

## The State Capital

Matters of General Interest  
FROM  
Nebraska's Seat of Government

### State Levy Seven Mills.

The state board of assessment completed its work, with the exception of entering a final order, by ordering an increase of 16 per cent in the valuation of merchandise in Douglas county and a reduction of 5 per cent on merchandise in Lancaster county and levying a total state tax of 7 mills on the dollar valuation.

This is the same levy that was made last year, but under the increased valuation of all property in the state will produce a larger revenue. The 1 mill tax for the redemption of outstanding state warrants and the 1 mill tax for the support of the university are levies required by law and the board cannot change them. The levy for the general fund was increased from 4 1/2 mills to 5 mills, making a total of 7 mills. No levy was made for a school tax. A section of the statute requires such a tax, but the legislature sought to repeal this tax and showed its intention by repealing a section of the statute that provides for a tax that nature and defines how the tax shall be expended. It was the opinion of the board that in view of the repealing act of the legislature and the further fact that the legislature appropriated \$100,000 for the support of weak school districts and high schools no school tax should be levied.

The total assessed valuation of the state will not be definitely known until Secretary Bennett makes compilations embodying changes in values ordered by the board. With the exception of the 5 per cent reduction in merchandise in Lancaster county no values were decreased by the board, and many increases were ordered. The total assessed valuation of the state before the board equalized was \$328,700,337. On this basis the annual tax for state purposes for the general fund will be \$1,643,500, or \$5,287,000 for the biennium. The legislature appropriated \$3,358,729 chargeable to the general fund for the biennium, exclusive of items vetoed by Governor Sheldon. With considerable revenue from fees and other sources the general fund levy, it is confidently expected, will cover the expenditures authorized by the legislature and for the first time in many years the state will keep within its income. At the same time the 7 mill levy will provide \$328,700 annually for the wiping out of the state debt and the same amount annually for the university, and \$50,000 annually for the school district and \$50,000 for high schools.

### State Treasurer's Report.

State Treasurer L. G. Brian's report for the month of July shows a balance of \$439,175.23 on hand, of which \$433,671.35 is cash on deposit in state depositories and \$5,503.88 cash on hand. The redemption fund, derived from a one-mill tax levy, amounted to \$23,109.69 during the month and about the same amount was paid out for the redemption of outstanding state warrants. The total trust funds uninvested, including \$145,550.22 in the permanent school fund, is \$148,680.55. The total state funds invested in interest bearing securities is now \$7,672,167.82, an increase of \$64,332.62 during the month. These investments comprise \$6,635,137.35 in bonds and \$1,037,030.47 in state warrants.

### Jones Owns Traction Stock.

Mr. Jones of the State Journal was a witness in the suit filed before the state railway commission by the city to compel the Lincoln Traction company to sell six fares for 25 cents. Jones said he owned some stock in the traction company, but it never had influenced him in the least when writing editorials for his paper. He said the people who controlled the Journal did not own traction stock. It was brought out that the Citizen's company got power cheaper from the gas company than the traction company could get it.

### Railroads Stop Discrimination.

The complaint of the poultry dealer at Aurora that the railroads discriminated against him by charging him local rates when he filled a car with poultry en route to San Francisco and allowed the packing companies the benefit of the through rates, has had results. All are now charged the same rate.

### Seward Wants Track Scales.

A number of citizens of Seward have petitioned the state railway commission to compel the railroad, entering that town to put in track scales for the weighing of coal, grain and merchandise in carload lots, as provided by law.

### Checking Up Express Reports.

The state railway commission is going to investigate on its own account the finances of the various express companies doing business in this state. An expert will be sent out to check up the receipts and expenditures at some of the stations and the original entries looked into. These will be used in connection with the reports filed with the commission by the express companies. The commission probably will make no order in the matter of express rates until this has been attended to.

### Railroads Turned Down.

The official record of the board of equalization, much debated, has at last been adopted. The state board disapproved former resolutions introduced by the Union Pacific attorneys and adopted the following, after consulting with Attorney General Thompson:

Whereas, The board having had under consideration and investigation abstracts of the property assessed for taxation in the several counties in the state returned to this board, and having heard all the testimony adduced by the Union Pacific and Burlington railroad companies reduced to writing, as well as other evidence considered by the board and not reduced to writing, and having knowledge concerning the valuation of the different classes of property within the several counties of this state, and after hearing the argument of counsel and being fully advised in the premises therefore be it

Resolved, That the classes of property designated below in the counties hereinafter named shall be increased and decreased by a per centum as follows: Be it further

Resolved, adjudged and ordered by said board of equalization and assessment of the state of Nebraska, That the classes of property indicated in the above named counties be increased and decreased by the per centum hereinafter named, and that the assessments in all counties not increased or decreased be adjudged to be proper, fair, true and equitable assessment and equalization in such counties; that the assessments made in the several counties of this state and returned to this board by the county boards of this state, as equalized by this board and as set forth in this resolution, is a fair, true and equitable assessment and equalization of all the property within this state; and that the protest, petition and remonstrance of the Union Pacific Railroad company be overruled and denied; to which the Union Pacific Railroad company excepts.

### The Anti-Bucket Shop Bill.

Attorney General Thompson has given County Attorney Tyrrell, of Lancaster county an opinion in regard to the meaning of the anti-bucket shop bill. Mr. Tyrrell has received the opinion, but has not announced what course he intends to pursue in regard to prosecution of persons who may be operating in violation of the law.

The attorney general lays stress on the terms of the bill which make it unlawful for any person to keep an office for the pretended buying or selling of grain or stocks or bonds without any intention of receiving and paying for the property so bought or without any intention of delivering the property. This is the offense condemned by the statute. The fact that the buyer has the means of storing does not alter the case if he keeps a place with the intention stated.

"In my opinion, therefore," says the attorney general, "it would be a violation of the act quoted for one having bona fide connections with the Chicago board of trade or a board of like organization and plan, to carry on within this state a brokerage commission business, take orders that are transmitted to the board of trade without the state, the members of the board of trade having grain storage elevators and guarantees and is at all times prepared to make actual deliveries of the commodities contracted for, which such a business involves pretended sales without any intention of delivery. Otherwise, storage and delivery facilities could be mere devices to evade the law."

### Thrashing Machine Center.

Lincoln is a center of the thrashing machine industry. This year it will stand second as a distributing center for thrashing machines in the United States, being exceeded only by Minneapolis. Heretofore Kansas City has been ahead of Lincoln, but the poor crop in the south has cut down their sales materially. Conservative estimates put the sales of thrashing machines from Lincoln at \$1,000,000 this year, and say that this is a drop from last year. That means that 200 complete outfits and more than that many separators will be shipped from that city this season.

### Assessment of Interurbans.

Values corresponding with the assessments of the various county assessors were fixed by the state board of assessment and equalization on the interurban railroads of Nebraska. The Omaha, Lincoln & Beatrice road was valued at about \$90,000, the Omaha & Southern Interurban at \$90,000 and the Sioux City, Crystal Lake & Homer road at \$10,000.

### First Arrest Under New Law.

County Attorney McCutchan of Boyd county has reported the arrest of a butcher of that county charged with selling diseased meat. This is the first arrest under the new pure food law. Food Commissioner Johnson ordered a vigorous prosecution of the case. A fine of \$100 is provided for the offense.

### Sheldon and McBrien at Normal.

The visit of Governor Sheldon and State Superintendent McBrien to the McCook junior normal school was a notable event. The governor and state superintendent both addressed the normal and the third annual graduating exercises of the eighth grade of the Red Willow county schools. In the evening a reception was tendered the governor at the McCook commercial club rooms, where hundreds of citizens and members of the junior normal paid their respects to the chief executive of the state.

### M'KINLEY MONUMENT

To Be Dedicated in Buffalo Sept. 5. Former Residents Invited.

The beautiful white marble shaft erected by the state of New York in Niagara Square, Buffalo, N. Y., in the memory of President McKinley, is to be formally dedicated Thursday, Sept. 5, and the event will be the central feature of Buffalo's Old Home Week, Sept. 1 to 7. Former residents of Buffalo and the public at large are cordially invited to attend the dedication.



The McKinley monument was planned and executed under the direction of a commission of prominent men, at a cost of \$150,000. Gov. Charles E. Hughes, with his military staff, will take part in the ceremonies and President Roosevelt and former President Grover Cleveland have been invited to attend and speak. Military parades will be a feature of the occasion.

### Evidently Needed Burial.

"The late Gen. Thomas H. Ruger," said a Stamford man, "was, like many army officers, an authority on good cooking, but he detested rank, high cheese. At a dinner he said that a very rank cheese was once left at his headquarters to be called for, and after it had remained unclaimed two days he posted this notice:

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### NO GAIN AND SOME LOSS.

Neighbor's Comment in Which There Seems a Strain of Sarcasm.

"Yes," the leader of the amateur brass band was saying, "it's curious to see what an effect learning to play a horn has on some persons. I used to be a pretty good bass singer, but I can't sing worth a cent now."

"Does learning to play a horn spoil the voice?" asked his next-door neighbor.

"It did mine."  
"How do you account for it?"  
"I don't know how to account for it. Strains the vocal chords, perhaps. All I know is that I blew my voice out through the mouthpiece of my cornet."

"Did you have a good voice?"

"Everybody said so."  
"Then it's a great pity you ever learned to play a horn," rejoined his neighbor, shaking his head sadly. "I—er—think I should have enjoyed hearing you sing."—Youth's Companion.

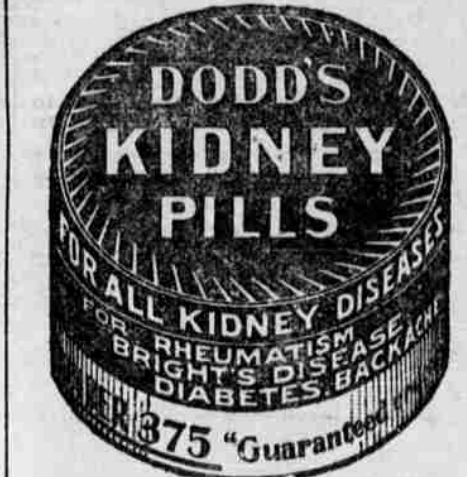
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"Cuticura has put a stop to twelve years of misery I passed with my son. As an infant I noticed on his body a red spot and treated same with different remedies for about five years, but when the spot began to get larger I put him under the care of doctors. Under their treatment the disease spread to four different parts of his body. During the day it would get rough and form like scales. At night it would be cracked, inflamed and badly swollen, with terrible burning and itching. One doctor told me that my son's eczema was incurable, and gave it up. I decided to give Cuticura a trial. When I had used the first box of Cuticura Ointment there was a great improvement, and by the time I had used the second set of Cuticura Remedies my child was cured. He is now twelve years old, and his skin is as fine and smooth as silk. Michael Steinman, 7 Sumner Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., April 16, 1905."

### For Better or Worse.

A census-taker made his rounds in an isolated village. He gave one of his official papers to a woman that she might fill in the required answers. One of the questions, instead of reading "Married or single," had it "Condition as to marriage." The woman filled in the answer thus:  
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## Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation to Women

Women suffering from any form of female illness are invited to write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. for advice. She is the Mrs. Pinkham who has been advising sick women free of charge for more than twenty years, and before that she assisted her mother-in-law Lydia E. Pinkham in advising. Therefore she is especially well qualified to guide sick women back to health.

### Of Course.

"What makes you so absent minded?"

"Well, I stopped to think one day—"

"Yes?"

"And my thoughts ran on and on—"

"Well?"

"And I haven't caught up with 'em yet."—Cleveland Leader.

The biggest trap-shooting event of the year, known as the Grand American Handicap, held at Chicago in June last, resulted in an overwhelming victory for Winchester Shells. With these the Professional Championship was won by W. R. Crosby, of O'Fallon, Ill., and the Amateur Championship by Hugh M. Clark, of Urbana, Ill.

### She Understood.

"What makes you think that Timmins is ideally married?"

"Because one day when he invited me to dinner and we were late she merely asked whether the home team won."

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## ALL WOMEN SUFFER

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