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## Pony Contest Closes on February 18

Only 24 more days to  
hustle votes and to the  
best hustler will go the  
fine pony outfit.

Get your Friends to buy their goods  
at the Pony Stores and thus secure votes.  
Goods needed in the future might as well  
be purchased now and by doing so you  
get the advantage of pony votes which you  
cannot get after February 18th.

### These are the Pony Vote Stores

- Rush Mercantile Co.
- McDonald Clothing Store.
- Dickey's Bakery and Confectionery.
- Dickey's Sanitary Laundry.
- J. S. Davis Auto Co.
- Crystal and Keith Theatres.
- The Palace Cafe.
- Brooks' Studio.
- Dixon's Jewelry Store.
- Coates Lumber & Coal Co.
- Howe & Maloney, Furniture Store.
- Block's Ladies' Outfitting Store.
- Schiller's Drug Stores.
- Marti's Meat Market.
- The Semi-Weekly Tribune.



### TRIAL OF ROY ROBERTS BEGINS THIS MORNING

The trial of Roy Roberts, charged with the murder of Vernon Connett, begins this morning in the district court and the court room was packed to capacity at an early hour. People from all over the county came into the city to attend the trial and standing room is at a premium. A deputy had to be placed at the door to hold the crowd back.

Roberts' unusual nerve which has been shown throughout all the proceedings so far has gradually failed him and he appears this morning as any other human being charged with a crime of such proportions. For the past several days he has had little to say and would not at any time discuss the crime even to the other prisoners at the county jail.

Yesterday the relatives of the murdered man arrived in the city for the trial at which they will be witnesses to establish the identity of the body of the missing man. Mrs. Vernon Connett arrived yesterday morning from Bird City, Kansas, with her father-in-law, A. J. Connett, and her brother-in-law, Roy. Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Connett of Chillicothe, Ill., arrived on an early train yesterday and I. E. Connett of Edgar, arrived last evening.

A. J. Connett, father of the murdered man, stated yesterday morning to a reporter, "It is hard to have to look at the man you know murdered your own son and not want to take the law into your own hands. However, we are living in a civilized country and are willing to let the law take its course and if it falls we will not be responsible."

"Vernon was a good boy," he said, "I never knew a kinder hearted boy and one that was better help in case of sickness. He was so good to his wife and little girl and was honest and upright with everybody."

Mr. Connett is a man past seventy years of age. He is a G. A. R. man and an Odd Fellow and says he has friends wherever he goes. He fought for four years in the rebellion and yesterday wore the suit with which he had gone into battle with General Grant's forces. The shock of the murder has worried him very much and he cannot conceal his anxiety over the course the law will take.

The attorneys began this morning selecting the jurymen which will sit on the case. Attorney Keefe and Roberts on one side of the table and County Attorney Gibbs, Attorney A. Muldoon and the Connett family on the other side of the table. This will probably take the greater part of today and tomorrow and possibly longer.

Saturday morning's temperature was the lowest of the season, twenty-one below zero as registered at the weather bureau office. Sunday morning it was seven below and yesterday morning eight below.

### Opposed to Changes in the Game Law

While home Sunday Representative Woodhurst had a conference with local sportsmen regarding the game laws, and the bills which have been introduced amending those laws. Among the amendments introduced is one prohibiting the use of automatic or "pump" guns, another closes the quail season for five years, another limits the chicken season to thirty days, and still another closes the chicken season for two years. Mr. Woodhurst is a member of the game and fish committee of the legislature, and for this reason he was besieged by local hunters and solicited to recommend that the game law remain just about as it now stands.

Ladies! Get Busy! Come and profit by our loss in offering you your choice of any Coat, Suit, Wool or Silk Dress, or Party Gown in the store that formerly sold up to \$40.00 this week only while they last at \$9.99, at BLOCK'S, the Store that Keeps the Prices Down on Women's Apparel in North Platte.

### Falls and Breaks Arm.

Mrs. C. Arrowsmith, of Ogallala, fell Friday evening and broke her right wrist, from which injury she is suffering considerable pain. Mrs. Arrowsmith was visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clough in the Second ward, when the accident occurred. When the fire whistle blew Friday evening she ran out on the porch to try and locate the fire and slipped on the ice.

### Fresh Frozen Fish from new until after Lent at TRAMP'S GROCERY STORE.

Mrs. J. D. Taylor, of Council Bluffs, arrived in the city Sunday for a visit of a few days at the Theodore Lowe home.

John Bratt returned home Sunday evening from Denver where he spent several days looking after some business matters.

Harry Block of the Block Ladies' Outfitting Store, is the latest purchaser of a Buick car. This week he bought a new "C 37."

F. J. Duncan of the C. O. D. Cleaners returned Sunday evening from Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he spent a few days visiting relatives and friends.

County Commissioner E. H. Springer, of Brady, arrived in the city yesterday to attend the session of the commissioners at the court house.

Cody Boal returned home Sunday from Denver where he went to visit his grand father, W. F. Cody, formerly of this city.

Mrs. James Hart returned home Saturday from Anamosa, Iowa, where she accompanied the remains of her mother, Mrs. Mary Dunn, for burial.

Attorney W. E. Shuman, of this city, received word Saturday from President C. J. Smyth of the state bar association advising him that he had been appointed a member of the legislative committee of that body.

### FARMERS MET SATURDAY TO ORGANIZE COUNTY UNION

About thirty-five farmers and farmer's wives attended a meeting at the court house Saturday which was conducted by O. E. Wood of Lincoln for the purpose of organizing a branch of the National Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Association.

The meeting held the greater part of the afternoon, during which Mr. Wood spoke on the purpose and importance of such an organization for the "economic distribution of the necessities of life." The purpose of the organization is to reduce the expense of getting products to the markets and factories and to get the finished products more directly and economically from factory to the consumer. The idea is to do away with the speculators, the gamblers and other unnecessary middle men.

The organization also has a social and educational side and it is the purpose of Mr. Wood to get locals organized in all parts of the county as well as a union county organization. At the meeting Saturday afternoon a committee, composed of Messrs. Bostwick and Linderkugel was appointed to arrange for a series of meetings throughout the county. Another meeting will be held here on the afternoon of February 20th, beginning at one o'clock.

In this county there are already six such organizations. Mr. Wood represents the state organization which is in turn a part of the national organization.

### Decides in Favor of Hoaglands.

The court sitting on the case of Dedicrichs vs. Stephenson et al decided in favor of the defendanta in the case and granted them possession of the ninety-seven acres of land under controversy.

The case was a long drawn out affair and involved several questions. From the evidence it seems that Dedicrichs had deeded his land to one Abercrombie to avoid paying a judgment rendered in the county court against him by one Roberts. That Abercrombie was under agreement to return the land to Mrs. Dedicrichs and later did so accepting from and returning to Mrs. Dedicrichs a fair remuneration for the purpose of getting by the law.

Dedicrichs was later divorced from his wife who deeded the land to Hoagland & Hoagland for attorney's fees and costs, the firm paying her \$200 excess. Following this the woman was converted in some evangelistic meetings and decided to return the property to her husband and she immediately filed suit, in June, 1914, to regain possession of the property. Simultaneously with this she and her husband effected a reconciliation and were re-married.

Several witnesses were called in the case, among them Mrs. Dedicrichs, who pulled out the tremelo stop with the fountain attachment and gave some interesting testimony, shouting hallelujahs and praises all the while. The case continued all day Friday and until late afternoon Saturday after which Judge Hostetler rendered his decision.

### Mrs. Thomas Burney Dies

Mrs. Maggie Burney, wife of Engineer Thomas Burney, passed away this morning at five o'clock at her home on east Fifth street after an illness of only three days. She was fifty-three years, four months and fourteen days of age at the time of her death which was caused by diabetes from which she had been a sufferer for a number of years.

Mary Dugagn was born in Tennessee September 12, 1861. When but a small girl she came to Nebraska with her parents and they settled at Wood River where she grew to womanhood and was married. She came to this city with her husband twenty-five years ago last November and they have continued to make their home here since that time.

Mrs. Burney was a member of the Catholic church and was a faithful and consistent worker there until a few years ago when she was taken ill. She suffered for several years but was taken violently ill only Saturday morning. She was also a member of the Degree of Honor, the Maccabees and the Ladies' Auxilliary to the B. of L. E. She leaves to mourn her demise besides her numerous friends, a husband, four brothers and two sisters, all of whom will be here for the funeral. The brothers are James and Thomas Dugagn of Grand Island and John and Will of Wood River. The sisters are Mrs. James Corrigan of Shelton and Mrs. Stone, of Sheridan, Wyo.

Requiem high mass will be said tomorrow morning at eight-thirty at St. Patrick's church over the remains and they will then be taken to Wood River where the funeral and burial will be had.

### Will Complete Guernsey Branch.

In a speech at Denver Thursday, Hale Holden, president of the Burlington railroad, said that his company would immediately renew work on the Guernsey branch in Wyoming. This branch is the uncompleted link on the Burlington's new water grade route from the Missouri river to Billings of which the proposed line up the Platte river from Newark to Bridgeport will be a part.

It has always been understood that as soon as the Guernsey line is completed, work on the Platte valley line would commence. It therefore seems reasonable to predict that work on the latter will be started before the close of the present year and that Burlington trains will be running into North Platte the early part of 1916.

### MONEY TO LOAN ON REAL ESTATE.

BRATT & GOODMAN.  
Lem Bailey returned home Sunday evening from Denver where he spent a short time on business.

### CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

The Indian card club will be entertained tomorrow afternoon at the home of Miss Ida Ottenstein.

The Royal Neighbors Social Club will be entertained this afternoon by Mrs. Wilson, 521 west B street.

The "500" club will be entertained this evening at the home of Mrs. T. C. Patterson. Mrs. Patterson will be assisted by Mrs. Walker.

The Catholic Girls' club will be entertained tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. C. E. Cook on west Sixth street by Miss Ethel Frye.

The Music department of the Twentieth Century club will be entertained at a musical evening at the E. P. Seeburger home. All members and their husbands are invited to be present.

Mesdames H. M. Grimes, W. T. Wilcox, E. S. Davis and Butler Buchanan will entertain Friday evening at the Buchanan home in favor of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Schiller who are to leave shortly for the west.

The third of the series of auxiliary teas to be given by the ladies of the city for the benefit of the Good Samaritan hospital will be held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. F. Idings on west Fifth street.

The M. M. club was delightfully entertained last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McGovern. They were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. J. Guy Swope. Thirty guests were present and a pleasant evening was enjoyed with cards and a nice luncheon was served. The guests of the club were Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Reimer, of Omaha, who are guests in the city of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Posey, at the Union Pacific hotel.

If you are looking for the Best and Cheapest Fire and Life Insurance, See BRATT & GOODMAN.

At the regular meeting of the B. P. O. Elks lodge last night it was announced that at the next meeting there would be initiation and feed. Several new members are to be initiated into the order at this meeting.

Attorney N. H. Wilson returned Saturday evening to Lincoln after spending a few days in this city on professional business. He appeared in the district court last week on behalf of the plaintiffs in the case of Dedicrichs vs. Stephenson et al.

### RAILROAD NOTES

Conductors Hastings and Garrison were off duty last week on account of illness.

Engineer George Brown left the latter part of last week for Excelsior Springs Mo., to spend two weeks or more taking treatment.

Engineer Elmer Moody left Sunday night for a week's visit with his brothers in Kansas City. He was accompanied by Mrs. Moody.

Twenty-six car loads of horses were shipped through this city Sunday from the west enroute to Europe to be used in the war. They consisted of both cavalry mounts and artillery horses.

Conductor F. C. Letts is expected home this evening from Omaha where he has been taking medical treatment and recovering from his second operation at an Omaha hospital. His condition is reported much improved.

Master Mechanic W. T. Beery, of Grand Island, was in the city Friday evening to the attended the "Safety First" meeting. He was located here for several years but was later transferred to Omaha and last spring sent back to Grand Island.

Carl Skaggs, fireman on the Union Pacific out of here, left Saturday morning for Denver to spend a few days, from there he will go to Kansas City and points in eastern Kansas to visit relatives for a few weeks. He expects to be gone a month or more.

### FOR RENT

Modern and other houses, vacant rooms, Storage Room and Safe Deposit Boxes by BRATT & GOODMAN.

Governor Morehead yesterday appointed A. M. Morrissey, deputy state attorney general, as chief justice of the supreme court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Hollenbeck.

Biliousness and Constipation Cured. If you are ever troubled with biliousness or constipation you will be interested in the statement of R. F. Eerwin, Peru, Ind. "A year ago last winter I had an attack of indigestion followed by biliousness and constipation. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets so highly recommended, I bought a bottle of them and they helped me right away." For sale by all dealers.

## Closing Out Sale

ON

Hardware, Stoves,  
Galvanized Steel Stock Tanks  
Gasoline Engines,  
All at Cost or Below Cost

AT

**HERSHEY'S**  
Opposite Post Office.

Why Not Have a Gas Stove in  
Your Home?



Every Woman will appreciate the quick hot fire at a moment's notice. No coal or ashes to handle, no dirt. A Clean Kitchen All the Time

North Platte Light & Power Co.,  
C. R. MOREY, Manager.