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Rotten Police Loop Favoritism Calls Attention to Fact That Former Mayor Took Police Chief From Ranks

The traffic police are disgusted with the lack of support they get from their superiors.

Favoritism in parking, shown to City Hall pets, is causing more comment every day.

How policemen can do their duty toward some infractors and be prevented from doing their duty towards immune violators of the law demands change somewhere.

Mr. Fitzmorris, the present chief of police, was private secretary to Mayor Harrison, Mayor Thompson's predecessor.

Mayor Harrison's chief was a real policeman—Captain James Gleason.

Mr. Harrison always had a policeman at the head of the department.

In the block on Washington Street between LaSalle and Wells Streets no man has been permitted to park his car for hours every day.

This man is said to boast of the fact that his pull comes through Sebringhaus, the notorious school board member.

He has threatened several of the policemen who have handed him a slip with removal or transfer for doing their duty.

No wonder some of the police force appear afraid of him.

The Chief of Police is not ignorant of this state of affairs. Copies of this paper have been mailed to him calling attention to this outrage.

Yet nothing is done. The traffic police are accused of showing favoritism. The morale of the force has been affected by this one incident.

Members of the Elks Club whose building is located in this block complain of the fact that if their cars are left parked ten minutes longer than the legal time they are summoned into court. They ask why the City Hall pet can park his car as long as he wants to.

Crime is rampant in the city. If a lawbreaker is permitted to openly defy the law within a block of the office of the Chief of Police why shouldn't crime be rampant?

Murders, holdups, robberies of all kinds are more numerous than ever.

The Chicago police department is demoralized. It lacks a head and policemen are only human. Unless they are supported in doing their duty by those over them, why should they imperil their jobs by enforcing the law on everybody but City Hall pets?

Mayor Hylan of New York spent several days in Chicago recently. He described the traffic congestion in Chicago as "deplorable."

No wonder.

Dr. Bundesen, the Health Commissioner, would make a good Chief of Police along traffic lines. He does things.

Health Commissioner Bundesen made good on his threat to obtain a warrant for an alleged violator of the city anti-noise ordinance.

When brought to Dr. Bundesen's office this fellow denied emphatically that he shot a block long screech from the siren of his car as he turned from State street into Garfield boulevard. He said he never was on Garfield boulevard in his life.

"You can tell that to the judge and a health department inspector will be there with his story," Dr. Bundesen replied.

The scribe let it be known that his car is a Buick. Dr. Bundesen noticed that the license records show the fellow's car as a Studebaker. He admitted switching license tags on the two cars without notifying the secretary of state. Dr. Bundesen ordered that in addition to the noise making charge, the charge of switching tags be placed against him.

A lady who parked her car in the Loop for ten minutes with the rear wheels nine inches from the curb, was summoned into court by the police.

A City Hall pet had his car parked on Washington street Wednesday for three hours with the hind wheels two feet out from the curb. He was not molested.

The City Hall pets who laugh at the police and park their cars as long as they like, sometimes change their habit of parking as long as they like in one place.

August, September, October and part of November—four months. That's a pretty long time and in nearly every day of that time, some days excepted, a city hall pet was permitted to park his auto in Washington street for hours at a time in spite of the police and to the astonishment and disgust of the public. That's a record.

Police favoritism in the matter of loop parking is a public scandal.

Chicago has a good police force without a head.

County commissioners deserve credit for appropriating money to prosecute school grafters.

John F. Cullerton will make an ideal Fire Commissioner. He has brains and ability.

Charles Foley, for 45 years a letter carrier, died Wednesday. He lived in Oak Park.

The City Council wants the school board grafters punished and so voted.

Lake View is in arms over the White Paving Company's last melon.

Ald. Thomas O. Wallace and Ald. Frank J. Link introduced orders to compel President Michael J. Faherty of the board of local improvements to cancel the contract which he has let with the White Construction Company for the building of the \$2,000,000 Broadway sewer. The action is in conformity with the decision of the committee on streets and alleys last Monday, when it voted unanimously against approving the supplemental assessment of approximately \$800,000 for carrying out the work. Faherty has since announced that, notwithstanding protests of the property owners affected, he intends going ahead with the work.

effect was offered by Alderman Thomas R. Caspers and was passed by a unanimous vote. The meeting was held at the headquarters at Roby and Irving Park Boulevard, and every precinct in the ward was represented.

J. Soule Waterfield has been reappointed business manager for the coming year of the Chicago Real Estate Board.

Fred Lundin is in a serious condition. Mayor Thompson said on his return from a Sunday visit in Rochester, Minn., where the former con-

EAGLETS

What the United States needs today is a leader. And it wants him badly.

With everything to work on nothing is breaking right.

Congress is the worst polyglot of incompetency ever seen on earth.

The bills it has passed have made the situation worse instead of better.

The immigration laws have put a barrier up which has caused a shortage of labor in all branches of production.

The steel mills complain that they have not men enough to complete their contracts.

The mine owners claim that they cannot get men enough to mine their coal.

The farmers are predicting that next year they will be unable to harvest their crops.

But then see what we have to be thankful for!

Women have been sent to Congress

NAME SHANAHAN

Popular Former Speaker Talked of For Mayor By Many Republicans, Joseph F. Haas Will Be Strongly Backed

David E. Shanahan, one of the most popular Republicans in Chicago and for many years Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives, is being most talked of for Mayor.

He is very strong with the people and is able and well equipped for the job.

Joseph F. Haas will receive the full support of the strong Deneen organization for mayor at the primary next February.

This means much for the Deneen

recorder as their best vote getter. They believe he is the one Republican who can draw support from every element in the Republican party needed to defeat Thompson for the nomination.

Haas is very popular. He was elected recorder of deeds in 1916, at that time having the largest plurality of any Chicago Republican candidate on the ticket. He repeated this performance in 1920, when he received 503,279 votes of men and women in Chicago. His plurality was 282,261.

Joseph F. Haas was born in Chicago sixty-five years ago. He has been clerk in the sanitary district, alderman of the old Fifteenth ward, member of the board of education, a state senator, a park commissioner, county clerk, member of the Illinois waterway commission. He is a member of the Masonic order, of the Royal Arcanum, Royal League, Schweizer Benevolent society, Schwaben society, the German Press club and the Illinois Athletic club.

Thomas A. Smyth, vice president of the great John A. Smyth Company, can be mayor if he says the word.

Democrats of all classes and factions are constantly mentioning his name for the place.

Mr. Smyth made the best president of the Sanitary District of Chicago ever had. His six years in that position brought order out of chaos and were devoid of scandal.

But Mr. Smyth is a modest man. He never seeks office for himself. He is more interested just now in getting Democrats to favor the nomination of his friend, James McAndrews, the former congressman, for mayor.

Judge Joseph Sabath is being boomed for mayor by thousands of friends. He would make a good one, as he is just and able.

Chief Justice Harry Olson of the Municipal court would make an ideal mayor in the opinion of thousands of his admirers who praise his ability and strength of character.

George Hull Porter, general sales agent of the Western Electric Company, is the latest Democratic entrant in the mayoralty race. The former president of the Illinois Athletic Club headed the Sweitzer Business Men's Club in 1919, and the P. J. Carr Business Men's Organization this Fall. He resides at 546 Surf st.

Our wonderful crime commission has something to work on at last. The Daily News published a big story on Tuesday to the effect that Mayor Hylan of New York has arranged the whole thing for Hearst to nominate Mayor Thompson for president on a third party ticket.

President-elect Cermak of the County Board should have the appointment of every employe in the County Building—Elevator men, janitors and all. But Pete Hoffman, the sheriff-elect, is looking for trouble—and he will have plenty of it. He wants to usurp the prerogatives of the county president. This time he is up against a man he can't fool.

That the campaign now being waged by Dr. Herman N. Bundesen, Chicago's commissioner of health, against unnecessary noise, is warmly seconded by citizens, is patent by the daily flood of mail lying upon his desk.

Appointment of a receiver for the Douglas National Bank of Chicago, the only national bank exclusively owned and operated by negroes, was asked in a petition filed Tuesday in the United States District court.

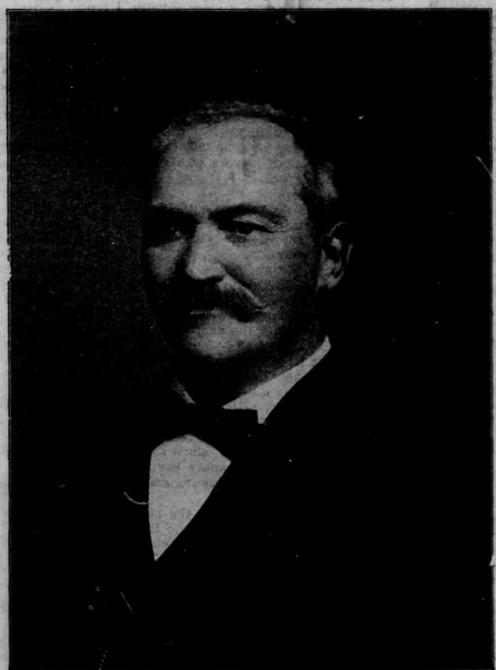
The plea charges that the bank is insolvent and that officers, headed by Anthony Overton, president, planned to divert \$175,000 of its funds to the promotion of a proposed Overton building at State street and Thirty-

sixth place, it was charged. Injunction against this operation is asked.

Officials also are accused of obtaining their bank charter through fraudulent representations, and of denying stockholders the privilege of completing payments of stock for which they had subscribed \$130 a share, the same stock being sold later at \$105 a share.

Appointment of a United States commissioner to succeed Lewis F. Mason, whose term has expired, will await selection of a district attorney to succeed Charles F. Clynne, federal judges announced after a conference.

Heeding the demands of property owners of the near west side, the council finance committee has ordered the board of local improvements to proceed at once with the spreading of special assessments for the widening of Jefferson, Polk and Clinton streets.



THOMAS A. SMYTH
The Best President the Sanitary District Ever Had Whom Many People of All Parties Want for Mayor.

BUSES WILL COVER SOUTH SIDE SOON

The south side is to have another addition to its fine transportation service. Within six months a complete motor bus service will cover the south side boulevards, it was predicted last night, as a result of an order of the Illinois Commerce Commission yesterday granting the Chicago Motorbus Company the right to operate busses on boulevards between the downtown district and South Chicago.

A petition for an extension of routes to the South Side, made by the Depot Motorbus lines, was denied, mainly because the routes proposed were principally on car line streets and would interfere with street car transportation. The commission overruled the objections of the Chicago City Railway Company opposing the Chicago Motorbus Company's petition.

Operation of the busses must begin within six months, and the service must be brought up to standard within a year by the commission's orders. Every sixty days the company must file reports showing its progress. The most improved type of busses is to be used. The company has brought experts from New York and London to aid the installation.

GRADE BOULEVARD CROSSING, CHICAGO'S DISGRACE

The greatest disgrace to Chicago are the grade crossings on boulevards. Grade crossings are too plenty in Chicago streets but on boulevards they are frightful. The city took a firm stand on Tuesday in the issuance of an order directing Chief of Police Fitzmorris to detail policemen at all grade crossings which have been ordered elevated by ordinances and the time limit of which has expired, was recommended for passage by the city council finance committee at a meeting held yesterday.

The committee also directed the corporation counsel's office to draft for the commissioner of public works a letter notifying the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio railroads that the city would start the work of elevating the tracks at West Garfield boulevard and South Leavitt street within ten days unless the companies proceeded with the project under the ordinance.

It is believed the move of the city will bring about a court fight, as it is predicted that an injunction will be sought by the railroads the moment a policeman stops the first train. Under the direction of the order, policemen will be instructed to bring all trains to a full stop before permitting them to cross the street.

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