

STATE LAND VALUES

SHOW AN INCREASE OF NEARLY \$400,000.

NEWS FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Varied Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources at the State House

Fifteen counties in the southern and eastern portions of the state have turned in their reappraisements and the same has been checked over.

Table with columns: Counties, Old Appraisal, New Appraisal, Increase. Lists counties like Adams, Antelope, Butler, Cass, Clay, Colfax, Dakota, Gage, Hall, Jefferson, Merrick, Phelps, Polk, Thayer, York.

The county commissioners have made good reports, and it speaks well for the growth of the state, and of the county officers who have shown a desire to get at fair values of state lands.

Part of Pay to be Set Aside How the United States government intends to provide for the support of families and other dependents of soldiers serving in its army and navy is set forth in a telegram which Governor Neville has received from the war department and which he in turn is transmitting to the local exemption boards in Nebraska.

This data will enable the exemption boards to decide more intelligently in each case where exemption is claimed on the ground of dependency. Besides the stipulated monthly allowance to dependents, as fixed by the act of congress, it is provided that part of the pay due each enlisted man shall be set aside monthly for his dependents at home.

Northwestern Nebraska Potatoes Northwestern Nebraska has attracted rather more attention than usual this year by its enormous crops of potatoes. The largest tubers in that section are grown under irrigation, but the bulk of the crop, and the best quality potatoes are grown on the upland without irrigation.

Lloyd C. Thomas of Alliance sent his father, Deputy Land Commissioner John W. Thomas, a box of Box Butte county spuds that combined both quality and good size. Thirty-eight potatoes from which these were taken weighed sixty pounds. The legislative district which is represented by the younger Mr. Thomas, composed of Box Butte and Sheridan counties, grows more potatoes than any other like district in the state, and these spuds are famous far and near for their splendid quality.

State Donates \$9,500 for Libraries Secretary Charlotte Templeton of the state library commission has received about \$9,500 in cash contributions from different communities in Nebraska for the purpose of buying reading matter to supply American soldiers in their camps. The money has been forwarded to the war libraries council at Washington. A number of places have not yet finished their canvasses for funds, and a few have not yet started. Secretary Templeton believes that at least \$12,000 will be raised in the state.

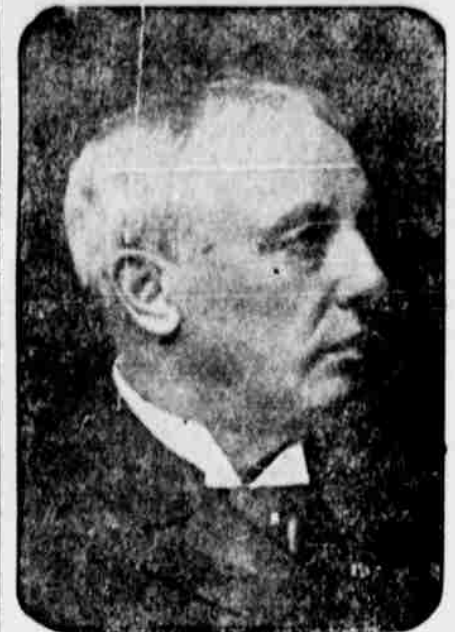
Will Send Gift Bags to Soldiers Sixty gift bags will be filled and forwarded from the Nebraska state capital to American soldiers in France to be distributed at Christmas time. The food commission and the state engineer's office are each taking care of ten or a dozen, and other departments are doing their part.

Value of Nebraska Live Stock Horses have been assessed for taxation this year at an average actual value of \$75 each, mules \$89, and cattle \$40, according to a table of figures prepared by Secretary Bernacker of the state board of equalization. The value of individual animals varies greatly with their ages and breeds. There are 892,811 horses in the state, whose actual value is placed at \$66,930,008. Of mules there are 110,971 estimated by the assessing officials to be worth a total of \$9,858,201. The

May Discontinue Business Six German insurance companies, licensed to do business in Nebraska until May, may not continue unless they get a license from the federal government, for which, under the trading with the enemy act they must apply not later than November 8. These companies are: Frankfort General (fire); Prussian National of Stettin (fire); Hamburg-Bremen (fire); Aachen & Munich (fire); Mannheim of Mannheim (fire); The Nord-Deutsche of Hamburg (fire).

EX-CHANCELLOR ANDREWS DEAD

Prominent Educator Succumbs at His Home in Florida News of the death of Chancellor Emeritus E. Benjamin Andrews of the university of Nebraska, at his home at Interlachen, Fla., has been received by Chancellor Avery.



E. BENJAMIN ANDREWS

Andrews traveled around the world, spending considerable time in South Africa.

He was a member of the international monetary conference at Brussels in 1892, and a permanent member of the National Association of State Universities, besides holding official or prominent membership in a great number of scientific, literary and educational societies in this and foreign countries. He was 73 years of age.

Politics Not a Qualification Politics is to be put out of the question when it comes to the management of the fifteen state institutions under the direction of the state board of control.

When the legislature in 1913 created the board of control and placed all of the state institutions for the care of the criminal, the insane, the sick and the dependent under its management, it struck a body blow at one of the biggest bits of patronage connected with the state administration.

"Politics don't enter in the employment of assistants and superintendents at the state homes any more," said Gene Mayfield, the chairman of the board. "We never ask an applicant for a job at this institution what his political affiliation may be or what his religion. We are interested only in one thing, and that is his capabilities for the peace which he seeks. I, as chairman of this board, know there is only one standard in securing employment at a state institution. The applicant must satisfy the board he is competent to handle the job."

Incidentally the board of control gives due credit to the new system in keeping down the cost of running the state institution in these times of high prices. Although foodstuffs and practically everything else has doubled since the war, the board has been able to get along on practically the same appropriation as it had before the outbreak of the struggle.

Students to Help With Farm Work Sixty students of the school of agriculture have signified their intention of leaving school to help with farm work during the next few weeks. Several have already gone, and other contingents will go during the succeeding two weeks. All must return to school not later than December 3. Free tutoring will be offered and some extra classes will probably be opened to enable them to make up their work. There are 216 men students in the school and the number leaving represents more than one-fourth. The faculty is discussing plans for holding a special winter session for farm boys who cannot attend in the fall or spring.

For Y. M. C. A. War Relief Work Students of the University of Nebraska have pledged \$15,000 for Y. M. C. A. war relief work. Two hundred and fifty students and faculty members met recently in the Y. M. C. A. rooms of the temple to make final preparations for the campaign for raising the apportionment. The campaign in Nebraska is a part of the big nationwide campaign for raising thirty-five million dollars for Y. M. C. A. work at the front. The colleges of the country have been asked to provide one million of this amount.

Western Nebraska Short on Cars Telegrams received by the Nebraska state railway commission asking for stock cars, are mostly from shippers in the west. A few come from the eastern part of the state. All such telegrams from the west show a shortage of feed and complaint that cattle are shrinking while being held. The records of the roads show that neither the Burlington nor the Northwestern road is short of stock cars. October 15 the Burlington had 500 stock cars in excess of the number of cars it owns.

SHED FIRST BLOOD

AMERICAN LIVES LOST ON FIELD IN FRANCE.

AMERICA MUST AWAKEN

Immense Increase in Federal Tax Is Predicted—Russia Is Worn Out by Long Strain of War.

Washington.—Armed forces under the American flag have had their first clash with German soldiers in an attack which the Germans made in first line trenches where the United States troops had been taken for instruction, and three Americans were killed, five wounded and twelve captured or missing.

The war department made this known on receipt of a dispatch from General Pershing showing that the German forces, soon after learning the position of the new enemy from overseas, had launched a desperate effort to overcome them. The Teuton attack came in the form of a heavy barrage fire which isolated a salient of the American trench, and apparently left a small force of Americans at the mercy of their enemies.

Worn Out by Long Strain. Petrograd.—In view of reports reaching Petrograd that the impression was spreading abroad that Russia was virtually out of the war, Premier Kerensky discussed the present condition of the country frankly with the Associated Press. He said Russia was worn out by the long strain, but that it was ridiculous to say the country was out of the war. The premier referred to the years in which Russia had fought her own campaigns alone, with no such assistance as has been extended to France by Great Britain and now by America. He said he felt help was needed and that Russia asked it as her right. He urged that the United States give aid in the form of money and supplies and appealed to the world not to lose faith in the Russian revolution.

AMERICA MUST BE AWAKENED

A Big Increase in Federal Tax Is Predicted.

Philadelphia.—Federal taxes of a scope and variety as yet undreamed of must be imposed to meet the stupendous war obligations of America, said Representative John Fitzgerald, New York, chairman of the house committee on appropriations.

Addressing a meeting under the auspices of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, Mr. Fitzgerald said: "Loans will not do. Bond issues cannot be made to meet the imperative requirements of the nation in this crisis without bringing about financial chaos in the next generation. America must awake and cease its wasteful and indefensible habits of life. Every man and woman in the country must practice some sort of self-denial to avoid greater hardships later on."

Sending Aid to Italy.

Washington.—Great Britain and France are rushing to the aid of Italy in her critical hour. Not only have men and guns been sent to the battle front along the Tagliamento river, where the Italians are holding the Teutonic invaders at bay, but the war brains of Great Britain and France are on their way to Italy to consult with the Italian leaders. Premier Lloyd-George and Sir William R. Robertson, chief of the imperial staff at British army headquarters, are the leaders of the British delegation, while Premier Painleve is the chief representative of the French mission.

Reducing Student Officers.

Fort Snelling.—News that dismissals probably would reduce the student officers' corps to near the 1,100 mark was followed by the publication of an order stating that 176 additional commissions as provisional second lieutenants would be issued.

Railroad Men Frame Up Demands.

Chicago.—Union leaders, representing four railroad employees' organizations, with a joint membership of more than 250,000 men, are said to have practically completed their plans for demanding a wage increase of 25 per cent.

English Lutherans in New Body

Lincoln.—The Lutheran church of this place, one of the most powerful in the state, is about to be divided, the English-speaking portion of the membership withdrawing and establishing a new church. Heretofore the services have been divided, the morning sermon being given in German and the evening service in English. Practically all the members are of German blood, but the number speaking English has been increasing as the proportion of American born members increased.

Urged to Declare War on Austria

New York.—President Wilson is urged to call a special session of congress at an early date to declare war on Austria in a resolution adopted by the board of trustees of the American defense society at a special meeting here. A copy of the resolution was telegraphed to President Wilson. Prior to its adoption the trustees of the society adopted a minute which declares that an inconclusive peace would be an insult to those who have fallen in the war and "a betrayal to the living."

JOHN GORDON



John Gordon of Brooklyn, N. Y., boilermaker on board the United States destroyer Cassin, who has been cited by Admiral Sims for cool behavior when the vessel was torpedoed by a German submarine. There was no excitement, every man remaining at his battle station.

FOES LOSE PATENTS

U. S. ABOLISHES TEUTONIC COPY RIGHTS AND PATENTS.

Americans to Be Licensed to Make Salvarsan and Other Drugs Invented by Germans.

Washington, Nov. 1.—The vast store of German scientific information in this country was opened on Tuesday to American manufacturers in regulations issued by the federal trade commission, under which enemy-owned patents and copyrights will be licensed for use by citizens of the United States.

When the regulations had been made public the commission met a group of medical men to consider licensing the manufacture of certain drugs, principally salvarsan (906), used in venereal blood diseases, and nontoxic substitutes for local anesthetics, of which the supply in this country has run dangerously low since the war interrupted commerce.

Approximately 20,000 patented and copyrighted articles are said to be affected by the commission's order. These include yeast formulas of vital importance to American industries and mechanical devices of wide use, though the humanitarian effect of the order attracts the widest attention. German thought for many years has been in the forefront of medical research, evolving remedies for disease and for alleviating of pain, all of which, patented in the United States, will now become available to end suffering in this country.

Physicians at the conference were said to have pointed out that an early supply of important drugs would be a contribution to the national defense.

"WHITE CAPS" BEAT PACIFIST

H. S. Bigelow Seized in Kentucky and Punished "in Name of Poor Belgian Women and Children."

Cincinnati, Oct. 31.—Herbert S. Bigelow, pacifist leader, who was whisked away by his white-capt captors on Sunday night, was located on Monday near Florence, Ky. He had been taken into a wood near that place. His clothes had been removed and he had been thrashed with a blacksnake whip. The party of men that administered the chastisement was dressed in "long white robes resembling those described as being worn by the renowned Ku Klux Klan."

Previous to "12 lashes being applied to his back" one of the party, according to the report, raised his hand commanding silence, then read from a paper he held as follows: "In the name of the poor women and children of Belgium this man should be whipped."

After the lash was applied Bigelow was turned loose and directed toward Cincinnati.

Bigelow was removed to a hospital shortly after his arrival here.

"When the others were gone a considerable time my guards also left me, telling me not to go away for ten minutes."

CURB PUT ON COLD STORAGE

Special Regulations Will Go Into Effect November 1, When Foodstuffs Go Under Control.

Washington, Oct. 31.—Special regulations for cold-storage houses will be put into force by the food administration November 1, when distribution of the most important foodstuffs goes under license.

Pershing's Chauffeur Gassed.

Hoboken, N. J., Nov. 3.—A cablegram stating that Eugene Maxson, with Pershing's staff as a chauffeur, has been gassed by a bomb, was received here by his father. Maxson is recovering at a hospital.

Notice to Army Slackers.

Washington, Nov. 3.—General Crowder notified all governors of amendments to the selective regulations which will insure practically immediate army duty for all slackers convicted of failing to register.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 11

LESSON TEXT—Nehemiah 1. GOLDEN TEXT—"Whatever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do these things that are pleasing in his sight."—1 John 3:22.

Some twelve or fourteen years after the revival of the worship of Jehovah under the administration of Ezra, Nehemiah led a company to Jerusalem to restore the city walls and civil authority. The walls and gates of the city had lain in ruins ever since they were broken down by Nebuchadnezzar. In this condition the remnant of the Jews who had gone back to Jerusalem were exposed to the dangers of assaults from the surrounding enemies. Not only was this exposure detrimental to the peace and comfort of the people, but it was a matter of severe reproach to them (v. 3). Nehemiah was a man of strong character. Though occupying a position of high honor and responsibility in the very center of the great heathen capital, the desire to honor God was uppermost in his heart. He is an example to all young men, demonstrating to them that it is possible to be true to God regardless of the environment in which he may be compelled to live. In order for a man to thus stand, his life must be rooted in Christ, and these roots—our faith—must be watered and kept alive through vital communion with God in prayer and study of His Holy Word.

1. Nehemiah Learns of the Affliction and Reproach of the Returned Remnant in Jerusalem (vv. 1-4).

The time (v. 1). It was in a winter month, November or December, in the 20th year of Artaxerxes. He was engaged in the performance of his accustomed duties as cup-bearer to the king, when the news came to him of the deplorable condition of Jerusalem and the remnant who had gone there.

2. The occasion of (vv. 2, 3). The visit of Nehemiah's brother and certain men of Judah made it possible for him to inquire concerning the state of the remnant and the conditions of Jerusalem. They informed him that they were in great affliction and reproach.

3. The effect upon Nehemiah (v. 4). He was greatly moved by the story of the distress of his brethren. Though occupying a position of honor, and enjoying all that heart could desire, he keenly took the misfortune of his brethren to heart. He not only shed tears of sympathy, but took these burdens in prayer to God. This is the proper way to sympathize with the unfortunate. It is manly to weep with those in distress, and to pray for those who have need. Jesus wept over Jerusalem and prayed for his own. Nehemiah exhibited the spirit of true patriotism. The affliction and shame of his own people went close to his own heart. National and racial solidarity constitutes the real basis of patriotism. The reproach and affliction of a nation is the reproach and affliction of every member thereof.

11. Nehemiah's Prayer for Israel (vv. 5-11). We are taught that in the midst of affliction, we should pray. Nehemiah in this early time practiced this New Testament direction. A study of his prayer is most helpful.

1. It was earnest (v. 4). He fasted and prayed for several days. When men are willing to desist from food and turn aside from their occupations to pray to God, they are unmistakably in earnest. This is true fasting.

2. The ground of (v. 5). He plead covenant relationship and the faithfulness of God in keeping his covenant. It is a good thing always in our praying to plead thus with God. He is delighted when we come as children pleading for the things we need on the basis of our relationship to him.

3. Unselfish (v. 6). He has as his supreme object the welfare of Israel. His personal interests were not affected, either for better or for worse, by the condition of the Jews in Jerusalem. Many prayers do not count with God because they are self-centered.

4. Penitent (vv. 6, 7). He acknowledges that the state of Israel was due to disobedience to God's commandments and their corrupt dealings with God. So completely had he identified himself with his people that he included himself with Israel as having sinned.

5. The prayer of faith (vv. 8, 9). He believed the word which God had spoken to Moses touching his willingness to restore and bless his people, though he was obliged to severely judge them. In our praying, we should be able to point to some definite promise in God's word, as we plead with him. Faith takes God at his word, and holds him to it.

6. Definite (vv. 10, 11). a. He pointed to the specific people, as those redeemed by God's powerful hand.

b. He asked that God would prosper his way and grant him mercy in the sight of the king. This was a part of wisdom on Nehemiah's part. Before going before men for consideration of important interests, we should ask God to prepare their hearts, so that they will listen sympathetically to our plea. Thus we should do in all things, and we can do it, when our own hearts are right, and we see the good of others and not that of ourselves.

"Who Will Win This Battle?"

Your kidneys are the filters of the body. If they become inactive and fail to eliminate the waste matter, they are apt to throw the whole mechanism of the body out of order, thus toxic poisons can accumulate in the system and be as deadly as snake venom.

Besides causing the minor ailments of rheumatism, sciatica, lumbago and backache, neglect of the kidneys is apt to develop into more serious diseases, such as diabetes or stone in the bladder.

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Ready for Hard Fighting. "Them Japs," said a man in a Flat-bush barber shop, to the second-chair artist, "ain't a-goin' to let them Germans get too far inter Russia."

"Goin' to fight 'em?" asked the artist. "Sure thing. First thing ye know them Japs will be over there."

"They are hard fighters, them Japs," ventured the artist.

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One More Question.

"Going far?" asked the talkative one.

"To London," roared the traveler. "I'm forty-six and married; name, Horatio Brown; one daughter, nineteen years old, in the civil service, gets thirty shillings a week; father died last July; mother is still living; one of my nieces has red hair; our maid has left, but we've got another one. Anything else?"

The talkative one thought for a moment. "What oil do you use on your tongue?" he inquired.

Housekeepers Can Save \$200,000,000 on Food

In these days when the high cost of living pinches nearly every home, no waste should be overlooked. One of the most flagrant and the most easily prevented, is the destruction of food by rats. One rat will often do a hundred dollars' damage of food and property in a single night, and a careful estimate gives over \$200,000,000 as the value of foodstuffs destroyed annually by these pests. Exterminate them with Stearns' Paste and save this enormous loss of food. A small box of Stearns' Paste costs only 35 cents and is usually enough to completely rid the house of rats and mice, also effective against cockroaches and waterbugs. Adv.

"Made in Germany."

A case of silver and bronze war medals, made in Germany, are now at the British museum, and replicas can be seen at the Victoria and Albert, writes a correspondent. One of the most important celebrates Zeppelin raids on London, with a portrait of the late count on one side and on the other an imaginative design of a Zepp, about to alight on Tower bridge, with fires and explosions in perspective. There is a profile of the crown prince on a specially big medal, with the young Siegfried on the reverse, the latter killing a dragon with four heads—the lion for Belgium, the cock for France, the bear for Russia and the unicorn for England.

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