

COMMITTEE TO FIND THE STATUS OF E. E. HOWELL

Investigators of Legislature Spend Time Looking Into Relations of Omaha Man to Board of Control.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Feb. 28.—Is E. E. Howell of Omaha a broker or purchasing agent?

This is the question the joint committee of the senate and house investigating the state institutions under the board of control management, is seeking to determine.

Today the committee at a secret session behind closed doors, put in all of its time going over the books and letter files of the penitentiary and called the various executive officers and employees of the institution before it.

Every item relating to the purchase of coal for the institution was inquired into and the question as to Howell's relationship was asked.

The reply was that the Omaha man was a purchasing agent, as his compensation was fixed at \$5 cents per ton for all coal purchased by him, and there was no element of speculation in his transactions.

Asked why coal had been piled on the ground at the penitentiary, Warden Fenton replied that if the coal was stored in buildings there was danger of spontaneous combustion and that one shed that had been used for storage purposes had been set afire from this cause several times.

In reply to a question why slack coal was used he replied that slack had better steam values than most of the coal used.

Inquiry was also made in regard to the amusement fund of the penitentiary. Warden Fenton has control of this fund, and which does not come from the taxpayers, gave a detailed list of the expenditures.

George Weidenfeld, accountant for the board of control, is taking active part in assisting in the investigation.

Successor to Commandant

Walsh Not Yet Appointed
Lincoln, Feb. 28.—(Special.)—The State Board of Control has not yet appointed a successor to Commandant Walsh of the Burkett soldiers' home, who resigned two weeks ago after a legislative committee had demanded his discharge.

His resignation does not become effective until March 15, and if no successor is found by that time, he will hold over until April. The board has four or five applications, and is waiting recommendations from the state G. A. R. on prospective commandants, who must under the law be G. A. R. veterans.

Omaha Man Addresses Auto Men at Dinner in Norfolk

Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Clark Powell made a big hit here when he talked to automobile dealers of Norfolk and vicinity at a dinner Friday.

Mr. Powell was the guest of the Norfolk Auto show management and gave some valuable hints as to the ways and means which Omaha Auto men found essential in making an auto show a success.

Fremont Carpenters Ask Wage Increase; May Strike

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Fremont carpenters have demanded 70 cents an hour for their work, an increase over the price they received last year of 15 cents. Contractors have notified the carpenters that they will not grant the increase. Carpenters say they will strike if the contractors refuse to meet their terms.

Fremont Girl Dies.

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Frankie, 13-year-old daughter of Cerny Stockfield, died at the home of her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. James Stockfield, following an attack of pneumonia.

Postal Appointments.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Postmasters appointed, Iowa, Arispe, Union county, Elsie Whittier; vice Hazel Detro, failed to qualify; Stanley, Buchanan county, George H. Brown; vice Harry A. Woodson, resigned; South Dakota, Spain, Marshall county, Charles B. Knight, vice William J. Owen, declined; Dr. P. F. Fyfe has been appointed pension surgeon at Plattsmouth, Neb., on the recommendation of Senator Hitchcock.

"Those Terrible Ear Noises! Have Stopped!"

"Those terrible Ear Noises have stopped!—what hundreds of letters are telling me. You remember that in a recent issue I offered 200 Treatments for Head Noises. Free! Good! Best readers! And this is the happy result."

Head Noises! What a picture of intolerable suffering these words bring to mind. Reader, if you have Head Noises, I know well that no words of mine can describe the weary misery. But you are the one to appreciate the relief in the words "My Head Noises have stopped," and these are the words which every day's mail brings me.

The joy and gratitude of the people who received the 200 free treatments offered in this paper has been so great and their appeals for friends so urgent that I am going to offer again.

200 Treatments Free
Think what it would mean to you to have your head throbbing, ringing, roaring, with the whirling, the buzzing, the humming, the humming—all the weary, weary noises, which at times make you feel that your must stop, or you will go insane. Tell me, whether it be or not, you know in your heart of hearts that it will go on the whole of your life, unless you get relief in the words "My Head Noises have stopped," and these are the words which every day's mail brings me.

Now is your opportunity. Send for one of my Free Treatments, and you will receive it. Just drop me a note or a postcard giving your full name and address. You will receive it. This offer and talk is for YOU. Purchase you have tried other things, and become discouraged. You have been told there is no help. Purchase you are carefully studying your case from day to day, thinking it will get well of itself. Make just this one try. It won't cost you a penny. See this wonderful new treatment and the head which has been made, never better with Head Noises just like yours.

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Seward Woman Drops Dead Following the Sudden Death of Uncle

Seward, Neb., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Returning Thursday evening from the home of her uncle, Carl Imig, who died Wednesday night of heart failure, Mrs. Rudolph Blum dropped dead on the threshold of her own home before she had time to remove her wraps. Heart failure was the cause.

Mrs. Blum was one of the wealthiest women in Seward. She was 50 years old and is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ed Brinkmeyer. Her tragic death is the third of a series of sudden visitations of death in Seward this week. Tuesday night Mrs. Belle Wheeler dropped dead of apoplexy. Mr. Imig was 74. His funeral will be held Saturday. Arrangements for Mrs. Blum's funeral have not yet been made.

Bootlegger Not Halted by Poggins, Says Governor

Lincoln, Feb. 28.—(Special.)—"The bootlegger is big game and cannot be halted with poggins methods," writes Governor McKelvie, in answer to a letter from R. P. Hutton, executive secretary of the prohibition council of one thousand of Wisconsin, to know how Nebraska enforces prohibition. Prohibition enforcement "under the present circumstances is a real task that cannot be easily accomplished without the use of money and the employment of men whose ability and integrity of purpose are above question," the governor's letter adds.

Nebraska Jewelers Hold Convention at Lincoln

Lincoln, Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Officers elected at the closing session of the annual convention of the Nebraska Jewelers' association here Friday were:

President, F. H. Smith, vice president, F. M. Bryan, secretary, treasurer, Ed B. Fankle, Pierce, executive committee, Robert Goodall, Omaha; Grover Spangler, Fremont; and C. W. Edwards, Oxford.

George Taylor of Omaha was appointed secretary-treasurer of Ku Ku, the auxiliary entertainment band of the convention.

The next convention will be held in Fremont.

Y. M. C. A. Boys Attend Annual Conference at Norfolk

Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—The vanguard of a big delegation of Y. M. C. A. boys began arriving here Friday night to attend the annual district conference of boys organization of the State Y. M. C. A. The responsibility of victory is the keynote of the conference. P. H. McKee of Omaha and C. S. Holcomb of Lincoln are among the state leaders called here to talk to the boys.

Names Representatives to National Conference

Lincoln, Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Labor Commissioner Frank Kennedy and Mayor J. E. Miller of Lincoln have been delegated by Governor McKelvie to represent him at the national labor conference called Monday in Washington, D. C. by Secretary of Labor Wilson.

The invitations were extended principally to governors of states and mayors of larger cities.

Stockholders of Farmers Elevator Reap Dividends

DeWitt, Neb., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the Farmers' Elevator company, in Wilber this week, all the officers were re-elected for the ensuing year. 100 per cent stock dividend and 10 per cent cash dividend was declared and \$3,750 was divided among stockholders in proportion to the amount of grain sold by each stockholder. The capital stock was increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

Few More Days of Cold Will Make Fairly Good Ice Crop

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Local ice men say that a few more days of the cold weather of last few days will make a fairly good ice crop. Hopes of a crop had almost been abandoned. About a third of a supply has been harvested in Fremont. Ice on lakes in this vicinity is now about four inches thick.

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SCHOOL HEAD TELLS HOW HE STRAPPED GIRLS

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night and was met at the station by a messenger, who said the committee was waiting for me at the hotel. I went to the hotel and talked to the committee for some time. I was told they would call on me the following morning. They said nothing to me of their having already gone through my desk and the house. The first I knew of it was when my secretary told me after I returned to the home Tuesday night.

"Miss McMahon was with the members of the committee when they called Wednesday morning. In spite of my protest Miss McMahon was given access to the house, while I was detained in the office while being questioned."

The scandal last spring involving one of the women of the institution and the former bandmaster, Professor Fagin, which resulted in the removal of Miss Lydia McMahon, former head of the reformatory, and the installation of Paul S. McAuley as superintendent, was recalled by the fact that Miss Lydia McMahon accompanied the party and assisted in the investigation.

The party was driven to the school in an automobile by Bart Koehler, one of Miss McMahon's principal adherents. A thorough investigation of every department of the school was made.

Girls Were Summoned.

Girls were summoned before the committee and were interrogated at length by the investigators as to their treatment.

A letter addressed to Superintendent McAuley from Gene Mayfield of the board of control, ordering him to garb each inmate with a thick cloth gown when they were punished with a strap, was taken by the committee, as was the gown used for the purpose.

An old ball and chain used as a means of punishment in former days was offered the committee, but they refused to take it with them.

In the kitchen the investigators found a girl with a scratch on her neck. They asked the cause and she told them she had received the scratch in a fight with the cook of the institution. Commissioner Gerdes of the board of control was present. The investigating committee ordered Superintendent McAuley to discharge the cook, and Commissioner Gerdes advised that the order of the committee be obeyed as soon as a new cook can be employed.

It is said that the next investigation will be held in the near future.

Time Brings Happiness With The Dawn

The Coming of Baby Marks the Advent of a Glorious Future.

Scientists say great stress should be laid upon the remarkable influence which the mother's happy pre-natal disposition has upon the health and future of the generations to come.

There is a splendid preparation woman for ever half a century have supplied before the stock's arrival, known as Mother's Friend. This is a most grateful, penetrating remedy that, once taken, soothes the myriad of brand, flat abdominal muscles under the skin of the abdomen. By its regular use during the period the nerves, tendons and cords are relaxed and there is an absence of nausea, bearing-down pains, strain and general discomfort more often than otherwise experienced when nature is unaided.

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tion will be of the Soldiers home at Grand Island, the commandant of which, Jack Walsh, recently resigned.

Mr. McAuley declared he refrained from using the strap on the girls for 100 days after taking charge of the home. "I had hoped to be able to avoid this," he declared. "It became necessary to resort to this form of punishment. I have never allowed any one else to use the strap on the girls, and whenever I have seen fit to do so, I have always made it a point to punish the girls in the presence of witnesses. I have used two straps two inches wide and I required the girls to wear a gown made especially for the purpose. The gown is made of thin grey material. The girls are required to retire to their rooms, remove their clothing and appear in the gown. They are compelled to kneel and bend across a chair. The blows are administered and regulated with reference to the extent of their offense."

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