

Nebraska LINCOLN TRACTION PLEADING POVERTY

Tells State Board of Equalization that It Has Not Made Money for Past Six Years.

REALTY VALUATION UNCHANGED

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Aug. 16.—(Special.)—The Lincoln Traction company is not making any money and has not made any for the last six years, according to a statement made by President Sharp of that company before the State Board of Equalization this morning.

The remark was brought out in a hearing before the board given to officials of the company in order that they might make a showing why the assessed valuation of the corporation as returned by the Lancaster county assessor should not be raised as compared to the assessed valuation of the Omaha & Council Bluffs street railway.

Big Price for Stock.
President Sharp went into the history of the consolidation of the two Lincoln companies several years ago, and said that the public had a wrong idea as to the valuation of the company, partly because of what had been paid for the stock at the time the two companies were consolidated. He said that he had paid a big price for the stock of the old company simply that he might gain a controlling interest, and that the investment, as far as dividends were concerned, had not paid him. The common stock of the company had paid only 5 per cent for the full five years past.

Omaha and Lincoln Values.
He said that the Omaha company was assessed at \$1,500,000, or \$12,500 a mile. The Lincoln company is assessed at \$238,510, or \$4,350 a mile. The difference was that the Omaha company owned a large amount of right-of-way over which their tracks ran, while the Lincoln company owned comparatively none of the property over which the road operated.

Depends on Light Revenue.
He told the board that the street car company had to depend upon the income of the lighting company to pay expenses, and while the latter was owned and operated by the traction company and was assessed separately.

Asks Phone Cut.
Superintendent Hertz of the Lincoln Telephone company talked for a few moments in an effort to show the board that the assessment of that company should not be raised. He showed the board that notwithstanding the property of the company was assessed at a higher valuation than any other telephone property in the state, the same had been raised this year.

The discussion before the board appeared to show one thing, and that was that the present system of assessing valuations was inadequate, and that some new system should be evolved by the legislature so that assessments could be made equitably.

Valuations May Same.
Another session of the board was held this afternoon, and it was agreed that the valuations in Douglas and Lancaster counties should remain the same as reported by the county assessors, the former at \$48,120,884, and the latter at \$24,580,354.

May Exhibit Babe King.
Tom Dennison of Omaha has written Secretary Mellor of the State Board of Agriculture asking if he might exhibit his pony, Babe King, at the state fair.

Inspect New Bridges.
State Engineer Johnson has gone to Clay county to inspect a number of new bridges that have been put in to take the place of those washed out by high water. The county board desired to have an inspection before the acceptance.

German Reformed Church Dedicated

HARVARD, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—The new German Reformed church was dedicated Sunday with impressive services, morning afternoon and evening, the attendance being far beyond the capacity of the house. The building stands on the site of the old church, which, with the exception of the belfry, was torn down. The building as completed cost \$3,300 which includes heating and lighting. This has been provided for and the house dedicated free of debt. Furnace heat is used and the latest in electrical lighting. The interior is beautifully finished and all equipment and furnishings of the most substantial sort. Adjoining tents went good delegations to the services.

Norfolk Farmer Robbed of Cash

NORFOLK, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Hasmus Nielson, a farmer, living near Norfolk, was robbed of \$20 in currency last night. The money was taken from the springs of a sofa in which he had hidden it.

Nielson had collected \$20 for grain in Norfolk Saturday and after cashing his check, took the money home and placed it with \$20 pension money in a "safe" place.

Oakdale Wins Three in Row.
OAKDALE, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—The Oakdale ball team returned yesterday from a three days' tour to Atkinson, O'Neill and Ewing, winning all three games. The first game was played at Atkinson Wednesday, the score being 5 to 2; Batteries: Atkinson, Kirkland and Raymen; Oakdale, Rose, Laschen and Stewart.

The second game was won from the celebrated "Irish Peeters" of O'Neill with ease, giving them but a goose egg for their end of the score and Oakdale having ten. Batteries: O'Neill, Gallagher, Richter and McIlreid; Oakdale, Laschen and Stewart.

Ewing came next, and went down to defeat 10 to 6. Batteries: Ewing, Spitzer (Smoky) Joe Wood, Foreman and Furler; Oakdale, Rose and Stewart. Umpire: Chairman of Inman.

Oakdale has lost but three games out of eighteen played this season.

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Nebraska Alfalfa Mill at Kearney Destroyed

KEARNEY, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The Kearney alfalfa mill is a total loss this morning as the result of a fire shortly after midnight. The building and machinery were burned and sixty tons of alfalfa hay stored in the building for grinding and also one car of meal on a track ready for shipment were destroyed. The fire broke out during a severe electrical storm, the building having been struck by lightning. The loss to the owners, E. D. Gould and W. J. Scout, is about \$14,000.

Notes from Gage County.
BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Du Bois, in Pawnee county, is circulating a petition for a bond election to vote on an electric light system. If the bonds carry arrangements will be made to construct a line to Pawnee City and buy the current from the plant there. Summerfield, Kan., recently contracted for current from Pawnee at 4 1/2 cents per kilowatt.

Henry Feldus, proprietor of a garage at De Witt, was crushed between two cars in his garage, with the result that three of his ribs were broken and his spine injured.

The village board of Cortland has called a special election for Tuesday, August 24, to vote bonds in the sum of \$100,000 for a waterworks system at that place.

Notes from Syracuse.
SYRACUSE, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—The condition of J. F. Kramer, who had his back broken recently in a peculiar manner, has not changed. Mr. Kramer is paralyzed from the fracture of the vertebrae down and unable to take nourishment, but his great physical strength keeps him alive.

John C. Murphy, for eight years rural carrier on No. 3 from this office, closed his service in this capacity Saturday and today his route was taken by Charles Adams.

The German-American Volkfest to be held here on August 25 promised to attract the largest crowd ever seen here. Two special trains have been arranged for, one from Lincoln and one from Nebraska City. Governor Morehead, Dr. Gerhard of Omaha and Dr. Braun of Lyman, Ia., will speak.

Notes from Dunbar.
DUNBAR, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Threshing has commenced here and the wheat gives a fair yield, but the quality is not so high as in previous years.

The 3-year-old baby of W. H. Daly, fell from a third story window, a distance of about thirty feet, to the ground on Friday, the 13th, and was only stunned a little.

An architect is drawing the plans for the new \$30,000 school house which the Dunbar school district will build this fall.

Rev. J. P. Giffen, pastor of the United Presbyterian church of Dunbar, is making preparations to move to Indiana, where he will make his future home.

Tecumseh Chautauqua Pays Out.
TECUMSEH, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—The Tecumseh chautauqua closed last evening, the weather during the eight days of its progress being the best for the season.

The eight days during the spring and summer. As a result, the attendance has been good and the management will be able to make financial ends meet this year, this being one of many of similar meetings to pay out this season in the state.

Beatrice Man Killed.
BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Ed McCabe of this city was killed by a train at Alpena, S. D., last night when he attempted to board it. He left here last March with Harry Morrison, to work as a farm laborer. He was 25 years of age, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCabe of this city. The body will be brought here for burial.

Cloudburst Near Beatrice.
BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—A cloudburst visited a section of country northeast of Beatrice last night, doing considerable damage to farm property. A number of bridges were washed out and Bear Creek and its tributaries are running bank full. The rainfall was three inches.

Young Man Drowns.
BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Adam Williams, 18 years old, was drowned in Indian creek, southwest of Wynore this afternoon, while swimming with a number of companions. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams.

Two Middies Are Dismissed, Twelve Are Disciplined

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Dismissal of two midshipmen and the disciplining of twelve others for alleged "cribbing" at the United States Military academy, are revealed today as a result of the findings of the court of inquiry which investigated irregularities in examinations and recitations at the academy.

The midshipmen dismissed, with the approval of President Wilson, were Ralph M. Nelson, Jr., of Peekskill, N. Y., and Charles M. Reagle of Waterville, O. The court's recommendations that the others be disciplined was approved by Secretary Daniels.

Dramatic changes in the conduct of examinations are recommended by the court in an unanimous decision by the court. Abolition of the practice of giving out "dope" or advanced information unless heads of departments issue it by memorandum and less rigorous examinations are the principal recommendations.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Aug. 16.—Carrying out the provisions of the approved findings and recommendations of the court of inquiry, which investigated the "gouging" scandal at the institution, Midshipman Ralph M. Nelson of the first class, and Midshipman Charles M. Reagle of the second class, today were dismissed from the naval academy.

Midshipmen James E. Moss, Chapin E. Evans, A. S. Hamilton, D. B. Duncan and T. W. Harrison, who were acquitted by the court, were restored to duty at the academy.

Apartments, flats, houses and cottages can be rented quickly and cheaply by a Lee "For Rent."

TEACHERS THROU 'FRISCO Sharp Fight is On for Presidency of the National Educational Association.

MANY COUNTRIES REPRESENTED
OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 16.—Every incoming train and steamer continued today to increase the hosts of delegates that have gathered here for the fifty-third annual convention of the National Educational Association, and it was estimated that 10,000 were on hand for the opening session at 9 a. m. Representatives from twenty-seven foreign countries are expected to participate in the thirteen-day convalescence. The National Council of Education, the International Kindergarten union, the American School Peace League and numerous other associations will meet in conjunction with the parent body.

Politics, it was apparent today, absorbed the interest of many of the delegates. The fight for the presidency of the National Educational Association, it was forecast, would be between Miss Grace C. Strachan, district superintendent of schools in Brooklyn, N. Y., and David B. Johnson, president of the Winthrop Agricultural college of South Carolina. The speculation was rife as to which of the candidates Dr. David Starr Jordan, present head of the association, would support. It was assumed that the delegates from the south would rally to the support of Mr. Johnson's aid, and that eastern delegates would back Miss Strachan. The nominating committee was to be appointed today. The election will be held Thursday.

Welcome by Governor.
For the next convention place, Atlantic City, N. J., is being boomed by energetic campaigners.

Governor Hiram W. Johnson was to welcome the association today on behalf of California and addresses in a similar vein were to be made by Oakland officials and representatives of the Panama-Pacific exposition. Responses were to be made by Dr. Jordan, president of the association and chancellor of Stanford university, and Vice President Joseph Swain, president of Swarthmore college. Elmer Ellsworth Brown, chancellor of New York university, and Mrs. Philip Snowden of London, were other speakers on the program of the opening session.

Representatives of various foreign countries were to be heard at the afternoon session, which was to be devoted to a review of educational progress since 1900. Among those scheduled to deliver addresses were Prof. F. E. Farrington of Columbia university, Mark Cohen, a newspaper editor of Dunedin, New Zealand; Mme. Maria Montessori of Rome, and Ferdinand Hulson, member of the French Chamber of Deputies.

Swain Nominated for Trustee.
At yesterday's election the association will select a successor to the late James M. Greenwood of Kansas City, Mo., who was a member of the board of trustees. It was expected that Dr. Swain, the first vice president, would be nominated today for the vacancy.

The association, it was announced today, will maintain no exhibits at convention headquarters, owing to the complete educational exhibits at the Panama-Pacific exposition. The publicity committee has arranged for daily visits for the delegates to the exposition.

MIDSHIPMAN M'CARTHY DIES ON BATTLESHIP

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Aug. 16.—W. L. McCarthy of Danville, Ky., a midshipman of the Annapolis second class, died last night aboard the battleship Ohio, one of the United States Pacific squadron, which reached here today. Midshipman McCarthy was stricken with spinal meningitis soon after the squadron left San Francisco.

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It is necessary to shampoo more frequently in the warmer weather because of excessive dust and the fact that the head perspires more and is usually more exposed to the weather. The easiest to use and quickest drying shampoo that we can recommend to our readers can be prepared very cheaply by dissolving a teaspoonful of cantrox, obtained from your druggist, in a cup of hot water. This rubbed into the scalp creates a thick lather, soothing and cooling in its action, as well as very beneficial to scalp and hair. After rinsing, the scalp is fresh and clean, while the hair dries quickly and evenly, developing a bright luster and a soft fluffiness that makes it seem very heavy.—Advertisement.

Senator Is Given Judgment Against Anti-Saloon League

STOUC PALLER, E. D., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—W. E. Van Demark, state senator from Hanson county, as the result of an action commenced by him some weeks ago, was yesterday granted a judgment against R. N. Holsapple, superintendent of the South Dakota Anti-Saloon League, for alleged defamatory statements made by the defendant against the plaintiff in a printed communication to an eastern temperance publication.

State Senator Van Demark instituted the action for the recovery of damages in the sum of \$50, placing the sum at the lowest possible amount, as he sought vindication of his character rather than monetary damages. The hearing in the case was held before Judge Carpenter of Alexandria. There was no defense. At the conclusion of the hearing Judge Carpenter awarded the state senator a judgment for \$50, together with the costs, which amounted to \$17.

When the damage suit was instituted some weeks ago a sensation was created throughout the state because of the prominence of the plaintiff and defendant and because of the nature of the action. State Senator Van Demark charging that the defendant had libeled him.

In the communication published by Mr. Holsapple he attacked the plaintiff's official record as a member of the upper house at the last session of the legislature. The defendant was given a period of thirty days in which to appeal the case to the state circuit court, if he wishes to do so.

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Who the Stockholders Are

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Yale and Harvard, and other colleges and public institutions, have part of their endowment funds invested in Bell Telephone stock.

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Summing Up a Year of Slaughter

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- Pan-American Aid for Mexico
- Our Call of Duty in Haiti
- Why Do Middle-Aged Men Break Down?
- Our Own and Only Active Volcano, Mt. Lassen
- Curing a Wounded Heart
- How to Perspire
- Grainless Bread in Germany
- A Peace Monument for Chicago
- Democracy in the Refining-Pot
- Banishing "Hate" from the Temple of Truth
- Increasing Vogue of Simplified Spelling
- How the Workers Pay for the War
- Methodism's "Forward" Year
- For Cheap and Decent Hotels
- The Next Move in the War
- Imperturbable Russia
- Putting Pressure on Roumania

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