

Consolidation of County and City Legislator's Plea

Bill to Be Introduced Providing for Referendum on Merger of Douglas and Omaha.

(Continued from Page One.) boundaries would be permitted only 25 cents per mile in addition to their initial fee for calling on patients under terms of a bill introduced in the house by Yensen of Scottsbluff. Lee of Hastings introduced a bill cutting auto license fees in half. This is in line with Governor McMullen's recommendation that, if a gasoline tax is imposed, auto licenses be reduced.

Johnson of Cheyenne in the senate has introduced a bill cutting legal interest rate of banks from 6 to 5 percent. The sheriff's feeding bills introduced yesterday were referred to the judiciary committee of house and senate today. The house killed its first bill today when Keck's measure making it impossible for purchase of school text books more than once in five years came up for consideration. Keck, to date, has more bills in the hopper than any other single member of either branch.

Legislators Attend Banquet. An attempt was made today to provide for a democratic caucus Thursday night for the purpose of deciding whether to introduce former Governor Bryan's budget as an appropriation bill to pig against the budget soon to be presented by Governor McMullen. A number of Democrats, including Regan of Columbus, are opposed to such a move, believing it is political and not beneficial to state institutions. The former governor in his budget proposed only one new building at state institutions, a cellhouse at the penitentiary.

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Prayers of Texas Women Sought by "Ma" Ferguson, New Governor

Austin, Tex., Jan. 20.—Asking for the good will and prayers of the women of Texas in her trail-blazing journey of feminine rule, but refraining from any attempt at detailing her plans or policies, Mrs. Miriam Amanda Ferguson, shortly after noon today, in the briefest message of its kind in Texas history, read to the joint legislature her inaugural address of acceptance. Mrs. Ferguson said in part:



Governor Miriam Ferguson.

"I extend to the judges of courts, the heads of departments, and especially the members of the legislature, a cordial and earnest invitation to visit the executive offices for conferences on matters personal and official. We are all human servants of a great people, and I must do our best for the common good.

"Perhaps this would not be a bad idea for others to adopt, even though their training and learning may be more than mine. I shall endeavor to make this administration a successful one, by teamwork. There is so much to do that no one mind can bring relief to the people.

TYPHOID DEATH PROBE REVIVED. Chicago, Jan. 20.—A possibility of arrests in connection with the death of William McClintock was foreseen here today when the virtually defunct "death probe" was revived at a secret star chamber conference between Coroner Oscar Wolff, chief of police Morgan Collins and Judge Harry Olson, chief instigator of the investigation.

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Found Dead in Snowdrift. Bayard, Jan. 19.—Louis Frank, for several years pilot of the elevator of the Bayard sugar factory, and who resided here until a short time ago, was found dead in a snow drift at Parker, S. D., last week. "Storzy," as he was known here, was past 50 years of age and a single man.

Humboldt to Have Series of Merchants' Bargain Days. Humboldt, Jan. 20.—The Chamber of Commerce has authorized a series of merchants' bargain days for the last Wednesday of each month during 1925, beginning January 22. Five thousand copies of a four-page folder named "The City on the Square" Bulletin, are being prepared by the advertising committee of the chamber and will be sent out under postal permit.

6:30 P.M. CHICAGO LIMITED Lounge Car Train Diner Serving Dinner and Breakfast Popular table d'hote dinner, \$1.25 A la carte service if desired. Arrive CHICAGO 7:50 A.M. Westbound Leave Chicago 6:15 P.M. Arrive Omaha 8:10 A.M. Travel Bureau and Ticket Office 16th and Farnam AT lantic 5578 or 6831 Burlington Route

Russian Public Indifferent to Trotsky Ouster

All Charges Against Deposed Military Chief Recited in Lengthy Document Resembling Indictment.

Moscow, Jan. 20.—The announcement of Leon Trotsky's dismissal as soviet war minister by the central executive committee of the communist party was received today by the public with complete calm and apparent indifference. The Russian people learned only today through the bolshevik press of the deposition of the soviet military leader. It had long been understood, however, that the leaders of the communist party would take severe disciplinary measures against the head of the red army.

Held Contrary Views. The written statement of the party's case sets forth all the disagreements between the war minister and the communist party, beginning with the Brest-Litovsk treaty of 1918, and declares that the war chief continuously expressed views against the party. It concludes by saying that even in his letter to the central executive committee, pledging himself to work faithfully in any position assigned him by the party, Trotsky did not "in a single word acknowledge his mistakes and in fact insists upon an anti-bolshevik platform, limiting himself only to formal loyalty."

Stolen Chickens Traced by Means of Brand Mark. Laurel, Jan. 20.—Tracing stolen chickens by means of a brand mark which had been put in the web of their feet, A. E. Mann found part of them at a poultry market in Colorado, and the rest at Wakefield, which led to the arrest of Edgar Nielson, a young man living near Laurel. When arraigned he refused counsel and pleaded guilty. He was bound over to the district court on a \$500 bond.

Stryker Says You have a right to demand shoe service in this store. Every employe is instructed to render absolute satisfaction... W. S. Stryker's DOUGLAS SHOE STORE 117 North 16th Street OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE

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Dickens Couple Will Observe 50th Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. John Stackhouse

Dickens, Neb., Jan. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. John Stackhouse of Dickens will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Thursday. They were married January 22, 1875.

IMPROVERS HEAR TRAM FARE TALK

Preparations for the fight opposing an increase in street car fares were described by Anson H. Bigelow at the monthly meeting of the Benson Improvement club Monday evening. He discussed the status of the company's franchise and warned against the granting of an exclusive franchise.

Hunter's Arm Amputated as Result of Accident

Wymore, Jan. 20.—Wilton Endleman, former Wymore resident, 20 years old, was so severely injured in a hunting expedition last week with youthful companions near his home in northern California that it was found necessary to amputate his right arm at the shoulder. One of the shotguns carried by the party was accidentally discharged, the shots striking the young man in the arm.

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Rail Official Dies

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 20.—John Malcolm Rapelle, 68, vice president of the Northern Pacific railroad, died at the Northern Pacific hospital here today. He completed 37 years' continuous service with the road this month.

January Clearance Sale of RADIO SETS 5-Tube Coast-to-Coast Radio Set, \$112.50 Complete With Antenna, Batteries and Head Phones. Greatest Value Ever Offered in Radio. Our first Radio Clearance Sale is bringing hundreds of thrifty buyers to our Radio Department.

Schmoller & Mueller Piano Co. 244-25-B-Dodge Street, Omaha

MUNY COAL YARD Selling Only Standard Coals With Real Reputations KENTUCKY, \$8.50 PER TON COLORADO, \$9.50 PER TON DAHLMAN, \$9.00 PER TON

Shipping Board Reports on Rate Controversies

Reductions Given Port of Boston, Southeastern and Gulf Ports According to Unofficial Reports.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The shipping board late today drew up its report on the long controversy over differential rates in rates between North Atlantic, South Atlantic and gulf ports. It was indicated, unofficially, in some quarters, that rate reductions asked by southeastern and gulf ports and the port of Boston had been acted upon favorably.

Three Corners Fight

During extended hearings before the shipping board, a three-cornered fight developed between interests representing the north Atlantic, middle Atlantic and southern ports. The southern representatives sought a rate parity with New York, whose spokesman joined the southerners in argument against a through land and water rate which benefited Norfolk, Baltimore and Philadelphia.

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Drug Store Burned

Bridgport, Jan. 20.—Fire of unknown origin completely gutted the Brule drug store, causing a loss of about \$4,000, partly covered by insurance.

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Nebraska News Nubbins

Madison.—Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Dugan, wife of James Dugan, a former resident of this county, who died at her home at Vermillion, S. D., took place here today. The procession went directly to the cemetery from the depot after the arrival of the morning passenger train and brief services were held at the cemetery in charge of Rev. John G. Hammell.

Wymore.—Emil Klawonn, died at his home here Saturday of complications resulting from operation. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Evangelical Lutheran church, Rev. Mr. Fricke officiating, assisted by M. E. church, and interment was made in Crownhill cemetery.

DeWitt.—Damage estimated at \$500 was caused by fire at the home of J. T. Sire, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants bank.

Beatrice.—While shoveling snow from the porch at his home, Paul Penner of this city slipped and fell, fracturing his collar bone.

Table Rock.—At a meeting of the Guild of the Methodist church, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. F. C. Norris; secretary, Mrs. F. C. Norris; treasurer, Mrs. Claire Selam; treasurer, Miss Lulu Hoover.

Harrisburg.—Banner County chapter of the American Red Cross society, that has been inactive for some time, was reorganized by selection of Mrs. W. S. McKee as chairman, Mrs. Everett Bigsby, vice chairman, and Mrs. Owen Brodhead, secretary-treasurer.

Mitchell.—Sarah M. Spear, 78, a resident of the Hull neighborhood for 29 years, died at the home of her niece, Mrs. Lloyd Glass, here Saturday.

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Thompson-Belden The Newest Linens checked or striped These patterned linens are doubly appealing: they are new, they are smart. Pure Irish linen, in lavender, blue, rose, yellow, tan, and jade, is checked with white. Of equally fine quality are white linens Roman striped with yellow, orange, tan, blue, and lavender. Both patterns are 36 inches wide and pre-shrunk. Yard 1.25 Yard 1.00 Second Floor "The Best Place to Shop, After All"