

TAYLOR TRACKED TO CHICAGO.

The Runaway Senator Located by The Bee in the Windy City.

LIVING UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME.

He Tries to Explain His Conduct, but Finally Flies from His Interviewer—Seth Cole is with Him.

CHICAGO OFFICE OF THE BEE. Chicago, March 24. Senator Taylor, the absconding member of the Nebraska legislature whose conduct during the deadlock among the senators has been conspicuous, traced the city of Chicago with his presence Sunday and Monday and was present at the hotel where the Nebraska legislature was held. Taylor registered himself under the alias of "William Mardis" of Red Oak, Ia. He was accompanied by Seth C. Cole of Omaha.

With the greatest difficulty Senator Taylor was induced to grant an interview to THE BEE representative. He looked careworn and haggard, and spoke nervously in a petulant tone, saying: "I opposed the maximum rate bill because I thought by so doing that I was best furthering the interests of my immediate constituency and of those of Nebraska at large who demanded it. Believing that the desired defeat of the bill could not be accomplished without a deadlock, I decided to absent myself from the legislature and leave the state entirely. Accordingly, I pursued that course, but the sensational reports published that I took a special train are all untrue."

"As to other reports circulated broadcast about my movements at Council Bluffs and the alleged attempt to kidnap me, all that is the most absurd rubbish. As a matter of fact, at the time all that was supposed to be taking place, I was here at this hotel in Chicago, having left Council Bluffs Thursday night and reached here about 2 o'clock Sunday morning."

Taylor expressed intense disgust at having been tracked here by THE BEE, and after rebuffing himself as above referred to, he said he was being rapidly driven away, but would not give his destination. He said he would return here Thursday.

"I am this, however, was probably a strategic movement, intended to elude the reporter, for the latter was informed at the hotel office a few moments later that the much-wanted Nebraska man had been traced to Chicago and left his valuables in the hotel safe. The senator said the newspapers had tracked him and would find him. Seth Cole was solicitous about his friend, "Mr. Mardis."

Mr. Cole, when asked to see the whereabouts of his friend Mr. Taylor, said he was in the city of Lincoln. He thought he had gone to Des Moines on the Rock Island train last night, and thought probably he would go to Lincoln, now that the crucial war was over.

"If he is in town I ought to get a note from him," said Mr. Cole, and if he has left I ought to get a telegram from him. Mr. Cole thinks he will remain here for a few days and then return to Lincoln.

THE BILLIARD OUTLOOK. Jacob Shaefer of St. Paul, Minn., and his brother said yesterday that Eugene Carter's challenge would undoubtedly be accepted by Shaefer. The game will be played in central music hall, which is the headquarters of the world at fourteen ball billiard and 8-ball. Soon after that game Shaefer will probably play Sisson.

THE NEWS PUBLISHES A COMMUNICATION FROM FROST CITY, S. D., stating that there are individual cases of destitution that must be relieved from some relief or aid. The communication follows, but there is no wholesale destitution except in one or two counties.

WESTERN PEOPLE IN CHICAGO. Among the western people in Chicago today were the following:—At the Grand Pacific—Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. N. Davis, F. A. Little, and Mrs. W. H. Humble, Miss Gribbes, Lincoln, Neb.

At the Palmer—W. L. Bailey, Omaha. At the Commercial—E. S. McClure, Omaha. At the Clifton—C. M. Allen, Omaha. At the Saratoga—F. M. Burnett, Omaha. At the McCoy—Mrs. Shilling, Atkinson.

JOHN KELLY IS LUCK. An Old Telegraph Operator Falls Heir to a Fortune. New York, March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—John White Kelly is the oldest operator employed by the Western Union telegraph company. He is sixty years of age and is still at work in the telegraph office, although he has fallen heir to an estate that will probably bring him the sum of \$100,000 in cash. An uncle of Mr. Kelly's had made him an heir to several lots on East Buffalo's new boulevard. On Saturday last Kelly got the first intimation of his inheritance in the shape of \$16,000. He came down to the telegraph office the same as usual, prepared to go to work. At the noon hour, however, he was called to the office by a messenger. He greeted them pleasantly and driving his hand into his pocket, pulled out a check for \$16,000. He offered to share with every one in the crowd. One of the men, however, would take advantage of his offer, and then to do something to show that he was willing to share his fortune he took all the men that he could find and treated them. One of them afterward said: "This is not the first time that fortune has smiled kindly upon old man Kelly. Not long ago he made something like \$2,000 in Wall Street by the dropping of a stock. This time he made a fine line for the savings bank. He intends to finish his work in the Western Union service by the end of this month and then retire from active work."

A Limit Upon Expenses. CHICAGO, March 24.—Secretary Dickson of the national world's fair commission last night wired Secretary of the Treasury Foster asking whether, if the expense of the April meeting of the national commission exceeded the appropriation, the treasury department would meet the deficit out of the money appropriated for the current year. Secretary Foster replied today that if the deficit was not in excess of \$10,000 it would be met, but that if it should be kept as small as possible. So the national commission will probably assemble here next week.

Lottery Prosecutions. MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 24.—United States Marshal Wavel and Postoffice Inspector Puffer today arrested Ben. Hodier, Mrs. J. H. Newbauer and Alf Smith for dealing in Louisiana and Mexican lottery tickets. Other arrests are to follow. The officers have a list of people who have purchased tickets by mail. All those purchasers are amenable under the law, and as the list en-

braces some of the most prominent people in the state, the arrests have created a sensation. One of the patrons of the lottery is a member of the Wisconsin legislature.

GEN. JOHNSTON'S FUNERAL.

It is Conducted Without Ostentation and is Largely Attended.

WATERLOO, March 24.—The funeral services over the remains of the late General Joseph E. Johnston, almost the last of the commanders of the confederacy, took place in this city this morning. By special request of the deceased the ceremonies were devoid of ostentation or unnecessary formality. There was no display of uniforms or battle flags, as the family declined the request of a number of confederate veterans' associations to participate formally. There were no services at the residence of the deceased, but just before 11 o'clock the remains were taken to St. John's Episcopal church, accompanied by the family and friends.

The funeral part was met at the church by the pall bearers, Senators Morgan and Daniel, Hon. Mr. Curry, General Parke, U. S. A., General (Hon. General) Theobald, Admiral Rodgers, U. S. N., Rear Admiral Tompkins, Wright, General Price, Colonel Anderson of Richmond, Colonel Harris, Hon. J. C. Barrett, Mayor and James W. Walmough. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity with a delegation of ex-confederates and different societies, and a prominent body of Unionists, including General Veazy, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic; Vice-President Morton, Senator McClellan, General Mansfield and Butler. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Douglas, pastor.

Devoted to the simple Episcopalian burial service. At the conclusion of the services the remains were put on the train for Baltimore, where they will be interred in Greenmount cemetery.

At Baltimore. BALTIMORE, Md., March 24.—When the body of General Johnston arrived here many old soldiers were at the railroad station and bared their heads as the coffin was borne past them. They did not form part of the funeral procession, but stood by the railroad. He was laid at rest by the side of his wife in Greenmount cemetery.

Burial of Lawrence Barrett. COHASSET, Mass., March 24.—The body of Lawrence Barrett was interred in Central cemetery today.

Death of Charles Chickering. NEW YORK, March 24.—Charles F. Chickering, the well known piano manufacturer, is dead.

Rev. Howard Crosby Dying. NEW YORK, March 24.—Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby is dying from pneumonia.

The Death Toll. TOLEDO, O., March 24.—General John C. Lee, at one time lieutenant governor of Ohio, and a conspicuous officer in Rosecrans' army during the war, died here tonight.

SALT LAKE, Utah, March 24.—Daniel H. Sauer, member of the twenty-second legislature of the Nevada legion, an old time leader and trusted officer of the Mormon church, died today of pneumonia.

NEW ORLEANS GRAND JURY.

Sensational Developments Expected When the Report is Made.

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 24.—The grand jury held another long session today and from witnesses examined it is evident that boys is getting into the bribery business and sensational developments are expected. The session will doubtless be the indictment of a prominent party not heretofore mentioned in connection with the conspiracy plan of the case. Many of the witnesses the last few days have been surprised to find themselves called in, and protested that they knew nothing until they got into the jury room. O'Malley has not yet been brought in, although a capias has been issued, and it is not likely that he will be really sought for until the grand jury is sworn in. It is reported that the wife of Shivespore's wife is said to have been stopped on the street by several Italians and threatened with the destruction of her home and family.

Nichols to Blaine. WASHINGTON, March 24.—Secretary Blaine received a letter this morning from Governor Nichols of Louisiana in regard to the recent killing of the eleven Italians in jail at New Orleans. The letter, which is dated March 21, acknowledges the receipt of the secretary's telegram and states that he is not being investigated by the grand jury. The governor stated that most of the persons killed were American citizens, but it is probable two or three may have been Italian subjects. A copy of the letter was sent to Baron Favas, the Italian minister, by Secretary Blaine.

The Irrigation Experts. LINCOLN, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The department of the interior has received a letter this morning, and a meeting of the board of government experts appointed for the irrigation investigation will be held here this afternoon. Plans for the continuation of the investigation are being discussed. The coming season will be considered, after which the members will separate and go to their respective fields. Agent Hinton will proceed to South Dakota, which is the seat of the largest operations. An experimental farm will be located near Aberdeen. The results of the investigation have thus far been very encouraging.

York County Assessors. YORK, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following persons are the assessors of York county: Stewart precinct, J. M. Fuller; York town, W. J. Parker; Thayer, William Owen; Arborville, F. N. Riekner; Brackley, Hubert; Lonebridge, S. T. Mays; New York, L. A. Decker; S. C. Williams; Beaver, C. M. Leroy; L. R. Miller; Baker, D. S. Zimmerman; Brown, John Peter; Henderson, J. W. Foster; Hays, William Hall; Madison, H. A. G. and W. B. Wain; John Morgan; city of York, C. J. Bell. The basis of assessment will be the same as that in force last year.

Another Ticket for Blue Springs. BLUE SPRINGS, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A second convention was held here last night for the nomination of city officers and a ticket placed in the field headed by a republican. The following are the names of the candidates: For mayor, W. W. Wright; for councilmen, H. C. Colburn, Dan Harpster for city clerk, H. C. Colburn; for city clerk, E. G. Walthus; for police judge, C. S. Oils; for engineer, F. E. Lewis. The issue is understood to be license or no license.

Another Disappearance. TAMMONG, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A man named W. H. H. was reported to have disappeared from the place March 19, and the fact that no reason can be assigned why he should have thus disappeared is giving his friends some anxiety.

Nebraska City's Own Squad. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Captain McElroy is forming a gun squad which will consist of seven men, one cannon and equipments. The cannon will be furnished by the secretary of war. The squad will work in connection with the police.

Death of an Old Settler. HASTINGS, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Mrs. Mary Hewett, the estimable wife of Judge O. B. Hewett of this city, died suddenly Sunday afternoon of heart failure. Mrs. Hewett was the oldest Nebraska pioneer residing in Hastings. She came to

WINTER IS STILL LINGERING.

Old and White Haired, He Finds the Lap of Spring Languid.

A PASSENGER TRAIN STUCK IN SNOW.

Fire in a Mail Car Does Considerable Damage—Another Mysterious Disappearance—Deaths of Old Settlers.

HARDY, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A strong blizzard has been blowing since 12 o'clock last night. Lots of snow is falling and melting some as it falls.

The B. & M. passenger west this afternoon is off the track between there and Byron, caused by deep snow. No one is hurt seriously.

INDIANOLA, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Last evening about 8 o'clock the snow began falling and all night and all day today there has been a constant fall with heavy northeast wind driving the snow in places several feet. Tonight at 8 o'clock there is little sign of a check. From six to eight inches of snow has fallen.

YORK, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—It has been snowing here all day. There is now at least eight inches of snow on the ground and it is still snowing heavily. The heaviest snow that fell here this winter.

YORK, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A heavy snowstorm has prevailed in this city and vicinity during the past two hours, and up to noon today the fall has reached a depth of five inches. An easterly wind prevails, and the snow which still continues falling, is heavy and wet.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A heavy snowstorm has prevailed the past eighteen hours and shows no sign of abatement. Street car traffic is abandoned by street car lines.

Claims of Employes. LINCOLN, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Early in the session the house passed a resolution, introduced by White, instructing the chief clerk to certify to the employes' time only for such days as the house was actually in session, excepting the days when the house was adjourned for the day.

Another Pioneer Gone. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—James C. Crum died this morning at his residence, 917 North Seventh street, of Bright's disease of the kidneys. Mr. Crum was one of the pioneer settlers of this city and with the exception of a short time in the Washington navy, was made his home here.

The Sugar Train. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—A large number of citizens went today to the Missouri Pacific depot today to see the sugar train from New Orleans. There were twenty cars, all decorated with flags and bunting. The train left Omaha. The train only stopped about five minutes.

CORNER IN MAY WHEAT. NEW YORK and Chicago Men said to Be in the Combination.

CHICAGO, March 24.—A local paper says there have been rumors on the board of trade for some time to the effect that a corner is being worked in May wheat, the corners having begun to buy when the price was about 90 or 91 cents. The rumors variously pointed to a combination of New York and Chicago speculators, or to a corner worked exclusively by Chicago speculators. Now it is asserted that it has been learned that many of the buying orders have come from New York, and chiefly through commission houses here connected by private wires with Wall street. It is said the purchases of the manipulators must now be about a million bushels. The corner is being worked in May wheat, and the profits would aggregate over \$500,000.

It is Used Against an Appropriation For the Soldiers' Home.

MADISON, Wis., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Governor Peck this morning sent a message to the legislature vetoing the bill which appropriates \$50,000 for the support of the Wapasha veterans' home. When the appropriation was made there was a hot debate, in which the soldier home interests upon the current and support of the bill. The matter was also acted upon by the annual convocation of the Wisconsin legislature, which is the seat of the largest operations. An experimental farm will be located near Aberdeen. The results of the investigation have thus far been very encouraging.

Working for Reciprocity. OTTAWA, Ont., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Hon. Mr. Foster, minister of finance, respecting his recent visit to the West Indies, says: "I have every reason to feel sanguine regarding our efforts to obtain closer trade relations with those colonies, and will likely have a definite announcement to make shortly. The proposals submitted by the Dominion government are now engaging the attention of the various legislatures. It is a matter of course that the Dominion government will be glad to meet the views of the various legislatures, which will be heard from later on."

After Several Attempts at Murder He Escap'd to America. NEW YORK, March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Circulas have been received in this city from the public prosecutor of Kustrin, Germany, offering a reward of 1,000 thalers for the capture of a German who, since September last, is believed to have made attempts to murder five women of Illinois after the fashion attributed in England to Jack the Ripper. His last victim, a woman named Wain, who was attacked on February 21, received a wound eight inches in length and four inches in depth across her stomach. The man is supposed to have escaped to the United States. He is a tall, thin man, with a full beard, and a full description of his appearance accompanies the circular, but is suppressed by the police for prudential reasons.

Refutation of a Sensational Story Regarding a Succession. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Theodore H. Davies, guardian of Princess Kaiulani, recently proclaimed successor to the Hawaiian throne, has prepared a statement in refutation of the sensational story which has appeared in the papers of this country to the effect that Queen Liliuokalani was desirous of setting aside Kaiulani's succession in favor of an illegitimate son of her own. He characterizes the report as pure invention, inasmuch as Kaiulani has been appointed the successor by the unanimous decision of Queen Liliuokalani and the house of nobles, and says that the Hawaiian throne is sacred and unfeignedly sacred against the queen.

An Alabama Lying-in. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 24.—John Danes (colored) was lynched at Columbus this morning for an attempted outrage on a white woman.

Patents to Western Inventors. WASHINGTON, March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Patents were issued today as follows: L. E. Armstrong, Port Dodge, Ia., display rack; Godfrey Marly, Omaha, display frame; Stephen H. Spitzer, Des Moines, Ia., car coupler.

Paying French Spoilation Claims. WASHINGTON, March 24.—Leonard Myers

EXPORTS OF DRESSED BEEF.

Secretary Rusk Will Shortly Issue the Regulations Governing Them.

GERMANY TO BE PLEASED IF POSSIBLE.

Senators Manderson and Paddock Call on the President and Urge Judge Cobb to Succeed Groff.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE BEE, 513 FOCHEUR STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24. Within a few days the secretary of agriculture will promulgate the regulations which will govern the shipment of dressed meats to European ports under the new meat inspection law. Secretary Rusk today refused to give out for publication the details of the instructions to agents of the department who will be charged with the duty of making inspections, but he said that all meats destined for German ports especially will be subjected to a microscopic test, such as the German government requires. When the United States takes such precautions as this to insure the healthfulness of its meat products it will scarcely do for foreign governments to refuse to lift the embargo on any alleged fear of impurity. Should Germany attempt to refuse admission to American dressed beef and other foodstuffs, the United States will fully enforce it will place that country in the attitude of enemy towards the food products of the United States. Secretary Rusk has already demonstrated what course he will advise in such a contingency, and it is understood that in the correspondence between the United States and Germany, recently referred to in these dispatches, the department advised Mr. Paeps that the microscopic tests were to be made, and intimated to him that unless they were looked upon as satisfactory by the imperial government the United States will regard the continued refusal of Germany as prompted by unfriendliness on the part of that country, that in that contingency the president will call upon him to impose discriminating duties on all German products. The imports to Germany before the embargo was imposed fell below \$12,000,000 in value annually. It is fair to assume that the German authorities will not take the risk of closing the ports of the United States to the millions of dollars worth of goods which the country and its buyers from the subjects of the Kaiser.

The matter has been frequently discussed in cabinet meetings of late, and it seems to be the unanimous opinion of the members that the most stringent measures will be necessary in case Germany refuses to relieve the American meat products of the present unjust discriminations. If, as is probable, the embargo is lifted it is likely that the result will be a great increase in the exports of this country to an extent never before reached.

URGING COBBS TO SUCCEED GROFF. Senators Manderson and Paddock are not disposed to give up the land commissioner's office for the sake of Nebraska, and in view of the pressure which is being made for ex-Congressman Carter of Montana. They called on the president today and urged the appointment of Judge Cobb and exhausted their powers of eloquence in behalf of their friend. The president was non-committal, but he will accept the place, and they insist that he can have it if he wants it.

PERY S. HEATH.

CHANCES FOR MORE TROUBLE.

War Department Investigating the Feeling Among the Indians.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—The war department is taking advantage of the cessation of hostilities among the Indians of Dakota and the fact that the Indians are gathering in information as to the probabilities of another outbreak this spring. Careful investigation has been made by the officers serving as agents at the Pine Ridge and Rosebud agencies, and their reports are not altogether reassuring. In substance these officers assert that the Indians do not seem to be well pleased with the government's desires. An outbreak can be prevented, or, on the other hand, very little will fan the smoldering feelings of the aborigines into a flame. That is to say, the Indians are not well pleased with the government's policy in distributing the appropriations. If the Indians get promptly all that is due them there is not, to much hanging, there will be no outbreak. The government's attempts to pinch the Dakota tribes the bitherto friendly Indians, who do not favor any more of the present policy, will be a late trip to Washington, will, it is predicted, surely result. These Indians are at present in the majority in the two Dakota agencies, and the hostile chiefs have been taken by an Indian scout for a European trip and the remaining hostiles are this short of peace. The real feeling among the Indians is not held as hostages, but have gone as a matter of enterprise, and so they would not be necessarily deterred from an outbreak. The war department is well informed. These absent chiefs, however, are perhaps the worst fighters of the nation.

One Passenger Fatally Hurt. LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 24.—The last express on the Louisville & Nashville road ran off the track last night near Anchorage and a passenger was killed. The train was carrying a year ago from Amboy, Ill. He was about thirty-six years of age, single, and stood high in the order of merit. The passenger was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen No. 7 of this city. The car had been damaged in gathering authentic information as to the probabilities of another outbreak this spring. Careful investigation has been made by the officers serving as agents at the Pine Ridge and Rosebud agencies, and their reports are not altogether reassuring. In substance these officers assert that the Indians do not seem to be well pleased with the government's desires. An outbreak can be prevented, or, on the other hand, very little will fan the smoldering feelings of the aborigines into a flame. That is to say, the Indians are not well pleased with the government's policy in distributing the appropriations. If the Indians get promptly all that is due them there is not, to much hanging, there will be no outbreak. The government's attempts to pinch the Dakota tribes the bitherto friendly Indians, who do not favor any more of the present policy, will be a late trip to Washington, will, it is predicted, surely result. These Indians are at present in the majority in the two Dakota agencies, and the hostile chiefs have been taken by an Indian scout for a European trip and the remaining hostiles are this short of peace. The real feeling among the Indians is not held as hostages, but have gone as a matter of enterprise, and so they would not be necessarily deterred from an outbreak. The war department is well informed. These absent chiefs, however, are perhaps the worst fighters of the nation.

A Swedish Steamer Ashore. NORFOLK, Va., March 24.—The signal service reports a Swedish steamer ashore on the North Carolina coast south of Cape Fear. The steamer is not the vessel which was going to pieces and only one of the crew has been rescued.

Brig and One Man Lost. SANDY HOOK, N. Y., March 24.—The brig Joseph Darnley, from Jamaica for Havre, France, with 100 tons of cargo, was wrecked on the coast of Long Island. The vessel was carrying 100 tons of cargo, and only one of the crew has been rescued.

Killed by a Train. ANDERSON, Ind., March 24.—Luzio Bond, aged twenty, was struck by a train this morning, and instantly killed.

GENERAL MILLEN TOUR. Provided by the Mexican Government with Military Escort. EL PASO, Tex., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Colonel Reed of the Mexican army is on his way to El Paso to receive orders from his government today to meet General Nelson A. Miles of the United States army in this city tomorrow and escort him half way from here to the city of Mexico, where he will be relieved by another escort to be taken to the Mexican capital. Senator Sherman accompanied General Miles.

Secretary Foster accompanied by the quartermaster general and General Stanley, commander of the department of Texas, will arrive here on the board of the new fort site and the work in progress on it.

May Be Taken Back for Trial. HULFORD, N. S., March 24.—Mr. Tanner, late United States constable at Detroit, who fled from the province to escape prosecution on a charge of attempted assault on a little girl, was arrested in Boston today and it is said will be brought back for trial. He was previously in custody with the Boston police and was about to be inaugurated.

THE WEATHER FORECAST. For Omaha and vicinity—Rain or snow followed by fair; slightly cooler.

For Nebraska and Iowa—Light snow; warmer by Wednesday night; northerly winds.

For South Dakota—Fair, except a snow storm in extreme western portion; slightly warmer; northerly winds.

The Fire Record. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 24.—The business portion of Russellville burned today, entailing a loss of \$50,000.

NEW OMAHA CHARTER PASSED.

Dysart's Objections Sat Down on by the Senate Nearly Unanimously.

WHAT THE MEASURE WILL PROVIDE. Who Sired the Newberry Bill—Strickler's Claim Admitted—Mr. Poynter's Salary—Route of the Legislature.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 24.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Senate file No. 110, comprising the amendments to the Omaha charter, was called up on third reading. After it had been read for a few moments Senator Dysart of Neoklass arose and moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee in view of the amendments. If this motion should be carried it meant that the bill would never be resurrected. The senators saw that it also meant a long discussion on a subject on which most of them had already made up their minds. As a consequence some of them left their seats and returned to the committee in view of the amendments. But the motion did not prevail and the bill was passed by a handsome vote.

Senator Switzer said he hoped the senate would not recommit the bill. It had been left before the committee for five or six weeks, and in fact, had been allowed to remain there almost too long, solely that all the amendments that could be used in it might there be made. To recommit the bill at this late day would be to kill it. That the senate might be informed as to the nature of the amendments which had been suggested, he would synopsize the bill. It provided that the mayor should become a member of the first board of police commissioners, and that members, be entitled to vote; for the creation of the offices of assistant city attorney and city prosecutor; for a sanitary department to take care of the health of the city; for the issuance of paving bonds which had not been allowed, and which would be of great value to poor people who could not at once pay for the paving of the streets; for the increasing of the powers of the park commission and the issuance of bonds for park purposes. An erroneous impression had gone abroad that this charter gave to the mayor and council the right to issue these bonds. That was a mistake. In page 8 of the amendments provided that no bonds should be issued without the consent of the people by a two-thirds vote. This provision was more stringent than the present one, which required a majority of only one-half. The charter also increased the ratio of bond indebtedness from 10 to 15 per cent. This would enable the carrying on of a good public improvement program, which would give employment to a large number of people now not engaged. It also provided for sprinkling districts; for the increased valuation of the property; for the paying of the city treasurer a salary, depositing the city funds in a bank and turning the interest thereon into the city treasury.

The provisions of the charter for public works was enlarged, the salary of the mayor was increased from \$2,500 to \$3,000, the term of office of the police commission was changed from two to four years, and there was no change, as had been urged, regarding the city assessors. That was not the case, for the assessors were willing, if the senators so decided, to make the office elective instead of appointive. The impression which prevailed, that the appointments of the city assessors was placed with the mayor and council, was erroneous. It still remained with the governor. It still remained with the governor. It still remained with the governor.

Senator Dysart then reiterated what he had said several weeks before on the subject, that not only would he object to the objection of the senators from Douglas had a right to speak for the people of Omaha; that three assessors would be elected in opposition to the charter, and that he thought they should be given some consideration; that there were six working men behind him, and that he would be glad to see them speak for the bill and have it amended; that the independent party should be represented in the board of assessors, and that the assessors should be elected by the people.

Senator Switzer then paid his respects to Henry Ehrenport, the man who had given Senator Dysart his petition. That document, which was signed by the assessors, was a petition for the amendment of the charter, and that he thought they should be given some consideration; that there were six working men behind him, and that he would be glad to see them speak for the bill and have it amended; that the independent party should be represented in the board of assessors, and that the assessors should be elected by the people.

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