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 Thursday, January 29, 1903.

The water works plant owned by the city would solve the electric light question and prove a source of revenue sufficient to pay all expense of its operation with a surplus for city improvements.

Senator Henry M. Teller has been reelected to the United States Senate by the democrats of Colorado. They had just enough votes to elect. The republicans refrained from voting or being counted by absenting themselves from the session.

A veteran of the Spanish war recently appealed to the Secretary of the Interior a case in which he claimed a pension on account of corns that he had contracted by wearing army shoes. The department, after an exhaustive course of reasoning, comes to the conclusion that corns are not a pensionable disability. The decision says: Corns are inconvenient, but are seldom incapacitating, and when they are the remedy is simple and within the reach of anyone. The soldier's patriotism ought not to terminate with his military service. It should prompt him to go to a chiropodist rather than to the pension office.—Nebraska Farmer.

Since writing the editorial on the "Land Leasing Question," which appears in these columns, the state legislature has adopted a resolution in opposition to the Dietrich bill, and recommending that congress amend the Homestead law so as to provide for the homesteading of a section of land in the sand hill country in compliance with our editorial in last week's REPUBLICAN. As the action of the legislature practically kills the Dietrich bill, it is to be hoped that the next session of congress will pass a bill embodying the section homestead, for the semi arid land that is not subject to irrigation. Such a law will in a very short time populate the entire north west, with at least one family on a section that is now without population.

### A Good Showing.

The following is a copy of the report of the register of deeds, C. O. Lind, for the year 1902:

Total fees received.....	\$4 657 85
Clerk hire.....	701 45
Postage.....	45 50
Recording for county.....	2 30
Deputy salary.....	700 00
Register's salary.....	200 00
Excess fees turned in to Co. Tr.....	1 708 60
Total.....	\$4 657 85

In order that you may be able to realize just how good a showing Mr. Lind's report makes, we submit herewith the report of Mr. Lind's predecessor, C. H. Jeffords, for 1901:

Total receipts.....	\$3 664 55
Expense.....	2 997 00
Excess fees turned in to Co. Tr.....	667 55
Total.....	\$3 664 55

From the foregoing we find that Mr. Lind did \$993.30 more business in the same length of time than his predecessor, for \$47.75 less expense and turned into the county treasury as excess fees \$1,041.05 more money. Whether the difference is chargeable to republican management or prosperous condition of the times, credit is due to republican administration.

### The City Water Works.

The question of voting bonds to purchase the water works plant is one of the most important questions that confronts the

city. The importance of prompt action can not be successful denied. The question should be submitted and the bonds voted before the sale of the water works, which is February 18. Should that revenue law which is now contemplated by the legislature pass before the city is prepared to close the deal on the terms offered we have no surity but the purchasing price will be double or we will be compelled by the franchise to pay tribute the hydrant rental we are paying now. While the law is an uncertainty we have the opportunity to purchase the works at a figure within our reach. If we wait until the earning capacity of the plant is trebled by the act of the legislature will not the value of the plant increase in the same ratio? There is no use to haggle over the matter longer. We have got the bear. How can we with honor best let go. There is no alternative, we must let go now or a greater evil will be our doom. That is to continue to pay a 7 mills hydrant rental on a valuation increased five fold over the present assessed valuation during the remainder of the life of the franchise and have an empty treasury and no water works at the end for our money.

### The Land Lease Question.

The objections to the land leasing bill now pending in congress is not confined to any particular class or locality. The recommendations of the governor to the legislature does not favor the bill nor does the cattle associations of the state. The legislature will recommend congress not to pass it. Several of the western Cattle Associations have passed resolutions opposing the bill but express themselves in favor of a lease law if properly drawn. We are of the opinion that the government land should not be leased on any terms. A better solution of the vexed question would be to amend the homestead law so that in the semi arid localities where the land can not be irrigated, so as to allow a person to homestead a section or two of land instead of a quarter as now.

Could this be done there would be scarcely any government land subject to homestead entry in north Western Nebraska in the next twelve months. The influx of homeseekers from the east would populate every section in the north west part of the state. It would encourage the growth of small ranches and make the sand hill country the most profitable part of the state. And as we stated last week, in a very short time the taxes derived from the land and property kept would be a source of revenue for the counties and state far in excess of the amount the government might realize from its leases. We hope that President Roosevelt's recommendations that a committee be appointed to investigate and report on the best method to dispose of those lands will be adopted. This will give an opportunity to present the best interests of the state, which will result in an amendment to the Homestead act so as to allow a person a homestead of a sufficient amount of land to make a comfortable living and result in populating of the territory and the utilization of every acre of the sand hills.

### Omaha Against the Rural Counties.

As the people had been led to expect, the city of Omaha is arraying itself against the rural counties, school districts and villages of the state in the matter of railroad taxation. The latest scheme is being exploited in the legislature. The attempt is being made to change the law so as to permit Omaha to assess the railroad terminal properties locally, instead of allowing the taxes to be distributed equally along the lines, as at present.

Illustrating the disastrous effects upon the outside communities that would follow the carry-

ing out of the Omaha scheme, we would state that for the year 1901 the Union Pacific and B. & M. roads paid in school taxes alone to the school districts along their lines in Custer county, \$5,926.23. If Omaha is permitted to work the local taxation scheme, as the city officers declare they intend to do, these Custer county districts must lose from twelve to fifty per cent of their railroad tax.

It is well known that the railroads are interested in the upbuilding of all parts of the state, and that whereby they build up their own business. The valuable railroad properties located in Omaha are not there for the sole benefit of Omaha, but for the benefit of the whole systems.

The scheme has just been attempted in Illinois, where Chicago wanted to grab the railroad taxes for local purposes. The attorney general stood for the people of his state, and declared that the scheme would result in a loss of at least twenty per cent in taxes to each of the outside counties. The case went to the courts, and a few days ago it was decided against Chicago and in favor of the rural counties. The Omaha real estate boomers desire to get around a decision like this by legislative enactment, and thus deprive the outside counties and districts of Nebraska of from 25 to 75 per cent of the railroad taxes which they have heretofore received.

It is a good time for members of the legislature from the interior of the state to be constantly on their guard against this dangerous movement. There will be no division of sentiment among those who inform themselves on the question.

Omaha has built up its trade and gained its wealth because of the toil and produce of the rural communities. The grab game in the matter of railroad taxes looks like base ingratitude. It is like an attempt to kill the goose that laid the golden egg. It would seem to be in order for the constituency in the counties all over the state to notify their representatives in the legislature of their disapproval of the Omaha scheme. In the new revenue law promised, a higher valuation will be put upon rail road property as well as other property, but Omaha nor any other terminal city should receive more than its proportional share of the increase.

### The Mortgage Record.

The mortgage record of Custer county for the year ending Dec. 31, 1902, shows that there have been 551 farm mortgages filed in amount \$335,424.13, and there have been 798 farm mortgages satisfied amounting to \$374,060.46. Town and city mortgages filed 66 amounting to \$33,823.52; town and city mortgages released 45, amounting to \$3,918.45; the chattle mortgages filed amounts \$369,247.65 and that the chattle mortgages satisfied amounts to \$387,978.91. In addition to the above there have been farm foreclosures No. 189, amounting to \$2000.00. This gives a total amount filed \$738,494.30. Total satisfied \$1,003,747.80. The amount satisfied is \$265,253.50, more than the amount filed.

### The Philippine Teachers.

Reliable advice from the Philippines indicate that the American school ma'am has conquered the little brown people through their children, and is adored by all classes of the people for her goodness and tact. The affection of the Philippine children for the devoted young women who went out a year or so ago to do pioneer work in the schools of the islands, is said to be intense and they are so followed to their homes by the children that it is an absolute embarrassment, and they have difficulty in preserving anything like privacy in non-school hours.

Two hundred thousand Filipino children are gathered in the day schools by the 4,226 American

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and Filipino teachers while the night attendance at the night schools average 15,000. "From the presidente to the smallest urchin," writes Division Superintendent of Education Moses, "the admiration for the American women in the provinces is unfeeling and never ending." So the worst fears of the "antis" up Boston way of the enslaving tendencies of the educational system of the Philippine government are justified. The school ma'ams are riveting the last and most intimate fetter on the subjugated people and destroying in them that aspiration for independence and Aguinaldo that bubbled so fiercely in every insurgent heart only a few short months ago. Worst of all, the school ma'ams are teaching the boys and girls the English tongue which will forever bar their way back to liberty in the future. If they learn the language and read American books and newspapers they are lost.

They will want to be like the American, and that in the estimation of the "antis" and Dr. Shurman who is on the fence, will complete their ruin. What a burden of remorse will bow down these poor little Yankee school ma'ams one of these days, when they wake to the enormity of their offence against the liberty and independence of the Filipinos.—State Journal.

### Hog Markets Compared.

We have interested ourself in the past few weeks in comparing the hog markets of the several towns in the county as published in the local papers in their respective towns to see whether



**Mrs. Fred Unrath,**  
President Country Club, Boston Harbor, Mich.

"After my first baby was born I did not seem to regain my strength although the doctor gave me a tonic which he considered very superior, but instead of getting better I grew weaker every day. My husband insisted that I take Wine of Cardui for a week and see what it would do for me. I did take the medicine and was very grateful to find my strength and health slowly returning. In two weeks I was out of bed and in a month I was able to take up my usual duties. I am very enthusiastic in its praise."

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there was any reason why farmers as near Broken Bow as any other market should take their hogs to other points. In the past six weeks with one or two exceptions the price paid by our local buyers on the day we go to press have been higher than at any other market in the county. Sargent prices have kept nearer the price paid in Broken Bow than either of the others. Two weeks ago the price quoted at Sargent was ten cents below the price paid here. When hogs are on the rise, one day, some times makes a difference on the prices as quoted. For instance last week on Thursday hogs were selling for \$5.95 in Broken Bow, the day we went to press, on the day following the Sargent paper quoted them six cents in Sargent. The same price was paid here on that date.

The following are the prices quoted last week in the following

markets. Callaway, \$5.70; Ansley, \$5.80; Broken Bow, \$5.95; and Sargent, \$6.00 on Friday. Had the REPUBLICAN been published on Friday as were the other papers quoted from instead of Thursday the price would have shown up with the highest quotation as that was the advance made on the strength of the increased price in the Omaha market.

These comparisons show up favorably for the dealers in Broken Bow and removes any cause for complaint upon the part of our merchants for the town not drawing its share of the farmer trade. As a matter of fact we have heard no such complaints for several months and it doubtless is because the farmers as a rule are bringing their hogs where they can get the most money for them.

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