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The United States senate is ready to amend the laws relative to the election of most any official but members of that body.

Much of the modern political propositions point more in the direction of anarchy than safe and sound progressive legislation.

Now it transpires that our railway commission has to be investigated. The legislature has named a committee to see why the commission has done nothing to relieve the grain rate situation on shipments from Omaha to Chicago which is taking about \$2,000,000, annually out of the pockets of grain producers and shippers of this state.

With the recall, initiative and referendum, woman's suffrage, presidential term of six years and only one of them for any aspirant, primary election of postmasters and various other revolutionary proposals, the original builders of the government bulwarks would have a hard time tracing out their plans in the present day structure if all the proposed changes become effective.

The fellows who sit in steam heated offices and write classic editorials on how the farmer should farm his farm have sprung their annual nightmare about seed corn. Whether the agricultural writers are in league with the seed houses or merely writing to fill space we don't know. We believe, however, that the fellows next to the soil know more about seed corn than those that farm with a typewriter. The men on the farms keep on growing bumper crops of corn season after season regardless of the annual pronouncement of the so called experts that the bulk of the seed corn is worthless.

It appears that the medical scientists are finally able to furnish relieve from the ravages of the great white plague, tuberculosis, in its various forms. An eminent German doctor recently announced the discovery of a serum that, so far as experiments have gone, annihilates the deadly tubercular germs. An American doctor, one J. H. Burgan of Minneapolis, comes forth now with the announcement of a similar discovery. He says his serum is obtained from the hog and has effected an absolute cure in each case tried. While none but millionaires will be able to pay the price of the German cure, the Minneapolis doctor says his discovery is cheap as dirt and offers it to all the hospitals of the country at cost of production.

Col. Roosevelt's candidacy still rankles sorely in the minds of many republican editors who tire not of repeating the accusation that the progressive leader was responsible for the republican downfall. It is nearer the truth to say that the insistency of President Taft's candidacy was the real cause of the republican calamity. But it is time to forget both. The intervening years before another election should be a time for reflection and reconstruction, out of which the republican party no doubt will emerge with a stronger claim on popular approval than ever. If the democrats fail to make good, which is more than likely according to all precedent, there will be a general demand for a return to the usual sane and safe republican policies.

THE LEGISLATURE.

What's Being Done by the State Law Making Body at the Capital.

Lincoln Feb. 3.—Among the new measures offered during the past week in the house the following are of general importance: 373 by Yates, requires owners of motor vehicles to give a bond of \$2,500 as guarantee of damages inflicted by their machine; 383 by Brott, appropriates \$8,000 for

sinking an artesian well in the territory between the North Platt river and Lodge Pole creek; 390 by Losey, appropriates \$20,000 to be used in the purchase of a farm for the benefit of the widow of Usher Heilman, who was killed during the penitentiary outbreak of last winter; 395 by Brott, a bill regulating the charges of stock yards, and live stock commission hogses; 402 by five members, repeals open season on prairie chickens, grouse and quail to Nov. 1, 1913; 411 by Stebbins, appropriates \$100,000 for experimental deep wells; 422 by McCarthy of Greeley, a minimum wage bill for adult labor in stores, factories, shops packing houses, etc., placing minimum at \$9 per week; 437 by Buckner, a county option bill on the subject of paying bounty for the destruction of gophers; 454 by Scott, state aid for the support of mothers, whose husbands are dead or imprisoned and who have children up to 14 years of age; 461 by Brain, a pure cotton goods bill; 470 by Busch; amends oregon plan to effect that legislator's district shall be considered the governing vote instead of entire state vote; 482 by Murphy appropriates \$5,000 for a hog serum plant; 494 by Hubbard makes Lincoln's birthday a legal holiday; 509 by Trumbull, abolishes elective road overseers, substitutes authority of county commissioner; 514 by Anderson of Boyd, provides for sale of the state's school land; 515 by McCarthy of Cumming, requires school district to furnish clothing for destitute school children; 518 by Keckley, reducing freight rates 20 per cent on car loads of grain, fruit, potatoes, live stock, coal lumber, building material, etc., until railway commission can hear and determine the equity of this reduction; 528 by Regan, provides for credit of \$3 against labor tax for voting at primary or election; 530 by Foster, provides railway passes for all state officers; 553 by Sugarman, a non-partisan system of electing judicial offices; 567 by McKissick, appropriates \$150,000 for a Nebraska exhibit at the San Francisco exposition 1915.

In the senate among the bills that may attract general interest are: S. F. 169 by Dodge, removing party circle from the ballot; 189 by Bartling, requiring automatic danger signals at all railway crossings; 195 by Dodge, regulates the charges of newspapers for political advertising; 196 by Wolz, provides for a commission and an examining board for barbers; 205 by Kiechel repeals the state aid bridge law for building bridges over streams over 175 ft. in widths; 221 by Marshall, permits banking board to refuse charter to bank in town where board considers there are enough banks; 235 by Shumway, a system of state life insurance; 246 by West, requires train sheds on opposite side of tracks where system is double tracked; 270 by Krumbach, abolishes the present prison board and board of pardons, and transfers these duties to the proposed new board of control which will be in charge of state institution after July 1.

On Monday the senate passed S. F. 27 by an unanimous vote. The bill provided for teaching of agriculture in high and rural schools. The measure was very popular, was well drawn, and received unanimous support.

An emergency clause was also added to Bartling's bill permitting the playing of base ball on Sunday. This will make the law immediately available if passed at this session. The bill was recommended to the general file for passage by the committee of the whole, though some attempt was made to amend it in committee, but without success. The bill was ready for final passage during the latter days of the week, but owing to the absence of several senators known to be in favor of the bill Senator Bartling had further action deferred until the fall crops of senators could be present. The coming week will no doubt note the passage of the bill and its transmission to the house for consideration there.

In the house Norton's so called "log rolling" bill was considered in committee of the whole and recommended for passage by a vote of 76 to 18. This bill is

designed to prohibit the trading of votes for favored measures between members. The opponents of the bill fought it on the proposition that it invaded the constitutional rights of a member to endeavor in every legitimate way to secure the passage of legislation which met his approval. This theory was advanced without avail and the bill now goes on its final passage. On Tuesday the house decided to listen to an address by former Warden Codding of Kansas on prison reform. It decided that a committee of three each from the five committees of the house interested in similar subjects should visit the state institutions. This makes a total of 15 house members to travel this year as against a total of about 35 under the old system. Pearson of Furnace and Scheuth of Platt offered a resolution in the house to the effect that the Slocum law was about all right as it stood and declaring for no further legislation along that line at this session. At the request of the introducers the resolution went over to Friday for consideration, and was then laid on the table at the request of the introducer leaving the question as to the temper of the house on liquor legislation as much of an uncertainty as it had been at any time. The house recommended for passage its own bill No. 51 making the penitentiary offense to furnish liquor or drugs to an inmate of the penitentiary.

On Wednesday the house recommended for passage the following measures: 59 by Keckley, placing employees of the state under a civil service law and requiring an examination of applicants as to their fitness; H. R. 3 by Fuller, providing a county levy to create a county telephone system. This bill was bitterly opposed by members not believing that the business could be made successful in the narrow field of a single county, but they were out voted on every point, the bill going forward to final reading.

On a committee report the house decided to oppose the proposed merger of the soldiers home at Milford and Grand Island. The house also by vote refused to hear a speaker from San Francisco advocate the glories of the coming exposition at that city, and to request an appropriation. In the senate Smith's bill to repeal the bounties for killing prairie dogs was recommended for passage.

On Thursday the house in committee of the whole recommended for passage the bill permitting creditor to garnishee 10 per cent of wages due, also recommending for passage the bill providing for the commission form of government for cities from 2,000 to 5,000. In the afternoon the senate at the request of the chancellor gave a visit to the university campus, both city and farm, with a view to senators both taking a personal view of the situation as it relates to the important subject of univeristy removal. This issue will be the hardest fought subject before this session of the legislature, and at present a pole of opinion indicating results is absolutely impossible to obtain.

On Friday the house recommended for passage the bill permitting five sixths of a jury to render verdicts in civil or misdemeanor cases, and among others also the bill providing pensions for widows of Omaha policemen.

The senate passed the bill making it a felony to introduce liquor or dope into the state penitentiary and recommended for passage the Krumbach bill abolishing the present state board of pardons and placing this item in the hands of the state board of control, which is yet to be appointed.

HELVEY NEWS BUREAU.

Supervisors Proceedings.

(Continued from last week.)

John Johnson, road overseer dist 31
O F Morse, township treasurer
M S Conover, road overseer dist 11
F P Otter, township clerk
John A Wood, township treasurer
S Harkins, road overseer
Oney Anderson, road overseer
Henry Straka, road overseer
O F Naughton, township clerk
A Fauquier, road overseer
Henry Hennings, road overseer
Sam McClellan, road overseer
T F Donohoe, township clerk
E O Wertz township clerk

C F W Lehmann, township treasurer
Fred Jungbluth, justice of the peace
Frank O'Connell, township treasurer
John Daniels, township treasurer
J J Nachtman, township clerk
John Moler, township treasurer
J O Graver, justice of the peace
O O Newman, justice of the peace
Amelia, Nebr, Dec 27, 1912.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Holt county, Nebraska.

We, the undersigned free holders to the number of ten requests your Hon. body to employ E H Whelan as assistant counsel in the Supreme court in the case of Joe. Miles, Appellee vs. the County of Holt, Appellant.

J H Meredith
C N George
H D Grady
S J Weekes
C P Hancock
J B Mellor
Frank Phalen
John Sullivan
Tom Enright
C E Stuart
R J Marsh

Mr. Chairman I move that E H Whelan, be employed as additional counsel to represent the County of Holt, together with the county attorney in the case of Geo. A. Miles, Appellee vs the County of Holt, appellant in the Supreme court, said employment not to began until Jan. 9, 1913.

H W Tomlinson
J O Hubbell.

Motion carried.

Moved that the Court house committee enter into a lease with M P Kinkaid for the use of his law office in the Nebraska State Bank building for the use of the County attorney for the term of two years from Jan 9, 1913 at the agreed sum per year of \$16.00

H W Tomlinson
J O Hubbell

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Holt county, Nebraska.

Your petitioner, Mary A Dwyer, respectfully showeth to your honorable body that she is the owner and holder of a illegal tax title range 14, west of the sixth p m in Holt county, Nebraska, covering taxes for the year 1899, 1890 and 1891.

Your petitioner states that said land was not taxable for any of the above described years, wherefore your petitioner pray that you instruct the county treasurer and refund to her the amount paid on said erroneous tax sale and tax deed.

Yours very respectfully,
Mary A Dwyer
By A J Hammond.

On motion prayer of petition was denied.

Mr. Chairman: Owing to the loss of a bridge and the cutting away of road bed in section 2, township 32, range 11, west. Same being on road No. 2. It was thought best to relocate a part of same road so as to shorten the same and obtain a better site for a county bridge and whereas the new line of proposed road was property surveyed and staked and the owners



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