

WOULD PASS UP RATE CHANGE

Conservation Congress Goes on Record on Question.

MANY ATTEND THE SESSION

W. G. Whitmore of Valley Elected President and S. C. Bassett Secretary of the Organization for Nebraska.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Nebraska's conservation congress put itself upon record last night by adopting a resolution declaring in favor of the legislature, passing up all railway legislation and declaring that if the western portion of the state was to continue to develop it would be necessary to go slow on legislation which would be detrimental to the railway.

The resolution reads as follows: Be believe that with the elimination of the railway pass, the 2-cent per mile passenger tariff, and the 15-cent per cent reduction in commodity tariff, together with the power delegated to the State Railway commission to adjust grievances that there is present no agitation among the citizens of our state calling for railway legislation. On the contrary if we are to retain the population of the western part of our state nothing of inducing new settlement there, we must have additional railway facilities which require capital. We therefore trust that no legislation will be enacted tending in the direction of further restriction of the railway.

The session was by all odds the best ever held by the congress in Nebraska and was well attended, especially in the evening, when the Auditorium was comfortably filled each night.

Work of Reclamation. One of the most pleasing lectures of the session was that of Raymond Wallace of the government reclamation service. He interspersed his lecture with stereopticon views in natural colors and his lecture was listened to with a great deal of attention. He said that as a result of the projects of the government in its efforts to reclaim the arid lands of Nebraska that over 200,000 acres had been put in cultivation by reason of the work.

Officers Elected. The following officers were elected: W. G. Whitmore, Valley, president; S. C. Bassett, Gibbon, secretary; Mrs. H. L. Keefe, Valhalla, Mrs. P. H. Heald, Osceola; C. H. Cornell, Valentine; S. P. Deaton, Lawrence; William E. Trembly, Lincoln; G. H. Galt, and E. Wilson, Chadron, vice presidents.

Railroad Resolutions. Several resolutions were adopted besides that relating to the railroads and are covered by the following:

We believe that the most urgent and important step to be taken at this time in the conservation and development of the resources of Nebraska to be a careful and complete survey of all such resources. Such survey should include agriculture in all its various branches, the marketing as well as production of crops, soil fertility, manufacturing, water resources, both for domestic and public use, system of education, social and political problems involved in country and city life, transportation, taxation, sanitation and health.

We favor the establishment of a state commission having in charge and supervision the surveys before indicated and the correlation of these with surveys now in progress. This commission to gather or caused to be gathered, assembled, statistics and other information in regard to the resources of the state, their development and conservation, and to publish the same for the benefit of the general public. This commission to be of a permanent and nonpartisan character.

Home roll No. 42, introduced by Representative Norton of Polk county, is in our judgment so framed as to meet the needs of this state for development and conservation. We give our endorsement to this measure and urge that it be made a law.

The proposed "blue sky" legislation which has for its purpose the preservation and conservation of the natural resources of the people of this state, is hereby endorsed and recommended.

Resolved, That the protection of migratory birds can be best effected by the federal government and that the conservation of the natural resources within the national forests is being so well administered by the federal government that it is transferred to the national forests to state control at present would be unwise.

The health department of the third Nebraska conservation congress and first annual conference of the Nebraska state and local health officers assembled in Lincoln, this city, on the 21st day of February, 1913, hereby expresses its appreciation of the presence of Dr. W. A. Evans of Chicago and Dr. Oscar Dowling and his capable staff of New Orleans, and its sense of the great services rendered by both, which contribute greatly to the effectiveness of the meeting.

The thanks of this congress are hereby extended to Governor Hall and the state of Louisiana for the services rendered the state of Nebraska in sending Dr. Dowling and the Louisiana health train at this time.

Expressions of thanks to all who aided the congress were also included in the resolutions adopted at last night's meeting.

FAILS TO FIX BLAME FOR MRS. ZIMMERMAN'S DEATH

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The coroner's jury which was inquiring concerning the case of Mrs. E. Zimmerman has returned its verdict and found that she came to her death on February 13 from taking a drug supposed to be Rochelle salts, purchased from a drug store in Sutherland. The jury did not place the blame on anyone. Mrs. Zimmerman was the wife of the Presbyterian minister and sent a child to a drug store for Rochelle salts, and upon the child's return took a spoonful of the drug, she died soon afterward. A part of the medicine which had not been taken was sent to the state chemist at Lincoln, who after examination found it was not Rochelle salts at all, but a deadly poison drug.

Fairbury Girl Badly Burned.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The little 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lahey, living eight miles northwest of Fairbury, was seriously burned while playing with matches. Her dress caught fire and she was soon a mass of flames. Her mother wrapped her in a large coat and managed to smother the fire. The little girl is in a precarious condition.

Kearney Church Calls Pastor.

KEARNEY, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—A call has been issued to Rev. C. J. Greenwood of Westfield, N. J., to fill the vacancy now existing in the First Baptist church in this city. The resignation of Rev. McClain, who went

ENGINEER LOST HIS NERVE

His Engine Almost Ran Down His Baby Boy.

PERILOUS LURE OF THE RAIL

Thrilling Incident Shook the Sand Out of Driver—Answers Call of Back to the Land.

The boys in the roundhouse thought it funny that Danmie McCaul should quit his job as passenger engineer on the Brookhaven division, by which he pulled down from \$150 to \$130 a month, and go to raising garden truck just outside of town. When they spoke to him about it Danmie would get out a notebook and pencil and figure on how much more he would be worth in the next ten years by raising pumpkins and ducks and chickens than he would at engineering. But this didn't fool anybody, because the boys knew that Danmie had been born a railroader and that his only real element was along the shining rails.

Only Bill Skaggs, who used to fire for Danmie, and Mary Jane, Danmie's little blue-eyed, flaxen-haired wife, knew the real reason why Danmie had abdicated from his kingdom on the right hand seat box and turned himself into a vassal of the soil. Here is the story as I gathered it and will try to tell without any frills: Danmie's dad, Big Tim McCaul, was boss of a bridge gang. They lived near the railroad track and Danmie grew up an engineer himself. He sometimes thinks it funny, however, that his dad quit such a kingly profession in order to hoe in the garden.—Kansas City Star.

The Start. Danmie made an honest effort to go through his books, but long before he was 21 the call of the rails came so strong that he couldn't stay away any longer and big Tim, seeing the uselessness of holding the boy back, let him start in.

The boy began at the bottom, packing water for a construction gang. His father, who had done the same thing before him, approved the method. He had no use for men who wanted to jump into business in the middle.

That Danmie would eventually become a glit-edged-engineer was as certain as the sparks fly up. He wasn't as big as his dad by about six inches, but he was strong and well built, had a keen blue eye that could outlook any spectacles ever invented, and was as active as a thoroughbred colt.

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DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Lavina Anderson. WEST POINT, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Mrs. Lavina Anderson, wife of John Anderson of West Point, died at the family home, of consumption, at the age of 21 years. She was the daughter of Mrs. L. Rinehart, a former resident of Cuming county. She leaves a husband and five small children. Interment was made under the auspices of the English Lutheran church, Rev. L. J. Powell, pastor, performing the funeral rites.

John Heilmann. WEST POINT, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The death is announced of John Heilmann, a well known pioneer settler of Monterey precinct, at the age of 73 years. Mr. Heilmann was a native of Westphalia, Germany, and leaves six children, among whom is Sister Angelo of Zanesville, O., a member of the Franciscan order. Mr. Heilmann had resided here for the last twenty-nine years and had accumulated a large estate. Funeral services were held at St. Boniface church, Monterey; Rev. M. Schoof, rector, celebrating the requiem mass.

Mrs. Appalonia Gergens. HUMBOLDT, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Mrs. Appalonia Gergens, aged 71 years, died at her home here last evening after a prolonged illness, having had two or three paralytic strokes during the last year or two. She was the mother of thirteen children, ten of whom survive her. Mrs. Gergens came from Germany with her parents when quite young and has been a resident of Humboldt for thirty-five years.

John Waterman. CHESTON, Ia., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Blind and practically helpless from paralysis for the last twenty years is John Waterman, aged 90, brother of the poet, Nison Waterman of Boston, died at Cottage hospital this afternoon. He had lived here thirty-five years and was formerly one of Creston's prosperous business men. His widow, one daughter, attending Northwestern university in Illinois, and one sister here survive.

Mrs. L. D. Grant. KEARNEY, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Mrs. L. D. Grant, 70 years of age, died at her home in this city after a lingering illness caused by a stroke of paralysis some time ago. Mr. and Mrs. Grant were two of the earliest settlers in this territory, coming here before the town of Kearney was laid out.

COMMANDANT WHO DIED HAD LONG WAR RECORD

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—No officer of the governor regarding arrangements for the funeral of Charles C. Ellis, the newly appointed commandant of the Grand Island soldiers' home who died yesterday after a very short illness.

Elm Creek Doctor Acquitted by Board

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The state board of health has acquitted Dr. C. A. Yoder of Elm Creek of the charge of performing a criminal operation on Jesse M. Wood from the result of which it was said, she died. The charge was made by another Elm Creek doctor, J. B. Cook, but Dr. Yoder denied all connection with the matter, but admitted that he had been asked to perform the operation, but had refused.

VICTIM OF BULLET REFUSES TO TESTIFY AGAINST WOMAN

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The verdict today in the case of Vivian Morton Lyons, formerly of Denver, who shot Robert J. Widney of Los Angeles in the abdomen on December 8, 1912.

"I am forced to take this action," explained Judge Weller, "because of the refusal of the man injured to prosecute." At the same time I caution the defendant not to keep firearms in her house, because it may chance again that she shot a man accidentally who would not be so kind to her as Widney."

Widney testified yesterday that he was wounded by the accidental discharge of a revolver which Mrs. Lyons had asked him to unload. He said there was no best of feeling between them and that

MELLOR REPORTS CHANGES IN TROTTERING RULES

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—At the meeting of the American Trotting association held in Chicago this week, to which Secretary Mellor was a delegate, representing the state fair and the various county fairs, there were several changes in the rules of the association, among which was the law governing the positions at the end of the race, one of these laws being a return to the old system, and another being each heat is advertising matter of the association, otherwise the point system obtains. Hopples were barred from three-year-

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Little Danmie was no more afraid of a railroad train than he was of Bill Skaggs. He knew that his dad was on that engine, and he felt satisfied in his little baby brain that no harm could come to him when his dad was near. So he toddled up toward the engine with a smile on his lips and his arms stretched out, of course the half-crazed father shut off the steam and applied the emergency quicker than I am telling it, and then overcame by the horror of the situation, his head dropped on the window as if he had fainted. Bill Skaggs, big, ugly old Bill, as soon as he saw the kid, ran along the rounding board beside the big boiler as lively as any monkey could have done, climbed out on the pilot, stood still for a moment until he caught the baby's eye, and then gave the regulation railroad signal for the train to move forward. Little Danmie saw it and obeyed orders. He cleared the track.

Skaggs was a little woolly and his leathery face looked odd as he climbed back into the cab. He saw what had happened to Danmie—that his nerve had left him—and so he motioned him to get on the other side of the engine and took the train into the division himself.

Before going home Dan went into the superintendent's office and resigned. He simply told the superintendent that it was a good year for farming and he wanted to get back to the land. Skaggs took his place as engineer and made good. Little Danmie still retains his interest in railroading and will doubtless in time be an engineer himself. He sometimes thinks it funny, however, that his dad quit such a kingly profession in order to hoe in the garden.—Kansas City Star.

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Key to the Situation—See Advertising.

Siberian Refugee Takes His Own Life

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Count Francis von Dettling, a Russian, died a suicide today in St. Anthony's hospital. Von Dettling had escaped from Siberia, where he had been exiled by Russia. His name had been found in papers opened by the police today. He shot himself two days ago in a public park. A photograph of the dead man found among his effects was inscribed, "To my son, Ladislav von Dettling, Graniteville, Mass."

Count von Dettling appeared to be not in want of money.

"I have found no honest person in the world," was an expression in one of four letters written in the Russian language, which von Dettling wrote shortly before he shot himself. He had been living alone in this city for several months.

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