

RAILROADS PAY \$130,000 COUNTY PERSONAL TAX

The 1919 personal taxes which the Union Pacific and Burlington railroads will pay to County Treasurer Souder this month will, in round numbers, amount to one hundred and thirty thousand dollars. The Union Pacific personal tax is \$107,000 and that of the Burlington \$23,000. The latter company handed its check to Treasurer Souder last week and the Union Pacific will issue its check some day this week.

We may cuss the railroads for excessive freight charges, poor freight service and a dozen other sins of commission or omission, but when it comes to paying taxes for the support of our schools and county government, the railroads are the big factor, and if it were not for the taxes they pay we would have mighty hard sledding keeping our schools in operation and meeting our county expenses. In fact did not these two railroads run through our county, we would necessarily either have taxes so high as to be almost confiscatory. In view of the help the railroads are to us in the way of supporting our schools perhaps our criticisms of them should be tempered. One thing is sure, the railroads are not escaping their just share of taxation—in fact they are really paying on a more honest valuation than we do as individuals.

Pat O'Brien Passes Away

A wire received by H. N. Smith Sunday announced the death that morning at Kansas City, of Pat O'Brien, who up to his resignation three or four years ago, was the oldest passenger conductor in the Union Pacific service. Mr. O'Brien began his service with the company at Cheyenne, where he made his home for many years and later removed to this city. He leaves a wife, two sons and one daughter, all of whom live in or near Kansas City.

Some high class wool blankets have just arrived which we are including in our blanket sale; good merchandise at real sale prices. E. T. Tramp & Sons. License to wed was issued yesterday to Geo. M. Sapanshick of this city and Elizabeth Steimle of Salisbury, Mo.

Try Dixon, you won't be disappointed.

Red Cross Election.

The annual election of directors of Lincoln County Chapter American Red Cross will be held tomorrow, November 26th, from 10 a. m. until 7 p. m., in the lobby of the postoffice building. Fifteen members will be voted for the nominating committee having recommended the following names:

- Miss Annie Kramph.
- Wilson Tout.
- Mrs. E. S. Davis.
- Mrs. B. B. Field.
- W. P. Snyder.
- W. J. O'Connor.
- Mrs. Joseph Roddy.
- Mrs. M. E. Scott.
- Mrs. Charles Bogue.
- Mrs. R. F. Cotterell.
- Mrs. I. L. Bare.
- Mrs. A. P. Kelly.
- W. V. Hoagland.
- Capt. E. W. Fetter.
- E. F. Seeberger.
- Mrs. C. W. Groves.
- C. L. Baskins.
- Mrs. R. C. Langford.
- N. E. Buckley.
- R. D. Birge.
- Mrs. H. A. Lawhead.
- Mrs. M. F. Hoeler.
- Mrs. W. H. LeDoyt.

A meeting of the directors (which includes the branch chairmen) is also called for the same evening at eight o'clock at Chapter headquarters for the purpose of electing officers and an executive committee for the ensuing Red Cross year.

E. F. SEEBERGER, Chairman.

New suggestions for Xmas. Dixon, the Jeweler.

Mrs. L. B. Redmond returned yesterday from Omaha, where she was called by the death of her father, the late John A. Foster.

Suits now sold at sacrificing prices. E. T. Tramp & Sons.

L. E. Johnson, of Omaha, who is claim agent for the Union Pacific, transacted business in town Saturday.

Last call to engraved card customers. Dixon, the Jeweler.

Paymaster T. C. Cullen, of Omaha spent the week end in town hunting.

We can match all shades of shoes at Tramps' Ready to Wear.

SETTLEMENT OF THE COAL STRIKE IN A DEADLOCK

Indications at Washington yesterday were that the wage controversy between coal operators and miners could only be solved by the government using force.

With both the miners and the operators taking a stand against any further concessions, and with multiplying reports of suffering from lack of coal Fuel Administrator Garfield, Attorney General Palmer and Director General Hines plan to meet and outline the course which the government shall take in forcing an agreement between miners and operators, or at least making a temporary agreement by which the miners shall return to work.

The wage scale committee met yesterday morning but immediately adjourned to today when they expect Garfield to make a statement of the condition of the coal industry as he finds it.

Two separate proposals are before the committees. One is the offer of the operators for an increase of 20 per cent for day work and 15 cents a ton for machine mining and the other is the demands of the miners for a wage increase of 40 per cent and a seven-hour day.

Thomas T. Brewster, chairman of the operators' committee, said:

"I see no hope for a settlement now," and admitted that both parties are simply marking time until the government acts. Brewster declared it would be impossible for the operators to accept Secretary Wilson's proposition for an increase to the miners and said that it would mean a 70 per cent increase in the total cost of coal production.

Both sides are expectant of government action and neither is eager for it. The one ray of hope in the situation is a disposition on both sides to look with more favor upon a presidential tribunal now than at any stage of the game. Leaders of both parties to the controversy have to make good to those they represent and if they can show that the settlement of the issue was made by a board appointed by the president it would lift the burden from their shoulders.

Whatever steps are taken by the government, every effort will be made to force the return of the miners.

In the meantime industrial plants all over the middle west continue to close down, throwing thousands of men out of employment, and everywhere the utmost conservation of coal is being urged.

The Tuesday bridge club will be entertained this afternoon by Mrs. W. H. McDonald.

Mrs. Frank Hoxie went to Colorado Saturday to visit her daughter Mrs. L. S. Smith and son Walter Hoxie.

As forecasted yesterday, a decided change in temperature occurred last night and the temperature this morning is quite chilly.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held at the Methodist church tomorrow evening at eight o'clock. Rev. Dr. Curry will deliver the sermon and the Methodist choir will furnish the music.

Moderate low prices now prevail on all misses' and women's suits and coats at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Deputy Claude Delaney returned yesterday from St. Joe, Mo., with Wm. Wilson, who is charged with raising a check from six to sixty dollars. He will probably be arraigned in court today.

At Last—A plan by which you can give mother or father a pair of good glasses for Xmas. See Dixon & Son, sight specialists.

We have always carried a line of imported French kid gloves and while French kid gloves are scarce we carry a more complete line of colors than ever before. E. T. Tramp & Sons.

For Rent—Room in all modern home for one or two people, with or without laundry and kitchen privileges. Phone Red 830.

North Platte owners of autos, who intend spending the winter in California announce their intention of buying cars upon their arrival there, and when ready to come home sell them. In this way they have the use of a car at an expense less than shipping their cars to the coast.

J. A. Foster Passes Away.

John A. Foster, for many years a resident of North Platte, a veteran of the Crimean war and the civil war, died Sunday at his home in Omaha, to which city he had removed from North Platte three years ago. The remains were brought to this city this morning and the funeral will be held from the Episcopal church this afternoon at 2:30.

Mr. Foster, more familiarly known as "Jack," was a band musician for many years, and as such he played at the coronation of Queen Victoria of England, and also at the funeral of President Abraham Lincoln, having during the civil war served as a member of a regimental band. He came to North Platte more than fifty years ago and for a long period was employed as a boilermaker in the local shops. He continued as such until a few years ago when advancing age called for a cessation of manual labor.

D. A. R. Observe Anniversary

Sioux Lookout Chapter, D. A. R., held its third anniversary at the home of Mrs. Frank Hoxie Friday evening when a three-course luncheon was served. Regent Mrs. H. M. Grimes presided as toastmistress and proposed several toasts which were responded to in a very able manner. A musical program was also rendered. Twenty-five or more members were present.

Wanted.

Middle aged woman for general housework. Work not heavy, three children in family, everything modern; good pay and home for right party. Phone or call on Mrs. J. E. Sebastian, 911 east Second street. If

Judge Woodhurst united in marriage yesterday Tobe DeLoach and Rosa Pfiffer, both of Arnold.

We still continue to carry a full line of French kid gloves, which have been carried by us all during our dry goods business career. E. T. Tramp & Sons.

For Sale—2 coats, 1 ladies' and 1 gentlemen's; 1 white drop head sewing machine and a few window shades. Phone Red 830. 91-2

The Union Pacific local agent has been notified that the stateroom on train No. 1 has been reserved for every day up to and including December 21st.

The Baptist choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Gilbert Brown, assisted by other talent, will give a musical recital on the evening of December 11th.

Harold J. Plymness has accepted a position as clerk in the First National Bank. Mr. Plymness came here last spring and engaged in the grocery business, later selling out to Noble. He has had considerable experience as bank clerk.

New winter sweaters for boys and girls at The Leader Mercantile Co.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Midwinter trimmed hats are being displayed in the millinery department of The Leader Mercantile Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Clabaugh, of Oklahoma City, arrived Sunday for a visit with Mr. Clabaugh's parents.

Desirable rich shades in silk petticoats of dependable quality on sale at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clabaugh returned Sunday from a trip to Omaha, Des Moines and southern points.

Ed Dickey will leave tomorrow for Fremont to attend the annual convention of the Nebraska laundrymen.

Paul Harrington returned this morning from Denver where he had been visiting his parents for a few days.

A Dixon gift is always good.

Mrs. Harwick and son Warren, of Chicago, are spending a few days at the J. E. Wasley home while enroute to Denver.

Furs! Furs! Most delightful, beautiful, luxurious furs, our stock is now at its best. Make selections early at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Dick Grace, of Omaha, assistant general boiler inspector of the Union Pacific, has been spending the past few days in town.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Barnell and daughter left this morning for Lincoln to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. Barnell's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Sorenson entertained last evening at a six o'clock dinner complimentary to Miss Irma Huffman. Covers were laid for nine.

November arrival of winter underwear. We fit them all, men, women and children. Doctor Denton's sleeping garments for children on sale at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Miss Maude Keeney of Des Moines, who has been visiting her uncle, E. S. Davis, for the past week, left yesterday for San Francisco to spend the winter.

Cotton flannels on sale at 22½, 25, 27½ and up. Extra quality bleached and unbleached plain and fancy colors suitable for undergarments at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Dixon & Son, Sight Specialists.

Christian Science Thanksgiving service Thursday 11 a. m., Building and Loan building, room 25. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend this service.

Let Clinton & Son take care of your eyes.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Merrick, of Maxwell, died at a local hospital yesterday. The remains were taken to Maxwell this morning for interment.

Wedding suggestions—Dixon, the Jeweler.

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J. E. Wasley, who recently purchased the Hendy property on west Third street and moved his family here from Moorefield, has accepted a position as salesman with the J. S. Davis Auto Co.

Roses, chrysanthemums and carnations, "the nation's most expressive flowers," for Thanksgiving. North Platte Floral Co. Phone 1023.

FLOUR SACKS FOR SALE. 100 lb. Flour Sacks at \$1.25 a dozen. 50 lb. Flour Sacks at 50c a doz. IDEAL BAKERY.

Crystal Theatre Thursday and Friday.

HOWARD HICKMAN and RHEA MITCHELL IN

"Social Ambition"

Tells the story of a man's redemption with all in the world but one woman against him.

Keith Theatre, Wednesday.

GLADYS BROCKWELL

—IN—

"THE SNEAK"

The story of a madcap gypsy princess, a romance of riches and rags.

Keith Theatre, Thanksgiving Evening.

The Creator of the Laughing Habit

FREDERICK V. BOWERS



ALICE BRADY

IN

"Red Head"

Something new in weddings. They were engaged and married within five minutes, to the tune of a jazz band.

SMILES! THRILLS! HEART THROBS!

Crystal Theatre

Today and Tomorrow.

IN THE SPARKLING MUSICAL COMEDY "KISS ME AGAIN"

A delightful series of tuneful melodies, sparkling humor and "everything" to amuse you. A wonderful cast of comedians, singers and dancers. A big chorus of Broadway stage beauties. Bower's own Symphony orchestra. Don't miss it! Seats on sale today.

Prices \$2.00, \$1.50 and \$1.00, plus war tax. Curtain at 8 o'clock.

Introducing The 1920 Packard Phonograph

The Packard plays all makes of records perfectly and is therefore all talking machines in one. It's tone modifies and regulates the tone, soft, medium or low to suit any occasion. The Packard's wonderful improved all wood tone chamber makes it the finest tone instrument in the world. Priced from

\$100 to \$200.

North Platte Drug Co. The Rexall Store.

KEITH THEATRE WED. 10th North Platte DEC.

Prices from \$2.50 Down. No Phone orders. No seats laid away. Mail orders now. Box office sale Dec. 5th. CURTAIN WILL RISE PROMPTLY AT 7:30.

THE SEASON'S MOST IMPORTANT EVENT!

Richard Waton Tully (James G. Peede, Gen. Mgr.) Presents

GUY BATES POST

In his latest and greatest dramatic success,

"The Masquerader,"

By John Hunter Booth, from the novel by Katherine Cecil Thurston. Original cast and production intact on transcontinental tour, including double revolving stages, two complete mechanical crews, triple electrical equipment. Requiring three cars for transportation.