

BARRISTERS URGE STATE LAWS BE MADE UNIFORM

Drift of Law Is Toward "Uncertainty, Confusion and Variation," Declares Committee Report.

St. Louis, Aug. 27.—The drift of law is toward "uncertainty, confusion and variation," according to the report of the committee on reclassification and restatement of the law, submitted at today's session of the convention here of the American Bar association.

"Our national aspiration," the report asserts, "should be satisfied by nothing short of leadership, not by the power of our financial and industrial resources, of our military strength, but by reason of the excellence of our institutions, our laws, and the efficient administration of justice."

Must Simplify. "A certain and uniform system of law for a country so large in area and so divided as to government can be attained only through making plain by visible expression with the greatest attainable certainty, simplicity, completeness and order the great system of law which has been developed but which has been inadequately expressed in this country."

The report emphasizes that a clear understanding of the laws of the several states is particularly essential now because of increasing interstate commerce.

"The possibility for improvement of our law cannot be overestimated," continues the report. "The causes for the confusion and uncertainty of the law and the responsibility for them are matters which are relevant to the means which may be taken to improve the law."

Various Laws Conflict. "Of these causes it may be remarked that in a complex and progressive system of law there is a natural tendency (in the absence of counter influences) to confusion and uncertainty and, in a country composed of so many states with a large number of independent courts and with no court of ultimate decision as to a large part of the subjects of litigation, this tendency is increased. "One of the counter influences is the existence in all the states of identical institutions and the same system of fundamental principles called the common law, but under the conditions which exist the principles of this theoretically identical law have themselves become less certain and definite and more varied and contradictory."

Many Ask Certificates To Attend G. A. R. Meeting. Lincoln, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The rapidity with which applications are reaching G. A. R. headquarters indicates that the official train for the Indianapolis encampment will carry its full quota of passengers. About 400 identification certificates have been sent out.

All railroad agents in Nebraska are instructed that the sale dates in Nebraska are September 15 to 21, with a limit of October 14. Among the officials who will attend are Department Commander J. H. Presson and his special aide from the Sons of Veterans, George H. Walter, Mrs. Blanche McCannaghay and four of her staff, Chief Bugler O. C. Bell and wife, Senior Vice Commander W. J. Blystone and wife, Delegates-at-Large C. D. Fuller, Dr. Sanders and wife of Holdrege, Past Commander W. H. Stewart, Geneva; M. J. Mahaffey and wife, Bennett; Past Department Commander Harmon Bross and wife, Lincoln.

Union Stock Yards Files Increased Shipping Rate. Lincoln, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The Union Stock Yards company of Omaha is the first carrier in Nebraska to file its schedule of rates in conformity with the 25 per cent increase authorized early this week by the Nebraska Railway commission. This company has filed the new switching rates effective Friday, which includes the following items: Empty cars, \$1.50 to \$2; live stock, \$2 to \$2.50; material and supplies, \$4.55 to \$5; passenger cars and locomotives, \$6.50 to \$8. The stock yards handles only switching business within the yards.

Gage County Woodmen Hold Annual Picnic at Beatrice. Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The Modern Woodmen held their annual picnic at Athletic park here with nearly every camp in the county represented. In the afternoon there were outdoor sports of various kinds, prizes for the winners being given by the business men of Beatrice. In the evening there was a basket dinner and a concert by the Beatrice military band, after which Jack Harris, editor of the Woodman, gave an address. The affair closed with a platform dance.

Steamships. Arrivals. San Francisco, Aug. 24—Salina, Shanghai, Titirama, Hongkong. Arica, Aug. 24—Balcatta, San Francisco. Manila, Aug. 24—Bulbridge, San Francisco. Shanghai, Aug. 24—Tomaha, San Francisco. Sailings. New Orleans, Aug. 21—Frederick VIII, Christiania. Genoa, Aug. 23—Duca d'Acosta, New York. Shanghai, Aug. 24—Kachima Mara, Seattle. Lighting Fixtures—Burgess-Grant Co.—Adv.

Omaha Man Named Passenger Head for Union Pacific System



William Starr Basinger, former assistant traffic manager of the railroads under federal control, was notified Thursday of his appointment as passenger traffic manager of the Union Pacific railroad. His new position gives him jurisdiction over the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line, and Oregon & Washington Railway and Navigation company. His promotion came as a complete surprise to himself and 50 district passenger agents with whom he was conferring when the announcement arrived. Mr. Basinger entered the employ of the Union Pacific as a clerk in the Kansas City office in October, 1891. Promotion was rapid and he came to Omaha as general passenger agent in 1907. He was appointed assistant director of the Hariman lines in 1910 and returned to Omaha in 1913. During the war he headquartered in Washington as assistant director of traffic and returned to Omaha when the roads were returned to private ownership.

Saunders County School District Has Cleanup Day. Wahoo, Neb., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—School District No. 70 of Saunders county held their annual cleanup day and picnic. This is the school district whose organization attracted so much attention by their activities during the war and who have been noted for their splendid organization for years. This district has regular social sessions throughout the year and has one of the best farmers' community social clubs in the county.

Luther League Meets. Wahoo, Neb., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The state convention of Luther league, the young people's society of the Lutheran church, is in session at Wahoo. About 100 delegates are in attendance. The convention is being held at Luther college.

HARDING SILENT ON COX CHARGES ABOUT CAMPAIGN

Nominee Takes Time to Dictate Statement Praising Work of Late Secretary Of Agriculture.

Marion, O., Aug. 27.—Senator Harding declined to comment today on the detailed charges of republican campaign fund allotments made by Governor Cox last night in a speech at Pittsburgh. "I have read it hastily and haven't a word to say," said the republican nominee. "I do not expect to have anything to say."

A negative hake of the head was the senator's reply to questions about the governor's declaration that the republican nominee personally knew of and approved the allotments enumerated. Senator Harding issued the following statement today on the death of James Wilson, former secretary of agriculture: "It was a great shock to learn of the death of former Secretary James Wilson. He was one of the pioneers in modernizing and improving agriculture. He served in the cabinet longer than any other man in the nation's history. "Two men have won and deserved the credit for planning, organizing and launching departments of our government. One was Alexander Hamilton, who created the treasury establishment on the lines that have been followed ever since. The other was James Wilson, who, though not the first secretary of agriculture, was the man who placed that department on the map and made it a model that almost every progressive government in the world has copied. His death takes one of the great Americans, to whom the nation owes a debt of gratitude and high regard."

Removal of M. and O. Station. Lincoln, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Removal of the M. & O. station at Laurel, Neb., from its present location at the junction with the Burlington to a point 600 feet east, is contested by citizens in a complain before the Nebraska Railway commission.

A showing is made that the street leading to the station has been paved at a cost of \$15,000, while there is no paving at the new location. The joint depot was a war conservation measure.

Norfolk Man Appeals Suit Taken From Jury by Judge. Lincoln, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—William Seifert of Norfolk has appealed to the Nebraska supreme court from the dismissal of his 20,000 damage suit against the North-western railroad for the death of his son, Clarence, whose automobile was struck by an engine last November. The presiding judge in the lower court took the case from the jury and directed a verdict for the railroad company.

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Cox Fell for Phony List Says G. O. P. Chief

(Continued From Page One.) as it thought best, Mr. Upham said. Denying charges that vast amounts had been collected or were being collected, the republican treasurer exhibited a statement showing collections up to this morning total \$1,017,232.32, of which New York state, including the city of New York, gave \$225,292, he said. He reiterated the statement of Chairman Will Hays that the budget planned for the national campaign totaled slightly in excess of \$3,000,000, and denied Governor Cox's charge that he was planning to raise in excess of \$15,000,000.

Misconstrues Quotas. Governor Cox's statement of alleged quotas in some cases assigned the entire quota for state and national purposes to a single city, and in other cases the amount credited to one city exceeded the entire state quota, the treasurer said. He cited the governor's figures for New York City \$2,000,000, and said this was the entire quota for the state of New York for both state and national campaign purposes. The amount credited Chicago in the governor's table, \$750,000, is \$50,000 more than the entire quota of the state of Illinois, he said. "Governor Cox does not appreciate the difference between a quota and a budget," said Mr. Upham. The quota is assessed on the basis of what we estimate would be a fair share for each state, and is placed high enough to allow for a large shrinkage in the amount actually obtained.

Change Financial Plan. "The plan of the financial campaign was laid on lines designed to get away from large collections from the principal centers of the country. In every previous campaign of both parties not less than 75 per cent of all funds raised came from New York."

"The plan this year also takes into consideration the fact that business men dislike to be bothered by several solicitors. We combined the needs for both national and state campaigns and solicited the entire amount at one time. "None From Few States. "In many states, New Mexico, Arizona, Tennessee, Kentucky, and North Carolina, for example, the entire quota is to be spent for state purposes and nothing for the national campaign. "After the nomination of our candidate the financial committee prepared a careful budget of expenditures for the national campaign. This budget, as already stated by Chairman Hays, amounts to a little more than \$3,000,000. There is no mystery about the operations of the financial department. On Monday in my testimony I shall submit to the senate committee the plan of campaign, the quota assessed each state, the amount collected from each state for both state and national purposes, and the full list of subscribers, which in no case will show subscriptions of more than \$1,000 by any individual."

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CONSTANTINE STILL HAS HOPE OF AGAIN RULING

In Interview at Lucerne, Former Greek Ruler Denies He Ever Abdicated—Says He Is King.

Paris, Aug. 27.—Former King Constantine of Greece still hopes to regain his throne, claiming he never abdicated and that he is still considered the Greek sovereign by a majority of the people of that country, says the Lucerne correspondent of the Excelsior. In the course of an interview with the dethroned monarch, the correspondent was told that Premier Venizelos would not be able to conduct affairs in Greece as to give that country her true place among nations. Constantine denied having in any way been involved in the attempted assassination of the Greek premier in this city.

"I hope soon to be allowed to return to Athens," said Constantine. "The entente undertook not to oppose my return, if after the war the people of Greece expressed a desire to see me again on the throne of my fathers. I would then resume without passion, rancor or hate the noble duties of my crown. "What would become of Venizelos then?" he was asked. "If Greece still accorded him her favor," replied Constantine, "I should not hesitate to accept him as premier. "If would he your attitude toward neighboring countries?" "It would not, perhaps, be different from that of M. Venizelos."

Nebraska G.O.P. Secretary Has No Knowledge of Funds. Lincoln, Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Secretary Clyde Barnard of the republican state committee disavowed any knowledge of what is being done in Nebraska in the way of campaign contributions. Mr. Barnard said that the national committee was handling contributions independently of the state committee, although half of the amount raised in Nebraska was to be spent in behalf of the state campaign.

Bee Want Ads Bring Results.

York, Neb., Shows Loss Of 847 People in Last Decade, Says Census

Washington, Aug. 27.—York, Neb., 5,388; decrease 847, or 13.6 per cent. Prescott, Ariz., 4,380; decrease 712, or 14.0 per cent. Jerome, Ariz., 4,030; increase 1,637, or 68.4 per cent. Hiron, S. D., 8,302; increase, 2,511, or 43.4 per cent. Los Angeles county, California, containing Los Angeles, 936,438; increase 432,307, or 85.8 per cent. Glendale, Cal., 13,536; increase 10,790, or 392.9 per cent. Wayne county, Michigan, containing Detroit, 1,177,706; increase 646,115, or 121.5 per cent. Green Bay, Wis., 31,017; increase 5,781, or 22.9 per cent. Red Wing, Minn., 8,637; decrease 411, or 4.5 per cent. Hot Springs, Ark., 11,695; decrease 2,739, or 19.0 per cent. Corpus Christi, Tex., 10,522; increase 2,308, or 20.0 per cent. Buffalo, N. Y., (revised), 506,775, previously announced 505,875. State of Georgia (revised), 2,893,955; increase 284,834, or 10.9 per cent.

Tent City Will House State Adventists' Meet at Hastings. Arrangements have been made to hold the annual camp meeting of the Nebraska conference of Seventh Day Adventists in Heartwell Lake park, Hastings, September 2 to 12. Among the cities that will be represented are Hastings, Omaha, Lincoln, Grand Island, Beatrice, Fremont, Nebraska City, Fairbury, Lexington and Cozad. Besides 100 tents for living purposes a large pavilion will be erected for the business session and preaching services; also, large canvas tents for the young people and children, and a large dining tent where meals will be served on the cafeteria plan.

Travels From Nebraska to New York to Pay Last Debt. Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Coming all the way from Grand Island to Chaumont, N. Y., to pay a \$1 debt, Robert McCrea of the jorshusking state today declared himself entirely free of debt. McCrea, who is a veteran of the civil war, received a notice a few days ago that he owed \$1 in dues as a member of the Veterans' association. Having a sister at Chaumont, the place where the notice came from, he decided to come east and pay the debt.

"Wesleyan" Is Name Given Dance Step by U. S. Dancing Masters

New York, Aug. 27.—The public has had too much jazz and is turning toward more natural music, said Paul B. Klugh, president of the Music Industries Chamber of Commerce, in an address before the National Association of Masters of Dancing last night. "The Wesleyan" was named "The Wesleyan" was evolved by the dancing masters with the approval of the Methodist church, the anti-dancing edict of which the convention has deplored each day.

Improvements Made for Fillmore County Fair. Geneva, Neb., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Fillmore County Agricultural society is completing arrangements for the 1920 fair which will be held September 15, 16 and 17 at Geneva. The fair is recognized as one of the largest in the state. The amphitheater has been enlarged, 13 acres of land has been added to the already spacious grounds and several other minor improvements have been made.

Two More Floats Ordered For Fall Pilgrim Parade. Orders for floats in the tercentenary celebration parade were received Friday by John L. Webster from the Live Stock Exchange and Madison county. This parade will be held on the afternoon of September 23, in connection with the Ak-Sar-Ben fall festivities and will be commemorative of the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock.

Keith County Wheat Crop Is Heaviest in History. Ogallala, Neb., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—The Keith county wheat crop is the heaviest ever known. Reports from threshing outfits show yields of from 25 to 30 bushels an acre and a few running over 40. The Leyport & Pennington elevator at Ogallala received a consignment of winter wheat that tested 64 pounds to the bushel.

Approve Consolidation. Plattsmouth, Neb., Aug. 27.—(Special.)—Wabash is the fifth town in Cass county to approve of school consolidation, the vote being 75 to 35. Alvo, Nehawka, Eagle and Murdock have already organized their districts under the new state re-districting law.

EXTENSION OF POSTAL SAVING BANKS PLANNED

Financier Proposes Interest Of 4 Per Cent Instead of 2 on Savings.

New York, Aug. 27.—Extension of the postal savings system at an attractive rate of interest by the government to furnish banking facilities to the great body of "common people" was urged here today by Eugene Meyer, jr., former managing director of the War Finance corporation. Appearing before the senate special committee on reconstruction and production, the financier proposed legislation to authorize payment of a 4 per cent rate of interest on postal savings deposits instead of the present 2 per cent. He also advocated including all the 55,000 postoffices, branches and substations as depositories.

Proper organization and administration, Mr. Meyer said, could gain savings deposits within a year sufficient to pay off the nation's floating indebtedness. He also said that with proper handling, deposits could be increased to cover a large part, if not all, of the Victory loan of more than \$4,000,000,000 maturing in 1923. Taking up of treasury certificates by postal savings, he added, would relieve the banks of the burden. The redemption of certificates would furthermore bring about, he said, a rise in Liberty bonds of from 5 per cent to 10 per cent.

Wealthy Theatrical Promoter Kills Self. At New Jersey Home. Bound Brook, N. J., Aug. 27.—Guy Briggs, wealthy theatrical promoter, committed suicide today by hanging himself in the cellar of his home here. He is said to have inherited an estate estimated at \$1,000,000 from his father, the late Benjamin Briggs, a financier largely interested in the Cunard Steamship company. Briggs had lost considerable money in the theatrical enterprises but this is not supposed to have been the motive for his suicide.

THOMPSON-BELDEN & CO. The Month End Clearance Commences Saturday. Purchases Charged Saturday-Monday and Tuesday go on October Statements. Lowest Prices on all Summer Apparel for an End of the Month Clearance. Sixty-four Tub Skirts, \$2.95. Originally priced \$10.50 to \$16.50. White gabarine, tricotone and wash satins. All sizes included. Eighteen Sport Silk Skirts, \$5. Originally priced \$16.50 to \$29.50. All small sizes, 24 to 29 waists. Thirty-five Cotton Dresses, \$5. Originally priced up to \$29.50. Ginghams, voiles and organdies. All slightly soiled. Sizes 16 to 36. Fifteen Sport Dresses, \$25. Originally priced up to \$98.50. Georgette crepe, tricotette and poplin. All in size 36. Saturday, \$25. A Few Suits and Coats for \$25. All light colors. Unusual values. Two Tables of Lingerie Blouses. Priced Originally to \$25. Saturday \$5. No Alterations - All Sales Final. Men's Shop Specials. Real Savings. Last Day of Manhattan Shirt Sale. Silks and madras in a good selection of patterns and most sizes. Soft and starched cuff styles. Manso Athletic Union Suits Are Reduced. Saturday is the final day of reduced prices on this popular underwear. (Made by the Manhattan Shirt Co.) Any \$5 or \$4.50 Pajamas \$4 (one or two-piece). \$1 Neckwear, 79c (wide-end silks). Any \$2.50 Muslin Nightshirt, \$2.15. Union Suits, \$1.49. Some unusual values in lines which we are discontinuing. —To the Left as You Enter.

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