

POSTMASTERS END SESSION

E. R. Sizer Elected President of State Association.

POLITICIANS MUCH IN EVIDENCE

State Board of Assessment Still Struggling with the Apportionment of Franchise and Rolling Stock Valuations.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, June 25.—(Special.)—The postmasters concluded their meeting today by the election of officers, the selection of Lincoln as the next meeting place, and the adoption of resolutions.

A move was started to make Lincoln the permanent meeting place, but it could get little encouragement. Postmaster Thomas of Omaha assured the convention that some time Omaha was going to entertain the postmasters and he did not want to have to amend the constitution as he would certainly have to do if Lincoln was made the permanent meeting place.

The resolutions adopted endorsed the Senator Pearce report giving more authority to the postmaster general though the report was discussed very little by the postmasters; endorsed a parcels post and asked for a boost in salary for fourth class postmasters.

Considerable campaigning was done during the week, for while the postmasters are out of politics and are taking no active interest in political affairs, they seemed to be in a very receptive mood when the congressmen made their addresses to the congressmen remarked: "It is impossible for postmasters to keep out of politics. Some one has to keep the party organization intact. In my district the people who are opposing me are the men I turned down when they wanted to be postmaster, and the postmaster does not affect that influence where would the congressman be?"

The congressmen were all here and while there were set speeches and speeches not set, politics occupied the attention of the assembly in the hotel lobbies. Candidates for state offices were also on hand and worked by the postmasters to get assistance in the preliminary contest.

Senator Aldrich came in this morning to offset the work done by Congressman Hinshaw, who was a regular attendant. Mr. Aldrich said he is making the race on the record he made in the state senate.

H. L. Cook and John L. Pierce, candidates for auditor and J. A. Williams for railway commissioner were very much in evidence around the lobbies of the hotels, as was J. M. Shively, candidate for land commissioner.

At the meeting today Senator Norris Brown, Congressman Boyd and Postmaster Thomas of Omaha were among the speakers.

Pollard on Good Roads.

Congressman E. M. Pollard addressing the postmasters on "Good Roads," said in part:

I am very glad, indeed, to observe the general interest the people are taking in the question of good roads. I do not believe that every county, not only in the first congressional district, but in the whole state, will avail themselves of the assistance of Mr. Spoon, the government engineer, before he leaves the state.

It is not the policy of the United States government to go into the business of constructing or improving the highways of the whole country. It is not the policy of the state to go into the business of constructing or improving the highways of the whole state.

The department at Washington will send experts to confer with the county boards and aid them in every way possible by giving advice and instruction. The government, however, will not pay the salary and expenses of the engineer who appears solely in an advisory capacity.

Funds from Local Authorities.

The government will furnish the expert and scientific knowledge, but it will expect the local authorities to raise the money and do the work. The services of this engineer in a position to secure the advice of one of the best road engineers in the United States free of cost to the county.

They will take advantage of it, I hope that when you postmasters go home you will improve your roads. I do not think that you will have to have them make application through your respective congressmen to secure the services of this engineer.

The office of public roads of the Department of Agriculture was established in 1894. From the time of the organization of this division until this year there has not been a dollar spent in Nebraska except the assistance furnished by the government in the construction of the main trunk roads across the Nebraska bottoms at Auburn.

The session of congress just closed appropriated \$2,000 for the division of public roads. I believe that Nebraska ought to receive its proportional share of this \$2,000.

The only thing the people have to do to make their requests and I assure you that they will receive their full quota. So far as an amount of money is concerned, building up the office of public roads at Washington, enlarging the staff of public road engineers so that this plan of furnishing expert advice may become general throughout the United States. I do not think there is any department of the government that is capable of doing more good for the people at less than the cost of public roads. So long as I remain a member of the committee on agriculture I wish to assure you that Nebraska should have its share of the expert and scientific information that is provided to the other divisions and bureaus of that most department which is doing so much for the improvement of the agricultural conditions of the United States.

The report of the secretary to the Board of Regents of the State university showing the receipts and expenditures of the institution for a period of six months from November 30, 1907, to May 31, 1908, has been filed with the governor. The balance in the hands of Secretary J. S. Dalesy November 30 amounted to \$1,581.25, and with the cash receipts make a total of \$1,450.82 for the six months. The expenditures during this time from the cash receipts were divided as follows: Incidental fees redeemed by students, \$1; laboratory fees redeemed, \$27.39; law college fees redeemed, \$2; library fees redeemed, \$5.31; matriculation fees paid by error, \$3; paid university treasury, \$46,484.61; balance on hand May 31, \$4,730.82.

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Appropriating Franchise Values. The State Board of Assessment this afternoon discussed a resolution introduced by Secretary of State Junkin to apportion the rolling stock and intangible property of the railroad in the same ratio as the tangible property is apportioned.

Governor and Wife Entertain. Governor and Mrs. Sheldon entertained fourteen young women students of Knox college this noon. The occasion was in honor of Miss Statts, who is a guest of Mrs. Sheldon while here attending the meeting of the Delta Delta Delta.

Liquor Licenses Granted. The supreme court this afternoon granted a writ of habeas corpus to the council of Schuyler to compel that body to cancel five liquor licenses pending an appeal to the district court, in which the action of the council in granting the licenses is attacked.

Great Fair in Prospect. Secretary Miller's fact sheet on a broad scale winter fair, August 21 to September 4, is mentioned. He says the exhibitors are coming in by departments in such numbers that he can now assert positively that the 1908 fair will eclipse all former great fairs held in Nebraska.

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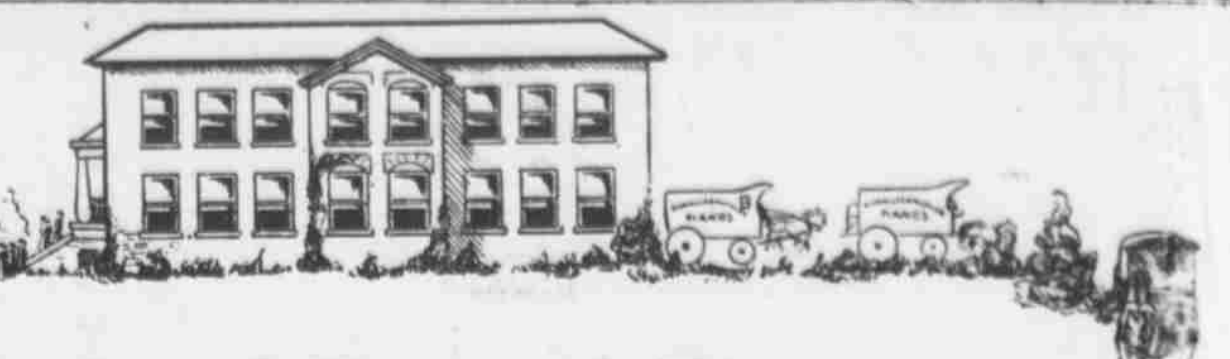
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