

FOR LONGER OFFICE TENURE

County Commissioners and Supervisors Endorse the Sloan Bills.

TO MEET NEXT YEAR AT GRAND ISLAND

Association Votes in Favor of Legislation that Will Enable County Boards to Build Bridges by Day Labor.

The second day's session of the State Association of County Commissioners and Supervisors resulted in the selection of Grand Island as the place of the meeting of January 26, 1904, York contesting; in the endorsement of various legislative measures, pending or to be submitted, and in a general discussion of questions frequently confronting commissioners and supervisors in the performance of their duties.

Most important of the endorsements given legislative proposals at this morning's session was that of the six bills introduced in the senate Tuesday by Sloan of Filmore, extending to four years the term of office of county clerks, now two years; county treasurers, now two years; county surveyors, now two years; county commissioners now three years; county supervisors, now two years; county judges, now two years; county sheriffs, now two years; extension to be retroactive only one year.

Change of Sentiment.

County Clerk Filaster of Gage county spoke for the project, and though some of the convention delegates seemed in doubt as to the propriety of the proceeding, there was no dissenting voice when Vice President Thorpe put to a vote the resolution instructing the committee on legislative committee to work with the legislative committee of the county officers' organizations for the passage of the Sloan bills. Scarcely six weeks ago the commissioners, then at Beatrice, voted down a similar motion in as little time as they endorsed the one. No one seems to know just how sentiment has been so suddenly changed.

Another resolution adopted was one presented by Henry M. Kidder of Scribner, calling upon the legislature to enact some law which shall compel railroad companies to provide, without discrimination, for shippers of grain and stock, sites along their tracks for elevators and sheds, and to provide also ample accommodations for shippers of live stock who are accompanying their shipments.

With three negative votes, there was referred to the legislative committee with the endorsement of the convention a resolution introduced by John Adams of Adams county, pledging the association's effort to secure the enactment of the pending bill setting apart a special asylum for the insane at Lincoln for the reception, treatment and care of inebriates.

Favors Day Labor Plan.

The association by vote concurred in the action of the legislative committee looking to legislation that will enable county boards to have bridges built by day labor instead of by contract, if so preferred. O'Keeffe of Douglas proposed that the board be authorized to procure contracts to allow politics to enter too largely into manual service rendered a county—in other words, that it opens the way for commissioners to make votes by letting men of inexperience attempt work which they are not competent to do.

In the afternoon, besides the question-box discussion, the association pledged itself to two important measures. One, introduced by ex-Commissioner H. E. Ostrom of Douglas, was for a special enactment empowering the boards of counties with more than 50,000 population to dispense with ward and precinct assessors, now employed at \$3 per day, with privilege of employing as many deputies as they wish at the same wages, and for replacing the same system with one which contemplates the employment of one assessor for the county at a salary of \$2,500, he to be provided with such help as he has to have. Ostrom, in support of his measure, stated that it had cost Douglas county \$18,000 to make its last assessment and that in one district the cost of the assessing had been equal to one-half the amount rated in that district by the 9-mill levy for the general fund.

To Assess at Full Value.

Along the same line there was appointed a committee, comprising G. W. Welton of Lancaster county, J. P. Falter of Cass county and Louis Held of Platte county, to undertake manifesto proceedings against the assessors of any county who shall fail to assess at fair cash value, and to mandamus also the State Board of Equalization in the same event, action in both cases conditioned on the failure of the present legislature to enact such laws as will make any dereliction of duty impossible. This same committee is to prompt the legislature to remove the present law compelling an assessment of at least 1 mill for the State university. The commissioners state that if assessment be made at fair cash value a 1 mill levy will produce a fund much larger than the university requires.

There was endorsed by the association a recommendation that the weed-cutting law be changed to make the cutting season begin July 15 instead of August 15.

The old legislative committee was retained.

COAL FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Arrangements Made Whereby Supply Will Not Be Permitted to Run Out.

The committee on supplies of the Board of Education has held a meeting with affected arrangements with C. B. Havens & Co. whereby it is practically assured that the schools will not at any time be permitted to run out of coal. The arrangement is that the fuel firm is still obligated under its contract with the board to furnish Cherokee coal to run the schools if it can be obtained in this market at any price. In case the Cherokee coal cannot be obtained, the firm will be allowed to substitute a more expensive grade of coal from

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the officers of the fuel company say is now selling in this market at \$5.75 a ton. The contract price of the Cherokee coal is \$3.54, and therefore the difference to the Board of Education will be \$2.21 per ton for such quantities of the Illinois coal as it may be necessary to use.

ALEXANDER ZIEDIETZ IS MAD

Imprisoned South Omaha Becomes Violently Insane and Assaults Deputy Jailor.

The county jail guards had a hard struggle with Alexander Ziediety yesterday in a cell wherein he had been confined a week ago in default of \$600 bail, to await trial on a charge of shooting with intent to kill, Mrs. Michael Beckel of South Omaha.

Ziediety, a Pole, has been behaving well enough since brought to the jail until Tuesday, when he became moody. Yesterday forenoon about 10 a prisoner informed Deputy McCleughan that Ziediety was behaving badly and the deputy upon going to the latter's cell found it strapped about with a bunk strap and Ziediety crying.

With difficulty the door was opened and the deputy entered. Instantly the prisoner grabbed a kerosene bottle and brandished it over his head as he rushed at the deputy. Fortunately for McCleughan, the bottle slipped from the prisoner's grasp and broke itself on a side wall. Other prisoners out in the corridor fled in terror, only two remaining to assist McCleughan until Jailer Flynn and Deputy Heaton could get in to the struggling pair.

Finally Ziediety was gotten out into the office and bound firmly in a chair, when it was discovered that the back of his head was terribly lacerated and the blood flowing freely. The jail force could not account for the wound until the prisoner suddenly writhed about, and, reaching backward, brushed his head fiercely against the walls. It was concluded then that he had been doing the same thing in his steel cage and so gashed his head.

After being moved away from the wall he tried to tip his chair over backward and required a constant watching to prevent his gouging his flesh with his nails. Evidently he will require a padded cell to prevent his self-destruction and steps were taken at once to have him removed to the county hospital.

It was suggested that he be feigning insanity to escape punishment for shooting Mrs. Beckel, but the jail force scouts the idea of the case being anything but genuine.

New Thirteen-Cent Stamp.

A new stamp containing the portrait of one of our late presidents is about to be issued by the government. It is to be a 13-cent stamp and will be used principally in the foreign registration service. This inscription will probably not interest the public half as much as the news that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters positively cures indigestion, dyspepsia, heartburn, nausea, liver and kidney complaints and malaria, fever and ague. Try a bottle and satisfy yourself. Beware of counterfeits.

Announcements of the Theaters.

At the Orpheum this afternoon a matinee will be given and the women and children, who make up the major portion of these midweek performances, will find much that is excellent on the bill. In the sketch line there is "Election Bet," dealing satirically with such subjects expressed in the title in a clever and enjoyable manner, which has the able exposition to lend it charm to the two favorite light comedy performers, Frederic Hallen and Mollie Fuller. The little folk can scarcely be otherwise than delighted with Lieutenant Carl Nobel's ventriloquist "stunt." He manipulates his automaton very artfully and succeeds very well in making rickshaws fun. The remaining portion offers a pleasing variety.

Each of the three acts of F. Zigfeld, Jr.'s, sumptuous production of "The Little Duchess," in which Anna Held and her company will be seen at Boyd's tomorrow night and Saturday, is said to be a beautiful picture. From beginning to end the play is a gorgeous spectacle, or rather a succession of gorgeous spectacles. In the richness of its production "The Little Duchess" can be compared to an exquisite exotic; costuming and staging all combine to produce a glowing, dazzling realization of beauty. The company has among its members some well known players, including Joseph W. Herbert, George Marlow, Hubert Wilke, Knox Wilson, Edouard Durand, Franz Ebert, Louise Royce, Annie St. Tel, Katherine Bell and Billy Norton.

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WOMEN WITH LIGHT FINGERS

They Crowd Shopper in Store Doorway and Get Purse with Cash.

Two stylishly dressed women, whom the police are inclined to believe are expert pickpockets, crowded Mrs. John Kerns, who resides at 912 South Eleventh street, as she was entering the doorway of Hayden Bros. store Tuesday afternoon. During the time they were crowding her into the entrance she believes they rifled her pocket, as a short time later she discovered that her pocketbook, containing \$25.50, was missing. She is positive that the purse was in her pocket at the time she started to enter the store. Anna and Mary Petty have been arrested by the police under suspicion of being the parties who did the work.

Mortality Statistics.

The following births and deaths were reported at the office of the Board of Health at the county hospital during the twenty-four hours closing at noon Wednesday:

Births—Nels Anderson, 127 Cedar street, girl; Joseph E. Foley, 250 St. Mary's avenue, boy; Oscar Carlson, 215 South Twenty-ninth street, boy; William Holden, 208 Fine street, boy; Thomas Lohr, 241 Lodge street, boy; William F. Wilke, 264 Hamilton street, girl.

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BROATCH BRAND OF POLICE

Records of Men Re-appointed to the Force by New Board.

MOST OF THEM HAVE MANY BAD MARKS

During Their Former Service They Were Found Guilty of Drunkenness, Conduct Unbecoming Officers and Other Offenses.

Among the fifteen men selected by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners at its meeting of Monday night for re-appointment to the police force are eight who have already served in the department at some previous time, although there were not in the number any of the sixteen men dropped from the pay roll by this board about three months ago for the ostensible reason of insufficient funds.

Of the men who have served in the department before, the records of the clerk's office show that but one of them resigned and the others were discharged, though in three cases the record does not indicate that the discharge was attended with any discredit to the officer. Three of the re-appointed men at least were dismissed under conditions which would naturally be supposed to be a bar to re-employment.

The member of this group whose record most particularly challenges attention is Al T. Sigwart, who has served in almost every position in the department from patrolman to chief and part way back again, and whose conduct has been so strong that when there was "nothing doing" in his line in the regular department he served as a special officer.

Al Sigwart's Record.

As shown by the record, Al Sigwart was appointed patrolman July 23, 1887, promoted to fourth sergeant February 6, 1888; to third sergeant October 13 of the same year, to sergeant August 27, 1889. He was promoted July 3, 1895, but reappointed captain August 15 of the same year and October 7 following was made chief of police. His resignation was accepted August 5, 1897, to take effect September 1 and he was granted twenty days leave, with pay, from August 10, which just carried him to the close of his term of service. There is no hiatus here, for he was on August 30 appointed special officer, with the pay of captain, commencing September 1 and continuing until further orders of the board, which he dropped from the rolls September 26, 1898, and by order of court was reinstated January 27. The record closes with a notation of his resignation February 20, 1899, to take effect January 23 of that year. The maximum age limit for appointment to the police department as fixed by the rules of the board is 40 years, and in the application from Sigwart recently filed it is shown that he is 45 years of age.

As to L. F. Dwyer's former service in the police department the record shows that he was appointed patrolman June 30, 1899. Charges of "intoxication and making arrests without just cause" are noted against him July 16, 1900, which charges were found to be true and he was suspended for thirty days, dating from July 23. Then on September 14, 1900, he was charged with charges of neglect of duty and was fined four days pay. Again March 19, 1902, he was under investigation on charges that he had been asleep while on duty and intoxicated. He was found guilty and dismissed from service March 10, 1902.

Over the Age Limit.

Joseph Thomas, the record says, was appointed patrolman June 25, 1894, and discharged for lack of funds September 29, 1897. He was reinstated March 5, 1898, to date from March 1. Charges were filed against him May 21, 1900, to the effect that he had been asleep while on duty and on May 25 those charges were found to be true and he was dismissed. Thomas' present application shows his age to be 46 years and for that reason and others Health Commissioner Ralph, who made the physical examination, has declined to recommend him.

There are but two entries in the record of John H. Cusick. The first states that he was appointed patrolman August 12, 1895, and the other that he was "removed, dismissed" September 17, 1895. Cusick reported at the office of the clerk of the board Tuesday to complete the requirements attendant upon his appointment, and at that time was so apparently intoxicated that he was told to come back at another time. He went to the office of Health Commissioner Ralph also and Dr. Ralph desired to examine him because of his condition.

George W. Barnes' record shows that he was appointed patrolman June 25, 1894, and removed from the department July 3, 1895. He was reappointed September 17, 1895. On July 20, 1898, charges of unbecoming conduct were preferred against him, but were declared not sustained. But on November 1, 1897, he was charged with conduct unbecoming an officer in having been "present at a dance hall and saloon at 3:50 a. m. on Sunday where liquor were sold in violation of law and not reported the same day," and the charges were sustained and he was suspended thirty days without pay. Again on January 4, 1899, charges of unbecoming conduct were filed against him and he was found guilty January 9 and suspended for thirty days without pay. He was dismissed from the department for lack of funds February 28, 1899.

Charged With Neglect of Duty.

By the record Fred C. Moore is shown to have been appointed patrolman April 14, 1898, on ninety days probation, and on August 8 this probationary period was extended sixty days longer. Charges of "neglect of duty" were preferred against him on September 5, 1898, but the officer was acquitted September 12, 1898. Neglect of duty, however, brought about Moore's banishment, for he was dismissed October 3, 1898, on such charges filed September 23.

Peter H. Dillon, as the record states, was appointed patrolman October 14, 1899. An accusation that he had "sat down while on duty," filed September 22, was dismissed. He was accused January 2, 1899, of having been asleep while on duty and was ordered reprimanded. He was discharged from the department February 28, 1899, for lack of funds. In his new application Dillon's age is given as 46 years.

The recorded history of M. F. Hotchkiss' former connection with the police department shows that he was appointed patrolman April 26, 1894. He was reported January 25 for being late at roll call and fined one day's pay. He was dismissed February 28, 1899, for lack of funds. Hotchkiss is shown by his present application to be 43 years of age, and Health Commissioner Ralph has refused to recommend him for service because he has found him to be ruptured.

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