

Retailer Would Stop Monopolies In All Business

Seward Merchant Says Young Men Entering Career "Frozen Out" by Established Concerns.

One merchant who attended the Federation of Nebraska Retailers against business or industrial concerns which grow too large. He is J. F. Goehner, who operates a general store at Seward.

"I believe that one merchant should carry only one line and stick to it," he said. "I am against the merchant who grows and grows until finally he has the business of one town centered under one roof. As he grows he gets richer and crowds out the young man who wants to go into business."

"There is too much 'freezing out' in business now. There is no chance for a young man to enter business on his own account. What little savings he could put into a business would not be enough to combat the big capital of the rich man."

"Big concerns are really monopolies. They corner all lines of business in a town, one county or several counties. The young man must work on a salary to stay at home or go to some place where there are no monopolies before he can start out for himself."

"This works a rank injustice on the young man. I know young men who served in France with the army who would go into business now, but they are 'frozen out' by bigger interests."

"I believe that business should be regulated in such a manner that after a concern attained a certain growth it could be prevented from growing larger. It would safeguard the little fellows and be an inducement for younger men to get into business for themselves."

Fredrich Elected Retailers' President

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The federation did not adjourn at noon yesterday, but continued in session until 1:30. A luncheon was served in the dining room of the Rome hotel.

Urge Repeal of Tax.
The repeal of luxury and excess profit taxes was urged in resolutions adopted by the Federation of Nebraska Retailers.

Development of the college of business administration, establishment of a state bureau of credit information to safeguard retailers against bad account losses and the establishment of a state research department with an appropriation of \$20,000 for its use in collecting statistics and educational literature along commercial lines also were advocated in the retailers' resolutions.

National Cornmeal Week was endorsed unanimously by the retailers in the morning.

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The first week in April has been designated by them to be known as National Cornmeal week, and the following resolution was presented by a committee headed by F. S. Penny of Fairbury:

"Resolved, that the first week in April be known as National Cornmeal week, that every social, civic and commercial organization in the United States should give undivided support to this proposition."

"It is our purpose as an organization to ask every federation and retailer in the United States to forward the interest of this movement by selling cornmeal at the smallest possible selling price and especially do we ask co-operation in making this an event of national interest of all bodies interested in helping the farmer."

Farm Produce Brings Good Prices at Wymore Sale

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—At the Kemp sale near Wymore, stock of all kinds brought good prices. One team of horses sold for \$350 and another for \$250. Cows brought all the way from \$80 to \$85 a head, and hogs as high as \$35 a head.

The Best News of Many a Day Offered Friday at the "Guarantee" Clothing Co.

Heaviest Weight Blue Union Made Overalls \$1.69

Owing to the unsettled conditions in the overall industry we have been able to go in the market and secure these overalls at a price considerably under the cost of production and we are going to pass this bargain on to our customers.

Unusually well made overalls, double stitched seams, heaviest blue denim, union made, in sizes 36 to 42 waist. On sale Friday in our basement at \$1.69 a pair.

Guarantee Clothing Co.
15th and Dodge Streets

House Adjourns to Let Bureau Prepare Bills for Last Day

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The lower house adjourned this afternoon until 2:30 Monday afternoon for the purpose of giving the legislative reference bureau time to prepare the many bills proposed for introduction at this session of the legislature. Under rules adopted by the house only 20 legislative days can be used for introduction of bills. Today made the 19th legislative day. An attempt was made to adjourn until Tuesday morning, but Speaker Walter L. Anderson ruled such proceedings unconstitutional, as the constitution provides that a single adjournment cannot extend more than three successive days.

Hall County Supervisors Want Revenue Law Changed

Grand Island, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—The Hall county board of supervisors, by unanimous vote is requesting its representatives and senator to employ all efforts possible to secure an amendment to the revenue law as to the period for which real estate assessments stand owing to unsettled and fluctuating conditions. The board finds the four-year period resulting only in inequalities and confusion. It suggests a two-year period instead.

Byrum and Gifford Would Cut Code Secretaries' Pay

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Representatives A. H. Byrum of Franklin and E. H. Gifford of Pawnee stirred up more trouble for Governor McKelvie and his code secretaries today when they introduced a bill in the lower house cutting salaries of code secretaries from \$5,000 to \$3,500 a year.

Bill Takes Regulation of Utilities Away From Cities

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The rights of villages and cities to fix rates and regulate private utilities is taken away in a bill introduced in the lower house by Representative John McClellan of Grand Island. This power is placed in the hands of the state railway commission under provisions of the measure.

Codified Fish and Game Laws Are Introduced

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The state fish and game laws of the state, codified and changed in minor particulars, appears in House Roll 399, thrown into the house hopper today by the committee on fish and game.

Senate Passes Two Omaha Bills For Water Board

Name of Metropolitan District Changed and Powers Are Enlarged in Emergency Measures.

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Two measures greatly enlarging the powers of the Metropolitan water district of Omaha were passed on third reading in the state senate while a companion measure, S. F. 29, was advanced to third reading in the committee of the whole. There was no opposition to either measure which passed the senate on final reading and each carried the emergency clause so that in the event they pass the lower house and are signed, they will become operative at once.

One bill changed the name of the Omaha water district while the other extends the scope of the water board bonds. The companion measure, which was advanced to third reading in the upper branch, permits extensions by the water board for other purposes than water service.

Another measure, known as the Omaha grand jury bill also passed the senate on third reading.

Printing Is Refused.
The upper branch declined to accept the printing ordered for it by the purchasing department and ordered new printing by a local firm. The purchasing department of the state secured the supply from a St. Louis printing house.

Among the bills introduced in the senate was one by Senator Robbins providing for a state park board and another by the same author, providing that cities may contract debts in the regulation of public utilities.

Berka threw a bill in the hopper providing that the city of Omaha shall have power to regulate the Omaha street railway commission, instead of the state railway commission.

Following is a gist of the senate's work, including bills on first reading, committee reports, committee of the whole proceedings and bills on final readings.

First Reading.
H. R. 3.—County clerks to record sold, dissolved, discharged.
H. R. 64.—Increases election bond compensation.
Committee Reports.
S. F. 108.—To legalize practice of Christian Science. Reported out by senate medical committee without recommendation.
Committee of the Whole.
S. F. 2.—To let salaries of appointive offices be fixed by ordinance in towns of 5,000 to 25,000. Advanced after pharmacy amendment.
S. F. 118.—To turn interest on \$20,000 United States appropriation made years ago for Spanish war veterans over to state Spanish War Veterans' association.

Yockel Salary Claim Turned Down in House

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The house claims committee has turned down a claim from Miss Anna E. Yockel, former bookkeeper for the board of control, for \$60 salary she claimed to be due for a vacation of two weeks, to which she was entitled but never received last summer.

Her resignation was requested by the board before her vacation came, and the board itself refused to allow her claim.

Miss Yockel at the time of her differences with the board was running as a democratic candidate for secretary of state at the primaries.

Fund to Aid Soldiers Provided for in Bill

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Preliminaries for following: Governor McKelvie's recommendation to establish a fund for loans to soldiers to purchase homes were taken by the introduction of a bill in the lower house by Representatives Robert Lynn of Cedar and Walter Sandquist of Walthill. The bill authorizes the state treasurer to sell low-rate Massachusetts interest bonds and other bonds held by Nebraska at a discount. The proceeds will be the nucleus of the soldier-loan fund pending the proposed sale of school lands, which would make the major proportion of the soldier fund.

Beatrice Guard Company Inspected by U. S. Officer

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Company G, which was recently organized at this point, was given a federal inspection in the army by Colonel McDaniels of the regular army. Equipment, etc., will soon be issued to the company by the government.

George Boyd Will Defend Title as Checker Champ

Central City, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The state checker tournament will be held in this city, February 8. George Boyd of this city is the present state champion.

"Alfalfa John" Loses Hot Fight

Takes Off Coat to Halt "Bankers' Special No. 2," But Is Unsuccessful.

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—"Bankers' Special No. 2" rushed through the committee of the whole in the lower house today refusing to stop a second to permit even one amendment to board it.

Representative S. J. Franklin of Furnas, "Alfalfa John," in a frantic endeavor to get an amendment aboard, took off his coat but to no avail; the "special" wouldn't stop.

The bill which passed the committee of the whole gives the state department of trade and commerce discretionary power in issuing charters to new banks. Its authors are Representatives H. K. Frantz, Fred L. Nutzman, Millard M. Robertson, Robert Lynn, George A. Williams, W. F. Wood, Benjamin H. Hickey, George C. Clizbe and George M. Wallace.

The Franklin amendment, its authors claimed, would wreck the bill, as it threw the chartering of banks back to the old basis. Franklin declared that the passage of the bill would sound the deathknell of co-operative banks and in the course of his arguments took off his coat. His amendment didn't carry. Neither did minor amendments proposed.

Salary Increases Are Proposed in Two Bills

Lincoln, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Increasing the salary of members of the Board of Control from \$3,000 to \$5,000 is provided in a bill by Representative C. H. Morian of Cedar Grove.

Representative George Snow of Chadron also introduced a blanket salary increase to \$3,000 a year to the governor's secretary and secretaries to the board of control, state railway commission and various other deputies to state officers.

Suspect Ex-Convict of Attempt to Wreck Train

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—James Lillie, ex-convict, is in jail here, suspected of being implicated in the attempt to wreck the Union Pacific northbound passenger train one mile east of here two weeks ago. Lillie was arrested yesterday by Sheriff Shieck.

The plotted wreck was avoided when the engineer of the train saw a steel rail across the tracks in time to stop his train. Other arrests are expected in the case. Lillie protests his innocence.

Debate on Tariff Bill Wanders Far Away From Point

"Everything From Negroes to Battleships" Discussed in Senate—Simmons Attacks "Iniquities" of Measure.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The Fordney emergency tariff bill was theoretically before the senate today, but was discussed only in a speech by Senator Simmons, democrat of North Carolina, and in a brief debate on sugar items. Speeches were so far afield once that Senator McCumber, republican of North Dakota, declared the senators had discussed "everything from negroes to battleships."

Senator Borah, republican of Idaho, spoke of disarmament, into which other senators were drawn in debate. Senator Walsh, democrat of Montana, discussed the landlord-tenant laws of the District of Columbia and Senator Ransdell, democrat of Louisiana, discussed published statements which he declared had sought to link the Louisiana senator with the big sugar interests.

Tariff debate, however, was not without pointed argument. Senator Simmons' speech was directed at what he termed the iniquities of the proposed legislation. He charged congress would be exceeding its power in enacting such legislation. He also took Senator McCumber to task for his attitude on wheat protection. He argued that Mr. McCumber was supporting legislation which not only would increase the price of bread and cereals, but would place the United States in a position to suffer retaliation at the hands of Canada.

Denying the statements of Mr. McCumber that Canadian prices were lower than those in the United States, Mr. Simmons quoted official statistics which show that prices had varied little between Minneapolis and Winnipeg.

He justified his vote on the grounds that last spring he inserted an advertisement in The Bee, telling the people of the Second district that he had seeds to give his constituents if they would indicate by letter or postcard that they desired them. As a consequence of that advertisement nearly 3,000 household-

Leaders of Congress Are Facing Dilemma

(Continued From Page One.) plished its dilemma, many meritorious items going out on points of order made by Chairman Haugen of the agricultural committee, who has been a persistent opponent of the present system of handling supply bills.

He antagonized his colleague, Chairman Good of the appropriations committee, who put the budget plan through the last session and went down to defeat, insisting that the rule adopted would rise up to haunt his advocates.

Before adjournment on Wednesday night the house had been rent almost asunder over the question of free seeds, apparently a question of such transcending importance that upon its solution would depend the fate of the nation.

"Free Seeds or No Seeds."
The vital question was whether or not \$300,000 should be appropriated for the distribution of garden and flower seeds by members of congress to their constituents.

Cut out by the appropriations committee, voted back by the house and then defeated by a vote of 142 to 141, the house adjourned on a motion to reconsider after a previous motion to table the reconsideration was voted down.

When the house met today it appeared as if every representative elected to the Sixty-sixth congress was on the floor, the interest in the outcome of "free seeds or no seeds," splitting delegations hither and yon. And the appropriation for free seeds stays in the bill by 20 majority, Congressman Jefferis of the Nebraska delegation being the only member from his state to vote for free seeds.

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Beatrice Legion Post Plans Membership Drive

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Hitting-Norman Post, American Legion, held a largely attended meeting here and arranged for a membership drive for 600 members.

BOWEN'S Lower Price Furniture Sale

A real opportunity for every woman to save on Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Draperies.

Now we can furnish your living room for \$129.50, consisting of Three-piece Cane and Mahogany Suite, and a good, up-to-date, substantial Library Table.

Now we can furnish your dining room for \$59.50. Consisting of solid oak Extension Table, six solid oak Dining Chairs, solid oak Buffet.

Now we can furnish your bed room for \$119.75. Consisting of full size Bed, Dresser, Dressing Table, Chiffonier and Rocker. —Advertisement

When Will Tumbling Prices Strike Bottom?

Prices of commodities are running away down-hill, and the one question that is being asked on all sides, in one form or another, is: how long will the runaway keep up his speed, and how long before it will be checked in its mad career? While it may be difficult to predict the future of prices and business men and financiers are chary of hazarding guesses, everybody is now fully aware that the high cost of living received a fatal blow some time between February and June last year, and that every subsequent bulletin from the bedside reported "sinking."

In the leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST this week, January 29th, the reductions in retail prices of a wide range of commodities is shown and the course of the price avalanche is forecast. The article is illustrated by graphic charts that show the rise and fall of prices at a glance.

Other important news-features in this number of THE DIGEST are:

- Prohibition's First Year To Curb the Pesticiferous Lobbyist
- Kentucky's Tobacco Rebellion
- Remedies for Unemployment
- The Air Mail in Peril
- Austria's Collapse
- "Germany Must Pay"
- Canadian Pleas for Disarmament
- Strikes That Hurt Labor
- Paper Clothing
- Bad Patients Make Bad Doctors
- A Trio of Prima-Donna Conductors
- Dramatic Critics Unmasked
- Southerners Solving the Negro Problem
- Making the Movies Safe for the Children
- Immigration
- The National Debts of the World
- Three Men in a Balloon
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