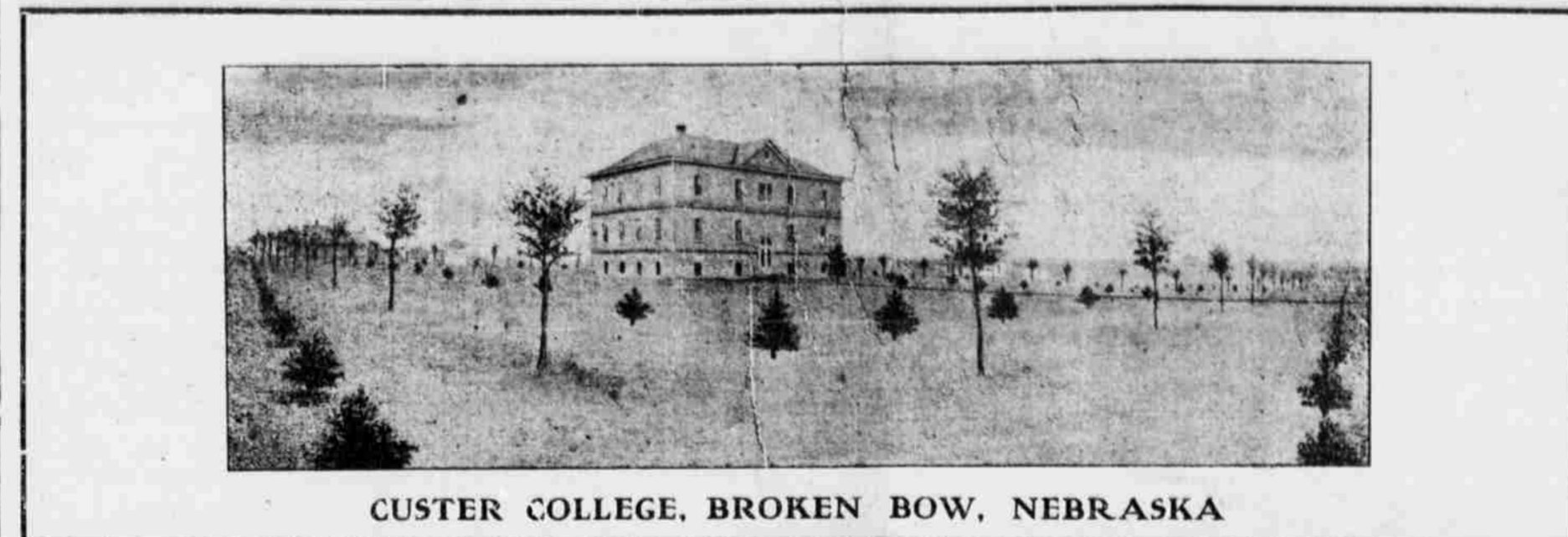
A movement is on foot in this state to have the next legislature increase the salaries of the county attorneys of the state. Experience has proved that the salary of the county attorney is not as large as the income of an attorney having a good criminal practice and the acceptance of the office means a financial loss. This is largely responsible for the present agitation for a raise in the salary of county prosecutors.

County Attorney-Elect Gadd is in receipt of a letter from O. M. Needham of Boone county asking him to use his influence with the members of the next legislature elected from this part of the state in an effort to secure the passing of the law making the increase. Mr. Gadd has come out squarely against the movement for the increase. He states that he accepted the nomination and election knowing that it would be a financial loss and that he does not propose now after the election to help push any movement for a "salary grab."

The following is the letter from County Attorney Needham: ALBOIN, NEBR., Nov. 25, 1908.—COUNTY ATTORNEY ELECT—Broken Bow, Nebr. Dear Sir: I write you with reference to the present salary of the County Attorneys. It is conceded that the present statute regulating the salary is unfair, for the reason that a large majority of the counties of the state have a population ranging from eight to twenty thousand, and, under the present law there is no increase between those two figures.

Also, the salary is totally inadequate in counties above twenty thousand, and, in general the salary of the county attorneys needs a total re-adjustment. As a County Attorney I call your attention to this matter. I append herewith a schedule of salaries under the present statute and also a suggested change which, I think, will commend itself to your judgment. If you will make an estimate of the population of your county based upon the total vote cast, allowing five people for every voter, you can thus readily see how the suggested change will benefit you. By taking this matter up with your member and Senator elect it seems to me a schedule may be presented to the Legislature which will provide a proper compensation for the work done by the County Attorneys.

The objection may be urged that that the Legislature cannot increase the salary of the County Attorneys to take effect during the term beginning next January but as you are aware our Court in the case of Douglas County vs. Timme, 49 N. W. 267, cited in State vs. Stewart, 71 N. W. 1002, and in other cases, has held that the constitutional prohibition of the increase of the salary of county officers applies only to officers created by the



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constitution. Kindly give this your best attention.

Yours very truly,

O. M. NEEDHAM, County-Att'y.

PRESENT SCHEDULE.	
Population	Salary
2000.....	\$ 300
From 2000 to 4000.....	300
" 4000 " 8000.....	700
" 8000 " 20000.....	800
" 20000 " 30000.....	1000
" 30000 " 40000.....	1500
40000 and upwards.....	2500

SUGGESTED SCHEDULE.	
Population	Salary
2000.....	\$ 500
From 2000 to 4000.....	500
" 4000 " 8000.....	700
" 8000 " 12000.....	900
" 12000 " 16000.....	1100
" 16000 " 20000.....	1300
" 20000 " 30000.....	1500
" 30000 " 40000.....	2000
40000 and upwards.....	2500

Mr. Gadd replied in the following language:

BROKEN BOW, NEBR., Dec. 1st, 1908.—O. M. NEEDHAM, County Attorney, Boone County.—Alboin, Nebr. My Dear Sir: I have your circular letter of Nov. 25 last, in which you suggest an increase of salary of County Attorney, etc.

I have to say: Never in my life was I a candidate for office before, and at the time I announced myself a candidate, subject to the wish of the Republican primary, I was fully advised concerning the salary: At that time I thought it sufficient, and I am of that opinion at this time; the salary provided by the present law, together with office furnished, in my judgment, is all the people can afford, and in the great majority of cases, is sufficiently remunerative. Hence, I am not in favor of any change in the law in so far as it pertains to salary. I regret that I cannot join in this project. It would increase my salary \$500 per year, and possibly \$1000 per year.

Respectfully yours,

N. T. GADD.

Christmas Shopping.

Look over the Christmas ads in this issue and then go to the stores and see the goods advertised and you will be convinced that it is unnecessary to patronize the mail order houses in order to secure a nice line of Christmas presents at reasonable prices. Compare the goods advertised with the mail order goods and you will find that you get better goods for the money than you get of the mail order houses. Go early and look over the presents before the best are taken and the clerks can give you more time and attention.

New Type Is Added.

A fine line of new type has been added to the Republican office equipment this week. About 400 pounds of old type and old metal was shipped to Omaha and a considerable sum of money added to the price of the old metal to purchase new type in order that the office might be better equipped for ad and job work.

SPECIAL LINCOLN REPORTER.

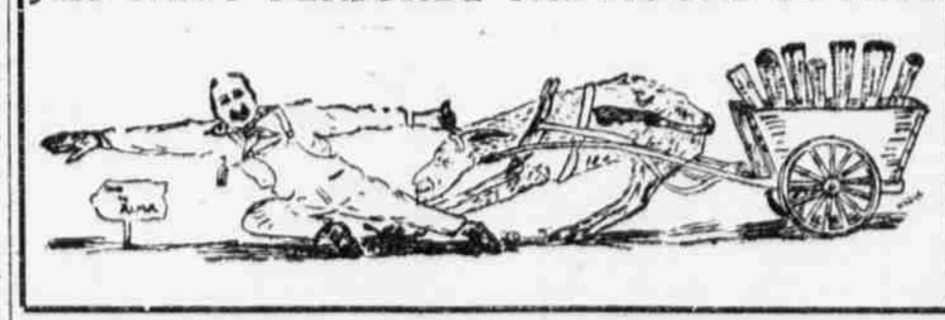
The Republican Has Secured a Personal Correspondent at State Capital.

Arrangements have been made to have the news of the state capital supplied to the REPUBLICAN by a personal representative in Lincoln. The REPUBLICAN's special correspondent will cover closely the political happenings of each week and will give special attention to the records of the members of the House and Senate from this district. No news will be "faked" or colored and the readers of the REPUBLICAN can rely on any statement made by its personal representative. The actual course of events will be reported, thus putting the facts before the people for them to draw their own conclusions. Will the legislature guarantee bank deposits? Will it pass county option? Will it reduce taxes? Whatever it does will be truthfully given in these special reports to the REPUBLICAN. The Democratic Governor has some hundreds of appointments at his disposal, affecting every section of the state; the Democratic legislature has an organization to perfect and much patronage to bestow. These matters will be largely fought out during December and there will be much important news during the month. The report begins next week. Subscribe for the REPUBLICAN now at the half price rate and get to read all of these reports.

The Cartoons.

The first of a series of cartoons to be drawn for the REPUBLICAN appears in this issue. These cartoons are drawn especially for the REPUBLICAN and are secured at considerable expense. For a time at least these cartoons will deal entirely with local characters and they should add greatly to the attractiveness of the paper. No ill feeling or malice will be allowed to enter into them and we hope that they will be received with the same feeling.

JESS CAN'T PERSUADE THE MOORE TO PULL.



The Republican Is Improving.

That the effectiveness of the Republican as an advertising medium is increasing is evidenced by the constantly increasing advertising patronage of the paper. The enormous increase in the subscription list of the paper in the last two months is also an evidence of improvement.

You can still get your tires set at S. M. Dorris blacksmith shop.

NEBRASKA TEAM TAKES SECOND

CARL JEFFORDS AND HIS CLASSMATES ARE BEATEN BY AMES.

IN STOCK JUDGING CONTEST.

Eight Universities Were Represented in The Contest. 100 Nebraska Students Go To Chicago For The International Show.

(SPECIAL TO THE REPUBLICAN.)

Chicago, November 30.—The Nebraska University judging team arrived in this city on Thanksgiving day after a pleasant trip of several days visiting some of the strongest agricultural schools in the Middle West. The team rested at the Hyde Park Hotel Friday in order to be in good condition for the contest Saturday. Nebraska was beaten in the judging by the Ames Agricultural school of Iowa. Carl Jeffords of Broken Bow was a member of the Nebraska team. Nebraska secured first place in swine judging while Ames carried off first honors in the horse and cattle departments. The scores of the first three were as follows: Ames 4,373, points; Nebraska 4,153; Texas 4,081; Missouri secured 4th place; Kansas 5th; Ontario 7th; and Minnesota 8th.

About one hundred students from the University of Nebraska Agricultural school landed in Chicago today to take in the International Live Stock Show. Crowds of farmers, stockraisers, and spectators from all parts of the country were present. One of the fatest animals at the show was a bull weighing 2600 pounds. There were a number of steers weighing about 2500 pounds. The horses entered in the show include a number that have paraded before the English royalty in England.

SOCIETY ITEMS

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Mrs. Elisha Taylor entertained a few friends last Friday evening in honor of her birthday anniversary. Whist was played during the evening. An excellent supper was served in the dining room; after which there was a clamorous call for Mrs. Speake, and the company was delightfully entertained by two selections. A vocal duet by Miss Ruth Jones and Miss Lulu Taylor was much enjoyed. The party broke up at a late hour by dancing the time honored Virginia Reel. Mrs. Taylor received many useful presents as well as hearty congratulations from the guests. Those present were: Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Xanders, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gillings, Mr. and Mrs. W. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. R. Ledwich and Mrs. Speake.

HIGH FIVE WAS PLAYED.

Last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson entertained the Card Club at their pleasant home east of the city. The members of this club reside east and north and include a few Bowites. The meetings are held at irregular intervals. Progressive high five was played at four tables. Mrs. Effie Bean won the first prize a piece of Wedgewood. This is the fourth time Mrs. Bean has been the winner of the first prize. The booby prize was won by Mr. Anderson, a bottle of catsup (catch-up). Dainty refreshments were served. Those present and invited were: Messrs. and Mesdames Anderson, Morris, W. Barrett, Woods, Knap, Russell, Davis, Frey, Mrs. Effie Bean, and E. E. Squires.

FAMILY DINNER.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor entertained three generations of the Russom family last Friday at dinner at high noon. The guests were seated at one long table, extending partly through three rooms. Covers were laid for thirty-six. Small pumpkins adorned the place cards. Mrs. Taylor was assisted in serving the four course dinner by Mrs. George Russom and Miss Edna Russom.

KENSINGTON.

Mrs. L. H. Jewett, entertained a number of her neighbors at an informal Kensington last Saturday afternoon from 2:20 to 5:30 o'clock. The guests pleasantly entertained each other. Refreshments consisting of three courses were served. The guests were: Mesdames. Bowen, Moore, O. Anderson, Dalton, Smith, Ream, Coleman, Orr, Groat. Miss Groat.

WHIST CLUB MEETS.

The fortnightly Whist Club met Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. George L. Turner. The usual series of games were played after which light refreshments were served.

SUPREME JUDGES ARE APPOINTED.

GOVERNOR SELECTS ROSE, SULLIVAN AND FAWCETT.

SULLIVAN ONLY DEMOCRAT.

Candidate J. R. Dean Of This City Has No Sore Spots And Says That The Governor Did The Only Thing He Could Do

Governor Sheldon announced the four new supreme judges Monday. He appointed Deputy Attorney General W. B. Rose of Lincoln, Commissioner of the Supreme Court, Jesse L. Root, Judge J. J. Sullivan of Columbus formerly a member of the Supreme Court, and Judge Jacob Fawcett of Omaha. Judge J. J. Sullivan is the only Democrat in the list of appointees.

Attorney J. R. Dean of this city who was a candidate for one of the appointments made the following statement when interviewed: "I consider that Governor Sheldon has done the only thing he could do, in the appointment of Judge Sullivan in preference to myself as the one Democrat to be appointed. Judge Sullivan has served on the district bench and was for years a judge of the Supreme Court. He was admired as a judge and as a citizen for his ability and his personal qualities. With Judge Sullivan in the race and only one Democrat to be appointed the Governor could do nothing but appoint him.

Some friends of Dean's who talked with the Governor just before the appointments were made state that they are certain that Dean stood next to Sullivan and had the Governor felt that he could appoint two Democrats or had Sullivan been out of the race they think that Dean would have secured one of the places. All of the appointees with the exception of W. B. Sose secured the endorsement of the State Bar Association.

The Supreme Court judges met Tuesday morning and after the oath of office had been administered to the newly appointed members by Chief Justice Barnes Judge M. B. Reese, who was elected a year ago last November was chosen to act as chief justice during the remainder of his term. The old court commissioners will probably serve until the first of the year in order to give the court an opportunity to commence the year with no unfinished business.

Silver Medal Contest.

Program of six contestants and a number of musical selections.

A silver medal declamatory contest will be pulled at the M. E. church Friday evening December 11th. Six young people have entered the contest for the medal and they have been drilled for some time by Mrs. Speake. Judges will be appointed and the one giving the best recitation will be awarded the medal. Ten and fifteen cents admission will be charged. The following is the program for the evening: Piano Solo.....Miss Dill Violin Solo.....Miss Lea Squires Vocal Solo.....Miss Dux Contest.....six contestants entered Cornet Solo.....Frank Taylor Hyerson Bros' Quartet

J. D. Ream and Jules Haumont are going over the fair agricultural exhibit to select some of the best grains and send to Omaha for the National Corn Exposition.