

PUBLIC WELFARE ON ONE BROAD GROUND

Work Co-ordinating All Social and Economic Elements for Betterment is Launched.

NEW LEGISLATION IS REQUIRED

A public welfare work, co-ordinating all elements of social and economic betterment under one well organized head, was the plan endorsed by the city commission and a joint mass meeting of citizens, some fifty in number, at the council chamber yesterday.

"I am anxious for one thing, that we shall not talk so much as to prevent our arriving," said E. F. Denison, general secretary of the Young Men's Christian association, when called on for suggestions.

That brought the meeting to a head and sounded the keynote, which was taken up by T. F. Sturges, member of the moribund Social Service board.

"What caused the failure of this board," said Sturges, "was the total lack of power or resources to do anything real. What will be most needed in the new undertaking is such power and resources."

The commission has an ordinance pending providing only for recreation. Now, it has decided, in line with the sentiment expressed at this meeting, to broaden its scope so as to include a comprehensive public welfare work.

Outline of Provisions.

That, of course, as Commissioner Ryder and others pointed out, will require new legislation. To that end, City Attorney Rine, who entered into a detailed explanation of the situation, has drafted this rough outline of provisions to be incorporated in the law, making possible the character of enterprise aimed at: (This whole matter will be reconsidered next Thursday at the commission's meeting.)

In each city of the metropolitan class there shall be a board of public welfare, which shall be selected as provided by ordinance. The board of public welfare shall have such power as may be provided by ordinance, which shall include, subject to such limitations as may be provided by the mayor and city council:

The authority to provide a unified and comprehensive public recreation system.

The authority to parole or pardon persons convicted under the ordinances of the city.

The authority to supervise and regulate commercial amusements.

The authority to establish an employment bureau.

The authority to provide for a legal aid bureau to which the poor may go to get protection in their legal rights.

The authority to establish a charitable bureau to render assistance to the poor of the city as its funds will permit, and to cooperate with other charitable organizations of such city.

The authority to establish a municipal farm or workhouse.

The authority to establish a welfare loan agency, but no funds of the city shall ever be loaned.

The authority to investigate into the housing of inhabitants of the city, especially with reference to tenements, and to provide regulations for the housing of the inhabitants of such city.

Authority to provide for regulations to promote the health and general welfare of the city.

Some Require Special Action.

Some of these provisions, Rine explained, may be engrafted into the present city charter, but some will require

special legislative action and so the whole matter will be put up to the legislature.

What is contemplated is a welfare organization co-ordinating all the varied elements of social and economic betterment in the city, so as to avoid waste of time, money and effort and really "set somewhere."

Dr. Frederick Cohn, president of the newly organized Omaha Welfare association, started the speech-making by emphasizing this point. Then Commissioner Ryder took occasion to say that one of the big needs was provision for the unemployed, such as has been made in Kansas City, Cleveland and elsewhere.

"It would be far better to pay out \$10,000 a year for employment than to do it out as charity," said he. The remark was heartily endorsed by Theodor Hanson, president of the National Child Welfare association, who spoke at some length.

"That," said Mr. Hanson, "is the constructive welfare we want. He and Ryder both showed how Kansas City is paying from \$1,000 to \$2,000 a year into the pockets of otherwise unemployed men without imposing an extra cent of expense on the city. The city has quarries and they become self-sustaining. 'Omaha could have some such places.'"

Dr. Cyrus F. Stimson, secretary of the National Playground association, had, on invitation, come from St. Paul to attend the meeting. He stressed the urgency of the need for better regulation of commercial places of amusement.

"Not much substantial headway is possible so long as the sources of mischief are left to run their course," he said. He urged, therefore, dealing with causes also, such, for example, as bad housing conditions.

Among other speakers were Mrs. N. H. Nelson, president of the Omaha Woman's club; Mrs. J. H. Dumont, John Dale. Both the women stressed the importance

of better housing and home life conditions.

The meeting brought out quite a large clerical representation, including these ministers: Revs. F. P. Ramsay, T. M. Evans, C. C. Meek, E. H. Jenks, A. F. Ernst, C. E. Cobbley, Titus Lowe, E. J. Kalins, C. N. Dawson, J. F. Beard, F. T. Rouse, F. W. Leavitt, Dr. Cohn and Dr. Von Der Lippe.

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