

Nebraska RATE CAMPAIGN TAKES NEW FORM

Railway Commission Says Attempt is Being Made to Line Up Commercial Clubs for It.

ADVISES TO AWAIT INQUIRY

LINCOLN, Feb. 23.—The Nebraska Railway commission in a statement made public today declares an organized attempt is being made to enlist the commercial clubs of the state in a movement to work for increased railroad rates, and that this move is being encouraged by William Hirth, president of the Federated Commercial Clubs of Missouri, who is now in Nebraska on a speaking trip. Attention is called in the statement to the western advance rate hearing which is to open in Chicago March 4. The statement says:

"It has been brought to the attention of the commission that a campaign among the commercial clubs of the state is being conducted for the purpose of inducing these organizations to adopt resolutions favoring increased railroad rates. William Hirth, president of the Federated Commercial Clubs of Missouri, is soliciting speaking engagements before the clubs through Chief J. B. Haynes of Omaha. His address is on the subject, 'Trade Conditions, Present and Prospective,' and is said to be an able discussion of commercial conditions. During the course of it, however, he makes a strong plea for the railroads and urges the adoption of a resolution approving their efforts to secure increased rates."

"The Nebraska commission, with some twelve or fifteen other state commissions, is engaged in an investigation to determine whether the railroads are justified in raising their freight and passenger rates in this territory. The attitude of the commission is that if the investigation develops the need of more revenue by the carriers that they should have it without further protest, but it does not believe the rates should be advanced until that fact has been thoroughly established. For that reason it is the opinion that the commercial interests of the state should be slow in taking any action that might embarrass or interfere with such investigation, particularly when it is impossible at this time for the public to know enough of the facts to form a fair conclusion."

SEWARD COUNTY FIGHTS TO SAVE ITS BRIDGES

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Feb. 23.—Ice forces in the Blue river are threatening to rob Seward county of all its bridges, according to Albert Neujahr, a statehouse visitor Saturday. Mr. Neujahr says that conditions are worse there than they have been for years. The wings of the state road bridge near Seward were swept away by the ice and the bridge on the Lincoln road was saved only by the industrial use of dynamite.

STELLA AND NEBRASKA CITY TO MEET IN DEBATE FRIDAY

STELLA, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The Nebraska City High school debating team will debate with the Stella team here Friday evening in the opera house. The question for debate is "Resolved, That the Government Should Operate and Control the Railroads." The Stella debaters are Miesse Byrd Baldwin, Lydia Wolfe and Mildred McMullen, with Miss Golda Moore as alternate.

News Notes of Fairbury.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Preparations are being made for Fairbury's union evangelistic revival, which will commence here March 23 and last a month. The churches have raised approximately \$2,000 to erect a large tabernacle near the square. Work on the large wooden structure will begin just as soon as a suitable location is found. It is said the churches will endeavor to put Fairbury in the "dry" column at the municipal election April 13. Rev. Oscar Lowry, will have charge of the revival.

The executive committee and subcommittees have been appointed and all are now doing effective work. The officers of the executive committee are: Chairman, Frank A. Houston; treasurer, Al Moss; secretary, A. V. Pease. The chairmen have been selected for the subcommittees. The last big revival meeting held in Fairbury was in February, 1905, ten years ago.

News Notes of Stapleton.

STAPLETON, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—D. J. Davidson, pioneer pool hall proprietor of this city, sold out his interests to M. I. McDermott, who has assumed active charge. Carl Klump, 12-year-old son of Herman Klump, received a broken arm when he fell from a horse. Ora C. Lewis has assumed active charge of the Stapleton feed store formerly owned by Theodore H. Madsen. Harry Lamb, who has been employed at the Mansfield & Co. general store, has accepted a position in North Platte, where he and his family will move this week.

How Mr. Davis Got Out of a Bad Cold.

"Some time ago I had a very bad cough," writes Lewis T. Davis, Blackwater, Del. "My brother, McCabe Davis, gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. After taking this I bought half a dozen bottles of it, but only used one of them as the cough left me and I have not been troubling since." Obtainable everywhere.—Advertisement.

Columbus Notes.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The city of Columbus is asking for bids on 12,000 lineal feet of curb and gutters and 40,000 square yards of paving. A gang of Union Pacific men, headed by E. H. Stanly, is blasting the ice around the steel railroad bridge over the Loup river, west of this city. There is a large volume of water flowing under the ice, and in case the river breaks up suddenly the lower part of this city will be flooded.

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Nebraska NOTES FROM NORTH PLATTE AND FROM LINCOLN COUNTY

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Better methods for farmers were urged by O. E. Wood of Lincoln, who was in North Platte this week to speak before a meeting of the Nebraska Farmers' Educational and Co-operative union. A county union of local orders in this union is to be formed on May 27, at which time a meeting is to be held in North Platte. The purpose of this union is to urge better business methods on the farm and to acquaint farmers with conditions over the country.

The local order of American Yeomen held an initiation at the Odd Fellows hall last night. One hundred and fifty new members were taken into the order. Several cases of smallpox have been reported in North Platte. City Physician Lucas has been working to suppress the disease and believes that he now has it under control. The cases are of a mild form.

The annual banquet of western Nebraska Masons was held here Monday evening in the Masonic temple. After the banquet a dance was given. M. K. Neville of this city has been elected president of the Florida Tarpon club, a sportsmen's organization. In order to hold this honor the member must have caught the largest fish in a season. Mr. Neville, who is wintering in Florida, caught a tarpon weighing 110 pounds.

FAIRBURY CONSIDERING MATTER OF PAVEMENTS

FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—A mass meeting of Fairbury citizens was held in the Commercial club rooms last night to discuss the advisability of paving the streets of Fairbury. Cliff Crooks, president of the Commercial club, presided, and both city and county attorneys were present to advise the citizens on the law. A majority of the taxpayers and property holders were apparently against the idea owing to high taxes. It is the intention to pave the public square and one block adjacent to the square. Before adjourning the chair was authorized to appoint a committee to ascertain figures from contractors as to the cost of paving streets.

American Women in French Hospitals

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) NICE, Feb. 22.—The American Red Cross hospital here occupies a villa about 100 yards from the sea, with thirty-four beds, all endowed for the duration of the war. It is in charge of a French military surgeon, but the operators' room is in the care of an American doctor, and the nurses are all American women. American women have also organized a workshop where they spend the greater part of each day knitting warm clothing and patching worn garments for convalescent soldiers about to return to the front.

WILL SEEK TO RELIEVE DISTRESS OF MUSICIANS

PARIS, Feb. 23.—A committee is being formed in Paris by patrons of music, representing France, Great Britain, Russia, Belgium and the United States, with the object of creating and endowing an institution for the relief of distress among opera singers, choristers and musicians. Forty opera houses in France and Belgium have been indefinitely closed.

BETTING ON ELECTIONS IS ILLEGAL IN TEXAS

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 23.—A bill making betting on election illegal in Texas was signed by Governor James R. Ferguson today. Its penalties are fines of \$100 to \$1,000 and jail sentences.

A going business can be sold quickly through The Bee's "Business Chances."

DEATH RECORD.

YORK, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—William D. Purcell died at the family home in this city yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. Death was due to heart disease. The deceased was a veteran of the civil war and had lived more than forty years in the city and county. He was 72 years old.

Mrs. Laura George. LUSTON, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Mrs. Laura George died at the family home in this village Saturday morning. She was a resident of the county for more than forty years. Old age and pneumonia was the cause of her death.

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Mrs. Selena Turner, Athens, Ohio, writes: "I was nearly starved when I began to take Peruna. My stomach was so bad with catarrh that I could scarcely eat enough to keep me alive. In two weeks after I began to take the medicine my stomach felt all right. I have been well ever since. That was fifteen years ago. I only wish every one knew how useful Peruna is in the home. Whenever I am taking a cold a few doses will always break it up. Peruna is a good tonic to strengthen any one. Peruna is excellent for old people; also puny or weak children. "Yes, you can use my testimonial wherever you wish. I am trying to tell every woman I can, for I am so thankful that a neighbor told me when I was considered incurable. It cured me to stay cured. Today I am enjoying good health. I am sixty-six years old. I owe it all to Peruna. I cannot find words to express my thanks for your kind advice at various times."

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TAFT'S OIL LAND ACTION UPHELD

Supreme Court Decides Suit Involving Many Millions in Favor of the Government.

WITHDRAWALS ARE HELD LEGAL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—President Taft's withdrawal of oil lands in California and Wyoming in 1909 without empowering legislation was upheld today by the supreme court and entry claims of individuals and corporations valued at hundreds of millions of dollars annulled thereby.

Justice Lamar announced the court's decision from which Justice Day, McKenna and Vandevanter dissented. The case has nothing to do with the enforceability of the prevailing form of oil leases which is involved in another case. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 23.—The estimated number of acres involved directly or indirectly in the supreme court's opinion handed down today is 2,571,000 in California alone. Titles to California oil lands held by more than a hundred companies and individuals, who filed upon these lands between September 27, 1904, and July 2, 1909, are annulled by the decision. Rough estimates of the value of the work done upon the claims by the entrymen, who forfeit their titles, fix the figure at approximately \$40,000,000.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 23.—The decision rendered today by the United States supreme court upholding the withdrawal order by which former President Taft reserved valuable oil lands from entry in Wyoming and California, will affect a half dozen suits involving many millions of dollars' worth of oil land in Kern county, California, which are now on file in the United States district court here. Fifty thousand acres in all are affected by the decision, but it does not concern the series of suits instituted to oust the Southern Pacific railroad from lands entered upon by that corporation. The case decided today by the supreme court was that of the United States government against the Midwest Oil company and others in Idaho and Wyoming. As this case involved all the points and principles presented in the cases here it was made a test.

President Taft defined certain areas and withdrew them from entry in September, 1909. Congress passed an act authorizing such withdrawals in June, 1910, but between the first named date and the passage of the enabling act numerous corporations and individuals entered claims in the affected areas. The corporations affected by the decision in suits now pending here are the Consolidated Midway Oil company, the American Oil fields company, Midway Northern Oil company and various individuals.

Movements of Ocean Steamers. Port. Arrived. Sailed. SAN FRANCISCO. 2300. Maru. AGUERRA. 2300. Buenos Aires. COPENHAGEN. 2300. H. H. CORONET. 2300. Egon. CORONEL. 2300. Joseph. CORONEL. 2300. Otago.

Must Not Trifle With U. S. Flag, Says Charlemagne Tower

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—Getting forth American rights and duties as neutrals in the present European war, Charlemagne Tower, former American ambassador to Germany, in an address to the University of Pennsylvania alumni here, declared that up to the present moment the president of the United States has scrupulously guarded the interests of the people in fulfilling these obligations to all concerned and has admirably maintained the dignity of the nation. "America," he continued, "is powerful enough to maintain its independent attitude; it is too great to be partisan. "We have our rights as neutrals which are recognized by international law. We have especially the right to carry on unimpeded our commerce and trade, and to deal freely with either belligerent, subject, of course, to the rules as to contraband of war. As we deal fairly with each of the nations in respect to our neutrality in the conflict, so we expect that they will show us the same fairness in regard to our commerce and trade. "But above all else there is one thing that we must demand. They must not hoist the American flag alone. It must not be hoisted falsely on any foreign ship. It must not be trifled with by any one."

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Six Killed as Posse Fights with Piutes

DURANGO, Colo., Feb. 23.—Five Indians and one white man have been killed, one white man wounded and six Indians taken prisoners in the battle between a band of Piute Indians and a posse seeking the arrest of Tee-Ne-Gat, leader of the Indians. This information was received here late tonight by telephone from Bluff, Utah. It was said that fighting had been resumed within half a mile of the town, and that the wickiups, or huts, of Tee-Ne-Gat and his father, Old Polk, have been burned by the posse. Mancos Jim, a Ute chief, tried to persuade the Piutes to surrender "to save the squaws and children," but was met with refusal.

ROCKEFELLER GIVES \$11.82 A MINUTE

Over Six Million Dollars Contributed or Pledged by Foundation in Less Than Year.

COUNT CHARITIES OF JOHN D.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Just \$6,357,608.64 was contributed or pledged by the Rockefeller foundation between its establishment in March, 1914, and February 1, 1915, according to a statement filed with the United States Commission on Industrial Relations today. Of this sum, \$3,213,750, or practically one-half, represents the personal charities of John D. Rockefeller, sr., the author of the foundation having reserved in his letter of gift the right to disburse \$2,000,000 a year from the corporation's income, according to the dictates of his own will.

Over Five Dollars a Minute. Mr. Rockefeller's gifts during this time were \$38 a minute, and the foundation's \$3.8 a minute. The war in Europe brought contributions of \$1,055,813.06 from the coffers of the foundation, the principal item being \$75,507.50, expended for food supplies for starving Belgians. Colleges, Young Men's Christian association projects, medical research and investigation, the Red Cross, organized charities and welfare work of various kinds were other beneficiaries. The statement was drawn up in response to a request made by the Industrial Relations commission at its recent investigation in New York of the Rockefeller, Carnegie and other foundations. The document was made public by the Rockefeller foundation officers at 61 Broadway.

In Three Classes. The statement divided the contributions into three classes, the first comprising "activities conducted under its own immediate supervision," the second "other gifts and pledges," and the third, "founder's requestions," under which heading are listed the personal disbursements of the founder, ranging from \$50 to the

Working Women's Protective union up to \$2,500,000 for buildings, equipment and endowment to the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research. The foundation's own activities included these items: War relief, \$1,000,000; the other \$3,000,000 of this item having been expended by the American Red Cross or Dr. Alexis Carrel, in his capacity of volunteer surgeon in France; hook worm work in Central America, British Guiana, British West Indies and Egypt, \$142,487.75; investigation of industrial relations, \$3,292.13; investigating medical work in China, \$29,270.82; and the purchase of the Grand Chenier, Louisiana refugee, \$235,374.77.

The Largest Item.

The largest single item in the second section of the statement was \$750,000 pledged to Wellesley college on condition that the institution raise the balance of a fund of \$2,000,000 for buildings and endowment. Next in rank was a gift of \$100,000 to the annual foreign missions of North America for use in carrying out a plan to co-ordinate the work of "the principal American mission boards." The widows' pension movement of the New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor was pledged \$20,000 a year for ten years; the American academy at Rome half that amount, and the American Red Cross \$100,000 toward the District of Columbia memorial to the work of the women in the civil war. The Bureau of Municipal Research of New York City was twice presented with funds, receiving \$20,000 in May toward its current expenses, and \$10,000 in October to provide "studies preparatory to the state constitutional convention in 1914."

FALL SAYS VILLA COULD TAKE U. S. IN TWO WEEKS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Intervention by the United States, Argentina, Brazil and Chile to police Mexico and establish order was urged in the senate today by Senator Fall of New Mexico. The senator concluded with an attack upon General Villa. He asserted that Villa on entering Mexico City seized and forcibly held for four days a French woman whose husband had joined his colors in France after placing his property in charge of the French ambassador. Senator Fall said Villa could take the United States in two weeks.

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OUTSTANDING INSURANCE, DEC. 31, 1914.....	\$1,494,234,342
NEW INSURANCE PAID FOR IN 1914.....	\$ 136,867,367
ADMITTED ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1914.....	\$ 536,376,840
GENERAL INSURANCE RESERVE.....	\$441,198,837
OTHER LIABILITIES.....	9,866,637 \$ 451,065,474
SURPLUS RESERVES:	
For Distribution to Policyholders in 1915.....	\$12,287,757
Held awaiting apportionment upon deferred dividend policies.....	62,148,865
For Contingencies.....	10,874,744 \$ 85,311,366
GROSS INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS.....	\$ 23,734,855
PREMIUM INCOME.....	\$ 54,579,766
PAYMENTS TO POLICYHOLDERS IN 1914.....	\$ 56,700,461
DEATH CLAIMS PAID IN 1914.....	\$ 19,919,461

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