

Capitol News -

Most Problems Facing Lawmakers Old as Legislatures Themselves

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LINCOLN—Nebraska's 43 lawmakers, including 15 first timers, opened for business this week. One of the pleasant things greeting the solons is higher pay. Because of a constitutional amendment and a special session early in December, the legislators now get \$200 per month. Previous pay was \$175 per month. Now they will receive \$2,400 per year.

It is expected this change will turn out many more persons bidding for a seat in the Unicameral in the 1962 elections.

Most of the problems facing the lawmakers this week were as old as Legislatures themselves—spending and what to do about it, where to get the money to operate state government, how to better run state affairs and matters relating to resources and membership of the Legislature.

Another periodic problem—how to realign the state into Congressional districts because of population changes—was there, too.

Bills began coming into the hopper and will continue for 20 days after which only the governor or standing committees can offer them. Organization of the Legislature took up much of the first day's session which convened at mid-day Tuesday.

Thursday's calendar included inauguration and swearing in of elected officials.

Law College
A controversy over the University of Nebraska law college, that broke into the open in the 1959 session of the Legislature, is back in the news. Retiring Sen. Ray Simmons of Fremont renewed his charges that there is waste and inefficiency at the University, citing the work load for teachers at the law college, as being too low.

His father, Chief Justice Robert Simmons of the State Supreme Court said he concurred with his son's criticism of waste at the school but he did not specifically single out the law college.

University regents issued a statement saying the teaching hours spent in the classrooms by instructors at the law college are comparable to other institutions.

Public Power
The problems of public power agencies in Nebraska will be kicked around in this session of the Legislature. It was not too certain whether senators would like to see some state board or commission govern the agencies. Many feel the agencies should try to iron out their own problems before the state steps into the arena.

The problems of public power groups have been recurring in recent years and agencies have been meeting to try to straighten them out. More such gatherings are scheduled.

Some of the power problems include conflict among some of the agencies and an overlapping of areas of operation.

Obbink Renamed
Governor Frank Morrison has renamed Jack Obbink as state aeronautics director.

Obbink was fired by Republican Gov. Dwight Burney, now lieutenant governor, on grounds he failed to satisfactorily explain a trip to Kansas City in the state plane in which Robert Kennedy, brother of the Democratic President-elect, was a passenger.

Obbink claimed he was on legitimate state business but he could not reveal this to Burney without violating a confidence. Exact nature of the business was never released and there were many political repercussions from the ruckus.

Morrison said Burney had a right to have whomever he wished in his administration and he has the same right. He says he feels Obbink will be an asset to aviation in Nebraska.

Morrison will submit Obbink's name for confirmation to the Legislature. Although senators are elected on non-partisan tickets, the bulk of them are Republicans.

There is the possibility of

trouble over the confirmation although most insiders feel as if now this does not appear too probable.

Microphones
The words of state senators will be recorded for posterity this session—and the courts. Clerk Hugo Srb says a recording system, costing about \$1,200, has been installed in the legislative chamber. Secretaries will make written records of the debate.

The idea for the plan was developed last session on grounds a transcript of testimony in the chamber would be a guide for the legal profession in determining intent behind laws.

Some observers feel, however, that the language of laws passed should govern not what was said on the floor in debate.

The 1959 record instructed that debate be recorded and permanent records of debate be kept. Senators speak into microphones and these will carry their words to the recording equipment.

Fort Randall News

Janice Kirwan

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Kirwan and Freddie spent Christmas day at the Phil Kirwan home in Gregory. Other guests were Phyllis Kirwan, who flew in from California and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirwan and daughter from Aberdeen.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Kirwan and Joe and Dan Kirwan and Jim were coffee guests in the Harry Hausmann home in Bristow Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cassidy, Janet and Virginia and Mr. and Mrs. John Cassidy Jr., Stevie and Darrel were Christmas evening supper guests in the John Cassidy sr. home in Spencer.

Olga Bengston and Mauritz and Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Nyquist and daughter of Spencer were Christmas Eve dinner guests in the Walter Nyquist home.

Janet Cassidy, who attends Southern State Teachers College in Springfield, is spending a two-week vacation in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cassidy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hausmann and Jill of Bristow brought a birthday cake to the G. R. Kirwan home Wednesday evening and all helped Jill to celebrate her first birthday.

Mrs. Harry Mostrom and Elmer had as guests on Christmas Eve, Miss Clarinda Pearson, Fredolf Piss and David Lundstrum. They all enjoyed a turkey supper.

Tommy Novotny of Lake Andes was a visitor in the G. R. Kirwan home Saturday.

Louis Trusty, who now resides in Oregon, was visiting friends in the Fort Randall community one day this past week. Mr. Trusty is a former resident of Randall Valley.

Jerry and Joe Kirwan were Sunday visitors at the Tom Soukup home near Lake Andes.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hausmann and Jill of Bristow spent the Christmas Holiday at the G. R. Kirwan home. They spent Christmas evening visiting Mr. Hausmann's parents and relatives in Bonesteel.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Anderson and children were Christmas day dinner guests in the Bill Soukup home in Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Donlin and Terry Lee of Brookings are spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Donlin sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cassidy and daughters were Christmas day dinner guests in the Leo Jergensen home in Verdel.

The Picktown School presented their Christmas concert Monday night. Those from this community taking part in the concert were Susan and Tim Kirwan, Charles Nyquist and Janice and Phillip Kirwan and Virginia Cassidy. Many from this community attended.

Max Simonson and Norb Uhl of O'Neill were Monday dinner guests in the Tom Donlin home. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kirwan sr., Jim and Phillip were Christmas eve coffee guests at the Tom Kocer sr. home in Wagner.

Bill Jonas sr. of Rapid City, Bill Jonas jr. of Vermillion and Harlan Vedral of Gregory were Monday afternoon callers at the

G. R. Kirwan home. Janice Kirwan was a Thursday evening guest at the Willard Cudaback home in Picktown. Christmas day dinner guests at the Dan Kirwan sr. home were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kirwan jr. and girls of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kocer sr. and Mary Ann of Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kocer jr. and Mr.

and Mrs. Romain Kocer and family of rural Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Chet Salmen and family of rural Fairfax, Kathy Wittler of Butte and Dwain Umberger of Burke. Janice Kirwan was a Monday overnight guest at the Lauren Ketelsen home in Picktown. Tom Novotny of Lake Andes was a Monday evening supper

guest at the G. R. Kirwan home. Gene Kirwan was home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kirwan. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Theil of Miller were Monday supper guests at the Melvin Kirwan home. Olga Bengston and Mauritz Bengston were Saturday afternoon callers at the Melvin Kir-

wan home. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kirwan jr., Christy and Jeannie of Lincoln were Monday afternoon coffee guests at the G. R. Kirwan home. Mary Jane Kirwan was a Monday overnight guest at the Harry Hausmann home in Bristow. Jerome Roeder and Jim Kirwan were Tuesday dinner guests at the G. R. Kirwan home. Mr. and Mrs. Don Kretsinger of Picktown were Saturday evening visitors at the G. R. Kirwan home. I hope that you all had a very Merry Christmas and will wish you a Happy New Year.



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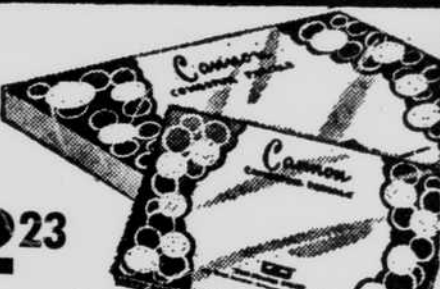
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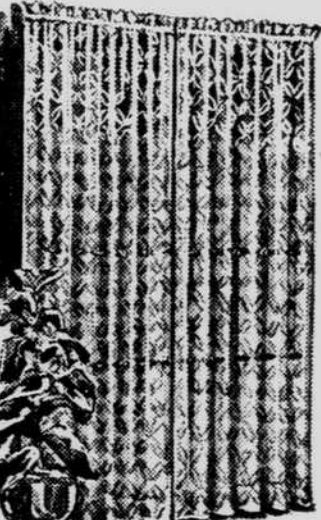
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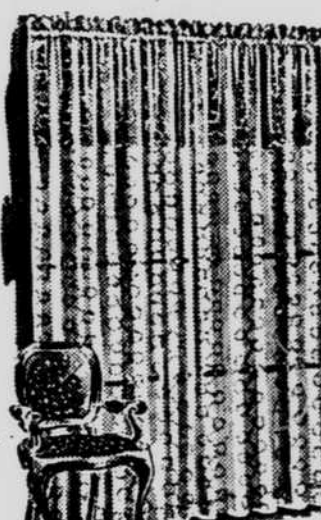
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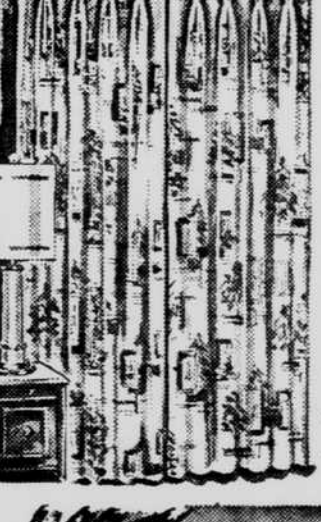
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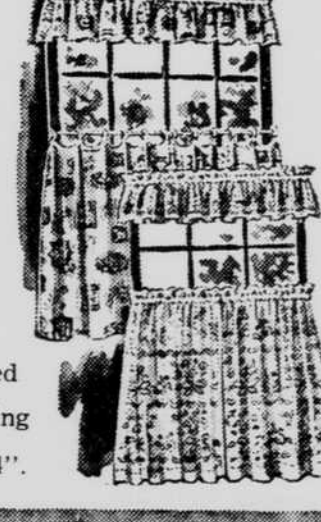
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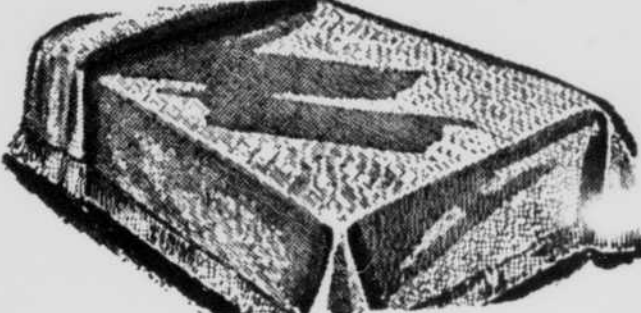
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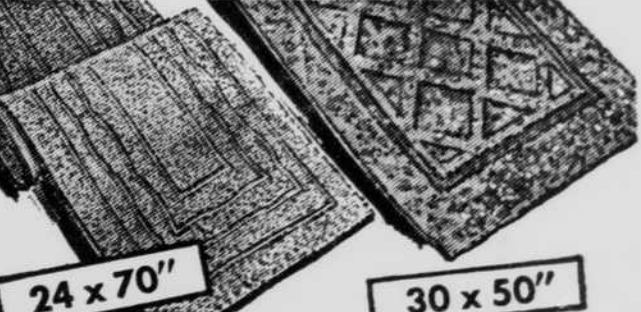
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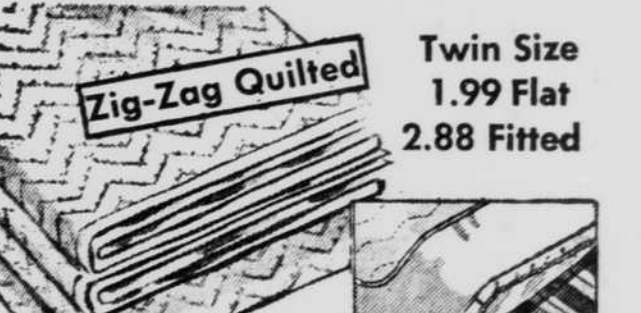
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