

BACK TO PRIVATE CITIZENS.

The Old State Officers Step Down and Out of Office.

SECRETARY ROGGEN'S RECORD.

Important Decisions Handled Down by the Supreme Court—Two Bearing on the Stenob Law—Other Lincoln News.

(FROM THE BEE'S LINCOLN BUREAU.)

In the progress of events came the time when the newly elected state officers took their places in the halls and offices of the state capital building and commenced upon their duties.

Among the officials who stepped down and out and became again private citizens none will be so generally missed by the public and by the oldest inhabitants of the capital building as Hon. E. P. Roggen, the late secretary of state.

This has given Mr. Roggen a state acquaintance exceeded by none, and his management of the office has been such that no man ever called on business or pleasure who did not have courteous treatment and an audience.

Mr. Roggen's thorough acquaintance with every nook and detail of that intricate office has made the service to the public during the past four years prompt, thorough and efficient, and the secretary's thorough acquaintance with all the different state institutions for years past has made his services on the board of lands and buildings of great value.

His influence always being exerted for the management of the state institutions on strict business principles and to the letter of the law. The closing months of Mr. Roggen's administration have been the best. He has cleaned out not only at least in the mail-way commission and assisted in formulating a report to the legislature that places that useless sponge upon the body politic in a light that shows its uselessness and calls for radical amendments or a total annihilation of the bill.

He has, after long and earnest effort, that was participated in by all his associates on the board, succeeded in placing the insane hospital on a basis of permanent work that it has not enjoyed, for years. Mr. Roggen's political work in the last campaign was wielded to prevent the influence of Lancaster county, the second county in the state, from being sold and delivered to the worst elements in politics for their class to traffic in, and while they apparently worsted Mr. Roggen in the early part of the campaign, that gentleman has, through the prominent support he accorded Mr. Harlan for speaker, shown the mettle that he has in a square stand up fight with a principle at stake.

The people of the city of Lincoln, who know Mr. Roggen's work are not unmindful of the fact that for the present a man of purpose and energy and ability has stepped down from the public service.

Yesterday the supreme court handed down a voluminous number of decisions that were formulated by them during the holiday recess, some of them being of no considerable importance, especially those that bear to two cases cited directly upon the Stenob law. These decisions are to be supplemented by others that have already been acted upon and will be promulgated to-day. Among those handed down yesterday were the following:

State ex rel York vs. Babcock. Mandamus. Will granted. Opinion by Maxwell, C. J.

long game of deceit, telling numerous friends and acquaintances all along in the city that he was not a married man and calling at times on young ladies as a single man. That this system of deceit has not become known before is a surprise to a good many, now that facts are known. It is not known how much money Wilson took with him, but it is thought it is small, and if there is any law by which he can be brought back the wronged wife and her friends will see to it that he comes.

DEATH OF MRS. T. P. KENNARD. The people of Lincoln were surprised and shocked Wednesday to hear of the sudden and unexpected death of Mrs. Kennard, wife of Hon. T. P. Kennard, at her home in this city. Mrs. Kennard had not been sick, but Wednesday morning she was stricken with apoplexy and so great was the shock that she only survived a few hours. The funeral will be at her home in state affairs and the long residence of the family in the city of Lincoln, makes the death of Mrs. Kennard a subject of regret with a very large circle of friends and acquaintances. The funeral occurs today at 3 p. m.

"The moon of Mahomet arose, and it shall set, says Shelley, but if you will see a little of Dr. Bull's Cong. Syrup, in some handy place you will have a quick cure for croup, coughs, and colds."

The eighth wonder of the world.—A benighted man limping with rheumatism who had never heard of Salvation Oil. Price 25 cents a bottle.

Reveries. The furniture dealers of the city have entered into an agreement to close at 6:30 p. m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of each week.

This evening Dr. Benson will deliver at the synagogue his fourth lecture upon "Prominent Hebrews of History." Divine services will commence at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. E. T. Ryan, of Vall, Ia., went through this city yesterday on her way to Lincoln, where she will spend a few days with her father John Mathieson, one of our representatives.

A meeting of the Union Hydraulic Drain Tile company, held at their office on last Monday. A. E. Souer was elected president; R. J. Carson, vice-president; Jeff W. Bedford, secretary; J. H. Hunge, treasurer.

Dave Kaufman has decided not to prosecute Fred Ostman, the boy who secured two gold watches by presenting forged tickets at the December and November drawings. Copeland's parents will make good the property lost.

Edward Lindale appeared before Judge Stenberg yesterday on a writ for the arrest of Fred Barker, a former in the employment of Kimball, the ice man. Barker, it is claimed, committed an unprovoked assault upon Lindale.

Chas. B. Rustin, Esq., sold to John E. Coad this week the northeast corner of Harney and 17th sts. for \$3,000, and John A. McShane sold two lots, corner Harney and 24th sts., to Chas. F. Luce for \$25,000. Both sales were made by Amos Real Estate Agency.

John Crawford, a confirmed thief, snatched a pea jacket off a dummy in front of Nelson's clothing store on lower Farney yesterday morning. He was taken to the police station where he was seized by one of the employees of the store. A policeman was called and the fellow was taken to jail.

The stockholders of the Pacific Express company held their annual election yesterday for the purpose of selecting directors. The following gentlemen were elected: C. F. Adams, Boston; A. H. Calif, New York; D. S. H. Smith, St. Louis; L. A. Fulk, St. Louis; E. M. Marston, A. F. Heibel, Omaha; J. N. Johnston, Kansas City.

Miss Brooks will address the ladies of the First Congregational church and St. Mary's avenue church, this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the tubercular hospital avenue near Eighteenth street, on the people of Turkey, and mission work, especially among the women. Other ladies interested in this subject are cordially invited.

Secured a Success at North Bend. The party of Omaha musicians who gave a concert at North Bend Tuesday night, took the town by storm, and are justly triumphant over their reception. They were met at the depot by a committee composed of the leading citizens and conveyed in state to the opera house.

The quartet consisted of Mrs. E. E. Don, Miss Ruth, W. B. Wilkins and Royal France, fairly gained an ovation, and were compelled to reappear again and again. The four voices blend into a rich and perfect harmony like that of stung instruments and surpass any similar organization that Omaha has ever known.

Mr. French's performance at the piano was another excellent feature, and the piano charge, and under the concert an oyster supper was given in honor of the musicians.

YOU NEED NOT BACK your throat and lungs with that infernal cough when a pleasant and certain remedy may be found in Dr. J. H. McLean's Tar Wine Lung Balm. 25 cents a bottle.

K. of P. Installation. The officers of Nebraska Lodge No. 1 K. of P., were installed Wednesday night by D. D. Grand Chancellor J. E. Smith as follows:

ODDS AND ENDS.

Stray Leaves from a Reporter's Note Book. "The convening of the legislature recalls to my mind," said a prominent laborer yesterday, "the fraud practiced at the last session, when some disreputable demagogues endeavored to make it appear that the working people of Omaha were in favor of Boss Stout's auxiliary penitentiary bill. You will remember that it was sought to be proven by a series of forged resolutions, that the workmen wanted the bill, provided the penitentiaries should not be erected in Douglas county. I wish the members from other districts saw that Douglas county people wished to pawn the objectionable institutions over upon them, they rose in their might and strangled the monstrosity. The working people of Douglas county have never scores yet to settle with the actors in that perfidy."

"When Boss Stout's bill for auxiliary penitentiaries comes up in the present legislature, it will be watched with interest," said a workman yesterday. "During the last legislature it was the means of consigning many a Douglas demagogue to obscurity, though there are some fellows yet in this city, and in questionable relationship with our laboring people, who are snatched with that filthy thing. They are being watched, however, and they will not be able to pose as representatives of the working people without hearing something drud around their ears."

"I believe no one should be eligible to an office connected with educational affairs unless he or she be the head of a family," said an old citizen to a reporter of the BEE. "I am opposed to woman suffrage, but in school matters a good sensible mother would legislate with more justice than all the smart young men in Nebraska. Take West Omaha precinct, for instance. See the injustice that has been done there in school district No. 53, where over one-half the district is deprived of school privileges, and all this has been the work of one officer, Bob Taylor. No wonder the residents of that locality are hot. It is an outrage."

"Well, I'll tell you." In the first place Taylor, to use the language of an intimate friend, wanted to have his hand in some pie that would claim public attention, and he caused the abolition of the old district board and had six new members, only one of whom has a child going to the school in that district, and but one of whom has the pluck to stand up for the general welfare of the district, and that is Charles A. Taggart. A meeting was held last week and the services of the best teacher ever engaged in this county dispensed with; the old school house, located as near as possible to the center of the district virtually abandoned, and a room in Hertzman's block made the main school. The latter is built in every way for school purposes. It is in the second story of a building directly connecting the Bell street and the street passing trains cause continual interruption of the school work. Besides the danger of children being congregated near a railroad, the school is entirely out of the way and under a tree, and the eastern and central portion of the district cannot safely attend. For this room \$30 a month is paid—a high city rent for quarters that would not be taken for any living uses by any sane man, price because of its location. The other school is near the poor house and very properly as far as the accommodations of children in the south part of the district are concerned. In the school district No. 53 residing east for Lowe avenue and in Orchard Hill have been deprived of school privileges. What is the cause? Some fifteen or more children are attending school, and are thereby working an injustice to the city taxpayers; others have to be sent to paid schools, and others have to remain at home. All this because Bob Taylor wants to have his fingers in the pie—Bob, who has no children of school age and but very little general interest in the school district. No one is rich enough to desire the school in his back yard, and within hearing distance. But no matter how many extra school houses there may be one should be in the center of the district, if at all possible. As it is, it is said Mr. C. E. Mayne intends to erect a large school house in Orchard Hill this year. If he does the people of a large portion of Walnut Hill will heartily say amen. Yes, I tell you, it is a most laudable work in our county school matters, and perhaps in the city, too, if it were only known."

Late developments in the big express robbery near St. Louis, for which Whitrock and his associates were arrested and sentenced, show that the plans of the affair were formed in Omaha. In an interview with a St. Louis reporter, Whitrock stated that in June last he came to Omaha where he had a man named Amorearity, a noted thief and desperado who happened to be sojourning here. Amorearity's financial resources were rather low and when Whitrock proposed a scheme to rob the express company he consented readily enough. The details of the job were planned in Omaha and together Amorearity and Whitrock went to St. Louis together. Later, it appeared that Amorearity became frightened and refused to have anything to do with the job, leaving Whitrock and his associates to perform the robbery. Whitrock claims that this man Amorearity gave the whole affair away to the Pinkerton detectives, who are therefore, not entitled to the praise for shrewd, sharp work which they claim. Whitrock says that when he met Amorearity in Omaha, the latter was anxious to have a "ringer" in the pie, but when the time came for action he backed squarely down, though he was one of the ring leaders in forming the plot.

OMAHA & SOUTHWESTERN. A Meeting of the Stockholders Held Yesterday Afternoon. A meeting of stockholders of the Omaha Southern and Omaha & Southwestern railroad was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the office of Bartlett & Cornish on Fourteenth street. It was held for the purpose of electing directors of the road which is to be built on a line to be formed from the proposed route of both the above companies.

Among those present were John Clark of Chicago, who held proxies for a number of the stockholders, H. T. Clark, W. J. Broach, and E. Bartlett. It is the intention to extend the road through southern Nebraska and thence, through Kansas, Indian Territory and Texas to the Gulf. The shops of the company are to be located here and the road will be a great benefit to Omaha.

Sleeps in Laurel Hill. H. K. Burkett, the Union Pacific undertaker, returned Wednesday evening with the remains of P. Timman, the young man who was killed at Valley the day before by the falling upon him of a bank of earth. He was a German, and as nearly as can be ascertained a sister of his resides in Brooklyn, N. Y. This lady has been notified of the death of her brother. He had \$70 sewed up in the bottom of one of his pant-leg pockets, but that was all that was known to belong to him. He was buried this afternoon at 3 o'clock in Laurel Hill cemetery to await the action of his sister.

ARMY PEACE ESTABLISHMENT.

What an Old Veteran Thinks of the Present Military Strength.

THE THREE BATTALION SYSTEM.

Terms of Entitlements too Long—Many Valuable Hints on Army Organization—General Brishin's Valuable Suggestions.

Fort Robinson, Neb., Jan. 5.—To the Editor of the BEE: The congress of the United States every year is called upon to appropriate millions of money to support its military peace establishment. The expenditures are always high and it is constantly a question if the government gets the worth of its money in return for the great expenditure it makes. A good army is every year becoming more and more a necessity and public opinion as well as capital will soon demand a much larger army than we now have. I am not one of those who believe we have a perfect army or by any means the best army that can be got for the money we annually spend. It is a good little army certainly, but I don't seriously think it is a long enough. The matter of expense will always be urged as a reason against increasing the army but the protection of the citizen and his property is of more importance, vastly than the consideration of expense. The size of a country, its wealth as well as its necessities should regulate its army and navy. Measured by this standard it is hard to say what should be the strength of the army of the United States. If we are to judge of its by its wealth we would see at once the country would be able to support a larger army than Russia, England, France, Germany, or any other country in the world. If judged by its size then again it should have a larger army than any in the world except possibly Russia. If we consider its necessities we could, if governed by the experience of the past at once increase our army, for this country has never yet had a war for which it was prepared. I look at our riots in the past few years, the contest between capital and labor, and who can tell how soon we may be called upon to raise an army twice the size of our present one to prevent the peace and safety of the property of our citizens from destruction. But no, we are standing all this our policy is opposed to a large standing army, and I am as much opposed to one as anybody. What then should be done? I will not say, but surely we should perfect what we have with as little delay as possible. There is no safer guide to the feet of any man or nation than the lamp of experience. Both of which will be tried here and there.

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Again, the time allowed for re-enlistment is too short. Why should an honorably discharged soldier be limited to thirty days in which to re-enter service? If a good soldier he is just as valuable to the government at the end of six months of a year as at the end of thirty days. The soldier should be given at least six months in which to get tired of civil life and then be allowed to re-enter the army with all the benefits of his previous service. If he desired to do so, those matters seem small matters but they would exert a powerful influence over the army for good if they could be granted and there is no reason why they should not be granted us at once.

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Mrs. Jeannette M. Thurber deserves credit for her efforts to prove that we have home talent of genius in opera and ballet, without depending on over-paid foreign stars and unrepaid and seedy foreign stock companies. It would be well if our wealthy women generally would follow Mrs. Thurber's example and seek to develop American art, instead of joining the crowd of worshippers at the shrine of any imported libretto.

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