

PRESIDENT TAFT BEGINS WORK

Important Conference with Republican Members of House Ways and Means Committee.

READY FOR SPECIAL SESSION

Message Will Ask that Nothing Except Tariff Be Considered.

DETAILS ARE LEFT TO CONGRESS

Belief Expressed that New Law Will Be Ready by June 1.

MR. KNOX IS FIRST CALLER

During the Day the President Reviews Famous Speeches of New York and Receives Many Visitors.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The Taft administration took its first stride today. The new president started his cabinet, the senate confirmed his selections and his members will take the oath of office tomorrow morning, with the exception of George W. Wickham, who was sworn in as attorney general today, and of Misses Dickinson and MacVean, whose personal affairs will not permit of their reaching Washington for a week or more.

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He would, he said, not discuss in his message any details of tariff revision, leaving all such matters entirely to the judgment of congress. The members of the committee left the White House expressing the utmost good feeling and the belief that the work of the extra session would be completed before June 1.

Many Receptions During Day.
Aside from these important accomplishments, President Taft gave himself up heartily to the demands of his friends and thousands of inaugural visitors who wished to shake hands with him, see his smile and get a word to carry home with them. Frederick C. Knickerbocker, mayor of New York, called on the president at 12.30 in the White House building at precisely 9.30 the morning. A fifteen-minute interview, Mr. Knox said, had its importance, but not for publication. He was rejoicing that one of his first calls, when his resignation was received, had been a private citizen. His resigning, however, was brief, before the day was much older he had been nominated and confirmed as secretary of state.

Governor Hughes of New York, Governor Freney of Vermont, and the senators and members of the representative from the states next had the ear of the president and gained his consent to attend the celebration July 7 and 8 next, of the discovery of Lake Champlain at Plattsburgh and Burlington.

The congratulations and good wishes of Cuba were extended to President Taft by President Gomez. Vice President Daza and a number of prominent Cuban officials and politicians in the form of a memorial presented by General De Metrio Casillas Druzy, who came to the United States for that purpose.

Seventh Regiment Reviewed.
The reviewing stand was again occupied by President Taft this morning when he took his place there to do honor to the "crack" Seventh regiment, New York infantry. From the stand he returned to the White House, where he received, with their staffs, the governors of New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Jersey and Missouri.

The Blaine club of Cincinnati followed; the Columbus club sang the "Star Spangled Banner," Troop A of the Black Horse cavalry of Cleveland, which acted as guard of honor yesterday, stalked through the big east room of the White House, which resulted itself of the banding machine, which kept the big band in a state of animation throughout the day.

Fred W. Carpenter took the oath of office as secretary to the president at 3 o'clock along with Colonel William Crozier of the White House executive force, who as a notary. Wendell W. Mielher, who has been Mr. Taft's assistant secretary and stenographer, was made one of Mr. Carpenter's assistants, taking the place made vacant by the transfer of Assistant Secretary Laflin to the position of executive clerk. T. M. Hendricks, Mr. Laflin's clerical force was given a clerkship and William Pannell, who has for years been Mr. Taft's messenger in the War department, was assigned to duty on Mr. Carpenter's floor.

Late in the afternoon, Mr. Taft found time to go out for a walk with his brother, Henry W. Taft of New York.

Rush of Crowds Out of City.
Creeping along at a snail's pace, heavily laden trains today slowly bore the inaugural crowds away from the capital. The crowded telegraphic facilities, which made it impossible to operate trains last night, within less than ten or twelve hours of schedule time, were somewhat improved but still far from normal.

Two Dead in Street Duel.
CLARKSVILLE, Ark., March 5.—As a result of an exchange of shots between John M. Morgan and City Marshal Hugh Stone last night, Morgan is dead and Stone is thought to be mortally wounded. Morgan is believed to have been shot while the duel was in progress in his home, both men drawing their weapons and firing simultaneously as to the origin of the trouble nothing is ascertainable.

Gives Up Position Rather Than Try Panama Label Case

District Attorney Keating Refuses to Appear in Court Against His Friends, Williams and Smith.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—United States District Attorney Keating at Indianapolis has resigned rather than participate in the efforts of the Department of Justice to bring Delavan Smith and Joseph Fultner to Washington to stand trial for criminal libel in connection with publications concerning the Panama canal and railroad.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 5.—United States Attorney Joseph E. Keating, who has resigned his office rather than participate in the prosecution against Delavan Smith and Joseph Fultner of the Indianapolis News, would make no statement today regarding the matter other than that contained in his letter of resignation to the attorney general. In that he says: "I am not in accord with the government in its attempt to put a strained construction of the law to drag the defendants from their homes to the seat of the government to be tried and punished, while there is a good and sufficient law in this jurisdiction, in the state court. I believe the principle involved is dangerous, striking at the very foundation of our form of government. I cannot, therefore, honestly and conscientiously assist the court that such is the law or that such construction should be put on it. Not being able to do this, I do not feel that I can, in justice to my office, continue to hold it and decline to assist."

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Eighty Injured is Toll of Big Day in Washington

Three of Eighty Are Dead and Three More Fatally Hurt as Result of Crowds at Inaugural.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The record of casualties incident to the inauguration ceremonies of yesterday was three deaths, three probably fatally injured and more than seventy-five persons slightly injured.

SAMUEL YOUNG, aged 25 years, of this city.
NORMAN A. STALL, 6 years old, of Richmond, Va.
ANDREW B. DORAN, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The seriously injured were Policeman Frederick Clark, Samuel Carter of Virginia and William Derrah of this city. Samuel Young was electrocuted by stepping on live electric wires on Wisconsin avenue, Norman A. Stall died of epilepsy, while viewing the parade, and Andrew B. Doran, a Pullman conductor, died of heart disease arising at the Union station last night. Dirk was severely injured in an attempt to arrest a Greek for disorderly conduct. Carter was scratched in the abdomen by a negro and Denzell was overcome by gas.

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Franklin McVean of Illinois, to be secretary of the treasury.
Jacob M. Dickinson of Tennessee, to be secretary of war.
George W. Wickham of New York, to be attorney general.
Frank H. Hitchcock of Massachusetts, to be postmaster general.
George V. L. Meyer of Massachusetts, to be secretary of the navy.
Richard A. Ballinger of Washington, to be secretary of the interior.
James Wilson of Iowa, to be secretary of agriculture.
Charles Nagel of Missouri, to be secretary of commerce and labor.
Huntington Wilson of Illinois, to be assistant secretary of state.
Bookman Winthrop of New York, to be assistant secretary of the navy.
William Leahy Jr., of New York, to be collector of customs for the district of New York, N. Y.
Lewis Dalby of Virginia, to be an Indian inspector.
John P. McDowell of Illinois, to be collector of public moneys at Williston, N. D.

The senate then took a recess of fifteen minutes to permit the various committees to which the other cabinet nominations were referred, to consider and report upon them.
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WOMAN MYSTERIOUSLY KILLED
Undertaker Finds Bullet Wound on Atchison Woman Found Dead at Home.
ATCHISON, Kan., March 5.—A mystery surrounds the killing of Mrs. Jerome Hoover, wife of an Atchison tinner, who was found dead at her home near here Wednesday. Yesterday the undertaker discovered a small wound behind her right ear. The wound was probed and a bullet was taken from it.

The woman's husband was away from home the greater part of the day of the tragedy. A neighbor discovered the body. The county officers are waiting on a murder theory, but they say they have some slight suspicion in regard to Hoover. He is 45 years old. Mrs. Hoover was 35 years old.

Benson Eagles Will Set a Pace in Hall Dedication

Benson sale of the Eagles has made preparations in care, on Friday evening, March 12, anything in the line of hall dedication recently attempted in this section. The Benson boys had nothing much but nerve when they started in three or four years ago by buying a lot in a very eligible location. Having secured the ground, they set about establishing the building, which consisted of a building fund by means of picnics, fairs, base ball games, bowling contests, wrestling matches.

NEW CABINET IS CONFIRMED

Senate Acts Promptly on Nominations Made by President Taft.

NO BREAK IN THE SLATE

Forecast of Personnel of Official Family Proves Correct.

ROOT IN CHEROKEE STRIP

Senator from New York Occupies Seat Among New Members.

TILLMAN AND BAILEY TALK

South Carolina Senator Makes Pointed Remarks About Mr. Meyer and Texas Senator Asks About Mr. Nagel.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—In his first regular sitting of the session the senate today received and confirmed the nominations of President Taft for the various cabinet positions and also that of Mr. Wilson as assistant secretary of state. In addition Senators Chamberlain of Oregon and Smith of Maryland were sworn in. The session, both executive and legislative, continued two and one-half hours of time, an adjournment being had at 2:30 p. m.

Promptly at 12 o'clock today Vice President Sherman called the senate to order and after Chaplain Hale had delivered an impressive invocation the roll was called and a committee appointed to notify the president that the senate was organized and ready for business.

The session attracted a large gathering in the galleries and throughout the brief proceedings much interest was centered on the new senators who were present in the places assigned to them for the first time.

Root in Cherokee Strip.
The "Cherokee strip," as a part of the democratic side on the extreme right-hand side of the vice president is known, was rendered interesting by the location thereof of Senator Root, among the new senators. It is in this portion of the senate that are located the "inaugurals," the new republican senators who are not altogether pleased with their committee assignments and who are inclined at times to revolt from the policies of the majority.

After the prayer the journal was read and then Senator Lodge suggested that there was no record to show the presence of a quorum in the senate of the thirty-first congress. After the roll call had been completed a resolution was adopted and Senators Gallinger and Culberson were appointed a committee to wait upon the president.

Senator Penrose stated that his colleague, Senator Knox, had sent his resignation as United States senator to the governor of Pennsylvania and asked that his name be stricken from the roll of the thirty-first congress, it having just been called by the clerk. The vice president ordered that this should be done.

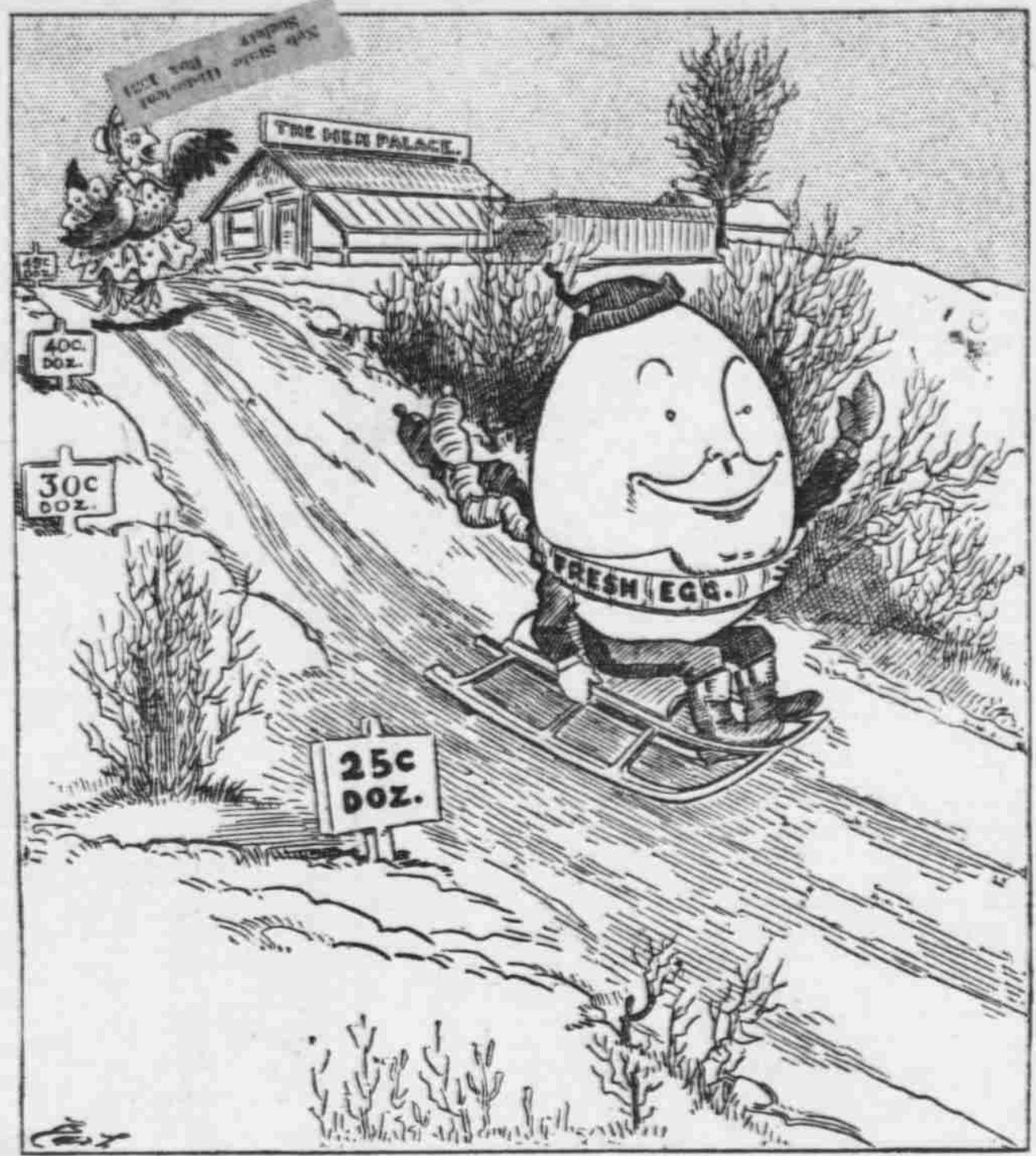
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On the first Monday in September the state convention of the Fraternal Order of Eagles of Nebraska will meet in the Benson auditorium, to continue two days, as a forerunner of the big national convention preparatory to the first formal session of the order to be held in the new hall, John S. Parry, assistant grand president under the administration of Theodore Bell of California, has promised to be present to dedicate the new hall on next Friday evening. Omaha, St. Omaha, Florence and Council Bluffs series will all be represented by large delegations at the dedicatory ceremonies, which are to be followed by a banquet and ball. The banquet is to be made a special feature of the occasion, and all the details are now being perfected. Ample kitchen facilities are provided in the building, and the service will be hot and generous. On the host list will be gentlemen of the Joint Omaha committee for the grand series, as well as Benson leaders.



From the Minneapolis Journal. Bidly—Cut, cut, cut, get, ain't it awful!

TEDDY SAILS IN TWO WEEKS Former President Will Leave New York March 23.

Refuses to Talk, Beyond Giving Date of Sailing and Saying He Cannot Answer Many Messages of Good Will.

OSTER BAY, March 5.—Ex-President Roosevelt's first day as a private citizen was spent in a decidedly quiet manner at his home at Sagamore Hill, which was swept clear of snow by a gale of cold wind and has the appearance of a desolate and bleak place. Nevertheless, the cold day of today, Mr. Roosevelt was out early attired in knickerbockers, brown flannel shirt and heavy walking shoes and took his daily exercise in the woods.

He is a happy family at Sagamore Hill. Mr. Roosevelt is enjoying an uninterrupted domestic life and intends to continue to enjoy it until starting on his hunting trip. More than anything else Mr. Roosevelt needs, he found today, his secretary. A deluge of letters, telegrams and cablegrams poured into Sagamore Hill today, bringing to the former president the kindly sentiments of friends from all parts of the world. So great is the number of these messages that while he appreciated them and would like to answer them, it is a physical impossibility for him to answer even one-tenth of them.

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Flodman Named for Vacant Place on Police Board

Former Police Commissioner of Omaha to Succeed Carl Brandeis, who recently died.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 5.—(Special Telegram)—Governor Shallenberger this morning announced the appointment of Fred W. Flodman as member of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners of Omaha to succeed Carl Brandeis, who recently died.

Mr. Flodman's commission will run from March 5 to April 1, 1911. The appointment of Mr. Flodman, who is at the head of the show department at J. L. Brandeis & Sons department store, was clear disappointment to George Rogers, the Omaha politician, who was here today in the interests of his friend, W. J. Hunter. Mr. Rogers was dressed with the governor in the private office when the announcement was given to the reporters in the outer office. When Mr. Rogers came out of the private office and heard the news, he expressed disappointment, saying that some one better known politically should have been named.

Mr. Flodman lives at 628 North Thirty-third street and has made his home in Lincoln 14 years. He is president of the Garfield Republican club and a member of the executive committee of the Swedish-American Republican league.

WOOD TESTER AT WISCONSIN Secretary Wilson Will Establish Laboratory Plant at State University.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson today decided to establish at the University of Wisconsin a laboratory plant for the testing of various kinds of woods in the eastern part of the United States.

Records Show Big Growth in Cost of New Building

CHICAGO, March 5.—Building operations are up upon such an extensive scale that they command attention because of the large increasing volume of money, which is finding its way into investments in this class of security, according to advance sheets of the Construction News. This authority states that during the month of February permits were taken out in Chicago for the amount of \$1,180,000, as compared with only \$480,000 for the same month a year ago, an increase of 144 per cent. Thirty-eight of the jobs included in the list show increases which culminate at 1.98 per cent, which is the 6th record of St. Joseph, Mo., while the decreases were confined to six cities, including Stockton, Cal., which leads with 36 per cent, Tacoma, 22, Minneapolis, 15, Davenport, 8, San Francisco, 4 and Mobile, 4.

IRISH FIGHT TAKEN TO COURT Eugene Crean Charges Joseph Devlin with Assault.

Greater Charges Conspiracy to Break Up Nationalist Convention by Bludgeoning Men Brought from Dublin.

DUBLIN, March 5.—As a result of a free fight at the nationalist convention held in Dublin last month, when William O'Brien was refused a hearing, charges of assault and attempting to break up a public meeting have been brought by Eugene Crean, member of Parliament for the southern division of Cork, against Joseph Devlin, member of the House for West Belfast, and Dennis Johnson, secretary of the United Irish League. The court room was crowded and Timothy Healy, counsel for Mr. Crean, kept the audience in raptures of laughter with his witty presentation of the plaintiff's case. Mr. Healy absolved John E. Redmond from all responsibility for the ruffianism, but declared that Mr. Devlin had staged and managed the whole affair, bringing in paid "bludgeoning men" from Belfast to assault upon the defendants. He also characterized Mr. Devlin as the past master of the great and respectable secret society of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America. He said this society had no connection in Ireland, but there were men here who pretended to have its sanction. Mr. Devlin, the speaker continued, for some purpose of his own, had galvanized into life a remnant of the ancient "Mully Maguire" faction and dubbed them the Ancient Order of Hibernians. A confidential circular had brought down 225 men from Belfast who marched into the convention.

FREIGHT CREW BILL FAVORED Missouri House Would Limit Minimum Number to Three on Each Train.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 5.—A bill establishing a minimum crew of three brakemen for railroad freight trains was placed on the calendar of the lower house of the Missouri general assembly today despite an adverse report on the measure by the committee on railroads. During the debate which preceded this action several representatives denounced the railroad lobbyists, who, they declared, have been opposing the bill.

MURDERED AGED MOTHER TO COVER UP CRIME OF ARSON

ELLEN BALDWIN ADMITS HE COMMITTED DEED WITH HUNGER TO PREVENT EXPOSURE.
HOLLAND, Mich., March 5.—Ellen Baldwin confessed today to the prosecuting attorney that she killed his aged mother, who was found dead in her farm house two miles from Baugston. He said that he was afraid she would charge him with having burned his barn and therefore killed her with a hammer while she was asleep.

BILLS RUSHED THROUGH HOUSE

Clerk Only Reads Title on Final Passage and They Are Disposed of in a Hurry.

END OF THE SESSION IN SIGHT

Only Thirteen More Days and Two Hundred Bills on File.

OTHERS COMING FROM SENATE

Bill for Benefit of Krug Park Put to Rest in Upper House.

ANTI-TREAT BILL GETS QUIETUS

Vote on Final Passage is Close and Effort May Be Made to Reconsider When House Meets Today.

(From a Staff Correspondent)
LINCOLN, March 5.—(Special)—Though the house has only thirteen more days and its general file contains about 200 bills, with more in the hands of the committee, there is no doubt every bill can be acted upon if the precedent followed today becomes the established custom. During the afternoon the house got tired of reading bills read through when they came up for passage, so the chief clerk simply read the title and then announced: "Anybody want this bill read?" If silence was the answer the roll was called.

The constitution provides that all bills shall be read at large on three different days. Some of the measures passed today have been read through only once—in the committee of the whole. It frequently happens that bills are read over the head of the committee of the whole. If that was the case with any of the measures passed today it means they have not been read at all to the house. As a matter of fact, bills are usually read only twice, once in the committee of the whole and once when they come up for passage. The first and second time the bills are read by title only. But this is the first time, so far as anyone could recall, that bills have been passed without being read at least just before the roll called on the measure.

In the committee of the whole the house this afternoon passed on the salary appropriation bill, adding a section which provided that all offices shall be open from 9 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon for the transaction of business. This means that the offices will have to be kept open during the noon hour. Most of the offices are now ready for the transaction of business at 9 o'clock in the morning, but complaint has been made by persons out in the state that frequently they come to the state house and find the office on hand from 12 o'clock to 2 o'clock, in which case they are obliged to return to attend to business. The amendment was proposed by W. P. Johnson county and it was adopted with no protest. No penalty, however, was attached for a failure on the part of the officers to comply.

Little Time on Salary Bill.
The committee of the whole waded through the salary appropriation bill with little trouble. The salary of the secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections was cut from \$1,200 to \$700 a year. Jerry Howard tried to secure an amendment providing that clerk be supplied the state labor bureau with a salary of \$1,000 instead of a stenographer at \$60 a year. But not a single member of the house, which was pledged to the cause of labor, as Jeremiah reminded them, stood for the amendment or even offered a second to the motion. So the labor bureau will proceed to get along with a deputy and a stenographer.

The finance committee reported the salary of the stenographer to the state veterinarian at \$20 a year, but Brown of Lancaster secured the adoption of an amendment providing the pay should be \$40, the same as other stenographers in the state house.

Krug Park Bill Passed.
The senate indefinitely postponed Senator Howell's bill permitting the sale of liquor at Krug Park. The bill was introduced by Senator Raymond of Scott's Bluff made the motion after a brief discussion, in which Senator King declared it was impossible to suspend the operation of a criminal law in certain localities for special occasions. Senator Howell made a plea for the enactment of the law on the theory that it was permitting the operation of a poor man's club near the street from the rich men's club near Omaha. Seneca voted to postpone the bill and the negative vote was not taken.

The county option bill was on file, but was passed over by Senator Rasmussen. It was desired the opportunity to vote on the measure.

Anti-Treat Bill Dead.
The house gave another exhibition this morning of an intention to let the Blodgett law alone when it killed the bill by Groves amending the present anti-treat law. The bill received 15 yeas and 42 nays. The measure was introduced by Senator Johnson of Hamilton county. It was amended by Senator Taylor of Taylor of Taylor, Weston, Wilson, Worthington, Young.

Yeas—Allen, Baker, Barclay, Barrett, Black, Byrstone, Bowman, Brodick, Brown, Edrington, Egan, Galt, Gibson, Boyd, Carr, Case, Chase, Cooper, Ezardman, Evans, Graft, Gray, Griffin, Groves, Hargrave, Howard, Johnson, Johnston, Keene, Marshall, Miller, Moore, Nettleton, Noves, O'Connell, Redman, Roberly, Salomon, Stearns, Smith, Snyder, Taylor of York, Taylor of Hitchcock, Weston, Wilson, Worthington, Young.

No—Armstrong, Bates, Beagle, Boland, Botte, Buehler, Butt, Clark, Clark, Doland, Dostal, Ellis, Farney, Johnson of York, Godes, Gruber, Hefferman, Holmes, Hopwood, Howard, Humphrey, Johnson of Adams, Kelley, Killion, Kottner, Kraus, Kuhl, Lawrence, Ledger, Low, Murphy, McCall, McVean, Pickett, Pinger, Ritchie, Schwab, Schneider, Stoenenger, Suk, Stedman, Stoeneker, Egan, Tolson, Thompson, Thomas, West, Mr. Speaker—9. As if neither the 45th vote to pass a bill, the speaker declared the bill lost. Cornely of Douglas did not vote and was not present. Six members were absent with excuse.

Said to Be Good Thing.
The passage of the Krug bill providing a gravity test instead of the first-light test by the house this morning, if