

most important measures which was introduced in that body was by Anderson of Saline, to make county treasurers and their bondsmen responsible for personal taxes which it is the duty of the treasurer to collect, and which they failed or neglected to do.

O'Neill of Lancaster introduced a bill which would prohibit any person under the age of 18 from operating an elevator.

Names the Fusionists.

The fusion members of the senate have already been "dubbed" the "XXXX brand." The member from Boyd, who carries a Mecha-Java name, was the inspiration, as stated by a mistake of the secretary of state in enrolling the name. On the slip prepared the name is spelled "Coffey," but the senator assures his colleagues that he is not the product of a bean, but a Coffey. Whether he belongs to the XXXX or some other branch of the family, Mr. Coffey is the youngest member of the senate, and also the youngest member of the house, is 27 years of age. He represents about 6,000 votes, scattered over Holt, Garfield, Wheeler, Boyd and Keays-Paha counties. And a majority of the senators are Republicans, at whose majority of them voted for Governor Miller. Mr. Coffey is a hardware merchant at Spencer, Boyd county, and besides is a director in the Boyd County bank, a member of the school board and a village trustee. Since coming to Lincoln he has been placed upon seven committees, and is chairman of the committee on public charities and corrections.

Senator Coffey is preparing a bill to establish a police court in all towns and villages. The enactment of such a law, he said, would prevent so many changes of venue from one justice of the peace to another, thus preventing delays and often the defeat of justice.

The committee on charter revision of South Omaha, headed by Mayor Koutsay and A. H. Murdoch, held a protracted star chamber session with the "Douglas delegation" this afternoon and tonight. The committee brought with it a bill for charter amendments which was submitted to the delegation. It will likely be introduced the first of the week.

ROUTINE OF THE SENATE

Delay in Receiving Bills From Printer Compels Short Sessions of Body.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Jan. 15.—(Special)—Senator Hall of Douglas had the honor of presiding in the senate this morning during the reading of bills. Lieutenant Governor McGilton was called from the senate chamber and invited Mr. Hall to the chair. He presided with ease and dignity.

Senate Bill No. 1 was printed and distributed among the members and by tomorrow many more are expected from the printer. It is the delay in getting these bills that for the past two days has caused the senate to hold half-day sessions. This morning ten bills were introduced, among them being one by O'Neill of Lancaster prohibiting the employment of persons under 18 years of age acting as conductors of passenger or freight elevators. This bill, it is said, had its origin in the number of accidents that have occurred in Lincoln owing to the carelessness or mishandling of passenger elevators. The usual road bills and the treasurer's seal bill were introduced.

Anderson of Saline introduced the first tax bill, making the county treasurer and his bondsmen responsible for personal taxes unless he makes efforts as enumerated in the bill for the collection of taxes.

In speaking of the bill Senator Anderson said:

This measure is meant to remedy the existing evils in regard to tax collections. The state is losing much good money that it might have if a legitimate effort were made by the county officials to collect the revenue due.

The bill provides how he shall proceed and if he does not do it the state has a clear case against him. He is responsible for his inaction.

He is responsible for his inaction and it is the duty of the county treasurer to collect the tax.

The law provides however, that the taxpayer whose goods have been seized shall pay back by paying up any time before the sale.

Contract for Journals.

Lieutenant Governor McGilton called the Senate to order at 10 o'clock. After roll call, and prayer by the chaplain, Assistant Secretary Wheeler read a portion of the journal. This was dispensed with.

Pemberton of Gage read a bid from Dora Bachelor to furnish the senate with daily journals for \$300 for the entire session, and she was awarded the contract.

Before the introduction of bills for first reading Lieutenant Governor McGilton left the chair and called Hall of Douglas to take his place.

S. F. No. 27 to 40, inclusive, were read a second time. After the introduction and reading of the following bills the senate adjourned at 11 o'clock until Friday morning.

The committee on municipal affairs, at a meeting this morning, decided to report favorably on senate Bill No. 1 in regard to the purchase of the Omaha waterworks, introduced by Howell of Douglas.

S. F. No. 40, by O'Neill of Lancaster—Act to prevent the employment of persons under the age of 18 to operate any passenger or freight elevator.

S. F. No. 41, by Fred Custer—Act to provide for the gathering, compilation and publication of agricultural and industrial statistics, providing for the preparation of section 7, chapter xxxix, Compiled Statutes, entitled "Industrial Statistics," and section 1, chapter lxxviii, Compiled Statutes, entitled "Revenue."

S. F. No. 42, by Instead of Folk—Act to amend section 2, chapter lxxix, Compiled Statutes, entitled "Police." Amended so that all roads be not less than forty nor more than fifty feet wide.

S. F. No. 43, by Anderson of Saline—Act to provide for a landlord's lien upon all gross grown upon leased premises and upon any other personal property of the tenant, which has been deposited on the premises during the term of the lease.

S. F. No. 44, by Anderson of Saline—Act to provide for official seals of county treasurers.

S. F. No. 45, by Anderson of Saline—Act to amend section 1, chapter xxvii, Compiled Statutes, entitled "Revenue."

S. F. No. 46, by Anderson of Saline—Act to amend section 1, chapter xxvii, Compiled Statutes, entitled "Revenue."

S. F. No. 47, by Eggleston of Lancaster—Act to amend section 1, chapter xxvii, Compiled Statutes, making it mandatory on county boards to have and keep an office.

S. F. No. 48, by Jennings of Thayer—Act to amend section 2, chapter lxxix, Compiled Statutes, making it mandatory on county commissioners to widen public roads from sixty-six to forty-four feet.

county treasurer and his bondsmen responsible for personal taxes, unless treasurer is present against delinquents as provided by the law.

S. F. No. 49, by Jennings of Thayer—Act to amend section 2, chapter lxxix, Compiled Statutes, and to provide for school districts to hire sheriff to collect taxes, allowing school board to fix bonds.

S. F. No. 50, by Sheldon of Cass—Act to provide for the excessive use of liquors and other narcotics.

S. F. No. 51, by Lounsbury of Dodge—Act to prohibit trap shooting or the shooting of birds.

S. F. No. 52, by Bacon of Adams—Act providing for making six wells in the state of Nebraska for the purpose of finding out whether petroleum, coal or gas exists and can be gotten in paying quantities, and appropriating the sum of \$60,000 or so much more as may be necessary for the same at Chadron, Lexington, Culbertson, Columbus, Ponca and Omaha.

S. F. No. 53, by Cook of Douglas—Act to amend section 2, article 1, chapter xxvi, entitled "Revenue," Compiled Statutes, making it the duty of county boards to provide for the valuation of all personal and corporations in proportion to the value of their franchises and providing for publicity of records.

S. F. No. 54, by Gregg of Wayne—Act to amend section 1, subdivision 7, chapter xxix, Compiled Statutes relating to reports of school district officers.

S. F. No. 55, by McClay of Lancaster—Curtailed the act to provide for the election of commissioners by vote of entire county.

S. F. No. 56, by Jones of Otoe—Act to amend section 2, chapter x, entitled "Bonds and Seal," Compiled Statutes.

S. F. No. 57, by Jones of Otoe—Act to amend section 42, chapter xxviii, Compiled Statutes, making it the duty of county commissioners to accept valuation and assessment of railroad property in city limits as fixed by law.

S. F. No. 58, by Ten Eyck of Douglas—An act to amend section 2, article 1, chapter xxix, entitled "Revenue," Compiled Statutes, repealing all limits on capital funds or for school tax. Emergency clause.

S. F. No. 59, by Ten Eyck of Douglas—An act to amend section 2, subdivision 6, chapter xxix, Compiled Statutes, relating to power of trustees of high school districts.

S. F. No. 60, by Derner of Cass—An act to authorize boards of county commissioners or superintendents to make contracts for the construction and repair of bridges.

S. F. No. 61, by Jones of Otoe—Act to amend section 2, chapter xxvi, Compiled Statutes, making it the duty of county commissioners to accept valuation and assessment of railroad property in city limits as fixed by law.

S. F. No. 62, by Gregg of Wayne—An act to amend section 1, subdivision 3, chapter xxix, Compiled Statutes, relating to election of commissioners.

S. F. No. 63, by Gregg of Wayne—An act to amend section 2, chapter xxvi, Compiled Statutes, making it the duty of county commissioners to accept valuation and assessment of railroad property in city limits as fixed by law.

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