

Gas Tax Bill to Be Reported Out Before Saturday

Series of Conferences Now Being Held on Final Draft of Measure; Public Hearings Concluded.

By P. C. POWELL, Staff Correspondent The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, Feb. 19.—The house revenue and taxation committee expects to report the gasoline tax bill some time this week. Final hearings on the bill were held two days ago when a group of good roads enthusiasts appeared before the committee urging centralization of expenditures of the gasoline tax in the state engineer's office and not in haphazard work in various counties. The committee's attitude toward this proposition has not, as yet, been made public. R. E. Harrington, chairman of the committee, is holding a series of executive conferences with committee members and the bill to be presented to the house is nearing completion. That there will be bitter debate on the method of expenditure is a certainty. The group controlled by county commissioners and county politicians is as aggressive in demanding that the counties spend the money as the good roads enthusiasts who are demanding that the gasoline tax be spent by the state.

Revise Vehicle Law. Meantime, the house committee on roads and bridges, presided over by E. Preston Bailey is preparing a lengthy bill bringing the Nebraska motor vehicle law up to date. Bailey admitted today that it had been tentatively decided to cut out licenses \$2 in compliance with Governor McMullen's recommendation. "This was done over my protest," Bailey said. "I don't believe there is any real, overwhelming sentiment for reductions in licenses."

Bailey stated that it would be impossible to draft the bill this week. One of the new provisions in the bill is to put every auto dealer under \$5,000 bond, insuring against fraud in sales and in handling of dealers' licenses.

The house today received the cosmetologist bill reported out of the committee on medical societies last night. This bill calls for licensing hair dressers, manicurists and other beauty specialists and forces certain technical requirements upon such operators.

Forestry Bill Defeated. A bill creating big limits on wild fowl in half has been advanced to third reading in the house. The house has also advanced the bill creating a supreme court commission to aid the supreme court in catching up with its work.

The Gibbons bill making potato inspection optional with potato raisers in the northwest was advanced by the senate by a vote of 12 to 19.

The bill creating a state forestry commission for the purpose of developing free growth in various parts of the state was killed in the senate today. The senate voted to confirm the appointment of F. A. Reische of Chadron to the state normal board. Confirmation was temporarily halted when Senator Mencham charged that the board of appropriations for state normal schools with state money was illegal. Since then supreme court decisions have been unheeded proving legality of such practice.

Hines Explains Position. Representative Robert E. Hines of Douglas, introducer of the Pinto marriage bill, issues the following statement concerning his attitude toward the measure: "I introduced and sponsored with others a bill repealing the 10-day clause in the marriage bill. After the introduction of this bill, numerous radical and fanciful amendments were proposed which not only would repeal the present law, but would practically prevent any persons from being married in this state, by their unreasonable restrictions and red tape. The sentiment in support of such ideas, with a certain class of people, is so strong that drastic steps seemed necessary to awaken the public, that they might realize the ends toward which these reformers were working."

"I then introduced what has become known as the 'Pinto bill,' hoping to arouse public sentiment against all drastic marriage proposals. It has succeeded and it was for that reason that I introduced the bill. With my objective reached I have withdrawn the bill."

Dixon Bar Pays Tribute to Late Judge G. T. Graves. Ponca, Feb. 18.—At a meeting of the members of the bar of Dixon county, consisting of C. A. Kingsbury, W. D. McCarthy, P. F. Verzani, E. J. McCarthy, C. V. Dunn, J. J. McCarthy and Donald T. Ayres, it was voted to send the following resolutions to the family of the late Judge G. T. Graves of Ponca and have them spread upon the journal of the Dixon county district court:

Whereas, Guy T. Graves, judge of the eighth judicial district of Nebraska, after nearly a quarter of a century of faithful and untiring service on the bench has passed to the final reward of his labor;

Resolved, that we as a body extend to the family of the late Judge G. T. Graves our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement; and we commend to the family the uniform courtesy, the honesty of purpose, the practical justice exercised by the late Judge in his duties as a judge among men; and we realize that he has left to the people of this district a high standard of character and a life well spent and a high ethical aim maintained. He long will be remembered by the people of this district who, holding ever the scales of the law and justice, went on to his last long rest from judicial duties.

Humboldt Students Score Success in Presenting Play. Humboldt, Feb. 19.—The play, "A Tale of Two Cities," presented by the junior class of the Humboldt High school at Paramount theater under direction of Miss Selma O. Barney, assistant principal, was a pleasing exhibition of thorough training in the art of dramatic presentation and also demonstrated that much natural talent prevails in the district. 12 characters, music for the occasion was by the high school orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Watzek. The entertainment netted \$208 for the class treasury.

U.P. Engineers Quit Cabs for Cockpit; Fly to Omaha



T. J. Mengel, C. De Lary and Lawrence Enzminger

When Lawrence Enzminger, C. De Lary and T. J. Mengel, Union Pacific locomotive engineers, decided to come from their homes in North Platte to attend the Old Timers' club entertainment in Omaha, Mr. Enzminger suggested that they fly down in his "bus." De Lary and Mengel enthusiastically agreed and, late Wednesday morning, they left North Platte, 279 miles from Omaha, alighting at Fort Crooks field after two hours, 55 minutes in the air, early Wednesday afternoon. "The 'bus' is the latest Swallow, 100-horsepower, three-passenger airplane. Mr. Enzminger, during the last three years, has put in his spare time, when he wasn't running a locomotive, learning to fly and later teaching others to fly and giving rides to those who wished to take the air. His plane cost \$3,500 and he 'drove' to Omaha on 28 gallons of gasoline, which is just about what a big automobile would consume for the distance. Enzminger displayed his pilot's license to friends in Omaha. "Oh, you got one of them?" said De Lary. "Well, I feel safer now." "It was a wonderful ride," he continued. "To see the towns drifting past and no grades or curves to make was quite different from running a locomotive."

"Are you going to take up airplaning now and quit your job?" "Oh, no. We work for the best railroad in the world and hope to keep on for many years." De Lary pulls the Pacific Limited between North Platte and Grand Island. Mengel is a freight engineer on the same division. The three engineers will fly back to North Platte on Friday.

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Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.
A secret can be kept by two; To tell a third would never do.—*Jump the Hoop.*

Peter and Jumpy Keep Their Secret. Secrets are fun. Don't you think so? But when more than two know a secret it is very likely to soon be no secret at all. It is queer how what two people can keep to themselves three people cannot. Now Jumper the hare and Peter Rabbit had a wonderful secret. At least, it was wonderful to them. They had been in Buster Brown's bedroom and seen Buster asleep there! They just ached to go out and boast about it. They just ached to tell everybody they met what they had done. That is just what Jumper had started to do when he met his cousin, Peter Rabbit, and then took Peter back there.

When they came out of Buster's bedroom they took care that no one should see them. "Won't it be fun to tell everybody how bold we have been?" said Jumper.

Peter scratched a long ear with a long hindfoot. He scratched the other long ear with the other long hindfoot. He wobbled his wobbly little body.

"Won't it be fun to tell everybody how bold we have been?" said Jumper.

"Why should they believe us?" demanded Peter. "I didn't believe you when you first told me you had been in there, and I am your own cousin."

It was Jumper's turn to scratch a long ear with a long hindfoot. "I hadn't thought of that," said he. "There's no fun in boasting about anything that nobody believes," declared Peter. "I know, because I've tried it. It will be a lot more fun to keep it a secret. Nobody knows we've been in there."

"Old Man Coyote knows I've been in there," he heard me in there," interrupted Jumper.

"But he doesn't know I've been in there," said Peter. "Besides, he isn't likely to tell anyone because he wouldn't want it known that you went where he didn't dare go. He'll keep his tongue still or I don't know Old Man Coyote. If we go around telling how we've been in the bedroom of Buster Bear others will do the same thing. But if we don't tell anyone we'll always have Buster Bear's bedroom to run to in time of danger. It may come in very handy sometime."

"It came in very handy for me once," said Jumper, shivering a little as he thought of how nearly Old Man Coyote had caught him. "I guess you are right, Peter. We'll keep it a secret between ourselves. My, how the eyes of Happy Jack Squirrel, Chatterer the Red Squirrel and some of our other friends would pop out if they should hear of where we have been!"

"Peter shook his head. 'No,' said he, 'their eyes wouldn't pop out if they should hear about it, because they wouldn't believe it. They would just make fun of us. They would have to see us go in there. Then their eyes might pop. I won't even tell Mrs. Peter. It will be just our own secret. Wouldn't Buster Bear be surprised if he knew it?'"

"Goodness, I hope he'll never find it out!" exclaimed Jumper.

"Copyright, 1924." The next story: "Foolish, Foolish Peter Rabbit."

Two Divorces Granted. Madison, Feb. 19.—At a session of district court in Madison Wednesday Leslie Knight of Norfolk was granted a divorce from Ralph Knight, and Hazel Spencer, also of Norfolk, was granted a divorce from Floyd L. Spencer, and the custody of her minor child.

Headaches From Slight Colds. Laxative RHOMO QUININE Tablets relieve the headache by curing the cold. A Safe and Proven Remedy. The box bears the signature of E. W. Grove, 20c.—Advertisement.

Fish Smothered by Ice in Lakes

Restocking of Western Nebraska Waters by State Asked by Sportsmen.

Bridgeport, Feb. 19.—With the approach of spring and the thawing of the ice in many of the lakes around the state, sportsmen are asking that the restocking of western Nebraska waters by the state be resumed. It is learned that several of these lakes will have to be restocked with fish because of the death of thousands of the finny tribe during the winter. It is said that the thickness of the ice smothered the fish, although some of the more enthusiastic fishermen of the district attempted to keep air holes open during the cold snap in December and January. Application to the state game department will be made to fill Crane lake with new game fish for the present season.

Members of the North Platte Valley Sportsmen's association, with headquarters at Bridgeport, are going to try and secure game fish to be planted in the North Platte river here in the drain ditches in this community. It is proposed to put pike in the river and trout in the ditches. This action followed announcement that 20,000 trout fry had been released in the drain ditches of Nine Mile, Alliance and Minutaw ditches.

The association held a meeting here at which vice presidents were appointed for every county from North Platte to the Wyoming state line, and matters of importance to sportsmen were discussed.

Students' Expenses Low at Wayne Normal School. Wayne, Feb. 19.—With a total enrollment of 1,715, the Wayne State Normal School and Teachers' college is one of the leading institutions in Nebraska, where men and women are prepared for teaching and other professions. Along with free tuition students are given room, board and laboratory services at a minimum cost. It has been estimated that the average cost of 50,000 meals at the school cafeteria is 22 cents each, rooms in the dormitories rent for 90 cents, \$1.10 and \$1.50 a week, and laboratory and incidental fees are only about \$1.50 a month for each student.

Gage Shorthorn Breeders Plan Consignment Sale. Beatrice, Feb. 19.—The members of the Gage County Shorthorn Breeders' association and their wives held a banquet at the Paddock hotel. At the business meeting these officers were elected: R. E. Bell, president; E. C. Orr, vice president, and C. A. Miller, secretary-treasurer. It was decided to organize a calf club and to hold a Shorthorn consignment sale some time in May.

Vise Fees to Be Waived in Reciprocal Fashion. Washington, Feb. 19.—By a vote of 271 to 69 the house passed and sent to the senate a bill to authorize the president to reduce or waive vise fees on nonimmigrant aliens from countries granting similar privileges to American citizens.

Bids Asked on Bridge Across North Platte. North Platte, Feb. 19.—Bids are being asked for construction of a federal aid bridge across the North Platte river directly north of this city, at an estimated cost of \$80,000. The contract will call for the completion of the bridge by August 15.

Beware of Pneumonia! A rattling, hacking cough warns that a deep-seated cold is upon you. You cannot "wear it off"—and neglected germ multiplication sets in, often causing serious illness. LEE'S CREO-LYPTUS—a scientific compound of creosote, eucalypti, and other corrective properties—almost instantly stops the cough and quickly checks the spread of "flu" and pneumonia. Buy a bottle of CREO-LYPTUS at your druggist today. Money back if you say so.

Lee's CREO-LYPTUS Acts Quickly and Surely. For sale by Sherman & McCannell Drug Co., Haines Drug Co., Haines Drug Co., Boston Drug Co.

WOMAN NEARLY INSANE "I was nervous, could not sleep, melancholy and nearly insane at times," says Mrs. T. A. Saunders, of 711 E. Depot St., Knoxville, Tenn. "After being in this condition nearly three years I saw Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound advertised and took it. It made me a well woman. I gained 22 lbs. in weight and haven't had a bit of trouble since. I hope it will do as much for other women as it has for me." Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the one dependable remedy for female ills.

Sen. Norris Leads in Fight Against Shoals Measure

Nebraska Senator Claims Conference Exceeded "Right" in Altering Property Rental Provision.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The fight against senate adoption of the conference report on the Underwood Muscle Shoals leasing bill was opened today when Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, leader of the opposition, raised a point of order against the report.

Senator Norris declared the conferees had no "real right" to go outside of the senate bill because the house passed a bill to lease the property to Henry Ford, who has since withdrawn his offer.

The first provision of the report attacked by Senator Norris was section 11, authorizing the president to employ advisers to assist in drafting a lease and the appropriation of \$100,000 for that purpose. He declared this was "new legislation as it was not included in either senate or house measure and was subject to a point of order."

Exceeded Right, Claim. The conferees, Senator Norris asserted, exceeded their "rights" in changing the property rental provisions. The conferees, he declared, made the rental "less" than either the house or senate bills.

"Under the conference report," Senator Norris declared, "it would be possible for the lessee to get the property without paying a cent."

The requirement for annual production of nitrogen for fertilizing 40,000 tons annually all of the time; the senate bill required 40,000 annually after the fifth year, but the conference bill lowers the production to 40,000 tons after the 10th year.

Makes Appropriation. Another instance of where the conferees "overstepped their rights," he said, is found in the authorization of the appropriation of \$3,472,487, the proceeds received from the sale of the Gorgas steam plant of the Alabama Power company, toward the cost of construction of dam No. 3.

Senator Underwood, democrat, Alabama, author of the bill, declared that while the senate rule prevents conferees from inserting new legislation it does not mean that new language cannot be used.

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Upland—A concert was given by the reorganized Upland band of 25 musicians, under leadership of Prof. L. C. Richmond, at the opera house here Wednesday evening. It is planned to broadcast a program from Hastings by radio.

Fawcett City—Rudolph Sikke and Miss Lydia Heppelshauer were married at the Evangelical church south of DuBois by Rev. Otto Krueger Wednesday.

Wymore—Tom M. Salsgiver, one of the first barbers of this town, who has been confined to his home for the past four months by illness, was taken to St. Joseph for treatment today. He is suffering from a complication of diseases.

Pawnee City—Miss Bertha Moler and Frank Lindsey, formerly of Table Rock, but lately of Casper, Wyo., were married here by Rev. S. Gregg of the Christian church. They will make their home at Casper.

Farmers Sowing Clover. Callaway, Feb. 19.—A large amount of sweet clover seed is being sown in this part of Custer county this spring. Most of the sowing is done in February so as to get summer pasture.

Seward Legion Head Would Buy One-Way Passage for U. S. Knocker

Identity Sought of Youth Who Would "Leave Nation to Anti-Saloon League and American Legion."

F. M. Merriam, commander of the Seward (Neb.) post American Legion, was in Omaha Thursday with one eye open for a youth who, in a plaint to the public letter column of an Omaha newspaper a week ago, begged to be told one good reason why he should continue to grace the United States of America with his presence, co-operation and endorsement.

The Seward legion replied promptly that it would pay the young man's way to some foreign land if he would promise never to return. The young man, in another letter, accepted the offer provided that he might return to this land as often as he wished "on visits."

"Of Fighting First." He signed his letters simply "Of the Fighting First."

But Commander Merriam has received information that he is a certain youth whose last name has six letters, begins with "W" and ends in "n." If he reads this he will know that "all is discovered."

The letter received by Merriam, revealing the young man's identity, states that "he wants to see the world at someone else's expense. Don't fall for his bluff. Give him a disappointment."

"That," said Merriam, is about what his post will do, inasmuch as the youth: "In spite of all temptations to belong to other nations, I will remain an American."

Predicts U. S. Exodus. In the young man's first letter which started all the fuss, he told how he had been with the "Fighting First" division, but that he believes the time is coming "when millions of Americans will enrich other nations with their presence and leave the United States, such as it is, to the Anti-Saloon league and the American Legion."

"When I was still more moist behind the ears than now and was in the army, I loved the country and its traditions. With a grand feeling of doing something for the public good, I joined the American Legion. There I learned that I was to be patriotic and shout down anyone else who, according to legion standards, was not. I found the legion's conception of public good is to make legionnaires public office holders."

"I am willing to be patriotic, but what is there to be patriotic about? Our statesmen? They crumbled into obscurity before the onslaught of organized bias. Our institutions? They have fallen into the hands of greedy holy rollers. Our contributions to civilization? What are they? Our democracy? Where is it? Our geographic advantages? They are accidental. Of what then can an American be proud? Nothing, but Americanism—providing it doesn't explain to himself what that is."

Merriam stated that if the writer of the letter "comes out in the open" and unconditionally renounces the United States, his deportation expense will be forthcoming, he has no doubt.

"When a man goes fishing he may not catch a good string, but he usually comes home with a long yarn."



F. M. Merriam

Mrs. Dexter Claims McClintock Estate

Action Filed to Obtain Late Chicago Orphan's Millions for Fremont Woman.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Hastings, Feb. 19.—Mrs. Anne McClintock Dexter, 74, pioneer of Fremont, Neb., who is now visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gordon Hammond in Hastings, is a claimant to the estate of William McClintock, 21, Chicago orphan and millionaire.

The claim is said here to be based on genealogical records compiled years ago by an older daughter, Mrs. Maro Shipper of Fremont, in which it is shown that two McClintock brothers came over from Scotland and Mrs. Dexter is a daughter of one and William McClintock the great-grandson of the other.

The claim has been filed by Allan Johnson of Fremont, lifelong friend of Mrs. Dexter, who lived at Fremont for more than 50 years.

The two brothers settled first in Massachusetts and later lived near Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y., but after Mrs. Dexter was married and came west to live she lost sight of her uncle's family but made one visit to a descendant of his line in Massachusetts in the last half century.

Twins Unlike. Shenandoah, Ia., Feb. 19.—Twins who were not twins in appearance were born to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Beason of Fremont county. One babe weighed 11 1/2 pounds and the other one 1 1/2. The tiny babe lived only eight hours. Mr. Beason is a farmer.

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I Trust Men
On face creams. Notice my results.
By Edna Wallace Hoppe

For 40 years I have consulted experts on the utmost in face creams. They have all been men, and mostly Frenchmen. As a result, at a grandmother's age, I still have a baby skin. Many a young girl envies my complexion, soft and smooth and rosy. I searched the world to find these helps, and spent a fortune. Most women cannot do that. So I am placing at every woman's call the best help I have found. In my busy stage life I am urging you to try them. One is Youth Cream. It contains products of both lemon and strawberry. Also the best that science knows to foster, feed and protect the skin. My own skin, envied by millions, shows how much it does. My Youth Cream comes in two types—cold cream and vanishing. Both have the same essential ingredients. I apply the cold cream at night to foster my skin while I sleep. In the morning I use the vanishing type as a powder base, and as all-day skin protection. Now I am old, yet no debutante could want a finer complexion. That is largely due to my Youth Cream. I wish I could induce every girl and woman to do what I have done. Do the utmost when you use a cream. I will gladly send a sample to anyone. Learn what it means to you. Clip the coupon now.

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