

Nebraska

COUNTIES MAY LOWER TAX Act of State Board Will Give County Boards Chance.

EFFECT OF STATE BOARD'S CUT Deficiencies Owing to Lack of Appropriations by Last Legislature Bear Considerable Part in Sum Total of State Tax.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—By reducing the general levy this year the State Board of Assessment has made it possible for taxes to be reduced. It is now up to the county boards whether the work begun by the state board will be followed by the county boards. Had the state legislature at its last session provided sufficient funds by appropriation to pay the total running expenses of the state during the biennium just closing the board would have been able to have made the levy considerably less.

By reducing the levy the 1 mill which they did the board cut out \$157,630.68 from the total amount of state taxes chargeable to counties, as compared with the amount last year. The 1-mill levy for university and the 1/2 mill for state aid bridges has to stand, as the state law requires that much of a levy.

Following is a statement of the levy made last year, as compared with what the levy will amount to this year on the general, university and bridge levies:

Table with 2 columns: County Name and Levy Amount. Lists counties from Adams to York with their respective levy amounts for 1911 and 1912.

Notes from Seward. SEWARD, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Two special trains will bring Lutherans to the Mission Fest to be held in the fair grounds park here on Sunday. A band will accompany the hymns. Five thousand people are expected. Rev. Hilgendorf of Cheyenne, Wyo., will speak in English in the afternoon.

St. Paul's First Assembly Opens. ST. PAUL, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—The St. Paul chautauqua starts today and lasts five days. The Students Men's association found no trouble in disposing of sufficient season tickets to pay the guarantee to the chautauqua association.

Alma Assembly is Success. ALMA, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—The annual chautauqua assembly closes this evening after a week's session with a concert by the Royal Italian Guards band.

Persistent Advertising is the Road to Big Returns.

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Three Pioneers of Cuming County Die

WEST POINT, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Joseph Provaznik, an old settler of this community, died at the family residence at West Point. He was seventy-seven years of age and was a native of Bohemia and had been a resident of West Point for thirty-seven years. He was found dead in bed, his demise being due to heart failure and the infirmities of age.

Rudolph Brummond, a well known and wealthy farmer residing northeast of West Point, died of typhoid fever on Wednesday at the family home. Four of his children are affected seriously with the same disease. Mr. Brummond was a man of advanced age and a native of Germany. It is believed that the disease was contracted from the use of water for drinking and domestic purposes from an old well. His wife is recovering from the recovery of the rest of the family.

Word was received in the city yesterday of the death at Bancroft of Mrs. John Conlin. The deceased was a pioneer woman of Cuming county, of an influential and wealthy family and was highly respected. Further details of the life are not available.

NORTH PLATTE IS EXTENDING WATER PLANT

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Work on the extension of the water mains in this city began this week. Numerous new mains are being laid throughout the city. The expense of the extensions will be about \$20,000. A new pump is also being put in at the plant and all necessary improvements being made to bring the plant to a point that it will be adequate and sufficient to take care of all the city's needs. While the waterworks question was in dispute and litigation, which was for some five or six years, no extensions or improvements were made and the plant was even inadequate for the conditions existing that many years ago.

Barn Burned at Ashland

ASHLAND, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Fire, which is believed to be of incendiary origin, destroyed the barn used as a veterinary hospital by Dr. Earl Worley, shortly before 1 o'clock Saturday morning. The fire was first discovered by Mrs. J. J. Gorman of the Selma hotel and had gained some headway before the firemen arrived, but they succeeded in confining the blaze to that building, although other adjacent buildings took fire. The barn, which was close to the Farmers' and Merchants' bank, Selma hotel, the postoffice and the business part of town, was owned by Conrad Whistler, whose insurance was \$100. Dr. Worley's loss on veterinary tools was heaviest.

Practical Picnic at Shelby

SHELBY, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—This is the last of two days of the practical picnic here. Ex-Governor A. C. Shallenbarger spoke in the afternoon. Shelby defeated the Stromburg nine Thursday and today won from Polk in a ten-inning game, by a score of 7 to 7. Batteries: Shelby, Buffum, Stokesberry and Ramsey; Polk, Goethe and Goethe. This gives Shelby considerable lead in the Polk county ball league.

EXPLOSIVES MADE OF COTTON

Process of Transforming the Fibre into Smokeless Gun Powder.

Did you ever think that your pillow case or perhaps your cotton handkerchief held all of the potentialities of a powerful explosive? It may sound strange, but such is one of the marvels of chemistry and the mystery of cellulose—the tubular or cellular fiber of all dried vegetable matter. It is from cotton that we make our smokeless powder, and it will probably interest our readers to learn something of the way in which harmless cotton can be converted into a powerful and properly-controlled explosive.

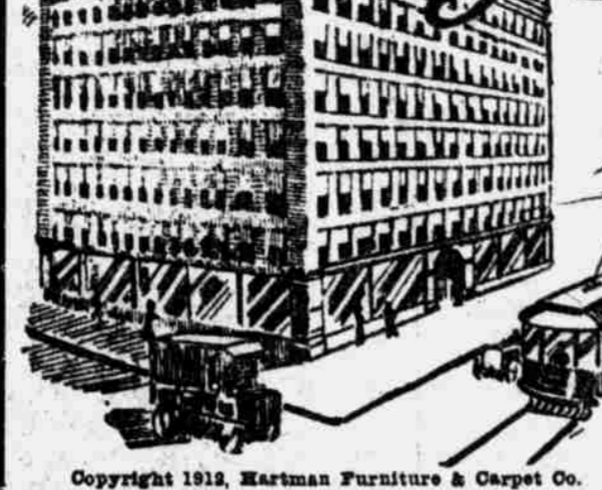
When cotton is steeped in nitric acid, the material becomes soluble in a mixture of ether and alcohol if the percentage of nitration does not exceed a certain definite limit. When the ether-alcohol solvent has later been evaporated from the nitrated cotton, the stuff becomes a hard, tough, brown mass, something like stick candy. When it has reached this stage—having been subjected to various pressures and properly dried in the meanwhile—the erstwhile cotton has become smokeless powder and is ready for service in the guns.

The steeping of the cotton in nitric acid converts the material into an explosive, and from that point onward the manufacturer goes his best to get rid of all of the free acid remaining. This is necessary in order to make the stuff stable, and to prevent decomposition which may be dangerous—as in the case of the Liberte's—French navy a few months ago. The acid-soaked cotton—the technical man calls it gun-cotton or "pyro"—is put in vats and boiled for hours in water to extract most of the unabsorbed acid. This is not enough, however, in the name of purity, and the nitrated cotton or "pyro" is next subjected to a further cooking or poaching in a mill which is the double of the pulping plant employed in the making of paper. After hours of this washing—combined with frequent chahses of water—the pulp "pyro" is then run through a press to get rid of a little more than half of the water it contains. After this, in order to reduce the moisture to the required degree, the "pyro" is put in a press and alcohol is poured on top of it. The alcohol and the pressure drive the water out, and enough alcohol is left in to form the required solvent when a certain percentage of ether is added. The "pyro" has now become what the professional man calls "colloid"—a cousin to celluloid. Chemically, the smokeless powder is complete, but there are some mechanical operations necessary before we have something fit for military use.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Some people manage to see their duty in "time to dodge it."

The girl who expects love to come after marriage is apt to bump up against a great disappointment.

HARTMAN'S SPECIAL SALE Exhibition Furniture Samples



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Most Remarkable Bargain Event of the Year

The second week of record breaking crowds and unparalleled values in furniture and home furnishings. Values that have never been equaled before in the history of our business. If you did not attend the sale last week you have no idea of what you may expect in the way of money saving opportunities. Perhaps some of your friends have already told you about the thousands of bargains in furniture, stoves, carpets, rugs and other home furnishings that are crowded in every part of our store at reductions of from 25 to 50 per cent below regular prices.

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DINING ROOM SAMPLES

- CHAIRS. Full box seat, golden oak, upholstered in genuine leather \$1.98
BUFFETS. Colonial design, American oak, large French bevel plate mirror \$9.75
SIDEBOARDS. Very massive, solid oak, brilliantly polished, with large mirror \$10.75
BUFFETS. Beautiful in design, art glass doors, American quartered oak \$11.75
TABLES. 6-ft. extension, solid oak, top pedestal with curved calf feet \$9.95
TABLES. 6 ft. extension, genuine quarter sawed oak, 45-inch top \$12.25

BED ROOM SAMPLES

- CHIFFONIERS. Large size chiffonier, 3 large drawers, made of solid oak \$3.95
HOTEL DRESSERS. American quartered oak, French plate mirror, beautifully polished \$5.96
PRINCESS DRESSER. Oak or mahogany finish, with large pattern shaped mirror \$9.98
CHIFFONIER. Handsome design, five roomy drawers, beautiful pattern mirror \$10.48
BEDS. Heavy continuous post, steel bed, Veris Martin finish, all sizes \$5.89
BEDS. Heavy, 2-in. continuous post brass bed, guaranteed 10 years \$15.75

CATALOGUE FREE TO OUT-OF-TOWN PEOPLE



THIS HANDSOME METAL BED is made with heavy posts. Back and foot board are beautifully trimmed with brass bars and brass knobs. They can be had in all popular colors and sizes. The design is very attractive and are made with heavy angle steel supports. The enamel used on these beds is the best obtainable and are specially priced for this sale, \$2.95

Sample Parlor Furniture

- PARLOR TABLE. High grade genuine quartered oak, French legs and unusually well finished \$3.25
ROCKERS. Highly polished mahogany frame, upholstered in Imperial leather over full set of springs \$5.95
COUCHES. Large size couch, upholstered in Imperial leather over full set of steel spring, oak frame \$9.75
ROCKERS. Massive quartered oak frame, genuine Spanish leather upholstery \$12.50
SUITES. Heavy 3-piece parlor suite, mahogany finish frame, Imperial leather upholstery \$13.25

A Splendid Seven-Piece Dining Room Set

BEAUTIFULLY MADE in genuine solid oak. Table has large 42inch top and fitted with easy running slides. The massive pedestal is supported by four heavy carved calf feet. Chairs are made to match table. A wide, solid back, genuine leather seat with heavy legs. You can practically furnish your dining room for the price you would usually have to pay for the table alone. The selling price for complete set during this special sale is \$18.75

Sample Living Room Furniture

- ROCKERS. Full spring seat, Early English rocker upholstered in Imperial leather \$2.95
ROCKERS. Fumed oak, very heavy Imperial leather upholstery over full set of springs \$5.25
TABLES. Mahogany library table, heavy legs, large drawer, brilliantly polished \$8.75
DAVENPORTS. Automatic bed davenport, fumed or golden oak, fabricoid upholstery \$17.89
DAVENPORTS. Unifold bed davenport, beautiful and massive frame, Imperial leather \$24.75

YOU GET DOUBLE VALUE NOW IN COMPLETE HOME OUTFITS 4 ROOMS COMPLETELY FURNISHED \$99 Any Four Rooms You Desire \$5.00 A MONTH

HARTMAN'S 1414-1416-1418 DOUGLAS ST.



THIS DAVENPORT is one of the latest styles and represents the greatest improvements over the ordinary davenport construction. One single motion converts the davenport into a large, full sized comfortable bed, with an excellent bed spring. The frame is artistically designed, made of select quartered stock and the upholstery is of guaranteed Imperial leather—special sample sale price \$24.75

STATE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Peru and Kearney Normals Follow After University.

CREIGHTON FOURTH ON LIST

State Superintendent Dezell Compiles His Compilation of Statistics Concerning Colleges of Nebraska.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Aug. 17.—(Special.)—The state superintendent's office has just finished compiling the attendance at the state normal and other schools of the state for the term year of 1911-12. As is to be expected, the Nebraska State University shows the largest attendance, the Peru state normal coming second and the Kearney normal third. The attendance is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: School Name and Attendance. Lists schools like Peru State normal, Kearney State normal, Creighton university, etc.

CATTLE WILL BE INCREASED

Ranchman Predicts Big Increase in Bovine Population.

SHEEP FLOCKS DIMINISH

Since Ranges Are Being Cut Up Sheep Must Go and Cattle Will Take Their Places.

"In five years from now there will be more cattle in Wyoming than ever," says J. H. Hammond, a ranchman from Douglas, Wyo., at the Merchants hotel. Mr. Hammond is not afraid of a cattle famine. He explains his position in this way: It holds that the sheep business will rapidly diminish throughout the west from now on and that the cattle business will just as rapidly take its place, so that eventually there will be cattle on great areas of range where there never were cattle before.

His Army Uniform.

A young man was being entertained at luncheon at a young girl's one Sunday evening. Little Jimmy, the girl's brother, broke the silence of the soup course to remark: "Say, Mr. Smith, you certainly did look fine last night, sittin' besides sister on the parlor sofa, with your arm—" "Jimmy, be quiet!" the girl screamed, blushing scarlet. "Well, he did look fine," said Jimmy. "He had his arm—" "Jimmy, will you be still!" exclaimed the mother. "Why?" whined the lad. "He did have his arm—" said the father, "go straight upstairs to bed!" The boy arose. He began to cry. As he left the room he said: "I don't know what's the matter with you folks. I was only going to say he had his army uniform on—and he had, too!"—Philadelphia Record.

Find Body of Child Missing Since Spring

FORT DODGE, Aug. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—The body of the 3-year-old son of Hugh Marlowe of Lone Rock, missing since last spring, was found this afternoon by his grandfather one mile from the place where he disappeared. The coroner, the sheriff and a great crowd hastened in autos to the scene. Intense excitement prevails.

Pointed Paragraphs.

He who hesitates is bossed. A friend in need is a friend most people sidetrack. There is nothing so unbecoming to a woman as a last year's hat. The average man would rather go to church than to a family picnic. It's better to be able to do things than it is to be a great orator. A bachelor finds it so easy to get married that he is apt to be suspicious. No matter whether you do a thing or whether you don't, people will talk about you. Contentment is getting near the jumping off place when it begins to sit under a tree and watch the weeds grow. A bachelor since last spring, was found this afternoon from the place where he disappeared. The coroner, the sheriff and a great crowd hastened in autos to the scene. Intense excitement prevails.

DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Ben Cohn. Ben Cohn, 604 North Sixteenth street, has gone to New York City where his wife, Mrs. Cohn, died Thursday. Mrs. Cohn was 50 years old and had been ailing for some time. There are no surviving children. The deceased will be buried in the family plot in one of New York's cemeteries.

FOR THE WOMAN WHO THINKS AND FEELS.

Some women complain that they periodically suffer from dull sad heavy feeling, or dizziness in the head, nervousness, pain and bearing-down feelings which should not occur to the normal healthy woman. But most every woman is subject to these pains at some time in her life, due to abnormal conditions in life, such as corsets, over-taxed strength, bad air, poor or improper food, wet feet, sluggish liver, etc. A regulator and female tonic made from native medicinal roots with pure glycerin, and without the use of alcohol, called DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION, has proven its value in thousands of cases, like the following:



Mrs. DORA M. MARTIN, of Auburn, Neb., Route 1, Box 84, says: "I thought I would write you in regard to what your medicine has done for me. I have used them for thirty years for female trouble and general weakness with the very best result, and they have saved me hundreds of dollars in doctors' bills. I buy the Favorite Prescription and Golden Medical Discovery and take them together. I never was disappointed in your remedies and take pleasure in recommending them to any suffering lady. I am now almost fifty years old; at forty-five I took your medicines, both kinds, and I passed that period very easily and let me say in health. I feel like a young girl. If any lady cares to write me I will gladly tell her more about the good work of your medicines."

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