U. P. LAND BILL IS KILLED

House Postpones Representative Osterman's Measure by Vote of Two to One.

LANIGAN LEADS OPPOSITION

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16.-(Special.)-Rep rementative Lanigan took the floor tday several times in opposition to the Osterman bill known as S. S. 412 intended to deny the Union Pacific the right of condemnation unless it should gain possession of all land it now holds in excess of 200 feet of right-of-way, the bill being killed by practically a two to one The bill met its Waterloo at the viose of a debate lasting an hour and a half. The roll call on its indefinite postponement resulted 38 to 31,

Lanigan quoted court decisions of No braska and United States holding that the Union Pacific was entitled to a 400foot right-of-way and that it cannot deed any of this land away. Mr. Lanigan asserted that many of the farmers along the Union Pacific who have received quit claim deeds for everything except 200 feet are not now being disturbed in their possession, but that if the bill should pass the Union Pacific in defense of its interests would be compelled to take back from these farmers the land included in the full 400-foot strip.

Taking Land from Road. It was shown by the member from Greeley that if the bill would have the effect intended by its introducer it would be depriving the Union Pacific without compensation of twenty-four acres to every alternate mile of track or a total of 4,160 acres in the state.

Mr. Taylor, who assisted Osterman is the defense of the bill contended that the Union Pacific would not be compelled to give up anything, but would simply be deprived the right of condemnation if it should continue to hold the land. Mr. Palmer replying to this argument, called the plan a subterfuge and said that even the railroad is entitled to fair treatment. He considered that this would be taking its property without due process of law and therefore contrary to the constitu-

Mr. Scudder of Hall county said the bill would do either one of two things, namely, force the Union Pacific to surrender everything over 300 feet wide or force it to buy an additional, 200 feet in alternate sections in order to hold what it now has.

Position of Farmers. Mr. Osterman claimed that the railsatisfy them and that they are refusing to use leases. He told the house that fifty-three ejectment suits brought by the Union Pacific are now pending in Merrick county. Mr. Regan said twenty-nine such suits have been filed in Platte county. A roll call was demanded on the but which resulted as follows:

For indefinite postponement: Barker, Mears. Packing Saan, Soudder, Smith, Kauffman, a Bounty. anigan, arson, indsay, undgren,

Three Douglas Bills

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16.—(Special.)—Three bills of especial interest to Omaha were considered in the bouse this afternoon. House roll #02, the gruesedow firemen's double shift bill was recommended for passage. This bill gives the firemen a shift so that the day force works eleven hours and th shight force thirteen hours. dents of the senate that the author of They change off each month, thus equal- amendments to be considered by a conferining the service. Another bill, by Druesedow which

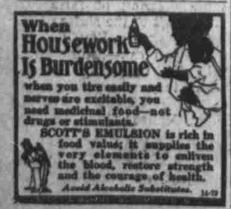
passed, covers the proposition of employment agencies, something which Mr. Druesedow was considerably interested in. Poster of Lancaster was his associate in the bill's presentation.

The Hedford bill, senate file 18, which provides for a 2-mill levy, puts Douglas | teacounty on a cash basts as far as the purchase, of supplies is concerned. This bill went through easily.

COMMONWEALTH PAYMENT TO JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16.-(Special.)-The senate resolution that proposes to give the Commonwealth Power company leave to sue the state to recover the \$3,4% fee paid by it for water rights that it never received, came up for discussion in the

After a long debate, the resolution, original inally proposed by the claims and de-ficiencies committee, was setered to the judiciary committee. A similar claim was killed by the committee earlier in



MRS. MABEL RUGGLES has failed to win a divorce from Lieutenant Francis A. Ruggles, United States army, on cruelty charges in a trial replete with sensational features. Lieutenant Ruggles came from the Philippines to defend himself. Mrs. Ruggles lives in Washington with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Perkins.



MRS_FRANCES ARRUGGLES

SENATORS TO PROBE DODGE-M'KELVIE MI

(Continued from Page One.) of Harlan offered a resolution asking for an investigation.

Inasmuch as the conference committee road company's offer to lease the land at in question, appointed by Mr. McKelvie, 31 per year to adjacent farmers does not was discovered to have had as its mem bership in the senate end, Offis of Vailey Bushee of Kimball and Saunders of Douglas, the latter two being both close treated rather lightly at the time. Some auggested that Rodge had merely let course of a rather heated debate, since Saunders has been a side-partner of Dodge for many years

Dodge Repeats Charge. But Dodge rose immediately to repeat his previous statement, and to say that he welcomed the investigation. He referred to certain evidence that would en able him to prove his charge, "provided it would be used without breach of

The motion named the members of the proposed committee as Hoagland of Lancaster, Wilson of Dodge and Mattes of Otoe, Dodge resented this, saying that wanted an investigation that be pe said, had risen to the defense of the lieutepant governor and on the face of things would not constitute an impartial

Resents "Corruption" Charge. The Lancaster county member admit ted that he had defended Mr. McKelvie and that it was his personal wish that he be excused from the committee, although he thought that he could sit upon it and still be absolutely fair. Hongland said that he thought no member of the upper house should be charged indis-

criminately with "corruption." Dodge quickly denied having charged the former lieutenant governor with "corruption." saying that he had never used the word. The charge that the committoe had been fixed in fayor of the gas interests would not necessarily carry with it the implication that the word "corruption" carries. William Herdman of Omaha, who had appeared on behalf of the gas company, together with his Come Up in the House brother, Lee, had Mr. Dodge's utmost respect. Much less, he said, would he brother, Lee, had Mr. Dodge's utmost charge the former lieutenant governor

> Bodge Felt "Sore," Dodge said that he always had felt 'grievously sore" over the conference mittee and also the fact that he, the author of the amendments that were defeated, should have been left off the committee. He appealed to the preceence committee had always had a place on the committee.

> An appointment to the Grace resolution, putting the appointment of the committee with the lieutenant governo finally carried. Mr. Pearson said that he would consult both McKelvie and Dodge in order to be assured of a fair of

Culivan Appeals To Supreme Court

HASTINGS, Neb., March 16 - (Special.) John T. Culivan today filed a motion or a rehearing of the O'Connor will contest. If the motion shoud be denied he will appeal to the suprame court. A compflation made today for the attorney general shows that 136 aleged heirs of John O'Connor have filed claims

NEWSPAPER MEN CHOSEN TO ATTEND PRESS CONGRESS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16 (Special Telegram.)—While Nebraska could not afford to have a public building at the Panama-Pacific exposition, it will have a delegation at the National Press congress which mests in San Francisco, July

Governor Morehead this afternoon in response to a request to appoint five detegates named the following newspaper men: E. N. Marvin, Beatrice Sun; L. Tobin, Lincoln Star; H. T. Dobbins. Lincein News-Journal; E. B. Gaddie Lincoln representative, World-Herald: P. A: Barrows, Lincoln representative,

Omaha Bec. They will be permitted to pay their own

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SENATE NAMES ITS SIFTERS

Kohl of Wayne Chairman of Body that Will Lift Bills in Upper

NEARING END OF THE SESSION

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, March 16.—(Special.)—The
beginning of the end of the thirty-fourth
semsion of the Nebraska legislature hove

1. A. A. Druesedow—Double shift for
Omaha firemen.

1. H. R. 418, Lancaster County Delegation—
Provides for payment of improvements
taxes for paying West O street road.

1. H. R. 726, Naylor—Provides for building
of stone or concrete culveris on public roads.

motion put by Howell of Douglas, arter the democrats had caucused the previous evening.

The minority party is given its usual representation of two, Ruden and Spencer being the republican members. Minority representation on this committee is never

more than two. But ten legislative days remain for which the senators may draw pay. The senate has but eight more legislative days. As usual, the legislature will not be able to finish within that time, but the extra days that the members will serve will not be as numerous as on previous occasions.

Electric Light Bill Reported Without Recommendation

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., March 16-(Specia felegram.)-The Omaha water district electric light plant bill was reported out by the house committee on telephones and telegraphs this morning without recommendation by a vote of 5 to 4. Members voting in the affirmative were: Druesedow, Stebbins, Bates, Crinklaw and Neff. Members voting in the negative: Trumbel, Sorenson, La Bounty and Koch.

Crete Invades State Office for Oficial

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16 .- (Special.)-G. A. regor, an inspector employed in State uperintendent Thomas' office, has been offerd the superintendency of the Crete city schools. It is not known yet whether he will accept

The position offered Mr. Gregory is not political friends of Dodge, the matter was as renumerative as his present place, but it has the advantage that the work is all at home, whereas Mr. Gregory's work his tongue run away with him in the now as inspector of the Normal training courses in high schools keeps him much

Compulsory Voting Bill Up in House

From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16 .- (Special.)-The house committee of the whole considered H. R. 634, the compulsory voting bill, by Anderson of Boyd. It imposes a poli pretax of \$6 upon each voter, but provides that \$3 of this shall be remitted when his vote is cast in the primaries and the other thought absolutely unbiased. Hossland, \$5 when he votes at the general election.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.-If a plan. which has been approved by the city's Board of Supervisors, is carried into effect a monument will be erected in Golden Gate park to the memory of Lincoln Beachey, the aviator who was killed here Sunday.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. City and Panama-Pacific exposition officials conferred today regarding a proposal to suspend all activities at the fair grounds and to ask that busi ness downtown be held up for five minutes while the funeral ceremonies are in progress.

Telegrams of condolence continued to day to be received by Mrs. Amy Beachey, aged mother of the aviator. They came from the secretary of the navy and other prominent persons in various parts of the country. Beachey is said to have left a fortune

of more than \$100,000.

LEMARS DOCTOR SHOOTS HIS WIFE THREE TIMES

LEMARS, la., March 16.-(Special Telegram.)-Dr. J. L. Reeves, a well known physician of this city, shot his wife at noon today, inflicting three wounds, one bullet striking her in the neck, another in the chin and one in the abdomen. Domestic troubles is the cause ascribed. They were only married about a year, she being his second wife. The woman is in a serious condition.

Read The Bee's "Business Chances" and get into your own business.

Legislative Proceedings

Sifting File in the House Reported Out March 16. 405, Druesedow-Double shift for

in sight today with the appointment of a sifting committee in the senate. The house appointed its sifting committee last week.

The personnel of this powerful committee is as follows: Kohl of Wayne, chalrman; Maites of Otoe, Grace of Harlan, Buhrman of Howard, Bedford of Douglas, Ruden of Knox and Spencer of Gage. The committee was named in a Gage. The committee was named in a Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons under present law. sons under present law.

S. P. 65, Saunders Provides for methods in which charitable societies incorporated under the law may extend period

ods in which charitable societies incorporated under the law may extend period of incorporation.

H. R. 382, Elimeland and Meredith—Provides for taking of public property for extension of cemeteries.

H. R. 387, Hunter—Anti-bucker shop bill, H. R. 687, Peterson—Authorizes county commissioners and supervisors to kay out and construct paved or gravel roads.

H. R. 381, Reisner—Permits religious societies to sell or encumber property without order of court.

H. R. 381, Jeary—Original petitions with attached court judgment exempt from lists of grounds for attachment in civil actions for recovery of money.

R. R. 535, Hunter—Enjoins persons or firms from aiding or abetting the operation of bucket shops.

H. R. 695, Matteson—Provides that shoriff act as probation officer in counties of less than 20,000 when commissioners do not have such officer.

H. R. 341, Crinklaw and Liggett—Abolishes junior normal schools.

Bills Reported Out by the Senate

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Sifting Committee. S. F. 267, Kiechel-Poor man's court bill. S. F. 239, Mallery-Penalizes false freight billing.

S. F. 207, Howell-Regulates employment 8. F. 22, Howell—Amends employers' hility law.
F. 238, Mallery—Penalizes trespass—
on railroad right-of-way.
F. 127, Grace—Defines lightning, fire d tornado insurance companies.
F. 364, Wilson of Frontier—Provides—
publication service on certain classes for publication service on certain classes of insurance companies.

H. R. M. Reuter-Permits any person to practice in probate court.

H. R. 20, Dalbey and others-Motor registration law.

Bills Passed by the House. H. R. 737. Naylor-Provides for cancel-ation of tax sale certificates after five

H. R. 727. Naylor—Provides for cancellation of tax sale certificates after five years.

S. F. 48. Bygland—Fixes limit of 15 mills for second class cities and villages in levying municipal taxes.

S. F. 49. Bygland—Allows guardians, upon proper showing, to remortgage estates held by them in trust.

S. F. 67. Bushee—Authorizes irrigation districts to purchase water and levy a tax to pay for it.

S. F. 18. Bedford—Authorizes a levy of 2 mills in Douglas county for aiding the poor.

S. F. 61, Brookley-Forbids sale of habit-S. F. C. Brookley—Forbids sale of habit-forming drugs except on physician's pre-scription and requires dealers to keep a record of their sales. S. F. C. Bushee—Prevides that irriga-tion season shall close October 1, instead of November 15. S. F. C. Bushee—Reduces percentage of collection fee on irrigation district

of collection fee on irrigation district bonds.

H. R. 756, the governor—Providing for nomination and election of Lincoln school board members.

H. R. 198, Negley—Providing a constitutional amendment in which a majority vote shal be sufficient to adopt amendments to the constitution. Passed by the house, 72 to 11.

H. R. 282, Anderson of Boyd—Allowing money appropriated for farmers' institutes to be partly available in paying premiums.

Bills Passed by the Senate.

S. F. 18t. Dodge of Douglas-Amenda dectors' anti-fee splitting law so as to aprily only to doctor splitting the fee.

H. R. 150, Dalbey-Makes the stealing A motion to indefinitely postpone this bill was defeated by only two votes and it is doubtful if the measure will pass on third reading.

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H. R. 59, Dalbey—Makes the stealing of an auto or a motorcycle a misdemeanor nunishable by a fige of not to exceed 100 or imprisonment of not to exceed three months in county jail.

8. F. 21, Lahndur of Thayer—Author-tzes incorrorated villages to levy a tax not to exceed 1 mill for public amusements upon unanimous vote of council.

Bills Postponed by House.

Anderson-Regan Bill-Providing for a live stock inspector at South Omaha to draw a salary of \$2,500. Failed, it to 69. Bills Postponed by House Stand-

ing Committees. Ing Committees.

H. R. 485, Barrett—Telephone maximum rate bill for South Omeha.

H. R. 477, Broome—Increasing limit of amount of money which political candidates may spend in their campaigns.

H. R. 485, Richmone—Increasing salary of Douglas county deputy shoriff.

H. R. 489, Palmer—Increasing salary of Douglas county deputy treasurer.

H. R. 332, Reifenrath—Taking out of county boards' hands the power to fix allowance for clerk hire.

H. R. 704, Palmer—Fee bill for district courte lerks. to lerks. R. 684, Reigner and Jeary Adding years to present terms of district

BRITISH SHIP CAPTAIN TELLS OF MEX TREATMENT

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 16 .- The United States cruiser Des Moines accompanied the British steamer Wyvisbrook from Campeche to Progreso, Mexico, after the Wyvisbrook had been detained by Mexicans, according to Captain Sidney Muir of the Wyvisbrook, which arrived today. He said the Mexicans took \$212,000 in Mexican currency from his ship and did not return it,

Captain Muir said upon his arrival at Progreso, February 15. armed Mexican officers boarded his ship and forced him to sail to Campeche. At Campeche he was held under surveillance for twelve days, after which the officers permitted him to depart unmolested. Meanwhile, he said, they had taken the money from the

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WILSON DISLIKES ORDER IN COUNCIL

British Ban on Neutral Trade Will Provoke Strong Protest from United States.

WILL AFFECT COTTON MOST

BULLETIN. WASHINGTON, March 16-Cheviliar Van Rappard, Netherlands minister, informally opened negotiations at the State department today to determine what action may be taken by the United States and the Netherlands to obtain an ameloriation of the restrictions laid down in the British order in council.

WASHINGTON, March 16-President Wilson indicated today that the unofficial outline of the British order in council shutting off trading with Germany was very displeasing to the United States government. He declined, however, to enter into a discussion of the order with call- the United States contends, should be on ers because he had not had opportunity to go over the official text. Discussion among other officials, however, was taken to indi-

cate that the government would would be enforced against Austria and make to Great Britain and its allies Turkey, because Germany's allies were a protest more vigorous than any of the most hitherto sent.

In some official quarters it was thought has in turn notified shippers that carthis protest might take the form of insistence on a compliance with international law. Officials at the State departs ment who have studied the British order ay it raises new and embarrassing complications for neutral commerce to which never before has been subjected in tion considerably. maritime war. Diplomatists declared that the next note from the United States would require some positive terms.

Hits Neutral Trade Hard.

Interference with trade between this country and neutrals, suggested in the order is giving officials here most conern, for as they read the British order, commerce to those countries which have not placed export embargoes on contraband articles practically will be held up. The United States contends there is no warrant for such interruption unless legal proof exists at the time of the dentention proving beyond doubt that the goods are destined to a belligerent. Cotton shipments would suffer partic-

ularly under the order and cotton growers are preparing, through their representatives here, to insist upon a strong declaration from the government on the With reference to the helding up of

seutral commerce, the burden of proof, the belligerent, whereas Great Britain has transferred it to the neutral shipper. Austria is Not Named.

Officials were much interested to know whether the terms of the British order not mentioned in it. The Austro-Hungarian embassy here has repeatedly notified the Department of Commerce, which goes of cotton could be shipped without difficulty to Trieste. If that avenue of ommunication is open for non-contraband goods their shipment by rail through Austria to Germany would, in the view of officials, alleviate the situa-

The offical text of the British order arrived during the day and State department officials began a study of its terms.

WILL CONTINUE HORSE RACING IN ENGLAND

LONDON, March 16 .- The Jockey club has decided to continue racing in spite of the war. The only change from times of peace will be the necessary curtailment of social functions in connection with the Epsom and Ascot meets.

The club held that the continuance of racing was necessary to the interests of horse breeding and of the thousands of men employed in connection with the

Department Orders.

Department Orders,
WASHINGTON, March 16.—(Special
Telegram.)—Postmasters appointed: Mrs.
Florence Hanson, McLean, Pierce county,
Neb., vice H. F. Krugman; Paul H. Putnam, Norris, Wellotte county, S. D., vice
Roy Brazil, resigned.
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