

**Insurance Men Finish Session.**  
A business session, including the election of officers for the ensuing year, appointment of legislative and program committees, delegates to the national convention, reports of various committees, were features of Thursday's session of the Nebraska Association of Mutual Insurance companies, holding their two days' convention here.

Lincoln was the city chosen for the next convention. After many resolutions were adopted, including the endorsing of Fire Commissioner Randall's campaign against fire, and the vote of thanks to Norfolk, the Commercial club, Ex-Vice President Evans and the resolutions of respect to the late John Emmanuel who, before his death, was for ten years president of the association, the convention adjourned at noon Thursday.

The following officers were elected: President, A. C. Hull, Hastings; vice president, M. C. Dill, Belvidere; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. M. C. Hitchcock, Lincoln. The secretary's salary was fixed at \$50 per annum. Last year's legislative committee was re-elected and Frank Mills of Lincoln succeeded Herman Buettow on the program committee. W. J. Eysteone of Lincoln was selected on the entertainment committee for the Lincoln convention.

G. L. Carlson delivered an interesting address on "Co-Operation" during the morning session and M. C. Dill read valuable paper on provisions for insuring automobiles.

Acting Mayor Herman Winter, who delivered the address of welcome at the opening of the convention, was given a vote of thanks for his co-operation with local committees.

The address of J. E. Curti of South Omaha on farm risks was one of the feature papers read during the afternoon session Wednesday.

Chief Deputy Fire Commissioner C. A. Randall of Lincoln, who was scheduled to address the convention Wednesday afternoon, was unable to be present, but his paper was read by Secretary Hitchcock.

"During the past year there have been 1,348 fires reported to the fire commission department," says the fire commissioner's paper. "The total value of buildings that have been damaged by fire was \$8,687,414. The value of contents in buildings damaged was \$8,067,817. There was insurance on the buildings damaged amounting to \$5,795,901, and the insurance on the contents was \$5,289,890. The total value of buildings and contents that have been damaged by fire is \$16,755,231, but the actual damage has been reduced to \$1,778,138, largely through the efforts of the paid and volunteer fire departments.

"This array of figures ought to convince the most skeptical that money invested in adequate fire fighting facilities, manned by loyal and courageous men who constitute these various fire companies, is money well expended."

The reports of the various companies and the round table questions took up the remainder of the afternoon.

A banquet was served in the Merchants' cafe during the evening, at which many toasts were responded to. State Auditor Barton was unable to be present at the convention and he telegraphed his regrets.

Delegate J. A. Moses of Aurora was taken suddenly ill during the afternoon and Vice President Evans took him in charge. A physician was called, but the delegate's attack was not a serious one.

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