

GENEVA SCHOOL HEAD TESTIFIES ABOUT HER WORK

Springs Letter From Commissioner Mayfield, Written Before Has Was Member of Board of Control.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, May 1.—(Special.)—Some fellow has said something about the ghosts of the past rising up to haunt people. Commissioner Mayfield of the State Board of Control was confronted with one during the testimony of Miss McMahon, deposed superintendent of the Girl's Industrial school at Geneva in the hearing in progress for two weeks covering her superintendency of the institution.

Testimony covering the relations of the superintendent in a business way with members of the board brought out again that with Commissioner Holcomb, Gerdes and former Commissioner Howard Kennedy, they had been of a confidential and harmonious character. However, with Mr. Mayfield they had not, since he had become a member of the board, but before that time he had complimented her highly on her work.

Miss McMahon produced a letter written by Mr. Mayfield on a World-Herald letter head, in which he thanked her for material furnished him for a story in that paper, of which he was then an employe and asked if he had any objections to having it read. Mayfield said he had not.

When Hearts Grow Cold.

The letter in part, under date of some time in 1914, read:

"The hearts of newspaper writers by necessity grow cold and sometimes, people say, remorseless, but occasionally they are human and our hearts ache, too, just like other hearts. And this reminds me that for a moment or two my old type writer failed to follow its accustomed calling of grinding out copy on almost all subjects.

"I tell you this because a woman who can get as close and keep as close to 'my girls' as you have, is entitled to know it. Splendid work you are doing—and those who are laboring with you, and you will get a reward, 'sometime, somewhere, somehow,' if not on this earth, then hereafter—for there must be a hereafter, if only for such women as you."

It is understood that since that time the commissioner has not had a new type writer, one that will not slip a cog and refuse to work on any occasion.

Miss McMahon in her evidence went quite minutely into the conditions surrounding the school as it related to Family A, the section of the school where the bad girls were kept. In her 15 years in the school she knew of but two occasions when the ball and chain had been used, and but once when the handcuffs were used. In both instances it was when all other means had been used to no avail.

Many Girls Deprived.

According to evidence, a large number of the girls were deprived merely of a disgusting and horrible degree. She had moralized with them for hours at a time, but to little avail. She had finally, after taking up matters with the board, bought beds but 30 inches wide, so that two could not sleep in them. Yet with all this preparation and the fact that a watch was kept over them, she had discovered that they would work all kinds of schemes to get together. In this family she estimated two-thirds of the girls were of immoral character.

When asked why the institution had kept so undesirable a class of employes, men especially, she said because of the low wages a pair of good men could not be obtained. She said frequently she had been helped out by Mr. Koehler, a Geneva coal merchant, who would take men off his wagons to help out the institution when the work had to be done.

Sandrock Explains.

Emil Sandrock, a banker, who has been one of the very kind friends of the institution, was on the stand a part of the forenoon and explained the circumstances regarding flowers sent to the institution. He and Mrs. Koehler had been to Lincoln to attend a meeting of the Scottish Rite. While here he purchased a lot of flower plants for the Geneva cemetery, of which he is one of the officers, some for himself personally and a number for the institution, and they were all shipped to him under one consignment, but in different boxes, and he paid the bill and the freight. He had promised the girls at the institution that he would furnish plants for a bed for each of the three families and for two other departments. This explained the charge that flowers sent to the cemetery had belonged to the institution, made by one of the girl witnesses for the board.

Mr. Sandrock said that he took great interest in the institution and was in the habit of giving the girls in the graduating class each year a class pin. The one who passed the highest mark received a special pin. He believed it helped them to strive to pass as high as possible.

Entertain Hunting Party.

Regarding entertainments given at the institution to friends of the institution, Miss McMahon said that one time Commissioner Mayfield had phoned her he was passing through Geneva with a bunch of friends on a duck hunt and asked her to provide entertainment for them when they arrived.

Miss McMahon testified that one time Commissioner Mayfield told her "they" were going to get rid of Superintendent Booth of the Deaf and Dumb school at Omaha and wanted to know if she wanted the place, saying that she wanted her for business reasons and she didn't have to know anything about deaf and dumb language. She said she asked Chairman Gerdes about it and he warned her to be careful and not believe all Mayfield told her.

This afternoon former Governor C. H. Aldrich was called and testified to her good character and the successful way in which the Girls' school was run during his administration.

T. W. Smith of York, former warden of the penitentiary under Governor Shallenberger testified that it was necessary to use something stronger than moral "suasion" in

dealing with immoral pervers who indulged in personal sex habits.

Miss Lena E. Ward, now superintendent of the Industrial home for women at Milford and who has charge of the A family at the Geneva institution before being appointed to her present place 11 years ago, testified to the vice practices in the A family.

Gerdes Testifies.

Chairman Gerdes' testimony was very complimentary to Miss McMahon and her management of the institution and very satisfactory up to the time she failed to report the Grace Moore-Fagan matter.

Asked by the attorney why they had not taken the matter up with her before sending Secretary Mathews to Colorado to bring back the girl, Mr. Gerdes said it was not the business of the board to run after its employes for explanations, that the employes should come to the board.

Fremont Increases Pay of Its Police Officers and Firemen

Fremont, Neb., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The salaries of members of the police force and drivers on the fire trucks have been increased by the city council. In order to make the increase legal it was necessary to charge it in extra labor.

Policemen were given an increase of \$5, which makes their salary \$75 for the first year men, and \$80 for others, with \$100 for the chief. The pay of firemen was made the same as that of policemen.

Street Commissioner Graham was given an increase of \$10 a month, and teamsters' pay raised from 50 to 60 cents an hour.

Secretary of State Draws Money From Many Sources

Lincoln, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Secretary of State Pool reports a continued increase of business in his office during April. The cash receipts totaled \$6,256.11, an increase of \$1,542.13 over the same month in 1917. The increase was caused by the filing of articles of incorporation.

The month of April also was a busy period in the automobile department. During that month 8,050 automobile numbers and 250 motorcycle numbers were issued, a total of 15,000 automobile numbers issued during the first four months of the year as against 148,101 during the entire year of 1917.

Wilson Overstays His Furlough and Is Arrested

Beatrice, Neb., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Harold Wilson was arrested tonight on the charge of deserting from the 110th ammunition train at Camp Doniphan, Ft. Sill, Okla. He will be held awaiting instructions from the post.

Wilson came here to visit his father, Samuel Wilson and as he had remained longer than the furlough provided for he was arrested and locked up.

Two Priests, Alleged Alien Enemies, Want New Hearing

Fremont, Neb., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The two Catholic Priests, Rev. W. A. Cappius of Dodge and Rev. F. H. Schopp of Snyder, alleged alien enemies who by Judge Butten last Saturday were denied a petition to preach, today filed a motion for a new hearing. They allege that they meant when they made the objectionable statements that their sympathies were on both sides.

Union Head Discountenances Walkout by Telegraphers

Washington, May 1.—S. J. Konenkamp, international president of the Commercial Telegraphers union, announced tonight that he would not sanction a strike of union telegraphers pending a settlement of the controversy between the men and the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies by the National War Labor board.

The announcement by the union leader came after the War Labor board had received a telegram from Newcomb Carlton, president of the Western Union, refusing to comply with the board's request that the company refrain from discharging employes who join the union until after the board could hear both sides to the controversy. Mr. Carlton agreed to appear May 8 to state the reasons why the company has determined not to retain in its employ men who affiliate with the union. No reply was received from the Postal company.

Mr. Konenkamp said the men appreciate that "this is not the time to accept challenges to fight" if peace can be had by any other means.

Hubby's Breakfast Tastes Too Exacting, Wife Avers

Edna Miles, testifying in her divorce suit against Raymond Miles, in Judge Troup's court, asserted that she did not get his breakfast because she could not suit his tastes. She denied it was because she did not get up in time. She admitted attending dances without him, but asserted he had given her permission to do so. She testified that he had no love of children, and that when she found that out she hated him and told him so.

Will M. Cressy Invited To Address Business Men

Will M. Cressy, headliner at the Orpheum this week, has been invited by T. C. Byrne, chairman of the Liberty loan committee, to address the business men of Omaha at the noon-day luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce Thursday. Lew Kelly of the Gayety also has been invited to speak. J. W. Halliwell of the national food administration will speak at the same place Friday noon.

Hide Prices Advanced.

Washington, May 1.—Prices the government will pay for hides and skins for the next three months were fixed today by the War Industries board. They are somewhat higher than prevailing market prices, but are declared by the board to be reasonable.

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NONPARTISANS BLOCK MOVE TO MAKE INQUIRY

Resolution to Investigate Activities of League Voted Down by Farmers' Congress at Its Session at Lincoln.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Did the non-partisan league run into a trap prepared by its opponents or did the league put something over on its enemies who have been challenging its patriotism, is a question agitating the minds of those who witnessed the turning down of a resolution at the farmers' war council this afternoon calling for an investigation of the league's patriotism.

Those opposing the league insist that the nonpartisan league did just what they expected it to do, in that it voted down a resolution of investigation of its methods. It is claimed that the head of the league sent out letters to every member urging all to come to the meeting and that the convention was packed with its members for the purpose of blocking an investigation the leaders dared not have take place.

Call It Enemy Move.

On the other hand the league members insist it was a move on the part of their enemies to put the investigation in the hands of the state council of defense and the selection of Vice Chairman Coupland on the committee proved it.

"If the council of defense wants to investigate us, they can do so, but they had that power before and did not need to pass a resolution," said one league member.

In a speech W. J. Taylor of Custer, challenged any man to say that he as a member of the league was unpatriotic or that others were more patriotic than he.

He denied the right of the meeting to appoint a committee to investigate the league.

J. O. Smith of Wahoo thought the resolutions all right except the part calling for an investigation of the league, while J. D. Ream of Broken Bow said that the meeting was called to cement together the different organizations in the part of the better prosecution of the war. He moved the tabling of that part of the resolution calling for the investigation and it carried almost unanimously.

After the resolution had been adopted as amended, W. J. Taylor again obtained the floor and made a patriotic speech, but was halted by a point of order raised by J. A. Ollis of Valley that there was nothing before the house.

Taylor recognized the objection and took his seat.

A set of resolutions by the labor committee were adopted calling for the registration of all males above 15 years of age for industrial and agricultural purposes; a better organization of the different war activities committees so that so many will not be working independently; the cessation of all business activities in the way of building operations; deploring the fact that so many able-bodied men were working in stores, restaurants and the like where women could fill the places, and advocated the extension service of the state university, calling for instruction in the various countries of tractor schools for the instruction of boys on the farm.

The Resolutions.

These resolutions were adopted: "We, the farmers of Nebraska in mass convention assembled, this 1st day of May, 1918, do adopt the following:

"As loyal Americans we pledge our allegiance to the flag and the republic for which it stands, one country, one language, one flag.

"We appreciate as never before the necessity of all classes, creeds and races, who have enjoyed the freedom of this country, laying aside all other issues and uniting as did our forefathers in the colonial days to preserve the liberties which were given to us by them.

"We pledge our utmost and undivided support to the prosecution of the war in which our nation and our allies are now engaged until such time as an honorable and lasting peace is assured, a peace which shall make the world safe for a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

"As tillers of the soil we pledge our utmost efforts in food production.

"We favor and urge the immediate

establishment of drying plants, both privately and publicly owned, for the conservation of perishable food products.

"We are in favor of war saving stamps and of Liberty loan bonds in every home and pledge our efforts to that end.

"We endorse the policy of making the rural school district the unit and the assembling of the people of such rural school district at the school house at a stated time to secure such subscriptions.

We are appreciative of the great work which has been done by our state government in placing Nebraska in the front ranks on patriotic enterprises and in blotting out sedition and disloyalty in our state. We recognize the fact that disloyalty and sedition within our state has been handled with a firm hand by the proper officers of the state government and thereby mob law has almost in no instance been invoked against those among us who were not patriots.

In that regard we endorse the work which has been so ably done by our State Council of Defense.

"Believing that patriotism in the highest and most useful degree is best exemplified in obeying the laws, we are unalterably opposed to mob rule or mob violence or any or all kinds, especially the use of yellow paint.

"To the women of Nebraska who have given so willingly, so unselfishly in so intensely patriotic a manner of their time, their means, their efforts in all the varied activities incident to this great struggle for human freedom, we desire to thus publicly express our great appreciation for their untiring services, their leadership and their wonderful efficiency.

"Our hearts go out in praise and honor to the young manhood of our state who have gone forth to battle and if need be to die in defense of the great principle 'That all men are created equal'; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among them are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; the names of those of our heroes, their deeds, their self-sacrifices, we will ever hold in loving remembrance and in highest respect and esteem.

"With the foregoing in mind we, the farmers of Nebraska, pledge every dollar of our property and every service we can give which the government or any division thereof may request, and we call upon our citizens of every class to lay aside all other issues and unite with us until the world shall be made safe for democracy, and the liberty and prosperity which we have enjoyed."

League Probe Killed.

This was the rejected resolution: "We recognize the fact that the organization of the Nonpartisan league in the state of Nebraska has within the last few months caused serious dissension among our people by arraying class against class. We have implicit confidence in the loyalty and patriotism of the great body of the membership, but we all know many serious charges have been made relative to the disloyalty of the leaders of the league, especially during the first few months of the war, and we hereby recommend that C. H. Gustafson, Charles Graff, J. D. Ream, O. G. Smith, and George Coupland be appointed, whose duty it shall be to devise ways and means of probing these charges and of making known to the farmers of Nebraska their conclusions thereon, and we recommend that the further organization of the league be discouraged until such investigation be made."

U. S. MAY ACCEPT NO MORE UNITS OF NATIONAL GUARD

Washington, May 1.—Indication that the War department has decided not to accept any additional National Guard units in the forces sent abroad was sent today in an order telegraphed to the governor of Minnesota instructing him to disband the Second Minnesota artillery.

The Minnesota authorities were anxious to have the unit in service as concrete evidence of the loyalty of the districts in which it was formed.

War department officials hold there is no available service for National Guard units in the military machine, even if it was not the consensus of expert opinion that better material could be obtained through the draft.

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FARMERS STAND BY PRESIDENT AT STATE MEET

Tillers of Land in Lincoln Stand by President; High School Boys of Good Parentage Big Help.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, May 1.—(Special.)—The Farmers' War council now in session is well attended. It started yesterday with 300 present, the sessions being held in the big ball room of the Lindell hotel. C. H. Gustafson of the Farmers' union is presiding and J. B. Grinnell of Sarpy county and J. M. Shoyer of Humboldt are the secretaries.

A resolution was sent to President Wilson drawn by a committee of which J. A. Ollis of Ord, was chairman. The resolution, unanimously adopted, was as follows:

The Nebraska Farmers' War council in its opening session, assembled from every part of the state, hereby pledge to you every dollar of our property and every service we can render to you and the government which you represent, in this, the great crisis that confronts us. Every loyal citizen of Nebraska, of every class and creed, is determined that we shall not be divided in our support of the boys who are going across to fight our battles, and preserve the prosperity which we have enjoyed."

Prof Pugsley Speaks.

Prof. Pugsley addressed the farmers along the line of farm labor. He stated that the farmers as a class were patriotic and were paying more today for labor, according to profits, than any other line of trade or business. "When the war started," said Mr. Pugsley, "the farmers were opposed to entering into the war. Circumstances have changed. They hate war, but they hate the kaiser worse. They love peace, but they love their country better. They advised the farmers to get together and decide upon a right scale of prices and stick to it. It is not necessary to pay \$8 per day for labor, but a fair price should be paid. One delegate advocated hiring by the hour and then there could be no kick for overtime."

School Boys Help.

C. H. Smith stated that big huskies just out of the pool hall roamed around asking enormous wages, and could not do the work. They complained that the farmers were hiring dog-faced, soft-handed school boys to do men's work," but said Mr. Smith, "We can get as much out of that school boy who comes from good parentage and is willing to work, than we can from the big husky from the pool hall."

A committee composed of E. M. Pollard, Nehawka; H. L. McKelvie, Fairfield; C. W. Pugsley, Lincoln; J. D. Ream, Broken Bow; Charles Hagedorn, Chalco; John Havekost, Hooper, and Pat Fitzgerald were appointed to prepare a scale of prices for farmers.

The meeting closed with the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

Bancroft Votes to Build New \$4,000 School House

West Point, Neb., May 1.—(Special.)—County Superintendent Emma R. Miller presided at a meeting Monday night in the Graff school house near Bancroft, called for the purpose of voting on the erection of a new school house before next fall. The vote was unanimous for a new \$4,000 school building.

Pruning, Funston Soldier, Weds Miss Kate Gering

Beatrice, Neb., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—John G. Pruning, a soldier from Camp Funston, and Miss Kate Gering of Cincinnati were married here today by County Judge Orkief.

George Vanermen, Green Bay, Wis., and Miss Aureola Schnoor, Fremont, were married by Rev. A. M. Peitzel.

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Taxpayers' League Again Active in Hamilton County

Aurora, Neb., April 30.—(Special.)—President W. I. Farley of the Tax Payers' league has announced his executive committee. They are: W. I. Farley, president; T. M. Scott, vice president; S. C. Houghton, secretary, and J. R. Davidson, O. F. Arnold, E. D. Snider and George Wanek. This committee will hold a session Wednesday with the board of commissioners of Hamilton county, and it will be definitely decided who will make the audit of the Hamilton county books.

Another important committee of the Tax Payers' league will be that of roads, bridges and county property, of which Mike Pressler of Trumbull is chairman, and his associates are: Hans Jacob Thompson, George Sands, F. O. Jenison and William Tucker. Chairman Pressler aims to hold a meeting of his committee soon to investigate reports alleging that county cement and bridge timbers have been used in construction of buildings belonging to county officers and their employes.

The county has not yet recovered from its surprise over the revelations of the Tax Payers' league last week when \$1,800 was turned back into the county treasury as having been overpaid to a bridge and supply company of Des Moines, Ia. It is generally believed that an audit of the county's books will reveal other over-payments.

None to Mourn the Death Of Old John Barleycorn

Fremont, Neb., May 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Fremont business men generally speaking on the first anniversary of the death of John Barleycorn, are satisfied with conditions and ready to continue under the present dry regime. The number of cases of drunkenness in the city as indicated by arrests booked at the police station show a decided falling off.

Police have but little to do. But one bootlegger was arrested and fined during the year. None of the buildings formerly used for saloons have remained unoccupied.

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Don't Let Soap Spoil Your Hair

When you wash your hair, be careful what you use. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali, which is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle.

The best thing to use is just plain mulsified coconut oil, for this is pure and entirely greaseless. It's very cheap, and beats the most expensive soaps or anything else all to pieces. You can get this at any drug store, and a few ounces will last the whole family for months.

Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in, about a teaspoonful is all that is required. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, cleanses thoroughly, and rinses out easily. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and is soft, fresh looking, bright, fluffy, wavy and easy to handle. Besides, it loosens and takes out every particle of dust, dirt and dandruff.—Adv.

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