

### Honor System Bill Upsets All Rules of Tax Collection

#### Lamb Measure Would Abolish Precinct Assessors and Have Each Person Fill Out Property Blank.

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Lincoln, March 17.—(Special.)—After solons finally decide the mode of government for Nebraska for the next two years, they will face the Lamb "honor system" taxation bill, which upsets the present taxation system of Nebraska. This bill has been reported out of the house committee on revenue and taxation and is awaiting its turn on the house calendar.

Abolishment of every precinct assessor in the state is called for in the bill. Every adult in the state would be obliged to file a complete list of property on blanks to be furnished by the county assessor.

Upon these returns tax levies for state, counties and cities would be decided upon unless someone objected to the return made by the assessor with appeal available from his findings to the board of equalization and then to the courts. In the event it is discovered that the complaint was justified and property returns had been entered falsely, the person making such a return is subject to a fine equal to 50 per cent of the value of property not listed or not correctly valued.

The entire public would be given access to returns made by individuals through advertising of these returns in printed pamphlets which would be at the disposal of everyone. The cost of such advertising has not been accurately estimated. It is claimed by Mr. Lamb it will not reach the figure the precinct assessors, whom he would abolish, cost at this time.

All notes, chattel mortgages, contracts, liens and other papers must be returned to the assessor as well as stock, bonds and paper held by corporations. The value of such stocks shall be established by the assessor. Owners of notes may, if they desire, return the notes to the assessor at a value less than appears on the face. In this event, the person who signed the note may go to the owner within 60 days after the return is made and settle it on the face value placed upon it by the owner. In the event a note is not returned, the person signing it may have it canceled without making any payment.

The bill also places the affidavit made to the assessor in the category of an oath before a court and anyone willfully or knowingly swearing to a false affidavit may be prosecuted for perjury. Another provision of the bill follows:

"Every person, corporation or association knowing of the failure of any citizen to return his property, or any part of it, for assessment and taxation, and failing to report the same to the county assessor shall be guilty as an accessory before the fact and may be prosecuted on that charge."

The last provision of the bill makes it impossible for any person to have the right of the ballot unless he mails to the assessor the assessment blank sent to him, whether he has property or not.

### It's a Hard Life, Bootlegger Says

#### Engineer of Still Had to Work from 4 in Morning to 11 at Night.

"I'm afraid I won't have any wife when I get out of this trouble. She told me she'd divorce me if I didn't quit bootlegging," mourned Arthur J. Iversen in the office of U. S. Rohrer, federal prohibition director for Nebraska.

Iversen was arrested by prohibition agents Saturday at his home, Fifty-eighth street and Redman avenue, where two stills were found in the barn, 70 gallons of whiskey in the house and 400 gallons of mash.

#### Tough Business.

"It's the hardest business in the world," he declared. "I was up every morning at 4 to get the still started and I tended it till 11 at night. I sold the stuff for \$4.25 a gallon. I should have charged more. One fellow offered me \$15 a gallon if I would make it 150 proof."

"The second still I bought for \$50. It was a bargain. Such a still, new, would cost \$200."

"And I made good stuff, too. Some of the men who bought my whiskey never drank anything but bonded whiskey before."

#### Never Arrested Before.

"But I wasn't as smart as I thought. I didn't know enough to take my wife's advice. And now I'm afraid I've lost her. I have three of the nicest little kiddies you ever saw. And neither I nor any of my relatives were arrested before."

He was held under \$2,000 bond. The stills were brought up to the federal building and stored in the basement.

### New World Court Means League for U. S., Walsh Says

Washington, March 17.—"Americans who are so eager to have us join the international court under the league of nations have small understanding of what such a move would mean to their country," said Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts in an interview yesterday.

"It means getting the United States into the league, and using our money and our resources to put Europe on its feet, to the detriment of our own people and our own form of government," the senator added.

### Coal Tax Bill Passed.

Berlin, March 17.—The reichstag passed the coal tax bill by which the 40 per cent tax levy is prolonged until the end of March, 1924. The measure, however, also authorizes the finance minister to increase or decrease the tax under certain circumstances.

## Unique Zoological Park in a Little Nebraska Town Has Oldest Egyptian Mummy in State Among Its Curios



Now that the world is astir over the discovery of the tomb of King Tutankhamun, it has become the custom for each and every community to rush into the spotlight of publicity and tout lustily on its own little tin horn on the general subject of mummies. Mummies, apparently, are about as uncommon as canned soup.

The latest entry in the race for a little attention is Loup City, Neb. Loup City insists that in the matter of mummies it takes a back seat for nobody.

Loup City is the abiding place of two Egyptian mummies, both of which belong to Harry Jenner, owner of Jenner's Zoological Park, but it is of one in particular that Loup City boasts. This one, Loup City says, is the oldest mummy in the state.

It is an oil-embalmed Egyptian mummy belonging to the twelfth dynasty, about 2,500 or 2,300 B. C. It was found in a rock-hewn tomb at Thebes, in Upper Egypt, and remains in the original sarcophagus.

#### Hieroglyphics Retain Color.

The sarcophagus in which the mummy is encased is made of wood about two inches thick, held together with wooden pins, and is covered with Egyptian hieroglyphics in colors which seem to be still as bright as the original pigment.

That the mummy is of an Egyptian of higher caste is evidenced by the fact that the sarcophagus is gold-faced on the outside in addition to other decoration. It is in splendid preservation. The covering placed over the body thousands of years ago is still intact except over the face.

Harry Jenner has had this mummy in his possession for 19 years. He also has an Egyptian mummy of the 18th dynasty, which he embalmed the same as the mummy at the museum of the state university at Lincoln. This one was found at Memphis, in lower Egypt. Mr. Jenner acquired it three years ago.

Mr. Jenner obtained these mummies for his zoological park at Loup City. A very unusual affair is the zoologi-

cal park at Loup City. Loup City is a town of only about 1,500 inhabitants, yet it has a privately owned zoological park that surpasses anything of the kind in the entire state, public or private.

#### Built by Brothers.

The park was built by Harry Jenner and his brother, Robert B. Jenner, who is secretary of the enterprise. From year to year they added to its works of art and curios until today they have a zoological garden and museum that is unique.

One of the principal attractions is the mummy house wherein is contained the two Egyptian mummies. In addition discoveries from Arizona, Mexico, Peru and other South American countries are contained in the mummy house.

This house is built after the Egyptian architecture and finished like a stalactite cave. Here is an unusual collection of Egyptian beads 4,000 to 5,000 years old, Egyptian scarabs and amulets, Egyptian oil lamps made of pottery, relics of the stone age uncovered in Arizona, Inca mummies discovered in the Andes and many other curios.

There is another pavilion full of works of art and curios from all over the world and which took the Jenners years to collect.

#### Many Strange Animals.

The park is filled with cages containing strange animals and birds from Africa, China, India, South America, Mexico and the south seas. Here are a few examples of curios in the pavilion museum taken at random: Tibet shoes, East Indian sandals, Palestine wedding cloths, African rice spoons, gila monster, Zulu shield, old wooden clock, 1492, Mexican pottery, Kaffir anklets and bead belts.

first American blown glass, 1852; Chinese razors, whale and walrus teeth, a collection of tobacco pipes from every country in the world, Chinese gods, Japanese weapons, Filipino machetes, Tasmanian shell necklaces, Eskimo knife, hippopotamus tusk, and so on almost without end. More than 500 curios and relics in all are contained in this pavilion or museum.

For more than 20 years Mr. Jenner and his brother have worked to improve their park and themselves collected the hundreds of curios and relics. Many of the trees were planted by the owner himself and are now among the largest trees in the locality. For all of the money spent on the place the Jenner brothers dug down in their own pockets. They started out modestly. At first it wasn't much of a park. Then as the years traveled by more and more exhibits were added until now a visitor might spend an entire afternoon in the park and yet not see it all.

The Jenners are proud of their park now. In the summer months it is the most popular spot in Loup City—yes, the most popular spot in the county—and its fame is traveling throughout the state.



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### Guaranty Fund Draft Is Upheld

#### Judge Sustains Contention That Holdrege State Bank Demand Lawful.

Lincoln, March 17.—(Special.)—Attorney General O. S. Spillman received word from Holdrege, Neb., today that District Judge William Dilworth has upheld the contention of former Attorney General C. A. Davis that the order for \$187,000 on the state guaranty fund as a result of the failure of the Holdrege State bank is lawful.

Judge Dilworth issued a second order for payment. Mr. Spillman said an appeal will be taken, pending decision on which payment will be held up.

Mr. Davis was vice president of the Holdrege State bank, which more than a year ago took over the Citizens' State bank of Holdrege and handed its affairs.

Governor Bryan ordered J. A. Hart, secretary of the department of trade and commerce, to disregard the first order on the guaranty fund. Shortly afterward, Mr. Davis' bank closed its doors.

### Postmasters Cautioned to Practice Strict Economy

Washington, March 17.—Postmasters throughout the country were notified by Postmaster General New that the "strictest economy commensurate with public convenience" must be practiced during the next few months to avoid a Postoffice department deficit for the current fiscal year.

Ascertaining that the emergency is a temporary one only, and one that "may occur in any great business enterprise," Mr. New said that "on July 1 the appropriation for next year becomes available and we will then be able to extend and perfect the service in many important ways and to discontinue this extraordinary campaign of economy."

### High School Student Killed, Several Hurt in Explosion

Brawley, Cal., March 17.—One student was killed and several others verely injured yesterday when the gas plant of the Brawley Union High school blew up. The explosion rocked the city and wrecked the front of the school building. The student killed was Halle Smith.

Had the blast come a few minutes later the loss of life would have been greater, school officials said. The cement pillars in front of the building were blown 100 feet out onto the lawn.

### Road Conditions

Furnished by Omaha Auto Club.  
All roads out of Omaha are still practically impassable within a radius of 50 miles. The work of clearing the highways is in progress, but owing to the extreme depth of the drifts this work is necessarily slow and it will be a day or two before they are sufficiently cleared to permit cars to go through.

### "Oil Baroness" Freed by Court

#### Fraud Indictment Hanging Over Miss Strickland Lift- ed by Judges.

Indictment against Rachel C. Strickland, "oil baroness," charging her with obtaining money under false pretenses in connection with an oil land promotion scheme, was dismissed Saturday by District Judge Goss.

Motion for dismissal alleged that more than three terms of court have elapsed since the indictment was returned, without trial. Judge Goss said he sustained the motion on the sole ground that there was no resistance by the office of the attorney general.

Miss Strickland was fined \$1,000 in federal court on a charge of using the mails to defraud. Sam B. Musser, indicted with her, was sentenced to Leavenworth prison.

See Want Ads Produce Results.

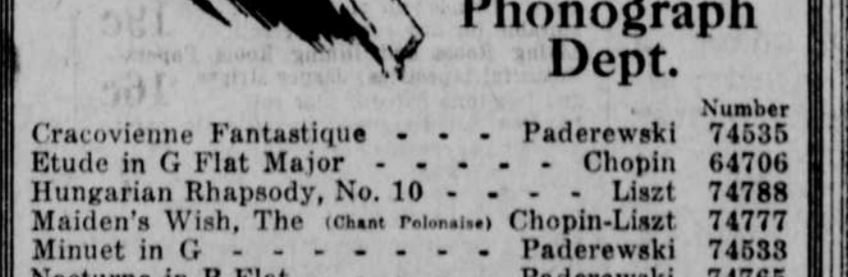
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