

Nebraska

FIXING LINES IN THE WEST

Land Commissioner Making Great Progress in This Work.

ENLISTS GOVERNMENT'S AID

Substantial Progress Made to Disentangle Land Boundaries Mixed Up in the Sand-hill Region.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—Nebraska has had a great deal of trouble in the years past in the matter of the surveying of township, section and other lines, but in the last two years, during the administration of the office of land commissioner by the present incumbent, Mr. Beckman great progress has been made in definitely fixing many of these lines, especially those of contested school sections in Grant, Hooker and Garden counties, according to State Surveyor Robert Harvey, who for many years has been connected with the land commissioner's office and who formerly assisted in the original survey of the state.

"During the last year," said Mr. Harvey this morning, "the State Board of Educational lands and funds sent Assistant Attorney General Frank E. Edgerly to Washington to urge upon the commissioner of the general land office the necessity of surveying out the locations of school sections in the three named counties. Recognizing the urgency of the request of the state board government surveyors were sent to determine the lines and have been working upon the same during the summer and the same will soon be completed.

"By this means, the state authorities have hoped definitely to determine the location of its school sections in these counties as they were surveyed out on the ground by the first government surveyors. Of course, the state of Nebraska has no claim to any other tracts of land except the two school sections 16 and 26 in each township, as they were surveyed out in the first survey.

Survey Signs Obliterated. "During the intervening years the weather and the sandy soil have operated almost to obliterate signs of the first survey. Few corners were discernible during the early settlement of these counties. The result was the resurveying by locators and county surveyors and the establishment of corners by them. Settlers occupied their land, basing it upon surveys made by locators. The result was a confusion as to the exact location of sections 16 and 26.

"About 1885 congress authorized a resurvey of this land, but provided that no bona fide occupant should lose his land through such survey. Of course, the state of Nebraska was a bona fide owner and occupant, but in the making of this survey in 1895, and the following years, the Interior department paid no attention to the rights of the state of Nebraska. The state government had no actual notice of this second survey until its plats and field notes had been approved by the commissioner of the general land office at Washington. The state did not know that its rights to acres of sections of school land were being impaired and clouded. The state could not know what was being done until the government surveyor had completed his work and it had been approved by the national government. Claims of settlers were surveyed out of the land which the state of Nebraska claims was a part of sections 16 and 26. Notwithstanding the priority of the state's title and of leases made before the resurvey, surveys of sections were permitted and surveyed out of the best lands in the section, mostly hay lands.

State Leases Land. "Not content with this, townships left over from the resurvey were surveyed into the east tier of sections instead of the west, as in the original survey, thus causing a loss to the state of over 250 acres. Other townships were surveyed from the north, throwing all the shortage into the south tier of sections, instead of the north tier, where it belonged, according to the original survey, causing abnormal sections where they did not belong.

"In one township in Garden county more than 140 acres of valuable hay land are cut in a strip forty rods wide out of the heart of section 28 leaving a strip of school land on each side. In another township 100 acres of hay land were cut out slick and clean from the heart of the good land. When the nature of these resurveys came to the attention of the state land office in 1906 it made complaint and filed an application for a resurvey of the school sections according to the original survey.

Land Under Lease. "These school lands are under lease contracts, and if the lessee complies with the terms of the contract he can purchase the land upon which he has been paying rental by paying the appraised price. In the case of mutilated sections, and there are many of them, having claims cut out of their very vitals, the state is unable to comply with its contract to convey a good title. If the state should convey according to the terms of the contract, the purchaser is entitled to full possession of the tract, on failure of which he has a cause of action for breach of warranty and is entitled to relief.

"The matter of purchase of sections according to contract has come squarely before the state officers where overlapping claims were cut out, and where resurvey sections do not occupy the same ground as the grant of the original survey. In these cases the state would be conveying land it did not own and adjacent owners would be holding land belonging to the state. The adjoining owner has no assurance that he is not occupying land that belongs to the state, to which he cannot obtain title except by purchase, though he may have had possession or had it under his control.

Need of Perfect Title. "The state's need to purchase of school lands must be a perfect title, and until the question of the state's title to its land, impaired by the second government survey, is settled by the proper as that of the adjoining owners. So it is of paramount importance to all that the question of title be settled so that the officers may know what they are doing in the management of the school sections in the resurveyed townships, and it is absolutely necessary that this be done to quiet present disputes and prevent future complaints and costly litigation.

"Clearly it is the duty of the officers of the state to see to it that the full acreage of school lands is retained to the state. It is also their duty to see to it that, through resurveys, the sec-

ANOTHER OMAHA GIRL WHO IS ON THE STAGE.



Beatrice Dowling

Miss Beatrice Dowling, daughter of Mrs. Edward Dowling, 838 Georgia avenue, and graduate of the Omaha High school and an eastern finishing academy, is the latest of Omaha's daughters to choose the stage for a life career.

Miss Dowling went away with "The Candy Shop," understudying one of the principals. She is an exceptionally pretty girl, with a good, clear, strong voice, and talent which with experience as a developer will soon place her beside other Omaha girls who have won fame on the stage, her friends say.

Locations belonging to the state shall not be located on worthless sand hills where once they were located on rich meadows.

Bank Reports to Secretary Reveal Growth

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—In the 77 state banks of Nebraska there is deposited \$4,567,731, according to a report prepared by Secretary Royce of the state banking board, and this amount was deposited by 243,963 depositors, as the banks show at the close of business September 21, 1914.

Since May 15, 1914, resources have increased \$5,415,257.15; loans and discounts, \$3,064,223.16; due from banks and cash, \$2,197,562.75.

Table with financial data: Resources, Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, Bonds, securities, etc., Due from national and state banks, Cash, Banking and furniture and fixtures, Current expenses, taxes, etc., Cash items, Other real estate.

Auditor Is Booking All State Warrants

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—On account of the proximity of the end of the year and the possible demoralization of appropriations which may require a deficiency claim for the next legislature, State Auditor Howard has issued a "proclamation" to the different departments of the state which reads: "Every month this department acts upon approximately 4,000 claims. This is a large number, and it is necessary to extend uniform courtesy to each and every one, and to hurry all claims through as quickly as possible.

APPEALS TO FOREIGN BORN TO VOTE FOR SUFFRAGE

COLUMBUS, Neb., Oct. 17.—(Special.)—Edgar Howard, editor of the Columbus Telegram, in introducing John L. Kennedy and Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCulloch of Chicago at a suffrage meeting here last night, he said he believed the best interests of the state demand that the suffrage amendment be adopted at the coming election in November.

BRYAN'S HOUSE PLASTERED WITH REPUBLICAN PORTRAITS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—The unkindest thing which has been pulled off during the present campaign has been perpetrated by the republican state committee, which has posted photographs of all of the republican state officers on a vacant house belonging to Charlie Bryan, only half a block from the Lindell hotel.

Boe Want Ads Produce Results.

Nebraska

BOONE COUNTY TO RESIST

Will Fight Payment of Claims for Back Insanity Fees.

BOARD ONCE COLLECTED SUM

Then Ordered Amount Turned Back Into Treasury—No Payment Will Await Legal Battle.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—According to information given out by County Commissioner Mike Carvey of Boone county, who, with representatives of the counties, the state auditor will sue in the supreme court to recover amount due on the old insane accounts, the counties will resist payment and will endeavor to get a reversal of the former decision in the Douglas county case wherein that county resisted payment of the claims and lost.

Mr. Bryan to Hurry Over State When He Comes to Talk

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Oct. 17.—(Special.)—The special train feature of former campaign speaking trips of Mr. Bryan will not be entirely eliminated by the democratic state committee when Mr. Bryan makes his swing around the state, beginning October 20. Regular trains or automobiles will be used a portion of the time, but in some instances a special train will be used.

Mr. Bryan will arrive in Lincoln over the Rock Island at 10:30 in the morning on October 20, and will leave at 11 over the Burlington, speaking at Hastings for one hour at 3 p. m. From there he will go by special train to Kearney and talk an hour, beginning at 6 o'clock. The special will then take him to Grand Island for a night meeting at 8:15.

From then on special trains will be discontinued and he will speak at Schuyler on Saturday at 9:30 in the morning; David City at 11:45 Wahoo at 2 p. m.; Fremont at 3:25, and will make his night speech at Omaha, where he will talk at 7:30 or as soon as convenient after arriving.

The tour for Monday has not been announced by the committee.

Hoagland and Kemp Together on the Tour

ORD, Neb., Oct. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—W. V. Hoagland and Senator J. H. Kemp spoke here tonight at a republican meeting, drawing a large crowd. Senator Hoagland during his speech took occasion to answer the speech of R. L. Metcalfe given last night at North Platte, in which the former civil governor of the canal zone enlarged on the beneficent effect of the democratic administration for not talking about the evils of the tariff as affecting the farmer and the effect of the war tax that has resulted.

Injured in Elevator

ANSBILMO, Neb., Oct. 17.—(Special.)—Andy Martin had his left arm broken, his left elbow dislocated and his right knee fractured while working in the Jaquet elevator this afternoon. He was attempting to push the driving belt on the engine from the idler onto the line shaft pulley, using a stick to press against the edge of the belt, when his arm was drawn across the pulley and the injury occurred.

Still After Bootleggers.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Oct. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—In the district court today Judge Raper sentenced Wilson King, better known as Doc King, to thirty days in jail at hard labor for selling intoxicants in Tecumseh county to law and fined him \$100 for keeping liquor for sale. King pleaded guilty to both counts and went to jail. He is the third bootlegger to be jailed within two weeks.

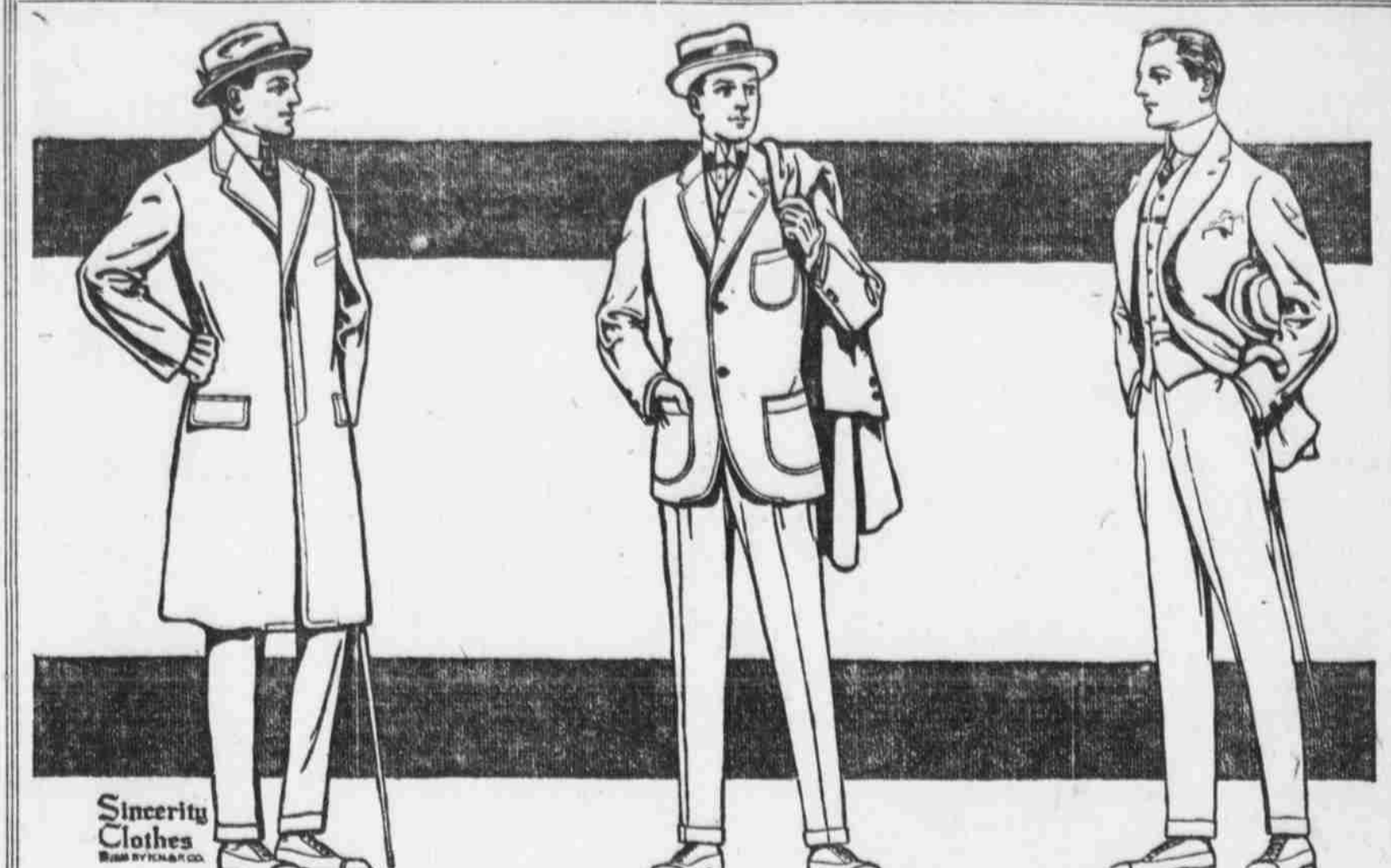
Prisoners of War Will Be Exchanged

LONDON, Oct. 17.—The Amsterdam correspondent of Reuter's Telegram company says the Cologne Gazette has published a message from Kiel, saying that 137 prisoners of war, men attached to the British ambulance corps, have arrived at the German-Danish frontier for exchange with an equal number of German ambulance corps men held by the British. The Englishmen will travel home by way of Copenhagen.

HYMENEAL

Omaha Men Wed.

CHICAGO, Oct. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Thomas L. Mandelbaum, 412 West Twenty-eighth avenue, Omaha, and Miss Alice Peterson of Chicago and Joseph Soper of Omaha and Miss Anna Hurley of Chicago were licensed to marry here this morning.



Sincerity Clothes advertisement. Text: Sincerity Clothes, Built with an honest belief in the value of making every garment better than seems necessary. Exclusive Omaha Distributors for Sincerity Clothes. Made in Chicago by Kuhl, Nathan & Fischer Co. Men who wear "Stouts", "Slims" or usual sizes, will find their exact fit ready in Sincerity Clothes. KING-PECK CO. 16th at HOWARD. WHERE YOU ARE SURE TO Satisfy yourself.

ROUNDUP DRAWS BIG CROWD

Old-Time Men of the Range Hold Delightful Reunion. Celebration at Valentine Fall of Western Spice, Winding Up with Barbecue of Genuine Kind.

Bernstein Talks on Good Citizenship

Nathan Bernstein addressed the Knights and Ladies of Security Friday night at the Swedish Auditorium, on "Good Citizenship." After showing how the society was organized and the necessity for clear thought along civic lines, Mr. Bernia then took up the condition which exist in public schools. He explained how each and every one of his audience was in a measure responsible, because when it came to voting for Board of Education, no one thought of sufficient importance to require much attention.

TWO HELD FOR SELLING WHISKY TO INDIANS

"Why don't you bring some of your Indian friends around?" declared a local Indian keeper to an Indian customer Friday. As the result of such proceedings the federal authorities are rounding up a lot of local men who have been making a practice of selling the article to the redskins. Many Indian witnesses before the federal court have been picked up on the streets in an intoxicated condition by the police, who are co-operating with the government officials to bring the offenders to justice.

SALE OF CARPETS AND MATTINGS USED AT THE DEN

Orehard & Wilhelm are selling at bargain prices, all the carpets, matting, Ingrain carpets, and squares, portieres, couch covers and yard goods used for hangings and floor coverings at the Den. These are slightly soiled, but if you can use anything of this kind you should certainly see them before buying.

TOUSSINT DRAMATIC CLUB TO GIVE THREE-ACT PLAY

The Toussint Dramatic club will give a three-act play at Washington hall a week from Monday. This club includes many of the leading colored people of Omaha, who take a lively interest in the work of producing plays of real merit and has met with many great successes.

FARMERS' SOCIETY OF EQUITY MAY HOLD MEETING IN OMAHA

The National Farmers' Society of Equity is likely to hold a meeting in Omaha in December. It is planning on a national meeting and an invitation has been extended them by the Bureau of Publicity. It is considered likely that the officers will accept this and come here. They are hoping to be here about the time the Nebraska Farmers' congress is to meet in Omaha. This organization has fourteen local organizations in Nebraska. This national body would bring perhaps 200 delegates.

COMMERCIAL CLUB ASKED TO SEND A DELEGATION

A conference is to be held at Memphis, Tenn., November 19 and 20, at which delegates from many of the large cities are to consider the matter of making a united effort to get into closer trade relations with South and Central America. The Omaha Commercial club has received letters from the Chicago Board of Trade, the Memphis Chamber of Commerce, and the New Orleans Commercial club, asking that the Omaha club send delegates to this conference.

Health and Happiness at Home.

This Man and Wife Restored to Health by Peruna.

Mr. John B. Blackwood, Lockhart, S. C., writes: "My wife and I take Peruna occasionally, and we think it is the best medicine in the world. We keep it in the house. I also have a bottle of it in my tool chest, when I am away from home. I am a stone mason, and travel extensively over the country. I have caused the sale of many bottles of Peruna to my fellow workmen. Years ago I was a great sufferer from nervous indigestion, caused by catarrh. Tried everything in the way of medicine. No relief. I grew despondent. A friend told me to try Peruna. I began. It helped me at once, and finally cured me. I am a well man today."

A Prize Baby.

In other letters from Mr. Blackwood we glean the following: "I am going to send you a picture of my baby that took the prize at the baby show. I told the judges her name was Ruth Manalin Blackwood. She has taken several bottles of your remedy, Manalin, and is the finest baby in this country. I believe your medicine saved the life of my little two-year-old boy. The doctors said he had a bad stomach, but did not help him. We gave him Manalin and it cured him. He also took Peruna at the same time. It is now sound and well. He is the picture of health and as fine a looking boy as there is in this country."

Frenchmen Come to Omaha to Buy Cavalry Horses

Omaha is evidently an important center for the furnishing of cavalry horses for the European armies. It is reported that the arrival of two Frenchmen in this city are true. Comte de Bertrange and Henry Lafrenette, said to be horse buyers for the French army, arrived at noon with two New York horsemen and went direct to offices of horse dealers in South Omaha. It is said, William Post and Lew Wario were the other horsemen accompanying them. It is said they will either buy or arrange for the purchase of large numbers of cavalry horses, to be shipped abroad at the earliest opportunity.

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