

PROF. KENNEDY WILL STAY

Finding of Board that Charges Were Unproven Ends Case.

LEGISLATURE DOING ITS WORK

Passing and Consideration of Bills Not Impeded by Senatorial Committee—*W.H. Pass Oregon Law.*

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DEO MOINER, Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—The members of the State Board of Education in deciding that the charges against Prof. Kennedy at the State college were not proved ends the case so far as the outsiders are concerned. No change will be made at the college in the department of animal husbandry, at least not now, and the work will go on. It is certain that if the charges had been sustained to the extent of requiring that a new head for the department be named now it would have practically destroyed the department. The students of the college were a unit in standing by Prof. Kennedy and their temper was such that it is certain very many would have quit the college had he been deposed.

The accusations related to a good many matters, but the board reached the conclusion that these were mainly rumors and without foundation. For instance, there was little ground, as they decided, for the accusation of having had a tuberculous animal shown at the international stock show or to the charge that animals were fraudulently entered at the fairs and in regard to the questionable methods of winning at the stock judging contests.

The department of animal husbandry now has about 300 students enrolled and is the largest department at the college. When Prof. Kennedy came to the department it had not over thirty-five students. The department has graduated young men who are the heads of many of the other colleges of the country and hundreds of them who are doing good work on farms and elsewhere. The state has perhaps gained more credit for the work of this department than any other.

It is the intention of the State Board of Education to strengthen and improve every department of the college and to especially add to the departments which relate directly to farming. The veterinary department is being improved and made one of the best in the country, and the department of dairying is growing.

Legislature Has Been Busy.

While only twenty bills have been passed by the legislature and have been sent to the governor, the two houses have partially perfected a vast amount of legislation. More than 100 bills have been passed by one house or the other and remain yet to be acted upon finally. The committees have passed on perhaps 100 other bills and have reported them for indefinite postponement. The record shows that the work of committees has not been seriously impeded by the senatorial contest.

Expect to Pass Oregon Law.

While for a time it seemed certain that the Oregon plan bill for direct election of senators after their primary nomination would be defeated by the veto of the governor, it is now asserted by its friends that the bill may be passed over the veto. It all depends upon the senate, where it is very close. The matter has also become complicated with the senatorial fight in such a way that a trade may be effected which will place the bill before the legislature so that it can be passed.

Arkansas Legislature for More Funds.

Among the bills introduced in the house on the last day was one for a special appropriation for the benefit of the contingent fund of the railroad commission, including payment of \$12,225 for the purchase of transcript of the evidence in the big rate case at Chicago and Washington which has just been decided, which transcript was made for the benefit of the Iowa commission and the attorneys in the case, and also included in the bill was an item of \$46,500 for other expenses incurred in connection with the presentation of this case. The latter included the expenses of Clifford Thorne, a member of the railroad commission, in appearing before the Interstate Commerce commission, and the printing of some books in the case. As soon as this bill was presented in the legislature the bill of the commission for the amounts named was withdrawn from the state executive council, where no action had ever been taken. The matter will go direct to the legislature because of the exhaustion of the contingent fund of the commission.

Committee of Statement Made.

Dos Moines business men are up in arms over the statement of James H. Trowin, president of the State Board of Education, that Iowa does not need a \$100,000 appropriation for state squires. He made that statement and declared that \$2,000 is sufficient. The local men contend that no bill ever introduced in the legislature had such substantial support from the taxpayers as the bill asking for this \$100,000 appropriation.

Old Lawmakers Meet.

The thirteenth reunion of the Pioneer Lawmakers' association of Iowa will be held at the historical building Tuesday and Wednesday, March 14 and 15.

The membership of this association is composed of those persons who, in or before the year 1850, were members of the general assembly of Iowa or were officers thereof, or held state executive, judicial or administrative office during the period thus covered or represented this state in the congress of the United States. The officers are: President, Benjamin F. Clayton of Indianapolis; secretary, William H. Fleming of Des Moines; assistant secretary, John M. Davis of Des Moines.

Will Vote About Women Votes.

While there is no probability of the legislature approving the constitutional amendment for votes for women the advocates of the amendment insist upon being heard and the first thing that happens when the members return next week will be an open hearing in the senate on the woman suffrage movement. The resolution is pending in the senate and is favored by the committee in charge.

State's Not to Be Exaggerated.

There is no great probability of the enlargement of the Iowa supreme court as proposed in a pending bill. The lawyers have been for several years demanding that something be done to make it possible to get the work of the court more nearly up with the dockets, but there is said to be very little general demand for an enlargement of the court as suggested.

State Tax Bills Are Paid.

Some good fee bills have been collected for the state the last week by the secretary of state. The Rock Island railroad paid a fee of \$3,000 for the new company that is to build south to a connection with the Rockwood-Kansas City line; and a fee of \$2,000 was paid for the company that is to handle electrically out of the big Missouri river dam at Keokuk.

Iowa News Notes.

SAC CITY: Delavan Building, a farmer living northwest of here, committed suicide yesterday by cutting his throat with a pocket knife. He was 31 years old. Temporary cause supposed to have caused him to kill himself.

MASON CITY: The Commercial club of Mason City has secured the services of

Scarlet Fever Plague in Town of Red Oak

Ten Deaths and Thirty Cases Result in Petition by Citizens to Close Schools.

RED OAK, Ia., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Ten deaths have occurred in the space of five weeks and fifteen families are under quarantine for scarlet fever in this city, with a score of alarming proportions under way. The health board has held several meetings and the citizens have presented a petition asking that all the schools, churches and places of amusement be closed until after the epidemic is overcome. About thirty persons now are suffering from the disease.

The general alarm reached its height Saturday when Anne, the small daughter of County Commissioner Peter Ostrom, died from the disease after having contracted it the day before. About half the children have been kept from school by their parents. Sixty of the foremost citizens of the city signed the petition. Mayor D. B. Gunn and Health Commissioner Reiley, with members of the health board, have signified they will cause all public places to be closed, probably by Wednesday.

Tangle in Haugen-Murphy Contest Case

Charles City Auditor Refuses to Turn Over Ballots Without an Order from Federal Court.

MASON CITY, Ia., Feb. 26.—(Special)—A new tangle has developed in the Haugen-Murphy congressional contest. In Charles City Auditor Rosenkrans has refused to turn over the ballots to the commissioners appointed to take evidence without an order to do so from the United States court. He was supported in this opinion by County Attorney Lockwood, who in turn had a written opinion from the attorney general of the state that that should be the method of procedure. Attorneys here claim that an order from congress is just as effective and obligatory as an order from a federal judge. Floyd is the only county in the district that has questioned this phase of procedure. Hans C. Madson, clerk at the postoffice here, testified that he spent an hour at the court house prior to the election copying a poll list.

BOWMAN PROBABLY WILL ACCEPT IOWA PRESIDENCY

Secretary of Carnegie Foundation Who Was Offered Place, Formerly a Reporter in Davenport.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Feb. 26.—John G. Bowman, secretary of the Carnegie foundation fund, who was tendered the position of president of the Iowa State University, arrived in Davenport today to spend the day with his mother before leaving for New York. He declined to state whether he would accept the position, but intimate friends assert he has practically assured the Iowa State Board of Education that the bill may be passed over the veto. It all depends upon the senate, where it is very close. The matter has also become complicated with the senatorial fight in such a way that a trade may be effected which will place the bill before the legislature so that it can be passed.

Miss Matilda Hernesmeyer of Baxter, Ia., Probably Killed for Her Money.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Feb. 26.—That

Miss Matilda Hernesmeyer, the young woman who was found dead at her home near Baxter yesterday, was the victim of a robbery.

She was the widow of the coroner of Jasper county today.

A bullet wound was found in the right side of the woman's head, but no weapon was discovered. The starved condition of the stock on the farm indicated she had been dead four or five days. It is known that she had \$165 in her home at the time of her death, which has also disappeared.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 26.—Governor Carroll this afternoon offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest or information leading to the arrest of the murderer of Miss Matilda Hernesmeyer of Baxter.

HENRY L. AUSTIN IS DEAD

Weakly Iowan, Injured in Auto Smashup, Expires His Hurts.

WATERLOO, Ia., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Henry L. Austin, victim of an automobile wreck, died Saturday noon. The accident occurred Wednesday afternoon when a string of Great Western freight cars crushed him and his seven-passenger auto into a space two feet wide. Part of a coal shed had to be moved to extricate him. Death was caused by failure of circulation of blood through the wounded parts. Mr. Austin was one of the wealthiest men in the county and is survived by a widow and three children. Walter G. Austin, Clarence W. Austin and Mrs. Alice Patterson, all of Austinville, Ia., the town he founded. The funeral will be held in Austinville.

Double Wedding at Madison.

MADISON, Ia., Feb. 26.—(Special Telegram.)—A double wedding of the two daughters of Henry Frank, living in Clark County just across the line from Madison. February 22, carried a unique feature, never known to have happened in that county before. Invitations had been issued for the wedding of the elder daughter, Mayme, to Vance Davis of Sweetwater, Neb., and when the guests and minister were assembled, the sister of the bride-to-be and her lover, Ernest Youmans of Truro, presented themselves as matrimonial candidates also. They had a license from Madison county and the first couple had one from Clarke county. Rev. Mr. Taggs of Osceola, had the nuptial knot of the first couple in the parsonage home in Clarke county, then minister and guests accompanied the second couple across the road to the Madison side and completed the double ceremony. Both grooms are prosperous farmers and both brides are highly respected, talented and popular. He has just completed his military schooling and is about to enter the army.

It is said that although the car throws

the two together as much as possible, yet the young man fails to take the hint.

The grand duke's son says he does not want to settle down yet. He thinks far

about the ballet than about getting married. He is supported by the dowager empress, who said recently:

"Let the boy have his fling. Odga is young; she can wait. The lad will make a much better husband if you let him have his fling first."

The car, who favors early marriages,

said:

"I want my daughters to marry men of my own choosing while they are still children. This is not possible afterward, as they then pick for themselves."

The car's haste is partly due to the

tendency of the grand duke to make morganatic marriages, of which the car

strongly disapproves. Dmitri's own father

morganatically married a second wife, con-

sequently he is never seen at court.

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for backache, rheumatism and urinary ir-

regularities. They are tonic in action

and in certain cases afford a prompt re-

lief from all kidney disorders. Sold by all druggists.

LAWSON AND ASQUITH MEET

London Editors to Ask the Prime Minister Some Questions.

STIRRING TIMES IN PARLIAMENT

TORY LEADERS AGREE TO PASSAGE OF VETO BILL AND ALL DELAYED HAD-LEGAL LEGISLATION EXCEPT HOME RULE.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—(Special Cablegram.)—Fort Dodge—To settle the militia championship of Iowa in basket ball the team of the guard compares at Shenandoah and the team of the Indians are to meet for a series of three games, one each to be played in these two towns and third in Fort Dodge.

IDA GROVE—When she heard that her brother, T. J. Smothers, had been brought here from Sioux City, she answered with a charge in justice court of assault with intent to commit great bodily injury. Mrs. Edith Bell Hamel of Castina, Ia., here, was all over dead. She was subject to heart trouble.

OSKALOOSA—U. B. Rodgers was today appointed receiver for the Jefferson County Agricultural association upon the institution of a receivership by the association.

The association is badly in debt, among

its other liabilities being a mortgage on the fair association property. The receiver's bond was fixed at \$15,000.

IDA GROVE—Dr. Dea Moines Commercial club has asked Dr. Fred Gove, Commercial and all other commercial organizations in northwest Iowa to join in a demand for a new train service on this line. The Northwest is to be served by a train east and west in the morning and a train east and west in the evening.

CRESTON—At a meeting of the directors of the Creston Mutual Gasoline company yesterday afternoon Scott Von Dohren was elected vice president to fill the vacancy made by the death of T. K. Wilson, and W. Brady was selected as treasurer, to fill the position left by W. Richardson. Claire Atkinson was elected a director on the board.

CRESTON—Malch Waterman of this city sprung up much of a surprise of the result of the trial of the two men charged with the killing of Coates, whom he married in Des Moines Feb. 11. None of Dr. Waterman's relatives here had the least intimation of his intentions to marry Coates, and gave the impression he was going to the country on a professional visit.

MASON CITY—After being out forty-eight hours the jury in the case of Cleo Dohren, of Mason City, and the Lake railway brought in a verdict this afternoon in favor of the defendant. He sued the railway for \$15,000. In the first trial he had a verdict of \$10,000, but was carried to the supreme court and sent back for a retrial. The second trial resulted in a disagreement.

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NEVADA—Although she had been divorced from her husband prior to his death, Mrs. Jenne Rosenbrough of Zearing has brought suit in the Story county court against the Iowa Central Railroad for her husband's death. Rosenbrough died in this city March 27, 1910, after having had his leg crushed under an Iowa Central passenger train, which was running on the tracks.

WYOMING—Will Bohnhoff, a young German farm hand, committed suicide Wednesday night and the body was not found until Friday morning. He had been working for his employer's daughter on Wednesday, to whom he had vainly made love, and after the wedding stole away with a bottle of liquor. It is reported to have shot himself. Bohnhoff was 25 years old. The girl he wished to marry was Pauline Von Spicken, who was 18 years old. She is the daughter of a former member of the legislature.

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