

SYNOPSIS OF NEW STATE LAWS

DIGEST OF WORK DONE BY THIRTY-FOURTH NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE

OVER A THOUSAND INTRODUCED

Nearly Three Hundred New Bills Were Enacted During the Session, are Now Laws, and will be Incorporated in Statutes of Nebraska.

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Following is a synopsis of the measures passed by the thirty-fourth Nebraska legislature at its session just finished, and which will be placed as laws upon the statute books. In the house there were introduced 766 bills, and in the senate 295. Of them only but a trifling number succeeded in reaching the governor's hands and receiving official sanction.

SENATE FILES.

S. F. 1.—Provides for a public warehouse system for handling grain.

S. F. 2.—Provides for the consolidation of Omaha, South Omaha, Florence, Dundee and Benson, on vote of majority of those living in territory affected. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 3.—Legalizes warrants issued in Polk county. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 9.—Provides for the sterilization in certain cases of defectives in state institutions.

S. F. 12.—Provides for pensions for mothers of dependent children.

S. F. 18.—Authorizes the levy of a 2 mill tax in Douglas county for the support of the poor.

S. F. 21.—Revises provision for paving in cities of second class, so that material may be indicated in petition. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 22.—Permits organization of school districts by county unit, in counties less than 7,000 inhabitants.

S. F. 24.—Provides pensions for firemen in cities having less than 25,000 inhabitants.

S. F. 25.—Provides compensation for injuries received by volunteer firemen in incorporated villages.

S. F. 26.—Provides that railroads shall furnish shipments of live stock with transportation for shipments of one or more cars.

S. F. 29.—Authorizes county agricultural societies to acquire title to land.

S. F. 31.—Provides for a state parole officer.

S. F. 35.—Legalizes the profession of "chiropractic" in Nebraska.

S. F. 36.—Provides for working prisoners in city and village jails on streets.

S. F. 37.—Provides that an order for service by publication on non-resident defendants may be made by judge of district court in vacation.

S. F. 38.—Offenders may be bound over after their preliminary examination to the next jury term of the district court. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 40.—State treasurer authorized to receive moneys granted under educational acts by national congress. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 42.—Providing a two-year course in the state normal for training of rural teachers.

S. F. 45.—Makes shooting on public highways unlawful. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 48.—Limits municipal tax levies to 25 mills exclusive of special assessments and levies for payment of bond issues.

S. F. 49.—Provides that village trustees must be bona fide residents and lose office when they move out of village.

S. F. 50.—County judges fee bill.

S. F. 51.—Extends power to sell land for delinquent taxes to include special assessments of all kinds.

S. F. 52.—Provides for rotation of names on ballot where there is more than one candidate for office on the same ticket. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 53.—Extends burglary statute to cover entering of places of business by day station. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 54.—A joint memorial to congress on the subject of irrigation.

S. F. 55.—Extends the charter of charitable societies.

S. F. 57.—Provides for service by publication in cases where defendant's name is not known.

S. F. 59.—Authorizes guardians to mortgage trust estates, under direction of county court.

S. F. 61.—Prohibits the sale of opium, morphine, cocaine and other "dope" under stringent penalties. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 65.—Regulates the maintenance and operation of electric transmission lines. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 67.—Provides manner in which water supply may be purchased for irrigation districts. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 68.—Provides regulation for the use of ditches in irrigation districts.

S. F. 69.—Regulates the matter of bond issues by irrigation districts.

S. F. 74.—Makes unlawful overdrawing on banks without arrangement for credit. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 77.—Provides salaries of members of fire and police departments in Omaha.

S. F. 78.—Authorizes levy of special tax for fire fighting equipment in cities having over 5,000 population.

S. F. 80.—Repeals law requiring testing of grain by vertical section.

S. F. 83.—Repeals requirement for statement by legislative candidates as to choice for U. S. senator.

S. F. 85.—Raises the requirements for the examination and registration of nurses. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 94.—Provides for a city planning commission for Omaha.

S. F. 101.—Extends embezzlement statute to cover cases in which defendant has part ownership in property embezzled.

S. F. 102.—Repeals former statute to cover letters and other writings.

S. F. 105.—Provides instances in which supreme court judges are disqualified to act in cases pending before them.

S. F. 106.—Provides how vacancies on irrigation boards may be filled.

S. F. 107.—Provides for vocational training in public schools.

S. F. 109.—Makes county superintendent a non-partisan office.

S. F. 119.—Provides for listing and return to assessor of all goods in storage.

S. F. 120.—Authorizes county boards to compromise and pay dormant judgments and claims.

S. F. 124.—Regulates business colleges and prescribes form of tuition taxes taken by them.

S. F. 125.—Provides for issue of 5,000 copies of session laws 1915 session.

S. F. 126.—Provides that no candidate at a primary who is defeated may afterward be a candidate by petition.

S. F. 131.—Defines a legal newspaper to have circulation of 200 copies weekly and to have been published at least 52 weeks.

S. F. 133.—Board of education in Omaha to be elected at large instead of by wards.

S. F. 134.—Board of education in Omaha to be nominated by petition.

S. F. 135.—In Omaha the board of education is authorized to permit use of school buildings for neighborhood meetings.

S. F. 136.—School tax in Omaha shall not exceed 25 mills per annum.

S. F. 139.—Defines live stock remedies, regulates their sale, requires registration fee from manufacturer, importer or dealer, and provides a penalty of not more than \$100 for violation. Emergency clause attached.

S. F. 140.—Authorizes the giving of a cash bond for security for costs in cases where required of a non-resident.

H. R. 58.—Provides that sale, contract, agreement or assignment of wages of head of family in void unless executed and acknowledged by husband and wife.

H. R. 60.—Appropriation for payment of incidental expenses of thirty-fourth session legislature of Nebraska. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 61.—Appropriation for payment of members of the legislature, thirty-fourth session legislature of Nebraska. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 64.—Provides for pension of \$40 per month for widows of retired police officers, so long as they shall remain such widows.

H. R. 65.—Provides that county boards may levy upon taxable property of county for construction of a court house or jail upon petition of 55 per cent of legal voters of a county. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 67.—Omaha city judges may appoint constables.

H. R. 68.—Property subject to inheritance tax.

H. R. 70.—Provides penalty for wrongful possession or use of any badge or card of any society or lodge.

H. R. 74.—Bonds for continuance in actions of forcible entry and detainer.

H. R. 77.—Relates to endorsement, by prosecutor, of names of witnesses on informations after same are filed.

H. R. 78.—Relates to peremptory challenges; reduces number of such challenges to 20 in each case, and increases number of such challenges upon part of the state in similar cases.

H. R. 79.—Relates to continuances in justice courts; provides for seven days, after return of jury, instead of thirty days, in first instance.

H. R. 81.—Provides for non-election of constables, and in cities of the metropolitan class reduces number of justices of the peace from 12 to 10.

H. R. 82.—Defines territorial jurisdiction of justice of the peace; restricted to district from which elected.

H. R. 83.—Defines each county in state as a separate justice of the peace district; Omaha separate district.

H. R. 90.—Repeals the provision that, under direction of court, report in embezzlement by mortgage, judgment or otherwise in partition sales of realty.

H. R. 91.—Appropriation for Elizabeth D. Burpee, who was stabbed and killed at state penitentiary.

H. R. 92.—Relates to vesting and transfer of real and personal property belonging to religious societies; district court having jurisdiction to decree transfer, upon showing of justice, through trustee appointed by court.

H. R. 94.—Relates to personal injuries from defective streets in villages and cities of second class; costs cannot be recovered against such village or city unless due notice is given. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 104.—Provides for aid to county fairs, same to be first applied to payment of premiums.

H. R. 105.—Provides for trimming of hedge fences, undergrowth, etc., and the burning and removal of same. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 107.—Provides that at least seven months of school be taught in districts having from 20 to 25 pupils.

H. R. 114.—Reduces legal carrying capacity of bridges built anew or repaired by county board on other than main traveled roads between the cities and towns from twenty tons to 15 tons.

H. R. 119.—County boards in each county instead of justices of the peace, made overseers of the poor, except in towns or cities as may be otherwise provided by law.

H. R. 122.—Provides that where two or more defendants are on trial at same time the county attorney shall be allowed peremptory challenges for each of such defendants.

H. R. 126.—Provides that when land is taken for railroad right-of-way, not more than 40 acres may be taken for "all other purposes"; original provision was 20 acres.

H. R. 137.—Provides for public welfare board in cities of the metropolitan class.

H. R. 138.—In counties under commissioner system the county road fund is placed under control of the county board, same to be expended by the overseer of the road district fund, under the direction of the commissioner of his district. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 139.—Relates to road overseers and subjects them to removal from office by county board upon failure to perform duty with emergency.

H. R. 140.—Relates to drainage districts and provides for complete record for receipts and disbursements; penalty for failure.

H. R. 142.—Appropriation for sewerage system for hospital for insane at Ingleside. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 144.—Regulates private employment agencies and places same under license prescribed by commissioner of labor.

H. R. 145.—Relates to building and loan associations and fixes amount they may loan to members; permits investment of idle funds in U. S. state, county, township or school district securities.

H. R. 146.—Provides for establishment of an accredited high grade county high school in any county in the state where none such now exist and defines qualifications of those who may vote bonds for such purpose. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 148.—Provides for perpetuation of corners of land surveys, by county surveyors, by road overseers, when same are likely to be lost or destroyed; fixes fees therefor and provides penalty for failure to notify such surveyor. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 149.—Provides, for survey of sections into legal subdivisions; county surveyor to restore lost or obliterated corners and rules for such survey. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 151.—Provides for cumulative voting and voting by proxy by stockholders of any company incorporated under the laws of Nebraska.

H. R. 152.—Amends statute against assisting prisoners in break jail or place of confinement to include the assistance of any prisoner accused or convicted of crime against the laws of the United States or any state or territory thereof.

H. R. 153.—Relates to animals afflicted with contagious or infectious diseases, provides for their inspection and appraisal, for indemnification if killed, and provides penalty.

H. R. 159.—Appropriates \$150,000 for hospital at the state medical college in Omaha.

H. R. 162.—Establishes a supreme court commission.

H. R. 163.—Provides that physicians and surgeons may take liens for professional services; written notice thereof to be served upon person from whom lien is claimed.

H. R. 164.—An act to fix the date for the use of money, to regulate the lending of money. Loan shark bill.

H. R. 166.—Appropriation for state university.

H. R. 167.—Provides penalty for receiving stolen property of less value than \$35.

H. R. 169.—Relates to hours of labor by women; hours not limited except in cities above the 5,000 class.

H. R. 170.—Appropriates \$2,000 as nucleus fund for relief of blind in state.

H. R. 171.—Fixes first Monday in June of each year for annual school meeting. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 172.—Exempts firemen who have been members in good standing for five or more consecutive years in fire or hook and ladder company from jury service.

H. R. 173.—Authorizes issuing of exemption certificates to those who have been in good standing in any fire or hook and ladder company for a period of five years.

H. R. 174.—Creates a municipal court in cities of metropolitan class; jurisdiction co-extensive with district court in sums not exceeding \$1,000; no change of venue from this court. Salary \$2,500 per annum; clerk \$1,200.

H. R. 175.—State university appropriation of \$3 per cent of the 1/2 mill levy. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 204.—Relates to salaries paid pure food department inspectors.

H. R. 205.—Provides for three deputy inspectors of weights and measures at \$4.50 per day.

H. R. 208.—Makes county attorney ex officio county coroner, without additional salary, on first Thursday after the first Tuesday of January, 1917.

H. R. 210.—Relates to disposition of property found upon or near body upon which inquest is held.

H. R. 211.—Relates to readvertising and sale of real estate by sheriff.

H. R. 217.—Regulates stringing electric wires over railroad tracks.

H. R. 222.—Provides for adoption of Torrens system of registration of land titles, in counties, upon petition of 10 per cent of freeholders of a county.

H. R. 233.—Provides for additional pay to members of county boards when engaged in overseeing road work.

H. R. 240.—Provides that county boards may acquire lands for agricultural purposes from state.

H. R. 242.—Appropriation for Cassie Dyer, deaf and dumb child, for loss of arm in laundry machine in charge of state.

H. R. 244.—Relates to apportioning costs of division fences, including hog and sheep fences, and defining same—a legal fence.

H. R. 245.—Relates to initiative and referendum in municipalities.

H. R. 246.—Appropriates money for normal school from state.

H. R. 248.—Provides penalty for sale, by butcher, of any unwholesome flesh of any diseased animal, or sale of any diseased animal which is living; includes offering for sale.

H. R. 253.—South Omaha charter amendments.

H. R. 259.—Defines boundaries of school lands in Grant county, per Dixon and Alt survey. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 260.—Repeals provision that state auditor, himself and state treasurer, with officers, fuel, trustees and supplies.

H. R. 261.—Relates to registration of motor vehicles with secretary of state, fixes fees therefor as occupation tax and provides for change in color of tags each year.

H. R. 262.—Empowers state board of irrigation to advise with and assist county boards in plans for construction, repairing and supervision of highways and bridges. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 263.—Relates to salaries of mayor, councilmen and excise men of cities. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 264.—To appropriate money for additional breeding ponds at the state fish hatchery.

H. R. 269.—Provides that all state officers required to make biennial reports shall, on or before the first day of the meeting of each legislature, have ready for distribution, in copies by auditor and 500 copies each by treasurer, a statement of state, commissioner of public lands and buildings, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, state librarian.

H. R. 272.—Relates to veterinarians and regulates their practice.

H. R. 274.—Provides for partial closing of parks in cities, towns and villages controlled by city boards, and regulates charge for admission thereto; cannot be closed to public for more than five days at any one time, and not more than ten days in any one year.

H. R. 276.—Authorizes irrigation or drainage districts to contract with United States whereby bonds of districts may be guaranteed or credit secured for general irrigation, and for the purpose of assessment purposes. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 277.—Amends election law, ballot to be not over three columns wide and marks to be made on left side of candidates name.

H. R. 284.—Repeals sections 2484 and 2485, Revised Statutes 1913, relating to removal of division fences.

H. R. 289.—Paving and oiling streets in cities of second class and villages.

H. R. 291.—Relates to appointment by district court of persons to act as probation officers, one of whom shall be a woman.

H. R. 292.—Relates to mortgages and transfers made by and held as security for loans, and provides that same shall not be assessed as part of capital stock of a bank, nor deducted from the net assets of a bank, for assessment purposes. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 293.—Provides for auditing accounts of board of directors and general manager of metropolitan water districts by state auditor.

H. R. 295.—Relates to irrigation districts; generally regulates and also defines duties of officers thereof.

H. R. 299.—Relates to assessments and bonds for paving and general street work in paving districts—by mayor and council. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 301.—Relates to drainage of city lots and lots to be kept free from weeds by owner or occupant.

H. R. 304.—Requires express companies to have public carriers entrusted to their care and provides penalty.

H. R. 313.—Provides for sale of real estate belonging to religious societies.

H. R. 316.—Authorizes county boards to establish public roads and to not more than five hundred feet from railroad by resolution and without petition.

H. R. 321.—An act providing for payment of money by city or township to school districts.

H. R. 330.—Provides for formation of water power districts.

H. R. 331.—Relates to compensation of water commissioners and fixes maximum.

H. R. 338.—Authorizes cities of first class having a population of more than 10,000 and less than one hundred thousand to require owner or owners of lots within city to keep same, with alleys and streets abutting, free from weeds, provides for such removal upon petition of city or township, and for special assessment touching same.

H. R. 339.—Authorizes city of first class to make special assessments for fire hydrants and to make special assessments therefor.

H. R. 341.—Attachment not to issue against non-resident foreign corporation unless cause of action arises on contract judgment or decree.

H. R. 343.—Repeals act establishing junior high schools in cities of county officials.

H. R. 347.—Relates to fees and salaries of county officials.

H. R. 349.—Provides that state treasurer may invest not exceed 50 per cent of current funds in his hands in warrants of this state or any county thereof, when he deems same proper. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 360.—Appropriation for purchase of additional land for Norfolk asylum for insane.

H. R. 362.—Provides for fire escapes and other safety appliances on all public buildings, including school houses, when two thousand or more persons are accommodated.

H. R. 377.—Provides for filing liens for wells or cisterns.

H. R. 382.—Provides for condemnation of property for cemetery purposes by municipalities.

H. R. 391.—Relates to destruction of weeds on railroad right-of-way and compensation therefor.

H. R. 392.—Appropriation for normal schools; money accumulated from endowment funds.

H. R. 393.—Provides for bond by defendant in attachment cases.

H. R. 397.—Provides for showing in court where remittitur has been ordered.

H. R. 398.—Authorizes governor to appoint a commission of three to act as a commission from state of Iowa to ascertain correct boundaries between Douglas and Portawaukee counties.

H. R. 403.—Relates to rules and regulations governing fire and police companies in metropolitan cities.

H. R. 404.—Compels railroads to equip cabooses of stock trains within one-half mile of Stock Exchange building at South Omaha.

H. R. 405.—Relates to apportionment of state school funds; one-fourth to be equally divided between all districts in state entitled to school funds, the remainder to be apportioned to state superintendents, latter based upon population of districts.

H. R. 408.—State auditor make settlements with counties for amount due in support and maintenance of insane patients.

H. R. 410.—Provides that county attorney may proceed to collect forfeited recognizances by order of court to act as a commission from state of Iowa to ascertain correct boundaries between Douglas and Portawaukee counties.

H. R. 413.—Reorganizes judicial districts of state in part.

H. R. 418.—Authorizes county board in counties containing cities of first class to

grade, pave and issue bonds and warrants therefor.

H. R. 419.—Relates to macadamizing, curbing and otherwise improving streets in cities.

H. R. 420.—Confers additional and supplemental power upon council of cities of first class having over forty thousand and less than one hundred thousand touching classification of certain streets, their paving and macadamizing, the formation of districts therefor and the levying of special assessments upon realty therein.

H. R. 426.—Authorizes state banks and trust companies to subscribe to stock of, submit to examinations by, and become members of federal reserve banking system.

H. R. 429.—An act to require justices of the peace to pay all fees in excess of a certain sum into the county treasurer.

H. R. 430.—An act to define and prevent corrupt practices at elections.

H. R. 439.—Relates to crediting county treasury with uncollectable taxes in scavenger tax sale.

H. R. 443.—Appropriation for new building at Norfolk state hospital for insane.

H. R. 450.—Relates to power of cities of first class to sell certain real estate belonging to city.

H. R. 451.—Relates to general powers of cities, towns and villages to pave and curbs streets thereof. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 456.—An act for the regulation of municipalities.

H. R. 462.—Raises limit of general tax levy in cities and villages to fifteen mills and for grading and street work to eight and one-half mills.

H. R. 463.—Empowers county boards in counties under township organization to create new townships out of cities of second class and to change township boundaries to conform thereto. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 467.—Provides penalty for destroying bridges or landmarks by 8 cents per foot.

H. R. 478.—Provides for publication in newspaper of personal tax roll in each county, in discretion of county board.

H. R. 487.—Regulates construction of boulevards in cities of metropolitan class.

H. R. 490.—Regulates cost of publication of tax list in newspaper.

H. R. 492.—Appropriation for purchase of additional lands for deaf and dumb institution. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 497.—Permits inmates of hospitals for insane to write letters with limited restrictions.

H. R. 499.—Relates to application for admission and expense at hospitals for insane.

H. R. 500.—Changes name of Hastings insane hospital to "Ingleside Hospital for Insane."

H. R. 501.—Changes name of school for deaf and dumb to "Nebraska School for the Deaf," and the name of the institution for the blind to "Nebraska School for the Blind."

H. R. 503.—Relates to employment of prisoners and manner of crediting their wages.

H. R. 504.—Relates to application and admission of children to orphanage home for the feeble minded.

H. R. 505.—Regulates admission of children to Nebraska orthopedic hospital.

H. R. 508.—Changes name of home for feeble minded to "Home for Dependent Children," and regulates admission thereto.

H. R. 510.—Authorizes granting of additional diminution of time to prisoners for good behavior, diligence and fidelity to trust.

H. R. 514.—Provides that counties pay costs of transporting prisoners to penitentiary and return of fugitives from justice.

H. R. 518.—Relates to agricultural societies in counties having less than 8 cents per inhabitant the sum which county boards may grant in aid thereof.

H. R. 523.—Provides that assessors gather statistics touching all persons in all naval or army service of the United States in town of.

H. R. 526.—Provides penalty for injury or interference with telephone, telegraph or electric light, gas and fixtures.

H. R. 530.—Provides for creating incorporated water power districts.

H. R. 543.—An act relating to commissioner of state lands, having over 125,000 acres.

H. R. 549.—Provides that county clerks be public accountants in counties having population of 150,000 or more. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 560.—Relates to interference with or injury to irrigation or water power canals and to stealing water therefrom, including persons in control thereof.

H. R. 567.—Provides for inspection of pedigrees of stallions and jacks. Consolidation bill.

H. R. 574.—Appropriation for purchase of additional land for hospital for tuberculosis.

H. R. 574.—Appropriation for reimbursement of C. F. Buchholz for four diseased horses killed by order of state official.

H. R. 588.—Littigants have benefit of objection to rulings of orders and judgments of court without formal notation of such objections on the record at time made.

H. R. 610.—District court may order county attorney to investigate and report where offense appears to have been committed by various persons, and to prosecute without such investigation.

H. R. 611.—Relates to pleadings in courts.

H. R. 612.—It is unnecessary to object a second time to evidence once admitted by the court.

H. R. 613.—An act to provide that county judge may be appointed for full term of said office.

H. R. 639.—Appropriation for relief of H. A. Talbot, whose husband killed in auto accident caused by ward of the state.

H. R. 640.—Appropriation for purchase of land for home for dependent children. Passed with emergency.

H. R. 641.—Appropriation for new hospital building for Nebraska orthopedic hospital.

H. R. 651.—Provides a budget system for the state, governor to prepare budget report.

H. R. 652.—Provides for state efficiency survey commission.

H. R. 660.—Appropriation for payment of current expenses, probable and existing deficiencies and for support and maintenance of various state institutions.

H. R. 661.—Appropriation for state penitentiary.

H. R. 662.—Appropriation for buildings at the Nebraska institution for feeble minded.

H. R. 663.—Appropriation for buildings and improvements at Nebraska hospital for insane at Lincoln.

H. R. 664.—Appropriation for building home for dependent children at Lincoln.

H. R. 665.—Appropriation for buildings and equipment at hospital for tuberculosis.

H. R. 666.—Appropriates \$10,000 for laundry at Milford soldiers' home.

H. R. 667.—Appropriates \$8,000 for buildings at the soldiers' home at Burkett.

H. R. 668.—Appropriation for sewerage system at girls' industrial school at Geneva.

H. R. 669.—Appropriation for improvements and building at Nebraska school for deaf at Omaha.

H. R. 670.—Appropriation for dairy barn and silo at Nebraska industrial home at Milford.

H. R. 673.—Provides that school board shall not pay teacher after notice that such teacher was under previous contract to teach in some other district.

H. R. 686.—The board of all courts in the state may appoint a person or persons to perform the duties of probation officer.

H. R. 697.—Provides for re-registration of voters in cities of 7,000 to 25,000 inhabitants.

H. R. 705.—Provides that county clerk shall perform duties of sheriff when latter is disqualified.

H. R. 727.—Provides for cancellation of tax certificates after five years if foreclosures are not commenced.

H. R. 742.—Relative to adjustment of boundaries of school districts.

H. R. 749.—Appropriation for use of state railway commission to be used for investigation of railroad rates.

H. R. 750.—Appropriation for salaries of state officers.

H. R. 751.—Appropriation for maintenance of state institutions.

H. R. 752.—Appropriation for miscellaneous deficiencies.

H. R. 753.—Appropriation for claims against state.

H. R. 755.—Relates to woman's industrial home and provides care and cure of penitent women at Milford.

H. R. 756.—Relates to boards of education and provides for their nomination in cities having population of more than forty thousand and less than one hundred thousand, at primary election at which members of city commission are chosen; no filing fee required.

H. R. 757.—Provides that all physicians use preparation of nitrate of silver upon eyes of newly born babies.

H. R. 760.—Relates to the construction of highways and improvement of the same in counties of 20,000 or more.

H. R. 761.—Provides for paving near city of Lincoln near state farm.

H. R. 763.—Relates to quarantine by state veterinarian and by live stock sanitary board.

H. R. 764.—Appropriation of money to prevent spread of foot and mouth disease in live stock.

H. R. 765.—Provides that commandants of soldiers and sailors home at Grand Island arrange for persons qualified to enter such home, but living outside the grounds thereof.

H. R. 766.—Provides jail sentence for divorced husband failing to pay alimony.

FOR THE BUSY MAN

NEWS EPITOME THAT CAN SOON BE COMPASSED.

MANY EVENTS ARE MENTIONED

Home and Foreign Intelligence Condensed Into Two and Four Line Paragraphs.

WAR NEWS.

A general land campaign against the Turks by British and French troops is about to be undertaken, according to reports from London.

It is reported from Rome that Italy and Austria have failed to come to an agreement regarding territorial concessions to Italy for her continued neutrality.

The British expeditionary forces in France will amount to 750,000 men, according to a statement made by David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer.

Information comes from Austria by way of Rome that Austria-Hungary is concentrating troops on the Italian frontier in view of a possible invasion by Italian forces.

Germany is sending troops into Hungary, and strong support of this kind is likely to have an encouraging effect on the Austrians, whose resistance has been described as most determined.

In the first naval battle of the war between Turkish and British warcraft, 100 of the crew of the British transport Manito were drowned and a Turkish torpedo boat destroyed off Chios island, near the Gulf of Smyrna.

Seven million Poles, including 2,000,000 Jews, are at the point of starvation, according to Hermann Landau, a Jewish philanthropist, who arrived in London recently. Many are eating potato peelings left by the German army.

According to lists published in London nearly 200 German writers are doing yeomen service for their country, engaged directly in the fighting, doing work with the hospital and other adjunct corps, or pursuing their calling behind the front as newspaper men.

Tout Paris, a social register of the French capital, just issued, contains the names of 1,500 Parisians killed on the battlefield up to February 25, 1915. Included in this number are the names of twenty generals, 367 other officers, fourteen priests and 193 titled members of the aristocracy.

GENERAL.

Two Wisconsin inventors have patented a kerosene lamp that is automatically extinguished if upset or even lifted from a support.

For the first time in its history Rapid City, South Dakota, voted "dry" in the recent municipal election, with a majority of 43 against licenses.

Patriots' day, which commemorates the battle of Lexington fought in the revolutionary war 140 years ago, was observed in the Massachusetts building at Panama-Pacific exposition.

Seventy-five men, many accompanied by families, have located on the government townsite reserve at Ship Creek, the Cook inlet terminus of the Alaska government railroad.

Twelve persons were killed and twenty were hurt at Birmingham, Ind., when a five-story wall of the old Steel Smith building crashed down on a shoe store and a tea company's store.

"Labor organizations when properly conducted are in my opinion of fundamental advantage, not only to workmen, but to employers," was the statement at San Francisco of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific railroad.

Four hundred and ninety-six ships passed through the Panama canal between August 15, 1914, and February 14, 1915, according to National Chamber of Commerce figures issued. Tolls were \$2,126,832.

The first step toward the arbitration of the building trade strike and lockout which has thrown 125,000 wage earners of Chicago out of employment was taken. Under a plan announced by the state board of arbitration the difficulties between the workers and employers will be submitted to a board of three arbitrators.

Martha Schutz, the 15-year-old daughter of a well-to-do farmer of Connelville, Pa., was attacked by two masked women in the outskirts of Connelville. One of the women held Miss Schutz while the other pressed on each cheek the uncorked neck of a bottle filled with acid.

Despite the protest of labor leaders, the New York state senate passed the bill designed to increase the hours of labor for women and minors in canning establishments from sixty-six to seventy-two hours a week.

Five jurymen were accepted in the trial which began at Los Angeles of Charles E. Sebastian, chief of police and candidate for mayor, and Mrs. Lillie Pratt, charged with contributing to the dependency of Edith Serkin, Mrs. Pratt's minor half sister and ward.

The California state assembly passed a bill already passed by the senate exempting alien school teachers from the provisions of a statute which requires public employees to be native born or naturalized citizens.

Mrs. Paul Watgner of Goforth, Tex., gave birth to four children, three girls and a boy.

Baron Herbert De Reuter, managing director of Reuter's Telegram company, committed suicide in his London home.

A bill providing for compulsory military training passed the house of the legislature of Hawaii.

Predictions of great prosperity in the United States were made at Portland, Ore., by Charles Sumner Hamlin, governor of the federal reserve banking board, who is touring the Pacific coast.

Twenty-one city officials and former officials of Terre Haute, Ind., convicted in the election conspiracy cases there are now in the United States penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kans., serving time for their crimes.

General Villa's attempt to besiege Matamoros was definitely abandoned so far as the present is concerned. Major General Frederick Funston and staff left Brownsville for San Antonio. The general expects, however, to keep in close touch with the border situation.

A jury was secured at Trinidad, Colo., for the trial of John R. Lawson, international executive committee member of the United Mine Workers of America, on a charge of murdering John Nimmo, a mine guard, during the recent coal miners' strike.

SPORTING

The bill to create a commission to regulate boxing and wrestling and allowing ten-round bouts was defeated in the Pennsylvania legislature.

The match between Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, and Joe Mandot, lightweight, set for May 3 at New Orleans, has been called off.

Dick Grotte, secretary of the Omaha baseball club, has just completed the draft of the Nebraska state league baseball schedule. The league is to open in two weeks.

It is regarded in racing circles as virtually certain that racing will be resumed in Germany this year. The first fixtures will be a series of six Sunday races at Hoppegarten, near Berlin, beginning May 16, to test public sentiment.

Eddie Ainsmith, premier catcher of the Washington American league baseball team, was sentenced to thirty days in the workhouse, with out option of a fine, in police court at Washington, after conviction of an assault upon a street car motor man.

In a spectacular finish the University of Wisconsin runners beat Michigan's team to the four-mile university trophy in the sixth annual Drake relay meet at Des Moines and hung up a new record of 18:04 2-5, against Northwestern university's record of 18:36:23 in 1912.

Leonard Zeppala, driving his own team of sixteen Siberian wolf dogs, won the 412-mile all-Alaska sweep stake dog team race at Nome, Alaska. His time for the course was 78 hours, 44 minutes and 37 seconds, 4 hours, 30 minutes and 17 seconds lower than the record established by John Johnson's Siberian wolves in 1910.

The house bill legislating ten-round no-decision boxing matches in the three first class cities of Minnesota—Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth—has passed the senate, 35 to 32, after several minor amendments were adopted. Concurrence by the house in these amendments will be necessary before the bill goes to the governor.

WASHINGTON.

A note from President Wilson to the German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff, vigorously denies partiality of the part of the United States to Great Britain.

Secretary of State Bryan issues mild rebuke to Rear Admiral Pearly, finder of the north pole, for stating that within 100 years the United States must hold all North America or cease to exist as a nation.

General George H. Harries of Omaha, who has been in command of the National Guard of the District of Columbia since 1897, and a member of the organization for 26 years, has filed his application with Secretary of War Garrison for retirement with the rank of major general.

The Atlantic fleet will be reviewed in New York harbor May 17 by President Wilson. Secretary Daniels announced the date at the conclusion of no-decision boxing matches in the conferences with Admiral Fletcher, commander in chief of the fleet.

The supreme court held that the state of Georgia had denied Leo M. Frank no right under the federal constitution in sentencing him to death for the murder of Mary Phagan, an Atlanta factory girl. The court refused to release Frank on a writ of habeas corpus.

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