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Needed Changes in Laws.

As a general proposition, we believe the statute books of every state are overburdened with laws that neither judges nor attorneys can understand. At least they seem to be incapable of "getting together" when it comes to interpreting them, and every session of the legislature sees a horde of new laws passed, not one in fifty of which are worth to the people of the state the price of the paper upon which they are printed. Occasionally, however, the lobbyists and legislators allow a good law to be placed upon the statutes, but in nine cases out of ten the supreme court finds some excuse for annulling them.

Occasionally a good law will stand the test of the supreme court. One of these is the new tax law, which has proven a great improvement over the old law. Three years' experience with this law has shown great results, yet we believe one or two changes would greatly improve it. For instance, we believe that where a county has a faithful and efficient assessor like our own "Uncle Dick" Turner he should not be limited to one term. And, vice versa, where a county has unwittingly elected an incompetent or dishonest assessor, four years is entirely too long a time to be burdened with such an officer.

There is another change in the law that the assessors themselves have asked for, namely, that notes and mortgages be made non-collectible unless they bear the assessor's stamp showing that they have been listed with him for taxation. Many a money lender now fails to return his notes and mortgages for assessment, thus causing a loss of hundreds of dollars in taxes to every county.

The constitutional amendment providing for a state board of railroad commissioners carries with it all the necessary authority for the passage of laws to regulate freight and passenger rates, and the legislature which met this week has an opportunity to effect reforms that no previous legis-

lature has ever had. One of the "damp-proof" pieces of legislation passed at the last session was the so-called dipsomaniac law. The principle of law laid down that we can, for a stipulated sum in cash, give certain men the privilege of making men drunk, and then give another set of men the right to send those who drink the booze to the insane asylum, is as foolish as it is unjust. We do not believe that anyone will have the nerve to claim that there is any lasting benefit to the victim of the licensed saloon. The man who is unfortunate enough to get sent to the insane asylum as a dipsomaniac suffers worse than the most degraded criminal sent to the penitentiary. The food is unfit to eat and people of every class thrown together. The net result of the whole process is the piling up of a lot of costs against the county and making the victim "sore" at the world.

Hedge Has a New Boarder.

James Owen, who was the night operator at Alma, is now an honored guest of Sheriff Hedge, he having registered at the Hotel de Webster early Sunday morning. Owen had been in Alma but a few days, and one night last week he and a young man named Clarence Browning went on a spree. They took what money there was in the cash drawer of the depot, stole an express package containing about \$175 worth of gold rings and, leaving the depot standing wide open, started for the west. They got as far as Oxford, where they were arrested. Browning pleaded guilty before Judge Adams and was sentenced to a year in the penitentiary, while Owen, who is considered the leader in the crime, was brought here for safe keeping.

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MRS. LILLIE PARDONED.

Governor Mickey Declared His Belief in Her Innocence.

At 12:30 o'clock yesterday Lena Margaret Lillie was granted an unconditional pardon.

It was the last official act of Governor J. H. Mickey. After days of deliberation and a complete review of the evidence, he declared that there were grave doubts of the woman's guilt and it was not clearly proved that she killed her husband, Harvey Lillie.

There was a pathetic scene at the cell of Mrs. Lillie when the news was broken to her. She wept hysterically and expressed her gratitude in touching sentences.

When Warden Beemer and daughter entered her cell with the official pardon from the hand of the governor, the imprisoned woman reared in their faces the welcome words they would speak and she uttered such a cry of joy and burst into such a tempest of tears that even the warden was moved to sob. They did not need to say a word to her. She knew and understood the meaning of their coming as well as though they had uttered the word "pardoned."

Her father, J. S. Hill of Los Angeles, Cal., will take his daughter to his western home.

Farewell Reception.

The ministers of the city gathered at the home of Rev. A. A. Cressman Monday evening to bid farewell to Elder E. C. Davis, who has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Christian church at Hebron and will preach his first sermon there next Sunday. Those present were: Rev. Ward L. Austin, pastor of the M. E. church; Rev. J. M. Bates, rector of the Episcopal church; Rev. A. A. Cressman, pastor of the Congregational church; Elder E. C. Davis, pastor of the Christian church; Rev. I. W. Edson, pastor of the Baptist church, and Father Fitzgerald of the Catholic church. The evening was pleasantly spent in conversation. A remarkable coincidence in connection with the affair was that the initials of the surnames of the six clergymen present correspond to the first six letters of the alphabet.

Business College Notes

Six new students entered this week: Everton Fox, Conrad Quirin, Charles Lindgren, Vern Henderson, Clyde and Claude Plove.

Herbert Plumb, one of our students at work in a large dry goods store in Lincoln, was a Red Cloud visitor during the holidays. Also, John J. Garber, one of last year's teachers, who now holds a nice position in Omaha. We were glad to see both.

Miss Bernice Potter and Geo. Swartz were visitors Wednesday afternoon. We are always glad to see the old students back with us and are pleased to hear their stories of life in other places, and to give a word of encouragement wherever we can.

The watch social Monday evening at the college rooms was well attended by both old and new students. We each made a resolution for the new year, and Prof. Dietrick recited and read a poem written especially for this occasion. Many games were played and we rang and sang the old year out, with all of its failures, and the new year in, and decided we were better because we attended.

Mr. Haffke made a business-like talk to our students on the needs of a stenographer when he gets out into the business world. Mr. Haffke has traveled around this old globe and his experience is something one could envy. The students were well pleased with his talk, and he seemed to be well pleased with our school, and he said that in his estimation Red Cloud was almost an ideal place for a school of this kind.

Every one who attended the glee club concert secured for Red Cloud by Prof. Dietrick and Prof. Wright of Franklin gives it the highest praise one could give such a body of young men. It will soon become known that when the college is behind an attraction it will be good and the public will not be afraid to patronize it. The club should have had two or three times the audience. Those who want good entertainments or concerts in our city must attend them or they won't last. The business men lost

money on their course last year and do not have one this year. If the college loses this year, what will it be apt to do? Think it all over and attend the college numbers if you want a good course next year. The opera house will fill on an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" night or a "Jesse James" night, and of course that is what is wanted by the opera house managers—an attraction that will pay. If you want a better lecture course next year, patronize this one the best you can.

IN PROBATE COURT.

December 28—In re guardianship of Charles Lindgren. Hearing on petition and appointment of C. W. Lindgren as guardian.

In re guardianship of Anna M. Cook. Petition heard instant and Sarah Cook appointed guardian.

December 29—Estate of Andrew Arnold, deceased. Petition for administration and order of hearing January 23. Petition for guardian of minor heirs; same order.

In re guardianship of Thomas Raymond McClure. Petition for confirmation of contract. Contract confirmed and ordered of record.

December 31—Estate of Annie E. Rogers, deceased. Petition of administration and order of hearing January 24.

Estate of Christopher C. Bennett, deceased. Final account of administrator filed.

In re guardianship of Wm. Bennett. Annual report of guardian filed.

Estate of Thomas T. Finney, deceased. Hearing and order on claims.

January 2—Estate of Daniel Imhof, deceased. Decree on final account entered.

Petition for guardian by Wennie A. Campbell. Order of hearing January 24.

January 3—Estate of Lora May, deceased. Hearing upon petition and appointment of Wm. A. May as administrator.

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