

STATE BOARD OF CONTROL PROBE NOW UNDER WAY

Joint Committee of House and Senate Started Its Labors Monday

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Feb. 25.—The joint house and senate committee appointed to investigate affairs of the State Board of Control is under way already to have begun its labor, although no public announcement of the fact has been made.

Members of the committee, it is said, spent Monday going over the books of the National Supply company, in the Terminal building. This firm furnishes coal to the state institutions.

George Weidenfeld, accountant for the board, is said to have appeared with information for the committee.

Members of the Board of Control Tuesday said they had not been informed that the investigation was in progress.

The investigating committee is made up of Representatives Snow, Axtell and Jearry, and Senators Neal, Houston and Sturgis. Most of the members were absent Tuesday from the two chambers.

Assistant Attorney General Ralph Wilson has been made director of the investigation by the attorney general's office.

The committee will make a trip to the Girls' Industrial school at Geneva to investigate the coal situation at the institution. During the Lydia McMahon hearing before the control board statements were made to the effect that a vast amount of coal was stored at the school.

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According to Hyers, state agents have arrested Joe Greko, who runs a fruit stand adjoining the Koehler hotel in Grand Island, on the evidence of a bell boy who said he was handed whisky through a hole in the wall of the fruit stand. In the stand the agents seized 35 quarts of whisky and several empty whisky cases. A man giving the name of Dick McMullen, of Doniphan, Neb., was arrested by state agents as he left a train at Grand Island Sunday.

Terminal Markets for Grain Not Under Railway Commission

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—The committee on manufactures and commerce, of the house, after a lengthy discussion of House Rolls, 329 and 345, both of which provide for the regulation of marketing of grain at terminal points, voted to postpone indefinitely House Roll 329, and recommend for passage House Roll 345.

It was the contention of the members that the former bill was too drastic in its provisions and its enforcement would work hardships on several marketing organizations, against which no serious complaint could be made.

The real purpose of the authors of the two bills was to make it illegal to discriminate against any person, firm, corporation, company or association who might want to make application for membership in all markets affected and the bills were sponsored by the Farmers' union, which claimed it had been denied the right of membership on the Omaha Grain exchange.

The bill recommended for passage will not place the marketing concerns of the state under the regulation of the State Railway commission, but retaining the authority given to enforce its provisions in the name of the state of Nebraska.

Cigaret Bill Passes Third Reading in the Nebraska Legislature

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The bill providing for licensing the sale of cigarettes in Nebraska passed the third reading in the lower house of the legislature this morning by a vote of 52 to 32.

The measure is designed to legalize the sale of cigarettes to persons in the state who have attained the age of 21 years. The license to be paid by dealers will be fixed with reference to the population of the city in which the traffic is carried on. In Omaha dealers will be required to pay an annual tax of \$100.

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THREE MILLION TO BE COLLECTED FOR STATE UNI.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 25.—Sitting as a committee of the whole, today, the house of representatives ordered House Roll No. 153, an appropriation bill, providing for levying a two and one-half mill for the state university for the years of 1919 and 1920, engrossed for third reading.

It is estimated that the levy will raise for university purposes during the two years a sum equivalent to \$3,000,000.

The amendments providing for appropriations differed widely from those submitted in the original bill, which directs the expenditure for specific purposes of about \$896,828. These items are as follows:

- Agricultural extension and farmers' institutes..... 120,000
Animal pathology..... 120,000
Conservation and soil survey..... 25,000
Entomology..... 30,000
Experimental station, Lincoln..... 40,000
Forest plant improvement..... 40,000
Hog cholera serum production, general support..... 20,000
Land tracts for agronomy, farm, 183.25 and 6.500
Legislative reference bureau..... 16,000
Medical college, Omaha, general support..... 80,000
Equipment medical college Omaha..... 20,000
Medical college hospital, Omaha, general support..... 125,000
Roller house, etc., Omaha medical college..... 60,000
Addition to new laboratory building..... 40,000
Nebraska school of agriculture at Curtis..... 20,000
North Platte substitution..... 60,000
Southwest substitution..... 60,000
Valentine substitution..... 20,000

The regents of the state university were also authorized to pay to Mrs. Annie W. Davis, widow of Dean Ellery W. Davis, \$1,337.33, representing the balance of the salary due him at the time of his death, had he served until the close of the year.

Representative Fries made the only opposition to the passage of the bill, protesting that provision which extended to the three-quarter of a mill special university campus fund, for the city and university farm campuses at Lincoln only for another two years was in violation of an agreement on the part of the regents, who promised if the 1917 legislature granted this it would never again ask for an extension.

Appropriations for the Omaha medical college and its appurtenances, for improvements and general support for the biennium, are \$345,000.

Osteopaths Win Fight To Use Drugs and To Do Minor Operations

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Nebraska osteopaths won their fight for increased privileges in practice, when the senate today passed S. F. No. 89, by Peterson, by a vote of 21 to 8. The bill permits osteopaths to use drugs and perform minor operations.

Twice Gassed in Argonne Forest; Returns Home

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Private Abe Betnstein, a member of old Company C of this city, who was twice gassed in the Argonne forest, returned home yesterday from France. He was fighting in the Argonne forest close to Arthur Biting of this city and George Little of Crab Orchard, who were killed.

NO REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON BLUE SKY LAWS

Information Sought by the Legislature Is Not Furnished as Requested.

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—The special committee which was authorized, under a resolution adopted by the house of representatives of the Nebraska legislature, to investigate the administration of the "blue sky" law by the State Railroad Commission, has been working on the matter for some weeks, but as yet has had no report from the commission.

Asks For Statement

The resolution asked for an itemized statement of the expenses incurred by the blue sky department since 1913, together with a correct report of the number of permits issued, the names of the companies, the total amount of stock allowed, together with the names and number of permits denied, the number of convictions for sale of stock without permit and the number of failures to convict.

Ignores Request

Chairman Purdy of the committee reports that although the blue sky commission has been served with a copy of the resolution that so far the demands of the committee for the reports asked for have been ignored.

He announces that he will obtain legal advice as to how his committee can go about the work of compelling the commission to accede to the demands of the lower house of the legislature.

Nebraska Man Sells Ice Crop from Artificial Lake

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—M. L. Rawlings of Wymore, this county, today closed a deal for the sale of his crop of ice, harvested from his artificial lake west of Wymore, to Armour & Co. for \$31,500. The amount sold was 6,500 tons. No ice was harvested on the Blue River this year and local dealers are preparing to ship it in.

SENATE PASSES BILL TO PROVIDE FUND FOR HYERS

House Roll, Appropriating Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars in Bootlegger Pursuit Adopted in Upper House.

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Passing 22 bills on third reading, the Nebraska senate this morning broke all previous records for speed.

House Roll No. 205, by the finance committee, appropriating \$25,000 as an emergency appropriation for use by Chief State Agent Gus Hyers in suppressing bootlegging in the state was one of the many bills passed. Taylor of Custer and Tanner of Douglas were the only two members voting against the measure.

Constitutional Convention

The constitutional convention bill, S. F. 217, providing that the constitutional convention be held in Lincoln, December 2, 1919 and providing certain qualifications of delegates to the convention passed in almost the identical shape that it was in when introduced, carrying with it but one minor amendment.

A constitutional convention was approved by the voters of the state at the last general election and the bill merely sets the date, specifies the qualifications of the delegates and fixes the place where the convention is to be held.

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IN our recent previous sale of these exquisite Philippine creations, the assortment, as large as it was, did not supply every one desiring one of these beautiful blouses. Diligent effort upon our part has resulted in the securing of another large lot—to be placed on sale very soon.

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Farmer is Fatally Burned When Can of Kerosene Explodes

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Walter I. Baker, a farmer living near Diller, Neb., was fatally burned when a can of kerosene he held in his hands when he attempted to start a fire in the kitchen stove exploded.

His two children, Irving, 19 years old, and Cassie, 16 years old, heard his screams and extinguished the flames by throwing bed clothing about his body, which was burned almost to a crisp.

He was seized with convulsions this morning and physicians say he cannot recover. He is 45 years old and is the father of eight children.

Hereford Calf Brings \$600 at Sale; Cow Sells for \$1,000

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Sixty-five head of Hereford cattle, belonging to members of the Dodge County Hereford Breeders' association, were sold for an average of \$350 each at the first public sale of the association at Scriber Saturday. The top price was \$1,000, Thompson Bros. of West Point paying that amount for a cow from the herd of Charles Hoffman. A calf from the same herd brought \$600, a record for that class of cattle.

Beatrice Pioneer Dies

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. Fred Peters, an old resident of Beatrice, died yesterday at her home in this city, aged 65 years. She was a native of Germany, and leaves no family. The only living relative is a nephew in Germany.

Many Deny Charter

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The State Banking board was given power by the senate Tuesday morning to deny a charter to any applicant where there is already sufficient banking facilities. The upper branch of the legislature passed the Weaverling-Cordell bill, S. F. No. 244, by a vote of 28 to 2.

To Decide Taxable Value of Insurance Policy

Lincoln, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—The question whether a person's matured life insurance policy is taxable at either its surrender value or at the face value of the policy has been brought to the Nebraska supreme court in an appeal by Furnas county from a district court demurrer sustained in favor of Charles Lamb of Beaver City, against whom the county assessor has listed for taxation \$6,895, the surrender value of a \$10,000 policy.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

"Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is by far the best medicine for colds and coughs we have ever had in the house," writes Mrs. Benjamin Blakeney, Decatur, Ill.

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The Most Gorgeous Trimmings and Laces That One Could Think of—Many Pieces to Match. HERE, in a few words, is news of the most out of the ordinary and important sale of beautiful Laces and Beaded trimmings that this store has announced for many a month. The famous importing firm of Shoninger Bros., New York, retired from business, chiefly on account of foreign conditions. We bought all their samples—a vast variety of lovely pieces suitable for every purpose—for gowns, evening dresses, afternoon dresses, party frocks, blouses, skirts, suits, children's party frocks, and so on. Sample pieces of most excellent beauty, that we place on sale at prices that are a travesty on their real values. The offerings, as briefly as we can state them, are:

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Among the Sample Pieces of Laces

- Silk Chantilly Point Lierre Oriental Brugge Shadow Bohemian Net Top Flouncing Gold and Silver Bands Normandy Val French Novelty Flouncing Princess Net Flouncing St. Gall Venise Edges and All Overs Point Applique Fiter Steel & Bronze Bands Needlepoint Metal Laces Callot Val Colored Novelty Flouncing

Among the Samples of Beaded Trimmings

- Beaded Bands Iridescent Flouncing and Bands Oriental Colored Beaded Bands Black Beaded Flouncing Jet Bands and Flouncing Sequins Bands, Black and Colored Novelty Colored Embroidered Bands Sequins Flouncing

In spite of the fact that we believe this to be the most comprehensive sale of Lace and trimming samples ever held, the pieces are so exquisite, so desirable, so remarkably low priced, and a possibility of a repetition of a sale of this character so remote, that we urge all who desire to participate to be here first thing Wednesday. The lots are priced according to style and quality, as follows: Each Piece 10c, 15c, 25c, 59c, 79c, \$1 On Ten Large Bargain Squares Main Floor Many Pieces to Match

Also included in this sale is a wide variety of heavy quality Real Metal Cloth. One must not only see but also feel this metal cloth to appreciate its quality. Comes in Gold, Silver, Fancy Colors, Plain and Novelty Stripes. At these prices the values are very extraordinary. Choice of two widths—36-in. yard, 1.59 24-in. yard, 95c