

JESSE LOWE WILL NOT ACCEPT

Latest City Engineer Appointee Matter of Diplomacy by Council.

ONE MEMBER SAYS HE WILL DECLINE

Confirmed Because Weary Councilmen Wanted a Rest from This Ordinal for at Least Thirty Days.

"We know that Jesse Lowe would not accept the position of city engineer and would decline to accept it for a while," said one of the democratic councilmen Wednesday. "Mr. Lowe has thirty days to accept or decline and we hope he will use up all the time. The councilmen are tired of this scrap and want a rest."

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Arrangements are being made to settle the controversy over the appointment of John C. Lynch for gas inspector in short order simply by abolishing the office and transferring the duties to the electrical department.

An ordinance was being prepared to give this pleasant \$25 job the coupe de grace Tuesday, but was not finished in time for the council meeting. It is to be introduced next Tuesday night, as now planned.

Why Taylor Was Rejected. Inquiries as to why Egbert Taylor, colored, has been rejected for janitor at the city hall and jail brought the response that reports about him intimated that he was "too tough."

No plan has been outlined for annihilating the intention of Mayor Dahlgren to make Tom Lee city prosecutor. It is a matter of common opinion, however, that if the mayor safely lands City Engineer Rosewater he will back up on Lee, feeling that this fight is hopeless.

City Poundmaster Alfred Millard found time Wednesday morning to absent himself from the cashier's desk at the United States National bank long enough to go to the city hall and ascertain that his bond and oath had been approved. He said he would assume charge of the office during the day and for the present would retain the present force of two or three subordinates, but that later he thought he would make changes.

Leading dogs of Omaha have issued a call for a mass meeting of all the canines in Omaha to congratulate Mayor Dahlgren and the council on the selection of Mr. Millard. Every dog is happy.

DEAN BEECHER LEADS SQUAD

Heads Second Contingent of Episcopal Choir Boys to Camp at Plattsmouth.

Dean Beecher, heading the second detachment of boys from the Episcopal churches of this city, left Wednesday morning over the Burlington for the encampment at Plattsmouth. The rain prevented many of the boys from making the start on schedule time a few days ago, hence the present necessity of sending another contingent. About twenty-five youngsters, full of fun, went down at 9 a. m. These pleasure trips are annual affairs in the diocese of Omaha and are especially designed for the choir boys and a few friends of the local churches. They are given under the auspices of the Churchmen's club. Beatrice and Lincoln will also send a group of young people, thus swelling the number to approximately 125 with a total of 100 sent from the city. While in camp the boys will engage in the wholesome pleasures of camp life and will constantly remain under the close supervision of Dean Beecher. Camp will be broken on Thursday, June 23.

CARE OF CONTAGIOUS CASES

Dr. Swoboda Thinks City Board of Health Should Take This Responsibility.

County Physician Swoboda is of the opinion the City Board of Health, and not the county, should take care of diphtheria, scarlet fever and tuberculosis patients coming from the city and has entered a protest against having these classes of patients turned over to the county by the city authorities.

"I do not think it right to push these cases over to the county authorities," he said Wednesday. "The county hospital is practically a poor house and we are not in shape to take care of contagious and infectious cases out there. In every city of any size I know about the City Board of Health handles all cases of a contagious nature and it should be done the same way here. I am alone at the hospital and am not in position to give the attention to these diseases they should have. The

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THEY ARE ALL CIVIL NOW

Life Policy Holders Can Learn Everything They Desire from the Companies Direct.

"At a recent duly heralded meeting in this city of the policy holders of a leading life insurance company," says the Chicago Chronicle, "it is reported that only twelve persons attended, although chairs had been provided for some 200. Of the dozen who came there were a few fully primed with harangues in favor of turning out the present management—which, by the way, has been in office only about eight months—and putting in men to be chosen by the ardent speakers in question or others like themselves.

"The petty number of really honest policy holders present after such previous drumming up seems to indicate that life insurers generally have learned that 'associations' projected in their ostensible behalf are mainly schemes for making fat positions and incomes for the promoters thereof.

"These are not very hazy days at the headquarters of any life company, and a 2-cent stamp will secure for any policy holder full and civil answers to any questions he may have to ask concerning his contract or the condition of the company. No glib talker working for a fee or merely berating contribution to an association can learn anything for a policy holder which the latter cannot now obtain himself at first hand from the company.

"This has always been the case with the more steady going, conservative organizations and wise financial managers are patient as ever with the inopportunities of self-selected 'association' schemers, they are said only to smile in silent wonder at the credulity of the few policy holders who have been inveigled into the useless combination of the chink of the parties that try to organize them.

"The erstwhile more arrogant companies, as noted, are now under new management seemingly anxious to satisfy, and at any rate ready with every desired courtesy and information for their hitherto rather sorely badgered policy holders.

"There is no question whatever as to the right or duty of policy holders to organize for anything that may further protect their interests. But that is a different matter from being dragged into 'associations' that have not had the least thing to do with the upheavals in the insurance world and are chiefly engineered by parties trying to make good benefits for themselves.

"The fact that many such one-man 'associations' have had some sort of an existence for thirty years have had little to show but disappointment to victims in all that time and have been viewed with almost as much pity and contempt by the careful and honorably managed companies as by any of the large and more carelessly conducted ones is not a strictly first-class testimonial in their favor.

"The present attorney general of New York, who has not shown himself to be much of a hand at coddling the life companies, says of all such 'associations' that the originators 'simply live by agitation' and are usually themselves legitimate objects of investigation." He adds that "the incomes and occupation of these agitators will be the check as soon as confidence is restored."

CITY PAYS INHERITANCE TAX

As Beneficiary of Frank Murphy Library Fund Gives Up Portion of Bequest.

The executors of the Frank Murphy estate have paid over to the city \$9,885, representing the legacy of \$10,000, less the inheritance tax, which Mr. Murphy left for the benefit of the public library. The money is now at the disposal of the council and mayor, but must be used for library purposes. No plans have been made or its disposition, but the establishment of a permanent branch library is the proposition most generally favored. Treasurer Pink will call the attention of the city authorities to the matter and it is supposed the bequest will be placed to the credit of the library fund subject to disbursement by the library board.

Baltimore & Ohio Dividend. NEW YORK, June 20.—The directors of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company today declared a semi-annual dividend of 1 percent, an increase of half of 1 percent over the last previous semi-annual dividend. An initial quarterly dividend of 1 percent was also declared on the common stock of the American Locomotive company.

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The testimony of Lambert was, in effect, that he had visited Crow at his office on November 28, 1905, the day the grand jury adjourned, in company with Robert Duncan, another member of the grand jury. This was about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. He talked with Crow, who advised him to go in with Ware and Frawley, as it would be best for the witness to see them. Crow told him that Ware's attorneys were strong and influential. Crow stated further to Lambert that he did what he could to abate an indictment against Ware. At witness' solicitation Crow gave witness a paper or note to the Burlington headquarters for transportation from Omaha to Deadwood, and witness secured a pair on this request. It was on the advice of Crow the witness decided to go to Deadwood. That same afternoon witness accompanied Crow to the Douglas county jail to confer with Harry Welsh, who was confined there under the same indictment which had been returned against Lambert and Crow, Welsh having pleaded guilty to the indictment.

Crow Upraised Welsh. Crow Lambert says, told Welsh in the presence of the witness that he was foolish for pleading guilty to the charge, because it would be impossible to convict any of them, and that if Welsh were to draw his plea of guilty and enter a plea of not guilty arrangements could be made to secure for him good attorneys.

Witness and Crow then returned to the latter's office, where the matter of employing an attorney for Lambert was discussed, and Crow said the case ought to be worth \$500, but he would take it for \$250. Witness paid Crow \$25 the following day as a retainer. November 28 the matter of securing a bond for the witness was discussed, and Crow thought a Mr. McPherson of South Omaha could be procured to go on Lambert's bond (McPherson was already on Ware's bond). Witness secured an appointment with McPherson for that evening and had a conference on Farnam street, near the Paxton. Crow told McPherson Lambert had made arrangements to go to Deadwood, but under the present circumstances was unable to do so.

Did Not Elope with Woman. In his cross-examination witness denied he had run away from Mullen with another man's wife. He went to consult with Crow as an attorney and not for the purpose of securing bond. He denied that his purpose in seeing Crow was in reference to any secret evidence officials because he refused to sign a certain statement he is alleged to have made in the grand jury room, and which statement had been prepared for him by the government officers.

Mr. Gurley, who was conducting the cross-examination, went into the alleged "gun play" episode in Special Agent L. C. Wheeler's office, wherein it was told at the time that upon Lambert's refusal to sign the statement alleged to have been prepared for him by the government officers, that Mr. Wheeler drew a gun on Lambert and subsequently turned him over to the custody of Secret Service Officer Phillips. Lambert denied he had made any statement to the effect that Wheeler had looked the door. In the redirect examination Lambert stated that when Phillips took him into custody Mr. Wheeler asked Phillips if he had a gun and upon Phillips' reply in the affirmative Wheeler placed his gun back into the drawer. In reply to Mr. Gurley the witness said he had pleaded guilty to the indictment after the gun play incident. He was not taken to jail that night, but was placed in the custody of Phillips. He was afterwards placed in jail and kept there until after the Ware trial, when he was released on bond.

Statement True, but Not Signed. In reply to a question by Mr. Rush, Lambert said: "Prior to this gun play incident I had told the government officers of my intention to go to Deadwood. I did not sign the statement the officials wanted me to sign at that time. However, the statement was true, but I did not want to sign it then. I had my talk with Mr. Russ and Mr. Wheeler the same night I got my transportation through Mr. Crow's."

C. J. Canan of Omaha, a member of the grand jury of 1905, testified as to some of the proceedings in the grand jury room. The motion to reconsider the Ware indictment was made by Mr. Duncan. Crow, he said, made a speech of four or five minutes on the motion to reconsider and said: "It is a shame to convict Ware at one end and not the old soldiers at the other and the evidence is not enough to convict anyhow."

Witness sat next to Crow most of the time during the grand jury proceedings. Crow said to the witness when the Ware case was under consideration: "Vote no bill." The resolution to reconsider according to witness' impression was to reconsider the indictment in Ware's individual case but not in the other cases.

Henry Welsh on the Stand. Harry Welsh, the third of the Ware, Lambert and Welsh trio, and who is now serving the last two weeks of his sentence of six months under his plea of guilty of conspiracy with Ware and Lambert in the land fraud matters, was the last witness for the government. Welsh said: "Mr. Crow and Lambert visited me at the jail some time the last of November. Mr. Crow talked to me about my pleading guilty, and thought I should not have done so, as he believed the case could be beat. I told him that I could not make a fight, as I had no money to hire attorneys. Crow said that matter could be fixed; that Ware's attorneys would try my case. Crow then came to the jail the next day with a written order or request asking that I might change my plea of guilty to not guilty. I signed the order and I did not see it. Mr. Crow wrote it. He said again at that time that Mr. Ware's attorneys would fight my case for me."

The only cross-examination that Welsh was subjected to was to show that he was serving a sentence for a crime of securing soldiers to wear falsely signed papers, etc. With the evidence of Welsh the government announced that it rested its case.

FLORENCE COUNTRY HOMES

Heights, Comprising Eighty Acres, Opened to Colonization for Nice Residences.

Florence Heights, a new subdivision of Florence, is being opened to the market as a place for country homes by George & C. It comprises eighty acres on the hills in the north part of the city, immediately adjoining the country places of Myron L. Learned and Henry Wyman. It has been cut up into sixteen tracts to be placed on the market. Already six sales have been made, and the following have bought ten acres, Thomas D. Crane ten acres, J. H. Harvey eight acres, Mr. Parks of Florence two and one-half acres and J. O. Russell of Florence two and one-half acres. Some of these will build summer homes, and others permanent residences.

TO SHOW STICKNEY HIS ERROR

Western Lines Will Tell Him Why Rates Should Have Remained Unchanged.

President Stickney's announcement of what he and his road proposed to do has created quite a stir in railroad and grain circles in this city. Different views are taken, some maintaining that Mr. Stickney is right and others that he is making a grandstand play in face of the announcement that the other roads were to try to do away with the payment of elevation.

The western lines interested have appointed a committee to wait on Mr. Stickney to show him the error of his way in putting down the grain rate from Omaha to Minneapolis, St. Louis and the Mississippi river points. The Burlington has announced its determination to maintain the present rates.

Pennsylvania City Official Dies

EASTON, Pa., June 20.—Joseph Breininger, alderman from the Fourth ward of this city, was found dead in his office today. Breininger returned to criminal court the case of an 8-year-old boy who was accused of mischief and the trial was set for yesterday. The court dismissed the lad and severely scolded the alderman and those who were associated with him in the case. Breininger became greatly excited during his ordeal before the court and it is thought that this was the cause of death.



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