

SCIENTISTS MAY LOSE DESPITE LIVING MODEL

Bill to Exempt Members From Quarantine Laws Recommended for Indefinite Postponement.

From a Staff Correspondent.
Lincoln, Feb. 18.—Despite the fact that Representative Berka of Douglas county exhibited himself on the floor as a living instance of the efficacy of Christian Science practice in the curing of disease, the house this morning indefinitely postponed House Roll 226, exempting Christian Scientists from the provisions of the quarantine laws and recognizing readers of that cult as medical practitioners.

The subject was introduced on the floor by Dr. Jenson of Clay, who made a minority report of the medical committee and recommended the bill for indefinite postponement, making a motion to this effect. He said that the bill was a slap in the face of the entire medical fraternity of Nebraska, and that it practically vitiated all of the health organizations and nullified the ordinances of the various boards of health. He also took the stand that it was dangerous class legislation and the only way it could be made consistent was to grant to every religious denomination the same privileges as conferred in the bill. He contended that it set aside all ideas of medical education and was a dangerous menace to the public health.

Defends Measure.

Representative Berka, in defense of the bill, contended that he was a living example of the efficacy of Christian Science healing and that, while he did not believe he was subject to contagious inoculation of disease, he, as a law-abiding citizen, had submitted to vaccination, when it was thought that he had been exposed to smallpox by his visits to Tom Hallister.

Representative Crozier stated he was opposed to the bill for the reason it was class legislation. "Yesterday," said he, "we passed a bill discriminating against the wearing of the garb of a religious denomination. Today we are called upon to legislate for a religious denomination. Is this consistent? Unless someone applies the brakes this legislature is liable to run wild on legislation of this kind."

It may have been a coincidence, and then it may have been a deep laid plot of Jerry Howard, author of the measure, to try to have his bill defining maximum charges of undertakers for caskets and funeral service raised for consideration. He explained that as the doctors had had their way it was now time for those who were in the way to have to pay for funeral expenses to assert themselves. His motion was lost.

Needs \$25,000 to Keep Up Service for Soldiers

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—An appropriation of \$25,000 will be needed for the establishment of the kind of headquarters and to maintain the type of service that the people of Nebraska will desire in behalf of their returning soldiers, Norris A. Huse, chairman of the Nebraska reception committee in New York, has notified Governor McKelvie.

"My recommendation is that an emergency fund for immediate purposes, of about \$2,000 or \$3,000 be turned over to the committee, acting as trustee, and that the expenses from month to month be paid by vouchers properly executed by the committee," the chairman says.

FORMER OMAHAN HEAD OF PRICE CONFERENCE BOARD



Washington, Feb. 18.—George N. Peck of Moline, Ill., former member of the war industries board, has been chosen by Secretary Redfield as chairman of the new government price conference board. Mr. Peck will select his associates.

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Revenue Department to Prosecute Tax Slackers

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Income tax "slackers" are to be prosecuted by the Internal Revenue department through the co-operation of the Department of Justice, Federal District Attorney Tom Allen announced Tuesday.

Spring Term of Hitchcock County Opens at Trenton

Trenton, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The spring term of the district court for Hitchcock county convened here today, Judge E. R. Perry presiding. The most important case for trial at this term is that of State of Nebraska against Philip Weber, who is charged with having on the 26th day of September, 1918, assaulted Edmund T. Meyer in the village of Culbertson by kicking and bruising him in such manner that Meyer later died.

Shock of Electric Charging Machine Kills Aurora Man

Aurora, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Reuben Larson of Horville was killed Monday by electric shock while working in his garage. He was busy with the electric charging machine when the fatality occurred. Larson was the son of Oscar Larson of Marquette and leaves a wife and child. He was about 30 years of age.

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SEX MEASURE ENGROSSED FOR THIRD READING

Author Declares Bill Destined to Reach Foul-mouthed Pool Hall Devotees; Motion to Adjourn Overruled.

From a Staff Correspondent.
Lincoln, Feb. 18.—Senator Sears' bill, S. F. No. 36, kicked and knocked around the senate, finally came to life this morning and won a cleaner decisive victory against a bitter fight waged by Senator Robbins, a colleague of Sears.

The bill, which makes it a felony for an authorized person to impart information of a sexual nature or relating to the social diseases to a child under 16 years of age, was ordered engrossed for third reading. The roll call on the substitute motion made by Senator Robbins to indefinitely postpone showed a division of 13 against and 16 for the bill.

Robbins led the onslaught against the bill and he yanked out a stack of petitions as long as the senate chamber, which he claimed represented the sentiment of the moral organizations of Nebraska in solid opposition to the measure.

Aimed at Loafers.

Sears declared that his bill was destined only to reach the foul-mouthed pool hall devotee who took a great delight in telling boys things decidedly to their detriment. He said that the measure did not aim to interfere with the proper distribution of information on sex hygiene.

The senate quickly voted to order the bill to third reading for passage. Senator John Cooper of Douglas took exception to a resolution which passed the house, declaring that it was the sense of the Nebraska legislature that France and England not be released from payment of their war debts to this country. Cooper said that England's navy and the French army had fought America's battles for two years.

The general sentiment in the senate, however, was that each country should pay its own war debts and the resolution was adopted.

Farmer Killed by Horse.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Ole Mondahl, a well known Roberts county farmer, aged 61, died from injuries received when he was kicked in the stomach by one of his horses.

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Howell Urges Passage of Bill Allowing Vote on Municipal Light Plant; No Faith in the Courts.

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—In a hearing before the house committee on cities and towns this afternoon and tonight R. B. Howell of the Metropolitan Water plant, argued frankly for the committee to recommend for passage H. R. 450, calling for a special election for voting bonds with which to build a municipal electric light plant for the purpose of compelling the sale of the Omaha light and power property to the city.

Mr. Howell also stated frankly that he had no confidence in the courts in condemnation proceedings provided by law, nor had he any patience with any other method of procedure than compulsion through the building of a competing plant.

Declare Bill on Election of Judges Backward Step

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Declaring Representative Downing's bill, House Roll 124, repealing the law providing for the nonpartisan election of judges of the supreme, district and county courts, also of county superintendents a backward step, the house went on record, in committee of the whole this afternoon, as opposed to this measure.

Burlington Road Asks to Remove Agent at Hoffland

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—An echo of the disastrous effect of peace and proposed importation of potash into the United States is contained in the application of the Burlington railroad to the Nebraska railway commission to remove its station agent from Hoffland, Neb.

The company sets forth that the potash products reduction plant around which the village was built in the Antioch potash region had closed its doors, and the lone store of the village had shut up shop for want of patronage.

Violation of Ethics.

Judge McHugh, speaking also against the bill, claimed that it was a violation of business ethics and good morals for the legislature to pass a law that would give to the water power the right to create a competitive plant to ruin the value of a going concern that was operating legally, especially when the city had the right to legally acquire the plant by condemnation proceedings in which all the rights of the city would be protected.

W. F. Baxter claimed that he was delegated by Mayor Smith to

Bill to Give Banking Board More Authority Looked on With Favor

From a Staff Correspondent.
Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The banking committee of the state senate looks with favor on S. F. No. 244, by Cordeal and Weaverling, giving the state banking board authority to reject applications for bank charters where sufficient banking facilities are already provided in the judgment of the board. The bill has been reported out of the committee with the recommendation that it pass.

Other bills reported out of committees for passage include: H. R. No. 180, by Frantz—Releases banks from liability for forged checks unless claim is made within a year.

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No Money for County Agent.

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The Johnson county board of commissioners has failed to make an appropriation for the maintenance of a county agricultural agent for the coming year. C. H. Davis, who was temporarily in charge of the work, has returned to his home at Colon.

Court Docket Small.

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The docket in the district court for Johnson county in regular session here today. The petty jury is to be used. The docket is unusually small there being but 19 civil and three criminal cases.

Horsehoers Meet.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The first annual convention of the Master Horsehoers' Protective association of South Dakota, which is composed of the blacksmiths of the state will be held in Sioux Falls Thursday of this week.

Elect New Superintendent.

Lincoln, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The Cummins board of education has elected Prof. L. R. Gregory of Exeter as superintendent of the schools here for next year, and the gentleman has accepted.

ILL-FAMED HOUSE RAIDED ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

Morals Squad Arrests Men and Women in Flat Opposite Chief of Police's Office.

Within 100 feet of Police Commissioner Ringer's office in the city hall the morals squad raided a suite of rooms, No. 9 on the third floor of 1802 Farnam street, early this morning. Four inmates, two men and two women, were arrested and booked as inmates of a disorderly house. Mildred Miller, landlady of the place, escaped through a secret passage after leading detectives a merry chase through three rooms.

Fred Higgins, Her Grand hotel, one of the inmates arrested, was booked on a charge of illegal possession of liquor. Sergeant Thestrup says he found two pints of booze in his pockets. Martin Christensen, Minim, Ia.; Hazel Harris and Lulu Myers, East Omaha, were the names of the others given to the police.

Others Woman Escapes.

A warrant is out for the arrest of Mildred Miller, who escaped from the building through a back stairway. Police say they have received complaints about the place for two months.

American Steamers With Foodstuffs Reach Daniz

Basel, Switzerland, Feb. 19.—Three American steamers laden with foodstuffs for Poland arrived at Neufahrwasser, on the Gulf of Danzig, at noon Monday, according to Danzig advices received here.

Reds Disagree.

Stockholm, Feb. 18.—Serious differences of opinion have arisen between the Moscow soviet, headed by Premier Lenin, and the Petrograd soviet, headed by Leon Trotsky, over the allied proposal for a conference on the Princes islands, according to a dispatch from Hel-



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