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**EASY ACCESS TO BOOKS OF ROAD**

Railway Commission Receives Letter Indicating Missouri Pacific Is Willing.

**BEATRICE INSTITUTE PAYS IN**

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, May 2.—(Special.)—The railway commission will have no trouble in gaining access to the books and records of the Missouri Pacific Railroad company, according to a letter received by the state commission from J. A. C. Kennedy, general solicitor for that road.

The controversy came up over the attempt of Commissioner Hall and State Clerk Powell to secure access to the books at Falls City recently and were denied the privilege.

The matter was taken up with Omaha headquarters, with the result that Mr. Kennedy informs the commission that all they need to do is to notify headquarters whenever they want assistance of that kind and the order will be sent out to allow the commission to go over the records.

**Officers' School at Sparta.**

Adjutant General Hall has been notified that the date and place for holding the officers' school and the hospital camp has been changed and the officers will go to Sparta, Wis., for their instruction, the former some time in June and the latter in August.

The military board of the Nebraska National Guard will meet Wednesday morning at headquarters in the state house for the purpose of taking up matters relative to the summer encampment, which will be held at Fort Robinson some time in the fall.

**Beatrice Funds in Treasury.**

State Treasurer Hall this morning received a remittance of \$10,000 from the Beatrice home for the feeble minded. This sum is received from the different counties having children in the school and is credited to the clothing account.

**Lord Comes to Omaha.**

Cecil Lord, for many years connected with the Lincoln Daily Star and day representative of the American Press association, has severed his connection with that paper and gone to Omaha, where he will have charge of the publicity department of the Nebraska Telephone company. Mr. Lord was on one of the live young newspaper men of the state capital.

**Stark Hunts for Heirs.**

Judge W. L. Stark of Aurora was at the state house this morning on business. From here he goes to Boston, where he will seek evidence regarding the heirs of Alden B. Nicholls, who recently died in Aurora and formerly lived in Massachusetts. Attorney General Reed is endeavoring to have this estate escheat to the state for want of heirs, but General Stark is of the opinion there are heirs and thinks he can locate them. Nicholls served in the civil war and afterwards came west, living in different states. The estate amounts to about \$6,000.

**State Warrants Issued.**

According to the report of State Auditor Smith, there were 3,656 warrants issued by the auditor's office during the month of April, amounting to \$278,977.96. This is the smallest amount issued since the first of the year, the amount in January being \$388,894, in February, \$341,861, and in March, \$320,700, the total for the four months being \$1,680,538.22. The same months of 1915 amounted to \$1,830,238.27.

**Fairbury News Notes.**

FAIRBURY, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—The senior class of the Fairbury high school is making extensive preparations for commencement exercises. A class play will be staged at the opera house, May 15, and nearly half the class will participate. The class of 1916 comprises fifty members.

Soil is in fine shape in this vicinity and many farmers are planting corn. The alfalfa crop is well under way, although it has been retarded by cold weather. Oats are doing fine.

During the last week County Judge L. J. Nuthan issued marriage licenses to the following parties: John C. Green and Mary Lulah, John A. Schoenrock and Adeline Kriesel, Bernard Benn and Anna Horly. Two of the foregoing couples came from Kansas to get married.

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**SILO SPECIAL DRAWING CARD**

Twenty Meetings Held in Western Nebraska on Second Day of Trip.

**LEONARD URGES FINE STOCK**

OGALLALA, Neb., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Julesburg, Big Springs, Brule, Roscoe, Ogallala and Paxton were today visited by the silo, dairy and live stock special of the Union Pacific, on its second day's trip, and about twenty meetings were addressed by thirty or more people, headed by Prof. P. G. Holden of Chicago.

At every meeting a large number of enthusiastic and interested farmers or their wives and children were present and listened to addresses calculated to help them in the important problem of preserving moisture, building up soil fertility and overcoming defects due to climatic and other conditions.

At many of the meetings, the farmers themselves took an important part, asking many questions regarding matters that were perplexing them. These questions were answered by the agricultural experts conducting the meetings, with the result that many prominent farmers declared that the visit of the special was immensely beneficial.

The greatest amount of interest today seemed to center about the growing and curing of alfalfa and the raising of live stock, although the benefits following the use of the silo were also the subject of many inquiries.

"The exclusive raising of grain means soil poverty," declared Colonel L. W. Leonard of Pawnee City, in one of his addresses today.

"Every farmer should select that breed of stock he likes best. Good stires are essential to success. Fine points in stires are not necessary, but a fine herd may be built up from a blooded sire that may be purchased for not over \$200.

"Alfalfa pasture, drainage and corn pay best as feed for hogs if self-feeders are used."

**Pool Hall Question Is Up at Fairbury**

FAIRBURY, Neb., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The Fairbury city council will reconsider the matter of granting licenses to six pool halls that were closed Saturday night with the saloons of Fairbury. Fairbury is now good and dry and is minus pool halls, the first time in its history. Several weeks ago, while acting on a petition of the pool hall proprietors to lower the license, the council refused to grant the licenses.

It is said that if the council will refuse the license the issue will be put to the voters of Fairbury at a special election through the initiative and referendum.

Since the saloons closed in Fairbury there are only three wet towns in Jefferson county, Jansen, Plymouth and Daykin.

**Many Join the Church.**

LOUP, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—At the close of the Epworth union meetings, the Methodist people of Loup City opened the doors of their church Sunday. One hundred and eighteen united with the church, and sixty-one were baptized with more to join later. Rev. L. V. Stoumb is the pastor.

**Large Barn is Burned.**

YORK, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—Firemen this morning destroyed the barn and outbuildings on the farm of Mrs. A. B. Christian, five miles southeast of York. The barn, late yesterday afternoon, the damage is estimated at \$4,000, partially insured. The fire originated in the barn, between side and main timbers of hay. Two calves of one, forty bushels of wheat and several calves were burned to death in the burning.

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**TELEPHONE RATES SUBJECT OF FIGHT**

Effort to Be Made to Take Their Control Away from State Rail Board.

**WHAT IS MEANING OF MOVE**

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, May 2.—(Special.)—According to Senator Joe Burns of Lincoln, a bill will be introduced in the next legislature to repeal the duties of the State Telephone commission so far as they relate to jurisdiction over making rates of telephone companies and place in the hands of the state and towns of the state the right to make the rates of the companies doing business in those towns.

In the estimation of Mr. Burns the telephone companies are making too much money and he would curtail their income by placing in the hands of each city, town or village the right to fix by ordinance the rates to be charged.

"To the change in the primary election returns, which gives the nomination on the republican ticket to Chairman Henry Clarke of the present commission is said to be due the addition to take from the commission handling telephone rates. Mr. Clarke has been one of the strong and able members of the commission who have stood behind the sort of agitators who have it in for the corporations, and the corporations, seeking always to give the latter a square deal in the hearings and controversies which have from time to time come up between patrons and companies.

His fairness and stand for the square deal, together with his intimate and expert knowledge of these matters has made him acknowledged by members of the Interstate Commerce commission to be one of the strongest men belonging to state commissions in the whole country, and even the fair minded of his enemies, who have not liked his stand on the commission, are willing to admit that he is absolutely honest and square.

This appears to be the general opinion given by men who have been close to the situation in the many hearings which have been had on telephone rates.

**MILES TELLS JUST WHAT HE SAID ABOUT ELECTION**

HASTINGS, Neb., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—C. J. Miles today emphatically repudiated the alleged interview in which he was quoted as saying that the prohibition amendment would carry at the fall election by a majority of 40,000.

"I was not interviewed by anyone but had remarked to friends, though not for publication, that judging by the returns of the primary there was nothing to it, the state was going dry and Judge Sutton would be elected," declared Mr. Miles.

"I did not give any volume of majority."

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**McCook Germans Adopt Resolutions Concerning War**

**COLUMBUS Business Change.**

COLUMBUS, Neb., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Jay Hensley sold his interest in the Oxford cafe today to Jap Nichols and bought the G. O. Burns shoe shop.

**SOLDIER'S HOME NOTES**

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—Mrs. McGarger passed away at the West hospital on Friday evening, after an illness of many years. She was the widow of David McGarger, who died here some time ago. The body was taken to Stockham for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wiley returned to the home the latter part of the week, after an extended visit with their children at Fairbury. They reported a fine time and good health while gone. They mentioned that the farming in that vicinity was more advanced than in this community.

Matron Bradbury went to Omaha with Mrs. Wade the latter part of the week. Mrs. Wade will have an operation for her eyes and Mrs. Bradbury intends to look after some medical treatments.

Mr. Medley has just returned to the home from a ten-day furlough to Burwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Garva, who have been in charge of the woman's dining room in the main building, will soon take a thirty-day leave of absence to go to Lincoln.

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**CONTENDS DEMANDS ARE NOT GENERAL**

Railroad Publication Says Majority of Employees Have No Voice in Asking Wage Increase.

**QUOTES RAILWAY AGE GAZETTE**

The big majority of the railroad employees of the country have no voice in the demand for 15 per cent increase in wages made by the engineers and trainmen; in fact, any increase to the members of the railroad brotherhoods will be at the expense of the rest of the railroad workers, is the opinion of the official organ of the Train Dispatchers Bulletin. The March issue of the Bulletin says:

"We are most concerned with what the demand of the iron employees mean to train dispatchers and railway employees in general. As the Railway Age Gazette truly says, the demand is not for shorter hours, but for more pay for the same hours. This is entirely recognized by the trainmen themselves. Their position, however, seriously affects all other railway men. They already receive 28 per cent of the total wages paid, while constituting but 18 per cent of the total number of employees. Comparing 1914 with 1913, their average wages increased, according to C. C. figures, 20 per cent; trainmen, 10 per cent; conductors, 12 per cent; firemen, 14 per cent; trainmen, 14 per cent.

**Arbitrations Shows Fairness.**

Arbitrations by public agencies have decided the fairness of the wage now paid. The transfer of an additional \$100,000,000 a year to their pay from the fund available for wages cannot be made without serious injury to other employes. Where is the additional money to come from? It is taken from their fellow employes or from the stockholders, who now receive only some 2 per cent of the gross earnings, or from the public through higher rates. But how, unless and until higher rates are obtained, and more earned, can the railroads obtain the money? The answer will successfully fall upon the other employes through their inability of their roads to pay them com-

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**SYRACUSE WILL HAVE NEW STYLE STREET LIGHTS**

**Notes from Lindsay.**

LINDSAY, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—The Lindsay ball team opened the season at St. Edward yesterday, losing to that team, 3 to 2. Errors at critical times proved their undoing. They play Cornish at Cornish next Sunday.

The body of Mrs. Christian Cremers was buried in the Catholic cemetery here yesterday. Mrs. Cremers was about 80 years old, one of the pioneers of the community. Her husband died last winter.

The St. Leo Dramatic club rendered the play, "The Private Secretary," at the Holy Family school hall to a full house. The play was well rendered.

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\$350 Schmoller & Mueller Upright ..... \$175  
\$400 Sohmer Upright, \$150  
\$300 Voight Upright, \$125  
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