

Opponents of Duty On Lumber Suffers Defeat

Fail in Attempt to Eliminate From Permanent Tariff Provision for Counter Valuing Duty.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, June 18.—Opponents of a duty on lumber failed today in an attempt to eliminate from the permanent tariff bill the provision for a counter valuing duty equal to the 25 per cent ad valorem Canadian rate on finished lumber.

Republican members of the house ways and means committee by a vote of 6 to 8 rejected a motion by Representative Mott of New York to eliminate the provision. These voting for the motion were Representatives Young of North Dakota, Frear of Wisconsin, Green of Iowa, Watson of Pennsylvania and Houghton and Mott of New York.

A modification of the provision was made, however, on the motion of Representative Fordney of Michigan, chairman of the committee, who with Representative Hadley of Washington have been most insistent that a duty shall be imposed.

Limited to Flooring. This amendment provided that the provision shall apply only to lumber which is planned on one side or more and which also is tongued and grooved. Originally there was no mention of tongued and grooved lumber, the effect being to make all finished lumber subject to whatever duty is imposed by the country from which imports are being brought in. By amending the provision its application is limited chiefly to flooring, manufacturers of which have been anxious for protection against Canadian imports.

The amendment was made for the purpose of heading off, if possible, a fight on the floor of the house against the lumber duty.

No Change in Fir. The committee made no change in the duty of \$1 per 1,000 feet on fir, spruce and cedar logs. This duty is intended to provide protection for west coast interests.

Imposition of a tariff on lumber, pulp and pulpwood "will prove detrimental to the trade interests of the United States," according to Donald B. Conn, representing the Northwestern Lumber Retailers and Manufacturers.

"To cut off the exportation of lumber from Canada to the United States," he said, "which the 25 per cent ad valorem tariff on dressed lumber, proposed by the house ways and means committee would do, would only serve to make it impossible for Canada to exchange commodities for commodities, and as a result our trade with that country could not be maintained on a sound economic basis."

'Ghost Snake' Found Near Peru Is White

Pawnee City, Neb., June 18.—(Special.)—A reptile which has been named the "ghost snake" by its discoverers has been found by residents living in the bottoms of the Missouri river near Peru, Neb. The new snake is pure white in color and resembles the cobra in build. It will not retreat when molested, as will other snakes of this region, but fights. It runs in groups of from five to 10 reptiles, while the common snakes never are seen with more than two together. "The people of that section are afraid of the new intruder until it has been discovered whether or not it is poisonous."

Missouri River Reaches Flood Stage at Yankton

Yankton, S. D., June 18.—The Missouri river reached flood stage today but shortly after noon it was said the crest of 63.3 feet had been registered. A rise of two feet would have put the water on the streets of the city. A large amount of drift is floating but no damage has been done. For a time it was feared the piers of the Meridian Highway bridge, under construction here, would be washed away. Yesterday several workmen were caught on a trestle between two piers which broke under the swift current, but were saved.

Recumseh Camp Fire Girls To Camp for Week at Crete

Recumseh, Neb., June 18.—(Special.)—The Waihoi Camp Fire Girls of Recumseh are in camp for the week at Crete. Miss Eileen Lynch, guardian, is assisted by Miss Fern Casford in chaperoning the party. The following girls are in the party: Margaret Brundage, Fanny Casford, Ila Biggs, Helen Davey, Elene McClanahan, Dorothy McDougal, Marian McDougal, Margaret Moore, Merle Devenney, Violet O'Connell, Grace Sherman, Genevieve Thurber, Mildred Snyder, Dorothy and Doris Townsend and Elizabeth Thurber.

New Secretary at Sidney For Chamber of Commerce

Sidney, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—James T. M. Pearson was today appointed secretary of the Sidney Chamber of Commerce to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Paul Martin. The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution calling the attention of the city council to condition of the drainage in the city which has been greatly in evidence during the recent heavy rains.

Miners Aid Bill for Work During War Passes Senate

Washington, June 18.—A bill to provide relief for miners of manganese, chrome and other metals for losses suffered as a result of extra production for the war emergency was passed by the senate yesterday. The bill was introduced by Senator Shortridge, a republican, California, and now goes to the house.

Pictures of Nebraska Rail Wreck



These photographs show how Northwestern train No. 606, bound from Lander, Wyo., to Omaha, crashed through the bridge over Cottonwood creek two miles east of Whitney, Neb., Wednesday night. Five were killed and 32 injured. Baggage car, smoker and chair car plunged into the waters of the creek. The Pullman remained on the rails, as the photographs show.

Kills Another By Mistake, Now Gets a Parole

State Board Frees David City Husband Who Shot Man He Believed Was Rival—Defer Lukens' Plea.

Lincoln, June 18.—(Special.)—The state board of pardons and paroles freed Hallie Blevins of David City, serving a 10-year sentence for the murder of Vernon Gaddin five years ago. Blevins shot Gaddin by mistake believing him to be another man, who Blevins looked upon as a "friend" to his wife.

Fifteen citizens from David City appeared before the board Thursday to aid the gray haired mother of Blevins in getting her son released from the prison.

The board deferred action on the plea of R. G. Lukens for a pardon. Lukens is serving life on the charge of being an accessory to a double murder and bank holdup at Sunol, Neb. It also deferred action in the case of Floyd Fuller, serving life for the murder of a woman in Omaha several years ago.

Gladis Harper of Omaha, serving a sentence of 1 to 20 years for forging a check was paroled. So was Loretta Price, an Omaha negress, negress serving 1 to 7 years for robbery from the person. Others receiving paroles follow:

Utah Cal, Dawas, grand larceny, paroled so he could go to the Beatrice institute at his own request for treatment for epilepsy; Wayne Deahl, Hall, forgery; Merl R. Inskip, Lincoln, bigamy; Fred Schoenfeld, Buffalo, auto stealing; Chance Goodro, Gardin, burglary; George Walsh, Douglas, stealing and receiving stolen automobile.

Applications turned down follow: James M. Smith, Douglas, forgery; Albert Preisner, Douglas, assault to rob; Clifford Meeks, Box Butte, carrying concealed weapons; Albert Edwards, Phelps, forgery; Pugh Fire, Thunder, Sheridan, forgery.

C. W. Watson Elected Retailer Secretary



C. W. Watson is the new secretary of the Federation of Nebraska Retailers. He also will serve as secretary of the Federated Merchants Mutual Insurance company, an auxiliary concern. Mr. Watson has been supervisor of the vocational agricultural education for the state. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and formerly was on the faculty of that institution. In her youth, she came to Nebraska from an Ohio town, residing successively in Fremont, Fullerton and other places. Watson's photos of Mr. Frank Barr, who died Monday, rehearsed a

Youngest Solon Now Assistant to Davis



Lincoln, June 18.—(Special.)—Attorney General Clarence A. Davis today appointed Representative Charles S. Reed of Logan county an assistant in his office. A vacancy was created in that office by the death of Cecil Lavery. Reed was a member of the last legislature and won considerable notice because of his activity in university affairs during the session, as well as in his fight for recognition of the American Legion. He was attending the University of Nebraska law school at the time he was a member of the legislature and was the youngest member of the house and senate.

Combined Ages of 15 G. A. R. Vets Is 1,222

Pawnee, City, Neb., June 18.—(Special.)—J. W. Prowant, local commander of the G. A. R., received news of a state gathering of Civil war veterans of the state of California at San Diego recently. At this convention, 15 of the oldest veterans were listed whose ages totaled 1,190. Mr. Prowant has compiled a list of 15 Pawnee county veterans whose ages total 1,222. This figure represents the county while the San Diego list represents the state.

Indictments in Glucose Case Are Dismissed

New York, June 18.—Supreme Court Justice Wagner today dismissed indictments charging conspiracy against Charles F. Murphy, Tammany, Hall chief; Arthur Baldwin, Ernest B. Welden, John A. McCarthy, Assistant District Attorney James E. Smith, and the Corn Products Refining company. The indictments grew out of the so-called glucose case.

Launch Campaign for Church at Beatrice

Beatrice, Neb., June 18.—(Special.)—A drive for funds for the completion of the Church of the Nazarene has been started by Rev. C. E. Ryder. The sum of \$10,000 is needed, and of this amount about \$4,000 has been subscribed. The congregation hopes to have the edifice completed and ready for occupancy by September 1.

To Hold Law Enforcement Convention at Norfolk

Norfolk, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—State Sheriff Gus Hyers has called a meeting of the state law enforcement bureau in Norfolk on June 23. He asks for all sheriffs, county attorneys, roadmen, chiefs of police and marshals to gather together to study law enforcement.

Negro Convicted of Murder Lynched by Georgia Mob

Moultrie, Ga., June 18.—John Henry Williams, a negro, convicted of the murder of Lorena Wilkes, 12, whose body was found near Autreyville, Ga., last Monday, was taken from officers by a mob today, carried to the scene of his crime and lynched.

465 Graduates Of High Schools Given Diplomas

Rev. Frank G. Smith Addresses Students of Four Institutions on "Real Meaning of Education."

The City auditorium presented an inspiring sight last night, when 465 young men and women received documentary evidence of their successful completion of the courses of study in the four Omaha high schools—Central, South, Benson and the High School of Commerce.

The young women, all typical specimens of western beauty, were garbed in caps and gowns. Members of the families of the graduates seemed oblivious to the extreme heat in their enthusiastic interest.

The music of the occasion was furnished by Central High school orchestra, led by Henry G. Cox. Rev. Carl M. Norden offered the invocation. Dr. J. H. Wallace, chairman of the school board committee on teachers and course of study, presented the cadet certificates.

The graduation diplomas were presented by W. F. Reed, president of the Board of Education. Rev. Frank G. Smith, pastor of the First Central Congregational church, addressed the graduates on "The Real Meaning of Education."

25 Auxiliary Police Beat Off Attacking Force of 300

Cork, Ireland, June 18.—Twenty-five auxiliary policemen beat off a force of 300 after a fierce fight at Rathcoole, Thursday night, when four lorries were ambushed. Three road mines were destroyed, putting the lorries out of action, and the attacking party fired upon policemen from trenches and walls. They were forced to retire, however, losing one known killed and many wounded. It is believed that three of the attacking party met death during the fight. The crown forces lost two killed and four wounded.

Queen to Accompany King To Belfast for Parliament

Belfast, June 18.—(By The Associated Press.)—It was announced today that Queen Mary would accompany King George on his visit to Belfast for the opening of the Parliament of northern Ireland here next Wednesday.

German's Agree to Withdraw From Upper Silesia Land

Berlin, June 18.—(By The Associated Press.)—An agreement has been reached between the German volunteers in Upper Silesia, the Polish insurgents and the interallied commission in Oppeln, under which the Germans and Poles will begin a withdrawal tomorrow it was learned from an interallied representative in Upper Silesia, who arrived here today.

Doctor Says Dry Chief More Powerful Than Czar

Washington, June 18.—Dr. M. C. Whittaker of Baltimore, vice president of the United States Industrial Alcohol company, told the house rules committee today that the czar of Russia had been dethroned and shot for exercising far less autocratic power than was vested in the prohibition commissioner under the Volstead supplemental enforcement bill.

Poet Laureate Receives Crown At University

Nebraskans Gather at Lincoln To Confer Title Granted By Legislature Upon John G. Neihardt.

Lincoln, June 18.—(Special.)—Nebraska distinguished itself today by "crowning" the first poet laureate in America.

It was a prosaic job, making a poet laureate out of anyone, when the thermometer registered the hottest day of the year.

But a band of perspiring but enthusiastic Nebraskans gathered in the Temple at the state university and conferred that honor on John G. Neihardt.

The "crowning" of the poet laureate was in name only, although speakers described the ancient method of Greeks and Romans of putting a wreath on the brow of the distinguished poet winning such an honor.

E. P. Brown, former member of the board of regents of the state university, merely read the bill passed by the last legislature which conferred the title of "poet laureate" on the Nebraskan who in poetry is making the early day history of Nebraska a thing of beauty and a story read from coast to coast.

Neihardt, after a few short words of thanks for the honor, told his audience he would read a lecture which he would endeavor to explain the real mission of poetry on this earth.

Real poetry, he declared, was placing before the people the immaterial matter weaved into a material, bread and butter world. It did, what he declared, prose could not do, put the world in a mystical manner in writing. These thoughts, he told his audience, were in the minds of everyone and they sought an explanation and wording of them through reading of poetry.

The war, Neihardt declared, which proved the ineffectiveness of the material existence preached for years had driven the public to poetry in an endeavor to get a better understanding of immaterial things which they learned through the war continued to play an important part in the life of the world.

Wisconsin Dignified; Illinois Comfortable During Heat Wave

Madison, Wis., June 18.—Senators determined today that they would rather be dignified than comfortable and turned down a motion that rules be suspended to enable them to enjoy their shirt sleeves.

"How about newspaper men, don't they have to put on their top coats too?" Senator Conant demanded, when the vote was announced. President Burke declared that it was the reporter's privilege to be undignified.

Springfield, Ill., June 18.—From the Wisconsin point of view Illinois senators are very undignified. While Wisconsin solons sweated under coats, the Illinois senators made lather, not only with their coats off, but with their shirt sleeves rolled up.

Instatute Muscovite, Lodge at North Platte

North Platte, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Kremlin Kolo, Imperial Order of the Muscovites, the first kremlin in Nebraska, was instituted in this city yesterday. The initiatory work was put on by Kremling Riga of Denver, who brought with them \$16,000 worth of paraphernalia. Two hundred and seventy-four novices from a dozen or more counties in Nebraska passed over the burning sands.

A big parade headed by a band and a drum corps and in which a bear, a bull, burros, a water wagon and comic costumes figured was given at noon and in the evening a banquet marked by wild enthusiasm was held. The initiatory work was given in the afternoon and was a frolic from start to finish. Senator Hoagland was elected czar. The Muscovites are to Odd Fellowship what the Shriners are to Masonry.

Immigration to Palestine Subject of Y.M.H.A. Debate

Shall immigration to Palestine be restricted? The debating team of the Omaha Y. M. H. A. will argue the question with a Sioux City team today at 8 p. m. in Temple Israel.

Former Beatrice Man Dies at Illinois Home

Beatrice, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Word was received here today announcing the death of O. H. Swingley, for years tax collector for the Union Pacific, which occurred at his home, Mount Morris, Ill., the place of his birth. Mr. Swingley formerly lived at Omaha and Beatrice. Five children survive him.

First Poet Laureate Crowned in America



John G. Neihardt

T.P.A. to War on High Rail Rates

Drummers Launch Concerted Move Against Excessive Traveling Costs.

The poor traveling man! He is the butt of railroads, garage men and baggage men throughout the country, according to a telegram received today from Charles L. Hopper of Omaha, who is attending the national convention of the Travelers' Protective association in Louisville, Ky.

A concerted move launched by traveling men throughout the middle west is being centered against "the high cost of travel for commercial men, including hotels, livery and restaurants," according to the telegram.

Omaha traveling men protested particularly against so-called exorbitant rates charged by carriers of baggage, according to the telegram. Resolutions seeking a 2 1/2-cent a mile rate for railroad fare for commercial travelers were passed at the convention, Mr. Hopper stated. The present rate is 3.6 cents per mile.

Traveling men who rely much upon automobile trips over their territory also made protest against alleged high rates of the "small town liveryman."

Commercial travelers working out of Omaha welcomed the resolutions passed by the convention.

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Mystery Surrounds Return to Ireland of Stowaway Lord Mayor

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, June 18.—Assistant Secretary of Labor Henning announced today that he was now at liberty to stay that Donald O'Callaghan, the stowaway lord mayor of Cork, has left the United States.

No report of his departure had been received from any immigration official or port authority. Mr. Henning said, and no information in regard to the matter through any regular channel.

"O'Callaghan did not leave in the usual way," Mr. Henning said. "In fact, the manner of his departure was wholly irregular. But I have proof that he has gone."

Information in regard to O'Callaghan's movements was furnished by Michael Francis Doyle of Philadelphia, attorney for the lord mayor, who, upon the announcement that his client had landed in Ireland, today released Mr. Henning from his pledge of secrecy to the extent of permitting him to state that O'Callaghan had gone, but not to reveal the manner of his going.

Doyle declined to say when O'Callaghan left this country or how. He said he had reported the fact of his departure to the secretary of labor, "as a courtesy."

Prepare for Bankers

Sidney, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Chamber of Commerce through its president and directors, is making definite and complete plans for the entertainment of the bankers' convention to be held in Sidney in July.

Petition Asking Hughes to Stop Fight Presented

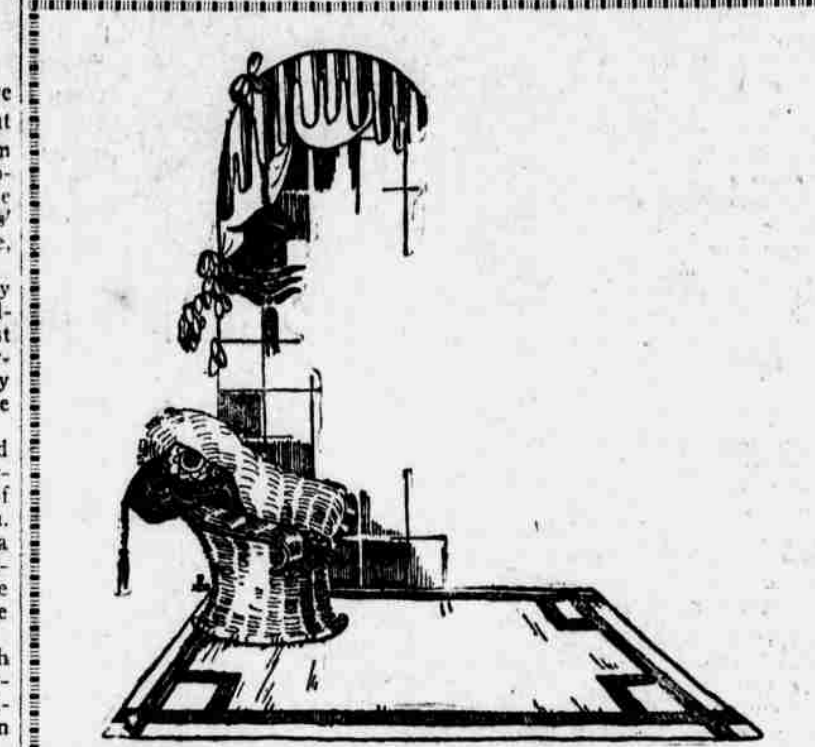
Dr. Wilber F. Crafts Says He Will Seek Judge to Enjoin Contest If Secretary Will Not Act.

Cincinnati, O., June 18.—Dr. Wilber F. Crafts of Washington, founder and head of the International Reform bureau, forwarded from Cincinnati today a petition to Secretary of State Hughes requesting him to stop the fight between Dempsey and Carpenter in Jersey City on July 2. The petition was sent on behalf of the Life and Thought club, an organization of business men of Lincoln, Neb., according to Dr. Crafts.

"The petition is based on the ground that the fight is a national disgrace," said Dr. Crafts today. "The supreme court of the United States held that neither Louisiana nor any other state could legalize a lottery to the detriment of the citizenship. Therefore no state has the power to legalize so brutal a spectacle as a prize fight. No state has the right to bargain away the public morals."

"If the petition bears no fruit I will look around for a judge who has courage enough to enjoin the fight, just as I enjoined one in which the late Bob Fitzsimmons was to participate in St. Paul.

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