

First Convicts For Road Camps Leave Prison

Twenty-One Men Will Work On State Project Near Crab Orchard—More Camps To Be Established.

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Twenty-one convicts, including nine from Douglas county, were in the first group selected by prison officials and the chief probation officer to work on Nebraska roads. The men assigned to road duty include a number who were also used in permanent highway building last summer. They left the penitentiary this morning in trucks to Crab Orchard, where a state project is now being started. Other camps will be established as soon as weather conditions permit greater road activity.

Following is a list of the men assigned to the first camp, with the county from which the men were sent to penitentiary: Earl Coon, Cuckolls; Hubert Peterson, Douglas; Fred Fitzgerald, Sheridan; Joe Turner, Douglas; Oscar Smith, Gage; Floyd Holliday, Hall; Louis Newsum, Madison; Frank Henry, Douglas; Raymond Lane, Douglas; Harry D. Sneath, Cass; Mote Bradford, Nance; Earl Kiser, Hamilton; Charles Laker, Platte; W. S. Sheldon, Douglas; R. W. Jacobson, Lincoln; Earl Cratty, Lincoln; Arthur Orr, Polk; Ben Marshall, Douglas; Charles Daniels, Douglas; Clark Austin, Douglas; Michael Randall, Douglas.

Civil Service Bill For Code Jobs Fails

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Political changes in the state administration will continue to spell changes in subordinate officers. The house sifting committee today declined to put the Wagner bill out for consideration. It provided that civil service for code employees should be established, thus insuring jobs if the holders could continue to pass civil service examinations.

Anti-Picketing Bill Put On Senate General File

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—The senate this morning lifted from committee and placed on general file the Randall-Hascall "right to work" or anti-picketing, bill. The vote was 17 to 15. Senator Charles Saunders of Omaha made the motion to place the bill on general file. Senator J. McGowan of Grand Island, the only member of the legislature who is a member of an organized labor union, led the opposition. The entire Omaha delegation voted for Saunders' motion. This bill was killed yesterday in the joint labor and judiciary committee after several weeks of debate. A large lobby of labor men is present to fight the bill.

County Seat Removal Law Attacked in Court

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Constitutionality of the 1917 law, under which the county seat fight in Franklin county was launched, is attacked in an appeal to the Nebraska supreme court from the action of the voters, who by 300 more than a three-fifths majority on October 26, 1920, approved the removal of the county seat from Bloomington to the town of Franklin. County Clerk Earl S. Murray and others on December 20 obtained a temporary injunction to prevent the removal of the county seat, but this injunction was dissolved and the suit was dismissed a few weeks ago. Testimony of the legislature as to the intent of the act figured largely in the bill of particulars.

Nonpartisan Editor Resigns As Daily Plan is Abandoned

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Fred Carey, editor of the official Nonpartisan league weekly paper in Nebraska, has resigned. Failure of the organization to materialize plans for a daily newspaper in Nebraska is given as one of the reasons for Carey's withdrawal. At the same time that Carey's official resignation was announced, automobile agents in Nebraska stated that a "big crop" of automobiles purchased by the league for organization work in Nebraska had been sold.

Legislative Reference Bureau Head Resigns

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Mr. Sheldon, director of the legislative reference bureau, announced his resignation today, effective September 1. Mr. Sheldon is also secretary of the Nebraska State Historical society and has been a member of the faculty of the University of Nebraska. During the past year he has been a storm center, Senator Beebe introducing a bill at the present session of the legislature to abolish the department over which Sheldon presides and to transfer its duties to the clerk of the supreme court. The bill was killed early in the session but was later revived and is now on general file. Mr. Sheldon did not indicate his future plans.

House Refuses to Advance County Attorney Bill

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Despite desperate efforts of the Douglas county delegation the lower house refused to advance Senate File 35, reclassifying assistants in the office of Abel Shotwell, Douglas county attorney, so they could get an increase in salaries.

Scenic Route Benefit Zone Bill Passes Lower House

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Senate File 180, which cuts down the size of benefit zones in Sarpy county to the scenic route between Albright and Bellevue can be paved, passed the lower house on third reading.

Marriage "Cooling" Measure Killed by Sifting Committee

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Love does not need to be put in cold storage in Nebraska for 10 days before its lawful culmination, marriage, materializes.

The sifting committee of the lower house absolutely refused today to put the child welfare "cooling" marriage bill on general file. It provided that arduous youths, and the older folks as well, should register their intention of marriage 10 days in advance of the ceremony.

Amendment to Road Measure is Killed

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special Telegram).—Douglas county members forced a reconsideration of Senate File 180 in the lower house this afternoon and struck out the Byrum amendment which provided a method by which Douglas county could force the paving of a road to Fort Crook in Sarpy county by paying 60 per cent of the cost.

Whether the amendment was constitutional or not, was questionable. Representative I. A. Medlar, of Omaha, said, "and we did not want anything to interfere with our \$125,000 appropriation for the road provided for in the appropriation bill which the senate has passed and which will come up for consideration in the house shortly."

With the Byrum amendment deleted, Senate File 180 merely provides for reducing sizes of benefit zones in order to insure paving of the scenic road from Albright to Bellevue.

House Refuses to Act on Bank Reserve Measure

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—The lower house refused to advance an administration bill which would make the department of trade and commerce receivers for failed banks.

Deficiency Claim Bill Advanced

Senate Names Conference Committees and Acts on Few Measures.

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—The senate committee of the whole today advanced to third reading H. R. 619, carrying \$290,000 in deficiency claims against the state.

Chairman Watson's claims committee added to the bill a \$1,300 item for Newton Rule, Dawes county rancher, which the house had stricken out. Rule brought disbarment proceedings against Allan F. Fisher, attorney at Chadron, charging malicious prosecution. Fisher was disbarred.

The senate judiciary committee reported out H. R. 234, a bill providing for the compilation of the statutes, with an amendment calling for the compilation and printing of supplemental statutes since 1913, with a commission to compile the general statutes to be published two years hence.

The senate has appointed Harris, Watson and Robbins a conference committee on H. R. 20, which the senate changed from a \$3 flat high school tuition to tuition on a cost basis. Another committee—Beebe, Hoagland and Miller—was appointed to confer on H. R. 403, containing a senate amendment raising salaries of the board of control from \$3,900 fixed by the house to \$4,500. The house refused to concur.

On motion of Reed of Hamilton, the American Legion relief bill, H. R. 415, was brought back from the third reading file for specific amendment, making \$50,000 available immediately, and leaving \$1,650,000 to be invested in government bonds, the proceeds of which are to be used for relief work. The original bill appropriated a flat \$2,000,000 for a trust fund, so that the interest would not be available for some time. The committee of the whole has not yet acted upon the amendment.

Katleman and Neal Released From Penn

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Strong rumors that Red Neal and Morris Katleman of Omaha, serving sentences in the state prison for complicity in automobile stealing, had been released were run down today.

Both men have been out of the prison on what is termed sick leave, state officials announced at noon today to quiet these rumors.

Neal has been in Auburn, Neb., for a week, with his aged mother, who is reported critically ill. Katleman has been on several days' leave from the prison to be with his young son who is reported critically ill in Lincoln.

Efforts to secure paroles for both men have failed several times, and their cases have been watched with considerable interest throughout the state because of this.

Prominent Progressive Dies in Kansas City

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special Telegram).—Word was received here of the death of Will S. Jay, prominent progressive and well known Nebraskan, in Kansas City. Mr. Jay had been seriously ill for several weeks and his death was not unexpected. He was formerly engaged in newspaper work in Lincoln and in 1909 resigned to become state oil inspector. In 1912 he took a prominent part in forming the progressive party in this state.

Towns Wanting \$300,000 Building Given Chance

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—Any town in the state want a \$300,000 state reformatory located near it? Opportunity is knocking at the door of any village, hamlet or city with aspirations of this description. The house adopted senate amendments to the \$300,000 appropriation bill for a new reformatory, which cut out the provision which forced the building of the reformatory in or near Lincoln.

Appropriation Measure Passed by State Senate

Lincoln, April 21.—(Special).—The big appropriation bill with the more than \$1,000,000 amendment tacked on to it by the senate is expected to come up before the lower

house tomorrow. The bill passed the senate today on third reading with only four dissenting votes.

Farm Bureau Unit

Beatrice, Neb., April 21.—(Special).—Hooker township farmers organized a farm bureau unit and elected the following officers: President, Goldie Woten; secretary-treasurer, Fay Adkins. A committee to draft a broad community program was appointed.

Bee want ads—little, but mighty.

Pioneer Drops Dead

Geneva, April 21.—(Special).—Luther Coleman, 80, dropped dead while dressing. He made his home with his sons, John and William, and had been a resident here for a quarter of a century.

The World's Verdict On Harding's Message

Disappointment in Berlin and cordial approval in London and Paris are among the significant foreign reactions to the President's first message to Congress. At home a majority of the papers applaud his program, yet a few sharply dissenting voices are heard.

The leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST for this week, April 23d, quotes a large variety of opinions from the press of the country on this question. The New York World regards the peace plan outlined by Mr. Harding as "a miserable makeshift that no President would ever adopt of his own initiative," and the Louisville Courier-Journal characterizes his proposed "association of nations for world peace" as a "toothless whatnot with no power to promote peace except to talk about it," while the Philadelphia Ledger considers it "woefully incomplete" and "a negative rather than a positive policy." On the other hand the Providence Journal praises the message for its "prevailing note of lofty Americanism," the Cleveland Plain Dealer avers that "granting the President's point of view, which appears also to be the point of view of the majority of Americans, his program can not well be challenged," and the St. Louis Globe-Democrat feels that he "has opened a new way to the solution of the problem of our international relations."

Among the other deeply interesting articles in this issue are:

A New Tax

A Summary of Varying Views on the Proposed Sales Tax Designed to "Lift the Burden of War-taxation from the Shoulders of the American People"

- An American Report on the Irish Terror To Enforce Prohibition in New York
- England's "Industrial Revolution"
- Sleepless German Propaganda
- "Saving The Pieces" in Austria
- If Soviet Russia Collapsed—
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- Saving Dollars and Risking Souls
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- Why Glue is Gluey
- Our Climatic Travels
- Why Tax Alcohol?
- Swat the Spring Fly
- Burroughs Launches a Shaft in Passing A Small-Town War Memorial
- Cardinal Gibbons as "Interpreter of Catholicism"
- The Bible in "American" Congress
- A Yankee Toy that Jars the British Topics of the Day

Hon. FRANK W. MONDELL, Floor Leader of the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., says: "I believe THE LITERARY DIGEST is doing a valuable service for the Nation. The greatest difficulty I have is to secure the benefit of current discussion of public questions in the limited time at my command. THE DIGEST is the most helpful agency at my command for this purpose."

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