

### Nebraska HOUSE BALKS AT HEAVY CENSURE OF THE SENATOR

#### Auten of Been Introduces Sizzling Resolution Directed Against Upper House, But It Goes Over.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, March 29.—(Special.)—When Representative Jim Auten of Boone county came to Lincoln this week to help pass needed legislation called for in the special session, he issued a manifesto to the members that unless they got busy and transacted business he would "give 'em hell," pack his grip and go home to his farm.

He opened up today on the senate with a resolution which brought out cheers from the members of the house. When it came time to adopt the resolution on roll call some of the members thought it a little severe and it went over under the rules.

#### How Censure Reads.

The resolution, which was just as severe as Jim could find words to express, reads as follows: "Whereas, in this hour of great distress, when our country and our liberties are in greatest peril; when the producers in this session are badly needed in their respective callings; when labor is scarce and time is more than money, the state senate, through machination, indifference or utter disregard for the country's good or the state's needs, has deliberately and wantonly taken a three-day adjournment for no apparent reason other than to delay certain business of this special session and do the bidding of the bosses, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this house that the Nebraska senate, as now constituted and controlled, has shown itself to be a menace to the best interests of the state and nation and has recorded itself as a most robust and obstructive bunch of slackers and obstructionists of the public business, which the members of that body have taken a solemn oath to faithfully, conscientiously and dutifully perform.

"Resolved, That by its methods and procedure the Nebraska state senate is giving aid and comfort to the brewers and booze interests, is a monkey wrench in the state machinery and ought to be abolished and relegated to the realms of ignominious desuetude."

#### Senators Silent.

Members of the senate stood out in the lobby and listened attentively to the reading of the resolution, but none of them was observed to approach the Boone statesman and congratulate him on his "gem of thought."

Representative Jerry Howard was on deck with a resolution aimed at the state board of educational lands and funds, and calling for an investigation of that board for its former action in leasing mineral rights to employes and relatives of people in the state house. This, too, went over under the rules.

Miller of Washington and Segelke of Platte, who were absent when the roll was called on the passage of H. R. 4, the Trumble bill to repeal the Mockett law, asked to have their names inscribed on the records as voting in favor of the bill. This was impossible, as it was too late, but they were given permission to have their explanations recorded in the minutes of today.

#### Favor Home Guard Bill.

The house considered in committee of the whole, with Bates in the chair, the home guard bill, which was left over from yesterday as unfinished business, and it was sent to third reading with the recommendation that it pass. An amendment to the bill was added, giving the county boards authority to use funds from the general fund for equipping companies of the guard when, in their discretion, it was necessary to raise the money. An amendment was made which would require the guard to be disbanded after peace was declared, but some of the members were of the opinion that perhaps the great need of the organization might come after the war was over, and the amendment was defeated.

#### State Railway Board Hears Switch Rate Case

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, March 29.—(Special Telegram.)—The State Railway commission Friday heard the application of the South Omaha stock yards to fix shipping rates on interstate shipments on the same basis as interstate shipments.

Intrastate shipping rates would be increased about 50 cents a car by the application. It was not specified whether the railroads or shippers should absorb the additional charge.

#### Good Friday Is Celebrated Throughout Great Britain

London, March 29.—The spirit of devotion pervaded England this Good Friday. Thoughts were, of course, centered on the battle in France and the news of the critical fighting in the last few days gave a particular significance to the services which were held in all churches. The preachers exhorted their congregations to face the immediate future with courage and confidence. St. Paul's and Westminster cathedrals and Westminster Abbey were crowded, notwithstanding a bright sunshine which in other parts would have taken the people to the parks or country.

#### Lincoln County Men Ready.

North Platte, Neb., March 29.—(Special.)—Seven of the drafted men Lincoln county have been called Camp Funston and will leave Monday evening. They are Clifford Anderson, Benjamin Johnston, Frank R. Knotts, Joseph J. Schatz, William Leroy Hamm, Early in the evening they will be the guests of honor at an entertainment in the Franklin auditorium given by the Sammy club.

### Is Fairbury Man Now in Omaha Still Member of Legislature

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, March 29.—(Special.)—When a member of the legislature is a question the present session may be determined. This comes up on the eligibility of E. Conley, who at the last session represented Gage, Thayer and Jefferson in the session. Mr. Conley at that time resided in Fairbury, but since the adjournment of the legislature has lived in Omaha, where he is employed by the Omaha Water board. Protest has been sent to the

### ASKS FOR INQUIRY INTO BARTOS' CASE

#### Federal Grand Jury at Lincoln Asks That Full Investigation Be Made Into Activities.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, March 29.—(Special.)—In a resolution presented to Federal Judge T. C. Munger Friday morning that their federal grand jury recommends that an investigation be made into the reports that F. W. Bartos and Stanley Bartos, Wilber attorneys, have been "making extortionate charges for assisting men in the draft age to get exemption or deferred classification by questionable methods."

The conscripts who were entitled to exemption by virtue of facts in their cases were taxed excessive fees by the Bartos brothers, who claimed that their influence had prompted boards to grant exemptions, is the nature of the complaints that have been filed by a number of Saline county draft selects with Lincoln federal authorities, it is said.

The resolution follows: "Whereas, It has come to the attention of the grand jury now sitting in the Lincoln division of the district of Nebraska, that F. W. Bartos and Stanley Bartos, lawyers practicing under the partnership name of Bartos & Bartos at Wilber, Saline county, Nebraska, have been making extortionate and unconscionable charges for assisting men in the draft age to secure exemption or deferred classification by questionable methods, and

"Whereas, There is no federal statute regulating conduct of this kind; therefore, Be it resolved, that it is the sense of the grand jury that this entire matter be referred to the judge of the district court of the United States for the district of Nebraska, and to the president of the Nebraska State Bar association, with a recommendation that an investigation be made and such action taken as the facts warrant."

Verne Hedge of Lincoln was foreman of the jury.

speaker of the house by H. W. Schewe of Fairbury that Conley is no longer a resident of the district but a resident of Douglas county and asking that he be permitted to represent the district. Mr. Conley says that he is only temporarily residing in Omaha and that he still considers Fairbury his legal residence. The matter has been passed up to the attorney general, who declares that the house itself is the judge of eligibility of its members to serve and the matter may be taken care of by the body itself.

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### Goose Brings \$650 at Red Cross Sale in Gothenburg

Gothenburg, Neb., March 29.—(Special.)—A Red Cross auction sale was held on the streets Saturday afternoon and \$7,000 was raised. A goose was sold 650 times and each time sold for a dollar. The local auctioneers, Colonels Ash and Denham, were assisted by O. D. Smith and Tim Scully. Stores were closed during the sale.

Prominent Masons of Nebraska were here Wednesday to witness the installation of a class of 28 into the Scottish Rite. The ceremony was followed by a banquet served to the candidates and visiting members.

### Decatur Farmers Give Hogs For Benefit of Red Cross

Decatur, March 28.—(Special.)—Farmers in this vicinity are planning to ship a boat load of hogs to the South Omaha market, where they will be sold for the benefit of the Red Cross. Eighty-three head have been raised and it is expected that this number will be doubled.

A Red Cross sale will be conducted on the streets Wednesday, April 3. Decatur is going over the top with all war savings, Red Cross and Liberty loans.

### Two Stella Boys, Stationed at Camp Cody, Made Corporals

Stella, March 28.—(Special.)—Company E, 109th engineers, stationed at Camp Cody, Deming, N. M., started this week on a hundred mile hike. The boys who went to Camp Cody, with the Falls City company, were instantly transferred to company E, 109th engineers. William Hoppe and Lev Law are corporals in this company.

See Want Ads Bring Results.

### HOUSE WILL HEAR NONPARTISON MEN

#### Members Refuse to Table Resolution by Taylor Permitting Them to Address Legislature.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, March 29.—(Special.)—The address of R. L. Metcalfe of the state council of defense was the subject of attack by W. J. Taylor, J. J. McAllister and others in the house today when, after Mr. Taylor had sent up a resolution asking that representatives of the nonpartisan league be invited to address the house, a motion was made by Ainley of Nance, that the resolution be laid in the table.

In explanation Mr. Ainley said he did not believe the house had any right to listen to argument in regular session for or against any bill before the legislature. McAllister of Dakota said it was a constitutional privilege not to be denied any American citizen, the right of free speech, but Metcalfe of Cass said it was an "insult to the house" to allow members of an organization which had been shown to be unpatriotic to come before that body and talk against legislation which the house was trying to enact into law.

#### Taylor Pleads for League.

Mr. Taylor said he believed it was no more than fair that the same right should be accorded to any man to speak against a bill that had been accorded a state officer yesterday to speak in favor of the same bill. He said that the charge had been made by Mr. Metcalfe that the nonpartisan league was a disloyal body. Metcalfe had practically called him (Taylor) a copperhead, and he believed that the representatives of an organization which had 18,000 members in the state and which had been attacked from the rostrum of the house yesterday should have equal opportunity to answer the charge. Mr. Taylor said that if he believed those fellows dis-

loyal he would insist just as strongly that they be not heard. Opposition Develops. Trumble of Sherman was unwilling that the house in regular session should permit representatives of the league to take up the time of the house and in such a way that they could not be questioned. Mr. Hoffmeister said the house had no right to deny free speech to any citizen. Petersen of Lancaster said he was not in favor of inviting any man from outside the state to come before the legislature and try to tell Nebraska what they should and what it should not do. The motion to table was defeated 68 to 11. Monday afternoon was the time set for the hearing.

### Miss McMahon's Case To Be Heard at Lincoln

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, March 29.—The State Board of Control announced Friday that the hearing of Miss Lydia McMahon, former superintendent of the Girls' Industrial Home at Geneva, will be held in Lincoln April 17. Copies of the specifications indicating the lines along which the inquiry would be directed, were given out at the same time. The board sets forth that it will go thoroughly into the management of affairs of the institution, the Fagan case, and the case of another employe and alleged extravagant expenditures. Miss McMahon is advised that the hearing will be held in Lincoln for the reason that Mrs. W. T. Saul, formerly Miss Grace Moore, is not in a proper physical condition to make the journey elsewhere. The board, however, will hold a further hearing at Geneva, if it is deemed necessary by Miss McMahon.

#### Opposition to Ticket.

Edgar, Neb., March 29.—(Special.)—Opposition has developed to the citizens' ticket which was nominated at the caucus last week and a petition circulated asking that F. A. Westering's name be placed on the ticket by petition. Another petition was presented to the clerk last night about 11:30 asking for the name of Glen Sommerville to be placed on the ticket for councilman of the south ward.

### \$31,942,800 IS STATE QUOTA IN LIBERTY DRIVE

#### Nebraska Will Be Called on by Federal Authorities to Raise This Amount for Third Loan.

Nebraska's quota of the third Liberty loan will be \$31,942,800 and Douglas county's quota will be \$5,319,900.

These figures were received by O. T. Eastman, manager of the local branch of the federal reserve bank, from federal reserve bank headquarters for this district at Kansas City. This is slightly higher than the minimum quota and much lower than the maximum quota for Nebraska on the second Liberty loan, which were respectively \$29,640,000 and \$49,400,000. Nebraska subscribed \$33,317,200 on the second Liberty loan. Mr. Eastman says the figures for the other Nebraska counties will be announced Monday.

### Hall Hears Complaints in Northeast Nebraska

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, March 29.—Thomas L. Hall, chairman of the Nebraska railway commission, Friday conducted a hearing at South Sioux City, on the application of the Sioux City, Crystal Lake & Homer interurban to discontinue business. The company is not making money, it represents. Chairman Hall will go from there to Thurston to conduct a hearing on complaint about a dangerous crossing.

### Fred H. Thompson, Teacher in Stella School, Is Dead

Stella, Neb., March 29.—(Special.)—Fred H. Thompson, assistant teacher in the Stella High school, died at his parents' home. He resigned his position at Stella last February. Mr. Thompson was 22 years old, was a graduate of the Falls City High school and the Peru State Normal.

### URGES FIRMS HELP EMPLOYEES GARDEN

#### Council of Defense Says it is Patriotic Duty to Raise War Gardens This Year.

Lincoln, Neb., March 29.—A request to the factory owners of Nebraska to secure and prepare gardening land for their employes, and by other means to make it possible for these workers to help with the food production has been made by Mrs. Fred M. Dewese, chairman of the food production division of the woman's committee of the Council of Defense.

"In the east many corporations, banks and business houses have considered it patriotic work to encourage gardening by their employes, and the children or other members of the family or their employes," said Mrs. Dewese. "In an appeal to the factory owners. 'In some cases the business men have furnished seeds, some have given prizes for the best gardens, in some cases the expense has been borne entirely by the firm, and in others it has been done for the employes at cost. Why should not our Nebraska firms do as much?'"

Mrs. Dewese announces that C. W. Pugsley of the extension service, university state farm, has agreed to advise with any employer, if desired, on the preparation of the land, the selection of the vegetables suitable for Nebraska climate, for new and old land. Upon request the extension service will send a man to talk over the matter personally with interested managers of firms. E. Buckingham of the Union Stock yards assured Mrs. Dewese that anyone wishing fertilizer could obtain it free at the stock yards, which is good for immediate use.

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