

STARTS ON EQUALIZATION

Several Counties Protest on the Assessment of Their Neighbors.

BOARD REQUESTED TO BOOST SEVERAL

Decision that Where Any County is Increased or Decreased the Same Shall Not Apply to Railroad Property.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, July 18.—(Special.)—With a good sprinkling of county assessors and members of county boards present and two members absent Land Commissioner Folmer and Auditor Weston of the State Board of Equalization held its initial session this afternoon, and it was a shirt-sleeve occasion, Governor Mickey being the first to shed his coat. While nothing of importance was done at the meeting, as there are still eleven counties to be heard from, some points that were expected to create considerable discussion were settled without debate and without any formal action. The first was that when the valuation of a county is increased or decreased by per cent as the law requires the valuation of the railroad property will not be affected, even though the law requires that the increased per cent shall be added to each and every piece and parcel of property in the state. M. J. House raised the question when Governor Mickey explained to him that the changes in the assessment would be made by a per cent increase instead of by changing the levy, as has been the law.

"Will that then apply to railroad property?" asked Mr. House.

"No, sir," said the governor, "we have fixed the assessment of railroad property and that is settled." Treasurer Mortensen nodded his approbation.

Another thing that this meeting brought out is that in all probability the board will use the railroad assessment as a basis upon which to work, though Governor Mickey will compare the rest of the counties with his beloved Polk to see whether the assessors have done their duty. This was indicated by the frequent questions he asked the visitors.

Of the five or six counties represented not one of them will do ask for a decrease in valuation, though some of them had been increased over 75 per cent over last year. Each representative said his county authorities had tried to do their duty according to law and all they asked was that should the board see fit to increase the valuation of the counties he given notice and an opportunity to protest. Seward county asked that the valuation of land in York county be increased and on top of that request House of Butler asked that both York and Seward counties be increased. Though the valuation of Seward county had been increased 100 per cent over last year, its representative said he would be satisfied with the assessment if York county was raised, and he told how much York county land is and the land of Seward county.

Case asked that Richardson, Johnson and Nemaha counties be raised.

C. E. Eldred, county assessor of Red Willow county explained to the board that while the increase of valuation in his county was not so great a per cent as was the per cent of increase of some of the eastern counties, it was due to the fact that heretofore his county, as well as other western counties, had assessed their property high in order to raise money with which to run their schools, and he further assured the board that the property in his county had been valued at its cash value. Governor Mickey agreed with Mr. Eldred that the western land previously had been assessed too high.

Assessor Reed Explains.

County Assessor Reed of Douglas county was asked by the board to explain the decrease in two towns in Douglas county as well as the decrease in farm acreage. He told that this year in many instances two or three towns were turned in as one description, when heretofore each lot had been on description. For instance, this year if a man had a house on three lots the valuation was turned in as one, while last year the valuation was divided into three lots. Lots of farm lands had been taken into cities and some lots and farms had dropped into the city.

House of Butler county protested to the board against considering as a basis the value of land as shown by sales, which Land Commissioner Folmer has been compiling, for the reason, he said, that only the best land had been sold and for a basis the sales would not be fair.

The meeting was merely an informal discussion entered into by the board members and the visitors, among whom were C. E. Eldred, assessor of Red Willow county; County Commissioner Carey of Cedar; Assessor Tegarden and County Clerk L. A. Tyson, Commissioners W. B. Banning and Turner Zink of this county and J. E. Dalenbeck of Seward. County Assessor Reed of Douglas county, County Attorney Miller of Lancaster, County Attorney Raper of Pawnee and others. The tax commissioner.

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Richard of the Burlington was here this morning, but did not attend the meeting.

Reverses State Court.

The United States supreme court has overruled the Nebraska supreme court in the case wherein the First National bank of Schuyler loaned money to Gadsdon. To prevent collection the defendant alleged that the interest charged was usury. The Nebraska supreme court handed down a decision that the bank must deduct the interest and payments made on the note from the original note, but the United States court held that in this case usury is not a defense.

To Control Little Nemaha.

AUBURN, July 18.—(Special.)—There was a meeting of owners of land on the Little Nemaha river at Brock Saturday for the purpose of taking steps looking to the redemption of such lands from under the old drainage law, as the constitutionality of that law has been definitely settled while the legality of the new swamp land law is pending in the supreme court on a motion for rehearing.

The meeting was comprised of the owners of bottom lands in both Nemaha and Otoe counties. The owners of such lands in Nemaha county appointed a committee consisting of D. A. Mease, Emile Berlet, John C. Deuser, M. J. Clarke and J. W. Lamb, with power to employ an attorney to draft the proper petition and bond to be filed with the county clerk, to be acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners. It is the purpose to push the thing through with all the expedition possible.

Congratulating Paul Morton.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—A number of Mr. Joy Morton's guests at Arbor Lodge from Omaha returned to their homes late Saturday night by a special train to Burlington. The guests from Chicago spent a very quiet Sunday. In the morning a number of the guests drove or rode out in the country, others visited Morton park and the Overland Country club. In the afternoon the guests remained at Arbor Lodge, strolling about the beautiful grounds or enjoying a quiet smoke on the cool and spacious verandas. A number of the old friends of the secretary of the navy called during the afternoon and paid their respects, while the guests of the evening were entertained at the honor conferred on him by the president. About 7 o'clock in the evening Mr. Morton and his guests were driven to the Burlington station, where the special train of private cars conveyed the party to Chicago.

Junior Normal a Success.

VALENTINE, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—The first five weeks of the Valentine Junior Normal has been a very successful one, more so than that of the same time last year. The teachers are performing their work with energy and enthusiasm. One needs but to visit the various classes and note the interest displayed by the instructors and the splendid success. Too much cannot be said in praise of the hospitality of the citizens of Valentine. All show a determination to make the sojourn of the teachers pleasant as well as profitable. Yesterday practically all the teachers and audience of Judge Walcott, enjoyed an outing in Parry's grove. This grove lies on the banks of the Niobrara river, at the base of tall bluffs, which are thickly studded with pines, cedars, oaks, elms and birches. A few farmers say that a majority say the harvest will be the best in years. Corn is doing well and indications point to a big yield this fall.

Rebuilding Erlson Dam.

GREENHORN, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—The dam at Erlson across the Cedar river is to be rebuilt. A party from Central City has purchased 900 acres of land, taking in the entire lake bed and will construct a dam of solid masonry near where the old dam stood. The lake will be stocked with fish, and a picnic ground will be located in the bayous above the contemplated dam. The place will then be fitted up as a modern pleasure resort. The old feed mill will be converted into a power house for an electric light plant and the belated fisherman will no longer need to hurry home. Work on the dam is to start immediately and sixty days is the time set for constructing the dam. This will give to the people here boating, fishing and shooting this fall.

Battle Creek Girl to Wed.

BATTLE CREEK, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—Miss Ella Curas and her mother, Mrs. T. L. Curas, left here yesterday for a visit at the home of A. J. Simpson, of Omaha, until Monday when Miss Curas goes to San Francisco, Cal., where upon her arrival she will be married to C. P. Simpson of that place, son of A. J. Simpson, of Omaha.

Miss Curas is well known in press circles here. She was born in Battle Creek in 1881, graduated from the high school in 1898 and immediately after went into the printing office here, where she has been constantly employed up to her last day here.

She was the recipient of many valuable wedding presents from her numerous friends here.

Killed in Railroad Wreck.

HASTINGS, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—Word was received here today of the sudden death of Edgar Morledge, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Morledge of this city. It seems that Mr. Morledge was killed in a railroad wreck near Colorado Springs while on duty as fireman on the Colorado Southern railroad. The remains will arrive in Hastings over the Burlington at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning and the funeral will be held from the family residence at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The services will be in charge of the Methodist church, of which order the deceased was a member.

Jumps from Car Window.

NORFOLK, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—A special to the Daily News from Bonesteel

says that Clay Henkle of Selma, Ia., jumped through the window of a car en route from Norfolk to Bonesteel. He suddenly became crazy. The train backed up, but the conductor was unable to locate the man. Later he was found by the village marshal and was uninjured. He still wanted to go to Bonesteel.

Dedicate New Church.

ALLIANCE, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—Rev. B. M. Long, D. D. of Lincoln, Neb., preached the dedicatory sermon of the First Presbyterian church here today. The church is one of the most substantial and handsome edifices of western Nebraska and is a lasting monument to the untiring zeal of its pastor, Rev. H. P. V. Bogue.

News of Nebraska.

FALLS CITY, July 18.—The Episcopal congregation will erect a \$2,000 rectory just east of the church, modern and up-to-date. It will be started at once.

TABLE ROCK, July 18.—The elevator of E. R. Smith at the Falls City mill, built by the Falls City Mill & Company, of Humboldt, possession to be given August 1 next.

FALLS CITY, July 18.—The Falls City mill will resume the operation of its ice plant August 1. He will build a large and up-to-date cold storage department in connection.

TABLE ROCK, July 18.—At the Silver Medal Contest, held at the opera house, there were seven contestants, the medal being won by Miss Zelma McCracken.

BEATRICE, July 18.—A valuable horse belonging to a son of Peter Neils, a prominent farmer, South Omaha, was stolen from his farm southwest of Beatrice, died yesterday as a result of a rattlesnake bite.

COTUI, Neb., July 18.—A man, who effected an entrance to the residence of M. C. Cassin at 5 o'clock this morning. They were discovered by the police and arrested. They are now in jail and will answer to a charge of burglary.

BEATRICE, July 18.—The board of supervisors has made a levy of nine mills for general purposes which will bring in the following amounts: road fund, \$3,492.29; bridge fund, \$1,343.18; relief fund, \$67.15; insane fund, \$1,242.30.

TABLE ROCK, July 18.—Arrangements have been made for holding union services in the park Sunday during the heated term instead of at the churches. The first of the series of discourses will be preached by Rev. A. Tyler, the M. E. pastor, this evening.

FALLS CITY, July 18.—At the last meeting of the Commercial club the following officers were elected: F. W. Michel, president; George Hall, vice president; C. N. Niek, secretary; W. A. Greenwood, treasurer; V. G. Lyford, P. S. Hancock and Charles M. Wilson, board of directors. The club has between fifty and seventy-five active members.

BEATRICE, July 18.—Some fields of wheat in this vicinity have been cut the past few days, but the yield is so poor that it hardly pays to harvest. The past week has been warm and dry, and corn is looking fine. A few more days of dry weather and the farmers will have most of their corn laid by for the season.

TABLE ROCK, July 18.—Hon. S. P. Davidson, of Teunisp, and J. C. Dort, of Pawnee, appeared before the village board Friday morning to remonstrate in the session case, which is appealed to the district court, and will be heard at the Falls City Wednesday next. Hon. C. P. Reavis, of Falls City, is the attorney for the petitioner.

TABLE ROCK, July 18.—The extra stock of the Table Rock Clay company ordered held some time ago, has been ordered of and the erection of a second plant on the ground recently purchased for that purpose will begin in the new machinery for the same having been already ordered. The new plant will be up-to-date in all particulars and will have a capacity of 50,000 brick a day.

FALLS CITY, July 18.—August 23, 24 and 25 are the dates set for the order picnic to be held in Falls City. All the fraternal orders join in this event, and it grows bigger and better each year. Each order will be represented by its best speaker. The best of the order will take part and each day a parade of the orders will be a feature.

WEST POINT, July 18.—The intensely hot weather of the past week has been of incalculable benefit to growing corn. The plants are making growth and are very strong and thrifty. Harvest of small grain began this week. Considerable work has developed, but not to such an extent as to materially affect the yield. Hay already cut shows a yield much above the average.

BEATRICE, July 18.—Excursion trains were run to this city from Omaha, Omaha, McFarland and Manhattan, Kan., and Holdrege, Nebraska City, Stromberg and Valley, Neb., and other points. The board of 10,000 Chautauqua visitors, Rev. Sam Jones was the attraction this afternoon and the Excursion Concert company this evening. The Chautauqua closes next Friday.

OSCEOLA, July 18.—One of the most terrific thunder and rainstorms that has taken place in Osceola and Polk county occurred on Saturday night and Sunday morning, during which time two and one-quarter inches of rain fell. The crops were damaged, but the people were not injured. The storm was very heavy and it will grade well on the market. A few farmers say that a majority say the harvest will be the best in years. Corn is doing well and indications point to a big yield this fall.

ASHLAND, July 18.—Star lodge No. 3, Knights of Pythias, at the regular meeting installed the following officers: J. W. White, vice commander; John Kirker, prelate; J. Allen Moss, master of finance; A. J. Senger, master of exchequer; Nelson Shaver, winner guard; William J. Hyatt, guard; J. Henry Hyatt. The ceremonies of installation were conducted by Deputy Grand Chancellor Charles J. O'Connell, of Omaha. At the conclusion of the installation refreshments were served.

FALLS CITY, July 18.—A committee from the Commercial club composed of President Michel, V. G. Lyford, P. S. Hancock, W. A. Greenwood and J. C. Dort, met today to have a talk about the county roads and the condition of the same. The club wants help from the county in the matter of the roads. The club has been spring the merchants of Falls City lose hundreds of dollars worth of business through the impassable condition of the bottom roads leading into town, which goes to the smaller towns along by and which would come here.

BEATRICE, July 18.—Bad blood exists between the Salvation Army and the Boomers here. A few days ago in the interest of the Volunteers of America, F. E. White, vice chancellor, John Kirker, prelate; J. Allen Moss, master of finance; A. J. Senger, master of exchequer; Nelson Shaver, winner guard; William J. Hyatt, guard; J. Henry Hyatt. The ceremonies of installation were conducted by Deputy Grand Chancellor Charles J. O'Connell, of Omaha. At the conclusion of the installation refreshments were served.

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These Hot Time Days in Bee's Voting Contest for Ten Trips to St. Louis.

INSIDE INN ROW HAS A WALKOUT

Omaha Woman Fills the Vacancy and Mr. Long of Council Bluffs Steps Into the Upper Saloon.

Another commotion has agitated inside Inn row in the Bee's voting contest yesterday when the South Omaha candidate walked out and an Omaha lady, whether of union or nonunion proclivities is not known, stepped into his shoes. This is a general walk-out, as it is understood, but a rumor seems to be persistently circulated that on Saturday a general walkout will occur by all bit ten, who will do theirs on a Wabash train. The vote at 2 p. m. Monday, July 18, was:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes Harry G. Long, Council Bluffs (1,005), Anna Johnson, Omaha (1,432), H. J. Aberly, South Omaha (1,325), etc.

TWO ARE HURT IN A FIGHT

Husband of Illinois Woman Shoots Her Brother and is Fatally Struck.

PEORIA, Ill., July 18.—William Freeman and Samuel Slater, two machinists, are in the Cottage hospital suffering from horrible wounds inflicted in a savage fight. Mrs. Freeman, who is Slater's sister, and the hospital attaches can hold out no hope for the recovery of either. Freeman and wife recently separated, and the husband laid in wait for her and her brother in a lonely spot at a late hour last night. When they came along Freeman shot Slater in the abdomen. The latter, despite his wound, bore him down, and with a knife inflicted many horrible cuts about the head, neck, face and arms. Both men were unconscious when the police arrived and removed them to the hospital.

DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. John Eichstadt. Mrs. John Eichstadt died suddenly of heart failure last night at her home, six miles north of Stella. She was in town Saturday and yesterday attended church and retired yesterday evening apparently in good health, but at 11 o'clock arose and went to the kitchen for a drink and fell dead. She was a fleshy woman and had suffered with heart trouble some during the past winter. Funeral services will be held Wednesday when the police arrived and removed them to the hospital.

Mrs. T. D. Knapp.

HASTINGS, Neb., July 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. T. D. Knapp died here last night. Services will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow morning at the family residence on Fourth street and Kerr avenue. The remains will be sent to York, Nebraska, where the funeral will be held at 3 o'clock from the Methodist church.

Mrs. Emly Brewster.

BEATRICE, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Emly Brewster, 61 old resident of this city and the widow of the late Walter Brewster, died at her home in this city this morning at an advanced age. The remains will be taken to Illinois for interment.

Christine Anderson.

Mrs. Christine Anderson, aged 75, died Sunday night at the home of her son, Waldo Anderson, 542 Hawthorne avenue. Old age is ascribed as the cause of death. The remains will be shipped to Jewel Center, Ia., for interment.

Amanda Stoner.

Mrs. Amanda Stoner, 2021 Cuming street, a young matron with many friends, died Sunday after a brief illness. She was 26 years old. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 12 o'clock from the residence with burial at Forest Lawn.

York Coming to Tournament.

YORK, Neb., July 18.—(Special.)—The York fire department is making preparations to attend the state tournament to be held in Norfolk August 22, 23 and 24. While they are not practicing as hard or have they kept as many runners, yet they expect to be able to make a good showing and possibly carry away some of the prizes which, as a rule, York always secures at the State Firemen's tournament.

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FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair and Warm Today and Wednesday for Nebraska and Neighboring States.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday:

For Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Arizona, Colorado and Wyoming—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday.

For Indiana and Illinois—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; light southerly winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU. OMAHA, July 18.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the past three years:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Maximum, Minimum, Precipitation. Shows data for 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER.

Table with 2 columns: Location, Condition. Lists weather for Omaha, Valentine, North Platte, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, Rapid City, Huron, Williston, St. Louis, Des Moines, Kansas City, Helena, Bismarck, Galveston.

more excitement for tuesday at 10 a. m.

center aisle, near door—an embroidery sale of nainsook and swiss insertions—no edgings—these are from broken sets and will go at 5 cents per yard. When stock was complete and we could match—the prices were 10 cents to 18 cents per yard. at same place, a lot of point de paris and torchon laces—an excellent assortment—one price to close—9 cents per yard. If sets were not broken you would pay 20 cents per yard.

east aisle—a great snap in children's fast black full seamless, ribbed stockings, good value at 15 cents—if all the little tots are not going barefoot these hot days—there should be a rush for these at 6 cents.

mother's opportunity—on tuesday, the boys' waists and blouses will go at 50 cents—woven madras, mother's friend—k and e—and cadets—the very best—always and everywhere—75 cents and \$1.00.

linen counter—pillow shams made from fine lawn—lace insertings and trimmings—a lot of irish point scarfs—all at one price, 79 cents each, worth 2 to 3 times that price.

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