



Miner Brothers.

PREMIUM DISHES.

Imported Austrian and German China Berry Sets.

It was our intention to mail a large shopping card to every family within reach of Red Cloud.

Possibly You Did Not Get One.

Come to the store and tell us, and we will add your name to the list so that we will not Miss you in the future.

<p>1 Shopping Card</p> <p>Bring in this card on days mentioned below, purchase goods to the amount of \$2.00 or more and we will present to you a handsomely decorated Dessert Plate and Berry Dish.</p> <p>O. K. Tuesdays and Thursdays Miner Bros. Red Cloud, Neb.</p>	<p>2 Shopping Card</p> <p>Bring in this card on days mentioned below, purchase goods to the amount of \$2.00 or more and we will present to you a handsomely decorated Dessert Plate and Berry Dish.</p> <p>O. K. Tuesdays and Thursdays Miner Bros. Red Cloud, Neb.</p>	<p>3 Shopping Card</p> <p>Bring in this card on days mentioned below, purchase goods to the amount of \$2.00 or more and we will present to you a handsomely decorated Dessert Plate and Berry Dish.</p> <p>O. K. Tuesdays and Thursdays Miner Bros. Red Cloud, Neb.</p>	<p>4 Shopping Card</p> <p>Bring in this card on days mentioned below, purchase goods to the amount of \$2.00 or more and we will present to you a handsomely decorated Dessert Plate and Berry Dish.</p> <p>O. K. Tuesdays and Thursdays Miner Bros. Red Cloud, Neb.</p>	<p>5 Shopping Card</p> <p>Bring in this card on days mentioned below, purchase goods to the amount of \$2.00 or more and we will present to you a handsomely decorated Dessert Plate and Berry Dish.</p> <p>O. K. Tuesdays and Thursdays Miner Bros. Red Cloud, Neb.</p>
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For Cash and Produce. Sale Expires September, 1st.

Cut the above card out. It will serve the same purpose as the mailing card.

We have exhausted our first supply of Dishes. Come in and look over the new samples of Austrian and German China.

The handsomest dish premium ever given away in Red Cloud.

"Satisfaction or money back."

MINER BROS

Duties of Rural Carriers.
Postmaster Hacker has received an official order from Washington defining and prescribing the duties of rural mail carriers. The order is as follows:
"That rural carriers are not permitted to solicit business or receive orders of any kind for any person, firm or corporation.
"No mailable matter may be handled by rural carriers while serving their routes, unless the proper postage has been prepaid, with the single exception of county newspapers, which, under the law, are permitted to be carried free throughout the county in which they are published, to actual

subscribers, and such newspapers addressed to subscribers, residents on rural routes, must be deposited at the postoffice the same as papers for other subscribers.
"The hire for merchandise carried on request of the patron of rural free delivery must be paid by the patron. Carriers will not be permitted to receive any compensation from the seller of such merchandise.
"Articles or packages, which are mailable, which are handed to the carrier or deposited at the postoffice or in a rural letter box or in a collection box located on a rural route, with a request that the rural carrier deliver the same, are subject to the rules re-

gulating mail matter, including the payment of postage thereon.
"Articles or packages that are not mailable, while the patron desires the rural carrier to carry, must be delivered to the carrier in person, and in carrying merchandise for hire rural carriers are not permitted to leave their route as officially laid out, or to accept anything that will in anyway delay the delivery of mail, or in anyway interfere with the efficiency of the service.
"Carriers, while on duty, are not permitted to carry spirituous liquors either for themselves, for sale, or for the accommodation of their patrons.
"Rural carriers are required to per-

mit postoffice inspectors or other duly accredited agents of the postoffice department, to accompany them on their regular trips over their routes. They must not carry other passengers nor permit any person, other than authorized postal officials, to ride with them or to have access to the mails.
"Rural carriers must not engage in any business during their prescribed hours of service, or conduct any business after hours which offers the temptation to solicit patronage on their routes, or which by reason of their position in the government service, gives them special advantage over competitors, such as book canvassing, soliciting insurance, selling sew-

ing machines, or other kindred occupations.
"Carriers must not, either in person or through others, directly or indirectly, by any method whatever, solicit money, gifts or presents; nor issue for profit souvenir postal handbooks; nor co-operate with nor assist the publishing of same to secure the patronage of the public; nor compile directories for public use or assist publishers to compile them; nor furnish the names and addresses of patrons of their routes, for pay or favor, to any individual, except to those departmental officials who, under the regulations, are entitled to the same."
The above order should do away with the numerous embarrassing requests made of rural carriers for "inside" information, as well as the hundreds of errands they are called upon to perform for friends along their routes. There are very few packages which they are requested to carry that are not mailable, and as long as the government is paying them for doing the work, the post-office department should receive the benefit of its enterprise.

Lincoln Letter.

LINCOLN, NEB., June 22,

The proud old commonwealth of Massachusetts has come to Nebraska to borrow again, and again her young western sister has decided to accommodate the applicant. At its meeting last week the state board of educational lands and funds decided to purchase \$100,000 worth of Massachusetts bonds at 3 1/2 per cent. In addition to this heavy investment it has been decided that about \$100,000 worth of warrants may be purchased with entire safety

Secretary Royse of the state banking board has called for a statement of the condition of Nebraska building and loan associations at the close of business June 30th

Game Warden Carter has received a number of inquiries from persons who wish to know whether or not it is lawful to take beaver in Nebraska, and investigation has disclosed the fact that these furry inhabitants of the creeks and ponds have increased very rapidly during the past two or three years. The law does not protect them, as they were supposed to be practically extinct.

The governor's family left Monday for St. Louis to see the exposition. Governor Mickey had arranged to accompany them, but was obliged to abandon the trip on account of the assessment board's failure to complete its work according to expectations.

Since Auditor Weston has reported that \$280,000 of the state debt has been wiped out within the last six months, the administration has been encouraged to believe that the state indebtedness may be entirely wiped out without making any material increase in the revenues. The next half year, however, will be an expensive one and the drain on the treasury will be heavy on account of the great buildings which are being erected, at Lincoln, Norfolk, Kearney and elsewhere. In years when no such extraordinary expenditures are necessary, and with a state administration as careful and economical as the present one, the debt ought to grow steadily smaller and a decade of careful management ought to wipe it out.

Ray P. Teale, of Washington, in the employ of the department of irrigation experiments, a branch of the agricultural department, is detailed to duty in Nebraska for an indefinite period. He will study Nebraska rivers and creeks, and perhaps will make an effort to ascertain whether or not artesian wells can be profitably installed in some of the western counties where irrigation by ditches is impracticable.

The state board of assessment came together on the railroad tax question late yesterday evening, the result of their labors being to raise the total

net assessment of railway corporations from \$27,077,333, the valuation last year, to \$46,018,436, the last sum being the figure at which the corporation properties will be assessed after all deductions have been made for property otherwise assessed. The sum represents a raise of approximately 73 per cent, or about eight per cent greater than the raise on land values as found by sale reports which have been compiled in the office of Land commissioner Follmer. The board has not yet agreed upon a distribution of the values, but it is thought that despite the vehement protest of General Manderson and other representatives of the interested corporations, the unit system will prevail, and main and branch lines will be assessed at the same figure. While the board has not yet announced the figure at which each line will be appraised, it is probable that the following will not be far from correct: Union Pacific \$11,000 per mile; last year, \$6,577; Burlington, \$7,700, last year, \$4,351; Northwestern, \$7,500, last year, \$3,650; Rock Island, \$8,200, last year, \$5,168; Missouri Pacific increased from an average of \$5,061 to \$8,299 for the main line and \$5,000 for the branches. In making its calculations, the board has followed the law strictly. Every fact or circumstance which could by any possibility guide the board in ascertaining the true market value of the lines has been given due consideration, and it may be said that the board has not followed the plan of any member, but has exhausted every means within its power to arrive at the true value, and believe that it has done that as nearly as it is possible for any board to do. Whether or not the tangible and intangible properties will be reported separately is a question which is still agitating the minds of the members who are proceeding very cautiously in order to avoid litigation and the possible loss of any portion of the railway taxes. At present it is believed that the assessment is not only as nearly correct, therefore as nearly just and equitable as can possibly be made, but that it will stand the strain of a trip through the courts in case appeal is taken.

Special Rates

St. Paul and Minneapolis, July 14th, to 18th, Inc. Aug 6th. to 11th. In- return limit Sept. 15th.
Colorado, Utah and Black Hills, June 1st. to Sept. 30 h. limited for return Oct. 31.
Chicago Ill. June 1st. to Sept. 30 h. limited for return Oct. 31st.
Rosebud Indian Reservation, July 1st to 22nd. return limit Aug. 31st.
Louisville, Ky. Aug. 13, 14, and 15, limited Sept. 15th
Indianapolis, Ind. June 26th. 27, limited to July 10th.
St. Joe, Mo. June 28, 29, 30, limit July 31st.
Atlantic City, July 9, 10, limited Aug. 3rd.
Cincinnati Ohio, July 15, 16, 17, limited Aug 18.
San Francisco, Cal. Aug 15, to Sept 10 h. return limit 23rd.—A. CONOVER, AGT.

Less Than Half Rates to St. Louis and Return.

On Mondays, June 6, 13, 20 and 27, the Burlington offers tickets to St. Louis and return at \$11, good for seven days, considerably less than one fare for the round trip.
Tickets are good in coaches and chair cars (seats free).
The magnificent exposition is now complete and in harmonious operation.
You will regret it all your life if you fail to see this wonderful exposition. Illustrated folder free, and full information on application to Burlington Route agent or to L. W. Wakely, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY.
Mystic Cure for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents and \$1.00. Sold by H. E. Gripe, Druggist, Red Cloud.