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BURLINGTON MAY BUILD EXTENSION NEXT SUMMER

Present Line Being Placed In Shape For Heavy Traffic.

Partial confirmation of semi-official intimations that the O'Neill-Thedford extension of the Burlington may become a reality next year with the beginning of construction in the spring was given by the visit of high officials of the Burlington to O'Neill last week. The party was headed by General Superintendent Flynn of the lines west

of the Missouri river and accompanying him were Division Superintendent N. C. Allen, Train Master Connert, Road Master Hurlbert and Master Carpenter Fred Heddingren.

The visitors, traveling to O'Neill in the private car of Superintendent Flynn, came in last Thursday afternoon and spent the remainder of the day in inspecting the O'Neill terminals, yards and the roundhouse. They also looked over the forty-acre tract the company owns and on which the shops will probably be erected when the extension is built.

Friday morning the party started back over the O'Neill-Sioux City line in the inspection engine of Superintendent Flynn, which had been sent up ahead of them. On the return the officials inspected the repairs and improvements made on the line this year and which consist of widening the cuts, reinforcing the bridges and placing the roadbed in shape for heavy traffic. As the line will be part of the mainline system from Denver to Minneapolis and St. Paul when the extension is completed the traffic will be of the heaviest kind.

The recent application of the company to issue nine millions of securities for extension work is considered to have a significant bearing on the building of the O'Neill-Thedford line, which long has been one of the important links in the ultimate scheme of development.

SECOND ANNUAL HEREFORD BREEDERS SALE A SUCCESS

The second annual sale of the Elkhorn Valley Hereford Breeders association was held in this city last Friday and was a success in every particular. Fifty-eight head of registered cattle were sold and while the prices were not as good on some of the stock as expected, the breeders were on the whole well satisfied with the sale. The cows sold averaged \$175.00 a head while the bulls sold averaged \$150.00. Buyers were present from several parts of the state and the management is confident that future sales put on by this association will bring good crowds of buyers, as the stock offered at the last sale as well as at the first sale held by the association was some of the finest breeding in the state.

Following is a list of the cattle sold, their catalogue number, price and residence of the purchaser:

- Lot Amt. Purchaser.
- 32, Cow, \$230, Ed. Belski, Eli, Neb.
- 26, Cow, \$225, Boosinger Bros., Basset, Nebraska.
- 16, Cow, \$225, Orley Peterson, Pony Lake, Nebraska.
- 10, Cow, \$180, Orley Peterson, Pony Lake, Nebraska.
- 2, Cow, \$110, Jim Ryan, O'Neill, Neb.
- 23, Cow, \$200, Ed. Belski, Eli, Neb.
- 25, Cow, \$185, Boosinger Bros., Basset, Nebraska.
- 4, Cow, \$350, J. L. Fisher, Ewing, Nebraska.
- 28, Cow, \$205, Ed. Belski, Eli, Neb.
- 11, Cow, \$205, O. W. Jarman, Chambers, Nebraska.
- 31, Cow, \$230, Henry Woods, Ewing, Nebraska.
- 67, Cow, \$295, V. C. Sageser, Chambers, Nebraska.
- 66, Cow, \$290, C. V. Robertson, Chambers.
- 6, Cow, \$160, Ed. Belski, Eli, Neb.
- 18, Cow, \$210, Orley Peterson Pony Lake, Nebraska.
- 12, Cow, \$105, O. W. Jarman, Chambers, Nebraska.
- 33, Cow, \$205, Ed. Belski, Eli, Neb.
- 36, Cow, \$225, Boosinger Bros. Basset, Nebraska.
- 39, Cow, \$200, Ed. Belski, Eli, Neb.
- 37, Cow, \$200, Joan Dee, Long Pine, Nebraska.
- 77, Cow, \$175, W. C. Hunter, O'Neill.
- 19, Cow, \$170, J. L. Fisher, Ewing.
- 30, Cow, \$175, John Kuhlman, Chester.
- 14, Cow, \$150, Leon Soukup, O'Neill.
- 24, Cow, \$110, George Wrede, Agee.
- 34, Cow, \$165, Leonard Soukup.
- 27, Cow, \$200, Noah Peterson, Stuart.
- 8, Cow, \$125, W. E. Wilson Long Pine.
- 3, Cow, \$95, George Wrede, Agee.
- 20, Cow, \$140, E. V. Sageser, Chambers.
- 9, Cow, \$90, J. L. Fisher, Ewing.
- 13, Cow, \$140, Bill Tiedgen, Battle Creek.
- 22, Cow, \$150, John L. Quig, O'Neill.
- 35, Cow, \$200, Ed. Belski, Eli.
- 29, Cow, \$135, Noah Peterson, Stuart.
- 65, Cow, \$170, Vern Sageser, Chambers.
- 59, Cow, \$65, Orley Peterson, Pony Lake.
- Mary, Cow, (Substitute), \$80, Orley Peterson, Pony Lake.
- 58, Cow, \$80, Orley Peterson, Pony Lake.
- Horn Brand No. 23, \$200, J. L. Fisher, Ewing.
- 46, Cow, \$80, Orley Peterson, Pony Lake.
- 57, Cow, \$80, Orley Peterson.
- Horn Brand No. 68, \$110, O. W. Jarman, Chambers.
- 1, Bull, \$325, Ed. Belski, Eli.
- 60, Bull, \$80, J. L. Fisher, Ewing.
- 49, Bull, \$95, Frank Calkins, Dorsey.
- 64, Bull, \$200, Leon Soukup, O'Neill.
- 52, Bull, \$110, S. E. Dexter, Erenia.
- 51, Bull, \$75, Orley Peterson.
- 62, Bull, \$200, Neil Ryan.
- 50, Bull, \$80, Vern Sageser, Chambers.
- 56, Bull, \$200, Ed. Belski, Eli.
- 40, Bull, \$85, Orley Peterson.
- 53, Bull, \$75, L. J. Barrett, O'Neill.
- 21, Cow, \$200, Ed. Belski.
- Ear Tag No. 51, \$70, Phil Harrington, O'Neill.
- 55, Bull, \$80, Frank Calkins, Dorsey.
- 61, Bull, \$120, Paul Schwisow, O'Neill.

DISTRICT COURT IN SESSION.

The regular fall term of district court convened Monday morning with Judge Dickson presiding. On a call of the docket a week ago, it was found there were some forty odd jury cases for trial, but when court convened it was found that about half of them would either be settled and dismissed or continued.

The first business that occupied the attention of the court was the naturalization of several applicants. John Laird, of Stuart, formerly a subject of the King of Scotland renounced his allegiance to the King of England and took the oath and became a citizen of the United States. Henry Spahn, of Ewing, formerly a subject of Germany was also made a citizen, as was also Francis Holderberg of Stuart.

Charles Hohndorf, a German subject, made application to become a citizen, but upon examination by the Attorney for the United States, who was present, it was found that in his questionnaire made during the war, he claimed exemption from military service on the ground he was an alien. The United States courts have repeatedly held that this is a retraction of their declaration of intentions which each applicant has to make in obtaining his first papers, and consequently Mr. Hohndorf's application was denied. He will now have to make a new declaration and wait another five years before being admitted as a citizen.

The first jury case for trial was the case of Myron J. Hall, administrator vs. Sovereign Camp of Woodmen of the World. This was a suit to recover on an insurance policy which the defendant company had issued to one Cyril Hamm at Long Pine, Nebraska, the case having been transferred to this county by agreement. The defense was that the deceased had failed to pay his monthly dues within the time required by the by-laws, and hence he was suspended. The evidence showed, however, that he had paid his dues to the local clerk and got his receipt the day before his death, and it was also proven that this was the custom of the local camp at that place, to accept dues any old time. At the conclusion of the testimony, both plaintiff and defendant made motions for an instructed verdict. This automatically discharges the jury and the question of law involved will be argued before Judge Dickson at a later date.

The case of Chris Berger vs. Walker D. Hines director general of the railroads during the war, and the case of McKean Brothers vs. the same defendant were by agreement, consolidated. These actions were for damages to cattle in shipment from Morecraft, Wyoming to Atkinson, Nebraska, during last December. The plaintiffs alleging that the cattle were kept forty-four hours on board cars without unloading or feeding, while the law places the limit at 36 hours. The evidence for plaintiffs showed they were kept on the train over 48 hours, and M. F. Harrington, the attorney for plaintiffs, asked that they be allowed to amend their petition to conform to the evidence. The railroad attorneys objected to this,

thereupon Mr. Harrington withdrew a juror and continued the cases until the spring term. New petitions will be filed and larger damages will be asked for.

The M. F. Cumming Grain Company of Lincoln vs. William Krotter Company of Stuart, was the next case. This was a suit over a contract for hay made last spring. Judge Dickson directed the jury to return a verdict for the plaintiff for \$40, the defendant having offered to confess judgment for that amount.

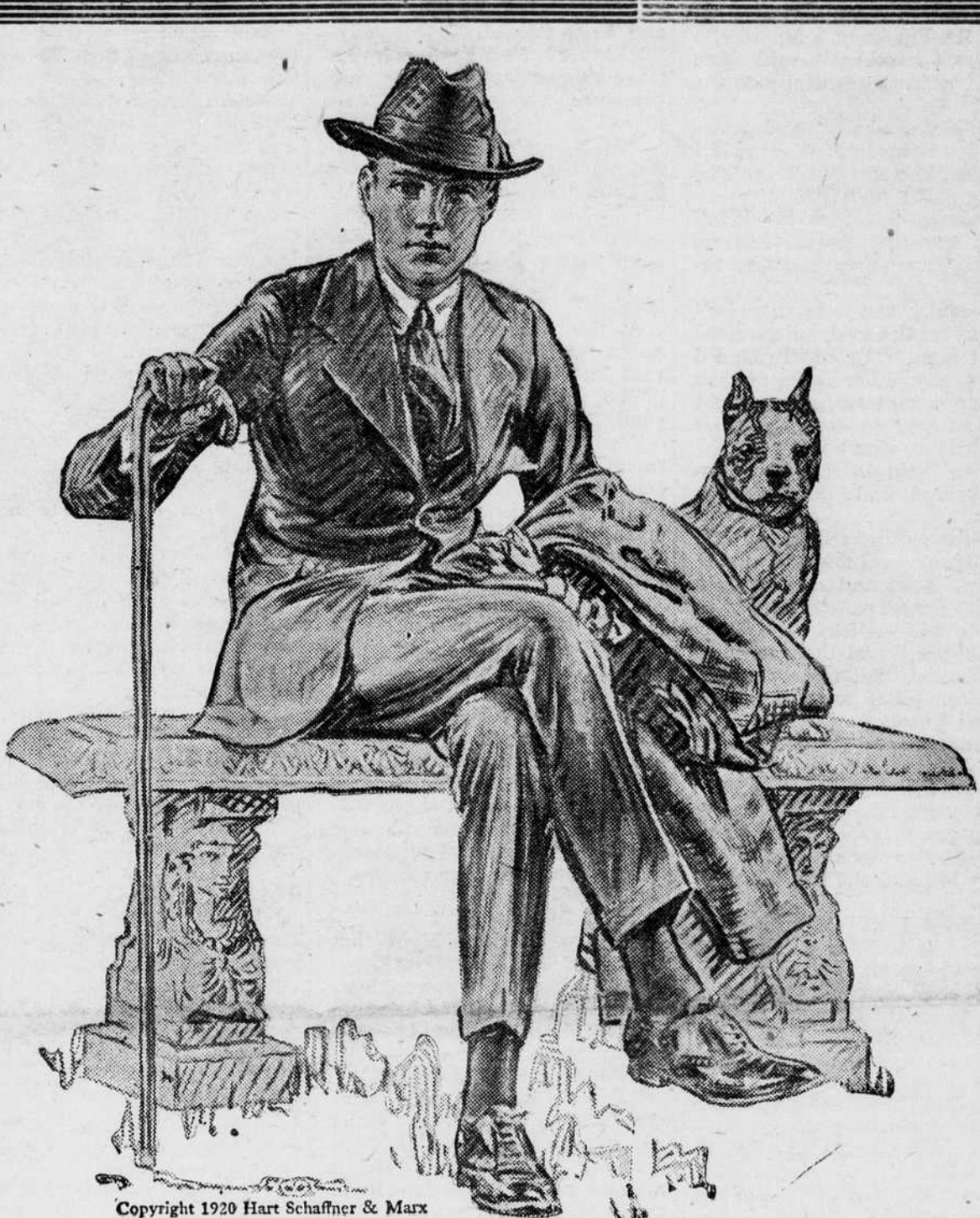
C. A. Crancer Co. vs. Dimmitt & Eidenmiller, a replevin suit over a piano, was the next suit tried. Julius D. Cronin represented the plaintiff and Mr. Uttley the defendants. This was young Cronin's first case in District Court, and he handled it with becoming dignity and efficiency. At the conclusion of the testimony he made a motion that the court direct the jury to find for his client which the court sustained and the jury instructed to return a verdict for the plaintiff.

Wednesday afternoon a jury was impaneled in the case of State of Nebraska vs. Jewel Udey, who is charged with having stolen three head of cattle last spring from the ranch of T. V. Golden near Ewing. Wm. M. Ely an attorney of Ainsworth is assisting in the prosecution of this case, and A. O. Williams an attorney of Neligh is defending. The case will probably go to the jury Thursday afternoon. C. B. S.

RURAL-CARRIER EXAMINATION.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for the County of Holt, Nebraska, to be held at O'Neill, on December 11, 1920, to fill the position of rural carrier at Stuart and vacancies that may occur on rural routes from other post offices in the county. The salary of a rural carrier on a standard daily route of 24 miles is \$1,800 per annum, with an additional \$30 per mile per annum for each mile or major fraction thereof in excess of 24 miles. The examination will be open to citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of a post office in the county and who meet the other requirements set forth in Form No. 1977. Both men and women, if qualified, may enter this examination, but appointing officers have the legal right to specify the sex desired in requesting certification of eligibles. Women will not be considered for rural carrier appointment unless they are the widows of U. S. soldiers, sailors, or marines, or the wives of U. S. soldiers, sailors, or marines who are physically disqualified for examination by reason of injuries received in the line of military duty. Form No. 1977 and application blanks may be obtained from the offices mentioned above or from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. Applications should be forwarded to the Commission at Washington at the earliest practicable date.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Burge, for many years residents of this city but now residing in Omaha, arrived in the city last Thursday evening for a couple of weeks visit with relatives.



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Over in our sister county of Knox there were two candidates nominated at the primary election for the office of county judge. Neither of these candidates were satisfactory to the people apparently for at the general election they wrote in the name of a candidate and he was elected, receiving a majority of 594 over his closest competitor.