

HOUSE MAID IS FINAL WINNER

Nebraska Supreme Court Finds for Knox County Girl

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—The supreme court holds that the house owner owes to the house maid the same duty of providing a reasonably safe place to work that the factory employer does and that this includes warning her of any dangerous conditions that may exist about the place.

Miss Mary Hansen, of Knox county, took service in the house of Mrs. Mabel Jasmier, of Niobrara, and an hour after she began working she was told to take a pall of refuse to the furnace in the basement. The housewife failed to notify her of a defective step, and she fell and hurt her knee. The district court said she was not entitled to recovery because the law of employer and servant does not apply within the walls of a home. The supreme court says this was wrong; that it does.

TO CALL ELECTION ON LIGHT PLANT PROJECT

Bloomfield, Neb., April 26 (Special)—Another step has been taken in the move toward securing a municipal light and power plant for Bloomfield. At a meeting held Wednesday afternoon, members of the city council and the executive committee of the Commercial club voted unanimously in favor of a motion that the council proceed to call a bond election for the purpose of installing a municipal plant. The proposal made by President Henley of the Tri-State Utilities company to furnish light and power at an average rate of 10 cents per kilowatt, the city to fix the rates for the various classes and guaranteeing the use of at least 191,000 kilowatts during the year, was analyzed and discussed but did not appeal to the committee. The council will at once proceed with the necessary steps for calling the election.

EXPLAINS APPARENT APPROPRIATION INCREASE

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—As the state accountant figures it the total money appropriated by the late legislature is \$30,064,000, which is \$8,872,000 more than the legislature of two years ago set aside for state expenditures. The increases are largely matters of bookkeeping. Nearly \$6,000,000 is represented by appropriations for roads, none of which comes out of direct taxes, but out of gasoline taxes and federal moneys. Nearly \$2,000,000 of it represents a transfer from money formerly handled by counties for road purposes that the state will now expend. This is represented by the order of the legislature that 30 per cent. of auto license fees now spent by counties is turned by them to the state.

TWO OF FAMILY DIE IN THREE WEEKS

Plainview, Neb., April 26.—Grip has claimed two victims in three weeks at the home of Clarence Hamann, of Plainview. On March 27 he lost his little daughter and on the day she was buried, her brother Paul, 3, took ill and now is dead.

SIoux CITY MAN WAS SPEAKER AT BANQUET

Allen, Neb., April 27 (Special)—About 150 persons were present at the third annual father and son banquet at the Lutheran church, Wednesday night, held under the auspices of the Allen Brotherhood. Rev. C. Franklin Koch, of Trinity Lutheran church, of Sioux City, was the principal speaker, his subject being "Our Boys."

WAKEFIELD BOYS' BAND GIVES FIRST CONCERT

Wakefield, Neb., April 27 (Special)—The first band concert of the season was to be held here in the city auditorium, this evening, under the direction of F. C. Reed, who has been employed for another season as band conductor.

GIRL PROVIDES CASH BOND

Fremont, Neb., April 27.—Miss Anna Jockupke, a sweetheart, came to the rescue of Christ Buhritz, one of the several men who fell victims in the police general roundup of liquor violators. Buhritz languished as a guest of Sheriff Johnson until he could communicate with Miss Jockupke, who produced \$500 in cash to deposit as a bond.

CREAMERY ASSOCIATION IS FORMED AT NORFOLK

Norfolk, Neb., April 27.—The Northeast Nebraska Local and Independent Creamery association was organized at a meeting here of a score or more of persons representing in this section of the state. H. R. Vanauken, of Bloomfield, was elected temporary chairman of the association, and R. W. Elwood, of Creighton, secretary.

CHEAP POLITICS IS HIS CHARGE

Emerson Man's Money Being Held Up by Nebraska Secretary of State

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—"Cheap politics is being played by Secretary of State Pool," declares Senator George Wilkins of Emerson, who came down to see what could be done about getting his warrant for \$4,405 past the obstacle reared by that officer, who refused to sign the voucher. "As I understand the constitution all that is imposed upon Mr. Pool is to attest that the signature is that of the state auditor."

Mr. Wilkins would not say what legal steps would be taken, but with \$4,405 at stake a lawsuit is a certainty. The money was appropriated by the legislature in payment of salary and expenses as an expert accountant in going through the road department records to ascertain if a deficiency actually existed. The voucher is still in the possession of Mr. Pool, who says he will keep it. "I supposed that when the legislature passed on the claim and appropriated the money that was all that was necessary. It now appears as though the secretary of state thinks he has the veto power of legislative acts."

BLOOMFIELD STUDIES LIGHT PROBLEMS

Bloomfield, Neb., April 26 (Special)—A mass meeting of the taxpayers of the city was held at the city hall Tuesday evening, the purpose being to hear the report of H. L. Cory, engineer, on the cost of installing and operating a municipal electric light and power plant, and also to hear any proposition as to reduced rates which the Tri-State Utilities company might have to offer.

According to Mr. Cory's report, the cost of a plant large enough to supply all the electric power and light necessary for the city would be \$50,000. Placing rates where they would bring an average of 12c per kilowatt hour would produce a revenue of approximately \$22,000. After allowing for operating cost, interest on bonds, depreciation, up-keep and maintenance, the net profits would be approximately \$4,400.

H. H. Henley, president of the Tri-State company submitted no proposition except one in which the company agreed to furnish light and power at an average rate of 10c per kilowatt hour, this being based on the city agreeing to use 191,000 kilowatt hours during the year, this being the amount which the engineer had figured as the basis for his computations. A motion prevailed that the city council and the executive committee of the commercial club meet and consider Mr. Henley's offer and, in the event that it did not prove satisfactory, that they be empowered to proceed with the necessary steps for calling a bond election to install a municipal plant.

BRITSON CASE STILL HAVING ATTENTION

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—Attorney General Spillman filed a 225 page brief in support of the order of the Douglas county district court ousting the Britson Manufacturing company, a South Dakota corporation, and prohibiting it from exercising any franchise privileges in Nebraska. The lower court found the state's charges to be true, that the corporation had been engaged in improper practices and had allowed salesmen to dispose of stock under false representations. The company denies this charge, and is making a fight to remain in the state.

The attorney general says that some 10 years ago Ole A. Britson, equipped with an idea and possessing \$10 worth of rivets and \$100 worth of chrome leather, started to manufacture auto treads in a barn in Brookings, S. D. The leather was attached by his method to ordinary tires. He was successful for a time, and then started to organize a corporation, which was authorized to issue him \$4,066,800 of common stock for the patent and goodwill. The preferred stock to the extent of \$160,000 was sold. The attorney general says that \$80,000 of it was absorbed by Britson in salaries of \$10,000 a year for himself and for his wife and in borrowings to give a daughter music lessons in New York City. Some of the stockholders got their money back, two of them being South Dakota friends, who acted as directors.

The attorney general excuses the length of the brief by saying he wants to lay bare the testimony so that the court may take steps to stop such enterprises before they start in the future. He illustrates the brief with a picture of the factory Britson advertised as located in Brookings, S. D. He says it is a former farm granary, 30 by 60 feet, the machinery being rented. He answers a statement of Britson that the Chamber of Commerce of Brookings endorsed him by saying that the president is or was Britson's attorney.

REFUSES TO SIGN WARRANTS FOR \$4,500

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—Secretary of State Pool made good his threat. He has refused to countersign the warrants for paying Senator Wilbur, of Burt, Senator Robbins, of Douglas, and Senator Banning, of Cass, the \$4,500 expense money the senate voted them as investigators. Mr. Pool says the constitution forbids legislators getting additional emoluments while in office. Senator Robbins said it was a political trick. An appeal to the courts will be necessary.

PUT GUARANTY FUND IN SHAPE

Nebraska State Banks to Be Levied on Soon for \$649,000

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—A special assessment of \$649,000 will shortly be levied against the state banks, on the basis of one-fourth of 1 per cent. of their deposits. This will not be in the form of cash withdrawal from the bank, but each bank will credit the state guaranty fund, on its books, with the amount of its assessment. The money is necessary to keep the guaranty fund up to the legal level, the commission having decided to call in the remainder of the outstanding receivers' certificates. This will leave about \$1,000,000 in the fund for future use.

The certificates were issued during the strenuous years in order to save the banks from putting up money to pay off depositors in the failed banks. It was in the nature of a bond issue on the security of the assets of the failed banks. It has never been regarded as high grade security, but it eased the situation and the certificates are now being retired. The sum of \$272,000 from sale of failed bank assets was recently put into the fund.

SUPREME COURT GOES INTO NEW QUARTERS

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—The supreme court will mount its new bench next Monday, April 20, when it will start in hearing 20 appealed cases. The courtroom is one of the show places in the new capitol, and although everything is not in place it will be occupied, since the work of demolishing the old courtroom has been begun. Some difficulty has been encountered in finding offices for the six new commissioners, as also a courtroom, when they take office next September. The state officers have been accused by some observers of spreading out and occupying more room than they actually need, so that space on the main floor is now all taken. Now offices will be available when the ends are built, but only on the ground floor, as the legislature chambers will be thrust out from the center east and west.

DAKOTA COUNTY WOMAN LOSES INSURANCE CLAIM

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—Word was received here today that the federal supreme court had reversed the holding of the state supreme court in the case brought by Jennie Vidar Mixer, of Dakota county, against the Modern Woodmen. Her husband has been missing for more than seven years, and she contended that under the rule of law as adopted by the Nebraska supreme court, he is legally dead and she is entitled to the \$3,000 policy held on his life. The court held with her.

The Woodmen took the case to the supreme court of the United States because of its far-reaching importance. It has a bylaw which disregards the seven year missing rule as conclusive of death. Under that bylaw the beneficiaries of a policy on the life of a missing man must keep on paying till the natural term of his expectancy, as fixed by tables of mortality, has expired, before they can collect the policy.

As the supreme court of Illinois, where the society is incorporated, had held the bylaw legal, the Woodmen also contended that under the comity of states the Nebraska court and all others where it operates should take that decision as binding and effective. The federal supreme court is understood by Woodmen officials here to have upheld this contention.

ACCIDENT DELAYS WORK ON WINDSEWER

Windsor, Neb., April 27 (Special)—The work on the storm sewer, prior to the paving on main street, which was to have begun Monday, has been delayed a couple of days. The ditching machine was being brought across country by J. Wacker, of Stanton, when they crashed through a country bridge. No serious damage was done to the machine and no one injured.

STORM NEAR VILAS, S. D., DID MUCH DAMAGE

Vilas, S. D., April 27 (Special)—A series of miniature twisters which visited this section of the county, Sunday afternoon, tore up silos, barns and other farm buildings and caused damage estimated at \$10,000. Telephone and telegraph communication was also impaired by the heavy winds. Although the miniature twisters hit several sections to the north and east no reports of anyone being injured have been received. Several persons reported narrow escapes from being struck by flying timbers and one party in an automobile that ran into the storm reported that their car was picked up and entirely turned around by the wind.

MUSIC CONTEST WINNERS TO BROADCAST PROGRAM

Brookings, S. D., April 27 (Special)—One of the features planned for the high school district music contest which will be held at South Dakota State college, April 28 and 29, will be the broadcasting of the winning numbers from the college station KFDY on the evening of April 29.

BACK FROM CONFERENCE ON TAX QUESTIONS

Ponca, Neb., April 27 (Special)—George Kohlmeier, county clerk of Dixon county, has returned from Lincoln where he was one of the 65 county clerks representing the different counties of Nebraska, together with about that many county treasurers, supervisors and assessors, who assembled at a special meeting, called by T. A. Williams, state tax commissioner, to discuss the intangible tax law, which was approved March 30, with an emergency clause.

WARRANTS NOT GOOD AS CASH

State Treasurer Refuses to Accept Them in Tax Payments

Lincoln, Neb., April 27 (Special)—State Treasurer Robinson has announced that registered state warrants will not be accepted by him as cash from county treasurers making settlements of taxes yet to be collected for the current year. Some of them have asked him about the matter.

The treasurer says that as these are drawn against the levy to be made for next year they are not cash with him. The warrants in question are those to be issued by the state to the various counties in payment of board and care of prisoners sentenced to the penitentiary, but not received there because of lack of room.

This puts the treasurer in the attitude of refusing to accept his own paper, but he says that it will not affect the value of them, as banks generally are willing to take the state warrants that are drawn against appropriations that do not become available until next July 1, at a discount of 1 per cent. They carry a 4 per cent. interest besides.

GAMESTERS ARE TAKEN IN RAID

Alleged Gambling House At Royal, Neb., Visited By Officers

Royal, Neb., April 27.—A raid by citizens of Royal and Brunswick on an alleged gambling house in Royal resulted in the arrest of 12 men who were brought to this city and later in the day allowed to return to their homes on their own recognizance.

The complaint was filed by County Attorney R. M. Kryger, which charged the defendants with gambling with cards, dice, checks and money. To this complaint they pleaded guilty. Those rounded up were: Louis Hansen, Roy Weaver, A. F. Hoschelt and Andrew Long, of Brunswick; Charles Billings, of Orchard; Jess Hamilton, Carl Forsberg, William Cain, William Leisure, Glen Davis, Lew Soper and Jack Alexander, of Royal. Upon their appearance before the court they were fined \$100 and costs.

EWES BRING FORTH MANY LAMBS THIS SPRING

Windsor, Neb., April 27 (Special)—One of the most interesting sights this time of the year is the flock of ewes and lambs at Sunny Brook Stock farm. Harry Tidrick, proprietor, has 200 ewes and almost as many lambs, there being several pairs of twins and also triplets among the lambs. He also has some January lambs that have made an excellent growth and are about ready for market. This is the largest sheep herd in Wayne county and the owner considers a profitable adjunct to the farm.

LIGHTNING CAUSES FIRE LOSS NEAR LAUREL

Laurel, Neb., April 27.—Lightning struck the barn on the H. H. Severs farm northeast of Laurel, setting the structure on fire. So quickly did the blaze spread that the stock could not be gotten out, three head of horses and four head of cattle burning up.

Mrs. Hans Voss, a near neighbor, saw the lightning strike. The barn was partially insured, but there was no insurance on the stock.

Creditors Name Trustee For Denison Bank Affairs

Denison, Ia., April 27 (Special)—The creditors of the Bank of Denison, of which C. F. Kuehnle and G. L. Voss are owners, met at the court house at Denison Tuesday. The bank owners were questioned by attorneys about the bank affairs and Jacob Johnson, of Denison, was selected as trustee of the affairs of the bank.

RED CROSS TREASURER FACES EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

Burke, S. D., April 27.—Three important criminal actions, in one of which a former banker is the defendant, are to be disposed of during a term of circuit court for Gregory county, which has convened here. The former banker is C. H. McNulty, formerly president of the Herrick State bank, who is charged with making false reports to the banking department.

WILL BEAUTIFY THE COURT HOUSE GROUNDS

Worthington, Minn., April 27 (Special)—The Nobles county board of commissioners, through its court house committee, consisting of Commissioners C. F. Martin and Frank Baker, has undertaken to beautify and improve the court house square, and the work of removing various scrubby and unsightly trees and shrubs was authorized and commenced this week. Ornamental arrangements and landscaping will be undertaken.

No Easing of Tariff Restrictions To Aid Adjustment of World Debts

Senator Butler, who has an affectionate interest in the cotton schedule and a general old-fashioned mystic reverence for protection as a sacred and omnipotent economic deity, stirred a mild surprise the other day by a speech warning bankers and wicked foreigners, who want to trade with the United States and are expected to pay their debts to it. To the pre-Adamite protectionists there are no new situations. There must never be any "lowering of the tariff bars." Make 'em higher, if you can. The Massachusetts textile industries, not having been brought to health by the last application of the infallible nostrum, whimper faintly from time to time for a stronger dose.

Presumably, Mr. Butler was trying to console the inconsolable; nor did his remarks have other than local importance except in so far as political legend makes him an emanation of President Coolidge. In a sense, Mr. Butler may be thought to have been "jolly" some of his Bay State campaign contributors. The importers, however, are uneasy. Not only are the so mythically influential Mr. Butler and his associate philanthropists bound to jack up the rates, but Representative Hawlet of Oregon, second high man on the Ways and Means committee, meditates administrative changes of the tariff and a roundabout way of raising rates. These volunteer activities are amusing. They show the true protectionist spirit undiminished.

Unfortunately, they receive no encouragement from Mr. Coolidge. Our familiar friend, "a White House spokesman," speaks decisively. "President Coolidge has no intention of revising the tariff." It needs no "spokesman" to tell us that. The composition of the Senate, the position of Senator Borah, the large distrust which the western farmers have of the benefits conferred upon them by the master-work of Mr. Fordney and Mr. McCumber, their still recent sharp perception that while it puts up prices of what they buy it is powerless to increase the prices of what they sell, raised by causes entirely independent of it; the economic heresies of the northwest, the special wrath of the La Follette bloc—all these considerations are enough to make Mr. Coolidge refuse to touch the tariff with a ten-foot pole.

Instead, he probably has apprehensions that the progressives and some lower-tariff republicans will make trouble in congress next winter. Perhaps this unscaring little "scare" has its uses. It is new evidence, if any is needed, that Senator Butler is not an unflinching fount of wisdom, not a double personality. It is about time to consider "Butler in himself."

Flapper Fanny Says



Many a girl whose face is her fortune cashes in on her cheek.

Pungent Paragraphs

The straight and narrow path is plenty wide for its traffic.—Wichita Times. When a New York restaurant is "padlocked" it receives an amount of publicity calculated to stimulate a demand for a key.—Washington Star. Boston has decided to widen one of her principal thoroughfares, but if the reports of travelers count for anything there are many others that need straightening.—Quincy Whig Journal. It is said that Lloyds will insure anything, absolutely anything, even strictly fireproof hotels at summer and winter resorts.—Columbus Ohio State Journal. There's something to be said for the fellow who writes the "popular" songs—but it oughtn't to be reprinted in a family newspaper.—Fort Wayne News Sentinel. Yesterday's athletic satellites make tomorrow's vaudeville and movie stars.—Boston Traveler. Dante heard the wailing of the damned, but the saxophone itself was invented later.—Lexington Leader. A cynic might call this an age of cliff dwellers who behave like cave men.—Boston Traveler. It is said that a man can fall from a great height without losing consciousness, but it's a cinch that everything else will prove a total loss.—Norfolk Ledger Dispatch. Interior decoration is to be taught at Vassar College, but there will be no need to teach the girls exterior decoration.—Pittsburg Chronicle and Telegraph. When a man marries his stenographer, she usually stops taking dictation.—Meridian Star. The speed of your car depends on whether you are bragging to a friend. The Maid's Idea of It. From the Tatler, London. One theory of compensation is that a person should be paid for his work according to its difficulty and not according to the skill with which he performs it. A woman was a convinced adherent to that theory. A lady was about to engage a maid. "It seems to me," she said, "that you ask very high wages, seeing that you've had no experience." "Oh, no, mum," answered the girl earnestly; "you see, it's much harder work when you don't know how." Canute the Dane, a king of the Mid-Atlantic Ages, rarely appeared in public without a train of 3,000 horsemen, well mounted and completely armed. or explaining to a judge.—Greenville Piedmont. Once the number of rooms governed the price of a house. Now it's the number of baths.—Flat Daily Journal. Just as soon as a man has his income tax off his mind his wife has a few remarks to offer on the subject of Easter hats.—Des Moines Register. Even the United States meets with rebuffs and disappointments in its own courts.—Bay City Times Tribune. Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage, but how the job in springtime makes the helpless prisoner rage.—Louisville Times. It's easy to start a spring garden, but mighty hard to acquire the habit.—Durham Sun. The play jury has "acquitted" two New York productions. Now watch the boxoffice receipts fall off.—San Antonio News. Fairest Flowers. Who loves a garden, loves a greenhouse, too.—Cowper. The fairest flowers of the season are our carnations.—Shakespeare. Carnations, purple, azure, or speck'd with gold.—Milton. The rose looks fair, but fairer we it deem For that sweet odor which doth in it live.—Shakespeare. Resplendent rose! to thee we'll sing; Whose breath perfumes th' Olympian bowers.—Moore. The violet's charms I prize indeed, So modest 'tis and fair, And scents so sweet.—Goethe. Is the purple seaweed rarer Than the violet of the spring?—Anna Wells. The tulip is a stately queen.—Hood. The tulip's petals shine in dew, All beautiful, but none alike.—Montgomery. I send thee pansies while the year is young, Yellow as sunshine, purple as the night; Flower of remembrance.—Sarah Dowdney. The beautiful pansies rise In purple, gold and blue, With tints of rainbow hue Mocking the sunset skies.—Thomas J. Ousley. The pansy freaked with jet.—Milton. That sanguine flower inscribed with woe.—Milton. The hyacinth's for constancy 'twixt its unchanging blue.—Burns. And the hyacinth, purple and white, and blue, Which flung from its bells a sweet peal anew, Of music so delicate, soft and intense, It was felt like an odor within the sense.—Shelley. Had I two loaves of bread, ay, ay, One would I sell and hyacinths buy To feel my soul.—Saadi. The lily of the vale Its balmy essence breathes.—Thompson. The Nalad-like lily of the vale, Whom youth makes so fair, and passion so pale.—Shelley. The lilies say: Behold how we Preach without words of purity.—Christina G. Rossetti. And lilies white prepared to touch The whitest thought nor soil it much.—E. B. Browning. The lily spreads odorous essence.—Jean Ingelow. No Doom Today. From The Argus (Seattle). It was raining in Los Angeles on the morning of the eclipse, and one enterprising youngster was yelling his wares: "Polper! All about the end of the world being postponed on account of rain!" West Point's coat of arms has been changed. For more than 30 years the coat of arms consisted of a perpendicularly striped shield bearing on its face a helmet of Mars through which a sword ran diagonally downward from the right or " sinister" side. Surmounting all was an American eagle, facing the sinister side of the shield. Both eagle and sword have been reversed.