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State Board Issues Order that All Growths of This Character on State Land Shall Stand.

BECKMAN TO ENFORCE THE LAW

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—The State Board of Public Lands has just issued a George Washington order forbidding the cutting down of cherry trees or any other trees on leased school land and has directed Land Commissioner Fred Beckman to enforce the edict of the board and compel every man, who cuts down a tree to pay \$30 into the coffers of the state treasury.

O'Conner Will Case Ruling on Monday

HASTINGS, Neb., May 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge Dungan has promised a ruling Monday on the motion for a rehearing of the John O'Conner will case. Forty rooms in hotels have been reserved for attorneys and litigants who will assemble here. The grand jury on the same day will begin an investigation of charges in connection with the case.

NOTES FROM BROKEN BOW AND CUSTER COUNTY

BROKEN BOW, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—Judge Hostetler has adjourned district court and departed for his home in Kearney. One of the interesting cases of the week was that of Henry Spidell, a farm laborer, who sued for money alleged to be due him for labor from the estate of his deceased stepfather, Ferdinand Boss. The plaintiff had previously won his suit in county court and the jury in district court upheld the decision of the plaintiff \$2,000. Motion for a new trial was overruled. The heirs to the Boss estate are not residents of this county, all of them living in Germany.

At an adjourned meeting of the city council an ordinance was introduced and adopted covering the pool hall and bowling alley question. Shortly after three licenses were granted, two of the applicants opening their places of business the same night.

The County Board of Supervisors this week acted favorably upon two Sunday game ball petitions presented by New Helena and Broken Bow townships, granting both the privilege of playing ball on Sunday.

ASHLAND COUPLE OBSERVE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

ASHLAND, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—Surrounded by members of their family, relatives and intimate personal friends, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Butler will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage tomorrow at their home in Ashland. Richard Emery Butler and Miss Charlotte Ampetta Rockwood, who are both natives of Erie county, Pennsylvania, were united in marriage at Watertown, Pa., on May 8, 1865. Mr. Butler, with his family, arrived in Ashland, March 17, 1881, and has resided here since. Mr. Butler engaged in blacksmithing, but has been retired for several years.

WITHDRAWS APPLICATION FOR SALOON LICENSE

RUSHVILLE, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—The adjourned hearing of the remonstrance against the petition of Perry E. Thompson to run a saloon in the village of Rushville came up before the board of village trustees this morning. Thompson was represented by Judges Edmunds and the signers of the remonstrance were represented by A. W. Critch of Chadron. Thompson did not attempt to make a showing that he was not a proper person to run a saloon and the petition was withdrawn after a few legal points were discussed between Attorney Critch and members of the board.

NATIONAL GUARD IS WARNED TO BE ALERT ON DISASTER

LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—Following the announcement of the sinking of the Lusitania yesterday by German submarines, the National Guard of the National Guard issued orders this morning to all officers and men of the Nebraska Guard to refrain from a discussion of the matter or in any way to take any side in the controversy.

News Notes from Beatrice

BEATRICE, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—Roy Scroggin, a Union Pacific fireman of this city, was seriously injured at Garfield Crossing, Kan., Friday morning by falling from the tender of his engine. He sustained a fractured skull, a broken arm and severe bruises about the body. The case against Vera Blythe, a former member of the Beatrice foot ball team, who was arrested at Alma, Kan., last fall for assaulting a neighbor with a deadly weapon, was dismissed at that place Thursday by the prosecuting attorney. Trouble arose over a division of crops.

POLK COUNTY PIONEER, WHO DIED LAST WEEK.



N. P. Monson, Polk County Pioneer, Is Laid to Rest

OSCEOLA, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—The funeral of N. P. Monson was held from the auditorium in this city Sunday afternoon, the largest crowd assembling that has ever gathered here on a like event to pay tribute to the memory of one of their neighbors. The services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Presson of Lincoln and V. E. Wilson of Stromberg. Later he worked in a store and finally spent some time in the study of practical law in the office of J. M. Robinson at Lincoln. In the meantime doing annual breaking and improving on his farm. He was married April 8, 1878, to Miss Hannah Matilda Anderson of the former home locality in Sweden and to them one son was born, Andrew M. Monson, who now is sole heir and manager of his father's immense estate, which includes over a section of the best land in Polk county.

Mr. Monson was well informed and a diligent student of every question which came up. He was broad minded, generous hearted and the very type of man and the large concourse of friends attests his worth as a neighbor, a citizen and a man. The body was laid to rest by the dust of his wife in Osceola cemetery.

NORTH PLATTE COMMERCIAL CLUB HAS ANNUAL FEAST

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., May 8.—The annual meeting and banquet of the Chamber of Commerce of this city was held Thursday evening in the Episcopal church. The banquet was served by the Chamber of Commerce presented the annual report and officers for the coming year were elected at this meeting. E. P. Seeburger and M. J. Forbes were unanimously elected president and vice president and the board of directors was increased from seven to nine members. The new directors elected were F. C. Fiechtler, J. J. Halligan, Harry Dixon, O. E. Zeiler and W. B. Maloney. Superintendent Jeffers of the Nebraska division of the Union Pacific and his chief clerk, J. W. Adams, were guests, and each addressed the meeting. Short addresses were also made by several members of the Chamber of Commerce.

MR. AND MRS. PATTERSON LEAVE FOR WASHINGTON

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Patterson left today for Washington, where Mr. Patterson will soon take up his duties as auditor for the United States treasury, succeeding W. E. Andrews of Hastings. Mrs. Patterson expects to stop in Wisconsin and visit her folks for a time, but Mr. Patterson will go straight through to Washington. Last night a farewell dinner was given them by Colonel and Mrs. John G. Maher, Miss Helen Schwind of Francis, Tex., and Captain and Mrs. A. G. Fisher of Chadron being present also. Miss Schwind will leave for her home in Francis, Saturday.

LIVE STOCK QUARANTINE MODIFIED BY BOARD

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—The Live Stock Sanitary board held a meeting today and among other acts lifted the quarantine on the foot and mouth disease against Minnesota and modified that against Kansas, lifting from the quarantine all parts of the state north of the main line of the Santa Fe railroad.

Tecumseh High School Notes

TECUMSEH, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—The senior play of the Tecumseh High school, "The Varsity Coach," was given at the opera house last evening to a capacity house. The parts were well taken and the production pleased. Rev. W. W. Alverson, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will deliver the baccalaureate address to the class at the Methodist church, Sunday evening, May 22. The commencement exercises will be held at the Methodist church on Thursday evening, May 27. Rev. N. P. Patterson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Beatrice will give the address to the class. There are thirty-five in the graduating class.

Rifle Club Formed at North Platte, NORTH PLATTE, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—Riflemen of North Platte Thursday night organized a branch club of the National Rifle association. Application for a charter was sent in to Lincoln today. As soon as the charter received the club will construct a regulation United States army range in the hills south of the city. Under the Kahn act Krug-Jorgensen rifles and 150 rounds of ammunition are furnished to such clubs over the country. The purpose is to promote marksmanship among the younger generation. Dr. T. J. Kerr was elected president of the local club and A. W. Shilling vice president.

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Nebraska Lawmaker Turns Stamps Back To State Official

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—Nebraska has a statesman with a conscience. This was disclosed this morning when Secretary of State Pool received a letter from a certain member of the last legislature enclosing \$3 in postage stamps which he drew over and above what was used. The secretary refused to give out the name of the party who returned the stamps, but the following is a copy of the letter:

Dear Mr. Pool: I am enclosing herewith United States postage stamps to the amount of \$3, which I received from the state for use in legislative correspondence, and which were not used. After the session adjourned I attempted to turn these into the chief clerk's office, but they said they had no method of handling the matter at that time and I simply turn these over to you as a state officer to be used for state purposes. I am not trying to get into the spotlight and do not want any publicity in this connection. I simply find that I drew more stamps than I needed and want the state to have them, so you simply use these stamps and forget it.

Funeral is Halted To Permit Inquiry Into Death of Jones

WAIHOO, Neb., May 8.—(Special.)—While funeral services were being held here over the body of S. H. Jones, secretary of the Bruner Light and Power company of Houston, Tex., who was found apparently drowned in the swimming pool of a hotel, a telegram arrived demanding that the funeral be delayed.

The telegram was from J. R. Bates, Jones' attorney, and it hinted at possibility of foul play. Jones was twice elected county treasurer of Saunders county.

Examination of the body showed two bruises on the head, apparently received when he slipped and fell on the cement walk just before rolling into the water.

State and County Officials at Outs

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—The people of Lancaster county refuse to become very much excited over conditions of war in Europe when right in their midst is a condition so warlike that most any time forty-two-centimeter guns are liable to be placed on the coast houses and the capitol dome in order to enforce the demands of the Board of County Commissioners upon the treasurer of the state of Nebraska, and also the demands of the treasurer of the state of Nebraska upon the commissioners of Lancaster county.

It all arises over the Capital National bank failure several years ago and the payment of funds to the state by the county treasurer of the county. The county having declined recently that the state was not entitled to the funds amounting to \$11,244.60, the last legislature passed an appropriation for the purpose of paying back the money. The warrant has been drawn, but State Treasurer Hall refuses to turn it over to the county until County Treasurer Sommerland has paid over to the state funds due the state on taxes collected which Mr. Hall claims are due the state.

Jurors Disagree In White Slave Case

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special Telegram.)—The jury in the Neff white slave case tried in federal court this week failed to agree this afternoon and was discharged by Judge T. C. Munger. Grover Neff and his wife, with another man 19 in the penitentiary were charged with enticing Nellie Taylor, a 17-year-old Lincoln girl, to St. Joseph for immoral purposes. Another white slave case is now being tried in the same court in which Earnest Mrs. Nuna E. Stone from Kansas City to Lincoln for immoral purposes. Mrs. Stone is 38 years old and has been married three years.

CONSOLIDATION OF SCHOOLS NEAR TRUMBULL LIKELY

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—State Superintendent of Schools attended a meeting of patrons of schools in and around Trumbull relative to consolidation of school districts surrounding that town, returned this morning. He says that the consolidation will likely be effected and will embrace the Trumbull district and five others situated near the town. The town has a population of about 300 and is situated in the northwest corner of Clay county. The districts which come in are located in Clay, Hall, Hamilton and Adams counties. Two frame school buildings in the county districts will be moved in to Trumbull and it will not be necessary to erect a new school house or to bond the district.

"It is certainly a beautiful country country down around Trumbull," said the superintendent. "The land is level and the crops are growing finely. Alfalfa and small grain are in perfect condition and it makes one feel mighty enthusiastic over Nebraska when he rides through a section of country like that. Last night about 8 o'clock I looked out over the country surrounding the hall where we had the meeting, and in every direction I could see bright lights moving swiftly here and there, and by the time the meeting had begun over forty automobiles were parked about the hall."

CHAIRMAN CLARKE LEAVES FOR HEARING AT CHICAGO

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—Chairman Clarke of the Nebraska State Railway commission, went to Chicago last night to be present at the closing evidence being introduced by the remonstrators in the freight rate hearings before the Interstate Commerce commission. State Clerk Powell of the Nebraska commission was expected to be on the stand most of the day today. Wednesday Representatives of the western commissions will hold a session to determine

Scene from "The Woman" at the Hipp



the action to be taken at Washington before the interstate commission relative to physical valuation of railroads.

STATE SOON WILL ENGAGE IN FURNITURE BUSINESS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 8.—(Special.)—The State Board of Control has about completed arrangements to buy the plant, good will and everything owned by the Handcraft Furniture company, which has been manufacturing furniture at the state penitentiary. Negotiations for the purchase of the plant have been going on for some time, but the board could not see its way clear to pay the prices demanded by the company, which came down to \$27,000. Later the figure which the board will consider will be in the neighborhood of \$21,000, the exact amount to be determined by the invoice of the material on hand. The business has called for the use of about fifty convicts. The taking over of the plant will necessitate the employment of a manager, bookkeeper and foreman, though it is possible that the two latter who are now with the company will remain, the manager staying only long enough to break in a new man.

Drake Wins Dual Trak Meet from Iowa University

IOWA CITY, Ia., May 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Drake defeated Iowa in a dual meet here today, 5 to 3. Summary: Dash, 100 Yards—Shearer, Drake, first; Lucy, Drake, second; Davidson, Drake, third. Time, 2:35. Dash, 200 Yards—Shearer, Drake, first; Lucy, Drake, second; Hannick, Iowa, third. Time, 5:25. Dash, 400 Yards—Johnson, Drake, first; Watson, Drake, second; Rock, Iowa, third. Time, 1:35. Dash, 800 Yards—Shrader, Iowa, first; Donnel, Drake, second; McCoy, Drake, third. Time, 3:35. Dash, 1600 Yards—Shrader, Iowa, first; Jernegan, Drake, second; McCoy, Drake, third. Time, 10:35. Dash, 3200 Yards—Watson, Drake, first; Smith, Drake, second; Parsons, Iowa, third. Time, 22:35. Mile Relay—Forfeited to Iowa to catch train. Mile Relay—Drake, Iowa, Time, 15:35. Shotput—Kruhl, Drake, first; Garretson, Iowa, second; Huston, Iowa, third. Distance, 28 feet 10 1/2 inches. Broad Jump—Shrader, Iowa, first; Lucy, Drake, second; Carson, Drake, third. Distance, 20 feet 3/4 inch.

Riley of Mitchell Wins Honors at Meet

SCOTT'S BLUFF, Neb., May 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Gordon Riley of Mitchell won first honors at the track meet here today, winning forty-five points out of sixty won by Mitchell. Scott's Bluff won second place, and Kimball Westervelt second position of honor.

NORTHERN PLAN TO TAKE RUSS TRADE FROM GERMANY

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.) AMSTERDAM, April 25.—The Kiel correspondent of the Kolnische Zeitung reports that steps are being taken in all the Scandinavian countries for capturing the huge Russian trade which hitherto has been regarded as completely in German hands. Industrial and commercial men in Norway, Sweden and Denmark are endeavoring to learn the Russian language, while in Norway funds have been appropriated by the Stock exchange

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