

WHO WILL BE THE ATTORNEY

Bribery Investigating Committee Cannot Agree on What Counsel to Employ. EACH MEMBER HAS HIS FAVORITE MAN

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 22.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The resolution adopted by the house, instructing the senatorial bribery investigating committee to secure the services of an attorney to look after the state's side of the case, will be productive of quite a little squabbling before the matter is satisfactorily and definitely settled.

Representatives of the book trust, who have been laboring with the Colorado and Wyoming legislation, have arrived in Lincoln, and have already evinced a fatherly interest in the welfare of the members of the legislature.

It is claimed by some of the lawyers in the senate that Packwood's bill, which was acted upon favorably yesterday, is clearly unconstitutional. In proof of this, one of the points to sections 1 and 2. The first provides for the building and maintenance of transfer switches, while the second takes up quite a number of provisions for the regulation of fixing rates between two points on different lines of railroad.

The senate committee on railroads has been in session all day, and as a result of its deliberations a number of bills will be reported to the senate. One of these bills is senate file No. 147, introduced by Senator Stewart.

Senator Fox was taken up by the mantle in an advertisement left by Senator D. Jackson Packard and has become an ardent champion of pure food. He has offered a bill, officially known as the "Pure Food Bill," which he proposes to prevent the adulteration of food and drugs, and also provides for a "pure food commission."

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 22.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The state prohibitionists are in a state of excitement. The Lincoln board of health has taken an advertisement left by Senator D. Jackson Packard and has become an ardent champion of pure food.

WASHINGTON DAILY OMAHA

Small Turn Out for the Parade in the Afternoon. PATRIOTISM WAS TURNED LOOSE AT NIGHT

Eloquence Flowed Freely at Exposition Hall—Envoies to Washington and Lincoln—Tribute to the Stars and Stripes—Songs and Cheers. The general public celebration of Washington day in Omaha took the form of a parade in the afternoon and a meeting in the evening.

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BURNING BUSINESS JEALOUSY

Omaha Jobbers and Manufacturers Visit Lincoln's Exposition. RESULTS OF HOME PATRONAGE CRUSADE

The Lincoln members of the Manufacturers and Consumers' association of Nebraska, visiting a manufacturer's carnival or exposition in their city. At their request President Page called a meeting of the association for yesterday afternoon in Lincoln.

As soon as the party could be assembled at the President's residence, the company to order, and after the meeting, introduced Judge Lansing. The meeting was particularly happy mood, and entertained the members with a most witty speech that brought forth round after round of applause.

The subject of membership was then taken up, and as many of the members at Lincoln had never been voted upon for admission, the subject of membership was then taken up, and as many of the members at Lincoln had never been voted upon for admission.

Mr. Waugh of Lincoln said that five years ago it would have been easier for his firm to get the business of the state if it had not been for the home patronage movement.

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BE NEATH A SNOWY MANTLE

Pennsylvania and New England Snowed Under. FIERCE BLIZZARDS FURIOUSLY BLOW

New York, Feb. 22.—Through New York and Pennsylvania a fierce blizzard is raging today. In this city snow fell continuously from last night until 2 o'clock this afternoon, when the snow fall gave place to a rain, which has badly covered the snow in disagreeable quantities in many parts.

This afternoon relief trains with hundreds of section hands, snow shovellers and other workmen were sent out to assist in raising any blockade that may arise. They will be engaged in raising over the snow passages on any trains that may be stalled.

For Iowa—Light local showers, followed by clearing weather; winds shifting to northwesterly; probably colder Thursday night. For the Dakotas—Fair, preceded by local snows in eastern portion; northwesterly winds; slightly colder in South Dakota.

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CONDUCTOR'S BALL

Nearly Two Hundred Couples Enjoy a Gay Evening. Omaha Division No. 128, Order of Railway Conductors, gave its fourth annual ball at Washington hall last evening.

About 300 couples participated in the grand march, which was led by Superintendent R. S. Southernland of the Missouri Pacific and his wife. Under the able management of W. H. Madden, master of ceremonies, assisted by the committees composed of the following gentlemen, the affair passed off very pleasantly and was a grand success.

Speaking of the announcement that the Chicago switchmen would not strike this spring, Mr. Dickinson said that the switchmen were in a serious predicament for the Union Pacific, as it pays the Chicago men in all of its big yards.

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THE FIRE RECORD

One of Oklahoma's Leading Towns Almost Wiped Out by Fire. OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Feb. 22.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—One of the most disastrous fires ever known here broke out in this city this evening about 7:40 o'clock, originating in the Salvation Army hall, caused by torches of those marching in the hall.

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