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JUDGES OUT OF POLITICS

SENATOR BURNS' BILL RECOMMENDED TO PASS.

AFFECTS DISTRICT AND COUNTY

These Two Classes of Judges Are Not to be Allowed to Run for Any Office Other Than for Re-election While Holding Their Positions.

Lincoln, Jan. 23.—Special to The News: The senate this morning recommended for passage Burns' bill to prohibit district and county judges from running for any other than judicial positions during their term of office. Senator Wiltse in the debate on the bill cited affairs in the Third district as the result of the present statute. Under the new bill judges may be candidates for re-election, but to run for any other offices they must resign the positions they hold.

MAKE GOVERNOR RESPONSIBLE

Senator Sackett of Gage Has a New Scheme.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: A bill which places the responsibility of enforcing all laws directly upon the governor has been introduced by Senator Sackett of Gage. The provisions of the bill make it the duty of the attorney general of the state, when directed by the governor, to oust from office any officer, including mayors, who wilfully neglects to enforce a law and it makes such neglect punishable by ouster from office. This makes it impossible for the governor to follow Governor Mickey's example when asked to enforce the laws, by saying that the local officers are responsible and that if they do not carry out the intent of the law the people must take the matter into the courts.

Much discussion has been held on the Epperson telephone bill, but no definite action on it has yet been taken by the senate railroad committee. The bill provides that all telephone companies shall be placed under the control of the state railway commission and shall be required to make any connections for the transmission of messages. The Bell telephone company is said to favor the measure more than the independents do.

At a meeting of the joint railroad commission held last night in the senate chamber a sub-committee of four was appointed to draft a bill for a two-cent passenger fare. Those appointed were Senator Wiltse of Cedar, Senator Hanna of Cherry, Representative Keller of Nuckolls and Representative March of Seward. A motion made by Senator Walsh of Douglas to name a sub-committee to draft a bill providing for a two and one-half cent passenger fare was lost. The salary of the members of the railway commission was fixed at \$3,000 each per annum.

NO DAILY HOUSE JOURNAL

Committee on Printing Is Sustained After Long Discussion at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Jan. 24.—The house spent the entire morning in discussing the report of the committee on printing in effect that the bids received for printing the daily journal were not satisfactory and recommending the daily journal be not printed. The report was finally adopted.

A bill to fix the number of trains and to regulate the running time on Nebraska lines of railroads was introduced by Hill of Chase county. The minimum number of trains any road may run is fixed at one each way per day. Raper of Pawnee county introduced a bill to abolish capital punishment, and Henry of Holt county introduced a resolution memorializing congress to give equal suffrage to the sexes.

CORN SPROUTED THERE.

Find in Child's Throat Explains Illness and Life Is Saved.

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 24.—A swollen and sprouted kernel of corn which had been in the windpipe of the ten-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. George Kessler, residing near Roseland, was removed and the child's life has been saved after it was given up as lost by his parents.

The moment the windpipe was opened by the physicians the kernel of corn, which had a number of tiny sprouts and which had swollen to such an extent as to almost entirely shut off the child's breathing, popped out.

Lynching at Vardaman's Home Town Jackson, Miss., Jan. 24.—Henry Ball, a negro, was lynched at Greenwood, the home of Governor Vardaman. He had attacked Mrs. Graves of that place. The coroner's jury decided the negro had met his death at the hands of unknown parties.

More Quakes at Kingston.

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 24.—Two earthquake shocks, the heaviest since the destructive ones of Jan. 14, were felt here at 2 p. m. Several buildings were thrown down and there was great alarm among the people. No one was injured.

TWICE MARRIED TO SAME MAN

At the Same Time the Bride Has Another Husband Living.

Ainsworth, Neb., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: On Tuesday at high twelve an unusual wedding took place at the Ainsworth house, the contracting parties being Mr. John Crone and Mrs. Margaret Crone, Justice A. J. Warrick officiating. Six months ago the court issued them a decree of divorce, at which time Mrs. Crone had another living husband, who is still alive. Mr. Crone says he thinks this wedding will stick all right.

A PRESENT WORTH WHILE.

Madison County Man Rewards His Son-in-Law.

O'Neill, Neb., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: Joseph Schindler received a present of a fine quarter section of land nine miles northwest of O'Neill given to him by his father-in-law, Peter Ettling of Madison county, who is here visiting at the home of Mr. Schindler.

SHELDON NAMES DEMOCRAT

MAGGI APPOINTED TO CHIEF CLERK.

SUCCEEDS EX-GOVERNOR'S SON

The Appointment of Attorney Maggi Comes as a Recognition of His Services in Stumping the State During the Campaign.

Lincoln, Jan. 23.—Special to The News: When Governor George L. Sheldon stated in his message that his election was due to the reform element in all parties, he evidently meant it. His first appointment is Attorney Edward Maggi of Lincoln as chief clerk. Maggi is a democrat and will succeed E. S. Mickey, son of ex-Governor Mickey, who has been appointed bank examiner. Maggi stumped the state for Sheldon during the recent campaign.

Public Installation.

Ainsworth, Neb., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: Tuesday night the W. R. C. held a public installation in the W. R. C. hall where the following named officers were installed: President, Mrs. Jennie Dather; senior vice president, Esther Barnes; junior vice president, Jennie Hetrick; chaplain, Fannie Goddard; conductor, Margaret Alder; assistant conductor, Laura Chapel; press correspondent, Mrs. Nannie R. Cotton; patriotic instructor, Mrs. Anna I. Toller; guard, Mrs. E. Frankie Lane; assistant guard, Mrs. Ellen Ackerman; color bearer No. 1, Mrs. Mattie Finnie; No. 2, Mrs. Lillie Fournier; No. 3, Mrs. Hattie Daniel; No. 4, Mrs. Hattie Potter; musician, Mrs. Edith Murphy. Mrs. Ellen Ackerman was installing officer. This corps has over fifty members and is one of the best drilled in the state. There was a grand time, as the hall was well filled, and after installation a lunch was served free to all. Among others, there were fifteen old soldiers present.

Adjourned District Court.

Ainsworth, Neb., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: District court convened here yesterday morning, Judge J. J. Harrington on the bench, with a small docket, and adjourned before noon until April 8.

Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors

Fairfax, S. D., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: The Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors held a joint installation of officers Tuesday night, Mr. C. W. Geyer and Mrs. J. L. Linn acting as installing officers. A large crowd of woodmen and neighbors were present and all enjoyed a fine time. A lunch was served by the Neighbors afterwards.

ASK \$40,000 FOR INSULTS

Two Salvation Army Women Sue Millionaire for Damages.

Des Moines, Jan. 24.—Captain Albert Head, a millionaire capitalist and former speaker of the Iowa legislature, was sued for \$40,000 damages by Mrs. M. E. Hilsley, adjutant, and Mrs. A. Norden, wife of Captain Norden, two Salvation Army women.

In the petition, the two women assert that when they went into the corridors of a hotel to solicit aid for their society Captain Head called them bad names and finally ejected them from the building.

In the petition the two women assert that last Friday evening they went into the Iowa hotel lobby to ask contributions from various guests. They say they had only begun to ask for assistance when Captain Head stepped forward and "viciously and in loud and boisterous tone of voice began to browbeat, scandalize and humiliate them, calling them thief, high way robber, fraud and cheat."

Not satisfied with that, they assert, he called to the guests sitting around the room and told them to give the two women nothing, repeating his accusations.

But, according to the petition, the captain's marks of disapproval did not end there. For the women further allege that he "wantonly assaulted them, bruised, beat, struck and foisted them about the corridors." Finally, it is alleged, he ejected them into the street.

ENGLAND GETS REPORT

BRITISH COLONIAL OFFICE HEARS FROM SWETTENHAM.

SENDS COPY OF LETTER TO DAVIS

Whether Advices From Governor of Jamaica Contain an Explanation or an Apology is Not Disclosed—Two More Shocks at Kingston.

London, Jan. 24.—The colonial office now has official advices from Sir Alexander Swettenham, governor of Jamaica, concerning the exchange of letters between himself and Rear Admiral Davis. The extent of the advices, however, and whether they contain an explanation, an apology, or extenuating circumstances, has not been disclosed.

It appears that the imperial authorities requested the governor of Jamaica to send them a copy of his letter to Rear Admiral Davis. This has been furnished, and it shows that the letter sent out by the Associated Press was to all intents and purposes a correct copy. Secretary of Colonies Lord Elgin sent a second cablegram to Governor Swettenham, asking him to give his version of the affair, and to this the foreign office informed the Associated Press no answer has yet been received.

The fact that Governor Swettenham wrote the letter to Rear Admiral Davis having been established, there remains only to determine the official formalities, and the indications are that the matter will be handled through the usual diplomatic channels and that the correspondence will be made public in a blue book.

PRESIDENT DISMISSES INCIDENT

Government Will Pay No Head Whatever to Swettenham.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The president has finally dismissed the incident connected with the refusal by Governor Swettenham of aid from Admiral Davis, as is shown in the following letter made public at the state department, addressed by Acting Secretary Bacon to Charge Howard of the British embassy:

"Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of yesterday, by which you communicate the substance of the instructions received by you from Sir Edward Grey in reference to the Jamaica incident. I hasten to assure you that on behalf of the president this government will pay no head whatever to the matter, and very much appreciates the frank and ready courtesy and consideration shown in this dispatch by Sir Edward Grey. I can only repeat to you in this more formal way, what I said to you personally last evening, assuring you of the president's appreciation of the cordial spirit shown by your government. It is gratifying to the president to feel that it has been possible for this country to show in any special way, however, that its friendship to a community of your people in a time of such suffering and need."

The latest report of conditions in Jamaica was the following cablegram from American Vice Consul Orrett: Estimated loss of life over 2,000. Fire loss \$5,000,000. Loss by earthquake impossible to estimate, as no buildings in city or surrounding district escaped."

FOREIGN ASSISTANCE NEEDED

Island's Archbishop Thanks President for American Aid.

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 24.—The Most Rev. Enos Nuttall, lord archbishop of the West Indies, having heard here that King Edward had cabled, deprecating the idea that the people of Jamaica should accept foreign assistance, said he trusted his majesty had not given utterance to this sentiment, and that if he had, he, the archbishop, did not approve of it. The archbishop said also that he believed a great mistake had been made when Governor Swettenham rejected the offers of American aid. The archbishop sent a cablegram to President Roosevelt, thanking him warmly for the assistance of the American navy.

DAY OF ORATORY IN HOUSE

Tariff, Pensions and San Francisco School Incident Discussed.

Washington, Jan. 24.—This was a day of oratory in the house, the pension appropriation bill affording an opportunity to a number of representatives to make speeches, not only in behalf of the bill itself, but on the tariff and on the San Francisco school incident. On the latter subject Hayes (Cal.) insisted that all California desired was to be permitted to continue American, and that the Chinese exclusion law should be made to apply to Japanese coolies.

Grosvenor (O.) occupied an hour and a half in a discussion of the tariff Crumpacker (Ind.) and Taylor (O.) spoke on pension legislation of a general character, both having bills before the pension committee tending to broaden the scope of existing pension laws.

The house committee on ways and means decided to report favorably a bill designed to enable small manufacturers to engage in making denatured alcohol.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO BUILD

Local Lodge at O'Neill Plan a Handsome Building.

O'Neill, Neb., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: A committee has been appointed by the local order of the Knights of Columbus to secure plans and specifications for a \$10,000 building the lodge has decided to erect during the coming summer. The building will be for lodge purposes, club rooms and a public hall.

"Cording" Baled Hay.

O'Neill, Neb., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: The hay traffic is becoming somewhat congested at this and neighboring points. Cars cannot be supplied fast enough to move the large quantities of hay put up in the Elk-horn, Dry Creek and South Park hay belts, so the hay men are "cording" immense piles of the baled product at the railroad yards awaiting cars to ship it out.

CAUGHT THE LUMBER MEN

ATTENDANTS AT CONVENTION SERVED WITH SUBPOENAS.

TO TESTIFY IN TRUST CASES

Lumber Men of the State Who Are in Lincoln for Their Annual Meeting are Nabbed and Given a Chance to Tell About Lumber Methods.

Lincoln, Jan. 23.—Special to The News: Lumber men who are attending the annual state convention of the Nebraska Lumbermen's association, were subpoenaed this morning as witnesses in the suit pending against the alleged lumber trust of the state.

TO REDUCE DENVER RATES

Commissioner Prouty Suggests Measure of Relief.

Denver, Jan. 24.—The hearing before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Charles A. Prouty on the complaints of the Merchants' Traffic association and George J. Kindel, manufacturer, alleging illegal discrimination against Denver by the trunk line railroads in freight tariffs, was concluded.

The most important development was the suggestion by Mr. Prouty that the local rates between Missouri river points and Denver and Denver and Utah points be reduced instead of establishing a new basic division point at Denver, as asked for by the petitioners. If this were done without a corresponding reduction in through rates, he thought it would give a measure of relief to Denver without great harm to other points.

PHONOGRAPH FOR CROATIAN

Immigrant Unable to Make Himself Understood Talks at Long Range.

Waterloo, Ia., Jan. 24.—The aid of the phonograph has been invoked to solve the mystery surrounding Peter Uzelac, an aged immigrant from Croatia, who has been unable to make any one understand his language since he arrived two months ago.

He was induced to talk into a phonograph and explain all about himself. The record has been mailed to the American consul at Vienna with a request to have the message translated into English and returned. Greeks, Italians, Russians, Germans, Prussians, Poles and persons speaking different dialects have attempted to converse with the stranger, but have failed to gather more than an occasional word or phrase.

Andrews on College Work.

Boston, Jan. 24.—E. Benjamin Andrews, chancellor of the University of Nebraska, received a hearty welcome at the annual banquet of the Sons of Brown of Boston and vicinity, held at the American house. Dr. Andrews spoke of the difference in the college work east and west. The west does not concentrate college teaching, he said, but it is more diversified, while the students are more enthusiastic. He referred to another type in the western college he called "the infidel prig," who, he said, had no religious belief and was proud of it.

Situation at Shawneetown.

Shawneetown, Ill., Jan. 24.—While the levee proper is still in good condition, several strong sipes materialized and only prompt work and the use of hundreds of sandbags prevented the river from undermining the levee. Twice the water spouted up from the ground in high columns at the base of the levee. The city has a large force of men at work, but with the gauge at forty-nine feet and the water rising steadily, grave fears are felt that should weak places develop at night that they will get beyond control.

Agricultural Bill Reported.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The agricultural appropriation bill, carrying \$8,125,750, was reported to the house by Chairman Wadsworth. This does not include meat inspection, for which \$3,000,000 is otherwise appropriated. Free seed distribution by congressmen is eliminated and the bill appropriates \$238,000 for rare and unusual seeds, to be distributed by the department of agriculture.

EX-SOLDIER STARTS RIOT

MEMBER OF DISCHARGED BATTALION BEGINS MURDER.

ONE DEAD AND MANY INJURED

Fifty Negroes are Arrested After a Bloody Scrimmage in a Gambling House in Oklahoma—One of Former Ft. Niobrara Troops.

Lawton, Okla., Jan. 24.—A negro riot, created by Lane Dixon, colored, reputed to be a discharged negro soldier from the Twenty-fifth Infantry, at Fort Reno, last night, resulted in the death of Nat Marshall, colored, the wounding of Dixon and several other negroes, and the arrest of fifty negroes.

Marshall, owner of the gambling resort in which the negroes had congregated, and Dixon, engaged in a quarrel over a crap game. Their fight drew others in, and a pitched battle resulted. The fight was so desperate that all officers of Lawton were called upon to put a stop to it, and make the arrests.

SHORTS TO QUIT OFFICE

Chairman of Panama Canal Commission Sends Resignation to President.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The resignation of Theodore P. Shonts as chairman of the isthmian canal commission was announced at the white house. It will take effect not later than March 4, Mr. Shonts having been elected as president of the Interborough-Metropolitan company, which controls the rapid transit and many surface lines in New York.

No announcement was made as to who will succeed Mr. Shonts as chairman of the commission, but it was learned authoritatively that headquarters will be removed from Washington to the isthmus and that a high salaried chairman to serve in that capacity alone will not be named. This being admitted, it follows that John P. Stevens, the engineer in charge of construction of the canal, would not be made subordinate to another official on the isthmus. It is regarded as a certainty that Mr. Stevens will be named as chairman of the commission in connection with his post as chief engineer.

Mr. Shonts' retirement does not come wholly as a surprise. It has been rumored persistently as soon as action had been taken on the proposition to build the canal by contract Mr. Shonts would resign a calling more congenial to his taste. Secretary Taft confirmed that rumor by saying that Mr. Shonts' resignation was voluntary, which fact is borne out by the president's letter in accepting it.

STOCKMEN TO ASK FOR LAWS

Congress Will Hear from National Association on Matters of Importance.

Denver, Jan. 24.—Questions of national importance occupied the attention of the American National Live Stock association. As the outcome of its deliberations new measures will be brought before the congress of the United States with an insistent demand for prompt action upon them. One of the most important results of the convention will be a movement to compel railroad companies to furnish suitable and sufficient facilities for transportation of live stock.

Gifford Pinchot, government forester, who brought from President Roosevelt a message to the convention announcing that "government control of the public ranges is one of the fixed policies of the administration," addressed the convention on the proposition of leasing the public domain for grazing purposes.

After a spirited debate a resolution was adopted supporting the policy of the federal administration in reference to the public lands.

Los Angeles was chosen as the meeting place next year.

Murdo MacKenzie of Trinidad was re-elected president and T. W. Tomlinson of Denver secretary.

EXPLAINS CAR SHORTAGE

Northern Pacific Has Reached Limit of Capacity as Single Track Road.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 24.—That the Northern Pacific railroad had reached the limit of its capacity as a single track railroad was the principal defense put forward as to the condition of freight congestion that exists on the sound by C. M. Levy, third vice president of the road, and B. E. Palmer, assistant general superintendent, at the investigation before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane. Mr. Levy said that the road had contracted for improvements, which are either under way or soon would be, and additional equipment, which would mean an expenditure by the Northern Pacific of \$73,000,000 in the next year and a half.

Dry Farming Congress at Denver.

Denver, Jan. 24.—When the trans-Missouri dry farming congress opens today in this city for a two days' session some of the most noted agricultural men and stock raisers in America will be in attendance. Elwood Mead, chief of the bureau of irrigation and drainage investigations; E. C. Chilcott, dry land agriculturist, and Mark A. Carleton, United States ce-realist, are expected to attend.

THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours. Forecast for Nebraska.

Conditions of the weather as recorded for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m. today: Maximum 31 Minimum 15 Average 23 Barometer 30.00 Chicago, Jan. 24.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows: Snow and decidedly colder with cold wave tonight. Friday generally fair, colder east portion.

New Section House.

Fairfax, S. D., Jan. 24.—Special to The News: The railroad company is putting up a large section house here. Up to this time the section foreman has lived in Bonesteel but by building the road on west of Bonesteel it was found necessary to put a section house here.

\$83,000,000 FOR RIVERS

RIVER AND HARBOR BILL A RECORD-BREAKER IN SIZE.

BIG WATERWAYS CARED FOR

Congress Asked to Appropriate an Enormous Sum for Improvements. Senate Votes in Favor of Increased Pay—Agricultural Bill Reported.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The river and harbor appropriation bill, which will be reported to the house today by the committee on rivers and harbors, will carry an appropriation aggregating \$83,455,138. Of this sum \$34,631,612 is appropriated in cash, to be available July 1, 1907, and July 1, 1908, and \$48,823,526 is authorized for continuing contracts, no time limit being fixed as to when it shall be expended.

The bill probably will not be considered by the house until next Monday. This bill is a record breaker in size, exceeding by many millions the amount allowed for river and harbor improvements in any congress.

In spite of the fight made by the Illinois delegation, seconded by some of the Missouri members, for an appropriation to continue work on a deep waterway between Chicago and St. Louis, the committee did not grant the request, and the appropriation of \$150,000 for a survey of a deep waterway between St. Louis and the gulf, which Chairman Burton insisted must precede any expenditures for a deep waterway in Illinois, is the only consolation offered to the Illinois delegation.

For general improvement of the Missouri river \$30,000 is appropriated.

SENATE ALSO FOR \$7,500 A YEAR

Vote in Favor of Increased Pay is 53 to 21.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The senate accepted the proposition of the house of representatives to increase the salaries of senators, members and territorial delegates to \$7,500 annually and those of the vice president, the speaker of the house and members of the president's cabinet to \$12,000. This action was taken by a vote of 53 to 21 and followed a discussion of nearly three hours. An amendment confining the increase to cabinet officers and the presiding officers of the senate and house was voted down, as was also a proposition to postpone the increase until 1913.

President Roosevelt gave his views in advocacy of a ship subsidy in a special message, which was read in both houses, urging the desirability of legislation to help American shipping and trade by encouraging the building and running of lines of large and swift steamers to South America and the Orient.

Senator Beveridge (Ind.) began an extended address, setting forth the child labor conditions of the country, in support of his pending bill prohibiting interstate commerce in articles which are the product of child labor.

President Roosevelt sent a special message to the senate recommending an appropriation to permit the United States to be represented in the International Maritime exposition, to be held at Bordeaux from May 1 to Oct. 31 of this year.

Battleship Connecticut on Reef.

San Juan, P. R., Jan. 24.—It is reported that the battleship Connecticut ran on a reef while entering the harbor at Culebra island, and that she sustained serious damage as a result. The naval authorities at San Juan, however, disclaim any knowledge of the accident.

Ruef to Be Tried First.

San Francisco, Jan. 24.—Assistant District Attorney Heney made it plain in court that it is the intention of the prosecution to place Abraham Ruef on trial first rather than comply with the request of the attorneys for Mayor Schmitz that he be placed on trial first.

Passes Anti-Lobby Bill.

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 24.—The house passed an anti-lobby bill, making it unlawful for persons interested in legislation to approach members except through the regularly organized committees.