

New Legislative Measures

The following important measures are among the big things done at the legislative session just ended:

Prohibition legislation, apparently suiting all concerned.

People given right to say whether they want a constitutional convention to make over organic law.

Partial woman's suffrage—women to vote on president, county officers (save judge), and on municipal officers.

City managership system, optional, for cities of from 1,000 to 100,000 population.

Acceptance of federal aid for good roads, and enactment of legislation tending to give highways movement its most potent boost.

Four-year terms for county officers (save county judge), thus assuring of shorter ballots.

Presidential electors' names stricken from ballots, also a step toward shortening ballot.

Nonpartisan election of state superintendent, county superintendents and regents of the state university, following up nonpartisanship in judicial affairs.

Reorganization of state board of health, putting this on a parity with any state department in the country, and aiding public health movement in most effective manner.

Legislation enabling financially embarrassed persons to pay debts gradually into court—a poor man's bankruptcy.

State hail insurance system, optional for farm localities.

Means to alleviate railroad car shortages, by providing for fair distribution of cars.

Publicity appropriation and statute giving the state the means of telling of its resources to the world.

Omaha water district given right to make and sell ice.

City of Omaha given means to condemn and acquire public utilities under plan fair to corporations and safe so far as people are concerned.

Needed irrigation legislation tending to help irrigators and make more stable districts' financial operations.

Laws to encourage interurban railway building, thus bringing closer the intensive development of tracts of land in more populous sections of state.

Laws to encourage building of railroad branch lines in less populous sections of state, thus tending to build up the remote portions of Nebraska.

Extensive amendments to workmen's compensation and employers' liability law, these going farther toward helping the working men and establishing a closer relationship between capital and labor.

Validation of sale of saline lands, thus securing hundreds of small home owners against attack of their rights.

Double election board legislation, providing means for facilitating count of ballots.

Legislation and appropriations for use of national guard to meet emergencies of present war, also recognition for men who served on Mexican border.

Rural and small town school legislation, aimed to make school work more extensive and more effective, and tearing down the barrier of too tight money bags in smaller districts.

Provision for acceptance of federal aid in vocational school training.

Grant of additional powers to board of commissioners of state institutions, and liberal appropriations for care and housing of state wards.

Liberality shown toward state normal schools, state university and Omaha Medical College.

Free use of telephones for local service or long distance denied to public officials.

Consolidation of more state departments, and numerous minor changes in state departmental laws, tending to more state government efficiency.

LATE NEWS FROM CAPITOL

Items of General Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources Around the State House

Western Newspaper Union News Service

George E. Hall, state treasurer, has given out the following statement:

"I want to deny a story which is being circulated that I as state treasurer had made the statement or taken the position that the appropriation of \$50,000 for the use of the governor in enforcing the provision of the prohibition law as passed by this legislature in H. R. 792, was not a valid one and would not be allowed by me.

"On the contrary I have made statements and at all times taken the position that the appropriation was and is legal one for carrying out the provisions of the law and is available for the use of the governor as provided in the bill.

Urges Use of Old Straw

Nebraska straw stacks, usually burned to get them out of the way, might have saved a large portion of the winter wheat crop. A very few were saved by last summer's straw and many farmers will hereafter profit from the example of their more canny neighbors.

A. E. Anderson, field agent in Nebraska for the bureau of crop estimates, said recently that in every case he had observed where straw was spread thickly over the fields a fine stand of wheat resulted this spring. That it was the straw and nothing else which saved the crop is indicated by the fact that fields nearby, unstrawed, were perfectly bare.

"It is a crime to burn straw stacks," he said. "While the fertilizer value of straw isn't high, the organic matter which it leaves in the soil is of immense value. Last winter's experience would indicate that it may mean the difference between success and ruin, when used as protection for winter wheat."

Next to Longest in History.

The one just closed was next to the longest legislative session in Nebraska's history. When the gavel fell for the last time the 1917 session had exceeded all others within the last forty-five years by ten days, and will have been surpassed only by the 1871 session, when the lawmakers gathered January 5 and did not adjourn until June 7. This record was not even approached until 1913, when the legislature convened January 7 and went home April 16.

Postpone Rural Life Conference.

Owing to the present national emergency, it is announced that the annual rural life conference, set for June 5 to 15, will be postponed. "We felt that the Rural Life conference, desirable as it is, is secondary to war problems that require action," said Prof. C. W. Pugsley, director of the agricultural extension service, in explaining this decision. "We concluded that time and energy could, for the present, be spent to better advantage along other lines."

Governor Signs the Bills

H. R. 793 and H. R. 222 became laws Saturday afternoon through the signature thereto of Keith Neville, governor of Nebraska.

H. R. 793 is the prohibition bill.

H. R. 222 is the woman's suffrage bill.

The governor offered the pen with which he signed the suffrage bill to Mrs. W. E. Barkley, who had personal charge of it during its devious course through the legislature, but she suggested that he give it to Mrs. Neville.

State Auditor W. H. Smith has completed a statement showing that the expenses of the state government the past three months aggregated \$1,577,672. This is unusually large, but it includes \$109,689 for legislative expenses, \$349,009 semi-annual school apportionment, and \$122,000 for permanent improvements at state institutions. It includes a total of \$422,703 spent for the maintenance of state institutions and improvements at institutions. For food the state board spent \$94,400.

The following recapitulation of the auditor's statement shows the different purposes for which state funds were expended:

Salaries and wages.....	\$ 414,341.44
Other services and expenses.....	51,398.09
Books and printing.....	25,546.52
Telephone and telegraph.....	2,702.92
Transportation, telegraph and telephone (cities and institutions and board).....	4,170.61
Postage.....	11,320.67
Miscellaneous and traveling expenses.....	19,742.46
Office supplies.....	12,232.14
Furniture, repairs and equipment.....	46,073.25
Articles of food and clothing.....	109,987.77
Fuel, light and power.....	76,022.58
Machinery, tools and supplies.....	15,822.28
Permanent improvements, new buildings and land.....	122,057.74
Aid of school districts.....	1,538.00
School apportionment.....	349,009.41
Use in prosecutions.....	705.55
State institutions.....	2,219.23
Support of national guard, army, military and emergency.....	7,174.85
University departmental expenses.....	33,717.40
Physical plant improvements.....	9,843.08
Single miscellaneous items.....	2,644.37
Fire commission (no reports).....	3,281.85
Procuring abstracts of land.....	1,210.28
Miscellaneous.....	135,445.50
State institutions, libraries.....	1,080.93
Legislature and grounds.....	109,689.25
Relief of the blind, H. R. No. 50.....	240.97
Grand total.....	\$1,577,672.11

The auditor's report includes the following expenditures for fifteen state institutions under the state board of control:

Salaries and wages.....	\$ 99,219.47
Transportation, telegraph and telephone.....	4,170.61
Articles of food.....	94,100.46
Clothing.....	15,822.28
Postage.....	11,320.67
Stationery, books and paper.....	1,534.71
Fuel, light and power.....	76,022.58
Machinery, tools and supplies.....	15,822.28
General repairs.....	4,840.95
Furniture and equipment.....	74,017.18
New buildings and land.....	8,754.26
Permanent improvements to buildings and grounds.....	4,624.60
Relief of the blind.....	240.97
Grand total.....	\$422,703.33

Clears Title to Saline Lands

Title to 10,000 acres of saline lands around Lincoln was cleared and quieted by the passage in the Nebraska senate by H. R. 799, introduced by Governor Neville. This land is mostly held by small farmers, and the questionability of title only arose within the last few weeks. The land had been sold by the state in the 80's and the 90's. Land Commissioner Shumway raised the question of legality, holding to a technical interpretation of the law, which forbids the sale of saline lands except under certain conditions.

The legislature adopted without dissent a resolution petitioning President Wilson and congress to pass a law "that will prohibit the manufacture sale and transportation of malt, spirituous, vinous, alcoholic and intoxicating liquors in the United States during the period of the war."

The spreading of straw, from stacks that ordinarily are burned, over the fields during the winter resulted in saving many crops of wheat, and the department of agriculture urges the general adoption of the idea.

Kennard Claim Defeated Again

The senate defeated a claim for \$13,500 for T. P. Kennard, presented by T. S. Allen, United States district attorney for Nebraska. Once the senate stood tied on the subject, the vote standing 15 to 15 on Sandall's motion to reject. Then on Sawyer's motion to allow the claim it was defeated by a vote of 14 yeas to 17 nays. Sawyer of Lancaster championed the claim and Sandall of York opposed it and it was by the latter's strenuous efforts in reviewing the history of the claim

FAIRY TALE

A short story that will be of interest to all readers of the Northwestern, and especially the little folks. It appears in this section weekly. What's your opinion of it?

DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE

BY MARY GRAHAM BONNER

NAUGHTY WIND.

"The Clothes-Pins on the line," said Daddy, "were having a very jolly time.

"I'll blow those clothes away," said the Wind.

"Oh, no you won't," said the Clothes-Pins in chorus.

"You are only little wooden things," said the Wind. "I am strong and powerful and can do just exactly as I like."

"We'll see about that," said the Clothes-Pins.

"You can't see," roared the Wind. He blew around and laughed for all he was worth.

"The very idea," he said, "of Clothes-Pins talking about what they can see. They can't see a thing. They must have eyes if they want to see, and all the world knows they can't see."

"Now the Clothes-Pins heard what the Wind was saying—or at least they somehow understood.

"They held on to the clothes-line for all they were worth, and when the wind blew they held on all the tighter.

"The clothes-line entered the game and tried to keep all the clothes on the line from blowing too much. But it was hard work, for the wind was indeed strong.

"The Clothes-Pins were working though. They would not give the wind a chance, but held on to the line and kept the clothes from blowing away.

"Now the Fairies saw that the Clothes-Pins were doing their work so well that they thought they would like to help them.

"They came flying along, and how they laughed when they saw Mr. Wind getting angry. For Mr. North Wind is such a funny old soul when he is angry. He gets so blustering and howls with rage.

"The Fairies all perched on the line and began to sing:

"Heigh-ho, heigh-ho,
"Let the North Wind blow,
"The Clothes-Pins and we,
"Will certainly see,
"That the clothes will stay here,
"The day's nice and clear,
"The sun's good and strong,
"And the wind is quite wrong,
"To try such a trick,
"But the Clothes-Pins will stick.

"The Clothes-Pins did stick to the line and the Fairies helped them, singing all the time. The Wind kept on blowing and tried his hardest to get the better of the Fairies, but he had no luck at all. He was in a mischievous mood and was really quite naughty, so the Fairies punished him by not giving him his way.

"It was not so very long before the clothes were quite dry, for the sun



Fairies All Perched on the Line.

had worked hard, and the Clothes-Pins had certainly beaten the old North Wind.

"Well," laughed the Fairies, "we wouldn't let your prank succeed, would we?"

"No," growled the North Wind. "I could have had such fun blowing all these clothes this way and that. It's not nearly so much fun to blow papers as it is to blow clothes."

"It all depends on the way you feel," North Wind, said the Fairies.

"The Wind suddenly became very quiet, for he was tired out. People said that the wind had died down so suddenly, but the Fairies knew the reason why.

"After a little while, though, they said:

"Now, old North Wind, won't you blow for a good purpose? The clothes are all safe in the house and we'd like you to blow so we can have a midnight sail on the Woodland Pond. The ice has gone and we can bring out our fine sailboats."

"The North Wind thought about it a minute. He had been pretty angry with the Fairies for spoiling his game. But then he knew they were right, so after a little he said:

"Yes, I will give you a wind."

"Soon after that the wind began to blow up again, and the people said: 'The wind is up once more, and for a little while there was no wind at all.'

"He gave the Fairies a fine breeze for the midnight sailing party, and when they thanked him he said: 'I had to make up for being so naughty; it's my nature to blow and it's hard not to tear everything to pieces at times.'

Why Ruth Cried.

"Why, Ruth," said a mother to her little daughter, who was crying, "what are you crying about?" "Cause," sobbed the little miss, "I started to make dolly a bonnet and it came out bloomers."

For the Lady Readers

Miss Julia Bottomley, an expert on fashions, is the author of this department. She offers practical suggestions on every day dress that aid materially both country and city folks. Her fashions for women are essentially modest, tasteful, simple, economical and becoming to the wearer.

What Well Dressed

Women Will Wear

Just as we conclude that there is nothing new that can possibly happen to summer blouses, along comes an attractive surprise and we are forced to concede that another beautiful novelty has made its appearance. There are inexhaustible reservoirs of ideas, it seems, that designers know how to draw upon to provide us with that variety which is the spice of life and blouses.

Here is a new, midsummer model, made of fine cotton voile, embellished

granted. Millinery for her maids is almost the most important item that the bride has to consider, outside the details of her own costume.

The airy, flower-trimmed and softly feminine styles for midsummer show many developments that promise charming headresses for the bridesmaid. The choice is not confined to hats, but their charm is so powerful that chances are in their favor. Hair braid and tucan, crepe georgette and malines, net and flowers go to make



UTMOST REFINEMENT IN SUMMER BLOUSE.

with French tucks. It is cut after the usual manner of blouses, its seams are hemstitched, sleeves plain and roomy and, so far, all the details of its construction are all like tried old friends with whom we have long been familiar. But just at this point the creator of this blouse thought of adding an organdie collar and cuffs made of a fine organdie edging, and of shaping the collar in a new way. Furthermore, the dainty embroidered edge of the organdie is lifted into prominence by a narrow border of black organdie.

The collar is high at the back and rolls at the front, the wavy texture of the material making this pretty adjustment to the neck possible. The cuffs are simply lengths of the embroidered organdie, turned back and fastened at the top with a single pearl button. The means by which its maker arrived at such good ends in this blouse are the simplest. But the touch of sheer black in collar and cuffs is original and fine

up the loveliest of midsummer millinery. There never was a summer when bridesmaids could be more enchantingly dressed.

In the group of hats shown in the picture one, of hair braid, is a familiar, picturesque type that never fails to captivate everyone. It is of the latest amethyst braid, bound with satin and with ties of amethyst colored velvet ribbon and a wreath of pink roses against the under brim at the side and back. Would be pretty in any of the light colors.

A hat with broad crown and double flounce of plaited crepe is very new and an ideal for the bridesmaid's wear. It has two bands of narrow ribbon about the crown, tied in a bow at the front where a cluster of small flowers is posed. Imagine it in any color that you may choose for a wedding—it is sure to be pretty.

The lovely hat of sand-colored crepe with a fall of scalloped crepe about



ENCHANTING BRIDAL MILLINERY.

and the whole effect is one of utmost refinement.

Among other new models there are noted several with collars shaped and put on in the same way as that shown in the picture. Often they are flet lace and sheer embroidery combined and sometimes of two laces. They are usually smaller. The high roll at the back and the partially closed but cool looking throat opening is a piece of fine management.

Already June weddings are engaging the attention of those who must think out all the details of several bridal pageants, for there are changing fashions to be considered. Every bride cherishes the hope that her wedding procession may be impressive and beautiful and present one or two new elements of interest at least. And there are experts who recognize her

the brim is an unusual model. The crown is trimmed with clusters of velvet fusions on their stems.

Julia Bottomley

Street Suits Longer.

The best tailor-mades are a little longer than they used to be a few months ago, but the dancing gowns—the very few that are required—are rather shorter, if anything, which is not a step in the direction of grace.

Sleeves are increasing in length, descending often to the knuckle, consequently getting rather in the way of the wearer. Some of the prettiest thin sleeves of lace, chiffon and mousseline err rather on the side of being too short, that is, they come far beyond

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Busy Correspondents.

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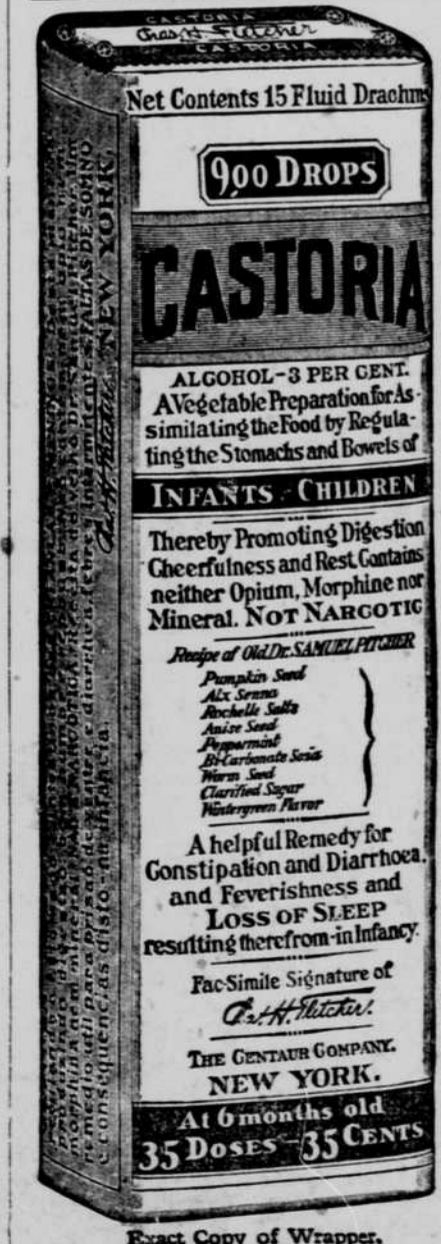
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