

Omaha Is Target of Lawmakers

Ten of 14 Bills Introduced in Lower House Affect Metropolitan; Would Regulate Stock Yards and Elevators.

Adjourn Until Monday

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special).—Omaha member and Omaha bills dominated the initial introduction of bills today in the lower house. A total of 14 bills were introduced. Seven were introduced by Yeiser of Omaha, one by Dreesedow of Omaha, and two other bills introduced by members not in the Omaha delegation directly or vitally effect the city of Omaha.

Following the introduction of bills and transaction of routine business affecting rules to govern the lower house during the session, the house adjourned until 2 Monday afternoon. A bill was introduced in the lower legislative house today, the first on which a call was made for proposed legislation. It was sponsored by Representative Dreesedow of Omaha and was a bill prepared by R. B. Howell, general manager of the Metropolitan Water district, giving the water district additional powers to operate a municipal electric light and power system.

Similar to 1915 Bill. The bill is similar to that which precipitated a bitter battle in 1915, resulting in a veto by Governor Morehead. It authorizes the water district to build and operate an electric plant, using either steam power or water power.

Yeiser of Omaha introduced what he termed the two most important bills he will present this year. They are anti-stock yards and anti-elevator measures intended to favor the farmers in line with the policy outlined by Governor McKelvie.

Yeiser claims that in the past the farmer shipped his livestock to the yards or his grain to the terminal elevator and when the market dropped he was forced to suffer the loss.

His two bills would provide that when the live stock or grain is received by the packing plant or grain elevator, if the price drops, it must be held in storage for the farmer until he notifies his agents to sell when the market has returned to a level suitable to him.

To Encourage Capital. Upon receipt of the grain or live stock the agent at the terminal would issue a warehouse receipt to the farmer, pending the ordered sale. There is a similar law on the statute books governing elevators. The Yeiser bill makes the provision compulsory on the elevators instead of optional.

Yeiser also introduced an immigration bill to encourage the entrance of capital from out of Nebraska.

Long Prison Terms Given Offenders by Judge R. R. Dickson. O'Neill, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special).—Five men were given penitentiary sentences, the maximums of which aggregate 100 years, by District Judge R. R. Dickson at Springfield and Ainsworth.

Warrant Out for Pastor Under White Slave Act. Paterson, N. J., Jan. 7.—A warrant for the arrest of Rev. Cornelius C. Densel, former pastor of the First Netherlands Reformed church of Passaic, on the charge of violating the Mann act, was issued by United States Commissioner Joseph A. Delaney.

Two Smugglers Killed In Fight With Rangers. Laredo, Tex., Jan. 7.—Two liquor smugglers were killed in a gun fight with Captain Ryan and six Texas Rangers in Zapata county, 60 miles east of Laredo. Several smugglers escaped. None of the rangers were injured.

Women Electors to Carry State Vote to Washington



Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7.—Two women, Mrs. Hiland H. Wheeler of Lincoln and Mrs. Draper Smith of Omaha, will be the electors to carry to Washington the vote cast for Harding and Coolidge at the November election.

Secretary of State Pardon Board Resigns

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special).—Secretary E. M. Johnson of Belknap, for the last six years chaplain and secretary of the state board of pardons and paroles, today announced that he was retiring from the work to return to the religious field.

For 16 years, before taking up the work at the penitentiary, Secretary Johnson served as minister of the Christian church. Mr. Johnson's retirement follows the reorganization of the newly-created board of pardons and paroles, including Governor McKelvie, Secretary of State Amshery and Attorney General Clarence A. Davis.

While it was conceded that the new board will require the services of a secretary, it was also known that the board will not retain Mr. Johnson and that the services of his stenographer, Miss Luverne Polk, would also be dispensed with.

Mr. Johnson was chaplain of the penitentiary from 1914 to 1917, and was then made chief clerk of the board of charities and corrections. He was retained when the code law went into effect and has been under Secretary Antles of the welfare department.

Relations between Mr. Johnson and Governor McKelvie were strained when the famous Kirk case was at its height. Johnson was sent to Omaha to secure a report on the proposed Kirk release after attorneys for Kirk had made representations to the governor in behalf of the applicant for release.

Several of the ribs punctured the injured man's lungs and his condition is reported critical at the hospital. Case's wife and child have been summoned here from Omaha because of the heavy flurry of snow is blamed for the accident by witnesses who saw Dr. Wolfe drive her car into case, striking him to the pavement.

Man Convicted of Stealing Diamonds Valued at \$2,850. Salt Lake City, Jan. 7.—Joseph Wallace, 25, accused of stealing \$2,850 worth of diamonds from David Clements of Denver in a local hotel on September 3, was found guilty by a jury in the district court today. The theft was accomplished by Wallace striking Clements over the head several times with a revolver. The offense on which Wallace was convicted entails a term of not less than 20 years.

Officer Kills Self. Manila, P. I., Jan. 7.—Lieut. James B. Owens of Baltimore, an officer in the Philippine Scouts, ended his life here today. It is believed that fear of a court-martial because of absence from his command more than a week without leave prompted the act.

New Code Adopted by Farmers

Nebraska Federation to Select Officers at Lincoln, January 27—Youngs Favored as Next President.

Executive Body Chosen

By PAUL GREER. Lincoln, Jan. 7.—(Special Telegram).—A new constitution was adopted by the Nebraska Farm Bureau federation at the afternoon meeting today. The 11 members of the executive committee will meet January 27 at Lincoln to choose the president, and other officers. Elmer Young of Lexington is understood to be favored for re-election, although some influences are opposing him on the score that he is a member of the Nonpartisan league.

The committee's first act was to reduce the pay of solicitors from \$8 a day and expenses to \$6. In adopting the resolutions, a flurry was caused by the ineffectual opposition of Judge F. S. Baird of Chadron to the recommendation that the party circle be left off the ballot. He also had pushed a resolution calling for a protective tariff on farm products, which was ignored in the committee's report, handed in by C. Y. Thompson.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Attempting to act as peacemaker between Barnett W. Tanner, her escort, and Edward V. Killen, Mrs. Bessie Harris, 20, and exceptionally handsome, was shot and instantly killed at Cabin John roadhouse, just over the district line in Maryland, early yesterday. Killen, who is alleged to have fired the shot intended for Tanner, is being held by the Maryland authorities, together with several others who figured in the tragedy.

Recommendations of Committee. The resolutions committee called attention to the responsibilities, and interests of women's public affairs, proposed establishment of a legislative body to study rulings of all commissions and legislation by the state and nation, declared for the taking of a referendum of all members to decide any question of policy, endorsed the proposed increase of the federal farm loan limit to \$25,000, asked for marketing boards and a farmer board to which blue sky sales. Farmer representation on all public boards is also suggested.

Banking Committee Starts Probe of Farm Organization Funds. Washington, Jan. 7.—The house banking committee undertook to find out who is financing the various farm organizations which frequently call on congress for enactment of "special legislation."

Relief Ship Starts Search For Missing Mail Steamer. Washington, Jan. 7.—Equipped for a cruise of months, coastguard cutter Snobomish will leave Port Angeles, Wash., tomorrow to search along the Alaskan coast for the missing mail boat Pultizer, which was last heard from on December 15, when it entered the Straits of Shelikoff.

Observance of First "Dry" Anniversary Requested. Westerville, O., Jan. 7.—Requests were sent out by Rev. Dr. Howard H. Russell, chairman, and Anna Gordon, vice chairman of the National Legislative Conference of Temperance organizations for general observance of the first anniversary of the advent of national prohibition, Sunday, January 16.

Omaha Ice Cream Company Buys Plant at Norfolk. Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special Telegram).—The Graham Ice Cream company of Omaha has purchased the Norfolk Ice Cream company plant and will establish a branch distributing house here for northern Nebraska and southern South Dakota.

Some Nebraska Senators



Knox Proposes Investigation of Cuban Tangle

Washington, Jan. 7.—A proposal that the Cuban relations committee of the senate be sent to the island republic to obtain information congress may need, if the American government is called upon to act because of financial and political difficulties there, has been made by Senator Knox, republican, Pennsylvania, and will be acted upon immediately.

Senator Johnson, republican, California, announced that the committee, which includes Senator McCormick, republican, Illinois; Underwood, democrat, Alabama, and Dial, democrat, South Carolina, in addition to Senator Knox, would be asked for a recommendation on Senator Knox's proposal.

France Will Demand Strict Fulfillment of Spa Coal Agreement. Paris, Jan. 7.—The French government has decided to insist upon strict fulfillment of the Spa agreement concerning coal deliveries by Germany, it was said in an official circular.

Aerial Mail Service In Attacked in House. Washington, Jan. 7.—The speediest method of transporting mail between New York and Chicago is by train, not by air, Chairman Madden of the appropriations subcommittee, declared in the house, in explaining provisions of the postoffice appropriation bill, carrying a total of \$573,964,721.

Australian Eggs on Sale By Dealers in Chicago. Chicago, Jan. 7.—The first shipment of eggs received in Chicago from Australia was placed on sale here. Members of a local butter and egg firm said they found they could sell the eggs cheaper, and a test had shown only six spoiled eggs in 150 dozen and but one was broken by the long journey.

Mail Car Robbed. New York, Jan. 7.—The mail car of train No. 203, on the Pennsylvania railroad, was broken into and rifled by robbers between here and Philadelphia early today. Officials of the road at once started an investigation to determine the value of the mail.

Rice Sent to Europe. Houston, Tex., Jan. 7.—Texas rice is being rushed to Europe to save the lives of 3,000,000 starving children of central and eastern Europe, according to an announcement by the European relief council.

City Manager Endorsed by 13 Norfolk Organizations. Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special Telegram).—Thirteen organized bodies have endorsed the city manager plan of government, on which citizens will vote here on January 22.

Palmer Is Urged To Investigate Coal Purchases

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—Prices charged the War department for coal last summer and fall would be investigated by the Department of Justice under a recommendation which Senator Calder of New York, chairman of the senate coal investigating committee, announced today, had been submitted to the attorney general.

Disclosure as to the committee's action came during general debate in the senate on coal profiteering, Senator Calder announcing that the evidence gathered by his committee of the army's coal transactions had been turned over to Justice department officials, with instruction that action be taken.

The committee chairman's announcement was followed by a statement from Senator Kenyon of Iowa, member of the committee, that if "the American people were robbed as the War department was robbed on coal last fall, the robbery ran up to hundreds of millions of dollars."

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American Dancer Burned With Vitriol By Jealous Woman. London, Jan. 7.—Madame Laurka De Kurylo, an American exhibition dancer operating at the Ritz, was assailed in her apartments at Bays Water, by a heavily veiled woman, who made an attempt to throw vitriol into the dancer's face and eyes.

De Valera Invited to Meet Premier Is Word. London, Jan. 7.—Eamonn De Valera, "president of the Irish republic" is reported to have been invited to come to London to confer with the prime minister, David Lloyd George, says the Westminster Gazette today.

Postal Union to Hold 1924 Meet in Stockholm. Madrid, Jan. 7.—Stockholm was chosen as the scene of the next congress of the International Postal union and delegates will gather there in 1924.

Treasurer Burke Retires. Washington, Jan. 7.—John Burke, treasurer of the United States since 1913, retired today, his resignation having been accepted by President Wilson. Mr. Burke has entered a New York banking firm.

\$219,000,000 Available for Road Building

Washington, Jan. 7.—(Special Telegram).—The committee on roads of the house is not disposed at this session to recommend an appropriation of additional funds for carrying on the work for highway improvements under the act which provides for federal aid for state highway improvements. This attitude is taken because of the fact that of \$266,000,000 appropriated during the past four years less than \$50,000,000 has thus far been paid out of the treasury, leaving a balance of \$219,000,000 still available.

The original allotment for Nebraska was \$5,866,761. Of this amount the United States Treasury has paid out \$1,681,847, leaving a balance still to be expended of \$4,185,000.

South Dakota's original allotment was \$4,452,883 of which amount \$279,000 has been paid to the state authorities, leaving still available \$4,174,760.

Iowa's original allotment was \$7,939,343. There has been expended of that amount up to November 30 last, \$704,200, leaving still available nearly \$7,250,000.

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Gage County Farmers Are Ready to Drill Oil Well. Wymore, Neb., Jan. 7.—(Special).—Boiler, engine and tools are being hauled out to the test well on the east side of the city, and while the matter of changing the officers for active management has not yet been decided, it is expected that an agreement will be reached in a few days. Negotiations are still going on between the leaseholders and the land owners and strenuous efforts are being made to come to an agreement before January 12, at which time most of the leases will expire.

The Weather. Forecast. Saturday fair and colder. Hourly Temperatures.

Table with 2 columns: Hourly Temperatures and Forecast. Rows include 8 A.M., 9 A.M., 10 A.M., 11 A.M., 12 M., 1 P.M., 2 P.M., 3 P.M., 4 P.M., 5 P.M., 6 P.M., 7 P.M., 8 P.M., 9 P.M., 10 P.M., 11 P.M., 12 M.

Neglect of Ex-Soldiers Is Charged

None of Money Appropriated Yet Used for Care of Wounded Veterans, New York Doctor Says.

Many Sent to Asylums

By The Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 7.—Not a cent of the money so far appropriated by congress for the care of war veterans suffering from disability or wounds incurred in service, has been spent for hospitals for the treatment of insane, the commerce committee was informed by Dr. Thomas W. Salmon of New York, advisor on mental diseases to the Rockefeller Foundation. The statement was made at a hearing on the Rogers bill to consolidate into one bureau the several agencies dealing with relief for former service men.

As a result of this failure to provide proper facilities, Dr. Salmon added, veterans suffering from mental and nervous disorders are in many instances being committed by the government to institutions in which criminal insane, drug addicts and vicious degenerates are segregated.

In addition to Dr. Salmon, those who urged passage of the bill included H. A. Pattison of New York, supervisor of medical services of the National Tuberculosis association; F. W. Galbraith, national commander of the American Legion, and several other officers of the latter organization.

Urges Government Hospitals. Mr. Pattison stressed the need for government hospitals for the treatment of veterans, while Mr. Galbraith suggested that decentralization of authority in dealing with disabled men had put many of them in "frightful predicaments."

Dr. Salmon, who was in charge of the treatment of neuro-psychiatric cases in the American expeditionary forces, gave a graphic description of the plight of men suffering from shell shock and other mental and nervous troubles.

In declaring that the government was obliged to send insane veterans to local asylums, almshouses and sanitariums operated for private gain, Dr. Salmon said:

"Men so committed, as a rule, are never visited by federal officials to see whether they are properly cared for or whether the institutions in which they are confined are even fireproof, or fit for human beings."

He added that in some instances proprietors of private sanitariums were pocketing as profit as much as 60 cents on each dollar received for the care of ex-soldiers.

"Insane Paupers." Dr. Salmon also charged that under the present method, insane service men must be adjudged "insane paupers" in court before they can be committed to state or county asylums.

"Many a mother has told me," he said, "that she would rather see her son under a cross in France than to have him adjudged an insane pauper and committed to a state institution." As a result of this sentiment, he added, some men are "lurking at France. Gas has little to do with bringing on tuberculosis, he declared.

Wolf of Wall Street Starts Fight to Keep Out of Penitentiary. New York, Jan. 7.—David Lamm, known as the "Wolf of Wall Street," whose sentence of one year in the federal penitentiary at Trenton, N. J., is scheduled to begin January 10, surrendered yesterday to the United States marshal, and immediately set in motion another move in his fight to halt the sentence.

Through his personal counsel Lamm procured a writ of habeas corpus, which will be argued Saturday before Federal Judge Mantou. His bail of \$25,000 was renewed and he was released.

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