

The O'Neill Frontier

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Just now synthetic milk is a common topic in the German press, and is lauded as the highly important discovery of Dr. Rigler, professor of hygiene at the University of Klausenburg, Austria. This milk is produced from grain by a machine of simple construction and is said to equal the best quality of cow's milk. Milk can also be made from soy beans; it has a peculiar flavor, but a German factory has for several years successfully produced from the soy bean milk of a reputed agreeable flavor, which sells at a low price.

Structural iron workers have been much chronicled of late in the press in connection with dynamite outrages, and it is pleasant to see an item of a different character about one of them. This is to the effect that a Pennsylvania iron worker has just received an unexpected legacy of \$10,000 because, early in his life, he refused to allow the board to chop kindling or carry coal, but insisted on lightening his labors by doing these chores himself.

A novelty is a peasholder, permitting one to write in the dark, since it is provided with an electric light. The tube through which the point of the pencil goes is fitted with a small accumulator and an electric lamp. The lamp throws a disc of light over the point of the pencil as it is being used. This luminous pencil has been invented for the use of doctors, reporters, detectives, etc., whose work necessitates the taking of notes in the streets and in darkness.

A new automobile alarm signal of unusual construction and equally unusual sound has just been invented by an Englishman. It consists of a gong placed in proximity to the revolving cooling fan, the blades of which hold small striker arms. By means of a Bowden wire cable the gong can be held against the fan, so that a penetrating, but not unpleasant warning sound is introduced.

Fernando de Leyba, who took command of St. Louis on June 14, 1778, wrote: "I have been received by all the inhabitants with extraordinary signs of rejoicing which I do not attribute to my beauty, nor to the fact that they were dissatisfied with my predecessor, but only that in the creature they praise the creator." It was addressed to the governor general of Louisiana.

"From each according to his ability, to each according to his need," would seem to be the principle of a Chinese storekeeper whom a traveler tells about. The customer is to be given 10 pounds of tea, while he demanded \$7.50 for 10 pounds of the same brand. His business philosophy was expressed in these words of explanation: "More buy, more rich—more rich, more can pay."

A woman in the role of war correspondent is an unusual figure even in these days of manifold feminine activities. A pioneer in the new role is an English woman, Miss Mary Edith Durham, who is special correspondent in the Balkans for the London Daily Chronicle. In addition to acting as a news gatherer she has helped to nurse the wounded.

In Westminster abbey a verger had a foreigner arrested for kneeling and praying in the main aisle of the building. "But," said the judge, "why do you object to the man kneeling and praying?" The verger was amazed. "Why, your honor," he stammered, "if I didn't make an example of this man people would be praying all over the place!"

Wealth is more evenly distributed in Bulgaria than in any other European state. Poverty, according to Edward Dacey, "does not exist among the Bulgarians. In the towns there are individual cases of destitution, owing to drink and misconduct, but these cases are few and insignificant."

The duchess of Aosta is the third member of the Italian royal family to become an author. Her experiences of travel in Africa will be published next year in Italy and in London.

Berlin has a new title, D. H., meaning "doctor of hotel keeping." Her a sojourn at some hotels one needs a doctor, suggests the New York Evening Telegram.

E. C. Benedict has bought a hotel in Greenwich, Conn., and will demolish it, so he can add the ground to his large estate there.

A. G. Haight, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has set out to visit every state capital in the United States. He journeys afoot.

Frank Rockefeller is selling his 10,000-acre ranch in Iowa county, Kansas. He is 76 and is retiring.

Henry Gable has just been pardoned out of prison in Tacoma to return to Minnesota to claim an estate of \$75,000.

M. O. Neff, of Cincinnati, estimates that 10,000,000 persons in the United States daily visit film shows.

Over 1,000 flat dwellers in New York have organized a "tenant's union" to force lower rentals.

Miss Berthe A. Dutton, of Cleveland, has been a school teacher since 1853 without missing a day.

Judge Gemmill, of Chicago, favors permitting school boys to work after school hours.

Philadelphia Catholic Total Abstinence society has 179 branches and 17,045 members.

An anti-Mormon league has been formed to drive Utah proselyters out of England.

F. G. Pettigrove, of Boston, says: "Crime is coming to be recognized as a disease."

St. Elmo society, of Yale, is to erect a \$150,000 club house in New Haven, Conn.

Barney Hester, who served in the west with Custer, is dead in Cincinnati.

Hopkinsville, Ky., will hold an election January 18 to select a postmaster.

Winnipeg's municipal electric light plant claims to be making a profit of \$1,371 a month.

Inasmuch mission, Philadelphia, uses an auto truck to carry its missionaries about the city.

A hurricane of 100 miles an hour reported a force of 49,200 pounds a square foot.

Lyons, France, is trying to drive out cocaine fiends and to restrict sales.

The mean annual temperature of the world is 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

MOREHEAD GIVES OUT SOME OFFICIAL PLUMS

Man Who "Dictated" Appointments Gets the Rough Edge of Ax for Talking Too Much.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 25.—Governor Morehead Friday announced the following appointments:

Clarence E. Harmon, Holdrege, food commissioner.

Gustav Rutenbeck, Utica, game warden; with C. M. Hahn, of Valentine, and S. A. Weaver, postoffice address unknown, as deputies.

W. F. Austin, Central City, deputy oil inspector for the Third congressional district.

N. J. Ludi, a Wahoo editor, printing commissioner.

Chas. W. Pool, a Tecumseh editor, labor commissioner.

John Boatman, of Morrill, bank examiner.

The governor also announced his intention of consolidating the oil inspection with the food commission department and to have one head with all duties, doing both food and oil inspection.

Sinecures and Junkets Banned.

The house has 10 more employees than the law permits and the state auditor notified the committee this morning that it must reduce them, as he would not pay warrants. The senate has 10 or 15 more than is legal, and must follow suit. The matter has raised a big row.

The house this morning ordered that no junketing trips be taken by committees. Instead, five members will be picked to visit all state institutions and make report. The decision was reached just after the 13 members of the public buildings committee had finished packing to take a swing around the circuit.

SENATE PACE MAKER IN THE LEGISLATIVE GRIND

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 25.—The senate is setting a pace at grinding out work that the house finds it impossible to keep up with. Not a single measure has so far been considered in committee of the whole in the house, while the senate has passed eight. Two bills have been passed by both houses so far. These are the appropriations for salaries and incidentals for the legislature and its employees. These are always the first and go through without any consideration in the committee of the whole.

The third bill, to prevent the marriage of diseased persons and mental incompetents, has made its appearance. The third one is by Senator Ollis, whose bill establishes a series of rules about the granting of county judges in issuing marriage licenses. Other new bills in the senate provide for the repeal of the law which makes county treasurers ineligible to re-election after two terms and for the examination of county treasurers' accounts once a year, instead of twice a year, as at present.

Potts, of Pawnee, is sponsor of a new bill to enable the state permanent school fund to get rid of all of the 3 per cent bonds it now owns. These are not worth anything and the present law says that no bonds held by the fund may be sold below 100 cents. Investments are now being made in county and city bonds, which net a higher rate of interest than was possible from the bonds of other states.

Appropriation Bills.

Several special appropriation bills have shown up. One is for \$50,000 to build a state reformatory at Grand Island, \$74,000 for a tuberculosis hospital at Kearney, \$25,000 to pay for federal court litigation to establish the doctrine of prior rights of water users on interstate streams, and \$15,000 to build a statue of Gen. John M. Thayer, at Vicksburg, Miss., where he commanded a brigade that rendered valiant services under Grant.

The senate has plans to disapprove at the biennial junketing of members at state expense to visit the various charitable and penal institutions. It has provided for a special committee of three members to do the visiting and investigating. The house has no such ideas of economy. It has authorized a full committee of 13 members to hire a special Pullman car and make the rounds. The committee will start Monday on a tour of those institutions located in the northern and western parts of the state.

ASK NATIONAL OWNERSHIP FOR TELEPHONE LINES

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 25.—A resolution was unanimously adopted by the house of representatives here this morning memorializing congress to enact a law providing for the national ownership of all telephone lines. A similar resolution has already been passed by the senate.

Investigation of all state institutions and departments for 10 years back was provided for in a resolution introduced in the house today. Particular attention would be paid to financial matters and extravagance in the use of public funds.

The senate has limited its visiting committees to three members each.

SUNDAY THEATERS AGITATE FREMONT

Fremont, Neb., Jan. 25.—The Sunday theater question will be brought to the fore in Fremont again. Proprietors of a local playhouse announced today that they would inaugurate regular Sunday matinee and moving picture entertainment starting Sunday next. The subject has been presented to the council in an informal way and some members of that body have given approval to the plan. There is sentiment in some quarters that Fremont has become big enough for "city ideas" along this line. On the other hand, an effort will be made, in all likelihood, to secure the passage of an ordinance forbidding Sunday entertainments. Quite a stir is expected. Both Mayor Wolz and City Attorney Abbott advise the show proprietors against the undertaking they propose to carry out.

LONG HORNED MEXICANS FOR WILD WEST MOVING PICTURES

Halgier, Neb., aJN. 25.—Benard Pierison, who owns a large ranch near here, will go to Chicago early next spring with 76 long horned steers. He has a contract with a moving picture concern of the windy city to give wild west exhibitions with his cattle. Pierison purchased the steers in Mexico.

PLANE FALLS GENTLY IF MACHINERY BREAKS

North Platte, Neb., Jan. 25.—D. S. Thomas, of this city, is perfecting an aeroplane, which he claims will make aviation safe. He has not made publication of the details of his invention, but says that should any part of his machine break while in the air it would float gently to the ground under full control of the operator.

Thomas is a civil war veteran and at present is working on his new aeroplane at Hot Springs, S. D. He has applied for a patent.

GENTLE DOGGING ART NO LONGER AVAILABLE TO SIDESTEP RECORD

Vive Voce Voting in Committee of the Whole Walks the Plank.

NO INCREASE IN SALARIES

Speaker Offers a Bill to Establish Place of Detention for First Offenders and Youth Convicted of Crime.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 24.—1913. The house this morning abolished the ancient practice of legislators to utilize their votes in committee of the whole to cloak their real attitude toward measures by adopting a new rule providing for a roll call in committee of the whole when demanded by 10 members. Hereafter voting in committee of the whole as a check upon the clerk's count.

A wordy debate followed a proposition to cut down the number of committee clerks from six to three, but it was finally adopted. Several members who had friends to place in jobs tried to get the house later to order their employment, but failed.

Speaker Kelly introduced his first bill this morning, establishing an intermediate reformatory for youthful first-time convicts at Grand Island and appropriating \$50,000 therefor.

EXEMPTION CONTINUES ON REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 24.—The Nebraska senate has stamped its approval on the present law, which exempts real estate mortgages from taxation. Senator Smith, of Seward, acting on the theory that this was a discrimination in the matter of taxation, introduced a bill to repeal this tax. He secured the support of eight members of the committee, but in the committee of the whole his bill was killed by an overwhelming vote. It was admitted that the law shifts the tax upon the owner of the land, but in practice the law has resulted in a gradual lowering of the interest rate on farm mortgages. The senate recommended for passage these bills: Levying a 2 per cent tax on the gross receipts of all express companies on business originating or terminating in Nebraska; to make it unlawful to steal water from irrigation or power canals or to open head gates without authority; to fix pay of assessors in counties having less than \$700,000 at \$5 a day, the total pay to be fixed by the county board.

No More Pay for Clerks.

Hoagland, of Lancaster, introduced a resolution increasing the pay of senate employees to correspond with the increased stipend paid senators. His resolution, which went over when objections were made, raised the salary of the secretary from \$4 to \$6 a day, that of three assistants and the chief bill clerk from \$4 to \$5, sergeant at arms and chief messenger from \$3 to \$4, and pages from \$1.50 to \$2.50. The resolution will probably fail, because these salaries are set by law.

Heasty has dropped in a bill to compel physical connection of interurban lines, street railway and steam railroads and to require them to exchange cars and carloads upon application to the state railway commission. The object is to secure an interchange of traffic between the interurbans that it is expected will be built following the development of water power and the street railways of the various cities.

Mr. Heasty is also the father of bills to prevent the marriage of drunks, confirmed criminals, imbeciles or insane persons and persons afflicted with tuberculosis or other diseases. Surgical operation is provided in certain cases to prevent the procreation of confirmed criminals or insane persons. Such operation must be advised by two physicians, but the patient has the right of appeal to the courts.

Marking Political Ads.

Other bills provide that all political advertisements in newspapers shall be plainly marked; that no intoxicating liquors shall be sold on Memorial day or Labor day; requiring officers of fraternal societies to submit all raises in rates to members before placing them in effect; establishing a binding time factory at the state penitentiary; and one amending the state deposit guaranty law by authorizing the protection thereof all deposits drawing interest.

The subject of university removal is becoming a live one with the legislature, and a special committee has been appointed for the purpose of arranging for the entire legislature to go out and look over the campus and have the plans of the regents with respect to the removal explained to them. The fact that the scheme involves an expenditure of \$250,000,000 is believed to be the most effective obstacle in the way of the success of the plan.

M'ALESTER PRESENTS PUBLICITY MEASURE

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 24.—Representative M'Alister, of Dakota county, has introduced a bill in the house requiring all corporations doing business in the state to publish annually a list of all holders of stocks, bonds and other securities, in order that the people may know who are the men behind whatever projects these corporations engage in. In addition to publishing these facts the bill also requires that the same list be filed with four different state officers so that any one may know who are the men behind whatever projects these corporations engage in.

Mr. M'Alister also desires to reform the legal profession. A bill he has drawn up provides that whenever the presiding judge at a trial is of the opinion that attorneys are desirous only of bringing out such testimony as they think helps out their side of the case and equally anxious to keep out everything the witness knows that may help the other side.

MATCH COMPANY PAYS FOR LAW VIOLATIONS

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 24.—The Diamond Match company today paid fines aggregating \$2,000 for violation of the Wisconsin child labor law. A complaint alleging 224 infractions of the statute was entered against the company. The settlement was on the basis of the minimum penalty on the first 80 counts.

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

MADISON—The board of education has elected Superintendent Dell Gibson, of Lyons, Neb., to succeed Superintendent Oberkotter at Madison at the close of the present school year. Superintendent Oberkotter was not a candidate for re-election and more than likely will engage in other business. Superintendent Gibson is serving his fourth year at Lyons. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and formerly science teacher at Beatrice. He receives a salary of \$1,300 at Lyons and comes to Madison at \$1,400.

OMAHA—In less than 10 minutes a jury in the criminal division of the district court acquitted Minnie Toles, a young colored girl, on the charge of murdering Beatrice Woods. The girls were at a party when the woods girl was fatally shot. The quarrel began when the Woods girl charged that Miss Toles' beautiful straight black hair was not her own. Miss Toles testified that she shot only when the Woods girl rushed at her with a knife.

FREMONT—The long drawn fight over material to be used in repaving Main and Sixth streets came to an end last night when the city council voted in favor of brick. Advocates of brick had a small majority of the frontage. The paving will be done in the spring. It will replace granite blocks, which many residents wanted to see relaid.

NORTH PLATTE—Two hundred and seventy-four firemen have registered here at the firemen's convention. The first meeting was held last night, but the day has been busy with registration, band music, parades and various amusements, including a kangaroo court in which hundreds of citizens have been arrested on trumped up charges and fined different amounts.

FREMONT—Dr. A. P. Overgaard, of Fremont, was elected president of the Elkhorn Valley Medical association at its meeting in Norfolk. Dr. H. P. Salter, of Norfolk, was elected treasurer. Dr. Wells, of Scribner, secretary, and Dr. Jensen, of Newman's Grove, vice president. O'Neill was chosen as the next meeting place.

MADISON—The final account of W. F. Tannehill and Harry Tannehill, executors of the estate of Gustav Franklin Tannehill, deceased, was examined and allowed by the county court Tuesday afternoon. Attorney C. H. Kelsey, of Norfolk, appeared in behalf of the estate.

LESHARA—While hunting coyotes on Dorsey's island yesterday G. B. Riley, of this place, sighted a big coon, managed to tree and slay it. The animal weighed 27½ pounds and is said to be the biggest ever caught in this part of the country.

IOWA NEWS IN BRIEF

DUBUQUE—The use of the automobile in the collection of mail has been given a thorough tryout in the city of Dubuque the past week. A single car was employed on Saturday and the entire city covered in what was the most successful test yet made. Mail from 120 boxes was taken up in three hours, the distance covered being about 27 miles. The work by the old method would have required three men and three horses for a larger period probably than was occupied by the auto. The result of the test will be forwarded to the postoffice department at Washington.

LOGAN—The new officers of the short course building are as follows: President, W. W. Latta; vice president, J. M. Fouch; treasurer, W. L. Hill; secretary, Charley Hunt; directors elected at previous meeting, J. M. Fouch, W. W. Latta, W. L. Hill, J. M. McKinney, F. W. Dives, H. N. Lawrence, E. Grossman, Charley Hunt and C. W. Norris.

DUBUQUE—Members of the Dubuque police department are loathe to accept the ruling of County Attorney Nelson that they are not entitled to witness fees when they are called before the grand and petit juries on behalf of the state in criminal actions. The intimation is that they may bring action to enforce collection of the fees if their claim are due them.

BUCK GROVE—When three miles east of Dubuque yesterday afternoon an accident, a freight train met with an accident, the three cars in front of the caboose going over the side hill, tearing out the end of the caboose but leaving it on the track. No one was hurt. The track was blocked until noon.

GLENCOE—An adjustment of the loss by fire of the Glencoe school was made yesterday. The sum of \$750 was paid the district. A new school building, costing twice that amount will be erected. Meantime school is being conducted uninterruptedly in the Glencoe church.

DES MOINES—George F. Poorman, Polk county's special accountant, has been called by the board of supervisors of Carroll county to make an examination of the financial records of John Greik, ex-clerk of the district court, who committed suicide January 12.

DUBUQUE—The city council at a special meeting yesterday afternoon accepted the Robins auto fire engine which has been given a thorough test and has not been found wanting. The purchase price is \$3,000. The engine will be placed in the downtown district.

MORSE BLUFF—Morse Bluff has been without light two nights this week owing to an accident which temporarily crippled the engine at the light station. The lights were turned on again last night.

DES MOINES—Dr. George F. Seever, of Centerville, has been appointed by Governor Clarke a member of the state board of health, vice Dr. B. L. Elker, of Leon, whose term has expired.

BEATING KEYS AND JOB HOLDING DEVELOPS GRIP

Washington, Jan. 24.—Government clerks whose physical culture exercises consist mainly in driving a pen or pounding a typewriter, have more powerful grips than the brawny workers in stone quarries, according to a series of tests made by Gordon Law, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., the results of which were made public today.

Law found that the average laboring man's grip was 99.9 pounds, while the average clerk's white and well kept hand, gripped 111.3 pounds. The physical director offered no explanation of the difference between the two classes of men.

"Maybe I can explain it," said one of the clerks. "Most of us have been hanging on so tight to our jobs since last November that probably our gripping muscles have become abnormal."

AVIATOR TUMBLES 240 FEET; HE MAY SURVIVE

Rheims, France, Jan. 24.—The French aviator, Charles Gaulard, was thrown to the ground from a height of 240 feet by the capsizing of his monoplane, while making a flight today around the spires of the Rheims cathedral. He sustained serious injuries, but was alive when picked up.

WANSOME GIRL WITH HEART OPERATING ON WRONG SIDE OF BODY

Curious Exhibit Before Meeting of Elkhorn Valley Medical Society.

Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 24.—Miss Beatrice Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Martin, prominent farmers living near Madison, was one of the most curious of the presentation cases before the annual meeting of the Elkhorn Valley Medical society, held in the Elks club rooms in this city.

Miss Martin's vital organs may be generally transposed, an examination of the girl by at least a dozen physicians, including half a dozen Omaha specialists, showed that the girl's heart was on her right side.

Miss Martin is 14 years old and is pretty. She is a very bright girl, and has won a number of prizes for school and domestic work at the Madison county fair. Several years ago Dr. F. A. Long, who brought her before the society Tuesday, discovered he could not feel her heart beat on the left side. More detailed investigation disclosed the fact that the girl's heart was really located on her right side. She arrived in Norfolk with Dr. Long Tuesday noon and was given possession of the parlor in the Elks' club until the time when Dr. Long used her before the doctors as a neat surprise of the day's medical program.

The girl was placed on a table and thoroughly examined by order of President Stokes, who appointed some of the best surgeons at the gathering to do the work. Long before these surgeons had completed their investigations, every physician in the room crowded about the girl to get a glimpse of what was declared to be a real curiosity.

The reports of the experts showed that the girl's liver was in its normal place, but that the heart was located far on the right side. The investigations were made rapidly and further investigations would have to be made to determine what other vital organs were transposed.

\$700 SUIT INVOLVES NEW PRINCIPLE OF LAW

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 24.—A law suit involving the trifling sum of \$7, but a brand new principle of law, was submitted to the supreme court today. It is whether or not a person who is entitled to receive mileage from a county is compelled to be satisfied with mileage for the most direct route by wagon road or can he recover for the distance actually traveled when he takes a train.

Sheridan county is 36 miles wide by 69 miles long, and its county seat is Rushville, located north of the center. At the 1909 election L. D. Blair was a clerk of election in a precinct located along the south line, it is 60 miles by wagon road over the sandhills to the county seat from his home, and when he started with the election returns he chose to go by railroad by way of Alliance, Crawford and Chadron, which made the journey over 137 miles. He put in a bill for \$13.10, and the commissioners cut it to \$6, at the rate of 10 cents a mile.

The county attorney argued to the court that if this bill were allowed everybody with business at the county seat who were paid mileage would be the round about railroad route, and thus graft the county. He said that when the statute provides that pay shall be allowed for the distance necessarily traveled it means the distance by the nearest available route, while the other side contended that the word meant the usual and comfortable way of going.

BEEFSTEAKS AND PLANTS GO BY PARCEL POST

Kearney, Neb., Jan. 24.—Shall a refrigerator become a part of the postoffice equipment? That question is confronting local postoffice officials, for the reason the farmers of this county are ordering juicy beefsteaks to be delivered by parcel post. Each evening Kearney butchers send by parcel post packages containing steaks for delivery on the rural routes the following morning. These reach most of the farmers in time for the noonday meal. Now, what will be done with such packages in the summer months? There's the rub. A refrigerator is the only suggestion that has been made so far.

Edward Bowker, engaged extensively in the raising of plants, especially to plants, is also planning to make use of the parcel post system. He is building a large hot house that will be able to furnish sufficient plants for those who raise tomatoes for a local canning factory. Mr. Bowker proposes to deliver his plants exclusively by parcel post. He says he will be able to remove the plants from beds in the evening and get them to growers the next morning fresh and in good condition. With the advent of the mail, what he hopes to have a seed house of more than ordinary proportions.

NEWSPAPER MAN TO WED NEBRASKA GIRL

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 24.—Stuart Piper Dobbs, one of the best known university graduates in the state, proposes to marry his fiancée, Miss Beatrice Longtin, of Beatrice, Neb., also a graduate of Nebraska university.

During his college career Mr. Dobbs won high honors in almost every branch of college activity. He was a member of the debating squad and the football squad. He made the Innocents, the highest inter-fraternity in the college and won Phi Beta Kappa honors for scholastic standing.

IOWA HOTEL MAN BUYS LINDELL AT LINCOLN

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 24.—R. W. Johnston, late proprietor of hotels at Waterloo, Ia., and at Fort Dodge, has purchased in consideration of \$300,000 the Lindell hotel in this city. Mr. Johnston has been lessee of the hotel for some months, and when he took charge was given an option of purchase. The property was purchased three years ago by Miller & Paine, merchants of the city, for \$110,000. They expended \$120,000 in refurbishing and remodeling it, and also had the pleasure of running it at a loss for some time.

TAFT WILL SIGN MEASURE OPENING NIobrARA RESERVE

Washington, Jan. 24.—President Taft has assured members of the Nebraska delegation he will sign the bill opening the Fort Niobrara reservation. If passed, assurances are given it will be passed this winter.

SUFFRAGE BILL PASSES.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 24.—With only one dissenting vote the Wagner constitution proposing an amendment to the constitution to permit women to vote passed the state senate today.

ORIGINAL DEMAND ON TRAFFIC COMMISSION BY ELECTRIC COMPANY

Interurban Road Asked to Buy Existing Line Before Getting Favors.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 23.—The state railway commission has been asked to employ its power to raise rates, to reduce rates, to change classifications of freight, to protect discrimination and to require railroads to provide depots, but never before has it been requested to use its power to compel an existing corporation to buy out another one.

The Nebraska Traction and Power company built an interurban line from Omaha through South Omaha to Papillion, but went into a receiver's hands after having spent \$300,000. The Omaha, Lincoln & Beatrice interurban road was projected earlier, but it never went further from Lincoln, its starting point, than Bethany, six miles east. It has never made any money, but being owned by some wealthy Ohio people, it has been kept running and out of any receiver's hands. It recently applied to the state railway commission for permission to issue securities aggregating \$3,130,000, which a construction company had offered to take and build the road, which is to be built through Papillion and South Omaha.

Now comes the Nebraska Traction company and protests against permission being given unless the interurban company is required to purchase the property of protestant, at a value to be fixed by the commission. The interurban people say they don't want the other road, and that it was built with the knowledge of its promoters that the interurban was coming that way and had purchased right of way.

BULLET IN BRAIN, BUT HE FEELS FIRST RATE

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 23.—The only objection Glen Adams, 20-year-old Peru, Neb., farmer, has to being confined at the Methodist hospital, is that he can't eat anything to eat. The fact that Glen has a .32 caliber revolver bullet imbedded in his brain doesn't bother him in the least. He is perfectly conscious, is able to take care of himself, and does everything else that is required of a healthy man.

Glen is a son of Charles Adams, wealthy farmer, living four miles from Peru. Early yesterday morning he attempted to end his life by shooting himself in the head. The ball from the revolver penetrated the skull and plowed its way for an inch into the brain tissues. Just what caused Glen to attempt suicide is probably medical. It is understood, however, that it was an affair of the heart. Glen refuses to discuss this phase of the case. In fact, about the only thing he will talk about is his hunger. They wouldn't feed him out at the hospital because he is to be operated on, and he says he for the surgeon's knives that food is denied him.

X-ray photographs made yesterday at the hospital disclosed the location of the bullet. Four or five of the pictures were taken and a course was mapped out for the benefit of the doctor who will do the operating. The young man's skull is to be trepanned and a piece about the size of a quarter is to be removed, enable the surgeon to reach the ball with forceps. Physicians declare Glen will survive the operation in great shape.

STATE POULTRY SHOW ON AT GRAND ISLAND

Grand Rapids, Mich., Jan. 23.—The state poultry show opened here yesterday with a large number of birds of entries were made up to last evening and this will be increased to about 3,000.

Every train is bringing in fancy poultry. An entire express car on the Burlington was taken yesterday afternoon with birds from Lincoln, Edward Eggert, of Minden, is one of the largest exhibitors, with a showing of 200 birds. G. W. Brehm, of Harvard, has 96 birds, and many others have large numbers.

The show is being held in the North Side auditorium and the officials are already short of room. Grand Island people are taking quite an interest in the show and a big attendance is looked for.

MISSPELLED WORD MAY LEGALIZE A ROBBERY

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 23.—Because the attorneys for Hugo H. Wendt, in filing a petition to foreclose a lien on John Toumey's ranch in Deuel county, misspelled the defendant's name and gave it as Towney, Wendt is likely to lose the property after buying it and working it for 17 years.

The case was submitted today in supreme court. Toumey abandoned the land years ago, but a local lawyer, in looking over the court records, discovered the error and got a quit claim from Tou