

Davis Opposes Measure to Pay Judges for Books

Senator Holds That Libraries Destroyed in Riot Should Have Been Insured; Withdraws Opposition Later.

Lincoln, Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram)—It was field day in the senate this afternoon and 18 bills were advanced to third reading in the committee of the whole.

Two more bills were killed, S. F. No. 212, exempting mail carriers from auto licenses and H. R. No. 1116, to real the present law making a school district responsible for outside tuition in cases where it failed to provide transportation for children living more than two miles from school.

Senator J. A. Davis of Douglas county kicked over the traces and all but got the bill indefinitely postponed to reimburse Douglas county judges for their libraries lost in the court house riot two years ago, S. F. No. 269.

The rising vote to advance it to general file was 16 to 14. Senator Davis argued that the books should have been insured and the taxpayers should not be made liable for the private damage done by the mob.

Withdraws Opposition.—There's no reason for being a bull in a china shop on Omaha bills, Senator Cooper rebuked, when Senator Davis arose the second time intent on slaying S. F. No. 138, increasing the salaries of Omaha juvenile probation assistants from \$125 to \$150. Senator Cooper said the delegation had agreed fully on these Omaha measures, and they affected nothing but Douglas county.

Senator Davis withdrew his motion to postpone and the bill was advanced to the general file.

These bills passed third reading: H. R. No. 169—Requiring county assessors to gather agricultural statistics, 29 to 0.

H. R. No. 49—Making women eligible for boards of trustees, 27 to 2.

H. R. No. 65—Bank organization rules, 24 to 5.

H. R. No. 193—Giving banking board discretionary power to withhold charters, 27 to 2.

S. F. No. 13—Increasing county judges' salaries, 28 to 0, with emergency.

Increases Perjury Penalty.—S. F. No. 163—Increasing penalty for perjury, 30 to 0.

S. F. No. 153—Uniform system of school accounting.

S. F. No. 112—Allows counties to accept donated land for widening roads, 27 to 2.

The senate suspended the rules and unanimously passed a resolution condemning the federal government for the 10-cent-a-pound tax on butter made from sour cream.

Bills advanced in committee of the whole were:

S. F. No. 175—Rules for the valuation of bonds.

S. F. No. 277—Requiring plans for school buildings costing over \$1,000 to be submitted to state superintendent.

S. F. No. 216—Authorizing new state normal board to prescribe courses of study.

S. F. No. 223—Statutory enactment of state normal board amendment of new constitution.

Day Schools for Deaf.—H. R. No. 163—Day schools for the deaf.

H. R. No. 3—Requiring county clerks to keep copy of all ex-service men's discharge papers.

H. R. No. 184—Two hundred-dollar tombstone for Stephen Archibald of Hitchcock county, whose estate escheated to the state.

H. R. No. 56—Fees for Douglas county register of deeds.

S. F. No. 306—Increases salary of clerk of Omaha municipal court from \$1,800 to \$2,100 a year.

S. F. No. 279—Making it a felony to falsify records of public utilities, affecting the value of the investment or the rate of return.

Bart Williams Didn't Read Papers; Is Caught



Failure to keep up with the times and read the newspapers was the cause of his arrest Bart Williams, alias "Red the Rough," told authorities following his arrest Sunday night. Williams is wanted in Canada on charges of liquor thefts and passing worthless checks. There also are charges against him in district court for possession of burglar tools.

Williams said yesterday he didn't want to go back to Canada, but would rather face charges against him here. Douglas county officials may dismiss their charges and turn Williams over to Canadian authorities.

Other members of a gang of which Williams is said to have been a member, escaped when they read in the daily papers they were wanted in Canada.

Boxing Bill Passes Committee of Whole In the Lower House

Lincoln, Feb. 21.—(Special)—The American Legion boxing bill passed the committee of the whole in the lower house today by a viva voce vote.

Minor amendments were tacked to the bill as it passed through the committee, cutting the maximum admission price to \$1, limiting the use of six-ounce gloves and the excluding Y. M. C. A. and university and high school boxing and wrestling bouts from the provisions of the bill.

Representative Jearg had a little fun when the proposition to cut the admission price was under consideration. He introduced a substitute amendment which would limit the price of ice cream at church socials to 10 cents a dish.

Representatives Epperson, "Alfalfa John" Franklin and Sprick of Washington fought the bill. Representatives Hascall, Reed, Palmer and many others fought to give the American Legion boys what they want.

House Votes Regulation of Billboards at Intersections

Lincoln, Feb. 21.—(Special)—No billboard more than four feet in height, can be placed within 200 feet of an intersection under the terms of a bill which passed the committee of the whole in the lower house this morning.

Representative Epperson declared the passage of this bill would tighten the intersection advertising monopoly already existing in the state in the contract with one advertising company to mark all intersections and have the exclusive rights to place advertisements above and below the markers.

An amendment by Epperson to make the provisions of the bill apply to all advertising on public highways failed. An amendment, however, was tacked on which will keep the bill from interfering with advertisements on intersections in Omaha and Lincoln.

Man Injured Seriously When Car Turns Turtle

Fairbury, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special)—A. R. Stess, an employe of the Lincoln Telephone company, was injured seriously when his automobile struck sand and turned turtle on the Federal highway, two miles west of Fairbury. He sustained a broken collar bone and minor injuries.

Mrs. George Astell, his mother-in-law, who was with him in the car, was not injured seriously.

Gage County Farm Bureau Elects Officers for Year

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special)—At the annual meeting of the Gage county farm bureau, the following officers were elected: President, David Boesiger of Cortland; vice president, H. H. Darner of Liberty; secretary, C. E. Thornburg of Beatrice; treasurer, V. B. Johnson of Beatrice.

The report of County Agent Rist showed that much good work had been done during the past year in the county.

Plans for Alleviation of Unemployment Have Failed

Chicago, Feb. 21.—Plans for alleviating the unemployment situation by shortening the hours of men now at work were abandoned today when the Chicago Federation of Labor failed yesterday to act on the proposition submitted two weeks ago.

Charges were made by President John Fitzpatrick that "the men with snug jobs are uninterested in the fate of their less fortunate companions."

Gompers Raps Proposed Movie Censorship Bill

Washington, Feb. 21.—If the New York legislature enacts legislation for state censorship of moving pictures it will add one more to the too long list of repressive and coercive measures on our law books, Samuel Gompers declared. He said he hoped compulsory governmental censorship would make no further inroads on American freedom of expression through motion pictures.

Composer Dies

St. Louis, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Jessie Smith Gainer, 38, noted as a composer of children's songs, died today after a brief illness.

Foster Asks For Investigation of Rent Profiteers

Resolution Before House Provides for Examination of Books of Department House Owners

Lincoln, Feb. 21.—(Special)—Representative Harry A. Foster of Omaha presented a resolution in the lower house today calling for a legislative investigation of alleged rent profiteering by Omaha and Lincoln apartment house owners.

"Extraordinary profits are being made out of rental properties based upon fictitious valuations, owing to conditions growing out of the world war and the free right of contract, has been seriously interfered with," Foster says in his resolution which is signed by himself and Representative McFarland of York.

"There appears to be a combination among rental property owners to unlawfully combine and agree to increase and maintain exorbitant rentals and at the present time there is no redress for tenants and no adequate remedy at law."

Proposes Investigation.—Foster hopes an investigation will decide definitely in the minds of the judiciary committee, which has his

regulatory rent bill under consideration, whether or not there is profiteering among Omaha and Lincoln landlords.

The resolution calls for a committee of five members to be appointed by Walter L. Anderson, speaker. This committee is empowered in the resolution to subpoena witnesses and force them to testify under oath.

It also empowers the committee to force the landlords to bring their books and records before the committee for investigation. Foster asks the legislature to appropriate sufficient funds to give the committee every facility possible to investigate an alleged evil which has grown up in the life of Omaha in the last few years.

Declares Situation Acute.—"There is no monkey work about this," Foster said today, "as the apartment house situation is one of the most acute in the country and most acute in Omaha. It is a struggle to another end in arms against charges of exorbitant rentals by landlords. The landlords deny it. Yet they have never gone beyond the conversational stage in proving their contention that they are getting no more than a meager profit. A real investigation, such as I ask, should be the means of ascertaining the truth or fallacy of the tenants' claims or the claims of the landlords."

"Meantime, I hope the judiciary committee will take no action on my bill until the house decides what to do with my resolution, and, in the event it is passed, until the investigation committee finishes its investigations and the judiciary com-

mittee has some real facts and figures to deal with."

Under the rules, the resolution must be held up for 24 hours before action is taken on it.

Effort Being Made to Junk K. C. & N. Railroad, Report

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special)—It is said that an effort is being made by officials of the Kansas City & Northwestern railroad, which ceased operating trains a few years ago, to junk the tracks and other equipment of the line, which runs from Virginia, Neb., to Kansas City, Kan. Merchants along the route deliver most of their orders and haul most of their freight from towns on the Rock Island and Burlington roads by auto or wagon.

Committees Plan to Hire Executive for Boy Scouts

Hastings, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram)—Committees of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs decided to recommend the employment of a community boy scout executive and the purchase of a camp site. If the clubs act favorably the raising of \$5,000 to finance the project will be undertaken at once.

\$2,000 Damage by Fire

Hastings, Neb., Feb. 21.—(Special Telegram)—Fire supposed to have originated from defective wiring caused \$2,000 damage in the office of Dr. C. E. Foote, while smaller damage from water resulted in the Nebraska National bank.

Holdup Lures Man Into Vacant House

Lured into a vacant house at Thirty-fifth and Pratt streets shortly after 2 p. m. yesterday, William Krafft, 2611 Hamilton street, was

held up and robbed of \$15 by a lone highwayman.

Krafft is a peddler. He was driving his wagon in the neighborhood when a man climbed aboard and began to talk to him of selling some furniture. Krafft became interested and allowed himself to be led to the vacant house where the man said he had the furniture stored. Once in-

side the house, Krafft gazed down the muzzle of a revolver and submitted to the robbery. He was so stunned he did not call the police for half an hour. The emergency squad scoured the neighborhood but no highwayman could be found.

The whole family should read Bee Want Ads.

BRANDEIS STORES 12 MAIN FLOOR 12 Unusually Fertile Spots! Bargain Squares 12 Unusually Fertile Spots! Drugs and Toilet Articles every price is "bargainized" Palm Olive Soap, doz., 95c; bar, 8c. Oodorono, small size, 26c. Pond's Vanishing Cream, 39c. Danderine Hair Tonic, 27c. Hinkle Pills, bottle of 100, 16c. La Pactive Pills, special, 33c. Ingram's Milk Weed Cream, 39c. Mum, special, 21c. Pussycat Face Powder, 33c. 2 Quart Hot Water Bottle, special, 98c. Kolynos Tooth Paste, 22c. Vacuum Bottles, 1 pint size, 1.49. Cudahy Castile Hardwater Soap, dozen, 95c; bar, 8c. Shell Dressing Combs, each, 29c. Mennen's Talcum Powder, 21c. Epsom Salts, per lb., 10c. L'Benita Coconut Oil Shampoo, 21c. Witch Hazel, pint bottle, 29c. 5.00 Auto Strop Razors With 12 Blades 1.49 Bargain Squares—Main Floor.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE U. S. 120 BROADWAY, NEW YORK The Equitable's 61st Annual Statement, from which the following figures are taken, will be sent to any address on request OUTSTANDING INSURANCE, Dec. 31, 1920... \$2,656,524,971 An increase of \$385,621,040 over the previous year. NEW INSURANCE issued and paid for in 1920... \$529,559,921 An increase of \$74,720,484 over the previous year. PAID TO POLICYHOLDERS IN 1920... \$72,683,550 97% of the domestic death claims paid in 1920 were settled within twenty-four hours after receipt of proofs of death. PAID POLICYHOLDERS Since Organization... \$1,374,975,228 ASSETS, December 31, 1920... \$627,141,737 INSURANCE RESERVE... \$519,541,119 OTHER LIABILITIES... 19,599,676 539,140,795 SURPLUS RESERVES: For distribution to policyholders in 1921... \$18,790,678 Awaiting apportionment on deferred dividend policies... 46,882,132 For Contingencies... 22,328,132 88,000,942 \$627,141,737 GROWTH IN A DECADE 1920 1910 Increase Outstanding Insurance Dec. 31 \$2,656,524,971 \$1,347,158,692 \$1,309,366,279 New Insurance... 529,559,921 197,965,091 421,594,830 Assets Dec. 31... 627,141,737 482,197,585 134,944,152 Liabilities Dec. 31... 539,140,795 409,538,600 129,602,195 Payments to Policyholders... 72,683,550 53,119,670 19,563,880 WHAT THE EQUITABLE OFFERS Standard Life and Endowment Policies Life Income Policies Group Life and Group Disability Insurance Inheritance Tax Insurance Home Purchase Policies Non-cancellable Accident and Health Insurance Educational Fund Insurance Income Bonds for Old Age Corporate and Co-partnership Insurance Annuities of all kinds Insurance for Bequests Full information regarding any of these forms will be sent on request. W. A. DAY President FORREST N. CROXSON, Agency Mgr., Omaha National Bank Building, Omaha.

Use Your Credit BEDDEO Use Your Credit 1417 Douglas Street Action Starts the Minute the Doors Open Tuesday Morning On Hundreds Upon Hundreds of Bungalow Aprons Secured from a San Francisco Manufacturer's close-out of surplus stocks. Buy as many as you want Tuesday at only 75c They Are Easily Worth \$3.00 and \$3.50 Be Here Early Fine Gingham, Percales and Chambray—dozens of styles, every wanted color, all sizes.

"Buy It at Brandeis" Fine Dress Gingham 25c yard In plaid and checks; good quality for girls' school dresses, waists, etc. Main Floor and Basement. "Buy It at Brandeis" Men's Work Shirts 69c each Good quality light and dark plain blue chambray and chevots; sizes 14 1/2 to 17. Bargain Square—Main Floor. "Buy It at Brandeis" Chamoisette Gloves 59c pair Women's Washable Gloves; beaver chamois, gray and white; all sizes; not all sizes in all colors. Bargain Square—Main Floor. "Buy It at Brandeis" Women's Fine Shamrock Lawn Handkerchiefs 5c each Hemstitched borders, colored corners and all colored; good size. Bargain Square—Main Floor. "Buy It at Brandeis" Women's Silk Hose 98c Pair First Quality and Irregulars Full-fashioned and semi-fashioned; silk to the knee; some have ribbed garter tops. Hosiery Dept.—Main Floor. "Buy It at Brandeis" "Kaysers" Fine Lisle Vests 25c each In all sizes; in white and pink; bodice and regulation style. Bargain Square—Main Floor. "Buy It at Brandeis" Good Weight Tricolette 1.29 yard A popular fabric for Spring suits, blouses, etc.; navy, brown, silver gray, black, etc. Bargain Square—Main Floor. "Buy It at Brandeis" 100 Pieces Fancy Cretannes and Drapery Marquisettes 29c yard A wonderful assortment of colors and designs. Bargain Square—Main Floor. "Buy It at Brandeis" Chinese Cluny Lace 39c yard Real hand made; 1 to 3 inches wide; very desirable for trimming fancy underwear, blouses, etc. Bargain Square—Main Floor. Domestics and Wash Goods These 5 Bargains in Our Economy Basement PLAIN WHITE FLAXON—Splendid quality for waists, aprons, uniforms, etc.; 30 inches wide; exceptional value. Special, for Tuesday, 25c per yard. BLEACHED INDIAN HEAD MUSLIN—Every piece stamped on selvage; 2 to 10-yard lengths; 36 inches wide. Very special, 22 1/2c per yard. WHITE NOVELTY ORGANDIE—With dainty hairline stripe; the latest creation in sheer white fabrics for waists or dresses, collar and cuff sets, etc. Special, per yard, 49c Basement—North DRESS CALICO—Light shirting styles; good quality; in 2 to 10-yard lengths. Tuesday, 7 1/2c per yard. STRONG CLOTH SUITING—In assorted galatea patterns, for boys' and girls' school suits, dresses, children's rompers, etc.; 27 inches wide. Very special, 16 1/2c per yard.