

## Lincoln Letter

Current Gossip from the STATE CAPITAL Legislative and Otherwise

The state senate, impatient because of the slowness of the house in passing a 2-cent fare bill, took up a similar bill in committee of the whole as the special order for 10 a. m., discussed the measure till noon, and after a recess passed the bill on third reading and placed it by a unanimous vote of all senators present, two only being absent. The bill is a flat 2-cent rate bill. It merely changes the word "three" in the present statute to "two," and contains an emergency clause so that it will go into effect as soon as it receives the approval of the governor. The bill provoked a free discussion, in which nearly every senator joined, McKesson of Lancaster, Burns of Lancaster, Gould of Greeley, Clarke of Adams and Root of Cass being the only ones in favor of a two days' delay.

The 2-cent passenger fare bill drafted by the joint railroad committee passed the house 90 to 0. The bill was hurried over to the senate and it will now be a matter of agreement between the two bodies which measure shall be passed. Many are looking for the enactment of the house bill, No. 267, since it is the measure that was drafted by the special committee to carry out the republican platform pledges. The senate bill by Sackett of Gage, in the hands of the house, would have been acted upon by the house had the representatives been in a mood to pass that bill. The two measures differ in only one particular. They both re-enact the present law fixing the passenger rate and merely change the rate per mile. The house bill, however, contains a provision that no ticket shall be sold for less than 5 cents, which is construed to relate to interurban charges as well as to railroad fares. Both bills have an emergency clause.

A new reciprocal demurrage bill made its appearance in the senate. It was introduced by Sackett of Gage county and goes into details regarding the furnishing of cars by railroads. It is aimed to prevent congestion of traffic because of failure of the railroads to provide cars. It requires railroads to furnish cars within a reasonable time after demand is made for them and not more than six days thereafter. They must be furnished in order of application. The bill also requires railroads to move freight at least sixty miles per day except live stock and perishable fruit, which are governed by special laws. The railroad companies are required to place cars on an accessible sidetrack within forty-eight hours after its arrival at its destination and the consignee is required to remove the goods within the same length of time afterward. Penalties are imposed for violations of the act.

Mr. Hart of York has introduced a most important measure in the house. The bill provides for the reorganization of the State Board of Assessment and Equalization by cutting out the land commissioner and the state auditor, leaving the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer to constitute the board. Until the new revenue law was enacted the board consisted of three members, but at that time the railroads, who were in the saddle in those days, increased the board to five members.

With the statutory time limit within which bills may be introduced in the legislature drawing to a close appropriation bills are pouring in at a lively clip and more are due this week. The amounts of these appropriation bills begin to show up to a size which indicates that some generous pruning will have to be done by the legislature if the state is to keep its expenditures within the maximum 5 mill levy allowed by law.

The house passed the Leeder double-shift firemen bill, which provides the fire department of Omaha shall consist of two platoons instead of one. It is almost a certainty that the bill will go through the senate and will become a law.

Because the western members fear that the county option feature of the Randall wild animal bounty law might work a hardship on them the bill, senate file No. 242, will not be considered in committee of the whole until all members of the senate are present. The bill as introduced by Senator Randall provides that the state shall pay a bounty of \$1.25 in counties wherein a county bounty of a similar amount or greater has been voted at a general election. The western men want the bill amended.

Sixteen bills were passed by the senate in one day, among them King's free high school bill, allowing court reporters 10 cents per 100 words for making bills of exception; Sackett's bill making public officials who fail to enforce laws removable by quo warranto proceedings in supreme court; Thomas' substitute compulsory education law, King's bill to repeal the 1 1/4 mill levy by the state for school purposes and Hanna and Phillips' measure providing for not less than six or more than eight junior normal schools in Nebraska.

The bills introduced in the house for an advisory board of pardons and for a constitutional amendment creating a board of pardons are designed to make a radical change in the present system of granting this kind of relief. The bill for an advisory board is intended to bridge over the interim until a board may be created that shall exercise the powers now devolving upon the governor. H. R. No. 415 requires the governor to call in at least three times each year two persons, one of whom shall be an alienist and the other an ex-chief justice of the supreme court, whose duty it shall be to dispose of all applications for pardon, commutation or parole. They may recommend such acts with or without petition. Public notice is to be given of the hearing in the community where the conviction occurred and the findings are to be recorded. Nothing in the act shall limit the powers of the governor to pardon. The board of pardon advisers shall receive \$5 a day and shall during a year be in session not less than thirty days.

Once more the legislature will try a whirl at the railroads in the interest of the independent grain shippers. One of Saunders has introduced in the house a bill which he believes will finally accomplish the purpose of connecting railroads to furnish side-tracks to the elevators of independent dealers. It is proposed as an amendment to the Hirsch law, passed last season. It provides for action in the district court to compel side tracks to be granted and provides that the complainant shall reimburse the railroad for the expense. But the railroad must show that it has not discriminated against such shipper by building a side track for any other person in the same locality. The bill also reduces the minimum capacity of an elevator to which a sidetrack is required to 10,000 bushels. The Hirsch law puts it at 15,000 bushels.

The house Thursday passed thirteen bills on third reading, among them being a number of senate files. The list includes two bills by Senator Root of Cass compelling shippers to brand packages of liquor as "intoxicating" and making the place of delivery the place of sale; also Saunders' bill prohibiting tipping of employees the offering of tips, or employers from permitting employees to accept tips. Among the house bills passed was H. R. No. 125, by Fries of Howard, the voting tax bill, Representative Leeder's double shift bill for the firemen of Omaha and the measure providing for the taxation of mortgages by Davis of Cass, embodying the ideas of Governor Sheldon.

Members of the senate not bankers are opposed to the efforts of the bankers of the state to secure an amendment to the present law governing state depositories. The present law requires banks desiring to become depositories to give a guaranty bond of twice the amount they may receive as a deposit from the state. The bankers insist that the law is unjust, as they are only for a short time, cannot be loaned for more than six months. The bill introduced by Senator Randall provides that depositories may deposit with the state treasurer state bonds or warrants, government bonds, county or school district bonds and municipal bonds in lieu of giving a guaranty bond.

Senator Aldrich of Butler introduced a bill to reduce the charges of express companies 25 per cent below the rates in force January 1, 1907. He has introduced a bill applying to railroad freight charges calling for a reduction of 20 per cent. The bills are both drawn after the same general style, making it unlawful to charge more than 75 per cent of the charges in force by express companies January 1, 1907, or more than 80 per cent of the freight charges in force at that time.

Members of the senate are not yet ready to discuss the vital question of whether the law shall be amended to permit the playing of baseball on Sunday. A bill to permit of Sunday baseball in counties voting therefor has been introduced in the senate by Senator Aldrich of Butler county and a similar measure in the house by Representative McMullen of Gage. The Aldrich bill was reached on the senate general file. Aldrich at once objected until the house takes action.

The decision of the supreme court in holding the new railway commission to be constitutional and legal was well received in both houses of the legislature, but active steps were taken to get the commission fully empowered at the earliest possible moment to have control of the railroads. In the house, the bill drawn by the joint committee conferring this power has been set down for a special order of business on Wednesday. The same thing has been done in the senate for Thursday.

The anti-pass bill will rest for a few days until amendments offered by the railroad committee can be printed and members have time to see the bill as it is proposed. The report of the committee was made, a new bill being submitted by striking out everything after the enacting clause in the old bill and substituting an entirely new measure. It embodies practically the same ideas as the bill submitted by the joint committee, with additions. It is made more specific with respect to discrimination in the matter of passenger rates.

# IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS

## New Swimming Records Constantly Being Made

Daniels, the American Champion, Has Demonstrated His Ability in England.

The quarter-mile swimming championship of the northern counties of England was signaled by the first appearance for the year of Henry Taylor, the young swimmer from Chadderton, and admitted to be the best swimmer England has produced. On account of the visit of Daniels to England and his great work there, the records made at home and abroad are now reckoned in the one breath, and a new mark for a fast swim made in England is as interesting to aquatic enthusiasts here as if 'twere made here.

Taylor performed in remarkable style in this northern championship, which, by the way, was inaugurated in 1903 to perpetuate the memory of the swimmers who went to South Africa and fell in the Boer war. It was first won by David Billington, who put up the present world's record for a bath of 11 turns, the time being 5 minutes 32 1/5 seconds, on June 20 of that year in the Bacup baths. That this was a great performance time has proven, for many attempts have been made to improve on it without success. Eric Forsyth won the race in 1904 and 1905, but without taking a shade out of the record. This time Taylor set it rocking, for he came

## Squires Coming Here to Fight Heavyweights

Australian Champion Will Post Forfeit on Arrival—Brings His Backer with Him.

Emulating the example of all the really great Australians who have been champions before him, Bill Squires, the champion heavyweight boxer of Australia, has decided to take the bull by the horns and come to America. He announces that he will soon start in the steamer Ventura for San Francisco, where he will be prepared to post forfeits and defy the ablest heavyweights of this country. His backer, Jack Wren, a well-to-do Melbourne bookmaker, so he cables, will be with him and will have a sack of money.

If Squires only proves the equal of the men who came from Australia long ago, there is trouble ahead for the best of our heavies, and the mighty Jeffries will have to fight or stay on his ranch for keeps. Little is known of Squires, excepting from vague reports, and he may be a wonder or a dud. But what marvels Australia sent us in the past! What whales of the roped arena used to cross over, slug and wallop, and annex all the honors that the fistie world could give!

Peter Jackson was a black Australian whose skill has seldom been approached. He was as good as seven Jack Johnsons or Tommy Burnses. He



Charles M. Daniels.

home in the rattling time of 5 minutes 35 seconds.

Taylor won the 440, 500, 880 and mile national championships of England, and the 440 and 1,000 yards northern counties championships. Added to this is the mile championship of the world at Athens.

Daniels' appearance in England did a great deal toward disabusing the English mind of the idea that his records at home were not genuine. He won the 100 yards from such cracks as Healy, the Australian and Derbyshire, and set up a new British record of 58 3/5 seconds, though he only got home a "touch" in front of the Antipopean. On June 22, at Richmond, Daniels swam the hundred in 57 3/5 seconds, beating all former English records, and on July 22, at Liverpool, Daniels made the 150 yards in 1 minute 36 seconds, wiping all the records off the slate.

After his return home Daniels scored an unbroken string of victories, the 100 yards A. A. U. national championship at St. Louis in a straightaway course in 60 seconds, equaling the record under the conditions. In the early spring and before he left on the trip to Europe, Daniels swam the 100 yards with three turns in 56 seconds, but this is still under investigation by the A. A. U. record authorities.

Daniels signaled his first appearance of the new year by breaking three American swimming records. The new figures established in the "mercury foot" 25-yard tank were for 120, 150 and 200 yards. The blonde amphibian chopped 6 1/5 seconds from Harry LeMoynes time of 1 minute 20 4/5 seconds in the first 120 yards of his journey, lopped off an even six from his own record of 1 minute 43 seconds for the 150 yards, and finished the full 200 yards 4 3/5 seconds better than his own figure of 2 minutes 20 seconds.

When a man will admit his coffee is cold it's a sign the honeymoon is over.

came over about 18 years back, and punched his way through the ablest stars of America and Britain, John L. excepted—and John never met him.

Frank Slavin was a splendid sample of the rough and hardy Australian fighter, and showed meteorically for a time, till his own countryman, Peter Jackson, met him and beat him so badly he has never cut any figure since.

Bob Fitzsimmons crossed over not long after Peter Jackson, and is still with us. His feats need no chronicling—they will live in the history of the ring as long as men love to read of the great battlers of the age.

Dan Creedon was a mighty power in American fighting circles, just as he had been in Australia. So was Jim Hall, a rangy, cool-headed fighter who was one of the grandest natural scrappers of his time. Both of these men, like Slavin, were invincible against Americans until beaten down by one of their own countrymen—Bob Fitzsimmons.

Australian Billy Murphy was a shining light for years. Griffo was a sensation and a fighting delight till his own habits spoiled his skill. Hughey Napier, George McKenzie, Jim Barron and other Australians, though not champions, showed a grade of skill and speed superior to that of most American warriors of their time.

The Australians of a few years ago were wonders of the ring. Will Bill Squires be such another, or will he be a disappointment and a lumbering ddb?

McGinnity Still With Giants. According to rumors circulated within the last few days "Iron Man" McGinnity was not to be one of the Giants the coming season. Recently he was notified as to the trip which the Giants will make to California. Fred M. Knowles, secretary of the club, received a letter from McGinnity, stating that he would meet the team en route to California. That insures McGinnity's presence with the team this year, and the pitching corps of the Giants will remain as it was in 1906.

## TRUE SPIRIT OF COURTESY.

Impulse Prompted by Owner's Nobleness of Heart.

Courtesy is a quality of the heart and suggests a forgetfulness of self, a refinement and delicacy of temperament that prompts the charming act as impulse.

The gentle spirit of courtesy betrays itself in the manner of addressing a servant or a weary assistant behind the counter as well as friends and acquaintances. A lack of courtesy often results from a mistaken idea as to one's own importance. The thought of independence presents a false. It merely is an act of courtesy and a mark of nobleness of mind voluntarily to resign one's right in favor of another.

It is the same mistaken idea that confuses frankness with rudeness. It is a virtue not to resort to the many petty deceptions that mar our social system. While we turn with disgust from the woman who bids her friend an affectionate farewell one moment and breathes a sigh of relief at her departure the next, we can but admit that a truly courteous heart will refrain from speaking an unpleasant truth without imperiling the person's veracity.

## ONLY HIS JUST DESERTS.

Editor Had Good Reason for Publishing Name of Contributor.

For six months or more the drug-gist's assistant had occupied his leisure moments by writing verses for the village paper, in the "poets' corner" of which publication they appeared anonymously every Thursday. On opening his copy of the Weekly Bugle one morning, and turning first, as was his regular habit, to that particular corner, he was surprised and gratified beyond measure to see his name in full appended to his latest poetical outburst.

He hastened to call at the office of the Bugle.

"Mr. Stires," he said to the editor, "I want to thank you for signing my name to my poem in this week's paper. It encourages a fellow when he gets proper credit for his work."

"Oh, that's all right, Johnson," responded the editor. "We thought it was about time to place the responsibility for that poetry where it belonged."—Youth's Companion.

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## Value of the Newspaper.

Some Republican congressmen were discussing the president's suggestion to shut out from the mails such newspapers as have been printing indecent details of the Thaw trial in New York. Mr. Littlefield of Maine indulged in a general review of the press, its powers, functions and privileges. "If it were not for the vigilant press of this country, with its trained corps of representatives in Washington," he said, "I don't know whether I would care to serve in congress. My experience here has taught me that the newspapers perform a service of inestimable value to the country. I sometimes think that congress would drift into many excesses if the press gallery were not here to keep us in bounds."

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