

LAWMAKERS TO LEARN CHOICE ON COMMITTEES

Ellis Good of Nemaha Regarded as Choice for Finance, Ways and Means of House.

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ening to put a spoke in the wheels of their fellows when they favor certain appointments.

To Bar Members. "After this, in the interest of harmony, provision should be made to bar from appointment as chairman of any committee a member who serves on the committee on committees."

While it has been factiously observed by Speaker Dalby of the house because of the tremendous republican majority in both branches of the legislature, that "politics are adjourned," a majority of the republican members of the senate and house say this will not be the case.

"We will never lose sight of the fact that this is a republican legislature," said Lieutenant Governor Barrows, president of the senate.

"An interesting contest is to be decided in the senate, W. J. Broatch, republican candidate for state senator, who on the face of the returns, was defeated by 'Doc' Tanner, South Omaha, by a small majority, has filed a contest against Mr. Tanner's election board committee fraud in not counting soldier votes that had been withheld and which should have gone to him.

Some of the members of the house are wondering what J. O. Schmidt, non-partisan representative, Sanderson, has up his sleeve. During the closing hours of the Thursday session of the house he asked if it would be possible to add a new committee to the list of house standing committees. He was told the house had the power at any time to add new committees. When asked what new committee he had in mind, Schmidt was non-committal.

So far the gathering of the legislature has not been as productive of as big a harvest for the hotel men of Lincoln as it has in years past. Governor McKelvie's policy of making prompt appointments has clarified the situation so far as prospective pie hunters are concerned. Then the house and senate resolutions to keep the number of employees down to the lowest possible point consistent with efficiency, and make every one appointed earn their salaries has had the effect of reducing the horde of office seekers which at every session throng to Lincoln and populate the hotels. One governor, not so many years ago but the memory of the thing is still fresh, during his campaign made 20 promises of appointment for every job. Candidates for places, many of them dead, certain of a tail hold and down hill pull on a fat job were kept in the capital for three or four weeks only to learn, with grief and chagrin that the governor could not keep all of his promises for he was unable to perform the miracle of multiplying the loaves and the fishes.

Those who were bitterly disappointed never forgot their experiences and it helped greatly to defeat that same governor when he ran for United States senator. "Flu" Stamped Out. Nome, Jan. 11.—The public health service expedition sent to Alaska to assist in fighting the Spanish influenza epidemic, particularly among the natives of the coast, has completed his work and left for Seattle yesterday. Reports to Gov. Thomas Riggs' office indicated the epidemic is about stamped out, and that the expedition's work has saved the lives of hundreds of natives.

Crew is Lost. London, Jan. 11.—The entire crew of the Japanese steamer Nanyo Maru was lost when the vessel was sunk off Hokkaido, January 2, according to a dispatch from Kobe. The steamer was on its way from Kobe to Marseilles.

Good Roads An Issue. Good roads legislation will come up as a matter of course. Omaha organizations will be interested in the passage of a bill that will have for its purpose the stopping of wholesale automobile thefts. The new measure may be modeled on the California law. It is estimated that the loss of automobiles by theft in this state during the past five years will approximate more than \$3,000,000.

State Police Force. One of the innovations proposed is a bill for the creation of a state police force, fashioned after those of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and

Banquet? You Bet! But Guest of Honor Failed to Appear

Elaborate Preparations for Feed in Honor of Will C. Israel, House Chief Clerk, Had Been Made; But They Forgot to Send Him an Invitation.

By J. H. KEARNES (Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, Jan. 11.—A banquet without the guest of honor being present was given by the newly elected county officers of Lancaster at the Lincoln hotel the other night.

Will C. Israel, chief clerk of the house, was former chairman of the Lancaster county central committee. As a testimonial of his efficient work in the late campaign it was decided by the successful officers to give him a blow-out. It took place all right, but when the company had all assembled around the banquet table it was found that a fatal mistake had been made.

The guest of honor failed to appear. He was blissfully ignorant of the honor being done him and was luxuriating behind the evening newspapers at his home at Havlock. The officers-elect and legislators present began to make inquiries and it was found that no one had invited him to the feed. To keep the food from going to waste, as a means of conservation, the guests demolished the viands and then said good things about the absent guest of honor, behind his back.

Governor McKelvie is one of the most democratic and congenial of men.

Because of his congeniality a peculiar incident, one that brought some embarrassment to W. J. Taylor, senator and nonpartisan leader, of Merna, took place.

Mr. Taylor was in the lobby of the Lindell hotel and was talking to Senator Perry Reed, who represents the counties of York, Hamilton and Greeley, when McKelvie approached. "How do you do, Senator Reed?" exclaimed the governor, extending his hand in friendly greeting. Senator Reed took the proffered hand and shook it; then Governor McKelvie turned to Taylor and said: "How are you, senator?"

"I'm senator all right," remarked Taylor, "but who are you?" "Oh, nobody but the next governor," smilingly remarked McKelvie as he turned away.

"Hell, I must be in my dotage," grumbled Taylor to Reed as he watched the form of the new executive fade into an adjoining crowd.

"I guess I will have to pair with Jenkins," remarked Representative George E. Tracewell, Valentine, to a couple of friends in the house before the adjournment of the session. "Jenkins, whose home is at Hagler, is stone deaf, and I am almost blind. Each of us can supply a faculty missing in the other and between us we could make one grand complete representative. I think it is an ideal solution of an embarrassing situation. We can make up a committee of the whole between us on any legislation in which we are interested."

It looked for a time that Lieutenant Governor Barrows would not be able to perform the functions of his office as president of the senate. Lancaster county claimed a prior right to his services. Mr. Barrows,

who is now addressed as "your excellency" by some of his many friends, was drawn as a member of the petit jury for the January term of the Lancaster county district court.

He had to appear before the presiding judge like any other humble citizen and beg to be excused because of the pressing demands for his services as one of the chief executives of the state. He was excused.

Ex-Secretary of State Charley Pool will not live in the Sixth congressional district, where he had established his home and been defeated in his race for congress by the redoubtable "Uncle Mose" Kin-kaid.

Whether because of the sting of ingratitude, or some other reason, Pool has decided to remain in Lincoln where he will engage in the real estate business.

Employees of his office force, before his retirement, presented Mr. Pool with a framed enlarged portrait of himself, to be left in the office of the secretary of state as an addition to the portrait gallery of former secretaries of state, dating back to territorial days.

The unlooked for dissipation of a legislative session keeps one up late," remarked a country member of the house to a veteran legislator, last week.

"It was nearly midnight when I

contract of the report at a lower rate. The former state printing commissioner has declined to allow the claim of the printer of the report and the latter may have to go without his money.

"That was a wise and courageous act," remarked a friend to Governor McKelvie to the latter, on hearing that Mr. McKelvie had withdrawn the appointment of his brother, when being charged with nepotism. "I made a mistake," said the governor, "and I tried to correct it as soon as I realized it. That will be my policy in the future as it has always been. When I make a mistake and realize it, I will be honest enough to confess it and will remedy it as soon as possible." It is a fine sight to his friends. It is the opinion of his friends.

"Doc" Tanner, one of the three lone democrats in the senate, and a member of the Douglas county delegation, was on his way to the capitol building on one of the opening days of the session, when he was approached by a negro.

"Say, captain," said the colored man, "is you all one of de dev'ment?" "I'm a senator," replied Doc. "I see lookin' fo' a state house job," remarked the colored man, who drew some papers from his pocket. "I done got de endorsement of de Omaha Colored Republican club."

"No use pulling them on me," exclaimed Tanner, "I'm a democrat." "Oh, dat's all right, cap," observed the dark colored pie seaker, as he drew another bunch of paper from another pocket. "I see done got de endorsement of de Omaha Andrew Jackson Colored Democratic club, too."

Harry S. Byrne, republican state central committee man, is an ardent friend of Governor McKelvie. He represents an indemnity bond company at Omaha, and wrote most of the bonds for the new state officers. Among them was the bond of the

SLED RUNS INTO CURB, LAD DIES OF HIS INJURIES

Lincoln Taylor, 10 Years Old, Turns to Avoid Colliding With Automobile and Meets Death.

Lincoln Taylor, 10 years of age, living in 611 1/2 North Twenty-first street, died in the Lister hospital from injuries received when his sled ran into a curb while coasting Saturday morning. He turned the sled into the curb to avoid colliding with an automobile.

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