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The shirt waist suit bids fair to be very popular this season. The new silks for shirt waist suits are exquisite, beyond anything we have ever shown.

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Under such circumstances the sky of fusionism is not luminous.

The Douglas delegation will suggest at least two changes in the proposed charter bill: That the salaries of the health commissioner and city electrician be left as they are now instead of reduced as the bill provides.

Secretary of Adams said tonight he would introduce a resolution in the house providing for night sessions for the remainder of the term.

Affects Entire Bill.

The revenue committee, through its chairman, Mr. Warner of Lancaster has given it out, as was published in The Bee, that only minor changes would be made in the revenue bill by that set of individuals.

In this connection he mentioned that the committee thought it would be wise to amend that provision of the bill naming February and March as the months for assessing property, substituting April and May.

A member of the joint revenue committee this morning pointed out that some amendments, instead of being minor or trivial, would practically tear the bill to pieces or at least make it necessary for the measure to go back to its authors for re-adjustment.

By fixing February and March as the months for assessment the county assessor will have a whole month in which to complete his work after his deputies have completed theirs and before the county board of equalization meets.

The Omaha delegation will hold an important meeting Tuesday night in room 8 of the Lindell hotel for the consideration of H. R. 330, the Omaha charter bill.

The fiscalists met tonight in another vain endeavor to get into a solid line on the revenue bill and for H. R. 330. M. F. Harrington and other party leaders were here to urge harmonious action for the party's sake, but the best results are far from satisfactory to the high priests of fusionism.

They have been compelled to realize that their representatives in the legislature are divided and unorganized and making miserable headway in carrying out the party's plans of manufacturing campaign thunder.

H. R. 330 did not come up in the house today as was expected, but will appear tomorrow.

The house committee on cities and towns has decided to report on the Omaha charter bill, H. R. 330, by Gilbert of Douglas, validating all paving taxes since 1896.

Legislative Gossip.

The bill introduced in the house this afternoon in regard to the sale of linseed oil was prepared at the suggestion of State Oil Inspector Hase and has his name attached to it.

Only those who have experienced the delicious feeling of returning health and vigor can properly appreciate the value of pure food. When the improper food is left off and scientific food such as Grape-Nuts is in its place one begins to feel the glow of returning health.

Some time ago I was taken sick and got so very low that I thought at times I would never be able to get out again. I write a business man of Wilmington, Del. "One day my wife saw an article in the paper about Grape-Nuts and read it to me. I was so impressed that I asked her to get some. How thankful I am that I did so. I was at that time produced to a shade of 35 pounds but the first week's use of Grape-Nuts brought me to my feet so that I could stand alone. By the second week I could walk out to the great surprise of all, and now I can get out to my business without any trouble, and I have made the phenomenal gain of 140 pounds.

Improper food nearly killed me but when I left it off and used Grape-Nuts it did not take long to put me back in health. Name furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

"Feed right, live right" is a true axiom. Remember Grape-Nuts food is for Athletes and all who are sick.

endorsement. Incidentally Mr. Hase is now preparing the monthly report of his office. During the time he has been oil inspector, Mr. Hase has turned into the treasury \$4,354.36, after deducting all the expenses of his office.

O'Neill of Lancaster is one of the most popular, as well as one of the most watchful members in the senate. O'Neill's popularity was put to a severe test this morning and stood the test without a flinch. It was semi-officially announced that O'Neill was a declaimer—a writer of verse. The impeachment was not denied.

A petition was received in the senate today requesting the senate to pass S. F. 52, an act to repeal the present lien law, and provide a lien law for labor performed for the erection, repairing or removal of any house, mill, manufactory or building or structure.

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The bill also provides that in case existing companies refuse to comply with rates it shall be the duty of the city to grant a franchise to some company which will.

Wall of Sherman introduced a bill today to abolish capital punishment. Senator Wall's bill repeals the sections of the statutes providing punishment for murder and other crimes by striking out the words "or death, in the discretion of the jury." Senator Wall said the bill had been introduced by special request.

Senate Routine. President Harrison called the senate to order at 2 o'clock this afternoon, with twenty-one senators present.

H. R. 40, providing that leases for a term of one year should be made in writing, was killed by a vote of 15 to 6.

In the committee of the whole, with Brown of Keya Paha in the chair, the following disposition of bills was made:

H. R. 15, to provide for township organization, ordered engrossed for a third reading.

S. F. 178, relating to desertion of wife or husband, was referred back to the judiciary committee after a lengthy debate.

Hall of Brien announced that he would move a reconsideration of H. R. 40 on Tuesday or Wednesday morning.

A communication was read from the attorney general that the fact that a committee in reporting back a bill did not use the entire title of the bill, the bill was not invalidated.

Senate adjourned at 4 o'clock.

New Bills. S. F. 222, by Brown of Keya Paha—Memorial and joint resolution requesting that the federal forest reserve be increased; that forest wardens be provided; that adequate measures be taken for the checking of fire in the forest.

S. F. 223, by Brown of Douglas (by special request)—To amend sections 19 and 21 of chapter xii of the compiled statutes, providing for the establishment and regulation of telephone rates and service in cities and towns.

S. F. 224, by Wall of Sherman (by request)—To amend section 3 of the Criminal Code to abolish capital punishment.

ROUTINE HOUSE PROCEEDINGS. Few Members Present and No Business of Moment Transacted.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 2.—(Special.)—The house entered upon the thirty-sixth legislative day at 10 o'clock this morning. Attendance was irregular, some members being excused for sickness, others because of detention by the severe storm in their part of the state.

The entire two hours was devoted to bills on second reading. No other order of business was reached.

WIFE IS CLOSELY EXAMINED. Feeling that Mrs. Burdick May Be Able to Throw Light on Murderer.

(BUFFALO, N. Y., March 2.—Mrs. Burdick, widow of E. L. Burdick, who was murdered at his home here last Thursday night, and Mrs. Hull, her mother, were examined at considerable length early today at a police station.

Mrs. Hull was first questioned by District Attorney Cobworth and Assistant Superintendent of Detectives O'Connell. She denied knowing anything of what happened until the morning. She heard no sounds in the night, heard nothing of any voice whatever and awoke in the morning ignorant of the tragedy.

Mrs. Burdick was next questioned at length as to what she could offer to throw light on the possible identity of the murderer, after which both women went back to the Ashland avenue home.

The district attorney said after they had gone: "We examined Mrs. Hull and Mrs. Burdick for the purpose of completing an examination of all those present in the house on the night the murder occurred and to ascertain from Mrs. Burdick, if possible, who, in her judgment, might have been actuated to commit such a crime."

DEATH RECORD. Max Goetze. STURGIS, S. D., March 2.—(Special.)—Max Goetze, aged 54 years, is dead of pneumonia. The deceased joined the Seventh cavalry at St. Louis in 1871 and was in G. Troop of the 7th cavalry when he was discharged in 1874. After his discharge, in the '80s, he took up a ranch a few miles from this city and farmed continuously until a few months ago, when he was given a job as driver of the ambulance at Fort Meade. He held it faithfully and well until a few days ago, when he caught a cold and pneumonia followed. He was a good musician, having been in the Seventh cavalry band and also with local bands. The funeral was held today at 10 o'clock and was attended by Fort Meade with military honors, he being a member of the Regular Army and Navy union.

MADRID ROBBERED. DENVER, March 2.—Madric Robillard, known in the theatrical world as Louis Martinetti, died at Victor, Colo., and his remains will be shipped to Fort River, Mass. for burial. Death was caused by apoplexy. Martinetti was the chief comedian of "The Devil's Auction" company and was taken ill while playing at Victor. He was born at Montreal in 1863 and was the youngest of the famous Martinetti family of acrobats.

ABERDEEN BANK BUILDING DAMAGED. ABERDEEN, S. D., March 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Fire started last night in the Northwestern bank block, one of the finest buildings in the city. Damage is estimated at \$10,000. The fire originated in the basement, but was subdued after a stubborn fight lasting several hours. The Granite Robinson Fruit company lost heavily.

George W. Kinser. PLATTSBORO, Neb., March 2.—(Special Telegram.)—George W. Kinser, 79 years of age, died at his home in this city today. He had resided here for thirty-five years, and leaves a wife and grown son. Rev. Aaa Smith will conduct the funeral service in the First Methodist Episcopal church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

H. B. Woodbridge. H. B. Woodbridge, formerly a well known newspaper man in this city, died at St. Paul, Minn. He was at one time editor of the Chicago Times and later worked for the New York Sun and the Omaha Bee. Mr. Woodbridge was 69 years old and a son of the late Congressman Woodbridge of Vermont.

Fred Wake. ASBURY, N. Y., March 2.—Fred Wake died today of typhoid fever, contracted at Ithaca, where he has a school. He was 40 years of age. Four other students are ill with the disease, one of them critically.

CONFERR ON BUILDING BILL

Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota May Benefit as a Result.

ALLISON BREAKS SENATORIAL RECORD Starts in His Thirty-First Year in the Senate March 5—Nomination of Barrows is Controversial.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Special rule of order in this morning by the committee on rules, the omnibus public building bill was taken up and the conference asked for by the senate was granted by the house. The tug of war now comes between the conferees of the two houses over what shall remain and what shall go out of the bill, the difference in appropriations between the senate and house measure being upwards of \$2,000,000.

Under the house bill York and Grand Island are given \$100,000 each for the purchase of a site, while Lincoln is given \$350,000 for the erection of a new building block of the present old structure, and the Treasury department is empowered to sell the present postoffice building for a sum of not less than \$50,000 to the city of Lincoln. This particular item was also carried by the senate bill and is not in conference. The items regarding York and Grand Island, however, are subject to conference and it will be interesting to watch the outcome.

In Iowa, Mason City and Webster City are favored by the house bill, the committee having acted upon and are therefore subject to conference. In appropriations for South Dakota, Yankton and Pierre have been cut in both senate and house bills, but it is understood that the house conferees have been instructed by the committee to increase the appropriations so that they will conform to the recommendation made by the secretary of the treasury. While there are a great many items in conference on the omnibus bill, it is confidently believed that the conferees of the two bodies will be able to reach a conclusion within a very short time, the senate in a number of cases having already intimated a desire to meet the house wherever possible.

Heppburn Committee Busy. Colonel C. W. Heppburn, chairman of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce of the house, stated today that his committee had acted upon and had passed during the thirty-seventh congress more important legislation than had any committee within his recollection. He called particular attention to the isthmian canal bill, reform in revenue utility service, pure food bill, safety appliance bill, which are now pending in the house.

The committee on commerce bill and anti-discrimination and rebate bill. These he said were among some of the very important measures which the committee had acted favorably upon and which were now law. "There is no question," he said, "that has such a record and during the eight years that I have been chairman of the committee I have yet to hear an airy or ill-natured word exchanged between members of my committee."

Allison Breaks a Record. Senator Allison was 74 years old today and on next Thursday, on the convening of the extraordinary session of the senate will enter upon his sixth consecutive term in the upper branch of congress, a record held by no man since the foundation of government. John Sherman had six terms in congress, but they were not consecutive, and he and Benton are the only men who came anywhere near Senator Allison in the number of consecutive terms.

At noon of Wednesday Senator Allison will have completed thirty years as a United States senator and he enters upon his sixth term with all his splendid faculties about him and with an experience of thirty years in the upper branch to aid the republican party in working out its high destiny.

Interest in Coupon Bill. Judging by the number of letters and telegrams which Speaker Henderson received yesterday, interest in the coupon bill is on the increase. There have been charges made that the speaker was opposed to the Otjen bill because of interests antagonistic to the measure. In order therefore to ascertain the feeling throughout the country on the measure the speaker has had the letters and telegrams tabulated and this tabulation shows that he has received three letters and ninety-one telegrams in favor of the bill and seventy-nine letters and 193 telegrams against the bill. These letters and telegrams are all in the name of the speaker, and the letters and telegrams against the bill came from ten states, especially from Michigan, New York, Virginia and Wisconsin, while the telegrams against the bill came from thirty-one states, including Colorado, California, Minnesota, Missouri, Texas, the larger number coming from California, Illinois, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Iowa dealers sent six telegrams for and eight against the bill, while Nebraska sent a long letter in opposition to the measure.

Print District Documents. Senator Dietrich today secured the permission of the senate to print as a document 500 copies of some matter compiled by Truman G. Palmer, giving a history of the Hawaiian treaty, with a report to terminate the treaty signed by Senators Morrill, Voorhees and Aldrich, also a history of the agitation for Cuban reciprocity and the United States and opinions as to the probable result of Cuban reciprocity, by Charles H. Dietrich.

Personal Movements. Representative Robinson, accompanied by Mrs. Robinson, will leave for Nebraska tomorrow. Representative and Mrs. Neville will leave for a tour of Old Mexico next Monday. Congressman Shallenberger will leave for home on Thursday. Representative and Mrs. Burkett hope to leave for the Anloleo state on Thursday.

Fire Record. Merchandise Stock at Fullerton. FULLERTON, Neb., March 2.—(Special.)—At 8 o'clock last evening fire was discovered in the general merchandise store of Diers Bros., situated in the double two-story brick building next to the Fullerton National bank on Broadway. The volunteer fire company promptly responded and soon had the fire under control. The estimated damage to the building is \$500 to \$1,000. The building was fully insured. It is estimated that the damage to the stock of goods is from \$5,000 to \$7,000, which is covered by \$14,000 of insurance.

Albia Has Expensive Blaze. OSKALOOSA, Ia., March 2.—(Special.)—The town of Albia had one of its worst fires in its history this morning, entailing a loss of \$30,000. Pitts' restaurant, Rees' drug store, McCallister's grocery and Company A are the principal losers. Insurance on the several buildings is less than \$10,000.

HYMENEAL. Decamp-Halle. CLEARWATER, Neb., March 2.—(Special.)—David M. Decamp of Clearwater, and Miss Edith Halle of Lincoln were married at Emanuel church, Lincoln, at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, February 25. Rev. J. W. Embree of Osceola officiating. They will make their home at this place. The groom is the son of M. A. Decamp, a well known rancher, and the bride a daughter of Mrs. J. B. Hill of Lincoln, a former resident of this place.

FLOODS BEGIN TO SUBSIDE

Pennsylvania's Rivers Almost Within Banks and Water Falling Rapidly.

MILLS AND FACTORIES HEAVY LOSERS Damage in General, However, Not So Great as on Other Occasions When Water Has Not Been So High.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 2.—The rivers are again almost within their banks and, as the water is falling rapidly here and at the head waters, the worst of the flood may be considered as over. At 10 o'clock this morning the Allegheny marked 25 feet and receding at the rate of a half foot an hour.

Only a half dozen times in a century has the record of yesterday been beaten, but notwithstanding this and the fact that the rise came within a few hours the damage has not been as great as in many previous floods when the water did not reach as high a stage.

Indirectly the loss is heavy, as all the mills and factories fronting the two rivers have been compelled to close an account of the water getting into the fly pits and probably 40,000 men will be thrown out of employment for several days. This will mean a heavy loss in wages.

The flood was general throughout all the western part of the state, where overflowing their banks and causing more or less damage to houses and farms that lay in their course.

With the falling water a mass of mud and sediment is left deposited on the lowland thoroughfares of the city. Little pools of water are frozen over and the sidewalk is covered with sheets of ice.

The water in many cellars also froze during the night and the health authorities are apprehensive of much sickness following in the wake of the flood. As quickly as the waters recede gangs of men will be put to work and the flooded district thoroughly cleaned.

Some Damage in Ohio. WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 2.—The danger from flood ended today when the river after reaching 31 feet 6 inches, began falling. This was due to the cold weather which has ended the thaw. The losses so far have been confined to a few warehouses and the flooding of some mines.

TOLEDO, O., March 2.—Although the danger of serious flooding at Toledo passed today when the ice moved out of the Maumee river, it is not true of other towns in the section of Ohio.

Specials to the Bee from northwestern Ohio towns show that the situation is serious at Findlay, Lima, Tiffin, Marysville, Upper Sandusky and neighboring towns. At Findlay Sam Moffatt was drowned in the street. The water had raised the sidewalk. He broke through and met death in ten feet of water.

Nelson Jacobs and Henry Thomas, also of Findlay, wealthy farmers, attempted to drive through a low place in the road and the horses floundered in five feet of water. The men and horses were drowned.

At Fremont David Divley was driving along the river road and in an attempt to pass a low spot was swept away by the current of water and drowned. All the rivers are higher than they have been for twenty years. Steam electric lines and tracks have been washed out and bridges are endangered. Persons living in the lowlands have been forced to abandon their homes.

\$120,000 Lost in Indiana. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 2.—It is estimated that the damage to farms along White river from Indianapolis to Mount Carmel, Ind., will reach \$120,000. This does not include heavy losses of live stock that has been drowned.

At Fort Wayne, the St. Mary and St. Joseph rivers, which form the Maumee river there, are on a rampage and the factory district of Fort Wayne is threatened. Homes in the vicinity of Lawton park are being deserted by the occupants.

MEMPHIS, March 2.—The Mississippi river at this point is one foot and two inches above the danger line. A large area of farming land on the Arkansas side is inundated and in many instances farmers have abandoned their homes. The overflow prevails as far south as Helena.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., March 2.—The Ohio river is rising rapidly. The Big Sandy, the Twelve Pole and the Guyandotte are booming and great damage has resulted to timber men, owing to the breaks of booms. In Ceredo, fifty families have been driven from their homes.

FOR WOMEN Much That Every Woman Desires to Know About Sanative Antiseptic Cleansing And About Curing Ulcerative Pains and Weaknesses.

Too much stress cannot be placed on the great value of Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills in the antiseptic cleansing of the mucous surfaces and of the blood and circulating fluids, thus affording pure, sweet and economical local and constitutional treatment for weakening discharges, ulcerations, inflammation, itching, irritations, relaxations, displacements, pains and irregularities peculiar to females. Hence the Cuticura remedies have a wonderful influence in restoring health, strength and beauty to weary women, who have been prematurely aged and invalided by these distressing ailments, as well as such sympathetic afflictions as anemia, chlorosis, hysteria, nervousness and debility.

Women from the very first have fully appreciated the purity and sweetness, the power to afford immediate relief, the certainty of speedy and permanent cure, the absolute safety and great economy which have made the Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills the standard cures and humors remedies of the civilized world.

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