

Nebraska

REGENTS CALL DOWN M'BRIEN

Board Instructs Him Not to Engage Speakers Outside of Faculty.

SEQUEL TO FIGHT IN LEGISLATURE

James D. Hoffman, of Purdue University, Selected Professor of Mechanical Engineering to Fill Vacancy Left by Richards.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, July 4.—(Special Telegram.)—For the second time in the last biennium the University Board of Regents has taken time enough in their deliberations to consider the case of J. L. McBrien, the former state superintendent and present head of the university extension work, who has in the past been the object of much criticism because of alleged political activities in connection with his carrying on of the work.

This time the regents issued an edict which was promulgated in entirety to Mr. McBrien to the effect that it would be well for him to employ no outside speakers whatever for his work unless the regents did so themselves. Otherwise only members of the state university faculty are to be used in spreading the university work of which he is the head.

The action of the board of regents comes as a sequel to the attempt of Senator Thomas of Hastings last winter in the legislature to eliminate the department all together. The result of the board's action, it is thought, will remedy the thing complained of by the senate, namely, that public officials, lawyers and partisan politicians had been sent out in the name of the board to make more or less of a political bureau since McBrien had assumed the head of the extension department.

Successor to Richards. The board yesterday filled two important faculty vacancies. James D. Hoffman of Purdue university was elected professor of mechanical engineering, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dean C. B. Richards. The chancellor was made acting dean of the college of engineering pending final selection of a dean.

The board considered sketches of proposed campus improvements drawn by Mr. Hodgson of Shepley, Hurfan & Osledge, and by Mr. Dwyer of Berlinghoff & Davis. No action was taken. The board also considered sketches of the department of agricultural extension to be organized with Prof. C. W. Pughler in charge. This department will have charge of all agricultural extension work, including farmers' institutes, reorganization of the farm departments in accordance with the creation of this department was left to the industrial committee to act. The new department is essentially a reorganization of the work formerly carried on by Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes Val Keyser.

New Engineering Head. J. D. Hoffman, the newly elected professor of mechanical engineering, graduated from Purdue university in 1890, being a class mate of Dean C. B. Richards, whose place he now takes. Prior to that time he had had considerable practical experience in engineering work. Prof. Hoffman, immediately after graduation, became an instructor in the slope at Purdue and he has been continuously with that institution ever since. He gradually received promotions until he is now professor of engineering design.

Prof. Hoffman's specialty is heating and ventilating engineering. In this branch of the profession he is a recognized authority, having written a book which has been favorably received by engineers throughout the country. He is also the author of a text book on machine design which is used in many engineering schools, including the University of Nebraska.

One year ago Prof. Hoffman was president of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers. He is also a member of the American society of mechanical engineers, of the American society of refrigerating engineers and of the society for the promotion of engineering education.

E. M. Rutledge, acting registrar, has been assistant registrar for four years. He graduated from the university in the class of 1894, being the class which received degrees at the close of the 20th summer session, and of which Mr. Rutledge was president.

Fatal Auto Accident Near Beaver City

Dr. H. O. Reager Has Skull Fractured When His Car Strikes Bridge and Turns Turtel.

BEAVER CITY, Neb., July 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Dr. H. O. Reager was probably fatally injured in an auto accident near Beaver City this morning. The car in which he and Mrs. Reager and a party of friends were riding was going at a rapid speed when it struck a bridge, throwing the doctor out. His skull was fractured and he sustained internal injuries. The doctors say he cannot live until noon.

WESTERN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY SELLS BUSINESS

St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company Buys Fire and Marine Insurance Business. (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, July 4.—(Special Telegram.)—By the terms of a deal just announced the Western Fire Insurance company of this city has sold its business to the St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance company of St. Paul, and will retire from the city permanently. According to the field representative of the Western Fire Insurance company, a sufficient amount will be realized from the sale so that stockholders of the Nebraska company will obtain face value for their shares and something additional. The sale marks the end of the corporate existence of the local company.

Detailed Census of Nebraska Counties

Table with 3 columns: County Name, 1900 Population, 1910 Population. Lists counties like Pawnee, Kearney, etc.

REPUBLICANS ORGANIZE BOARD OF EDUCATION IN CITY.

Water in the immediate relative of the young priest.

BARE LOOK IN FOR DEMOCRATS

Perhaps never in the history of the city was there such a clear cut victory for a minority as when the republican members of the Board of Education took their seats Monday night and by a well laid plan relegated the democratic majority to an inconsequential discard.

As foretold in The Bee, Schneider was elected president of the board of education. Leigh, republican, was chosen vice president and John Sullivan secretary of the board at a salary of \$3,000 a year.

The reorganization was preceded by a routine meeting of the old board. Restrainer was plainly evident as the members took their seats. Immediately after the conclusion of the routine meeting Rudolph Yeohout, retiring president, vacated the chairman's place and took a seat on the floor of the house.

Mr. Schneider declared nominations in order. Leigh nominated Schneider for the permanent chairmanship. Al Hunter sought to checkmate the move by nominating Leigh himself for the chairmanship. Schneider was elected by a strict party vote of three to two.

Mr. Schneider in assuming the duties of the chair thanked the board for the confidence reposed in him. He indicated the policy of the new administration when he declared that there must hereafter be a monthly report on expenditures. He said he would endeavor to know just what was going on. He concluded by reiterating his promise of a "square deal" for all.

When the nomination for secretary was placed in ballot, Al Hunter, democrat, objected to raising the secretary's salary to \$2,000 a year. He said the present salary of \$800 was enough and that the extra \$600 could be devoted to some other use.

Mr. Schneider declared that if the work was well done in the past it seemed strange that a threat of grand jury investigation was necessary to obtain a report from the secretary.

Mr. Leigh then took the floor and told the board that in view of the fact that the new board proposed to have the secretary devote all of his time to work of the school board, \$2,000 was little enough. Besides the increase was warranted by the new charter, which was legislated during the reign of the retiring board. The motion of the increase was carried forthwith.

Ed Ryan, re-elected engineer, was another bone of dispute. Hunter objected to him on the ground that he had not an engineer's license. A motion to make it necessary for him to procure a license was carried by the new majority.

A motion by the president nominating a committee of three to hire an expert accountant to audit the accounts was carried unanimously. The committee is composed of E. E. Leigh, chairman; Horace and Schneider.

Thursday night the board will meet again, at which time it is expected that the teachers and principals will be nominated.

New Committees. The following are the standing committees for the ensuing year: Teachers and Janitors—Leigh, Schneider and Horace; Supplies and Repairs—Horace, Leigh and Hunter; Buildings and Grounds—Schneider, Horace and Yeohout; Claims—Horace, Hunter and Schneider; Judiciary—Hunter, Yeohout and Leigh; Course of Study—Yeohout, Hunter and Schneider.

COST OF RENEWING THE CITY

Finance Committee Makes Estimate of \$235,000 for Year.

According to the estimate of the finance committee it will cost the city of South Omaha \$235,000 to run its machinery during the next twelve months. This was the report made to the city council at its regular meeting Monday afternoon. The meeting itself, except for one evidence that the discipline of "thoroughness" Miller is still on, was an orderly as a prayer meeting.

The member from the 21st introduced an ordinance to grade Forty-second street, from I to L street. On a vote Miller's motion failed of a second. Councilman Hoffman then introduced the motion and carried without a second's hesitation on the part of the members. Miller laughed as the vote was recorded.

An incident of note was a petition from G. S. Concanan asking for \$2,000 damages for injuries sustained by himself and damage to his horse, buggy and harness as the result of a fall in an alley between Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets, from O to P street. The petition alleges that the petitioner was thrown from his buggy on June 11, sustaining injuries to his back, arm, leg and brow. He also avers that he had suffered internal injuries. The petition was referred to the city attorney.

J. D. Jones, meat inspector, rendered a report to the council for the month of June. The inspector condemned eleven head of cattle, five sheep and 88 pounds of meat.

Following an adjournment to July 23 the mayor announced that the council was invited to take part in today's celebration.

It was further announced that the Board of Equalization would meet on July 11 and 12.

Father McMahon Says Mass. At St. Bridget's church where twenty-three years ago he had been baptized Rev. James F. McMahon, a native son, stood at the altar for the first time Monday morning to celebrate the sacred mysteries in the presence of his parents and thousands of relatives and friends.

The ceremony began at 8:30 o'clock. As the mass began thousands who had watched Father McMahon from childhood to manhood bent in reverent devotion while he chanted the sacred words.

STORY OF FAMOUS BOND DEAL

Part Played by J. P. Morgan in the Cleveland Gold Bond Issue of 1909.

What has all the appearance of being the true "inside story" of the famous Cleveland gold bond issue of 1909, including the interview that took place between Morgan and Cleveland at the White House, is published in the April Metropolitan magazine as one of the chapters in Carl Hovey's "Life Story of J. Pierpont Morgan."

The article shows that Cleveland held out up to the very last against a bond issue to a capitalist; that Morgan and Cleveland at the White House, that it was not until the Springer bill, authorizing a popular loan, had been defeated and the gold reserve in the treasury had been reduced to a few millions that he would consent to see Morgan, and that in the negotiations that followed between these two it was Morgan, however, who pointed out to the president the statute by which the private loan could be made constitutional.

Morgan's account, which is full of interesting and hitherto unrelated circumstances is evidently derived from the source. Negotiations had been begun between the Treasury department and Morgan to relieve the situation, but had been broken off by Cleveland's direction. The morning after the defeat of the Springer bill, Morgan left for Washington accompanied by his partner, Robert Bacon, and his lawyer, Franklin Loeb Steiwer. Secretary of War Lamont met Morgan at the station and informed him that Cleveland would not consider a private bond sale and would not see him. Morgan and his party went to the Arlington where they passed from treasury through the munitions of the crisis. Morgan sat up all night playing solitaire. The next morning he told his partner that he had evolved a plan. He remembered that when he was a young man Lincoln had faced the crisis of an empty treasury, and that he had had an act passed authorizing the president to purchase gold whenever the government needed it, and that he thought this statute was still on the books.

While at breakfast President Cleveland sent for him. The story continues: "The president's greeting was very short and formal. Mr. Morgan looked at him and saw that he was not smoking, so he did not light his own cigar. He and Bacon sat down at what was destined to be a memorable conference. Mr. Cleveland reiterated his determination not to consent to a sale of government bonds to a syndicate of bankers or otherwise. He discussed the situation with his official advisers while Morgan and Bacon sat as spectators in the scene. The minutes grew into hours. Mr. Morgan was not asked to make any suggestion. The president talked rapidly. He told the advisers to find a way out of the difficulty and was determined to do it, if possible. At last a memorandum taken from a telephone message showed that there were \$2,000,000 of gold left in the New York subtreasury. At this point, Mr. Morgan broke his silence. He said: 'Mr. President, the secretary of the treasury knows of one check outstanding for \$2,000,000. If this is presented today, it is over.'

"Mr. Carlisle had told him the evening before at the hotel about this check. He had had it in his mind every minute since that time. The secretary confirmed this statement at once and the president then turned to Mr. Morgan for the first time and said: 'Have you anything to suggest?'

"To this man who is accustomed to taking the initiative in things it had been an ordeal to sit silent and inactive that morning at the White House. When he began to speak he talked rapidly. He told the president of his recollection of that 'section number four thousand and something' of the United States statutes.

"At a word from the president Attorney General Olney stepped out of the room and in a moment returned with the book of revised statutes. He told the president

that what Mr. Morgan had said was perfectly true, that this act was known as 'section No. 7004,' and that from a casual examination he thought it was still in force. Mr. Cleveland quietly took the book from his hand and with deep concentration read the act to himself.

"Everyone in the room sat in the silence of deep suspense. When the president had concluded the reading of the section he laid the book slowly on his desk and then his face lighted up with almost a smile of relief and he said: 'Mr. Morgan, I think the act is ample for our needs and that it will solve the situation.'

"After the details of the loan had been discussed all arose from their seats, and someone said: 'Mr. Morgan, what is that brown powder on your trousers and clothes and all around your chair?' He looked down quickly. It was his hair! He had caught that he had been holding in his hand unlighted as he entered the room and which, as he sat there, he had unconsciously ground to powder. It littered the carpet. The president laughed, and reaching for a box of cigars, told Mr. Morgan that it was time for him to have a smoke and added that he wished Mr. Morgan would remain while he dictated the special message in order to see if it incorporated all the details of the plan."

Parliament Advertising is the Road to Business.

Car Held by Police. Coroner Willis Crosby sitting in the police court Monday afternoon upon the death of John Matson rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death by a cat blow struck by James Carr in the rear room of Mike Duggan's saloon on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Carr was held for further investigation.

Kulakofsky Fined. Louis Kulakofsky was fined \$5 and costs in the police court Monday morning for peddling without a license. Immediately after passing sentence Judge Callahan set aside the fine.

The case was the outgrowth of City Prosecutor McNulty's determination to prosecute the custom of the maverick to issue permits. As to the case in point Kulakofsky was granted a permit by the mayor at the solicitation of the Jewish charities, who intervened because of Kulakofsky's inability to procure a license at the time. The man, it is said, had just recovered from an illness and was in dire straits. Mayor Trainor granted a permit for a couple of months, with the understanding that Kulakofsky would procure a license with the opening of the new fiscal year. Jake Small, a policeman, refused to recognize the permit and arrested the peddler in a few hours.

Chief Briggs, after having released the man once, considered his nearest a disobedience to orders and accordingly suspended Small.

A. O. W. Temple Debt Free. South Omaha lodge No. 98 will celebrate next Tuesday evening at the Ancient Order of United Workmen temple free of debt. A committee of fifteen has the matter in charge and is arranging for a large program. The grand lodge officers and prominent speakers from the state have also been invited. The Omaha lodge will participate in the celebration by coming here in a body with their band. They will be met at Twenty-fourth and J streets, where a parade will be formed to march through town and to the temple.

Trouton Catches Mexican. John C. Trouton, state fire warden, when he went home Monday night found Joe Gass, a Mexican, trying to break into his residence at 619 North Twenty-fifth street. Trouton attacked the Mexican, who fled at breakneck speed toward Twenty-fourth street. The fire warden, in some confusion, however, and he overtook the would-be night artist in front of the fire office on Twenty-fourth street. Mr. Trouton in a scuffle with the man narrowly missed being stabbed. His clothing was cut through. The fire warden overcame the Mexican and took him to the police station, where Gass told the police that he was only looking for a night's lodging. He is employed in the sewers.

Contractors Get Cash. One hundred and fourteen thousand dollars worth of bonds were sold Monday morning to Spitzer & Co. of Toledo, O., and the city began at once to draw on local banks for the money. The bonds will cover the cost of paving District No. 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40. They pay 5 1/2 per cent interest and are redeemable after ten years, maturing at twenty.

As a consequence of this bond sale contractors were jubilant Monday.

Magie City Gossip. The United States postoffice will be closed at 12 o'clock this morning. John Farrell, deputy city clerk, will return from his vacation after the Fourth of July.

Lost Proofread was called by Colby, Kan. Sunday night by the news of his sister's death. Journal Clerk John Maxwell left Monday for Sidney, Neb., where he will spend his vacation.

Councilman John Bitha and George Hoffman expect to leave on a two weeks vacation in a few days. Mike Duggan's saloon was ordered closed Monday morning by the Board of Fire and Police commissioners.

The public school children who will participate in the Fourth of July ceremonies will meet Tuesday evening at Twenty-fourth and O streets at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. A. G. White, pastor of St. Martin's church, is absent. An ark leave for one week. Unless his secretary, Mr. White will seek an extension of time. A rehearsal of "As You Like It" under the management of Mrs. White will be held Monday morning in Lightland park. The play, which is the sixteenth of the series of the church, will be put on July 17. The funeral of John Matson will take place at Larwin's funeral parlors Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Services will

ATLANTIC BOOSTERS ARE BUSY

Meeting Called for Early Date to Mark New Boston Valley Road.

ATLANTIC, Ia., July 2.—(Special Telegram.)—President McWald of the Atlantic Booster club will call a meeting soon of road enthusiasts between Shenandoah and Manning to arrange for marking out the new Boston valley road to extend from Shenandoah to Manning and thence via Arcadia and Wall Lake to Spirit Lake. This road will touch Red Oak, Elliott, Griswold, Lewis, Atlantic, Exira, Brayton, Audubon, Tompston, Manning, Arcadia and Wall Lake.

It will be dragged and marked with white poles striped with red. Henry Field, the seed man of Shenandoah, and Banker Van Gorder of Audubon, and Banker DeLoe of Exira, together with McWald of Atlantic are the chief boosters. The meeting to decide on the official route through the country will probably be held here this week. The road will follow the river to near Wall Lake and then head west to Exira, twenty miles.

Iowa News Notes. LOGAN.—Different committees are hard at work preparing to entertain those who strom the celebration here tomorrow. As a result of the celebration a large attendance is anticipated.

The Feminine Jury. The beautiful young prisoner entered the box in her own behalf. "What is your age, miss?" asked the lawyer. "Forty-eight," was the steady reply. "The feminine jury might as well be put in the box with the men and set there right 'How much did you pay for the hat you are wearing?" "Ninety-eight cents." "Are you guilty of the crime that is charged against you?" "No."

This did the witty prisoner attempt to establish her sanity and then convince the jury that she was innocent. She don't forget that this was a jury of women. A verdict of guilty was finally brought in. (Cleveland Plain Dealer)



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