

### United States Participation in New Court Urged

#### Harding Asks Senate to Approve American Membership in International Tribunal of League.

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comparing the message was not read to the senate, no copies were distributed and senators had no opportunity of learning his views, except from the newspapers. Arrangements were made, however, for printing of the papers and their distribution among senators Monday.

Senator Robinson of Arkansas, acting democratic leader, was one of those who approved the attitude of the administration, but withheld comment on the specific plan presented. "I have thought all along," Senator Robinson said, "that the United States should have representation on the international court, but I do not care to comment further until I have had an opportunity to study the plan submitted."

It was disclosed that Senator Lodge, although he also declined to comment, had been apprised of the administration's intentions and had discussed the matter several times with Secretary Hughes.

#### Leaders to Talk Later.

The leaders among the republican "irreconcilables," including Senators Borah, Idaho; La Follette, Wisconsin; Brandegee, Connecticut; and McCormick, Illinois, hinted that they might have much to say within a day or two. Some disclosed plain evidences of hostility in private conversation and declared that such an important step in American foreign relations could not be taken, in any case in the short time remaining before the end of the session.

In his letter accompanying the president's message, Secretary Hughes recalled the traditional stand taken by the United States for arbitration of international disputes, pointed out that Elihu Root advised with called attention that another distinguished American jurist, John Bassett Moore, already has accepted a place as one of the judges on the new tribunal and declared that with the reservations suggested the United States could accept membership without deviating from recognized American principles.

#### Separate From League.

"The court," Secretary Hughes wrote, "is an establishment separate from the league, having a distinct legal status. It is organized and acts in accordance with judicial standards

and its decisions are not controlled or subject to review by the league of nations."  
The process of entering the court without going into the league could be accomplished, the president and Secretary Hughes suggested, by simply becoming a party to the protocol signed by the league members in December, 1920, formally putting the court plan into effect. Whether the other signatories to the protocol would agree to adherence by the United States with the reservations proposed did not appear in the communications placed before the senate, but it was assumed that the administration had advised itself on that question before formally asking for senate approval.

#### House Refuses to Send Delegate to Price Congress

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—The lower house voted down a resolution by the agricultural committee to send Representative Oswin Kelfer to the price stabilization meeting at Minneapolis next week at state expense. Governor Bryan today announced appointment of several other delegates to the meeting. They are: H. E. Gooch, owner Lincoln Star; Charles Graff, Bancroft; Arthur G. Wray, York; Harvey E. Newbrand, editor Omaha World-Herald; former State Senator W. B. Banning, Union; Speaker A. N. Antlers, house of representatives; Representative Theodore Osterman, Central City; J. H. Broady, governor's private secretary.

#### Sarpy County Bills Are Advanced on Third Reading

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—Two Sarpy county bills by Representative Hughes were advanced to third reading by the lower house today. One enables paving of the Bellevue road. The other provides for purchase of the Platte mouth bridge, one-half the purchase price to be paid by the state, one-fourth of Sarpy county and one-fourth by Cass county. Under terms of the bill, tolls will be collected after the purchase until the amount paid by Sarpy and Cass counties is collected, when it becomes a free bridge.

#### Regulate Rail Crossings.

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—Railroads are obliged to pay entire cost of crossings for cattle up to \$700 under terms of a bill advanced to third reading today by the lower house. Any cost in excess of \$700 will be split equally between the railroad and owner of the land.

#### Kept Booze in Safe.

Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special).—W. A. Emery, once prominent lumber merchant here, was arrested on a charge of having possession of moonshine. His second-hand store was raided and the police found a quart of booze in his office safe.

### Brownell Workers to Solicit Only Carded Prospects

#### Drive for Episcopal Girls' School to Begin Tomorrow With Campaign Being Well Planned.

The intensified campaign to raise \$250,000 to erect a new Brownell Hall will be launched tomorrow morning when more than 400 men and women workers will begin their canvass of 7,000 carded prospects.

Barton Millard, chairman of the campaign committee, announced last night that only persons whose names are carded will be solicited. The city has been divided into four districts with a director in charge of each. Directors are Walter W. Head, Joel H. Wright, Jr.; Robert Trimble and Lawrence Brinker. Each director has five captains and under each captain are 10 workers.

Two hundred women workers have been organized under the direction of Mrs. E. A. Pegau.

Men workers are striving toward a minimum of \$1,000 each. The women workers, who will devote all their energies to solicitation among women prospects, are striving toward a minimum of 20 subscriptions each. "I have never before witnessed such wonderful enthusiasm," said Chairman Millard. "The cards containing the names of the prospects were turned over to the workers at the rally Friday night and many began their solicitations that night. A good portion of them worked Saturday on cards bearing names of friends."

Reports will be made by the workers at 5 each evening in the "pit" of the Omaha Grain Exchange building. The results will be written on the huge blackboards which usually carry the grain reports.

The people of Omaha will make this campaign a big success because it means a great deal to the city," said Mr. Head. "A great girls' school will be built somewhere in the mid-west. Omaha is the logical place for it. It must be built here. It will make for a greater Omaha."

Announcement that Mrs. Luther Drake, who has had experience in directing girls' schools, will direct the new Brownell Hall, has spurred on the workers. "If every worker sticks to his job until their tasks are completed, success is assured," said Chairman Millard.

In Turkey a law making marriage compulsory was recently introduced in the Turkish national assembly at Angora.

### Here's a City That Pays Bills and Shows Profit

#### Four Years Under City Manager Convinces Clarinda Citizens That Plan Is Success.

A city which pays its bills as it goes along—that in a nutshell tells the story of what the city manager plan of government has done for Clarinda, Ia.

In these days of huge bond issues and steadily mounting taxes, the record made in the last four years by this Iowa town of 5,000 inhabitants is little short of amazing. How was it done?

"Henry Traxler," explain the citizens of Clarinda, says Traxler. "City manager."

No Bond Issues. Traxler is city manager of Clarinda. He has been in office four years. In that time not one bond has been issued for new improvements. Everything has been paid for in cash. And on February 1 last the general balance of the city funds showed on hand \$44,700. On April 1, 1919, the day Traxler went into office, the balance was \$6,000.

Perhaps, you say, Clarinda hasn't spent any money in the last four years and has permitted its properties to go to seed? Or, perhaps, the tax levy is out of sight? Here's Clarinda's answer: 1. In the last four years Clarinda has installed a new water purification system; purchased an armory for a city administration building; purchased a municipal cemetery; laid many miles of new piping (\$155,000 in 1921 alone); remodelled the fire station and added new equipment, and made the usual repairs necessary for proper upkeep.

2. Clarinda's tax levy is 42 mills on the dollar, including a two-mill levy for bond purposes. The levy in 1916 was 42 1/2 mills without the bond levy. At the same time the increase in valuation of property between 1916 and 1923 is only \$30 per mill.

Waterworks Self-Supporting. Clarinda is proud of its water works. Under the city manager it has been placed upon a self-supporting basis and meets all overhead charges, costs of operation, replacements, etc. The balance in the waterworks fund on April 1, 1919, was \$27. Today it is \$10,600. This reserve fund is being accumulated in a depreciation fund. Comparisons show that the rates for water in Clarinda are quite a little lower than in other cities of the same size.

The city of Clarinda paid \$15,000 for the armory and spent \$9,000 more in making improvements so that it could be used to house the city offices. It also is used by the municipal band and its auditorium is reserved for public affairs without expense to the public except the actual cost of opening the house. Through rentals on parts of the building not used by the municipality an annual income of \$4,000 is obtained, which more than meets all charges against it.

Birchwood cemetery was purchased by the municipality for \$10,000. The cemetery has been made self-supporting and \$2,600 of the purchase price has been paid off and \$9,200 accumulated in the maintenance fund. The fire station has been remodeled entirely and its equipment is far superior to that used by most towns of Clarinda's size. Clarinda averages about 35 fires a year with 50 per cent small roof fires or false alarms.

#### Manager Is Also Engineer.

Clarinda is fortunate in one particular respect. Its city manager is an engineer and also acts in that capacity. For instance, some \$1,500 was saved in the waterworks construction because City Manager Traxler also acted as engineer in charge of the job. He also saved the property owners \$5,000 by taking charge of the \$165,000 paving program last summer. An engineer would have charged 20 cents a square yard for the 30,000 yards of paving.

"It's the city manager plan that wins for us," declares Traxler in commenting on his success at Clarinda. "The city manager plan is beyond the experimental stage. To say that this plan means a reduction in taxes is perhaps going too far. But it does promise that for every dollar expended you get a dollar worth of service, and it almost invariably follows that where the service is placed upon an efficient basis the cost is less. This plan also promises that any obligation due the municipality will be carried out, that all franchise rights will be enforced and that all bills due the city will be collected. It also promises businesslike records and good methods of accounting. The city manager does not have to burden his mind with the problem of whether a democrat can clean more pavement than a republican or whether to trust the driving of grade stakes to a socialist or prohibitionist. His only thought is to serve the public.

### Rail Passes Are Opposed by Vote of State Editors

#### Cups Are Awarded State Newspapers in Contests—Omaha Award Goes to Fremont Tribune.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special).—Resolutions opposing the issuance of railroad passes or privileges were adopted by the Nebraska Press association at the closing session of its annual convention here Saturday. The editors decided not to enter the fight for a change in postal rates, which the scribes thought would work for the benefit of city papers and not country papers. A resolution was adopted complimenting the work of Secretary Ole Buck.

The Lincoln Herald won the silver cup given by the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce for the best editorial during the year in a country paper. The Omaha Chamber of Commerce cup for the paper doing the greatest community service during the year was awarded to the Fremont Tribune. The Hartington cup for the best makeup on the front page of a country paper was awarded to the Cedar County News at Hartington, of which the retiring president, J. P. O'Furev, is publisher.

On behalf of the association, Edgar Howard presented Mr. O'Furev with a past president's gold button. Mr. O'Furev announced his intention of forming a past president's organization.

### Lack of Facilities Costs State Big Sum

#### House Passes Four Bills on Third Reading

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—Bills passed by the lower house on third reading today follow: House Roll 453—Giving employes right to take advantage of compensation or common law in obtaining recourse for injuries. House Roll 558—Exempting telephone companies with less than \$5,000 capital from filing annual reports with state railway commission. House Roll 121—forcing railroads to gravel crossings on county and state highways 75 feet on each side of track. House Roll 433—Permits members of county boards in counties not exceeding 60,000 population, to act as county highway commissioners, but limits expenses of that office when consolidated with office of county surveyor, to \$1,500 annually.

All claims are embodied in one bill prepared by the claims committee to be introduced Monday. Democrats are attempting to make it appear these claims are deficiencies. However, this charge is easily refuted because none of the claims could be allowed, under the law, without sanction of the legislature.

#### Probe Blair Fire.

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—Fire Warden C. E. Hartford today began an investigation into a fire which late Friday night destroyed the stock and fixtures and badly damaged the building of a candy store at Blair. Fire Chief Morris of Blair reported to Hartford that circumstances pointed to incendiary origin.

#### Kill Educational Bill.

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—A bill was killed today by the lower house, which would make members of educational board liable for expenditures in excess of current funds.

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#### Marino Appeals Sentence.

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—Jim Marino, Omaha, who was sentenced to a life term in the penitentiary for the murder of Sam Nantito, has filed an appeal in the supreme court. Marino pleaded self-defense.

#### Oppose Monument Bill.

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—The house claims committee voted to indefinitely postpone a bill calling for a \$500 appropriation to erect a monument in Massacre canon, near McCook.

#### Limit Game Kill.

Lincoln, Feb. 24.—(Special).—The lower house advanced a bill to third reading, which cuts the bag limit for ducks to 25; geese, 5; prairie chickens, 5; and grouse, 5.



Henry Traxler.

through his commission and see that the city gets value received for what it buys, be it labor or machinery. "I say that the city manager plan can rectify the so-called failure of municipal ownership and if it can do this alone it is well worth a trial."

City Manager Henry Traxler is 35 years old. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and a civil engineer by training.

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40-inch all-silk figured georgettes.

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30-inch silk pebble crepe.  
40-inch fine crepe satins.

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Six spools Coate's cotton thread, 25c.  
Six spools of Star Twist, 25c.  
Two spools of black, white or cordovan darning cotton for 5c.  
No. 2 to 8 bias tape, 10c to 20c for 6-yard bolt.  
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Also hemstitched scarfs, reduced 50%.  
Remnants of linen, fancy canvas and netting for lowest prices.  
Blue and pink poplin now 25c a yard.  
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#### Law Enforcement League Organized at Broken Bow

Broken Bow, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special).—A fair-sized crowd assembled at the city hall in response to a call for a law and order meeting. An organization was formed by the election of John Dietz, president, and Jules Hartman, secretary. The name of the organization will be the Assistant Law Enforcement association. The members propose to give every assistance to the officials in suppressing the use and traffic in intoxicating liquors.

#### Hall County Over Quota in Children's Home Drive

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special).—Hall county's apportionment of \$800 for the Nebraska Children's Home society topped today, when the total of \$860 was reported by Mrs. Max Thompson, county chairman, with several good subscriptions promised in addition.

#### Park Bonds Asked.

Kearney, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special).—The city commissioners have been asked to call an election for the purpose of voting bonds in the sum of \$25,000 to be used in purchasing 24 acres of land, known as the Chautauqua grounds, and creating this area into a city park.