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NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Representative Howard Introduces Jap Segregation Bill.

Senators Miller and Ollis Would Raise State Taxes From Corporations. Amendments to Pure Food Law. Howard's Jap Bill Is In.

Lincoln, Feb. 9.—The house voted \$15,000 for a Nebraska exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon exposition. Of this amount, \$3,900 is reserved to pay premiums on Nebraska exhibits.

Taylor of Custer county introduced in the house a bill providing that stockholders of a bank may borrow an amount of money from the bank equal to 80 per cent of the deposits or the stockholders. Another bill he introduced provides that the stockholders of a bank must have an amount of property other than bank stock, equal to their stock. It was Mr. Taylor's intention to offer his first bill as an amendment to the bill to guarantee bank deposits whenever that is generally finished, but he concluded he would introduce his bill as a separate measure.

Representative Howard of Douglas county introduced in the house a bill to segregate Japanese and Chinese laborers from American workmen. The measure provides that the Japanese and Chinese must not work in company with white men and must not be employed in the same building. Howard says his bill was evolved to eradicate conditions existing in South Omaha, where Japanese laborers are employed in the packing houses.

To provide that all state taxes shall come from the taxation of corporations on the valuation of their tangible property, Senators Miller and Ollis have introduced a bill into the senate to amend the constitution.

State Food Commissioner Mains has prepared several amendments to the dairy section of the pure food law, which he will ask to have passed by the legislature. These amendments provide for an assistant dairy commissioner under the deputy food commissioner; for licensing cream receivers as well as testers; for the use of a six-inch bottle in the testing; nine gram samples of cream and for making the butter fat test a range of from 120 to 140 degrees Fahrenheit.

Talking of Sifting Committee. Among the matters first to come before the legislature, in both branches, this week will be some method of expediting business. Already members are considering the probable action of a sifting committee, which, it is believed, will soon be named. Progress has been made slowly thus far and it is believed that the leaders will from now on insist on faster action.

Many of the partisan measures recently introduced in the house by the Democrats are expected to receive consideration this week, but it is doubtful just what sort of reception they will receive in the senate in the event of any of them reaching that body. These bills have raised considerable antagonism in the Republican ranks and that branch of both houses will be very active in opposition to the measures.

Activity on the part of the woman suffrage movement has not met with much success thus far. The bill prepared on that subject is on the general file of the senate, but no senator thus far has had the temerity to propose action on it in that body. The bill requires a three-fifths vote, and while there is said to be a possibility of it passing the senate should it come up for final disposition, it is not believed it can pass the lower house.

Brothers in Shooting Affray. Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 9.—A special to the Norfolk Daily News tells of a gun fight, involving two brothers, Charles Wood, twenty-one, and Joe Wood, thirteen, on a cattle ranch in Holt county, 180 miles west of Norfolk. They quarreled and the younger brother started into the house for a shotgun. The older fired a revolver through the window three times, it is said, for purpose of warning his mother not to give the shotgun to Joe. Joe got the gun, returned and fired a load of shot into his brother's face at thirty yards, then, bareheaded and coatless, rode to Swan and told the authorities that Charles was about to murder his mother. Though wounded, Charles packed his grip and rode to town, where he was arrested, but had to be disarmed at the point of a gun. He is in jail.

Death of W. B. C. True. North Loup, Neb., Feb. 9.—W. B. C. True, for twenty years prominent in the political history of Nebraska, is dead. He was one of the best known attorneys in the state in its early struggles, and was an editor at Crete for many years. In 1877-78 he was a member of the legislature and held numerous other offices before age prevented him from activity in politics.

Alleged Bank Robber Released. Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 9.—Wora has been received here that a man who was arrested in Sioux City and four hours later released was probably the man who robbed the Bank of Hadar of \$2,000. A knife found in the man's possession proves to be one which had been on the counter of the bank and was missing after the robbery.

Third Death From Scarlet Fever. Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 9.—The death of Katherine Bott, aged eight, makes three deaths in the family of John Bott a farmer, within a few days from scarlet fever.

CHASE AFTER A DEMENTED MAN. Finally Located After an All-Day Search.

Lexington, Neb., Feb. 8.—A man about forty-five years of age, purporting to be from Lockport, Mo., kept the authorities busy all day trying to locate him. The man drifted into town and engaged board and lodging at Cummins' restaurant and nothing more was seen of him until word came from a farmer living about three miles southwest of this city that a man had applied for help and that he was hatless and that his clothing was wet. He disappeared again and was at last captured, hiding in the tall grass. He is undoubtedly demented and by his condition it is evident he has been wading through sloughs and creeks. The authorities here have communicated with the authorities of Lockport, Mo., in an effort to discover his identity.

FOUL PLAY IS FEARED. Station Agent at Blue Springs Mysteriously Disappears.

Blue Springs, Neb., Feb. 6.—Paul Blankenship, agent of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, disappeared from here under circumstances which mystify the authorities and alarm his relatives. An auditor of the company who has been going over his accounts says they are correct. Shortly after midnight, Mrs. Blankenship says, a stranger came to the home and asked her husband to accompany him to the station that he might get an express package. Blankenship demurred, and the man induced him to go by promising to reward him liberally. That is the last seen of the missing agent. His wife believes he has met with foul play. Detectives at Lincoln have been informed.

ROBS MOTHER AND CONFESSES. Man Claiming to Be Bank Robber Gives Himself Up at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Feb. 6.—Claiming that he had committed a number of bank robberies in Nebraska and in eastern states, a man who said his name was Dick Andrews surrendered to the Lincoln police. In a confession, he narrated a number of his supposed crimes. Andrews declared that he snatched a purse from a woman in the Rock Island depot. As he escaped he recognized his aged mother who was on her way to her home in Chicago. He asserted that this incident so unnerved him that he decided to surrender to the police. His story will be investigated.

Indian Attorney Wins.

Lincoln, Feb. 8.—Hiram Chase, the Indian candidate for county attorney of Thurston county who won in the last election over Waldo E. Whitcomb, has been declared by the supreme court entitled to the office. The court holds the election as fairly conducted and that the plaintiff, Whitcomb, is estopped from questioning the validity of the election because of his advice to the election board and his apparent participation in their act of changing the place of election.

Blizzard in Nebraska.

Alliance, Neb., Feb. 9.—Blizzard conditions prevail all over the northwestern section of Nebraska, exceeding in severity the storm of ten days ago. The thermometer registers 20 degrees below zero at Crawford, 16 below at Belmont and 12 below at Alliance, with zero markings as far east as Seueca. A strong northeast wind is blowing, driving an almost blinding snow, and from present indications, stock losses will occur in the range country.

Nebraska City Council Enjoined.

Nebraska City, Neb., Feb. 5.—An injunction has been issued against the city council to restrain that body from granting a new charter or extending the old charter of the local water and electric light company. It was secured at the instance of Councilman J. D. Houston, who wishes the matter submitted to a referendum vote of the people. The power company is taking no hand in the fight.

Will Test Hog Cholera Cure.

Franklin, Neb., Feb. 9.—Dr. A. T. Peters of the Nebraska state university has completed a plan for making a test of his curative for hog cholera, and will try it on a dozen hogs at the Farmers' institute to be held here. The animals will be inoculated with the germs and after they begin to show signs of the disease, Peters will undertake to restore them to health.

Youthful Burglar Confesses.

Broken Bow, Neb., Feb. 9.—Arthur Norcutte, a youthful burglar, has confessed to a series of crimes in this part of the state. His last job was that of entering a local hardware store and securing a considerable sum of money and merchandise. He has served one term in the reform school.

Judge Oldham May File Suit.

Lincoln, Feb. 6.—Leave was granted Judge W. D. Oldham by the supreme court to file his suit providing for a test of the right of Judge Dean to his seat on the supreme bench under the appointment of Governor Sheldon.

Freight Trains Tied Up.

Lincoln, Feb. 9.—A furious storm is raging in the southwestern part of the state. On the Burlington main line to Denver freight trains are being tied up and energies devoted to keeping passengers moving.

Father Shoots and Kills Son.

Omaha, Feb. 6.—Flying into a rage because he was asked if he had split some kindling, August Ziebell, Sr., shot and fatally wounded his son, August Young Ziebell died at the hospital.

KEEPS UP EFFORTS.

President Wires Another Message to California.

Sends Long Telegram to Speaker of House Stanton and Says Government is Working on Other Lines to Same End as its Legislature.

"The administration's policy is to combine the maximum of efficiency in achieving the real object which the people of California have at heart, with the minimum of friction and trouble, while the misguided men who advocate such action as this against which I protest are following a policy which combines the very minimum of efficiency with the maximum of insult and which, while totally failing to achieve any real result for good, yet might accomplish an infinity of harm." In this language the president, in a telegram to Speaker P. A. Stanton of the California assembly, set forth the government's view of the Japanese school legislation now before that body.

The president stated that the bill gives grave and just cause for irritation and that the government would be obliged immediately to take action in the federal courts to test such legislation because it is held to be clearly a violation of the treaty obligations of the United States. The telegram to Speaker Stanton was sent only after a conference with Senator Flint and Representative Kahn of California and F. K. Lane of the interstate commerce commission.

In the telegram to Speaker Stanton, the president said: "I trust there will be no misunderstanding of the federal government's attitude. We are zealously endeavoring to guard the interest of California and of the entire west in accordance with the desires of our western people. By friendly agreement with Japan we are now carrying out a policy which, while meeting the interests and desires of the Pacific slope, is yet compatible not merely with mutual self respect, but with mutual esteem and admiration between the Americans and Japanese. The Japanese government is loyal and in good faith doing its part to carry out this policy, precisely as the American government is doing. The policy aims at mutuality and obligation and behavior. In accordance with it the purpose is that the Japanese shall come here exactly as Americans go to Japan, which is in effect that travelers, students, persons engaged in international business, men who sojourn for pleasure or study, and the like, shall have the free access from one country to the other and shall be sure of the best treatment, but that there shall be no settlement in mass of the people of either country in the other. During the last six months, under this policy, more Japanese have left this country than have come in, and the total number in the United States has diminished by over two thousand.

"If in the next year or two the action of the federal government fails to achieve what it is now achieving, then through the further action of the president and congress it can be made entirely efficient. I am sure that the sound judgment of the people of California will support you, Mr. Speaker, in your efforts. Let me repeat, that at present we are actually doing the very thing which the people of California wish to be done, and to upset the arrangement under which this is being done can do no good and may do great harm. If, in the next year or two, the figures of immigration prove that the arrangement which was worked so successfully during the last six months is no longer working successfully, then there would be ground for grievance and for the reversal by the national government of its present policy. But at present the policy is working well and until it works badly it would be a grave misfortune to change it, and when changed it can only be changed effectively by the national government."

California Senate Delays Action.

Only five senators in the California legislature favored agitation of the anti-Japanese question when the matter was called up by Senator Marc Anthony of San Francisco. The senate decided, by a vote of 25 to 5, to defer until next Thursday its action upon the report of the committee on executive communications, which advises against legislation aimed at the Japanese. Senator J. B. Sanford introduced a joint resolution asking congress to include Japanese in the provisions of the Geary exclusion act. Senator Anthony's bill providing for submitting to the voters at the next state election the question of prohibiting Asiatic immigration was favorably reported.

Speaker Philip A. Stanton took the floor in the California assembly and secured, by a strong personal appeal, unanimous consent of the assembly to postpone further action on the Japanese school segregation bill until next Wednesday. He declared he had information, which he could not reveal, that proved the assembly was treading upon dangerous ground in passing the anti-Japanese bill Thursday.

The governor sent a special message to the house raising the point of the bill's constitutionality and this was the subject of a long debate, during which it was suggested by leaders on both sides that the measure be referred to the committee on judiciary and submitted to the attorney general for an opinion as to its legality.

Senator Minetti introduced the Japanese school bill in the senate.

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