

M'COOK TRIBUNE.

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BICYCLES in Cheyenne county will be assessed.

The Catholic church at Ponca will cost \$1,750.

Good horses are in brisker demand than for many months.

A farm near Brainard recently sold for \$30 per acre, spot cash.

The residence of Mrs. Miller, Long Pine, was destroyed by fire.

The deserted wife of Jim Corbett was once a resident of Broken Bow.

C. A. CURTIS of the Nebraska City Press died last week of appendicitis.

WHEAT sowing in some localities is delayed on account of excessive wet.

At Eagle Ette Smoke, a boy, had his arm badly mangled in a corn sheller.

A NEW society is called the settlers' home guards being organized at Theford.

The Norfolk factory has had no trouble in contracting for all the beets it can handle.

REV. C. G. BROWN has resigned his charge as rector of Grace Episcopal church of Columbus.

The Madison county teachers' institute will be held this year in Norfolk. The date is June 14 to 23 inclusive.

REV. MR. BUSS, of the Congregational church, Fremont, will probably accept a call in Illinois and assume his duties there about the 1st of May.

An old gentleman by the name of Donquist dropped dead at Whitman last week. Mr. Donquist was a resident of Hyannis and was at Whitman on a visit.

SAMUEL STEEL, a farmer living near Yutan, Saunders county, was suddenly stricken with apoplexy a day or two ago while milking a cow. His death followed soon after.

Two sisters, Mesdames Herman Kloth, and Julius Knester, wives of prominent Cumby county farmers, died last week. One was 36 and the other 38 years of age.

G. G. MULLIN of Garfield township, Cumby county, has, after thirty-five years, received a check of \$8,777 from the war department for commutation rations from war times.

The old settlers' picnic, which for several years has annually been held at Gibbon, occurs this spring on April 17. A good program, has been prepared and a pleasant time is expected.

The St. Paul national bank, the oldest institution of the kind in the Low country, was reorganized April 1 on the basis of a state bank. No change is made in the officers or stockholders.

CHARLES FORBES was brought to Plattsmouth from Union and lodged in the county jail upon the charge of having robbed his employer, Ben Beckman, a farmer, residing in Liberty precinct, of two watches valued at \$15.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL THUMMEL has named three deputies. The names of others will be announced later. Those appointed are A. E. Coggeshall, chief office deputy, and James Allen of Omaha and George L. Palmer of Broken Bow field deputies.

The bank of Bartley has invited its depositors to call and get their money, as it will soon go out of business. O. Frost, the cashier, will give his attention to some other business, and P. G. Stigeboer will attend to an alfalfa farm near Danbury.

ADAMS county farmers, members of the G. A. R., have loaded a car of seed corn, which they have donated to their Grand Army comrades residing in Cheyenne county, who were less fortunate with their crop of last year.

W. N. BUCK, a farmer living ten miles east of Lyons, was shot in the shoulder by his wife because he tried to enter his house. For several weeks Mr. Buck has been forced to sleep and eat in the barn, his wife refusing to allow him to enter the house for any purpose whatever. He is now at a neighbor's nursing his wound, which is not dangerous.

WHILE Mary Dvorack, the 14-year-old daughter of Joseph Dvorack of Tekama, was examining the contents of an old trunk, she found an old revolver which she playfully pointed at her little sister, Anna, 3 years old. The revolver was loaded and exploded, the ball entering the body of the little girl just below the heart. The child lived but a short time.

A LETTER from a citizen of Holt county was received by the governor, containing a draft for \$10 to be placed to the credit of the "science fund."

The writer explained that he had cut some timber from school land, and desired to ease his conscience by donating the amount named to the permanent school fund. The man did not desire his name to be made public.

GEORGE H. THUMMEL, the newly-appointed United States marshal, has entered into partnership with W. S. Pearne for the purpose of conducting a general law business. Mr. Thummel, who has enjoyed a considerable practice, will have a portion of his time at least taken up by his new duties and with the present arrangement will still be able to take care of all his former business.

As James Duggett, living eight miles southwest of Clearwater, was loading an old shotgun at his home, it was accidentally discharged, the contents hitting two of his children. One of them, a girl about 12 years of age, was instantly killed, her head being nearly blown off. The other child, a few years younger, will recover. The father and mother are almost bereft of reason in their grief.

W. G. BOSTON, for some years a hardware merchant at David City, and more recently engaged in the same business in Oklahoma, was brought home by relatives in a sadly disorganized mental condition. It is hoped that a period of rest will restore his mind.

An old gentleman at Springfield reported to the marshal that he had been robbed by a pickpocket, but found the roll three days later in his vest.

G. W. NORTON opened court at Stockville with 320 cases on the docket. The term will be longer than usual on account of the large number of cases to be disposed of.

BILLS BEING RUSHED.

ONLY A SHORT TIME IN WHICH TO WORK.

Both Houses of the Legislature Will Probably Adjourn on the 7th—Discussion Limited and Bills hurried Through—Miscellaneous Legislative Notes.

The Nebraska Assembly.

SENATE.—The senate on the 30th spent another day in routine work. When the senate was ready for work it started off by advancing house roll No. 209 to third reading. House rolls Nos. 304, 313, 311, 301, 320 and 229 were reported from standing committees to which they had been referred and placed on general file. The bills have a general file, the house and are for the purpose of amending the code of civil procedure. Three bills were read a third time and passed. House roll No. 209, a pro forma bill directing the state treasurer to pay over to the municipal corporations of the state the Morrill fund set apart by congress for the benefit of colleges of agriculture and mechanic arts. House roll No. 304, a bill to prohibit corporations from contributing money or means to influence or control elections. This bill, which now goes to the governor for his approval, is designed to prevent the influence of corporations in state, county and municipal elections and is in conformity with its provisions. The governor's private secretary was received. He announced that the chief clerk had received and approved house rolls Nos. 473, 462 and 455, and senate file No. 287. House roll No. 140 was then taken up for consideration; but the hour of noon having arrived recess was taken until 2 o'clock. After recess the consideration of the bill was resumed. It was recommended for passage. The bill was taken up and read as follows: That hereafter it shall be unlawful for any railroad company to give a pass or conveyance free of charge to any person in Nebraska, and it is hereby declared unlawful for any person to accept a pass from any railroad company in the state of Nebraska; provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit any common carrier from giving free transportation to its own employees or to prevent the issue of passes or tickets to other railroad employees, and that nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit any common carrier from exchanging passes or tickets with other railroad companies for their officers and employees. There was a long debate at the close of which it was recommended that the bill be passed. Mr. Graham then moved that senate file No. 287 be made a special order for tomorrow at 4 o'clock. The bill provides for a reduction of railroad passenger rates to 2 miles per mile. The motion was lost. Adjourned.

SENATE.—The senate on the 31st made an earnest effort to clear away the large accumulation of business on the general file. The bill was commenced with the attempt to advance certain bills for immediate consideration. McLean moved that senate file No. 286 be made a special order for tomorrow at 10 o'clock. The motion was lost. Senate file No. 61, a bill designed to place the industrial home for fallen women at Milford under the control of the board of public affairs and buildings, with the consent of the officers and employees of the institution vested in the governor of the state. There was considerable discussion on the subject, the conclusion of which Mr. Ransom moved that the committee rise and report the bill to the senate at an adjourned session. The motion was agreed to. Mr. Ransom moved that senate files Nos. 209, 304, 313, 311, 301, 320 and 229 be taken up for consideration. The three bills, taken together, are the appointments of the superintendents of the industrial schools at Geneva and Kearney and the institute for the feeble-minded at Beatrice in the hands of the governor. The motion was agreed to and the senate took the usual recess. After recess Mr. Howell then moved that senate file No. 381, introduced by Messrs. Johnson, Bennett and Johnson at the request of the governor, for "an act to validate certain bonds issued by cities of the metropolitan class," be advanced to third reading. The bill was read over and the committee then went into committee of the whole to finish consideration of the bills bunching together by the action of the speaker during the session. Mr. Ritchie resumed the chair and the first bill taken up was senate file No. 287. The bill is entitled "an act to extend and regulate the liability of employees to make compensation for personal injuries received by their employees in their service, and to prevent the making of contracts or agreements limiting or impairing such liability." It strikes at the voluntary contracts which have been made by companies doing business in the state. The bill was recommended for passage. Senate files Nos. 209, 304 and 313 were then taken up for reading and passed. They provide that the governor shall appoint the superintendents of the institute for the feeble-minded at Beatrice, the industrial school for girls at Geneva. At present these officers are appointed by the board of public lands and buildings.

SENATE.—The forenoon session of the senate on the 1st was put in passing bills, most of them senate files which have yet to run the gauntlet of the house. Some of the bills will be necessary to secure action in the lower legislative branch as adjournment is near at hand. The anti-pass bill, which was introduced for that action on the closing days of the session, was brought up for third reading, but was sent back to the committee on the amendments to the bill abolishing deficiency judgments against the state treasury. The bill was passed by a vote of 17 to 5. The anti-corporation bills have been introduced. The first of them was senate file No. 23, introduced by Mr. Mutz of Keya Paha, providing a systematic method for making road users' returns to the county treasurer. The bill was passed by the requisite majority. House roll No. 196, appropriating \$20,000 for a new dormitory building at the state normal school at Peru, was passed without the emergency clause. House amendments to the deficiency judgment bill were not taken up. No further proceedings with reference to the bill were taken and unless a conference committee is asked for the measure will be allowed to become a law. Mr. Talbot moved that the senate go into committee of the whole to take up the consideration of house roll No. 18, the bill appropriating \$20,000 for the erection of a wing of a building on the University campus, said building to become a part of the permanent improvement of the college of agriculture and mechanic arts. A number of amendments offered were rejected and the bill was finally recommended to pass as it came from the house.

SENATE.—As soon as the senate was ready for business on the 2d, special action was taken on a number of bills. Senate files Nos. 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233 and 234 were advanced to third reading. House roll No. 140 was added to the bills already in the special order. This is the proposed law known as the Morrill bill. Bills on third reading were taken up. The first bill was senate file No. 286, to extend and regulate the liabilities of employers to make compensation for personal injuries received by their employees while in their service, and to prevent the making of contracts or agreements limiting or impairing such liability. The bill failed to pass. Senate file No. 234, amending the irrigation bill, was read the third time and passed. House roll No. 233, appropriating \$50,000 for the wing of a new building to be erected on the campus of the university of Nebraska for a school of mechanic arts, was passed and sent to the governor. House roll No. 234, a pro forma bill appropriating the Morrill fund fees of the state normal school to the use of that institution, was passed. Senate file No. 41 was read the third time and passed. This is the bill introduced by Mr. Ritchie placing the management of the industrial home for fallen women at Milford under the management of the board of public lands and buildings, the superintendent and other officers to be appointed by the governor. Senate file No. 418 was then placed on its final passage and it received the necessary votes. It provides that contracts for sale of lands between the owner and agent employed to sell such lands shall be made in writing. Consideration of the appropriation bill continued the balance of the afternoon and when the committee rose it had not been finished.

HOUSE.—On the opening of the house session on the 1st Mr. Yeiser moved that the bill be amended wherein a two-thirds vote is necessary to action and that fifty-one

votes be declared sufficient. The motion did not prevail. Standing committees reported a large number of bills to the general file, and others for immediate consideration. The bills were taken up and placed on passage. Senate file No. 106, Health deficiency judgment bill passed. House roll No. 428, extending the powers of the state board of transportation, received 65 votes, with 23 against it, and failed to pass. The emergency clause, Senate file No. 78, allowing pupils to attend school in a nearer district, and providing that they shall thereafter be enumerated in the district nearest their residence was passed by a vote of 79 to 1. Senate file No. 145, requiring railroads to move their right-of-way twice a year, between the 15th day of July and the 15th of August of each year, was passed. The deficiency judgment bill as passed by the house is as follows: Sec. 1. That sections numbered 847 and 849 of the code of civil procedure of the state of Nebraska be and the same be hereby repealed. Sec. 2. That the same be amended by adding to the code of civil procedure of the state of Nebraska, which reads as follows: "After each petition under section 847 of the code of civil procedure of the state of Nebraska, and after a decree rendered thereon, no proceedings whatever shall be had at law for the recovery of the debt secured by the mortgage or any part thereof, unless authorized by the court, to be amended to read as follows: All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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