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DR. HENZI COMES TO TOWN.

October, 1918, Dr. W. E. Henzi, for several years company physician

for the Union Pacific railroad and the Utah Construction Company and

just recently returned from two years of post graduate work in the East,

arrived in the Dale having been sent in answer to the urgent plea of

local parties for help in the flu epidemic, and already up to his ears

in work among those who are ailing locally. The doctor is very reserv-

ed and does not care for notoriety, evidently preferring to show what he

can do rather than to talk about it.

Sister Henzi, who will be here shortly, was formerly head nurse in

the Chicago Hospital and will be a most desirable acquisition to the county.

COMMUNITIES FIGHT FOR DOR. HENZI:

Steadily increasing interest in the case of Dr. W.E. Henzi reached a sort

of climax, ~~Thursday Morning~~, February 19, 1920, when a large delegation of

people from Orangelville, and Ferron joined with local people, met together

and effected a working organization for the purpose of seeing the matter

through. Also electing a committee of three to go to Salt Lake City and

thoroughly investigate the situation, backing them with moral and financial

support of a large portion of the population of the three town.

The crowd had gathered upon learning of the contemplated filing of an

action against Dr. Henzi, alleging the practicing of medicine and surgery

without a State License. The case was filled in Justice R.C. Millers court

in Castle Dale. The case of Arvel Snow, son of Brother and Sister Ed. Snow,

who was treated last summer for injuries, suffered in a mowing machine accident,

being the basis for the specific charge. The charge was sworn to by a fellow

by the name of Jacobs, sent here on behalf of the Board of Medical Examiners.

It is said incidentally, this particular gentleman, undoubtedly returned up-

state with an emphatic idea of the feeling of indignation felt, since just

previous to his hoarding the air bound stage that morning, he was treated to

such a demonstration as could not have convinced the most skeptical. Car

after car of out of town people joined the crowd on foot, which gathered about

him as he vociferously claimed his individual impartiality and concern in the

matter.

The meeting which convened in the assembly room of the Stake house elected

Stake President, Lars P. Oveson, Chairman of the meeting and O. Sorensen, Jr, Sec-

etary. Various people present expressed themselves spiritedly on the need for

action and a motion of John C. Snow of Orangelville, "that we effective an

organization to investigate the causes for Dr. Henzi's prevention from practicing and get representatives of the State Board of Health to come out and investigate the true situation," was favored unanimously. F.A Killpack, of Ferron, moved "That a committee of three, one from each of the towns represented be elected to go to Salt Lake City and wait upon the State Board of Health in connection with the Matter." After a short recess, F A Killpack, of Ferron, Dell Peacock of Orangeville, and Edmund Crawford of Castle Dale, were elected to form the Committee. Subscriptions were taken to defray the Committee expenses, and they will leave Monday to reach Salt Lake in time to meet with the State Authorities on Tuesday, armed with the following transcript of the minutes of the meeting, prepared by Secretary Sorensen as credentials:

Castle Dale, Utah, Feb. 19, 1920

To the State Board of Health, Salt Lake City, Utah

Gentlemen:

At a representative mass meeting held at Castle Dale, today, representing ninety percent of the population of the towns of Castle, Orangeville, and Ferron, located in the Southern part of Emery County, State of Utah, at which President Lars P. Oveson, was elected chairman, and O. Sorensen, Jr., was elected Secretary, indignation was expressed at the filing of a complaint against Dr. W. E. Henzi for practicing without a certificate, with the understanding that he was practicing with consent of the medical examiners, and at a time when the saving of the lives of our fellow citizens which he has practically snatched back from death.

On proper motion the following committee was elected to wait upon your board with full authority to act to the end that Dr. Henzi be permitted to practice among us and that he remain here as our Doctor and medical advisor without molestation: Fred A. Killpack, Ferron, Dell Peacock, Orangeville, and Edmund Crawford, Castle Dale. (Signed) Lars P. Oveson, Chairman (Signed) O. Sorensen, Secretary

Though the complaint against Dr. Henzi has been filed it is not likely the warrant of arrest will be served for a few days. The time for hearing will be set at the time that he answers to the complaint providing he pleads not guilty.

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