

FARMERSTO ANSWER

RURAL LIFE COMMISSION SENDS OUT QUESTIONS.

ABOUT FARM LIFE CONDITIONS

Pamphlets Distributed Suggesting Information of Numerous Phases Beyond the Populous Centers.

In order to obtain the most exhaustive information possible from the farmers of this state, the Nebraska Rural Life Commission is sending out blanks that contain questions asking for facts and opinions with respect to rural conditions in Nebraska.

According to Frank G. Odell, secretary of the commission, that organization is undertaking a great project. "The results already obtained," he says, "indicate that the final report of this commission will be of great value as a survey of farm life conditions, such as has never before been attained. It is vital that we reach the largest number of farmers possible without any delay."

"To the Farmers of Nebraska" is the way the appeal is addressed.

Questions Asked Farmer.

Following is a list of the questions asked in the pamphlet:

1. Are the farm homes in your neighborhood as good as they should be under existing conditions?
2. Are the schools in your neighborhood training boys and girls satisfactorily for farm life?
3. Do the farmers of your neighborhood get the returns they reasonably should from the sale of their products?
4. Do the farmers in your neighborhood receive from the railroads, highways, trolley lines, etc., the service they reasonably should?
5. Do the farmers in your neighborhood receive from the United States postal service, rural telephones, etc., the service they reasonably should expect?
6. Are the rentals of farms in your neighborhood making a satisfactory living and accumulating profits which tend to enable them to become owners of farms?
7. Is the supply of farm labor in your neighborhood satisfactory?
8. Are the conditions surrounding hired labor on the farm in your neighborhood satisfactory to the hired help?
9. Are the farmers and their wives in your neighborhood satisfactorily organized to promote their mutual buying and selling interests?
10. Have the farmers in your neighborhood satisfactory facilities for doing their business in banking, credit, insurance, etc.?
11. Are the taxation laws of the state satisfactory to the farmer?
12. Do you know of undervaluations of real estate or personal property in your neighborhood, for purposes of taxation?
13. What change, if any, would you suggest in tax laws?
14. Are the sanitary conditions of farms in your neighborhood satisfactory?
15. Are the religious facilities in your neighborhood satisfactory?
16. Do the farmers and their wives and families in your neighborhood get together for mutual improvement, entertainment and social intercourse as much as they should?
17. What, in your judgment, is the most important single thing which may be immediately done for the betterment of farm life in Nebraska?

Liquor Consumption.
Figures garnered upon the amount of intoxicating liquor consumed in Lincoln show that approximately 500,000 gallons of beer and 39,000 gallons of whisky are disposed of in a year. This amount, according to local saloonkeepers, is less than before the intervening drought of two years.

Public Land Sales.
United States public land sales will be held this month at the office of the commissioner of public lands in the federal building beginning December 21. Thirteen tracts of land ranging from six acres to 280 acres in size will be disposed of to the highest bidders. Four of the tracts to be sold are in Hayes county, five in Chase, one in Hitchcock, two in Dundee, and one in Hamilton county. The first sale will be held at 10 a. m., December 21. Sales will also be held on Jan. 5, 6 and 10.

Fair Dates.
Secretary Mellor of the state fair board has returned from a meeting of national fairs and exhibitions at Chicago. Nebraska was well represented by delegates at the meeting and Secretary Mellor has again been appointed chairman of the committee on transportation, a position he has held in the national association for two years. The date of the Nebraska state fair next year is September 2 to 6.

Asks for Back Pay.
T. E. Stewart, who was at one time bookkeeper at the institute for feeble minded youth at Beatrice, has, through his attorney, applied to the state for a warrant for \$100 for salary, which he says he earned prior to the time of his dismissal from the institute. After he quit his services for the state he was tried on a charge of embezzling \$1,500 while bookkeeper at the institute and was acquitted by the jury. He has been refused a warrant by the authorities of the state.

DISREGARD THE LAW.

Little Attention Paid to Auto Enactment.

The passage and enactment of the McArdle automobile law at the last session of the legislature made several distinct changes relating to the road operation of motor vehicles, but from stories coming from various parts of the state some of the most striking points of the new act are being little observed.

In the new law it is set out that "when crossing an intersection of streets within any city or village motor vehicles shall not be driven at a speed exceeding six miles an hour. Upon approaching any place where passengers are getting on or off street cars every person operating a motor vehicle shall bring it to a full stop and shall not again start until said street cars have started." The latter phase of the McArdle law is the most universally broken in this city and in fact is so generally passed up by motorists that the compliance with this provision by a careful Lincoln driver one night caused a sturdy guardian of the law to declare with some surprise that it was the first time that he had ever seen that "sort of a stunt pulled off." When informed that the automobilist was merely complying with the new state law he declared that it was "a new one on him."

The closing section of the new law, which is the most exhaustive act formulated in the legislature since automobiles have come into the present wide use, states that "nothing in this act shall be construed as limiting the power of local authorities to make, enforce and maintain any ordinance, rule or regulation in addition to the provisions of this act affecting motor vehicles."

Owners of cars pin their faith to this section, declaring that because of the lack of local regulation in harmony with that passed by the state there is little reason for complying with this particular phase of the new law. They aver that affirmation of the law by the various cities might be construed as being necessary before they would be liable under that statute. The contention is made by state officials, however, that the law is upon the books for enforcement and that any other local laws which might be made in the various towns or cities of the state would in no wise affect the McArdle law, which was put upon the statutes in exactly the same manner as any other enactment.

Food Commissioner's Report.

The semi-annual report of State Food Commissioner Jackson shows that during the past six months his department has expended a total of \$9,231.44 in the payment of salaries of inspectors, transportation, telephone and telephone charges, leaving a balance of \$19,939.41 in that fund.

Guard Inspection.

Adjutant General Phelps of the Nebraska national guard has completed the itinerary for Major P. H. A. Penn, United States infantry, who will make the annual inspection of the Nebraska national guard for the war department. The inspection will begin January 12.

Expenses of Institutions.

Semi-annual reports from heads of state institutions now coming into the governor's office show that it cost \$149.36 per capita to support members of the soldiers' home at Grand Island for the six months period ending November 30, while it cost only \$137.41 for each member of the state school for blind at Nebraska City. Formerly the cost of maintaining students at the school for blind was larger than the cost at any other state institution. The state reclaimed \$100 a year from the general government for each old soldier in state homes.

Enters Gubernatorial Race.

John H. Morehead of Falls City, president pro tem of the senate at the last session of the legislature and a well known Southeastern Nebraska business man, has filed for the democratic nomination for governor. Mr. Morehead, since the death of Lieutenant Governor Hopewell of Tekamah, has filed that place, and during the absence of Governor Aldrich from the state in September served as governor for two days.

Pool Files for Governor.

Charles W. Pool of Tecumseh, speaker of the house in the 1909 legislature, has filed as a democratic candidate for governor, subject to the April primaries.

Haggerty Born in Lincoln.

John J. Haggerty, who was killed in the Los Angeles Times explosion and for whose murder James B. McNamara was sentenced to life imprisonment, was born in this city in 1886. His father was track foreman for the Burlington.

State Warrants Increase.

The semi-annual report of State Auditor Barton shows that since June 1, 1911, the amount of outstanding warrants of the state have increased from \$308,658 to \$518,775.64. The amount of warrants issued during the semi-annual period was \$1,941,414.14 and the amount paid \$1,751,297.19. Most of the warrants outstanding are drawn on general funds and the temporary university fund. The warrants outstanding on the general fund aggregate \$294,761.64 and those of the temporary university fund, \$195,049.

THE REFORMATION



"MOTHER, I'VE BROUGHT IN THE COAL. AN' I'VE FILLED THE LAMP, AN' I'VE FETCHED THE WATER, AN' I'VE CHOPPED THE KINDLING, AN' I'VE SWEPT THE JACK TUBS, AN' AN' I'VE WASHED MY NECK, AN'—AN'— ISN'T THERE SOMETHIN' ELSE YOU WANT DONE?"

GIVE UP ALL HOPE

EXPLOSION IN TENNESSEE MINE ENTOMBS 100 MEN—NONE BELIEVED ALIVE.

BLACK DAMP HALTS RESCUE

Company Has 175 Coffins Shipped to Scene—Great Crowd Surrounds Mouth of Tunnel While Relief Parties Fight Gases.

Brieville, Tenn.—All hope that any of the 100 men imprisoned by the explosion and fire in the Cross mountain mine will be taken out alive was abandoned. Rescue efforts have resulted only in the recovery of eight mangled bodies. Black damp has made its appearance, presenting a new obstacle to the rescuers. Practically no headway is being made in penetrating the wreckage. That any of the men who may have escaped the explosion still live in the gas-filled chambers is regarded as impossible.

President Stephenson of the Knoxville Iron company had 175 coffins brought here from Knoxville, and they were taken up the side of the mountain and stacked against the mouth of the pit. This grim spectacle brought a great hysterical sob of grief from the wives, mothers and sisters of the entombed men, who braved snow and rain and wind to stand transfixed before the entrance to the main shaft of the mine in the hope that by some miracle their husbands, fathers, brothers or sons might be rescued alive.

The federal experts report that the explosion swept through 27 cuts, making a cave-in two miles long, extending from the main cutting to the headings. The men must have all been in the cross cuts when the explosion occurred. These cuts were filled with thousands of tons of slate and coal and twisted timber.

In addition to the eight bodies recovered fragments of other bodies have been found in the wreckage. Most of the bodies are terribly mangled, indicating the terrific force of the blast. The rescuers found a small watch which had been hammered into a solid mass and a lunch pail which had been blown through a two-inch timber.

More than 10,000 people rushed here, attracted by the news of the catastrophe, and as a result the town's food supply is practically exhausted. The town officials have ordered food rushed from Knoxville.

CYCLERS OFF ON LONG RACE

Fifteen Athletes Start on Week's Grind in Madison Square Garden at New York.

New York.—At the crack of a six-shooter in the hands of ex-Sheriff Tom Foley at one minute after midnight 15 hardy athletes trained to the minute pedaled away from the broad black mark designated as the starting point on their long six-day bicycle journey for the championship of the world. Madison Square Garden, the scene of many notable events and soon to be demolished, was once more the attraction for thousands who thronged the great amphitheater and gave the contestants a rousing send-off. The race gives every promise of being the best ever contested.

Horse Kicks Hermit to Death.

Oregon City, Ore.—Lying beneath a horse, which had starved to death in its stall after kicking its owner to death, Robert Norris, an aged recluse, was found in the barn of his ranch near Maple Lane.

Bomb Hurler in Theater.

Liège, Belgium.—Three persons were arrested following the explosion of a dynamite bomb in a crowded cinematograph exhibition, as a result of which 50 persons were injured, several fatally.

RODGERS' TRIP ENDED

FLIES LAST LEG IN SEA TO SEA JOURNEY.

Aviator Still Suffering From Broken Leg As Result of Fall Weeks Ago—Given Ovation.

Los Angeles.—Fifty thousand people, lining the sands and broad walk at Long Beach, cheered their hero as Calbraith P. Rodgers, the transcontinental aviator, officially completed his ocean to ocean trip by flying from Compton, eight miles away, where he was forced to temporarily abandon his dash several weeks ago when he fell and was painfully injured.

Still on crutches, Rodgers made his way through an alfalfa field at Compton, climbed into his machine without a single word and shouting "Ready" to his mechanic ascended with his crutches tucked behind him in the biplane. After making a wide sweep of about a mile, he sped straight for Long Beach, landing on a strip of sand east of the big auditorium. A tremendous demonstration followed and in order to prevent the surging crowd from overwhelming him Rodgers was placed in an auto and rushed to a local hotel.

ANTI-TRUST LAW IS BLAMED

Banker Vanderlip Declares Business Unrest Is Due to Sherman Act and the Tariff.

New York.—Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the National City bank, in an interview published in the Outlook, declared that "the hesitant and disturbed state of mind now so universal among business men and capitalists is due to the chaotic situation resulting from the attempt to adjust business to a law—the Sherman anti-trust law."

Mr. Vanderlip is quoted as saying that: "Every line of industry having to do with industrial expansion, with capital expenditure, with anything in fact other than supplying the day by day consumptive needs of the country, is prostrated." Mr. Vanderlip declared. He cites the tariff as one of the minor reasons for this condition, and blamed most of the disturbance to the Sherman law. Mr. Vanderlip is opposed to government control of prices except as a last resort.

"With proper publicity of accounts," he says, and "wise control of capital issue I believe that we should rest for the present. We must not let ourselves be led hastily to do anything which might force us to take that step of everlasting consequence—price-fixing by the government."

ARRANGES PEACE WITH "DIVA"

Robert Chanler Returns to America Confident Wife Will Be Pleased With His Settlement.

New York.—Robert Winthrop Chanler, husband of Lina Cavalieri, the opera singer, returned from Europe on the Olympic. He smilingly concurred in the statement that he had arranged a settlement with his wife. "It was a purely financial transaction," said Sheriff Bob.

"The preliminaries have already been taken into the French courts and in four or five months she will get a divorce. "There will be no reconciliation. That is positive."

Mother and Daughter Suicides.

Hamburg.—A great deal of excitement was caused on the stock exchange by the suicide of two women in the visitor's gallery. The women proved to be a Mrs. Rech and her daughter, both of whom had lost their entire fortune in speculation.

De Oro Wins First Game.

New York.—Alfredo de Oro, champion three-cushion billiard player, won the first section of his match with John Da'v at Doyle's billiard academy by a score of 50 to 40.

HELD FOR BRIBERY

FRANKLIN MUST APPEAR BEFORE SUPERIOR COURT TO ANSWER CHARGES.

DARROW NAMED BY TWO MEN

Prosecutor in Dynamite Case at Los Angeles Says He Has No Evidence Against Lawyer Who Defended McNamara Brothers.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Bert H. Franklin, an investigator employed by the defense in the McNamara case, was held to the superior court to answer charges of bribing a juror. During the hearing the name of Clarence S. Darrow was mentioned, but Franklin made a statement saying the Chicago lawyer was not implicated in the affair in any manner whatever.

The statement was called out when Robert F. Bain, sworn juror in the McNamara case, testified that Franklin had told him, when arranging for the bribe, that was paid to him, that Darrow had given Franklin \$20,000 "to use."

George W. Lockwood, the man who accepted a bribe after informing the district attorney that he had been approached, had testified that Franklin had said that he would see Clarence Darrow to arrange some satisfactory payment of the money promised Lockwood. Lockwood also said he inferred that when Franklin promised to bring the "big fellow" out to see him, he meant Darrow. Franklin, he said, afterwards asserted he had referred to C. E. White, the man selected to hold the money until Lockwood was qualified and the jury had returned its verdict.

"I haven't said anything about this case," said Franklin after the hearing ended. "I know enough to keep my mouth shut about my own affairs. But this is different, and I've got just one thing I want to say. When these fellows bring into this case the name of a man who is innocent, I'm not going to sit by and hear it without putting in a word, and I want to say that whoever says I ever mentioned the name of Clarence Darrow in connection with such a matter, tells a lie. Neither did I ever mention his having given me \$20,000."

Darrow was told of the statement denied any connection in any way with the bribery.

The bribery hearing started with the testimony of C. E. White, the "swear man" in the Lockwood case. White told of negotiations with Franklin who, he said, asked him to accept the money and pay it to Lockwood. He told in detail of the final transaction when he received the money, paid it over and was arrested.

San Francisco.—John Joseph McNamara, convict No. 25,315, convicted dynamiter and former secretary-treasurer of the International Bridge and Structural Iron Workers' association, and James B. McNamara, convict No. 25,314, printer, dynamiter and convicted murderer, now occupy a cell in San Quentin penitentiary adjoining that occupied by Abraham Ruef.

These two men lost their names and their identity when they were formally delivered to Warden Hoyle by Sheriff Hammel of Los Angeles county. There is nothing to distinguish them—they wear the stripes with the other convicts and even their crimes will add no particular illumination to their identity. J. J. McNamara is 25,315 until he has spent fifteen years in the penitentiary and his brother is 25,314 until a life sentence is served. The only leniency they can hope for is a commutation of sentence through good behavior or by parole or pardon from the governor of California.

TRIAL OF DR. HYDE HALTED

Juror Flees From Hotel and Cannot Be Found—May Undo Work of Weeks.

Kansas City, Mo.—The work of weeks of court procedure was undone and the trial of Dr. B. Clark Hyde brought to a standstill when Harry Waldron, one of the jurors, escaped from his room at the hotel, eluding two deputy marshals set to guard the 12 men.

Prosecutor Conklin immediately started an investigation to find out if Waldron had been induced to escape. Whether the matter will result in a mistrial will depend on Waldron's course during his period of liberty, should he be captured.

To prevent his roommate and fellow juror from discovering his absence and giving the alarm Waldron made a dummy of pillows and slipped it into his place in bed.

Domestic troubles were said to have caused Waldron's escape. He had been ill, too, and on November 29 the trial had adjourned because of his illness.

Girl Held as Slayer Free.

Louisville, Ky.—Eleven-year-old Nellie Dowell was dismissed on a charge of slaying twelve-year-old Gertrude Kirby at the conclusion of a preliminary hearing here. The little girl's story that she was not present when her playmate was shot to death remained unshaken under the closest examination.

Sir Joseph Hooker Dies. London.—Sir Joseph Hooker, the widely-known surgeon and naturalist, is dead. He was born in 1817.

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Gus A. Isenberg

Attorney in Fact for Owners.

Undertaker—County Coroner.

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