

## HOUSE FRITTERS AWAY MOST VALUABLE TIME; LETS BUSINESS LAG

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### WORK IS PROVING FIZZLE

Call of Spring Makes House Members Unhappy.

### HAS NO LEADER OR OBJECT

Have Nineteen More Days for Effective Work.

### BILLS ARE PILING UP

Many of the Best Bills Have Been Killed Because of Absence of Investigating Committee Members.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
LINCOLN, March 9.—(Special.)—Unless it changes its ways, this great democratic house of Sherlooke will go down in history as the most dangerous joke ever perpetrated on the great state of Nebraska. It is a house without a leader and apparently without an object. It knows its own mind about a minute at a time. It has before it more bills than were ever introduced in a Nebraska legislature and though forty-one of the sixty days have passed only five bills have reached the governor—three appropriation measures, one to amend the Lincoln charter so that it will be possible for the city council to raise its bribe for the retention of the university on its present site and the fifth to adopt the code as prepared by a commission.

**Call of Farm Heard.**  
It has just nineteen more days if it adjourns at the end of the sixty days as contemplated by the constitution, and with such gorgeous spring weather and the green grass about to shoot up, it is going to be a real chore to keep the farmer members here when they are so badly needed at home—and the air is getting stale round the state house, and the cigar smoke is getting very obnoxious, so one can easily figure how much time is going to be devoted to bills now in the hands of standing committees—some 500 or 600 in addition to senate files.

The house frittered away the first days of the session appointing investigating committees, practically all of which are yet to complete their work and report. And the habit grows instead of diminishing. For as late as now, the house has decided to investigate the state senate and to learn if it is paying its sergeant-at-arms for a day more than he is entitled to. The senate happens to be republican and the house democratic.

**In Steps of Congress.**  
The house should not be censured for spending its time appointing investigating committees, however, for it is following the example set by the democratic congress and the committees are doing no damage to the state, and many bills are killed by reason of the absence of members of investigating committees. It figured the more bills killed the better off the state will be and if the house kills a bill it will have a place in the history as the best house ever convened for it would have slaughtered the most measures.

Incidentally the appointment of so many detectives has got on the nerves of a lot of members, and the appearance of a real detective here the other day caused much excitement round the hotels and the sale of curry combs increased materially.

**Hunt for Dictographs.**  
They tell the story that several members and several lobbyists bought dictographs to work over their rooms at the hotels to see that no dictographs were concealed behind the wall paper or under the rugs and in one instance, it is reported, an electrician was hired to search a room for evidence of any concealed machinery by which the dictograph could learn the things that were said in the room.

The democrats of the house will caucus either Tuesday or Wednesday night and at that time a sitting committee will be agreed upon and bills in the hands of standing committees after that date will stand very little chance of ever seeing the light of day.

In the meantime several democrats are making a lot of friends for the work they are doing and shortly after adjournment the papers will be discussing: could-be Governor Potts; would-be Attorney General Baker and would-be Land Commissioner Pries. The house is getting nowhere because it lacks organization and a recognized leader. Individually the members are doing the best they can, but most of them are new at the business and they lack the genius of organizing.

## MISS GLADYS LEWIS WINS AT BEATRICE

BEATRICE, Neb., March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Miss Gladys Lewis won the declamatory contest held at the high school last night, and will represent Beatrice in the contest to be held here during the meeting of the Southeastern Nebraska Educational association to be held March 27, 28 and 29. There were thirteen in the contest tonight.

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## RESCUE 100 FROM STEAMER

British Vessel En Route from Liverpool to Havana is Wrecked.

### IS FAST ON AJAX REEF

Passengers Bound for Cuban Capital Are Being Brought to Key West by Wrecking Tug.

KEY WEST, Fla., March 9.—More than 100 passengers are said to have been rescued from the British steamer Logane, from Liverpool to Havana, which ran ashore today on Ajax reef. The wrecking tug Rescuer is reported to be bringing the passengers to this port.

## Wilson Dodges Big Expectant Crowd at Church Service

WASHINGTON, March 9.—President Wilson made a quick shift in his plans for church going today. Instead of being the center of interest for a thousand curious eyes the Wilsons worshipped in a half filled church in a quiet part of the city. Announcements in local newspapers that the president would occupy this morning the Lincoln pew in the New York Avenue Presbyterian church brought out a crowd of curious persons who filled that broad thoroughfare from curb to curb for a block and a half. Long before 11 o'clock the users had to announce that all seats had been taken and the crowd had to be content with standing room on the sidewalk. The president, Mrs. Wilson and Miss Eleanor started shortly before 11 o'clock in a White House car for New York Avenue, but one glimpse of the crowd made the president change his mind. A word to the chauffeur, a quick turn and they were off on their way to another church. They were recognized by only a few persons on their way to the church, but after being seated, word began to spread that they were present and there was a polite craning of necks to see them.

## Burglars Captured After Hour's Fight; Credit Due Woman

SAN FRANCISCO, March 9.—Entrenched in the underbrush of Golden Gate park, Frank Dale, a 24-year-old burglar, held a posse of police at bay today until he fell unconscious from loss of blood resulting from a bullet wound that shattered his right leg. In a running fight before he was brought to bay Dale fired a bullet into the abdomen of Frank Peterson, a milk wagon driver, who had joined in the pursuit, Peterson is dying. Mrs. T. P. Sherman, wife of an employee of the United States mint, found Dale emerging from her house on her return home from a shopping trip, and grappled with him. Two city detectives, attracted by the struggle, took the burglar into custody, but a few minutes later they were taken unawares by their prisoner and stung into insensibility with a black jack. Mrs. Sherman, picking up a small board, again attacked the burglar, striking him on the head. Dale took refuge in flight, eventually outflung her, but not until a large crowd of citizens and policemen had joined her in the pursuit and he was compelled to take refuge in Golden Gate park. There he held his ground for more than an hour, exchanging shots with the people until he fell. Dale may die.

## Legislative League Banquets Wednesday

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
LINCOLN, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—The annual banquet of the Legislative League will be held Wednesday night at the Lincoln hotel, where all who have been members of the legislative will be welcomed. A program has been prepared, which includes G. W. Collins, first speaker of the Nebraska house, who served in 1868, Church Howe of Auburn and T. J. Majors of Peru. All are veterans in legislative service and will detail their experiences when toasts are called for. John Kuhl of Cedar county, the former speaker, has recently returned from Panama and he will talk about the big work being done in the zone. Henry Richmond, chief clerk of the house, has charge of arrangements and orders for tickets, which are \$1.50, may be sent to him. The prospect is for the attendance of many former members.

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## BOHEMIAN SOCIETY DAY AT NEBRASKA SHOW DRAWS CROWD

Two Big Parades Lead to the Auditorium, Where Exercises Are Held.

### PRAISE FOR THE BOHEMIAN

Speakers Show Thrift of the Settlers in Nebraska.

### FERULLO'S BAND PLEASURES

Noted Musicians Divide Honors of Day with Bohemians.

### BAND HERE FOR THE WEEK

"Beneda," the National Bohemian Dance, is Given in Middle of the Floor by Twenty Agile Bohemians.

Bohemian society day at the "Made in Nebraska" show, brought out upwards of 1,000 Bohemians from the various Bohemian societies of Omaha. They came in automobiles in two divisions. The first started from Turner hall at Thirteenth and Martha streets. The second division joined the first at Thirteenth and Williams streets, and together the column rolled in automobiles decorated with American flags, banners and emblems, to the Auditorium, where the program began at once. Mayor Dahlman delivered a short address of welcome. Responses on behalf of the Bohemians were made by Joseph T. Votava, F. J. Kutak and Dr. F. A. Sedlacek. The South Omaha Bohemian societies did not join as organizations in the celebration of the day. Repeated invitations were extended to them by Chairman Vlach Buresh to join in the celebration, but as regularly were the invitations tabled by the South Omaha societies. Omaha societies say this was because they have affiliated with the Omaha societies would have been in the minds of the South Omaha people a step toward consolidation.

### Attendance Large.

Although the receipts at the ticket office showed that the attendance yesterday was upwards of 1,000, the Bohemian element represented little more than a third of this audience, the day was recognized as Bohemian day even by the Francisco Ferullo band, which opened its ensemble at the show in the afternoon. The band stuck close to Bohemian selections during the afternoon program and drew forth repeated rounds of applause from the music-loving Bohemians, who recognized one after another of their favorite airs. Nothing during the afternoon attracted so much universal attention in the hour as did the "Beneda," the Bohemian national dance which was executed in a cleared space in the middle of the floor by some twenty agile Bohemians. It is the Bohemian folk dance, danced by the artistocracy and the peasantry alike. If it could ever be said that "every little movement has a meaning" of this dance, it could be truthfully said of this Bohemian dance that it is a song and every note of the song calls for a distinct movement in the dance. It was danced in peasant costume.

F. J. Kutak spoke of the industries of Nebraska and traced the rapid development of Nebraska as an agricultural state. Dr. F. A. Sedlacek spoke of the Bohemians in America, called attention to the poverty in which most of the Bohemians came to America and to Nebraska, and what a wonderful home they had found here in the way of opportunities.

### Achievements in Nebraska.

Joseph T. Votava spoke of the Bohemians and their achievements in Nebraska. In part he said: A good government and natural resources are necessary for the building up of a great people, yet there is another which is absolutely indispensable, and without which free government and natural riches are but a dead machine. We also need a race capable of running this machine. It is the coming of the white man the same soil was here, the same freedom, yet the Indian accomplished nothing, while the white man has accomplished everything. It is because of the brand of his citizens that I foretell a great and glorious future of our people. Nebraska is the various nationalities of the best blood of America and of Europe, distantly related and none of them directly related, is conducive to a healthy stock of men, and to doubt it would be foolish; then out of this "Melting Pot" of Nebraska should come and will come a people the equal of any in the world's history; a people which has the advantage of the superior things and which will do them.

But it was not necessary for me to go back to Europe to get the story of the work and the worth of the Bohemian element in our population. They have lived here for fifty years, and have proved their worth. They came here upon the invitation of one man, and to him the Bohemian people owe as much as to any one else. And not only that, but all the people of the state owe him a debt of gratitude for although many have amassed more wealth and others have achieved higher honors, yet none has done more for Nebraska, none has worked more unselfishly and successfully for the progress and the glory of our state, than did this man, Edward Rosewater. He started the first Bohemian newspaper in the west, the "Bohemian" with which our chairman, Mr. Buresh, is so ably continuing the good work begun by Mr. Rosewater. It was one of the purposes and results of this paper to get Bohemians to settle on the plains of Nebraska. He named it the Progress of the West and he well might have named it the West that even his fondest dreams were surpassed; and that he and other pioneers would concede that they bulled better than they knew.

When the Bohemian settler came here, although he has no money, yet he was well fitted for pioneer work. He came armed with a determination to succeed and with a willingness to work. He had native ability and more than ordinary schooling. It is a matter of just pride that, as the census shows, only 14 per cent of Bohemian immigrants are unable to read or write, being surpassed only by the Scandinavians, the Scotch, the Finns and the Englishmen. Things, because of their industry and thrift, they not only succeeded in making a good living for themselves and their families, but even became comparatively wealthy, so that today I can say, without any intention of boasting that there is as much wealth among them as among any other class of our people.

## BATTLE NEAR U. S. BOUNDARY

Mexican Federals and Rebels Start First Fight of Sonora Rebellion.

### HUERTA DENOUNCES MADERO

Declares Late President Gave Troops Orders to Fire on United States.

### DOUGLAS, ARIZ., MARCH 9.—Seven federal soldiers were killed in the first battle of the Sonora rebellion at Naco, Arizona, today, and one American, J. S. Williams, Jr., manager of the Montezuma Copper company, was shot in the leg. It is believed that many of the federal defenders were wounded. Constitutionalists sustained no appreciable loss, and succeeded in advancing their lines considerably.

The battle began at 8:30 o'clock this morning and was still in progress at 3:45 this afternoon, when a force of 500 rebels under Colonel Bracamonte, former prefecto of Sonora, was marching to reinforce the rebel command, which is encamped on the outskirts of Agua Prieta, encountered part of the federal garrison of 250 rurales protecting the town. It is expected that the constitutionalists will take advantage of darkness to enter Naco, a town which they intend to capture, if possible, at the beginning of the campaign. Refugees from Naco have been flocking over the border here during the last two days, and it is believed that all women have left the besieged town.

### Rebels Burn Bridges.

During the attack on Naco, the rebels burned the bridge at Ysabel, between Naco and the border, to prevent federal reinforcements being sent from border points. The little federal garrison of 50 soldiers at Agua Prieta is momentarily expecting attacks from the rebels. Although Naco is only a short distance from the border, none of the defenders of Agua Prieta dared venture to the rescue of the besieged garrison. The rebels made no movement against Agua Prieta today, but it is expected that an attack has been planned by the rebel commander some time after midnight or early Sunday morning. Agua Prieta and Douglas are divided only by the imaginary line and much apprehension is felt here for the safety of Douglas residents in event of the expected battle.

## W. B. Howard Home Burns While Family Is Attending Church

Fire completely gutted the residence of W. B. Howard, state auditor, Forty-eighth and Capitol avenue yesterday noon while all the members of the family were at church. Neighbors noticed smoke coming from the windows and telephoned the department, but before water could be turned on nearly all the furniture had been ruined and several thousand dollars damage was done to the house. How the fire started was a complete mystery to the firemen as well as Mr. Howard, who was home from Lincoln to spend Sunday with his family, which has delayed moving to Lincoln until after the close of the school term. What makes the fire more of a mystery is because there was no fire in the furnace nor the kitchen yesterday. Mr. Howard said he could see no other way of it starting except from electric wires.

## PET BULLDOG ASSISTS POLICE TO MAKE ARREST

DENVER, March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—A pet bulldog unintentionally aided the police in the capture of its master and mistress at the Union station this morning. The police were notified by a telegram from Sidney, Neb., to arrest Arthur Hammond and his wife when they alighted from the Rock Island train from Nebraska. The only description given of Hammond was that he wore brown shoes and had a bulldog. The telegram arrived ten minutes after the train and when City Detective Hall and Policeman Sullivan started out to get the pair all they could find was the dog, which was tied to one of the seats. They waited until Hammond and his wife returned to the depot to get the dog, after engaging rooms and board at an uptown hotel, and then they arrested them.

## STRIKING RUBBER WORKERS CLASH WITH AKRON POLICE

AKRON, O., March 9.—Striking rubber workers clashed with the police today Bricks were thrown by the strikers and their sympathizers and the police used their clubs with telling effect on the strikers. Two of the strikers were clubbed into unconsciousness and were rushed to a hospital. Leaders of the Industrial Workers of the World say the "I. W. W. reserves" will come here and that they will use the same tactics recently employed at Lawrence, Mass., and elsewhere. Sheriff David R. Ferguson, leading a force of deputies, received a broken nose when a brick was hurled by one of the attacking party.

## ALLIANCE DEBATERS WIN FROM RUSHVILLE

ALLIANCE, Neb., March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—The union form of government was the subject of debate between Rushville High school and Alliance High school here last night. Scott Brown, Malcolm Curtis and Jerome Ward of Rushville presented the negative while Miss Leona Mallory, Max Wilcox and Michael Nolan represented Alliance on the affirmative. Alliance won 2 to 1. The judges were Dean W. Stockwell and Charles W. Philpot of Chadron Normal and ex-Deputy State Superintendent Frank F. Perdue of Madison.

## BLIND SINGER HOLDS CROWD WITH THEATER IN FLAMES

WORCESTER, Mass., March 9.—The coolness of Edward F. Boyle, a blind singer, in keeping on with his song while fire spread rapidly in the balcony of a local theater tonight, prevented a panic among the 500 spectators, all of whom fled out to safety. When the last of the audience reached the door, Joseph L. Rogers, the pianist, leaped on the stage and led the blind man out through a rear exit. On February 13, while playing at another theater, Rogers was caught in a fire, but stuck to his post until all the audience fled out. In tonight's fire the theater was destroyed.

## Japanese Workman Shot.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—S. Sakamoto, a Japanese employed by the Burlington at Moorcroft, Wyo., was perhaps fatally shot last night by an unidentified assailant. Several shots fired through the window of the pump house, where he was at work, took effect in his lungs and stomach. He is believed to be a victim of the unwritten law.

## The Whole Dem. Family



From the Minneapolis Journal.

## STEVEDORES' BOSS ACCUSED AS CAUSE OF HARBOR WRECK

Survivor Tells of Assistant Foreman Thrusting Balhook Into Box of Dynamite.

### LABORERS WORKING SLOWLY

Bomhardt Arrested by Coroner and Held for Jury of Inquest.

### TWO EXPLOSIONS ON STEAMER

Accused Man Says One Caused by Dropping Box of Dynamite.

### SEVENTEEN BODIES IDENTIFIED

Property Loss Caused by Disaster to British Ship is Estimated at Nearly Half a Million Dollars.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 9.—William J. Bomhardt, assistant foreman of the gang of stevedores who were loading the dynamite into the British steamer Alum Chine before the explosion on Friday, was arrested shortly after midnight and is held for a jury of inquest, summoned by Coroner Russell. The coroner ordered the arrest, after a statement made to him by Morris Price, a stevedore. According to the coroner, Price told him that Bomhardt reproved several of the stevedores for working too slow, at the same time hastily jabbing a bale hook into one of the boxes of dynamite in a chute. Immediately there was an explosion.

Earlier in the night, Bomhardt made a statement that there were two explosions aboard the vessel, the first occurring when a box of dynamite he and another man were handling, exploded when they set it on the floor. Efforts today to determine the exact number of dead and injured as a result of the explosion were only partially successful. Seventeen bodies have been identified, two remain in the morgue unidentifiable, two men among the missing have been given up as lost and it is thought that at least ten stevedores, who were known only by numbers, lost their lives. Two of the forty-three known injured probably will die.

## FRIEDMANN TREATS PATIENT

Seventeen Tuberculosis Sufferers Make Use of Supposed Cure. SPECIALIST TRIES IT ON SELF

NEW YORK, March 9.—Seventeen tubercular patients were treated by Dr. Friedrich E. Friedmann with the vaccine which he claims is a cure for tuberculosis at a private clinic yesterday. Announcement that this clinic had been held was made tonight by the Berlin physician. It was understood Dr. Friedmann was preparing for a meeting tomorrow with government health officials from Washington. Before whom tests of his treatment are to be conducted.

Tonight's announcement said that the demonstration this afternoon took place in the offices of physicians, in the presence of a score or more of medical men, many of whom had brought patients with them. Dr. Friedmann acted as a consulting physician and therefore abided by the law which provides against the practice of the profession without a license. Of the cases treated eleven were of pulmonary tuberculosis, two of tuberculosis of the knee, two of the kidney and bladder and two of the glands. The physicians present several were from distant states. Dr. E. G. Thrash of Atlanta, a specialist in tuberculosis cases, said that there was little delay in treating the patients and that the technique in administering the treatment had been correct. Most of the patients were asked to come back in ten days.

All the cases, Dr. Thrash said, "were moderately well advanced." "One of the knee cases," Dr. Harry Benjamin, Dr. Friedmann's assistant, said, "was very interesting in view of the fact that the physician, who had the case in charge is a well known specialist on tuberculosis of the knee and had decided that an immediate operation was necessary on the knee joint." Whether the government tests would take place tomorrow or Monday before Dr. Friedmann leaves for Montreal for demonstration there had apparently not been decided tonight.

## Another Appeal in Castellane Divorce

ROME, March 9.—Monsignor Parrillo has appealed against the recent decision of the Rota tribunal annulling the marriage of Count Boni de Castellane and Anna Gould, now the Duchess de Talland. Two decisions already have been rendered by this court, the first against the annulment and the second, reversing the former decree and granting the annulment. The case will now come up for the third time at the sitting of the Rota, about two months hence and Monsignor Parrillo's appeal has been entrusted to Monsignor John Prior, an English member of the Rota tribunal, for the necessary investigation.

No matter what the decision of this court may be, another appeal is possible, but only if based on errors in the procedure or law, or on new evidence.

## Abe Lincoln once said

that calling the tail of the cow the fifth leg and "at the cow still had only four legs. Stating that the want ads in your paper get better results than those of any other paper does not alter facts. It is not talk that counts—its results. The Bee doesn't talk a great deal about its classified columns, but it just lets the little business getters work, and the returns show how well these do their task. You don't believe in talking a tall hog, and surely you don't believe all the other talk you hear. Let The Bee prove to you—that's the way to settle the advertisement question.

Tyler 1000  
After 6, Tyler 1001.

### The Weather

For Nebraska—Fair.  
For Iowa—Fair.  
Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

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| Hour     | Temp. |
| 6 a. m.  | 52    |
| 7 a. m.  | 52    |
| 8 a. m.  | 52    |
| 9 a. m.  | 52    |
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| 11 a. m. | 52    |
| 12 m.    | 52    |
| 1 p. m.  | 52    |
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