

## NEBRASKA CONGRESSMEN IN THICK OF RAIL BILL FIGHT

Senator Norris Attacks Government Guarantee of Operating Income and Rate-Fixing Power of President; Stephens Hits U. S. Ownership, But Favors Federal Control of Roads.

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Washington, Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Nebraska had a field day in the senate and house Tuesday. Senator Norris made a whirlwind speech against government guarantee of the average net operating income of railroads for the three-year period and incidentally the provision giving the president power to fix rates.

In the house Representative Stephens attacked government ownership of railroads, but spoke in favor of placing them under federal control. Both speeches attracted considerable attention. Congressman Stephens wants the provision returning the railroads to private owners within two years stricken from the bill on the ground that the people in all probability will not be in a mood to consider necessary legislation that must be enacted before the roads are turned back to their owners.

### MEN HOME IN YEAR.

"It will possibly be a year, following the conclusion of peace, before the soldiers are all returned home and discharged," Stephens said. "During this period it is not probable that it will be possible to even consider the turning back of these roads. There will no doubt be an immense demand for capital and the difficulty of the railroads in financing themselves will no doubt be a very great one. Federal control is not government ownership," he said. "On the contrary, it is the very method that can save us from government ownership. Private control and ownership has already proven a failure. Some way must be found to cure the defects of the system, or government ownership inevitably follows. If, after a trial of federal control, the roads break down utterly under existing conditions, then the government, to save its own life, must own its own means of life as well as control them."

### Fears Civil Service.

"If those who are haunted by the ghost of government ownership prevent an honest demonstration of federal control to see whether or not the troubles of private ownership can be cured and the railroads made to do the work of the country, then they will have to face a country-wide demand for not only federal control, but federal ownership as well, with nearly 2,000,000 employees added to the civil service rolls of the country and with all the accompanying dangers of such a gigantic civil roll influencing legislation. My fear would be that with such a force in a position to profit through the pay roll route by legislation which could tremendously influence would endanger the very life of the government."

### Rock Island Revived.

The Fremont congressman recited at length the story of the wrecking of the Rock Island, which, he said, was equal to any "Diamond Dick" novel ever written, and "the highwayman made the performance of Jesse James look trivial and inconsequential."

"The reason that there is a clamor for government ownership," said Mr. Stephens, "is not because there are any considerable number of people in this country who really favor government ownership as a matter of principle, but rather they think of it as a necessity."

### Hoover Takes Beans.

Representative Kinkaid received a letter from Food Director Hoover, with relation to the purchase of pinto beans, a subject of fruitful inquiry at the hands of western congressmen, wherein Mr. Hoover states:

"We have arranged through the grain corporation to take over the entire crop of pinto beans in the states of Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico, and distribute them to the civilian population of the country, under a special publicity plan."

"Mr. Lamson of the Burlington has been secured and also Mr. Leiber, his assistant in Denver, who has been appointed his special bean representative under Food Administrator Stearns of Colorado, to work in co-operation with the food administrators of Nebraska, Wyoming and New Mexico."

"I trust this will meet with your co-operation and that we will be able to move the beans from the farmers at a sufficiently good price to warrant a large acreage being planted this coming spring."

A number of Nebraska women at a meeting yesterday at George Washington inn, the guests of Mrs. Sloan, decided to give a tea on Saturday, March 2, for the purpose of bringing together women newsmen to Washington, in order to ascertain their needs.

### Suspends State Weight Laws In View of Federal Order

Lincoln, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The weights and measures law of this state define the legal weights for the sale of cornmeal—namely, 48 pounds, 24 pounds and 12 pounds. Under a recent ruling issued by the United States food administration, effective April 1, 1918, the sale of cornmeal is prohibited except in packages containing one and one-half pounds, three pounds, five pounds, 10 pounds, 25 pounds, 50 pounds and 100 pounds, net weight.

According to an opinion of the attorney for the food administration, where rules and regulations are in effect governing the conduct of firms which are required to be licensed under the food act, these rules and regulations take precedence over any existing state laws where such state laws are in conflict with the rules and regulations of the food administration.

Pursuant to this opinion, no action will be taken by the State department for the sale in this state of cornmeal in package weights other than those specified in the state law, provided the weights conform to those defined in the food administration ruling.

This is a ruling of Food, Drug, Dairy and Oil Commissioner Murchell.

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## FARMERS WANT COST OF LIVING REDUCED

Nonpartisan League Will Back Measures to Control Price of Wheat and Other Commodities.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 21.—The American farmer is not demanding an increased minimum price for wheat that would make the cost of living more burdensome for the consuming public, but will be content if the prices of other commodities are scaled down in proportion, A. C. Townley, president of the National Nonpartisan league, said today.

Mr. Townley's statement, it was declared, was prepared before news came that President Wilson had indicated opposition to bills increasing the price.

Mr. Townley denied that the league would support independent bills for increasing the price, but said it would support administration measures.

Proposed increase in the price of wheat, Mr. Townley said, would "please the profiteers," who "think they can boost prices" all around if they succeed in advancing the cost of primary commodities.

"The farmer would not benefit by \$3 wheat if mill feeds, farm machinery and other necessities continue to advance," the statement said.

### Union Men Respond to Call For Ship Yard Workers

Washington, Feb. 21.—Preliminary estimates of the results of the campaign to enroll 250,000 ship workers show that the number sought will be much exceeded and that thousands of union men have joined without restriction against working with unorganized workers.

## PLAN NEBRASKA COAL PROGRAM FOR NEXT YEAR

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 21.—A coal conservation program for the central west that is hoped will eliminate the heatless and lightless days and nights next winter will be worked out today at a meeting of state and local fuel administrators, transportation men and mine operators here with H. N. Taylor, fuel distributor for the seventeenth zone.

State fuel administrators are here from Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

It is planned to devise means to induce consumers to lay in coal supplies during the summertime, obviating the possibility of a sudden rush for coal when severe weather hampers railroads.

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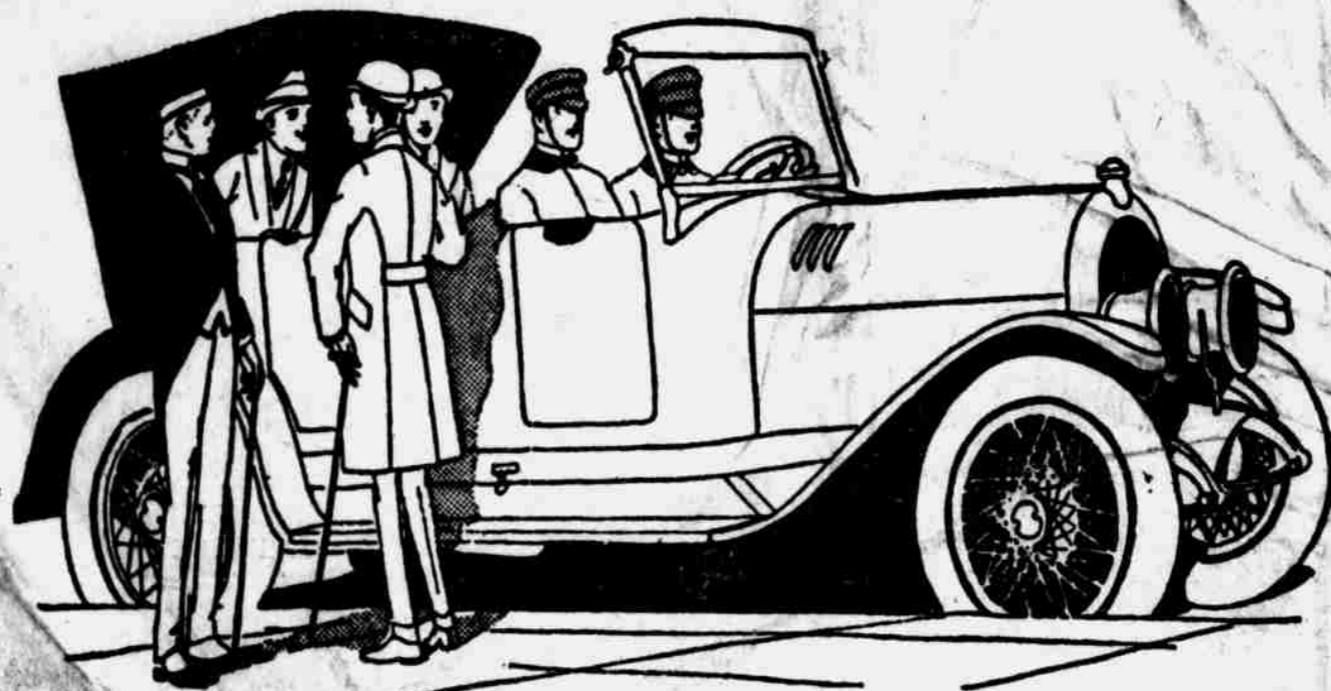
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Simply moisten your hair with water and rub it in. One or two teaspoonfuls will make an abundance of rich, creamy lather and cleanses the hair and scalp thoroughly. The lather rinses out easily and removes every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly and it leaves it fine and silky, bright, fluffy and easy to manage.

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