

NO BALL MEMORIAL SUNDAY

House Celebrates Washington's Birthday by Agreeing to Pass Measure of This Kind.

NOT IN FORCE THIS YEAR

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The lower branch of the legislature undertook to celebrate Washington's birthday by standing and singing "America." The harmony was not satisfactory to Director Reiser, who led the chorus, so he proposed that the members whistle one verse, leaving out the words, but, unfortunately, the harmony, even then, was far from the canary kind standard. Reiser referred back to the previous order of things and the fourth verse was sung and the clock stopped.

DRUESDOW BILL ON LIGHT RATES FAVORED

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—House bill No. 202, the Druesdow bill requiring electric light and power companies in each municipality to file their schedules and contract forms with the city clerk and forbidding them to make any rates other than those shown in such filings, was recommended to pass and sent to third reading in the house. The penalty provision was reduced from a fine of \$500 to \$100, making it \$100 to \$100. Mr. Druesdow explained that there is much inequality in rates now charged and the bill is intended to correct it.

URE APPEARS TO FAVOR SHORT BALLOT REFORM

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—County Treasurer Ure of Douglas county appeared before the house committee on privileges and elections this afternoon favoring the short ballot in regard to state elections. The committee had under consideration the Hoffmeister bill, House bill No. 211. No action was taken in the matter, but the bill was amended so that no new party could nominate officers until after at least ninety days previous to the election.

PARRIOTT COMMISSION BILL GIVEN HEARING

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—A partial hearing was given by the house this forenoon to the Parriott supreme court commission bill, H. R. 22, creating a commission of three members at the salary of \$500 per year each for a period of two years. After the bill had been explained by its introducer and discussed by several others it was laid over without action, on the request of Mr. Langdon, until other bills of a similar nature could be brought before the committee of the whole.

WASHINGTON ANNIVERSARY HOLIDAY FOR STATE HOUSE

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Most of the important offices at the state house observed the legal holiday of Washington's birthday by closing at least in the afternoon.

Legislative Proceedings

- Bills Recommended to Pass in House Committee of Whole. H. P. 23, Stephenson—County agricultural societies. H. B. 19, Hostetter—No base ball on Memorial Sunday. H. B. 122, Dwyer—Demonstration farms in western Nebraska. S. P. 51, Bushey—Joint resolution on irrigation. H. R. 20, Druesdow—Light companies to schedule and contracts. S. P. 21, Cronin—State parole officer. H. R. 20, Hauser—Wetia water commissioner in towns of 1,000 to 2,000. H. R. 46, Barrett—Telephone office in business district in South Omaha. H. R. 62, Lancaster County Delegation—City of Lincoln to sell unused city property. H. R. 62, Osterman—Providing for creation of new townships. H. R. 47, Neaseley—Omaha city commission empowered to construct sidewalks on highway. H. R. 46—Electric light companies to string lines to steel towers. H. R. 52, Lancaster County Delegation—Lincoln authorities may keep alleys free from weeds. H. R. 45—Changes method of creating Lincoln paving districts. H. R. 30, Reiser—Escapes Grand Army of the Republic members tax. S. H. 40, Fuller—Railway commission British state amendment board public utility valuation.

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Ex-President Taft Says Grave Crisis Confronts United States

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Feb. 22.—The United States is threatened with a serious invasion of its rights as a neutral by the warring nations of Europe and in preserving its commerce with those nations is face to face with a crisis, in the opinion of ex-President William H. Taft. In the solution of the crisis, should it arise, no jingo spirit must be allowed to prevail. Mr. Taft advised, neither pride nor momentary passion should influence our judgment.

Nichols and Cronin Treat the House and The Newspaper Men

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Democrats in the house today, recognizing the reliability of The Bee as a dispenser of legislative news, and the fact that it always tells the truth, had the following motion sent up to the clerk's desk this afternoon and read: "Mr. Speaker: We move that it is the sense of this house that Representative Nichols of Madison and Representative Cronin of Omaha be treated to a box of cigars, and we demand that the debt be paid at once." (Signed) "BY THE DEMOCRATS."

OREGON LAWMAKERS RECOGNIZE CHIROPRACTORS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Nebraska chiropractors are citing with satisfaction the action of the Oregon legislature in passing a bill recognizing their branch of the medical profession.

MEMBERS ARE HAUNTED BY THE LONG ADJOURNMENT

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Whether the senate took a three-day or a four-day adjournment last Friday afternoon it decided to adjourn to Tuesday afternoon of this week is a question still troubling some of the legislators. Senator Beal at the time contended that

Commission Experts at Chicago Preparing for Interstate Rate Hearing.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The accounting committee of the association of western state railway commissions, which is preparing the case of the states in the western advance rate hearing, is making very satisfactory progress, according to U. G. Powell, the Nebraska commission's rate expert, who returned today from Chicago, where most of the work is being done.

PACKERS ARE LENDING HAND

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The committee has thirty-three men at work in Chicago, eight men in Washington and about sixteen or eighteen in Des Moines. Five western states' most vital interest in the proposed rate increases, have agreed to share equally in the expense of preparing the case. It is estimated that the preliminary work will cost at least \$25,000.

ADJUTANT GENERAL HALL REAPPOINTED TO PLACE

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—General P. J. Hall, Jr., was today reappointed adjutant general by Governor Morehead. Other officers reappointed are: Major A. R. Hayel, assistant adjutant general; Major J. M. Birker, assistant adjutant general in charge of medical corps; Colonel A. D. Patterman of Hyannis, inspector general; Colonel A. D. Falconer, Omaha, quartermaster general; Major E. E. Evans of Alvo, inspector of small arms practice; Captain H. K. Wiedemann of Omaha, quartermaster corps; Captain W. D. U. Steckerberg of Lincoln, assistant chief of engineers.

COFFEY BOOSTS HARD FOR EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Labor Commissioner Coffey is actively pushing the free employment bureau department of his office. Mr. Coffey is also boosting hard for the passage of H. R. 14, by Druesdow of Douglas and Foster of Lincoln, to put the employment bureau of the state under the control of the labor commissioner.

WORLD PEACE URGED BY LEGISLATIVE SPEAKER

PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—At the Washington birthday services held in the hall of the house of representatives today J. W. Parnley of Ipswich was the speaker with his lecture on the subject of "Universal Peace," in which he urged that the United States should be the first country to take the steps which will lead to such a world policy before some of the countries of South America take it up as a national movement.

Notes from Lyons.

LYONS, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Mrs. George Alfred Krusenstjerna and Miss Jennie Agnes McLean were married at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. A. G. Chandler, at noon today. Rev. James G. Clark officiated. They will make their home at Odebolt, Ia. The city officers of Lyons have called for bids March 16 on the proposed \$16,000 electric light plant.

ORDER INQUIRY INTO SINKING OF STEAMER EVELYN

(Continued from Page One.) risk insurance to be lost since it began operations several months ago. Insurance on ships and cargoes amounting to more than \$5,000,000 has been written. The bureau was closed today and no word had been received as to when a claim from the owners may be expected. There is little doubt that legal proof of the destruction of the ship and cargo will result in prompt payment of the insurance. Of the total amount of insurance written by the bureau, more than half has expired with the arrival of ships and cargoes at destinations. The bureau has earned in premiums more than \$200,000, so that it is able to stand its first loss without resort to the appropriation made by congress.

Kearney Board Hunts School Head to Work With Normal Board

KEARNEY, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The school board of the Kearney schools is now looking for a new superintendent of schools and a principal of the high school. At the meeting of the school board that body failed to elect Superintendent Cochrane, who has been at the head of the schools three years. Principal Eantz has resigned in order to complete his education at an eastern college. This action places the board in the market for applications.

SEARCH FOR CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OF HASTINGS

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—With three candidates in the race for mayor against C. G. Ingraham, who is seeking election for a second term, a movement has been started for a mass convention to single out one man to oppose the incumbent. Party lines have not been followed in city elections for several years, all candidates going on the ballot by petition.

HITCHCOCK INVITED BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The motion was unanimously adopted by the house this afternoon inviting Senator G. M. Hitchcock of Nebraska to address the chamber before he returns to Washington. The motion was voted for alike by democrats and republicans. The senator is expected to be in Lincoln within a day or two.

Notes from Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—E. T. Kretzinger has filed a petition, signed by over 100 residents of this city, asking that a special election be called to vote upon a proposition to issue \$20,000 of bonds to enlarge and extend the municipal lighting plant.

Notes from Omaha.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The Cunard line steamer Orduna, which sailed from New York February 13, arrived safely in port here tonight at 9 o'clock.

SENDS FORTY-FIRST CAR

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The Nebraska Belgian Relief Commission sent out its forty-first carload of supplies destined for the victims of Europe's great war. Four more cars will be ready for shipment before the end of the week, according to Secretary Mallory.

Revised Schedule Filed.

LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The Burlington road has filed a revised schedule of freight rates on metal culverts and flumes from Wahoo to other points throughout the state. The revised schedule satisfies the formal complaint filed recently by the Nebraska Culvert and Manufacturing company of Wahoo. The Union Pacific had previously complied with the complaint. The Northwestern, the third road involved, is yet to be heard from.

Four Blocks Burned in East St. Louis

EAST ST. LOUIS, Feb. 22.—Fire starting for an explosion in the upper floor of Ziegenheln Bros. furniture store today spread to the four corners at the intersection of Colonnade and St. Louis avenues, and caused a loss exceeding \$100,000. Two buildings, the Ziegenheln building, and one occupied by the Fellner-Crow store, were destroyed. Two office buildings were partly burned, but all twenty-five families occupying it escaped safely.

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NORSE NEUTRALS MUCH ALARMED BY BLOCKADE

(Continued from Page One.) ping bombs, which did only slight material damage and caused little alarm. Fighting in the Carpathian mountains still is being fiercely prosecuted by the Russian Austro-German forces, but apparently without decisive results for either side. These mountain passes are now recognized by army men as forming the most difficult section of the long eastern battle front, and the impression is growing among military observers in London that the other movements of both the Russians and the Germans are merely strategic operations designed to affect the result of the desperate struggle at the gateway to Hungary.

Huge Blast Throws Rock Half Mile High

SUPERIOR, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—A large hill of lime rock was blown over today by the use of two tons of dynamite, which turned it upside down. Enough rock to last a month was uncovered for the use of the Nebraska Portland Cement company. Experts were here from Pennsylvania. Rock was thrown over half a mile high.

TURNABOUT IN EDITORS FOR SUPERIOR POSTOFFICE

SUPERIOR, Neb., Feb. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Congressman Shallenberger writes he has recommended C. E. Dedrick, publisher of the Superior Express, for the next postmaster. The present postmaster, C. E. Stine and his father, have held the office nearly twenty years. They formerly published the Superior Journal.

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