

FULL TEXT OF BOARD OF REGENTS BILL GOVERNING EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Bismarck, N. D., March 4.—Following is the full text of the board of regents bill, under which the government of the several educational institutions of the state will be conducted after the first Tuesday in July:

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The state board of regents shall have the power to elect a president of the board, and a secretary, and such other officers and employees and shall fix the compensation paid them. The board shall act in consultation with the commissioner of education, in order to the most efficient administration of each institution in accordance with the best interests of the people of the state, and for the upbuilding of higher and technical education in North Dakota.

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This budget shall be transmitted in separate form to the governor and to the legislative assembly at the same time as its biennial report is transmitted, and a copy of the same shall be transmitted to the board of regents, and the board of regents shall have the right to examine the same, and to make such recommendations as it may deem proper, and to cause the same to be printed, and to cause the same to be distributed to the members of the board of regents, and to the members of the legislative assembly, and to the public, and to cause the same to be printed, and to cause the same to be distributed to the members of the board of regents, and to the members of the legislative assembly, and to the public, and to cause the same to be printed, and to cause the same to be distributed to the members of the board of regents, and to the members of the legislative assembly, and to the public.

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Left to right, top: Judge A. B. Anderson, E. E. Talbot and Judge Ell Redman. Bottom, Mayor Donn M. Roberts, Stanley and former Chief of Police J. Edward Holler.

Indianapolis, March 4.—Four hundred witnesses will be ready to testify for the government when Donn M. Roberts, mayor of Terre Haute, and twenty-six other officials and politicians of that city are placed on trial in the U. S. district court here on March 8, charged in a federal indictment with conspiring to corrupt the election of November 3, 1914. Judge A. B. Anderson will preside.

A long, hard fought legal battle is in prospect, as the defendants will introduce almost as many witnesses as the government. Representative A. O. Stanley of Kentucky, who was chairman of the house committee that investigated the steel trust two years ago, is counsel for several of the indicted men. The lawyers of national prominence will fight to prove groundless the government's contention that the defendants were guilty of conspiracy in connection with last fall's elections.

List of Defendants. Among the defendants, in addition to Mayor Roberts, are the following: City Judge Thomas Smith, Sheriff Dennis Shea of Vigo county, Judge Ell H. Redman of the circuit court of Vigo county, Hilton Reaman, his son; City Comptroller Elmer E. Talbot; President Harry Montgomery of the board of public works, George Ehrenhardt, member of that board; John Massellink, former representative and now inspector of seals and measures; John E. Green, an inspector of the election; Edward Driscoll, secretary of the democratic city committee; Maurice Walsh, county sealer of weights and measures.

The government admits that if convicted, the defendants will receive a fine of not more than \$5,000 and a term of not more than one year in prison. It is declared to be the first attempt to extend federal jurisdiction over the election machinery.

In the fact that the election of B. F. Shively to the senate and of R. W. Moss to the house of representatives was sought on Nov. 3, the government, these men being candidates for federal offices. The indictments contain four counts, the first charging violation of section 19 of the criminal code—conspiracy to injure persons in the exercise of their civil rights. It is set forth that the violation was threefold:

- 1. Qualified voters were prevented from voting for candidates for the senate and the house.
2. Qualified persons were prevented from serving on election boards.
3. Persons who had committed no offense were placed in jail and deprived of their liberty without due process of law.

The second count is based on section 37, which was used in the prosecution of the dynamite conspiracy cases. It charges a conspiracy against the United States by alleged violations of the statutes fixing the qualifications for electors to the senate and the house of representatives, which provides that an elector shall vote only at a given election, and also that the defendants conspired to foist false registration on the voters of the United States a person not duly elected.

Postal Law Violation Charged. The third count charges violation of the postal laws, alleging that the conspiracy was furthered through the mails. The fourth count alleges that money was obtained through the mails for use in a scheme to commit false registration.

Investigation of the election in Terre Haute was begun immediately after it was held. Clubwomen protested against the election to the federal officials, and on November 18 the first arrests were made. These were of the first of the 400 witnesses who testified before the grand jury. The arrest of

two per cent. In return for these proposals, they will request the government to continue the operation of the project as in the past.

The efforts of the Williams county farmers in behalf of the sub-contract station at Williston have been successful and not only will the experiment of farm continue but there will be an increase of funds available for experiments with live stock. A delegation from Williston consisting of Sher Burdick, Judge Fisk, Thomas Gooney and F. P. Bergman went to Bismarck to aid in the fight for the continuance of the experimental station at Dickinson and Williston as the demands of the farmers in the district occupied by these stations had been insisted that they be continued.

Photographer Olson of Williston has opened up a branch studio in Fairview to take care of his Montana trade.

Jacob and Charles Lusk left for Watford the past week where they will reside.

Miss Linnie Carl of Oregon was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Palmer over Sunday. While in the city she gave a most interesting talk in the Methodist church on W. C. T. U. work.

It has been announced that the service of Prof. Onstad and band leader. He is an efficient leader and Williston is fortunate in securing his return.

C. McKinney, president of the Williston Motor company, is now in the east on a business trip. He will visit the Ford and Dodge automobile plants in Detroit, Mich., and the plant of the Firestone tire company at Akron, Ohio, before returning to this city.

Williams county received a total of \$7,322 from the largest February school apportionment in the history of North Dakota. Williams county stands about the fifteenth on the list of fifty counties in respect to its share of the state tuition fund. It lies Ramsey county and shows a larger enrollment of children of school age than the other counties of LaMoure, Dickey or Traill.

After several meetings held by the directors of the Water Users' association in the Williston irrigation project a decision was reached last week. It was decided to make this offer to the reclamation service officials: to take over the reclamation extension act and to pay the first installment of the construction charges, amounting to

Section 12. (Emergency.) Whereas, an emergency exists in this, that this act is deemed of immediate importance in order that the board hereby created may have a position to take full control of such institutions on July 1, D. 1915, therefore this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its passage and approval.

Section 13. (Meetings, Quorum.) The board shall hold an annual meeting at its office in Bismarck on the first Tuesday in July of each year. It shall hold quarterly meetings, if practicable, at one of the institutions under its control, but only one quarterly meeting shall be held in any one year. Annual and quarterly meetings may be called by the secretary. Special meetings may be held upon the call of the president or upon request of three of the members of the board, at such place and time as the members demanding such meeting may determine. A majority of such board shall constitute a quorum.

Section 14. (Itemized Statement.) Before any expenses of the members of the board, any officer, or agent, thereof, or before any expenses incurred by others under the direction of the board, or the expenses of any officer or any employee of any institution under the charge of the board, shall be paid, a minutely itemized statement of every item of expenditure shall be presented to the proper authority duly certified, which verification shall aver that the expense bill is just, accurate and true and is in the nature of a receipt, and that no disbursement or payment thereof shall not be made. The expense bills of the members of the board, the secretary and its other employees, when so verified, shall be presented to the state auditor for their written audit, before payment is made. The salaries and such other expenses of the board, and the secretary and other officers, and the salaries of employees, shall be paid monthly by the state treasurer, upon the warrant of the state auditor.

Section 15. (Appropriation.) There is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) annually, or as much thereof as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

Section 16. (Repeal.) Existing laws relating to the institutions referred to in this act, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall remain in full force, and all acts or parts of acts in conflict with or inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

MORTALITY CHART FOR YEAR READY

State Board of Health Prepares Statement of Death Causes.

A slight decrease in the number of deaths in North Dakota during 1914 as compared with the number for the quarterly bulletin issued by the state board of health, which shows that the number of deaths in the state during 1913 was 3,504, and in 1914, 3,430.

A large proportion of these deaths occurred among children less than one year old, according to the tables. The statistics of the number of deaths arranged according to causes, and according to age follow:

Table with columns for Important Causes, 1913, and 1914. Includes Typhoid fever, Smallpox, Measles, Scarlet fever, Whooping cough, Diphtheria and croup, Influenza, Dysentery, Tetanus, etc.

Deaths by Ages. 1913, 1914. Under 1 year, 1 to 5 years, 5 to 10 years, etc.

Major Acquitted in Former Trial. William Huffman was convicted of having tampered with 157 ballots which passed through his hands as an inspector. The house of special judge Roberts is the democratic boss of Terre Haute. He was made city engineer in 1910 and proceeded at once to organize the council against the then mayor.

From the time that Roberts took office he has been in litigation. Two days after he was sworn in he and the members of his board of public safety were taken to court on charges of contempt growing out of the present charge of two patrolmen. Roberts was freed, but in July last he was fined \$100 for contempt in the court where he was arraigned recently. He has disobeyed an order of Judge Anderson relative to some city work.

Roberts is a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor. He says his acquittal on the present charge—which is bound to come, he insists—will be the making of him politically. He says his troubles to participate in the election, and to the enmity of the traction interests of Terre Haute.

Another Wants War. Paris, March 4.—Pierre Loli, the author, who is a retired naval officer, has requested the government to permit him to rejoin the service and to assign him to duty with the French fleet now operating against the Turks.

OFFICERS PLAN ENFORCING LAW

Effort Will be Made to Require Proper Filing of Death Certificates.

A determined effort is being made by the health authorities of Grand Forks county to qualify the county as part of the health registration area of the United States.

A death registration of 90 percent of the total deaths in the county is a prerequisite to having the territory included in this registration area.

Local registrars are being checked up with reference to the registration of deaths in their respective localities, and efforts are also being made to have the various undertakers, embalmers, etc., comply more strictly with the requirements of the law than has hitherto been the case.

Under the law all death certificates must be filed before any disposition may be made of the body of the deceased.

Similar campaigns are being conducted in other counties of the state largely through the efforts of the North Dakota health officers who recently held a meeting at Devils Lake.

BOSTON SEXTETTE PROVES SUCCESS

Artistic Program Given at Auditorium Last Night by Organization.

The Boston Sextette club, appearing as the sixth number of the machine gun company's lyceum course, pleased a large audience at the auditorium Wednesday night.

The club is under the leadership of C. L. Staats, who is also the clarinet soloist. Miss Edith Ellis sang two soprano solos which were well received.

Probably the most successful number of the program was Solman's "The Poet's Dream," played by the entire club. The selections from Victor Herbert's "Fortune Tellers," which was the only popular number on the program, also proved popular.

The club is composed of artists of the first rank, who demonstrated their ability throughout the program. The audience, although good, was not as large as the quality of the entertainment warranted.

DECLARES ENGLISH COMMIT ATROCITIES. Berlin, March 4.—(By wireless to Sayville.)—The director of the Basel mission, replying to the denial of the British legation at Berne that atrocities were being committed or inspired by British troops in Kamerun, West Africa repeats the accusation against the English. Two hundred and eighty persons attached to the Basel mission on the Sangha river in Kamerun have been imprisoned by the English.

Baron Neesen, correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung at Czernowitz, Bukovina, reports that there have been numerous cases of the assassination of civilians by the Russians.

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