MACHINES NOT TO BE USED

County Clerk Decides it Would Be Illegal to Use Them.

WE ACTS ON LEGAL ADVICE

Opinion by A. W. Jefferis and John P. Breen is Cited for the Position He Takes on the Coming Election.

ion by A. W. Jefferts and John P. Breen in which they hold the use of voting machines at the November election impracticable and legally impossible and question the legality of the use of machines in any circumstances, County Clerk D. M. Hav. erly decided Wednesday that the voting machines shall not be used at the election. The votes shall be cast by the Australian ballot.

A further reason for Haverly's decision is that E. E. E. Ridgway, custodian of the machines, is planning to add to them attachments that he believes will serve the purpose of increasing their capacity so that they can carry the official ballot. which they could not carry unless some change were made. Haverly doubts the possibility of changing the machines and believes it not unlikely that tampering with them might place them so far our of adjustment that they would fall to work properly and the entire election would be

Speaking of the voting machine matter,

Mr. Haverly said: When these petition nominations were filed it appeared doubtful if the machines could be used. I realized that the matter was an important one and determined no to act without legal advice. I did not ask this advice of the county attorney's office because I did not wish to embarrass it. I asked an opinion from Jefferix and Breen. I base my action on their opinion and also on the belief that the tampering with the machines which is planned in an effort to enlarge or increase their capacity migh put them out of working order. I think ziso that the machines, if tampered with could not be legally used, as after changes had been made or attachments put on they would not be the United States Standard voting machines authorized by

the tegislature." Opinion of the Lawyers. The opinion of A. W. Jefferls and John

P. Breen follows: Hen. D. M. Haverly, County Clerk, Doug-las County, Nebraska-Dear Str. We sub-mit to you our opinion as to the con-stitutionality of our vottng machine law and the proposed use of the United States standard voting machines at the coming

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We believe that the use of said machines is, under the conditions now existing, impracticable, and legally impossible, because, as we are advised, there have been duly filed with you as county clerk petitions nominating four persons for the office of county autoriney and five persons for the office of county commissioner for "short term" in addition to the regular party nominations for said offices.

Now, as there are five political parties having regular state, or state and county nominees, this year, it is obvious that five party horizontal lines, each bearing a party label or party designation and five party levers upon said machines must be given up to, or devoted to these five political parties and their nominees. This leaves but two horizontal lines upon the machines which can be devoted to candidates "by petition." We are of the opinion that each one of these petition candidates is, under the law, entitled to have his name appear upon a horizontal line labeled at the extreme left of the machines and in the column used for party designation, "by petition," and to have his name inserted on such horizontal line directly beneath the party nominees for said offices and in the perpendicular columns or vertical office rows labeled at the top, respectively, county attorney and county commissioner, short term, for it must not be overlooked. office rows labeled at the top, respectively, county stroney and county commissioner, short term, for it must not be overlooked that a nomination by petition is one of the methods authorized by law, and hence a person so nominated is entitled to have his name so placed upon the official ballot or voting device as to enjoy precisely the same facilities for voting for him that are enjoyed by party nominees for the same office.

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joyed by party nominees for the same office.

The foregoing views as to the rights of petition candidates upon the voting machine are not new or partisan views at all, for in the city election of 1809 and on the 17th day of April of the very a demogratic council passed, and a demogratic council passed, and a demogratic mayor approved, a resolution finding and resolving that it was impracticable to use these voting machiness at that election for voting for the offices of members of Fire and Police board because of the filling of a number of petition candidates for such offices, and directed the city clerk to prepare and use paper ballots at said election for both regular party and petition candidates for those offices; but in the case of Craig et al, against Butter, et al, our district court held that the proposed action of the city council and city clerk in thus attempting to place a part of the ticket on a paper ballot and a part upon the voting machine was fillegal, and, as both pertis-

of the city council and city clerk in thus attempting to place a part of the ticket on a paper ballot and a part upon the voting machine was illegal, and, as both parties to that case then conceded that the use of the machine for the whole ticket was impracticable, the court directed the use of the paper ballot for the whole ticket. It seems to us you are bound now by that holding of our district court to use the paper ballot for the whole ticket, for the conditions confronting you now are precisely similar.

Moreover we are of the opinion, based upon recent court decisions of the very highest order, that our voting machine law and the use of the particular voting machine furnished for our people are in conflict with and prohibited by the following provisions of our state constitution, towit; Section 22 article 1. "All elections shall be free and there shall be no impediment to the right of a qualified voter to exercise the elective franchise," and section a article 7, which provides, "All votes shall be by ballot."

Very truly yours.

(Signed)

A. W. JEFFERIS, JOHN P. REEN.

Attorneys

Board Wants Machines. Declaring that he and County Commis-sioners Bruning and Bedford can find nothing in the law which authorizes the county clerk to decide by what methods election shall be held. County Commissioner Pickard mude announcement Wednesday afternoor that the Board of County Commissioners will order County Clerk Haverly to use voting machines at the election next month if a test of a machine readjusted to meet the demands of the enlarged ballot is suc-

The announcement was made after Pickard, Bruning and Bedford had conferred over the county clerk's announcement that the machines will not be used. The clerk has no authority to decide

the matter," said Pickard. "In a day o two we will test the machine that Mr. Ridgway is fixing and if it works all right we will order Mr. Haverly to use the machines. It is his business to carry out the board's orders. If he will not do so we will have to ask the courts to make him, I suppose.

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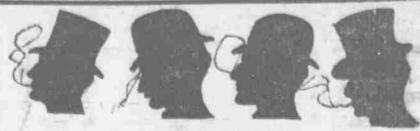
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