

Nebraska. ELECTION OFFICIALS SCORED. Senate Committee Finds Gross Misconduct in Two Omaha Wards. GROSSMAN RETAINS HIS SEAT.

From a Staff Correspondent. LINCOLN, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The report of the majority of the contest committee on the Panoast-Grossman senatorial contest from Douglas county was filed with the secretary of the senate this morning, but was not brought before the body because of a request of Hoagland of Lincoln, the minority member, who desired to make a report himself.

Senator Hoagland says he will agree with the committee so far as the matter of Senator Grossman retaining his seat is concerned because he does not believe that the senator was a party to the frauds which were apparently perpetrated in his district, but he wishes to show up the conditions which exist in certain precincts in Omaha and that is the purpose of his report.

What Ballots Show. In the majority report, which is signed by Heasley, Kiebel, Ollis and Placke, it is set out that Grossman received in the district 13,331 votes, while the contestant received 13,272 votes, a majority of 49 for the contestant. On the face of the returns in the Second precinct of the Third ward of Omaha Panoast received 18 votes and Grossman 25. Upon an inspection and recount of the ballots in this precinct the committee found that Panoast actually received 106 votes and Grossman 28, being a gain of 88 for Panoast and 30 for Grossman.

Score Election Officials. The report further states that the attorneys for the contestant strongly urged that the returns of both precincts should be thrown out on the showing made, which would make a majority in favor of the contestant. "There is evidence," says the report, "of fraudulent and illegal conduct on the part of election officials during the election and following the close of the polls and that there was fraudulent registration of voters in the second precinct of the Third ward and some fraudulent voting under assumed names corresponding to the names on the registration lists. The evidence also discloses that in some instances the law in regard to swearing voters was not followed and that voters were assisted in the marking of ballots in the voting booths without the presence of a judge and clerk of election."

The committee is convinced that in the voting precincts in question the election boards were composed of men who were grossly ignorant, incompetent and totally indifferent to their duties and the rights of the candidates." Vote Counters Drunk. The further record shows that in the second precinct of the First ward the election officers were drunk during the day of the election and that the debates continued during the night and the following day, and that such officers in total disregard of their duties abandoned the ballots and poll books and left them in charge of the members who were sober and conscientious in the discharge of their duties.

The report exonerates Senator Grossman of being in any way connected with the frauds and does not find that any money was used for the purpose of electing him. The report closes by saying: "It has been well known for many years that the voters in certain precincts in Omaha have been practically owned and controlled by certain representatives of vice and that

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Nebraska. An absolutely honest election has not taken place in such precincts within the memory of man.

Girl Fatally Hurt in Auto Accident Near Tekamah.

TEKAMAH, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—An auto accident occurred south of Tekamah last evening about 11 o'clock in which two young men were injured and a young woman probably fatally injured. The car, belonging to County Treasurer Henry Tunberg, was being driven by his son Clyde. He was at the wheel and Gordon Bryant of the Bryant Lumber Company was in the rear seat with a Miss Ethel McCabe, whose parents live south of Tekamah. The car was going at a rapid speed and ran off a low bridge. It happened that some heavy trees had been felled near the roadway and the car struck end on against the tree. The occupants of the rear seat were vaulted about thirty feet over the car, and when the girl was picked up it was found she had her skull fractured in two or three places and Bryant had sustained severe injuries in the groin. The young woman was also suffering from hemorrhages. Tunberg, the driver, has some ribs broken and may be otherwise injured. A physician was summoned at once, as was also the sheriff. The front of the car in a wreck and the engine partly torn loose from its moorings.

York Firebugs Are Making Threats.

YORK, Neb., Feb. 18.—Threats written on the windows of the Liggett Lumber company and the automobile and sporting goods store of Gus J. Goeckel added more coals to the fire situation in York today. Local authorities are baffled.

PIONEER OF NEBRASKA DEAD AT CEDAR BLUFFS.

CEDAR BLUFFS, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Randall H. Knapp, one of the oldest residents of Nebraska and Saunders county, died at his home in this city Sunday afternoon. Mr. Knapp was born in Parma, N. Y., November 13, 1831, moved to Hudson, Mich., in his youth and was there married to Barbara A. Van Vleet, who survives him. They came to Omaha in 1856 by steamer from St. Louis and resided there one year, then moved to De Soto, near the present site of Blair, where they lived until 1861, when they removed to a ranch near the present site of Wood River, and were there during the Sioux wars. There they were close neighbors of J. E. Boyd, afterwards governor of the state. In 1866 they returned to De Soto and two years later came to Saunders county, taking a homestead two miles from this place. Mr. Knapp was prominent in republican politics in the state and county, was elected the first mayor of Wahoo and was elected county treasurer for two terms, 1874 to 1877, holding that office during the excitement of the removal of the county seat from Ashland to Wahoo. Mr. Knapp held large real estate holdings in several parts of the county and was president of the Bank of Cedar Bluffs since its organization in 1887. He leaves besides a widow several grandchildren and two children by adoption, Mrs. John M. Winslow of this place and Frank B. Knapp, president of the Fidelity Trust company of Fremont.

MADISON COUNTY BEGINS ENFORCING SCHOOL LAW.

MADISON, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The case of the State of Nebraska against Mrs. Augusta Penske, brought by County Superintendent Housel and County Attorney Koenigstein, charging her with criminally neglecting to send her two daughters and son to school, was tried in district court here yesterday. The defendant resides in School District No. 8, west of Norfolk. Judging from the remarks of the county attorney while arguing the case, many similar cases are likely to be prosecuted in the near future. Jack Koenigstein, in the opening argument for the defendant, asked why County Superintendent Housel had singled out this poor old widow residing on a sand bank along the Elkhorn river as the first subject of whom an example should be made unless it was because she was a woman of no influence and without a vote. Judge McDuffie found the defendant guilty as charged and sentenced her to a fine of \$5 and costs, the minimum penalty. "This is the first case of the kind brought before the court in this county."

CANNON PLACED IN DAWSON COURT YARD.

LEXINGTON, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Two cannons were placed in the court house yard this afternoon by Reno post No. 12, Grand Army of the Republic, aided by the Woman's Relief corps, city council and the school children of the city schools. The cannon were put in temporary places at present, but will be placed permanently on the grounds when the new court house is completed. The cannon were shipped from Rock Island, Ill. J. H. Maloney, George C. Gillian and D. H. Moulds made short addresses.

COOPER BUILDING AT OAKDALE IS BURNED.

OAKDALE, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special Telegram)—Fire broke out on Main street in a nest of old buildings at 4 o'clock this morning. The volunteer fire company was soon on the ground and immediately had several streams of water playing on the fire. After forty minutes' active work the fire was completely under control. The Cooper building, in which the fire seemed to originate, was the only building burned. It is not definitely known just how the fire started, there is, however, some evidence in support of a theory of arson.

FIREMEN WILL NOT STRIKE.

Eastern Railroads Agree to Arbitrate Under Erdman Act.

MANAGERS MAKE A STATEMENT.

They Say the Law is Faulty and One-Sided, but They Feel that the Public Will Not Tolerate a Strike.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—There will be no firemen's strike on the eastern railroads. The railroads yielded today and agreed to arbitrate under the Erdman act the controversy with the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen. The firemen had stood, to a man, for this method of arbitration ever since the deadlock began; the railroads had stood firm for arbitration before a commission of six or seven men. Three men, acting under the law, will decide the firemen's claims. Their decision will be binding. The firemen selected their representative on the board of arbitrators as soon as the railroads' decision was announced. He is Albert Phillips of Sacramento, Cal., vice president of their organization. The railroads selected as their man W. W. Atterbury, vice president and general manager of the Pennsylvania lines east. Within a day or two these two will meet the third. Within thirty days thereafter the arbitrators must render their findings. Where they will meet was not announced.

Objections to Arbitration. Judge Martin A. Knapp of the United States commerce court, and G. W. W. Hanger, acting federal commissioner of labor, acting as mediators under the Erdman act at the firemen's request, conducted the negotiations which resulted in today's agreement to arbitrate. Throughout the mediation proceedings the railroad managers utterly opposed arbitration under the Erdman act on the ground that it was unfair to place so much responsibility on the shoulders of the old man on the board. They vehemently resisted this protest in giving ground today. They said their only reason for yielding was that the public would not tolerate a strike. The firemen themselves admit the defects of the Erdman act, and while the present dispute will be settled under the existing law, afterwards, the firemen's president, W. S. Carter, will meet with the heads of other railway labor organizations and representatives of the railroads to request Congress to amend the law in certain respects.

Agreement Promptly Signed. This agreement to arbitrate was signed promptly by both sides. The mediators, in a formal statement, later announced that the firemen's committee has passed a resolution recommending that the labor organizations and the railroads "unite in requesting such amendments to the existing law as may be found desirable."

The railroads will request that the commission of three men now provided for under the law be enlarged to include at least six men and possibly seven, but not in the present proceedings. In agreeing to arbitrate under the Erdman act the railroads came to the position the firemen have held since the renewal of negotiations. The railroads were willing to arbitrate, but they wished to have the controversy submitted to a committee of six. The firemen objected to this on the ground that it was contrary to the statute.

The question to come before the arbitrators is principally one of wages. The firemen ask for an increase depending upon the size of the locomotives, giving a wage varying from \$2 to \$4 a hundred miles. They also ask for two firemen on the heavier locomotive. The railroads already had expressed a willingness to raise wages, but not to the maximum demanded. To grant this they assert would cost \$12,000,000 a year.

Statement of Railroads. The eastern railroads agreed today to arbitrate the demands of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen under the Erdman act. This breaks the deadlock. The decision of the roads was announced in an official statement issued by E. Lee, as chairman of the committee of managers. "The managers feel," says the statement, "that the public will not tolerate a strike."

Mr. Lee's communication is addressed to Judge Martin A. Knapp of the United States commerce court, and G. W. W. Hanger, acting United States commissioner of labor, who have been acting as mediators in the dispute. It is as follows: "At the urgent request of you, as representatives of the government, under the strongest protest we are able to voice, the managers' committee agrees to arbitrate the firemen's controversy under the Erdman act. The manager also desires to give notice at this time that they shall earnestly request that the hearings in this arbitration be open to the public."

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WILLIAM F. PROWETT IS DEAD AT FULLERTON.

FULLERTON, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—William F. Prowett died at his home in this city at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. Death was caused from neuralgia of the heart. Mr. Prowett had been sick only a few hours.

Mr. Prowett was prominent over the state in lodge circles, especially in the Masonic order. He was a thirty-second degree Mason and at the time of his death was commander of the Knights Templar commandery at Columbus and also a member of the Mystic Shrine at Omaha. He was also a member of the Modern Woodmen and Knights of Pythias of this place. He served this county as county treasurer during the years 1902 to 1906 and was at the present time engaged in the real estate business in this city with J. C. Blodfield.

Mr. Prowett is survived by a widow and four grown sons, one of whom, William L., is in the Philippine islands employed as cashier by the Standard Oil company in the city of Manila. Funeral services were held this morning under the auspices of the Masonic order.

Notes from Gage County. BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Irene Wilkinson of Filley died suddenly yesterday at her home at that place of pneumonia, aged 36 years. She leaves no family except her husband. Lloyd J. Selbert yesterday purchased the interest of his partner, Lou Gerhardt, in the Paddock house cigar store. Mr. Selbert came here a few months ago from Omaha.

Articles of incorporation have been filed by the Gage County Blaugas company, which is to deal in a bottled liquid from which light, heat and power can be produced. The capital stock is placed at \$25,000, and the incorporators are E. D. Wheelock, K. M. Wheelock and Ada Wheelock.

A chauntanga season will be held in Beatrice this season, the dates being July 12 to 20. Fairbury Boy Shot. FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Little 16-year-old George Molas is lying in a precarious condition at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Molas, six miles northwest of this city, with a bullet lodged in his left breast. In company with his brother, Willard, and several other companions, they were playing in the yard with a twenty-two caliber rifle and in some manner the weapon was accidentally discharged. His doctor entertains slight hopes for his recovery.

DR. FREIDMANN IS ON HIS WAY TO NEW YORK. BERLIN, Feb. 18.—Dr. Friedrich Freidmann, whose claim to the discovery of a serum curing tuberculosis have been much discussed, sailed for New York today on the steamer Kron Prinzessin Cecilie. He took with him a quantity of the live germs which he asserts are so efficacious and it is understood he proposes to attempt the cure of ninety-five out of 100 cases of tuberculosis, a test for which a New York banker offered a \$100,000 fee if success is attained.

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