

POLICE REFORM IS A SHAM

How Broatch Board Knowingly Restores Unfit Men to the Service.

UNSAVORY RECORDS OF HAZE AND SIGWART

Affidavits Show that Haze Prevented Reformation of Wayward Girl.

OTHER SHADY TRANSACTIONS ARE DISCLOSED

Despite the Fact that Proof of Their Disqualification for Police Work is Given to the Broatch Commissioners, Haze and Sigwart Are Put Back on the Force in Responsible Positions.

It is now nearly eight months since Ezra P. Broatch, acting governor of Nebraska, appointed the so-called reform police and fire commission for Omaha. It will be remembered that the governor gave it out as a matter of fact, vice in Omaha has been more flourishing since the incoming of the Broatch police board than ever before and the police club in the hands of William J. Broatch has become a menace to good order.

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Police Demoralization Begins. The demoralization of the police force began early in the official life of the new board by placing back into the department officers whose previous service had been everything but creditable.

At the very outset of the new police administration the following correspondence took place:

OMAHA, Aug. 7, 1902.—Mr. C. C. Wright, Fire and Police Commissioner.—Dear Sir: Your attention is respectfully called to the enclosed affidavits. Most of the information embodied therein was public property years ago and was well known to Captain Broatch during his former term on the police board.

Reports of similar behavior on the part of former Chief Sigwart are also in my possession. Yours very truly, E. ROSEWATER.

Duplicates of this letter were also mailed to Police Commissioners Spratlan and Thomas.

Keeps Girl from Reform. Following are copies of the affidavits returned to Nebraska, Douglas County—

Caroline H. Cummings being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is now and has been for four years last past police matron by appointment of the Fire and Police commission of the city of Omaha.

Mr. Rosewater then wrote to Commissioner Wright as follows:

OMAHA, Aug. 14, 1902.—Mr. C. C. Wright, Member Fire and Police Commission, Omaha, Neb. Dear Sir: On receipt of your letter of August 9, assuring me that you and each member of the board of fire and police commissioners had investigated the charges against Captain Haze and Sigwart, I am glad to hear that you have taken the necessary steps to see that the charges against Haze and Sigwart are not repeated.

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If you will take the trouble to examine the police commission records you will discover that, during the incumbency of George P. Bemis, Haze and Sigwart were directed to round up the town, outside of the proscribed district, and report to him many houses of assignation and a number of ill repute were to be found.

The Police Ooze at Blair. The clipping from the Blair Pilot about the police picnic, which was managed by Haze and Sigwart, is as follows:

The Omaha police picnic has come and gone; fifteen coach loads of people came yesterday morning, and report is made of drunkenness and debauchery has never disgraced Blair before.

After all this showing of the unfitness of Haze and Sigwart for duty on the police force, the Broatch board appointed Haze a captain and put Sigwart on as a patrolman and soon advanced him to sergeant.

AT THE PLAYHOUSES

"Trip to Chinatown" at the Boyd. It is Mr. Jack Campbell as "Weland Strong," frisky invader of Miss Sylvia Starr as "Mrs. Geyer," willing widow, who this season lead the Saylor-Miller comedians in Hoyt's "Trip to Chinatown."

"The Stumbling Block," by Edwin Pugh. Illustrations by R. M. Crosby. Striking Cover Design for April Pearson's.

"Mary North" is a Novel Dealing with Problems that Face Women. MRS. HUMPHRY WARD'S LATEST NOVEL.

NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

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"Mary North," a novel by Lucy Rider Meyer, who has for many years been extremely active in deaconess work, is one of the late publications of Fleming H. Revell company.

Harper & Brothers have put into book form "Lady Rose's Daughter," the latest novel by Mrs. Humphry Ward, the author of "Eleanor" and "Robert Elanore."

"The Life of James Madison," by Galliard Hunt, is a volume on President Madison, making a fitting beginning for this most important enterprise; a true history of the United States told through the lives of its greatest men.

Commercial Club Meeting. Resolution Protesting Against Passage of "Adulteration" Bill is Adopted.

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