

SCHOOL BILL IS PASSED BY HOUSE OF LEGISLATURE

Lobby Cleared and Doors of Chamber Locked While Canvas of Absent Members is Made.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—With some of the members making demands that every legislator in the house go on record yes or no on House Roll 64, the bill recommended for passage by the committee on education, and which places the private and parochial schools of the state on the same footing and under the same direction as the public school, a call of the house was made.

The vote then proceeded and it was announced that the measure had carried by a vote of 75 to 11.

Insignia For Teachers.

Teachers while on duty in Nebraska's public schools would be prohibited from wearing any garb or dress indicating membership in any religious sect or organization under the terms of a bill passed by the house.

Girl Run Down by Auto at South Norfolk, Neb., Dies Few Hours Later

Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Odella Humich, five-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Humich of Columbia, was fatally injured Monday afternoon when she was run over by a jitney car in front of the Perry hotel in South Norfolk. She died in the Campbell hospital at 6 o'clock Monday night just as the mother was offering her blood for a transfusion operation which was being arranged in hopes of saving the child's life.

This Husband Also Does Not Approve of Wife's Conduct

Elroy G. Zike alleges in an answer and cross-petition to Catherine's application for a divorce that his wife has been frequenting cafes with men of questionable reputation. He relates that two years ago he and wife agreed to separate and then became reconciled; that on July 5, 1918, another separation occurred when he allowed her the custody of an 8-year-old son, and gave her a home at 551 South Twenty-sixth street. Since the latter date, he alleges, his wife's conduct has been such as to bring disgrace upon the family name. He further alleges that she wrongfully caused his arrest on a charge of abandonment and that she threatened further arrest unless he paid her money. He asks the court to grant him an absolute decree of divorce and custody of their son.

Lincoln Power Company Seeks Permit to Sue State

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 25.—Application by the Commonwealth Power company, for permission to sue the State of Nebraska, was referred to the judiciary committee of the house of representatives today. The company contends that it has paid into the state treasury the sum of \$2,435 and received nothing therefor. The power company recites that as there is no law or authority by which it can enter suit, it has to ask the legislature to grant enabling power and permit it to enter suit in the Lancaster county district court.

Mute Basket Ball Squad Defeats Papillion Five

The School for the Deaf continued its winning streak when it defeated Papillion Tuesday night, 31 to 25. The local boys were at their best and staged one of the best come-backs ever witnessed on the Papillion floor. The rusties were leading at the end of the first half, 14 to 9. The deals played a fine defensive game. Papillion girls defeated the Institute girls, 36-9.

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"There's a Reason"

Explorers Who Boarded Floating Ice Pack Drift Back to Starting Point

Theory of Western Current in Polar Basin Disproved by Storkerson and Four Associates in Voyage Which Lasted Eight Months and Only Carried Them Around in Huge Eddy.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The safe arrival on the north coast of Alaska on November 7 last of Storker Storkerson, the Arctic explorer and four companions, was announced in a dispatch from him today forwarded from Fort Yukon to the Canadian department of naval service. The explorer set out from the north coast of Alaska in March, 1918, to drift westward on an ice cake across the polar basin on the theory that the currents would land him on the coast of Siberia. It appears from his dispatches today that the ice cake on which his party camped merely carried them around in what might be considered a huge eddy.

COUNTRY NEEDS EFFICIENT MEN, PLUNKETT SAYS

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that history will repeat itself and that it will right itself. I think that all historical precedents have been upset. Aside from the appalling loss of human life and material resources, the late war has differed not only in degree but in kind. The vast portion of humanity has been involved one way or the other, and therein this war has been different.

"I am impressed with the fact that in peace, as well as in war, we should know what the people are thinking about. I was astonished to find that the interest in the great events happening in Paris is completely overshadowed by a feeling of concern as to what is going to happen in society—in the national life—after the war; what the relations between capital and labor will be. The most alarming thing to me, is that there is a tendency, even among intelligent people, to say that the subject is so vast and critical, that we should let it alone, and wait and see. I don't think that is a worthy or safe attitude."

Solve Labor Problems.

"This organization can do no better service to humanity than to probe these economic problems, not merely from the viewpoint of capitalists, but from the viewpoint of the masses of the people. You can thus do an invaluable service by using your experience in studying these problems. This situation gravely threatens this country, and yet I would say that this country is the most happily situated of any country in the world; and if trouble should come, it would be the reflection of trouble elsewhere. Anyone who studies labor questions realizes that labor leaders rely more on international action than on any other kind."

Sir Horace stated that the labor situation in the United Kingdom is graver today than ever before, and he related that the ship on which he sailed last month was held for 10 days in port on account of a strike. He deprecated the odium which sometimes has been attached to the word "politician." He contended that such a condition must be changed, and that it is the duty of all to see that only men of high ethical standards are allowed to serve in public places.

Dates and Schedule Fixed for Nebraska Racing Circuit

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Five towns—Beatrice, Kearney, West Point, Fremont and Omaha—were voted membership in the Nebraska Circuit at the annual meeting of the Nebraska Speed association here tonight. The following dates were awarded: Beatrice, June 24, 25 and 26; Kearney, July 2, 3 and 4; West Point, July 8, 9 and 10; Fremont, July 15, 16 and 17; Omaha, July 22, 23 and 24. The following schedule of races was adopted: Pacing, 2:22, 2:16, 2:12 and 2:09; trotting, 2:25, 2:20, 2:17 and 2:14, colt races optional. The new racing rules providing for purses of \$200 with all the entry money added were adopted. The following officers were chosen: President, E. D. Gould; Kearney, vice president, O. M. Smith; Omaha, secretary-treasurer, N. J. Renin, Fremont.

Five Sailors Killed

When Plane Falls
Washington, Feb. 25.—Loss of the big seaplane No. 3493 with three engines of the naval reserve and two mechanics off the Virginia coast was officially announced by the navy department.

LUXURIES TAX MEASURE NOW IN FULL FORCE

Automobiles, Tobacco, Income Taxes, Theaters, Liquors, Candy, Etc., Must Raise Huge Sum.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Signing of the revenue bill by President Wilson en route to Washington last night puts into operation the machinery for collecting six billions of taxes this year. Higher taxes go into effect today on liquor and soft drinks, including beer, grape juice, soda water and mineral waters and on tobacco, and on so-called luxuries. Anticipating the imposition of whiskey had been withdrawn from government bonded warehouses within the last week, with tax paid at the old rate of \$3.20 a gallon, to escape the higher rate of \$6.40 a gallon now effective.

NEBRASKANS IN HOUSE CONFER ON SPEAKERSHIP

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diacy of A. E. Chaffe, who is in charge of telephones in the republican cloak room, for doorkeeper. Mr. Chaffe is a resident of Congressman Reavis' district. Congressman Andrews, is announcing his intention to support Gillett for speaker, said "Under the existing conditions I will vote for Gillett for the reason that I regard his candidacy as harmonizing most favorably with Nebraska interests than any other candidate."

American Casualty List

The following Nebraska men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Wednesday morning, February 26:

WOUNDED SEVERELY.

Isador A. Maranville, Wilcox, Neb.
Randall Yung, Guide Rock, Neb.
The following Iowa, South Dakota and Wyoming men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Wednesday morning, February 26:

DIED OF DISEASE.

Major R. Williams, De Smet, S. D.
WOUNDED SEVERELY.
Irvin F. Bishop, Wesley, Ia.
Carlos D. Montgomery, Dows, Ia.

The following Nebraska men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Tuesday afternoon, February 25:

WOUNDED SEVERELY.

Alfred W. Carlson, Kearney, Neb.
WOUNDED: DEGREE UNDETERMINED: PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING.
Robert A. Schell, North Platte, Neb.
William E. Wondra, Valparaiso, Neb.

The following Iowa, South Dakota and Wyoming men are named in the casualty list sent out by the government for Tuesday morning, February 25:

KILLED IN ACTION.

Travis L. Snow, Torrington, Wyo.
MISSING IN ACTION.
Donald J. Niewender, Ames, Ia.
DIED OF WOUNDS: PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING.
Orville Woodin, Cantil, Ia.
WOUNDED SLIGHTLY: PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING.
Carl Kolkerds, Dupont, Ia.
James W. Schaffer, Cresco, Ia.

Capital Makes Grand Rush on Rum Stocks As Arid Spell Looms

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—Residents of Washington made the most of the few remaining hours in which to prepare for the long dry spell which will follow the signing by President Wilson today of the revenue bill, one of the provisions of which will make the capital a dry town. Washington, in anticipation of the worst, has been buying up the available liquor supply of Baltimore, its last minute shopping in the wet goods district of Ohio railroad and the necessity of putting three specials of 12 cars each on the Washington run last night. Automobile traffic between the two cities also exceeded all previous records.

Community Service Provides Socially for Returning Men

The executive committee of the War Camp Community Service met Monday to investigate social facilities in the city for entertaining the demobilized soldiers and sailors. Co-operation of home talent and transient artists promise in the near future to afford clever attractions at the Army and Navy club. A keener interest shown by citizens in the success of the Army and Navy club would be greatly appreciated by business men who sponsor the demobilized soldiers and sailors. Attractive new posters have been put up over the city for the direction of soldiers, sailors and marines. These posters tell what is going on each week in the city, especially for men in uniform where to find the headquarters of the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Red Cross, Jewish Welfare board, K. C. club and War Camp Community service, Girls Community house and the Army and Navy club is included in the poster.

No Heat in City Hall; Council Session Is Brief

The monthly evening session of the city council lasted only about 15 minutes last night because there was no heat in the city hall. The steam pipe which brings steam heat from the Brantley plant to the city hall burst early yesterday morning. A force of men worked all day yesterday and last night. It was stated last night by Commissioner Zimman that the break will be repaired and heat turned on by this morning. W. F. Baxter, R. B. Howell, J. E. Davidson and others were present last night to take part in the debate on House Roll 450 which is pending in the legislature and provides that the water company shall have the right to extend the electricity manufacturing department of the Florence water plant and to supply light, heat and power to the people of Omaha. Mayor Smith who, at first, favored this bill, has turned against it. The rest of the commissioners all favor it and united in asking the legislature to pass it. Council will meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Spartacan Leader Killed.

Berlin, Feb. 25.—(By Associated Press.)—Herr Fuldzennek, Spartacan leader in the Bottrop district in Westphalia, has been killed while resisting arrest by government troops. He had attempted to incite mobs to further rioting there, it is alleged.

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PRESIDENT PUTS SIGNATURE ON 28 MEASURES

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Several names are under consideration for the cabinet vacancy caused by the resignation of Thomas W. Gregory, who retired from the Department of Justice March 4, but the president has not made a selection.

Whether the president will address congress is believed to depend on the legislative situation. Tomorrow night he will discuss the league of nations in detail with members of the senate and house foreign affairs committee, who will be his guests at dinner, and the belief is growing in official quarters that the president will consider his explanations to them sufficient for the time being. With many imperative bills still awaiting action, it is said to be possible that President Wilson may consider it inadvisable to take up any of the brief time remaining of this session by discussing before congress a subject on which his views are well known and which will come up for approval or disapproval before a new body.

Major General McCarthy is Decorated by Serbia

Saloniki, Feb. 25.—Maj. Gen. Daniel McCarthy of Davenport, Ia., a member of the American Red Cross mission to Serbia, has been given the highest decoration of the Serbian government. The decoration was awarded for his medical work among the soldiers and refugees in Serbia.

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Foreign Embassies the Only Oases in Dry Washington

Washington, Feb. 25.—Except for the foreign embassies and legations, Washington went "bone dry" today under a provision of the new revenue law withdrawing the immunity which the capital heretofore has enjoyed from the Reed amendment forbidding the importation of intoxicants into prohibition territory. Hundreds of shipments of liquor on their way from Baltimore were held up outside the district lines, having failed to get within the zone before the bars went up. Foreign embassies and legations are exempt territorial properties and are not affected by the bone dry provision, according to the internal revenue bureau, although no formal ruling has been given on this point.

Will Break Ground for \$250,000 Home for Working Women

Ground will be broken soon on the site at Twenty-second and Jones streets for the erection of the \$250,000 home for Omaha working girls. Plans for the structure have been completed and are in the hands of John McDonald, architect. The lots on which the home will be erected were purchased at a cost of \$25,000 before the declaration of war. It has been announced that the building will be modeled after the Martha Washington hotel in New York, and will be capable of housing 200 persons. The plans have been drawn especially with references to the convenience and comfort of the girls. The undertaking is sponsored by the Omaha Society for the Betterment of Boys and Girls. With a series of dinners to be given the week of March 1, it is hoped that the fund will have been completed.

Embroideries Galore for Spring

For undergarments—splendid new patterns of fine cambric in widths of from three to eighteen inches, with inserting to match. Dainty allover for collars and cuffs—seam and ribbon beadings—narrow swiss edges and insertings—embroidered edges with ribbon beadings. These in addition to wonderfully fine assortments of flouncings and embroideries for layettes. Distinctive Patterns—Moderately Priced