

FILES BILL FOR HOTEL EXPENSES

Judge Hostetler Raises Point For Judicial Officers.

LEGISLATURE MUST DECIDE.

Question Whether State Pays More Than Their Railroad Fare on Trip, G. A. R. Asks Legislators to Send Veterans to Vicksburg.

Lincoln, Dec. 31.—District Judge Hostetler of the Twelfth judicial district, composed of the counties of Buffalo, Custer and Sherman, has filed a voucher with the state auditor to be brought before the legislature for settlement. The voucher covers hotel bills which the judge has paid during his term of office amounting to \$128. The appropriation of the last legislature covered traveling expenses, so far as railway fare was concerned, but did not provide for the wants of the inner man. The judge believes that the legislature should pay the "grub" bill of the judges and so intimates in a foot note attached to the voucher.

Water Power Tangle Up to Legislature

The proposition of dealing with power companies which have not fully complied with the law will be allowed to drift along until some action is taken by the legislature this winter, according to a decision arrived at by the state board of irrigation. The companies more particularly interested are the Commonwealth, owning sites on the Loup and Platte; the Kountze-Pickens project on the Platte; the C. P. Ross project on the Platte and Elkhorn; and the Babcock plant on the Loup.

Youngest Member on Ground.

Albert B. Tibbets of Hastings, who will probably be the youngest member of the lower branch of the legislature, was at the state house. While only a boy over the legal age, Mr. Tibbets will probably be one of the strong members of that body. He comes from a stock of statesmen. Judge Tibbets of Lincoln and Senator Tibbets of Hastings being his uncles. He is engaged in newspaper work at Hastings.

No Welfare Board For Lincoln.

The city council of Lincoln by a vote of four to one has voted down the welfare ordinance introduced by Commissioner Kline, which provided for a commission of half a dozen or more people who would be appointed from different societies, their duties being to tell the commissioners what they should do.

Jury Finds Family Grossly Inhuman.

The jury in the coroner's inquest held over the body of a child born to a domestic in the family of E. H. Stockley in this city, on Dec. 15, brought in a verdict charging gross inhumanity in sending the mother out in the cold when the child was already partially born.

To Send Veterans to Vicksburg.

At the session of the executive officers of the Grand Army of the Republic of Nebraska it was decided to ask the legislature to appropriate \$15,000 to be apportioned on railroad fare for survivors of the battle of Vicksburg who may desire to attend the anniversary of that battle.

SHERIFFS ELECT OFFICERS

Decision to Let the Present Fee Law Stay Unchanged.

Grand Island, Neb., Dec. 31.—The fee system so far as the sheriffs of Nebraska are concerned will remain as at present and without change at the legislature to come. At the session of the Nebraska Sheriffs' association here a resolution was introduced with reference to the allowance of certain fees to the officer as well as his stipulated salary.

A Resolution for a Continuance of the Present System was Passed.

Alliance was chosen as the place of holding the June meeting.

The following officers were re-elected: John Jones of Nuckolls, president; O. D. Hodges of Webster, the president; William Condit of Dodge, secretary-treasurer.

Sure to Collect Fire Policy.

Madison, Neb., Dec. 31.—William L. Cratty of Homer, Neb., has brought action in the district court against the Northwestern Fire and Marine Insurance company to recover on an insurance policy the sum of \$3,500 for loss sustained by fire on Oct. 8, 1914, to his elevator and contents. The insurance was written Oct. 3 and the fire occurred Oct. 8.

Ordained as Priest.

Hastings, Neb., Dec. 31.—William S. Banks of Holdrege was ordained a priest in the Episcopal church, the Rt. Rev. George A. Beecher, bishop of western Nebraska, conducting the ceremony, assisted by visiting clergymen. He will immediately become rector of the Chadron parish.

Aged Woman Kills Herself at Lorton.

Nebraska City, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Rose Kurhn, aged eighty-nine, committed suicide at the home of her son, Dan Kurhn, two miles west of Lorton, where she was making her home. She had been despondent for some time and hanged herself.

AMERICAN FARMS BREAK RECORD

Worth of Output For Year Reaches Almost Ten Billions.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF HOUSTON.

Amount Is Nearly Hundred Millions Greater Than That For Preceding Twelve Months—Gain Due to Increase in Animals, Says Statement.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The American farms during 1914 eclipsed all records for combined value of their products, with a total of almost \$10,000,000,000. Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture announced that the value of all farm crops, farm animals, products and farm animals sold and slaughtered aggregated \$9,872,930,000. That was \$8,000,000 more than the grand total for 1913, the previous record year, and more than double the value of all farm products in 1899.

Crops this year were valued at \$6,044,480,000, and the estimated total value of the animal products of the farm animals sold and slaughtered was \$3,828,450,000. The value of crop production this year was slightly less than in 1913, on account of the reduced value of the cotton crop, brought about principally from the European war.

Corn and Wheat Crops.

The corn and wheat crops, however, were the most valuable ever produced in the United States, bringing the year's crop value total to only \$88,279,000 less than the total for last year despite the loss of more than \$300,000,000 in the value of the cotton crop. "The estimated value of the animal products of the farm in 1914," said the secretary of the department of agriculture, "is distinctly higher than in 1913, which was itself a record year in the value of this class of products. This is due to general but slight increases in production, except for sheep and swine, and in prices, more especially to a small increase in the average farm price of eggs, and to a more considerable increase in the farm price of cattle and calves sold and slaughtered."

Sales of Crops.

The sales of crops last year were estimated at \$2,928,000,000; sales of live stock, \$2,919,000,000, a total of \$5,847,000,000. The estimated value of total sales per farm was \$92 and sales per capita of rural population (excluding towns) \$135.

The value of the principal farm crops this year was: Corn, \$1,792,500,000; wheat, \$2,780,000,000; oats, \$1,729,000,000; cotton, \$1,916,000,000; hay, \$1,431,000,000; potatoes, \$1,869,000,000; barley, \$1,059,000,000; tobacco, \$1,011,411,000; sweet potatoes, \$1,254,000,000; rice, \$27,000,000; sugar beets, \$2,750,000; rice, \$2,181,000,000; flaxseed, \$19,540,000; and buckwheat, \$12,892,000.

In the production of the fifteen principal crops, this year's aggregate was about 10 per cent larger than in 1913, and 6 per cent smaller than in 1912, which year stands as one of the greatest aggregate productions in the United States.

Two Exceed Records.

This year two important crops exceeded previous records—wheat with \$31,000,000 bushels, following the 1913 record of 28,000,000 bushels, and cotton with 15,960,000 bales, the previous record being 15,033,000 bales in 1911.

The value per acre of all enumerated crops averaged about \$16.44 this year, compared with \$16.52 in 1913.

PARIS WAR OFFICE REVIEWS FIGHTING

Paris, Dec. 31.—There has been given out in Paris the following official record of the principal events of the war during the last nine days:

"This period of nine days resulted in consolidating the successes won by us during the ten days preceding. Our aggressive attitude has been continued with ever increased energy; everywhere the enemy has been reduced to a defensive attitude. The violence of counter attacks has been evidence that he accepted this attitude reluctantly. The checking of every movement made by him in his endeavor to recapture ground lost to us made our advantage the greater."

"It is proper to say that at various points along the front, particularly near Arras, on the western boundary of the Argonne district, and near Verdun, we have made ourselves the masters of important points of support."

"The operations to the north of the Lys have been attended by great hardship, because of the bad weather; the cold, liquid mud, in which the men have had to move, has gotten in the breeches of their rifles. This made it impossible to shoot. The fighting consequently has been with the butt end of muskets and even with fists."

"According to an expression used by one of their leaders, our soldiers are literally blots of mud. There has been organized for them a system by which they can now bathe and change clothes upon leaving the trenches."

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SAYS JAIL IS DOPE SCHOOL

Prisoner From Douglas County Makes Some Changes.

Lincoln, Dec. 31.—The county jail of Douglas county is a dope school, according to information given by Harry Davis, twenty-one years old, received at the state penitentiary from that county.

Davis sets out in his story that when he was first placed in the jail he did not know anything about the drug. He was restless the first few nights and could not sleep. He claims that a man named Anderson, hearing him complain, urged him to take a shot of morphine and he fished out a lot of stuff and a needle and gave him a dose. He slept so well that he took another the next night and kept it up.

As evidence that his story is true as far as the drug is concerned, Davis' body is covered with abscesses which he said resulted from the use of an infected needle which was used by all the prisoners without being cleaned.

NO FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE IN DUNDY

State and Federal Experts Say Report Is Not Confirmed.

South Omaha, Dec. 31.—J. H. Balla, president of the live stock sanitary board, received the following telegram from Dr. C. M. Day, acting state veterinarian, who is at Benkelman: "Examined report of foot and mouth disease in Dundy county thoroughly examined and not confirmed."

This sets at rest the report that a case of the foot and mouth cattle disease had been found near Benkelman. The report was received the day before at the office of the state veterinarian in Lincoln and Dr. Day was sent at once to investigate. Dr. Kitch being absent in Indiana. At the same time the federal expert, Dr. H. C. Hovde, who has this district in charge, hurried to Benkelman, and together the investigation was made.

"It is with a great deal of relief that I get this message," said Mr. Balla. "Nebraska has been kept clear of the epidemic through all the disturbance created among live stock interests in the east, and we were extremely anxious for the commercial aspect as well as for the good name of the state to keep the disease out. It would have been very serious, indeed, had we been obliged to think of quarantine regulations again."

RANCHER GIVEN FIVE YEARS

Herman Sonnenschein Convicted of Stealing Two Cars of Cattle.

Pierre, S. D., Dec. 21.—Judge McHenry in the circuit court at Fort Pierre sentenced Herman Sonnenschein, prominent Stanley county rancher, to five years in the penitentiary on conviction of the charge of larceny of two cars of cattle in that county.

Sonnenschein, with Ed Carr and Jack Borden, all prominent ranchmen, was charged with shipping two cars of stolen cattle from Lantry to Chicago. The cattle were stopped at Moberly and returned to their owners. Sonnenschein was convicted principally on the evidence of Carr. Borden is a fugitive from justice. Sonnenschein is at liberty on an appeal bond of \$7,500.

Grand Jury Calls City Editor.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Richard J. Finnegan, city editor of the Chicago Journal, was summoned before the grand jury to be questioned as to the source of a story published in the Journal that the jury had voted an indictment against Julius Rosenwald, head of Sears, Roebuck & Co., on a charge of evading taxes. The story stated that Rosenwald failed to schedule 147,701 shares of stock of Sears, Roebuck & Co.

Increase on Meat Rate Refused.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The interstate commerce commission declined to approve the proposal of the western railroads to increase the minimum weight of shipments of fresh meats, packing house products and other food commodities in peddler cars from 10,000 to 12,000 pounds. The establishment of the higher minimum weight would have resulted in a material increase in transportation charges.

Stopping of Stock Cars Discontinued.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Proposals by railroads to discontinue the practice of stopping cars in transit to complete loading, or for the partial unloading of live stock transported to and from points in western classification territory, was held by the interstate commerce commission to be reasonable. The order suspending the tariffs providing for discontinuance of the privilege was vacated, effective Jan. 5.

Victor Murdock's Mother Dead.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Victoria Murdock, aged seventy-three, widow of M. M. Murdock, founder of the Wichita Eagle, died here, following a stroke of apoplexy ten days ago. She was the mother of Congressman Victor Murdock.

Packers Stop Shipments to Europe.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Chicago packers announced that no further shipments would be made to the European nations at war until England gave satisfactory assurance that the property of neutrals in transit would be respected.

Local News

From Tuesday's Daily.
M. Fanger of Missouri Valley, Iowa, was here for a few hours today looking after his business interests in this city.

B. F. Wiles departed this morning for Omaha, where he will visit for the day looking after some matters of business.

Joe Wheeler came in this afternoon from his farm home, south of this city, and spent several hours here looking after some matters of business.

Frank Schlichtemeier of Nehawka was here yesterday for a few hours attending the final settlement of the estate of his father in the county court.

C. J. Baker and wife were among those going to Omaha this morning on the early Burlington train to look after some matters of business.

County Commissioner Julius Pitz departed this morning for Ashland, where he was called to spend a few hours on some matters of importance.

John Neumeister of Avoca was here yesterday for a few hours looking after some matters of business at the court house and visiting with friends.

Mrs. J. M. Palmer and Mrs. J. M. Dunbar are up for a short visit here at the home of their brother, Sheriff Quinton and family. These ladies reside at Nehawka.

William Puls of near Murray was here today for a few hours looking after some matters of business with the business men, driving up from his home this morning.

Mrs. Luke L. Wiles and little daughter were among the passengers this afternoon for Omaha, where they go to spend the day looking after some matters of business.

Misses Helen and Hazel Rhode Hicks, of the vicinity of Cullom, arrived in the city this morning for a visit until after New Year's with their grandmother, Mrs. Helen Rhode.

Charles Peterson, who is here visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Peterson, was among the passengers this afternoon for Omaha to spend the day in that city.

Mayor J. P. Sattler departed this morning for Lincoln, where he goes to attend a meeting there of the different municipal heads of the state of Nebraska, who are to meet in that city with Governor Morehead.

F. B. Rys, who has been visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rys, for the past ten days, departed for his home at Chicago Sunday evening, where he is employed by the Western Union Telegraph company as traffic supervisor.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Attorney C. E. Tefft of Weeping Water was in the city today in attendance at the session of the district court.

Miss Pauline Oldham of Murray was in the city today for a few hours visiting with friends and attending to some matters of importance.

Hon. W. B. Banning of Union was here last evening on matters of business and found time to attend the performance at the Parmelee theater.

John R. Pierson of Union was here last evening looking after some matters of business in this city, coming up on the afternoon Missouri Pacific.

County Commissioner C. E. Heelner of Nehawka came up this afternoon from Omaha to look after some matter for the county for a short time.

Dave Hawksworth, who has been here visiting at the home of his mother for a week, departed this morning on No. 6 for Detroit, Michigan.

Mrs. J. M. Holmes of Murray came in last evening on No. 2 from Omaha, where she has been for a short time, and was the guest of her relatives here for the evening.

Mrs. E. C. Hill and children returned home last evening from Beemer, Nebraska, where they have been spending Christmas at the home of the parents of Mrs. Hill.

Will Manley of Lebanon, Kansas, arrived in this city last evening to be in attendance at the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Karnes. Mr. Manley is a brother of Mrs. Karnes.

R. L. Propst departed this morning on the early Burlington train for Sioux City, Iowa, to make a short visit there looking after business matters, as well as visiting with friends.

Misses Marie Fitzgerald, Teresa Droegge, Opal Fitzgerald and Helen Egenberger were among the passengers this morning for the metropolis, where they will spend the day with friends.

Hans Tams, who has been here for the Christmas holidays with his family in this city and visiting with his numerous friends, departed this morning for Wyoming to resume his work there for the Burlington.

Social Dance! AT THE German Home!

Saturday Evening, January 2, '15

This will be another big time for you, so don't fail to attend. A portion of the proceeds go to the benefit of the Basket Ball Team.

Music by the Plattsmouth Orchestra!

ing for Wyoming to resume his work there for the Burlington.

L. E. Hanford and wife of McCook, Neb., who have been here visiting at the home of Mrs. Hanford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Shopp, for the past few days, departed this afternoon for their home in the west.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newell of Nash, Oklahoma, have arrived in this city to be in attendance at the golden wedding of Mrs. Newell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Karnes, which is being celebrated at their home today in the north part of town. Mrs. Newell is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karnes.

From Thursday's Daily.
Miss Gertrude Stenner arrived last evening from Lincoln for a short visit here with her brothers in this city.

Vern Lounz was among those going to Omaha this afternoon, where he will visit for the day with friends.

J. P. Falter was among the business visitors in Omaha today for a few hours looking after some matters of importance.

R. M. Shlaes was among those going to Omaha this morning to spend the day there looking after some matters of importance.

Mrs. Charles Kunsmann returned this afternoon from Tarkio, Missouri, where she has been visiting her mother in that place.

Henry Trout was among those going to Omaha this morning, where he was called to look after some matters of business for a few hours.

A. A. Stillinger was a passenger this morning for Wakefield, Neb., where he goes to visit for a short time with relatives and friends.

C. A. Burggren and wife, who have been visiting in Omaha with relatives and friends for the past week, returned home last evening on No. 2.

Miss Claire Dorey was among those going to Omaha this morning, where she will spend the day looking after some matters of business.

John Fight and wife departed this afternoon for Omaha, where they will visit for the day with their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Sullivan and family.

August Nolting was among the farmer visitors in the city today for a few hours looking after some matters of business with the merchants.

C. M. Christwiser of Nehawka was among those going to Omaha this morning, where he will spend the day looking after some matters of business.

John Iverson and wife were among the passengers this morning for Calhoun, Neb., where they go to visit with relatives and friends in that place.

Miss Margaret Mills and several of the children at the Masonic orphanage were among the passengers this morning for Omaha, where they will spend the day.

Mrs. Peter Bates departed this morning on the early Burlington train for York, Nebraska, where she goes to visit for a short time with relatives and friends.

E. W. Beins and wife departed this morning on the early Burlington train for Omaha, where they will spend the day looking after some matters of business in that city.

Mrs. Nellie Agnew of Lincoln came in last evening on No. 2 for a short visit here at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. H. Parmele, and with other relatives and friends.

William Wohlfarth returned home this afternoon from Scribner, Neb., where he had been visiting with relatives and friends in that section of the state for a short time.

Mrs. Isaac King and little daughter, who have been here visiting with relatives and friends in this city over Christmas, departed this morning for their home in Superior, Neb.

W. H. Wynn and two little daughters returned home this morning from San Antonio, Texas, where they had been for the past ten days visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Henry Miller of Alvo, who has been here for a few days visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. H.

Becker, departed today for her home in the west part of the county.

Cheapest accident insurance—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. For burns, scalds, cuts and emergencies. All druggists sell it. 25c and 50c.

W. E. Rosencrans and wife were among the passengers this afternoon for Omaha, where they will visit for the day with friends in that city.

J. C. Roddy of Union was here today for a few hours looking after some matters at the court house, being a witness in the O'Brien case.

Ben Beckman of the vicinity of Murray was in the city today looking after some trading and attending the demonstration at the Gorder store.

Mrs. Anthony Neslade and two little daughters returned home this afternoon from Omaha, where they had been visiting with relatives and friends.

Rex Olson, the genial traveling man, was here today for a short time attending to the wants of his customers, coming down on No. 24 this afternoon.

B. A. McElwain departed this evening over the Missouri Pacific for Kansas City, where he will visit over New Year's with his brother, Myron, in that city.

Mike Lutz was among those going to Omaha this morning to spend the day with his wife at the hospital in that city, where she is getting along very nicely.

Mrs. G. L. Farley and two daughters, Edith and Helen, and Miss Estelle Baird were among those going to Omaha this morning, where they will visit for the day in that city.

Miss Kathryn Windham was among those going to Omaha this morning, where she will visit for the day in that city looking after some matters of business and visiting with friends.

Miss Mildred Balsemer was among those going to Omaha this morning, where she will spend a few hours looking after some matters of business, as well as visiting with friends.

George Wallinger and wife of South Bend drove to this city yesterday to attend to some important business matters and for a short visit with county seat friends. Mr. Wallinger was a pleasant caller at this office.

Mrs. Sybil Head was among the passengers this morning for Omaha, where she goes to look after some matters of business in that city and to visit there with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ed Fox of Waterloo, Iowa, who has been here for a short time visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haynie, near this city, departed this morning for her home.

Mrs. E. P. Graves and little son, of Green River, Wyoming, who have been visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ramge, in this city, departed this morning for her home in the west.

Chris Parkening, one of the leading farmers from west of the city was in town yesterday for a few hours looking after some trading with the merchants and attending the International Harvester demonstration.

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WM. DUNN.

Annual Meeting of the Farmers' Mutual Ins. Co. of Cass Co., Neb.

The annual meeting of the Farmers' Mutual Fire and Live Stock Insurance Company of Cass County, Nebraska, will be held at the Taylor school house in Plattsmouth precinct on Saturday, January 9, 1915, at 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing officers and transacting such other business as may legally come before the meeting.

J. P. Falter, Secretary.
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For Sale.

A number of pure bred Plymouth Rock hens. Mrs. R. M. Shrader, Murray, Neb. Telephone 4-N.

PROBATE NOTICE.
In the County Court of Cass County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Archibald Rager, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in Said Estate:
You will take notice that on the 8th day of December, 1914, there was filed in the County Court in and for Cass County, Nebraska, a petition praying that the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, be admitted to probate, and that the executor thereof be appointed. Said petition is on file in said court, and to some other suitable person, as to the Court may seem proper, as to the Court may seem proper.

You will further take notice that a hearing on said petition and the proofs of the execution of said instrument will be had on the 4th day of January, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the County Court Room in the City of Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, and that unless cause be shown on or before said day and hour of hearing, the prayer of said petition may be granted and said instrument admitted to probate.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court at Plattsmouth, this 8th day of December, 1914.
ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge.

JOHN M. LEVY, Attorney for Petitioner.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CASS, NEBRASKA.