

Heirs Draw Lots to Portion Land Worth \$400,000

Wealthy Falls City Farmer Adopts Novel Method of Settling Estate Without Dispute.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Falls City, Neb., Sept. 23.—Putting eight slips of paper which called for "chances" on property worth over \$400,000 into a box, George W. Fisher, one of the wealthiest farmers in the state, apportioned to his six living children and heirs of two deceased daughters a majority of his land holdings in one of the most unique property divisions in the history of Richardson county.

In less than 10 minutes after the lottery had begun Fisher had disposed of more than 2,200 acres of valuable land, 1,700 of which is in Richardson county and the remainder in Illinois. This brought the total land he has given to his children up to 4,900 acres, leaving 2,040 for himself. In addition, however, he retains some city property and \$300,000 exclusive of his property holdings.

Fisher devised the lottery system as the fairest means of dividing his property, which, he said, had become burdensome in his advanced age.

Divides 2,200 Acres.
Dividing the 2,200 acres of land into as nearly equal parts as possible, according to land values, he gave each of the eight properties a number and then the eight heirs, in order of ages, drew numbers.

Mrs. Ethel Hahn, wife of Dr. H. T. Hahn and mother of Lloyd Hahn, famous Olympic athlete, being the closest, drew No. 4, entitling her to 275 acres of land in this county. Heirs of Mrs. Edna Brannin then drew No. 3, good for 335 acres of land near Falls City. The others who received land gifts were: Mrs. Nora Davidson, 410 acres in this county; Dr. M. D. Strong, husband of the late Grace Strong, a daughter of the Fishers, 252 acres in this county; Chester Fisher of Olathe, Colo., 232 acres in Illinois; Lester Fisher, 212 acres in Illinois; Mrs. George Sandrock, 309 acres in this county and Miss Otie Fisher, Abilene, Kan., 225 acres in this county.

Climax of Golden Wedding.
The land became the property of the beneficiaries at once.

The distribution of land gifts climaxed the celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Fisher's golden wedding jubilee, postponed from March 26 because of the couple's ill health on the actual anniversary. Sixty persons, mostly relatives, witnessed the unique land drawing.

"I'm getting old," he explained, "and all of this property is becoming too much for me to take care of. It's more than I will ever need and, anyway, my children can handle it much better than I can."

Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Who is a trust that prove untrue His faithfulness is bound to rue. —Bowler the Hound.

Curiosity Is Too Much for Bowser.
Bowser the Hound sat in the moonlight in Farmer Brown's barnyard watching Uncle Billy Possum stretch out at his feet. He thought Uncle Billy dead. Certainly Uncle Billy looked to be dead. Farmer Brown's boy had told Bowser to watch Uncle Billy, and then had gone into the barn to fix a pen in which to keep Uncle Billy. So Bowser had sat down to watch. He



Reddy Fox was delighted.

didn't understand why he should watch Uncle Billy. A dead Possum couldn't possibly get away. But his master had told him to watch and that was enough for Bowser.

Now had Bowser suspected that there was any life at all in Uncle Billy Possum he wouldn't have taken his eyes from Uncle Billy. But as it was, he turned his head now and then for a look around the barnyard. It was while he was doing this that he thought he saw something move over in the Black Shadows near the barn. Right away he was suspicious. He forgot Uncle Billy. He kept his eyes fixed on those Black Shadows. Something did move over there. He was sure of it.

Bowser glanced down at Uncle Billy Possum. Uncle Billy was exactly as he had been ever since Farmer Brown's boy had stretched him out there. Bowser looked back toward the barn. He was just in time to see Reddy Fox jump back out of the moonlight. He knew it was Reddy Fox. Bowser stood up. He whined softly. Once more he glanced at Uncle Billy. Reddy Fox barked very softly. It wasn't a loud enough bark for Farmer Brown's boy to hear inside the barn, but it was loud enough to be heard by Bowser. Bowser forgot everything but the fact that Reddy Fox was actually up there in the barnyard. You know there is nothing in the world that Bowser the Hound likes so much as chasing Reddy Fox. Nothing will excite him so much as the sight or smell of Reddy. He forgets everything else. It was so now. He forgot that he was supposed to keep watch of Uncle Billy. The hair on the back of his neck began to rise a little. He whined softly and started straight over for the Black Shadows beside the barn where he had seen Reddy Fox. He was sure he couldn't have been mistaken. When he got there he knew

Man Restrained From Exhuming Body of Former Wife When She Dies

Mrs. Adela McDonald is not dead yet—far from it—but when she is she will be buried in Fairview cemetery and her husband, J. C. McDonald, veteran Council Bluffs police officer, who became her ex-husband Tuesday morning, won't have a thing to say about it.

Mrs. McDonald, who shot her husband last June and sent him to the hospital for three months, was granted a divorce from him in district court Tuesday morning. With the divorce she obtained two peculiar orders restraining him from carrying out his threats to exhumate the bodies of her relatives who are buried in the family lot in Fairview cemetery, and from carrying out threats to interfere with the burial of her body, when she dies, in the same lot at Fairview cemetery.

The decree gives to Mrs. McDonald their home at 1520 Avenue P, Council Bluffs.

The marital difficulties of the McDonalds began last December when she had him committed to the state hospital for the insane. He obtained his release after two months, and in June he filed suit for divorce, alleging cruelty.

A few days later Mrs. McDonald shot him when he visited her at their Avenue P home. Physicians first despaired of saving his life, but he gradually improved. Mrs. McDonald was arrested on a charge of assault with intent to commit murder, but was exonerated when she declared she shot in self-defense.

While McDonald was still in the hospital Mrs. McDonald filed a cross-petition for divorce, alleging cruelty. McDonald is 60 and his wife is 57.

88th Division Officer Is Made Major General

Just two years before the date of his retirement from the United States army, Brig. Gen. William Weigel was promoted to the rank of major general. The promotion is to fill a vacancy created by a recent retirement. General Weigel was a colonel at the entry of the United States into the world war. He was raised to the rank of brigadier general and sent to Camp Leavenworth, Mass., in charge of the 151st depot brigade. Later he became commander of the 27th division at the same camp, and later to the command of the 16th brigade, 28th division, with which organization he went overseas in May, 1918.

After reaching France, he was transferred to the 88th division, composed of many Nebraska men, and served with that organization until its demobilization in 1919. He was then promoted to the rank of colonel and later promoted to the rank of brigadier general.

During the war, General Weigel was decorated with the Croix de Guerre three times, each time with palms, for exceptional bravery while in action. He was also decorated with the Legion of Honor, commander's grade, for the same reason. The United States decorated him with the Distinguished Service medal for "exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services."



Gen. William Weigel.

BOY AND GIRL TIE IN BABIES' CONTEST

Nelson, Sept. 23.—The champion baby boy and girl of Nuckolls county shown in the Better Babies show at the Nuckolls county fair were both found in the 18 to 27 months class. They tied with a score of 96.3. The registration this year was the largest ever had at this fair. The winners in the several classes were:

- 18 to 27 Months Girls.**
First—Fay Wall, score 96.3; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wall, Ruskin.
Second—Bella Jackson, score 96.1; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leone Jackson, Nelson.
Third—Caroline Theer, score 95.7; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theer, Lawrence.
- 27 to 36 Months Girls.**
First—Wilfred Owen Kelly, score 94.8; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Nora.
Second—Irene Maxine Riley, score 94.3; parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Riley, Nelson.
Third—Marela Alaire, Hutchinson, score 93.3; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Hutchinson, Nelson.
- 18 to 27 Months Boys.**
First—Jack Alvin Jones, score 95.5; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy A. Jones, Superior.
Second—Joe Armstrong, Nelson.
Third—Frank Theer, Jr., score 92.5; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theer, Lawrence.

Railroad Officials Given Banquet at Nebraska City

Nebraska City, Sept. 23.—Monday night was railroad night at the C. of C. September banquet at Masonic hall. Jesse L. Root, assistant general counsel of the Burlington, discussed the problems that confront a railroad corporation. He was followed by A. Cotsworth, Jr., general passenger agent, and F. Montgomery, general freight agent of the same road. This was the first monthly dinner of the fall and was well attended.

Episcopal Synod Votes to Employ Field Educator

Resolution Passes After Long Debate; Annual Church Extension Report Approved.

The Sixth Episcopal provincial synod voted 31 to 15 in favor of the appointment of a secretary for the department of religious education Tuesday morning at Trinity cathedral.

Rev. P. E. Osgood and Rev. Thomas Casady of the department of religious education were authorized to approach the diocese of the province relative to the \$4,000 the secretarial budget, and the general council, concerning its payment of the remaining \$2,000 of the budget.

The voting was upon a resolution passed in 1923, which the synod voted to reconsider. The vote was taken after several hours of debate in which no evident headway was made.

Laymen Speak

Various attendees of the synod expressed the supervision of their districts by the proposed secretary. The ability of the province to support such an official was also a major question.

Argument over financial matters was finally put down by C. P. Lyon, layman of St. Paul, Minn., and head of a large chemical company. "It is a great disappointment to me to come here and find you laying such stress on financial and material matters," said Lyon. "You can't follow God and emphasize material things. This is supposed to be a spiritual body. If a thing is right, trust in the Lord and the problem will be solved."

Opposition to the resolution for an educational secretary was led by Bishop Irving P. Johnson of Colorado.

"It is our duty to pay our national apportionment before we incur further debt in the province," said the bishop. "I would not consider the additional expense of a provincial secretary any sooner than I would hire a private tutor for my children when unable to pay my grocery bills."

Six Extension Proposals.

Rev. Hugh L. Burleson, bishop of South Dakota, read the annual report on the department of church extension, making six recommendations, which were approved by the synod.

Among the six was one which recommended that a report of a provincial secretary be made to the provincial synod be equal. Another urged that the salaries of workers in missionary districts be raised from \$1,500 with lodging to \$1,800 and lodging for single men, and from \$1,800 to \$2,000 and lodging for married men.

Bishop F. A. McElwain of Minnesota read a report of the commission on the obliteration of distinction between dioceses and missionary districts. He attempted to show that such action would not affect the constitution of the church.

Bishop Irving P. Johnson addressed the woman's auxiliary on "Rural Work" Tuesday morning.

Masons Prepare for Picnic.

Atlantic, Ia., Sept. 23.—Elaborate preparations are being made by local Masons to entertain the Southwestern Iowa York Rite association at an annual picnic here Thursday, September 25. Several thousand Masons and their families are expected to attend.

Welfare Backs La Follette.

Bloomfield, Sept. 23.—Congressman Knud Welfare of Minnesota spoke at the city hall here in the interests of the La Follette-Wheeler candidacy. Organization of a La Follette club is now under way.

House Burns, Car Is Upset as Couple Hurries Home

Hartington, Neb., Sept. 23.—While shopping here, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Clause learned that their house was afire, and hurrying home their car upset when one of the wheels broke as they were turning a corner at a high rate of speed. Escaping injury, they reached home to find a heap of ashes where the house had stood. All their household goods and other belongings had been burned. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Deshler Women Elect Convention Delegate

Deshler, Sept. 23.—Eighty members answered the roll call giving the name of the birth places of their parents at the regular monthly meeting of the Deshler woman's club at the home of Mrs. W. G. Hopfe.

Mrs. Dora Schainst, of Gilead, told of her work instructing a class preparing for citizenship at her home. Mrs. Roy Hensel, a member of the club, gave a report of the recent national meeting of women's club at Los Angeles, which she attended as a delegate.

Mrs. L. C. Krutz was elected a delegate and Mrs. C. P. Brewer, alternate, to attend the convention of the Fourth district at Grand Island, October 14 to 16.

Samson Diving Girls to Reign

Ak-Sar-Ben Carnival Opens Tonight; Fun for All Promised.

The Bullfornia diving girls are to have the right of way in Omaha for a week or two.

Just what the Bullfornia diving girls are or from whence they come is not so clear, but from the secret chambers of Samson, potentate of Quivera, comes the edict that here they will, and respected and cared for they must be.

The girls are part of the carnival which opens the Ak-Sar-Ben festival. The carnival has set up its tents and attraction at Fifteenth street and Capitol avenue and was to open its doors late Tuesday afternoon.

The carnival occupies the Ak-Sar-Ben jubilee grounds, the scene of every activity, aside from the races, for the first week.

Activities differ on the program for the second week. The third day, October 1, will be marked by the electric parade at night.

On Thursday, October 2, comes the military parade, at noon. The afternoon will be devoted to the second

annual field day at Ak-Sar-Ben field. Polo marks the afternoons from October 3 to 8 inclusive, and the fall festival closes Saturday with the horse show.

Samson adds to his proclamation that from all early indications it seems that the fall festival of 1924 is to be biggest ever and something to remember for a long time.

Child Hurt in Wreck.
Jansen, Neb., Sept. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Horn and their two children of Chester, Neb., were in an auto wreck Sunday night on the highway near here. One of the little girls had an arm sprained and was cut in her face. The family sedan was ditched by striking a cow on the road.

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\$15

Thousands and thousands of women will read this announcement and, like you, hundreds are at this moment planning to be "first" to choose their fall dresses in this sale. Need we say "come early?" This is an Orkin Brothers' Dress Sale, and one that will be long remembered as the season's best.

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Practical, serviceable, wanted styles. Coats with a dash of smartness that no woman would ever expect to find in Coats being offered at such a ridiculously low price.

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Life Is Worth While if old folks are well

To be well, avoid chronic constipation. The laxative for old people is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin

It would be of great benefit to elderly people if they realized that all their complaints are aggravated by constipation, as constipation is a form of congestion that affects the brain, nervous and muscular systems.

Headaches develop, aches and pains become worse, and rheumatism more painful. If you keep your intestines free from poisons you will find yourself happier and without those disorders usually associated with advancing age.

It is a mistake for old people to take strong cathartic pills, as they are seldom necessary and their repeated use requires larger and larger doses. Likewise the taking of "candy cathartics" is bad, as many of these contain a coal-tar drug that often causes skin eruptions; and if you have taken salt waters you know how dry and weak you felt afterwards.

The fact is elderly people need only a mild, simple laxative. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is gentle in action and free from gripping, a vegetable compound of Egyptian senna with pepsin and pleasant-tasting aromatics. Use it awhile and you will soon be able to dispense with medicines of all kinds.

More elderly people use Syrup Pepsin than any other laxative, and Mrs. Wesley Davis, 819 26th St., So. Bellington, Wash., and Mr. A. R. MacLellan, 1299 Sixth St., N. E., Washington, D. C., believe it has added many healthy years to their lives. Get a bottle at a nearby drug store and try a spoonful the next time you feel constipated, have a headache, biliousness, flatulence, dyspepsia, night cramps, or in any other way feel out of sorts as a result of not having had proper elimination.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is not an experiment with old folks, as it has been on the market over 30 years and is today the largest selling laxative in the world, over 10 million bottles being sold annually. Buy it with the understanding that it will do as we state or your money will be promptly refunded.

There are people who very rightly prefer to try a thing before they buy it. Let them clip this coupon, pin their name and address to it, and send it to the Pepsin Syrup Co., 518 Washington Street, Monticello, Illinois, and a free sample bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin will be sent them postpaid by mail. Do not include postage. It is free.

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