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HUSBAND REFUSES SUPPORT

Mother and Children Present a Pliable Picture in Omaha.

The following appeared in the Omaha Evening News of Wednesday, but being unacquainted with the wife and children referred to, we do not know as to their ever living in Plattsmouth: "Herself barefooted and carrying in her arms a fourteen-month-old baby, while she led a three-year-old son, Mrs. Andrew Winkler came to police headquarters this morning for shelter and for protection from her husband who she says earns \$10 a day but who refuses her clothing and food for herself and children. Winkler employs a number of grading teams. "Aside from her feet being on the ground, Mrs. Winkler declared she had no underclothing. "She said she had been living at Thirtieth and Sprague streets, but was forced to leave home this morning because she was only half-clothed and starving. "She has telegraphed to Plattsmouth for her father's attorney, and declares her intention of taking legal proceedings against Winkler. "The little family is being cared for by Matron Gibbons at police headquarters."

A "Raise" in Price of Beer?

According to figures compiled by the labor bureau on the acreage and production of barley and rye in Nebraska, both cereals have fallen below last year. The decrease in the production of rye is 908,141 bushels and in barley it is 2,783,604 bushels. If this decrease in the production of these cereals is uniform all over the United States, the prices of whisky and beer will advance. Chief Clerk Don C. Despain of the labor bureau is authority for the statement that the crop of hops in France is about one-fifth of that of last year. This will also tend to advance the price of the foamy beverage. The loyal subjects of King Barleycorn may be compelled to have a larger supply of foam on the tops of their steins during the coming year.

The 1905 acreage of barley was estimated at 188,360 and in 1906 it was 109,692, a decrease of 78,668. The average yield was 28.65 bushels per acre a year ago. The crop is valued at \$1,256,144 this year and at \$2,192,742 in 1905. The total production this year was 3,142,727 bushels.

In rye, the acreage decreased from 141,149 to 28,970. The average yield per acre is placed at 17.79, an increase of 26 bushels per acre. The total production was 2,474,512 bushels. Holt county takes first rank with 5,791 bushels and Cheyenne county second with 3,753 bushels—Lincoln Star.

Miss Ella Wirt Resigns.

At the recent meeting of the board of education the resignation of Miss Ella Wirt was accepted. Miss Wirt has taught in the city high school for the past four years, and finds it necessary to give up her work on account of sickness. The vacancy, which occurs today, will be filled by Miss May Darling, a post graduate student of the state university, whose home is in South Omaha.

A Good Sale.

The sale of Herman Bestor, at his farm, west of the city, last Tuesday, was largely attended, and everything offered sold remarkably well, and Mr. Bestor is very well pleased. W. D. Jones, the "Old Reliable" auctioneer, cried the sale, and this is one reason why everything brought good prices. Mr. Jones is an incessant worker to the end of having every article bring what it is honestly worth, and those who have sales in the future will make no mistake in employing him. His whole heart is in his work.

Cautioned Against High Speed.

A special from Chicago, contains the following: "Excessive speed in passenger train service has been expressly forbidden by the management of the Burlington road by a circular issued by Daniel Willard, second vice president. The circular states that excessive speed is not necessary even in maintenance of the fast passenger schedules. In order that there may be no excuse for engineers disobeying the instructions the officials have installed speedometers in the cabs of all passenger engines. The practice of favoring engineers on grades to the extent of losing time and gaining the time by running at high speed down grades is wrong and is the cause of frequent criticism by passengers. The circular states even and smooth running is urged and the comfort and safety of the passengers is declared to be matters for consideration rather than the making up of lost time."

Wabash Postoffice Robbed.

A special comes from Murdock, under date of Sunday, December 9, to the effect that on Saturday night Howard Brown, son of J. C. Brown, was held up by two highwaymen one-half mile south of Wabash, Neb., and later the postoffice at Wabash was robbed by burglars. Bloodhounds from Lincoln are tracking the thieves, but it seems so far the burglars have evaded all pursuit.

Restocking His Ranch.

Hon. A. C. Shallenberger, late democratic candidate for governor, goes on with the breeding of fine stock just as though nothing ever happened. A special from Alma, his home town, says: "A. C. Shallenberger had a sale of a part of his herd of Shorthorn cattle last week. The cattle all sold well and the sale amounted to something like \$5,000. Mr. Shallenberger is restocking his ranch with new cattle purchased at various places and increasing his herd."

THAT \$1,900 SALARY GRAB

Pollard Will Compel House to Pass on His Unearned Salary.

A special from Washington to the Omaha World-Herald, says: "Congressman Pollard will compel the house to decide whether the government can accept the \$1,861 of unearned salary he has been trying to return to Uncle Sam. Immediately after election he sent a draft for the amount to the sergeant-at-arms of the house, who refused to take it. Speaker Cannon says it is all nonsense; that there is a way to get the money back into the treasury. Determined to get Uncle Sam to accept the coin, Pollard has induced Uncle Joe to receive a letter from the sergeant-at-arms, explaining the circumstances and to have it laid before the house. Then it will be referred to the judiciary committee for an opinion as to whether there is any way by which the government can take back the money. If there is not, Mr. Pollard will just naturally have to keep it. But he does not intend to do so until the last possible effort has been made to induce the government to take it back."

Harrison for Speaker.

The Omaha Bee has nominated N. P. Dodge, Jr., for speaker of the house of representatives and presents several reasons why he should be chosen for that position. Chief among them is that he has promised to be faithful and support Norris Brown for senator; also that it would stamp as false the story that Douglas county intended to throw Brown over the transom.

Another reason is because "for the first time in several years the republican candidate for governor received a plurality of votes in Douglas county," and this was "accomplished in the face of the united and vigorous opposition of the railroads and franchise corporations."

Mark Twain never wrote anything funnier than the above—unless the Bee would attempt to claim that it was telling the truth.

According to the statements published, Gov. Mickey and Victor Rosewater were responsible for the change and that was when threats were made to the liquor dealers and they were whipped into line.

The News has no "Irons in the fire," but if the republicans want a speaker who has no entangling environments we would suggest Hon. Marshall T. Harrison, of Otoe.—Nebraska City News.

Neither is it the Journal's fight, but as the float representative from Otoe and Cass contains all the essentials necessary to fill the position, and as he is not mixed up with any of the factional fights, the Journal believes he can win. Give us Harrison for speaker.

D. of H. Elect Officers.

At meeting of the D. of H. Friday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: C. of H., Mrs. M. V. Gibson; L. of H., Miss Anna Egenberger; C. of S., Mrs. Busche; Recorder, Mrs. Bertha Peterson; Financier, Mrs. Sarah McKay; Receiver, Mrs. Lucella Leesley; Usher, Miss Hermie Spies; Inner Watch, Mrs. Schuldice; Outer Watch, Mr. John Busche; Trustee, Mrs. Anna Egenberger.

Will Make Them Feel Good

Some of our exchanges have made mention of the fact that the farmers living along the lines of rural routes have contributed a bushel or two of corn to the carrier. This is a suggestion that might well be acted upon by the patrons of every rural route. The carriers have a government job, but it is by no means a private snap. It takes a great deal of management to make both ends meet when they are obliged to keep two or four horses, live in town and buy all the necessary provisions at the market price. The carriers of our county have gone over their routes during the muddy weather at a great inconvenience, and are always faithful in the performance of their duties. A bushel of corn or so given to the carrier would hardly be missed by the farmer, but it would be a great saving in the expense of horse feed and the generous act would certainly be appreciated by the faithful mail man.

Public Take Notice.

The attention of the public is respectfully called to the following exception in the 7:30 closing agreement among the merchants of the city: "Excepting from the 10th day of December to the 1st day of January."

BIG DAY OF THE INSTITUTE

Very Enthusiastic and Largely Attended

Sessions Held Saturday.

MEETINGS A MOST DECIDED SUCCESS

Prof. Bruno of State University and Mr. Chase of Pawnee City Give Instructive Lectures.

As was predicted, Saturday, the last day of the Plattsmouth Farmers' Institute, was by far the big day, a much larger number of farmers, their wives and children, and the other citizens being in attendance at the sessions held today. The afternoon session was especially well attended, the district court room being well packed with an appreciative audience, which, from the opening lecture by Prof. Bruno, of the state university, to the final remarks made by Secretary Gering, displayed an active interest in all matters discussed.

The Farmers' Institute has been a most decided success, and no doubt many farmers have been benefited by attending the meetings.

Friday Night's Session.

At the session of the institute held Friday evening in the district court room many practical suggestions on poultry raising were advanced by C. M. Lewelling of Beaver City, Neb., who was the principal speaker of the evening. The attendance was rather small last night, presumably on account of the cold weather, which deterred many farmers from attending.

On the subject "Poultry Raising" Mr. Lewelling gave a very interesting lecture on the breeding and care, which must be taken to obtain the finest fowls, and of the various insects, such as mites and lice, with which poultry are afflicted, and which retard development. His talk was not confined to poultry alone, but was also devoted to the raising of alfalfa, which is an excellent feed for chickens.

Although the audience was small, it was a very attentive one, and frequently gave evidence of the interest that was taken by the queries made of Mr. Lewelling, who when train time drew near, was urged to talk on various points until the last moment.

Another interesting speaker of the evening session was C. G. Marshall of Lincoln, who gave an hour's talk on "The Care of the Home Orchard." Those who were present were high in their praises of both lectures and have been heard to say that they would not miss them again even though they had to ride a dozen miles to hear them.

Morning Session.

In the session held Saturday at 10 o'clock the gathering of farmers and citizens was favored with a short but enthusiastic lecture on "Leaks on the Farm" by Mr. F. W. Chase, who urged those present to utilize all the straw and other material on the farm, and exhorted the young men present to select some special branch of agriculture and study this until they thoroughly understood it.

Secretary Gering then introduced the principal speaker of the day, Prof. L. Bruno, of Lincoln. Mr. Bruno is professor of insectology in the state university and in his lecture he declared that there was one thing which was not spoken of enough in the institute work and that is the effects of insects on farm products. Mr. Bruno has made a study of insects for the past forty years, and at a conservative estimate, said that one-sixth of all vegetation is destroyed by insects. In the United States and Canada alone this represents a loss of between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000. The speaker took up the various insects, the rapidly at which they multiply, how they affected the farm products and the means employed to exterminate them.

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session began about 2 o'clock and was attended by a very large number of farmers, their wives and children, and a goodly number of town people.

The meeting was opened by a few well chosen remarks by Secretary Gering, who introduced Prof. Bruno to the audience. Mr. Bruno then gave further facts about insects, upon which subject he had spoken in the morning. He mentioned the relation that insects bear to human beings, and of the good and evil done by various insects, some of which it would be impossible to do without. Mr. Bruno was a very fluent speaker and was highly appreciated by the gathering that thronged the district court room.

Following this lecture Mr. Chase spoke upon "Growing Corn," and in the extended discussion of this subject he fully demonstrated to his audience that he was familiar with all the labor which tends to produce a good yield of corn. In discussing this question the speaker impressed upon the

farmer the necessity of selecting good seed corn—giving instances to show the results of a wise or poor selection.

At the conclusion of this lecture Secretary Gering addressed the assembly, expressing appreciation of the large number in attendance, encouraging the farmers to attend every institute that is held and impressing upon them the need to remember the many facts and suggestions brought out in the institute so that the crops of Cass county would be increased in the years to come.

The twenty-five prizes offered by our merchants for the best twelve ears of seed corn will not be awarded for several days. Just thirty-eight entries were made in the contest, and a complete account of these will be published as soon as the prizes are awarded.

AND STILL THEY ARE COMING

Another Swindling Scheme to "Rope In" the Unsuspecting Farmer.

Of course Cass county farmers, in our opinion, are composed of a smarter set of men than you will usually find in most any other section of this grand and glorious union of states. While the Journal honestly believes this to be the case, we have managed in the best way possible to keep its readers posted on all the swindling schemes rampant. The latest one has just come to light in eastern Iowa, where a dozen farmers, living within ten miles of each other, have been swindled out of sums ranging in amounts from \$50 to \$200, within the last week by a stranger passing under various names, who claims to have possession of valuable old deeds and wills.

The stranger tells the farmer of a certain farm or sum of money left to the latter in some distant state and makes arrangements to deliver the property over to him. The swindler asks for money to pay a part of the cost of drawing up papers and having them recorded. Officers are now watching for the stranger.

He has given his name as Brown, Watkins and Johnson, and a description of the swindler has been sent to officers in sections where the fellow is most likely to ply his swindling scheme. While he may not visit Cass county, it would be just as well for the Journal readers to be on the lookout for him.

TAX MATTER NOW HELD UP

Injunction in Federal Court by the Burlington to Stop County Treasurers

A special from Omaha says: "The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company has prepared a bill and introduced it in the United States circuit court to enjoin Robert O. Fink, treasurer of Douglas county, and all the county treasurers of the state through which the Burlington runs or has any property from enforcing the collection of the taxes levied against that road by the state board of equalization for the year 1906."

The petition states that the several county officials named will forcibly take possession of the property of the company in satisfaction of the illegal taxes unless restrained by order of the court and that the taxes are illegal, unconstitutional and unfair, as is the law which permits or authorizes their collection.

"The amount of tax so assessed by the state board of equalization is about \$675,000. The petitioners have already proffered the payment of about \$500,000 of this tax, which they claim is just and equitable, but county treasurers have refused to take any amount except that designated by the state board of equalization."

To Secure Pardon for Mrs. Lillie.

A Lincoln, correspondent says: "An effort to secure a pardon for Mrs. Lena Lillie, sentenced to life imprisonment for the alleged murder of her husband, Harvey Lillie, at David City, a few years ago, is being made by two Methodist pastors, the Rev. Rogers of Table Rock, and the Rev. Morrison of Syracuse. Both ministers called on Governor Mickey this afternoon on Mrs. Lillie's behalf. They formerly resided in Butler county, and declared that they are convinced of the woman's innocence."

Sell to the Highest Bidder.

Down in Kentucky they sell vagabonds to the highest bidder, and they are forced to work for a given time. One sold a few days ago for \$10, and it took hard work on the part of the sheriff to secure that bid. The reason that he was such poor property is the fact that his eating capacity is out of all proportion to his inclination to work. That is the case in a great many instances. The Kentucky law would be a good one for the Nebraska legislature to consider. The man who will not earn a living should be compelled to work as a punishment.

To Advertisers.

Advertising and locals must reach this office each afternoon at 3 o'clock to insure an insertion that evening. We cannot deviate from this rule, as it proves hard on our carrier boys, who are thus delayed in getting the papers to patrons.