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STATE THREATENS TO SUE LINCOLN COUNTY

AUDITOR ASKS ATTORNEY GENERAL TO RECOVER MONEY DUE FOR CARE OF INSANE

State Auditor Claims There is Now Due From this County Five Thousand Dollars Principal and Seven Thousand Interest

A special to the Omaha Bee from Lincoln states that State Auditor Smith has asked Attorney General Reed to bring suit against Lincoln county to collect \$12,000 claimed due the state for insane patients sent to the state institutions from this county.

Originally there were fifteen or eighteen counties which owed money for this purpose, nearly all of which have paid the principal; the state remitting the interest, which in all cases was greater than the principal. Of the \$12,000 claimed due from Lincoln county the principal is \$5,000 and the interest is \$7,000, the claims having run for twenty or thirty years. It is probable that if the county makes payment on the principal, part or all of the interest will be remitted.

Actions against the counties for the collection of this money was started a number of years ago, and for a time the county refused to pay. The auditor, however, brought suit against Stanton and Gage counties in the supreme court and the court decided that the counties owed both the interest and the principal.

Lincoln county has never been in financial shape to pay the amount due out of the general county fund, and is not in shape to do so now. It is probable that it will be necessary for the county to confess judgment and then levy a tax to pay the judgment.

Fred Morgan went to Cheyenne Sunday evening to visit his son for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Voseipka left yesterday morning for Lincoln to spend a week.

UNION PACIFIC IS OFFERED TO THE GOVERNMENT

From the Union Pacific headquarters at Omaha comes the announcement that the entire system has been turned over to Uncle Sam, providing the strained relations with Germany result in the need of the roadbed and its equipment. The announcement is as follows:

"All of our present equipment and the new equipment, as soon as it arrives, together with all our resources, will be at the command of the United States government and the Council of National Defense, for the purpose of preparedness in the present national crisis."

In connection with the announcement that the property of the Union Pacific is at the command of the federal government is the following additional statement, issued from the company's executive offices:

"As the first great transcontinental railroad constructed in America for military purposes, the Union Pacific railroad has taken, and will continue to take, every possible step to make certain the highest state of efficiency in caring for the transportation responsibilities which it may be called upon to furnish at any time.

"Nearly \$4,000,000 worth of new motive power, in which is included eighty-five new engines, many of them the most powerful ever constructed in this country, and nearly \$5,000,000 worth of new freight equipment, is now under construction for the use of the Union Pacific railroad."

The Union Pacific has extended the scope of its campaign of preparedness and co-operation with the government to not only guarding the Omaha bridge and the local yards, but is extending, as a precautionary measure, the guard system to all portions of the main lines.

Mrs. A. Kunkle left Saturday evening for Orwigsburg, Pa., to spend several days with relatives.

Just Received 75 New Suits Come in and look them over, you are sure to find your Easter Suit in this lot of later Spring Models.

BUT FEW PRESENT AT B. & L. ANNUAL MEETING

ONLY FIFTEEN OUT OF ONE THOUSAND SHAREHOLDERS RESPOND TO CALL SATURDAY

Directors Finn, Maloney, Weingand and Forbes Re-elected, as are Former Officers Except Treasurer.

Though there are practically one thousand stockholders in the Mutual Building & Loan Association and these stockholders have over eight hundred thousand dollars invested in the association, yet at the annual meeting held at the association building Saturday evening only four or five stockholders other than members of the board of directors were present. While the board of directors can, from one view point, consider this lack of interest on the part of the stockholders as evidence that the latter are satisfied with the manner in which the association is conducted, yet the directors would feel better satisfied if more of the stockholders would attend these annual meetings.

The only business transacted at the stockholders' meeting was the election of four directors, three to fill three-year terms, the other to fill a two-year vacancy. The retiring directors were Geo. W. Finn, W. R. Maloney, C. O. Weingand and M. J. Forbes and they were re-elected, the latter for two years, the other for three.

Following the shareholders' meeting the directors held a meeting and re-elected T. C. Patterson president, Victor vonGoetz vice-president and Saml. Goozee secretary. W. H. Munger was elected treasurer to succeed F. E. Bullard, who has left the city. Wilcox & Halligan were re-employed as attorneys.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Judge H. M. Grimes left yesterday morning for Chappell, on legal business.

Mrs. Robert Dickey returned Friday evening from Denver where she spent a week.

Mrs. John Day left Saturday evening for Kearney to spend Sunday with her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Zentmeyer left Wednesday evening for California to remain for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Palmer returned Saturday evening from Callaway where they spent two weeks with the latter's parents.

Miss Sarah Kelly, who visited the home folks for two weeks, returned to the college at Okaloosa the latter part of last week.

C. W. McMullen, a former North Platte barber, who has spent the past seven years in Omaha and Norfolk, returned to town yesterday and today out-rid service at the Landgraf shop. Curley has many friends who are glad to see him back.

I am weaving carpets, rugs and cushions at the old prices. Glad to receive orders at any time. Mrs. Frank Wilson, Cozad, Neb. 21-2

Late models in women's suits and coats for Easter just arrived and ready for your inspection. We have specially prepared to care for you in the late season's models, fresh from the makers at the Leader Mercantile Co.'s.

The J. Y. M. club was pleasantly entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. Glen Miller. Guests of the day were Mesdames Hillebrandt, Fernandes and Miss Ethel Donegan.

Cards were received in town Friday announcing the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hansen, of San Francisco. Mrs. Hansen was formerly Miss Sarah Cressler of this city. Mr. Hansen is a federal paymaster.

Work on the "Pioneer" building has been delayed by the non-arrival of brick which was promised not later than March 18th. Yesterday the concrete foundation walls were poured and it is hoped to begin on the brick work in a few days.

Every day by express direct from the makers we are receiving silks, dress goods and dress trimmings such as you will say when you see them, are the prettiest you ever saw; at The Leader Mercantile Co.'s.

Miss Irma Huffman, who had been visiting her parents for two weeks, left Saturday evening for Chicago where she will rehearse with an opera company for a fortnight and later appear on the Redpath chautauqua program this season.

Strayed or stolen—Last Saturday a black dog with white ring around neck, white in face, white feet and tip of tail white. About six months old but large for age. Reward for information or return of animal to Myland-ranch.

J. T. Keefe, who recently purchased the former Payne house in the 1000 block on west Fourth street is having it remodeled at a cost of about \$300.

We accused Jim of likely being a participant in a June event, but he waved his hand and said "nothing to it. The house will be for rent." We never caught him in a lie—but there's always the first time.

A lot of sport silks suitable for the makers are shown at The Leader Mercantile Co.'s. Also a lot of Georgette crepes in all the new shades, including all the new gold shades, and many other new materials; Jersey cloths, Klunk Kool in all the new shades.

For Rent—Rooms at 321 south Lehigh. Phone Black 545. 21-2

Herman Johnson returned Saturday from Denver, where he was called by the death of his brother James Johnson. The deceased was a former resident of North Platte, but for nine years had been living in Denver. While a resident of this city he was employed as a machinist's helper in the shops, and before coming to town lived on the Johnson farm south of town. Death was due to asthmatic troubles. He leaves a wife, a daughter and twin sons.

MUNICIPAL ENTERTAINMENT AT 8 THIS EVENING

The second municipal entertainment will be given at the Franklin auditorium at eight o'clock this evening and the program manager Mrs. York Hinman extends a cordial invitation to all citizens to be present. "The program," says Mrs. Hinman "will be very informal, so much so in fact, that I don't believe that we will assume the formality of publishing it." This does not mean that the program will not be interesting; quite the contrary, for Mrs. Hinman has assembled talent that is exceptionally good, and the manner in which she will introduce the various numbers is very clever. Attendees will confer a favor by being prompt and avoid the confusion of being seated after the program has opened.

Hold Family Reunion.

Mrs. Joseph Spies and Mrs. Fred Weingand, of Omaha, held a family reunion Sunday afternoon at the home of the former, in honor of the eightieth birthday of their father, Adolph Wendt. There were present in addition to the hostesses, three other daughters, Mrs. H. S. Johnston, Mrs. D. M. Hoesett and Mrs. Fred Wendt, thirteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. A dinner was served at noon and the table centerpiece was a large decorated birthday cake. A number of snap shot pictures were taken and many gifts presented to the guest of honor. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weingand of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. John Spies and family of Kearney, Herman Baumhach of Laramie. Mr. Wendt was born in Wittenburg, Germany, and came here thirty-two years ago. He engaged in carpenter work for a number of years and later was employed with the Union Pacific Co. He retired from active service fifteen years ago and has made his home with his daughter Mrs. R. S. Johnston.

Meeting of School Board Members

The West Central Nebraska Teachers' Association will meet in North Platte March 29, 30 and 31. In connection with this association a meeting will be held for members of the school boards of the county. One of the numbers on the program will be a talk by Miss Alice Florer, of Lincoln, Assistant State Superintendent. Every school board member should attend this meeting and take part in the discussion "How Can We Improve Our Rural Schools?" The meeting will be held at the court house on Saturday, at 2 p. m.

Episcopal Church

Lenten service, Thursday morning, March 29th, 10 o'clock. All members urged to attend.

The fire department was called out

yesterday evening by a prairie fire at the west end of Front street. The fire was under control before any serious damage resulted.

Mrs. Leathe Gimmick, who left several weeks ago for California, has decided to locate there.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Roy Cochran returned to Lincoln Sunday evening after visiting here for a week past.

Representative Scott Reynolds, who visited his family for several days, returned to Lincoln Sunday evening.

Arthur Bullard, who had been off duty at the U. P. round house for two weeks on account of illness, has resumed work.

City Engineer Charles McNamara, who had been confined to the house with bronchitis for two weeks, was able to be out yesterday.

Mrs. Eppy and daughter Bessie Lee, of Grand Island, came yesterday afternoon to visit Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jessup for a week.

Mrs. George H. Dent returned Sunday from Los Angeles and Long Beach, where she spent several weeks visiting friends and looking after her real estate interests.

Found an auto robe. Owner can have same by calling at Fred Waltemath's residence, identifying property and paying for this notice.

Lee Austin entertained thirty of his young friends at a party Saturday afternoon in honor of his seventh birthday. The afternoon was spent in games and a number of remembrances were presented to the host.

At the Guild social to be held Thursday afternoon, March 29th, the Dunlay cream and egg whip will be on sale, also needlework. A short program will be rendered and a fifteen cent lunch served.

Cliff Anderson and Jim Gonnell, who were arrested last week for stealing forty dollars worth of corn from F. J. Koser and five dollars worth of potatoes from J. H. Slaughter, were arraigned in the county court yesterday, pleaded not guilty, and the case continued until April 3rd.

The West Central Nebraska Teachers' Association will be held in North Platte, March 29th, 30th and 31st. At least a hundred teachers from all over the state are expected. Anyone who can accommodate one or more teachers will, either board or room please phone me Alleen Gantl, Co. 3rd.

The Travel and Study club met with Miss May Walker last evening and the following program was well rendered: Current Magazine Article on "Panama," Miss Walker; "India and Her People," Mrs. Simms; "How England Won an Empire," Mrs. Field; Miss Tannehill, who was a guest of the club, exhibited interesting curios from Panama, which she collected on a trip there.

Sues For Divorce

Walter Bartof filed suit for divorce from Ella Bartof in the district court yesterday for abandonment. They were married in July, 1907, at Kearney, later resided in Elm Creek and for a number of years located here. The petition states that in May, 1916, the defendant left the plaintiff and resided in Cheyenne, using her influence to keep the minor children away from the father. The children are Charles, age nine and Grace, age seven. The plaintiff asks for the custody of the children.

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BLOCK'S

Hansen to be Declared Bankrupt

A petition for involuntary bankruptcy was filed against F. W. Hansen, a plumber of this city, by the Crane Co., the Denham Co., and the H. Mueller Mfg. Co., all Omaha creditors. To the first named Hansen is indebted \$291.86, to Denham Co. \$447.70, and to the Mueller Co. \$99.70, a total of \$839.26.

It is said that Hansen was crippled financially by the losses he sustained on his contract for installing the heating and plumbing in the new Catholic school, being unable to do the work for the amount of his bid.

75 New Coats 75

Just unpacked, don't fail to see them as they are positively the nicest coats ever brought to this town and don't forget no two alike, all very reasonably priced.

Lost—Bunch of keys.

Suitable reward. Return to E. S. Davis, 221 west Third. 21-1*

Tim Sutton was arrested Friday on the drunk and disorderly charge and fined five dollars and eighty cents in the police court. Not being able to liquidate he was taken to jail to lay out the fine and costs.

For Rent—Rooms at 602 west Sixth street. 21-2

James Elliott spent the week end in Sidney on business.

Fred Thompson left Sunday evening for Lincoln to spend a few days.

Dr. Marie Ames left yesterday morning for Sidney to visit for a short time.

Wanted

Two extra dress makers to assist in the alteration department at BLOCK'S exclusive Ladies Ready-to-Wear store.

Get a Torrington ELECTRIC VACUUM SWEEPER

Before you clean house.

It will keep your house clean with the minimum amount of work.

It is better than the rest.

It will soon be time for the dust to blow. Be prepared.

North Platte Light and Power Co.

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BLOCK'S

YOUR INITIAL FREE

EVERY VISITOR

at our Art Needlework Department

WILL, UPON REQUEST, BE GIVEN A

TICO COTTON PADDING FORM

ANY STYLE OR SIZE INITIAL THE ONLY IMPROVEMENT OVER THREAD PADDING

Save Time, Labor and Money

This free offer made that you may try this Modern Method for Initialing

Full directions for Embroidering with each sample

ALL THIS WEEK

Wilcox Department Store

Boys 15 and Up Wanted

TO join that great army of producers.

YOU are entering early manhood.

YOUR parents raised you and they are vitally interested in your future life.

BY SAVING a few dimes each month you can complete your education and have a nice nest egg at age 35.

SHOULD you die prior, you would protect your business interest and leave a cash estate.

OUR OLD LINE LIFE AND TWENTY YEAR POLICIES are sold on monthly pay plan, and every man under 65 years should see what they mean to him.

NO ONE can pass judgment on something they have never seen. Without obligating you, will be pleased to call at your home and explain our policies in full.

CONSULT YOUR PARENTS about this and let me show you and them reason upon reason why you should start an Old Line Life Policy on easy terms while you are young.

ENOUGH, SAYS

J. E. SEBASTIAN, State Manager,

Minn. Mutual Life Ins. Co.,

Res. Phone Red 348. Office Red 612.

NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA.

"La Camille" Week

Mrs. M. S. Prichard

Head of the International School of Scientific Corsetry

Will Give Corset Fittings FREE

In Our Corset Department This Week,

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

In view of the fact that we have been trying to secure the services of Mrs. Prichard for over 6 months, we consider this ONE of the most important announcements we have made in months.

Mrs. Prichard is not only thoroughly versed in the hygienics of corsetry, but has wide experience with many of the leading Corset Shops of the country.

Hard-to-Fit Women

are especially requested to avail themselves of this unusual opportunity. It isn't necessary to buy anything. We want North Platte women to meet this eminent corsetiere, BELIEVING her years of experience in fitting all types of women and her helpful suggestions will prove to be of inestimable value.

Mothers with Growing Girls

are particularly requested to bring in their daughters this week and allow Mrs. Prichard to fit them with a corset that will permanently establish the lines beauty which shall be their pride in future years.

Ventilo BACK AND FRONT SHIELD

are features that make La Camille (Front Lace) Corsets supreme, especially during the warm days of spring and summer.

Ventilo Back affords ventilation around the back and relieves all harmful pressure upon your spine. It prevents perspiration and strain on the corset, enabling it to wear and wear.

Ventilo Front allows greater range of adjustment for your corset and prevents the laces from scoring your flesh.

La Camille (Front Lace) Corsets are noted for their beautiful lines and fine fabrics—they are famous for the many exclusive health-giving, figure building features which they have.

New Spring La Camilles \$2.50 to \$10.00

Thursday Friday Saturday

This Week Ladies' Outfitting Store This Week

NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA.