

BOARD REFUSES TO PAY SMALL BILL

Pending a Decision From the State Authorities—Will Take No Chances.

A strict interpretation of the state law regulating business transactions between municipalities and members of the city government will hereafter be enforced by the board of works. This morning a bill for sixty-eight cents due the Bartel-Rohe stationery firm was held up pending an investigation of the legal status of the case. W. H. Bartel, senior member of the firm, is a city councilman.

The city has been able to save money on transactions involving office furnishings by dealing with the Bartel-Rohe company, and to avoid difficulties, the bills have been presented by Rohe. This practice cannot be condoned explained City Attorney Gardner today. He said that a decision handed down some months ago on a parallel case was that a partner could not deal with a city if the other member of the partnership held a city office.

Whether the field examiners will direct the city to secure all the money paid the Bartel-Rohe firm, is not known. The examiners have not reported on this matter. The law provides that the city shall not be the loser, and that the man selling the goods must pay the loss.

Field examiners Boggs and Smith, working on the city's books some time ago, directed City Controller McMahan to refund to the city a small sum he had collected for a trip to Indianapolis to purchase vehicle tax checks last year. He did so. This morning a bill for \$3.20 presented by Marketmaster Taylor for railroad fare to and from Indianapolis, and for one meal while there, was turned down by the board and held up pending an investigation of the merits of the case by the city attorney. It is held that if the city controller could not collect his fare, although expended on city business, Marketmaster Taylor cannot collect his fare.

The turkey lunch Saturday afternoon and evening, with Weideman's beer at Frank Puthoff's, 203 Ft. Wayne Avenue.

PROGRESSIVES OF NEW YORK GATHER

Thirteen Hundred Delegates Attend First Convention Held in State.

(National News Association)

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 5.—The state Progressive convention was slow in getting down to business today but by 11:30 all of the 1300 delegates, including 150 women, were in their seats. The women were greeted with much waving of bandanas and enthusiastic cheering.

The convention was called to order by state chairman Hotchkiss and the Rev. F. W. Betts, pastor of the First Universalist church, pronounced the benediction.

Frederick Davenport was introduced as temporary chairman and his keynote speech was a caustic and bitter arraignment of Barnes and Murphy and an offer of the Progressive party and its platform as the saving thing for the people and the country.

Chairman Davenport next called Col. Roosevelt as the man of the hour. He said that Col. Roosevelt made the fight at the Saratoga convention in 1910 because Governor Hughes after a splendid battle for public rights had personally asked Mr. Roosevelt to take up the burden which Hughes was laying down. Chairman Davenport said that Mr. Roosevelt made this fight against his own inclination.

DIVORCE GRANTED

Richard J. Elvord was granted a divorce yesterday from Maude Elvord on the charge of abandonment, by Judge Fox in the Wayne circuit court.

TRAPPING EAGLES.

The Chinese Get Them With a Baited Net and a Decoy Bird.

Every year, according to an old custom, in the second quarter of the September or October moon, the inhabitants of the Chinese province of Shantung go to Mongolia to hunt the eagles which abound in that region. The hunters march in troops along the roads, carrying on their shoulders long poles from which are suspended their baggage and provisions and on which are perched tame eagles to be used as decoys.

The hunters make use of a large net, spread open on the ground and baited with small dried fishes, in the midst of which is placed a tame eagle. The decoy naturally begins to devour the bait and thus invites its wild cousins to follow its example. When the birds have alighted and are feeding the hunter, from his hiding place two or three hundred yards distant, quickly closes the net by means of cords and thus captures the eagles.

Eagle hunting is very lucrative. The feathers are used in the manufacture of fans and are sold at a high price even in China. There are three sorts—Kiepel, black with white centers; Cheema, white spotted with black; Tosting, half white and half black. Several eagles contribute to the making of a fan, for only a small part of the plumage can be utilized; hence these fans are very costly.

AN ALIEN INSTITUTION

Is the University of the Present Day to the Life About It, Its Seeming Practicality Being Merely a Cold, Scientific Scrutiny.

BY ESTHER GRIFFIN WHITE.

There is a good deal written of late about the relation of the college and university to the life of the present day.

Or lack of it. At least of the incompatibility of the university ideal, or its social standards, with that of the national.

This was illustrated at first hand last week through an incident in which the writer was concerned.

Not that it was, of itself, of any particular importance, but was a straw which showed which way the wind blows, to use a homely metaphor.

Dr. Edward Ross, of the University of Wisconsin, who, within the past few years has been attracting attention with his studies of modern conditions, especially in their relation to national life and which have appeared in both magazine and book form, and who delivered that fine series of lectures before the institute and chautauqua referred to a time or two before here, was the medium through which a glimpse was caught of the entirely impersonal attitude the university takes toward the public and the utter impracticability of a fusion between its substance and that of the life about it.

But the fact that he didn't care. The fact that he didn't want to report the reporter.

And in this lack of altruistic spirit—a spirit upon which he had aimlessly from the platform and which he, in a way, seemed to concentrate and embody on account of the nature of his expositions of modern conditions—he illustrated the studied aloofness from and the indifference to the social body sustained by the great educational institutions.

Here is a man of extraordinary acumen but without imagination.

Here is an institution which invites him to verbally record these facts, explain and marshall them for the instruction and entertainment of its audiences.

And he fires them over the edge of the platform with as much accuracy and force as a prize gunner shooting at a mark.

Here's your facts, he says in effect. Make what you can out of them.

What I really think is no matter.

As for you—go to the devil for all me.

He begged the reporter to sit down. He sat down by her.

She explained her purpose in approaching him.

He said that he could not grant her request. Not rudely, but calmly, impersonally.

And why?

Because he didn't have the notes with him.

Because it was the reporter's place to get the account of his lecture. That was the reporter's business. Not his, Dr. Ross's.

It was a matter of absolutely no interest to him whether the reporter succeeded or not.

He was indifferent about the reports of his lectures in the papers.

Didn't care whether they were noted or not.

Said he had not arranged the chautauqua program and couldn't help it if he did appear at hours when it was impossible for papers to reach his lectures.

Said, however, that the coming lecture was reproduced, or originally appeared, in a certain magazine, in 1903.

Upon the reporter's timid remark that the office did not have a file of that magazine and that it probably could not be consulted without a trip to New York, the excellent Dr. Ross smiled merely and again remarked that he couldn't help that.

However, he went on to say, it is also included in chapter so and so in my book on so and so, which you can get in your library. You can easily go to the latter place when you return to town and there you will find it in whole.

The hour was eleven.

Another lecture was to be sat through by the reporter which would not close until after twelve.

Then a foray back to town with one chance in seventeen of catching a car.

Possibly and most probably a hit, instead with the thermometer standing at almost any dizzy figure in the shade.

And this probability was realized.

A return to the newspaper office after half past twelve.

And then the translation of notes and preparation of copy for the afternoon paper, time taken for a hasty "snack" and back to the chautauqua bleachers at half past two.

In the meantime Dr. Ross chatted pleasantly about himself and his methods of procedure, his preferences in the way of writing and speaking and other things.

Not averse, evidently, to an interview, although an interview was not asked for or mentioned.

But entirely averse to giving a hard-up reporter a little assistance.

In the time taken to talk about himself he could have given the reporter all the information she needed or wanted concerning his half past one o'clock lecture.

When the reporter again murmured that the office did not possess a copy of his book referred to, he again pointed her to the library, stating that she could easily go there and copy the lecture.

Now this may seem banal enough and again it may seem illuminating.

The point is obscure or obvious as you care to look at it.

But its supposed essence lies in this—

That Dr. Ross in referring the reporter to the files of a magazine which could only be consulted in New York where it was published, or some metropolitan institution where files are kept that far back—and these are few and far between—or to his book in the library, showed an unbelievable ignor-

A RICH HOOSIER SUED BY AFFINITY

Jay Voss Charged With Seduction and Breach of Promise.

(National News Association)

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 5.—Wealthy bachelor, clubman, farmer, poet and traveler, Jay G. Voss, of Indianapolis said to be past fifty, was sued in superior court today for \$25,000 damages for alleged seduction and breach of promise. Leafy Breedlove, a pretty divorcee of 21 years, Voss is reported to be worth half a million and it is said numerous propositions to fix up the differences have been submitted to him outside of court, but in each instance he is said to have absolutely refused to consider a settlement. Miss Breedlove, who said she had passed as Mrs. Voss on numerous occasions, both in Indianapolis and during their travels as man and wife in Central America, says she has lived in Voss's flat and at his country home.

She alleges that after following her about the streets for several days Voss finally met her and later provided her with funds to secure a divorce. She also says Voss sent her to business college at his expense and promised that after they returned from Central America they would be married. But the fact that he didn't care. The fact that he didn't want to report the reporter.

And in this lack of altruistic spirit—a spirit upon which he had aimlessly from the platform and which he, in a way, seemed to concentrate and embody on account of the nature of his expositions of modern conditions—he illustrated the studied aloofness from and the indifference to the social body sustained by the great educational institutions.

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FIFTEEN THOUSAND HEARD ROOSEVELT

Deliver an Address Today at the Minnesota State Fair Grounds.

(National News Association)

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 5.—A lusty brass band awakened Colonel Roosevelt at the union station here at 7 o'clock this morning, when his train arrived from Des Moines. It was accompanied by a reception committee of 200 insisted Bull Moosers who kept yelling for "Yank" no substitutes.

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W. HAMMOND RESORT DEN OF MURDERERS

Charge Made by a Woman Formerly One of Its Inmates—to Probe Story.

(National News Association)

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—Frankie Ford, former inmate of a West Hammond resort, was held today awaiting a charge of being an accessory of John Mefaker. After hearing the woman's remarkable story of murder and robbery in the resort, County Attorney Johnson, today decided to bring the above charge against the woman so she could be legally held. The girl was arrested as a result of a raid conducted by Virginia Brooks, the sader of West Hammond.

Although details of the story were not made known the coroner said the girl's story was a strange and startling one. Many men and women met death in the resort the past two years, she said, and their bodies were spirited away to a secret tunnel leading from the side of the house.

A man known as "the man with the needle," was involved in the various murder plots, the girl asserted. For a few dollars he is said to have given his victims injections of a certain drug. As a result of the revelations of the Ford woman, a number of arrests are expected.

A Big Cattle Market.