

CAME OF POLICE POLITICS

Discharge of Sixteen Patrolmen Brings Forth Considerable Protest.

FAITHFUL SERVICE AVAILS NAUGHT

Police Officer Says Action of the Board Will Have Most Demoralizing Effect on Whole Force.

The arbitrary dismissal without hearing or charges of sixteen patrolmen by the police board is the theme of animated discussion not only in the police and fire departments, but also in political circles generally—for it is recognized as a piece of politics designed to transform the police force into a piece of political machinery that will respond to every aspiration of the controlling members of the board. The dismissed patrolmen during the day, but are not disposed to give up positions earned by long service without a protest. A meeting has already been called at which some line of joint action will be agreed on.

"The dismissal of these men is entirely without warrant or justification," said a police officer who naturally insisted on his identity being concealed. "It is purely political and the worst case of intrusion of politics into the force on record. It is sure to demoralize the whole force, for who of us knows whose head is to go next? Most of the discharged men have good records, have families to support, with winter coming on, and were counting on steady employment as long as they rendered efficient service. It is a serious thing for them, and then, too, they all have an interest in the police relief fund, to which they have contributed in various ways, and dismissal amounts to depriving them of a right to share in this fund, which clearly belongs to them unless forfeited by some misbehavior of their own. I tell you, it's sorry times on the police force these days."

Abandonment of Police Plan.
The reduction of the police force by sixteen men will necessitate the continuance of the two-shift system and the abandonment of the plan to adopt the eight-hour or three-shift system. The proposed some time ago by the board. At least the two-shift system will be in vogue until after the 1st of January.

Chief Donahue said: "We will abandon the proposed change for the present, because we have not sufficient money to carry it through. We could have adopted it if only ten men had been discharged, but with sixteen gone it leaves the department too badly crippled. I regret to see them let out at this time, as burglaries are more numerous now than any other time of the year, and we really need more men than we had."

The chief does not expect any new men to be appointed before January 1, but at that time, after the appropriation is made, he expects the force to be put back to its present number. The chief would make no comment on the men discharged or the reason they were discharged.

No Shortage in Police Fund.

A statement given to The Bee yesterday afternoon by the comptroller shows total receipts in the police fund to November 1 of \$101,457.44, and total expenditures of \$84,967.64, leaving a balance in the police fund at this time of \$16,489.80.

The estimated receipts for the balance of the year for the police fund amount to \$700, which would increase the amount available for the use of the department to \$17,189.80. The estimated expenses for the balance of the year at the former rate of expenditure aggregate \$15,198, which would overlap the amount available by \$1,991.80.

In the statement of the comptroller the items which go to make up the estimate of expense, part of which consist of fixed charges, are as follows:

Police department salaries.....\$14,000
City jail salaries.....250
Salaries of fire and police commissaries.....500
Salaries of license board.....2,000
Various claims.....2,000
Alarm system.....531

Total.....\$19,198

In the above statement is included all miscellaneous bills and items of various kinds now outstanding against the department.
In the items of salaries for Messrs. Broatch, Wright, Spratlen and Thomas as members of the Fire and Police board, and the same gentlemen as members of the license board, are included the amounts of their back pay held up by the city council as well as their salaries for the remainder of the year. It has been suggested that if the members of the board would forego the payment of their salaries until after January 1 the fund could be made to last without cutting down the police department. The comptroller's exhibit makes it clear that the alleged shortage in the police fund is merely a trumped-up pretense to make way for appointment of new favorites on the force in January next.

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Mortality Statistics.

The following births and deaths were reported at the office of the Board of Health during the twenty-four hours ending at noon Tuesday:

Births—Robert R. Park, 424 Webster street, boy; Nathan Field, 2220 Burt street, girl; Daniel Taylor, 2021 Howard street, girl; Benjamin Rosebery, 400 Ohio street, boy; William Smith, 514 1/2 South Thirtieth street, boy; Abraham Metcher, 501 South Nineteenth street, boy; Charles Baum, 3029 Camden avenue, boy; Samuel Shapiro, 2421 South Sixteenth street, boy; Ed Mercer, Rescue Home, child; Wade Maple street, boy; W. W. Stewart, 3413 North Thirtieth street, boy; Charles S. Galt, 1405 Franklin avenue, boy; Domestic King, 506 Franklin avenue, boy; Deaths—John Thorpe, Central hospital, aged 55 years; Madeline Meard, St. Joseph's hospital, aged 47 years.

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LOOKING UP MAIL DEVICES

Committee Appointed by Postmaster General Inspects Inventions of Nebraskans.

A committee appointed by the postmaster general for the purpose of inspecting and reporting on devices patented for the delivery and catching of mails from moving trains passed through Omaha yesterday en route to Greenwood, Neb., to test the device invented by R. S. Patton of this city. The device of Patton's has been in use on the Burlington road for over a year, and the friends of the inventor who have examined the apparatus are confident that it will meet the approval of the government committee. The committee will return to Omaha and then go to Grand Island, where they will test a similar device invented by Ashton Meyer of that place. The committee is composed of E. J. Ryan, chief superintendent of the railway mail service of Boston; D. J. Bradley, superintendent at New York; E. L. West, superintendent at Chicago; O. T. Holloway, superintendent at Cincinnati; S. M. Gains, superintendent at Fort Worth; T. P. Graham, chief of the equipment division at Washington; J. T. Crew, chief of the railway adjustment system.

HEARS FROM LEARN'S BOYS

County Judge is Asked to Provide Them Transportation from Dallas, Texas.

Judge Vinsonhaler of the county court has received from the sons of the late Judge William R. Learn a letter requesting tickets to Omaha from Dallas, Tex., and his assurance that he will provide for them here and keep them in school with the \$4,000 left them by their father upon his death about eighteen months ago. Because of their mother's failure to keep her promise to return the boys to Douglas county, which promise was made in July, 1901, when she wished to take them with her to her home in Cripple Creek, Colo., Judge Vinsonhaler does not look upon the request favorably. He has answered that if they return it must be at their mother's expense for transportation. Should they come, he will see that they are properly provided for here until they are of age.

Announcements of the Theaters.

At the Orpheum this afternoon will be given the regular mid-week matinee. The turns on the bill are varied and are well calculated to please many tastes, which is attested by their scoring to largest houses of the season. Ned Wayburn's "Jockey Club," headed by the Countess Hatfield, are not only drawing the chappies to the front rows, but are proving of the magnetic kind that draw all classes. There are fifteen sprightly girls, attractively costumed, the company who present a number of graceful dances, while the Countess, a dainty blonde, sings a number of songs. Harry LeClair is another feature that is scoring heavily and easily ranks with the cleverest female impersonators that have appeared here.

"The Tide of Life," a sensational melodrama, will follow the current attraction at the Boyd's, opening Thursday night. The play is full of hair raising, thrilling scenes, situations and climaxes. Those who care for this sort of entertainment are promised a treat.

A Good Move.

The members of the Conservative Savings and Loan association calling at the new offices, No. 205 South Sixteenth street, express themselves well pleased with the new location. The room is light and airy and well adapted to the needs of the association, and, more important still, is centrally located in the retail district of the city. The officers feel that within the next few months the business of the association will run past the one million point, the present assets being considerably in excess of \$900,000.

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Leave Nebraska points in the forenoon to take the palatially equipped "Meteor" of the Frisco System leaving Kansas City daily 7:15 p. m., reaching Oklahoma City daily 7:30 a. m., Denton 11:10 a. m., Sherman 11:30 a. m., Dallas 2:30 p. m., Fort Worth 2:55 p. m., Waco 7:35 p. m., Passenger Office, 205 South 14th St., Omaha, Neb.

Publish your legal notices in The Weekly Bee. Telephone 238.

REORGANIZATION IS COMING

Officers of Street Railway Company Will Make Statement in a Few Days.

Large stockholders in the Omaha Street Railway company say that within a few days the final arrangements for the reorganization of the company will be perfected, and that the officers of the company will issue a statement setting forth the full extent of the deal.

It is understood that since the return of Mr. Murphy and Mr. Barton the majority stockholders have fully decided upon the course which they will pursue, and the New York parties are to take final action previous to the announcement of the transfer or reorganization, whichever it may be called.

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INJURY TO STOCK BUSINESS

How Order to Remove Fences is Regarded in Deuel County.

COLONEL UTT SPEAKS OF CONDITIONS

Says Cattle Raisers Will Sustain Great Loss in Business if Order of the Interior Department is Enforced.

J. E. Utt, secretary of the Commercial club, has returned from a trip to Deuel county, where he spent several days hunting. Mr. Utt says the people of that county are very much excited over the ruling regarding rates, etc., and copy of our beautiful illustrated Florida booklet, at 3402 Farnam street, Omaha. W. H. BRILL, District Passenger Agent Illinois Central Railroad, Omaha, Neb.

"They claim," said Mr. Utt, "that the business cannot be conducted on any other basis than that now in force, and that when the fences are taken down the cattle raisers will all be driven out of business. It is said that all of the land which will raise grass or grain has been taken up by the ranchmen; that this land is a very small part of the entire acreage of the county, lying in small tracts surrounded by sand hills upon which comparatively nothing will grow, and which requires twenty acres of land to pasture one animal during the summer months. The low land in the hills is the property of the cattlemen, secured either by primary entry or purchase. Two sections in each township is school land owned by the state, and this has been leased by the man who owns the arable land in the neighborhood. As all the good land has been entered, all that remains in the name of the government are sand hills, and these sand hills are fenced along with the school land and the low ground.

"The cattle raisers say that before they fenced the land the loss in the winter from storms was very high; that they could not attend to their cattle in the winter, as they would wander over a wide scope of country. Persons whose cattle mixed with those of their neighbors did not feel like buying high-class animals to improve the breed, and the result was that native stock only wandered over the plains.

"Since the fences were erected the loss has been reduced to about 2 per cent, while the progressive cattle men have purchased high-class animals, and graded stock is now the rule on the fenced range, rather than the exception. These high grade cattle fatten easier than the old natives, so that the country will sustain more stock now than it ever would. If the fences are taken down the men claim that the best result will be a return to the old conditions.

"The low ground between the hills where the high prairie grass grows is being generally plowed up and planted to alfalfa, for this clover will grow where native sward grass will flourish. It produces much heavier crops and is fed almost exclusively in the winter by those who are fortunate enough to have it. The raising of alfalfa in these sunken valleys is increasing the number of hogs the west, as they will fatten on alfalfa as readily as will.

"The worst feature of the tearing down of fences is the fact that the cattle men seem to be paralyzed. They hope that the order will be suspended, and while hoping this have taken no steps to change their business. At the same time they are doing nothing to push it, and from the present appearance there will be fewer cattle raised in the west next year than there was this. The men all desire an opportunity to lease the government land and say that the revenue thus created could be used for developing the semi-arid region, but that the tops of the sand hills which they now have fenced can never be made arable."

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NEW CHURCH MAY BE BUILT

Kentucky Preacher Has Project for Christian Congregation on North Side.

A new Christian church is projected for the northern part of the city. Rev. J. H. Beasley of Kentucky, who has been in the city since the national convention, has the matter in charge. A resident of the city who owns considerable land north of Ames avenue has offered to donate a lot on Browne street near Twenty-sixth for church purposes if the members of the church will erect a building. Mr. Beasley presented the matter before the Monday club at its last session, and while no definite action was taken he was told that the members of the club would lend him all of the support possible in connection with their other work.

The nearest Christian church to the proposed site is the North Side church, which is on Grant street. There are Methodist and Congregational churches in the neighborhood and a number of members of the Christian church who are anxious for the new building.

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