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ANNOUNCEMENT

I was enabled to purchase AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES, the CHAS. E. HOFFMAN STOCK, consisting of the finest and most up-to-date GENTS FURNISHINGS in this city. This Stock of Goods was purchased at a figure so low that none of my competitors are in a position to offer you such bargains.

Read this ad through and see if you are buying your goods at the following prices--

- Are you buying Elgin \$1.25 shirts at 75c?
- Are you buying Elgin 75c dress shirts at 50c?
- Are you buying best heavy 50c working shirts at
- Are you buying heaviest fleeced underwear at 75c per suit?
- Are you buying \$5.00 Duck Coats at \$1.50?
- Are you buying \$12.00 Overcoats at \$7.50?
- Are you buying \$20.00 Hersh Wickerwire suits at \$13.50?
- Are you buying \$15.00 Suits at \$10.00?
- Are you buying \$12.00 suits at \$8.00?
- Are you buying \$10.00 suits at \$6.00?
- Are you buying \$8.00 suits at \$5.00?

In other words, are you taking advantage of this sale and these here-to-fore unheard of low prices?

If not, why not?

It will pay you to call and see these goods at these prices.

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FALLS CITY NEBRASKA

A Coming Event.

On Wednesday, December 27, 1905, at the home of the bride's parents, Benjamin Foster and wife, will occur the marriage of Miss Elsie Foster and Mr. T. E. Snyder of Indianapolis, Ind. Only members of the family will be present at this ceremony. In the evening Mrs. Jacob Schaible will give a reception for the young couple at her home in the north part of this city.

Death of Gov. Burbank.

The associated press dispatches Monday morning, announced the death of Ex-Governor John A. Burbank, at his home in Richmond, Ind., Sunday night, Dec. 17th. The death of few men of my acquaintance would have been received with more regret by me, than that of my longtime friend, John A. Burbank. I met him first forty-seven years ago, in this city, when it consisted of a cluster of perhaps half dozen shacks, built at random, here and there, on the prairie. He founded and built the town. Others were engaged with him in the business, but it was to his energy, good sense, and masterful influence, that the town owed its success in the beginning, and its ultimate triumph over all rivals in the county, in days subsequent.

He was one of the truest and best men I have ever known, and his death deprives me of a most valued friend, and this country

of one of its most eminent citizens. The old timers, whose number is growing less every year, will hear of the passing of their associate pioneer as I have, with feelings of sadness and sorrow. Only a little longer and the chapter will be closed for all of us.

ISHAM REAVIS.

Married.

At the spacious country home of Christ Horn and wife a pretty wedding was solemnized at 11 o'clock Thursday morning, Dec. 14, 1905, by Rev. W. F. Ratlauml of the German Lutheran church, when their eldest daughter, Miss Annie Horn, and William Fehr were united in marriage.

The rooms were decorated with roses, carnations and ferns. The bride party entered to the strains of the wedding march. The bride, dressed in pure white, and carrying a bouquet of brides roses, was attended by Lucy Horn. The groom was attended by Henry Horn and Conrad Fehr. After congratulations by fifty relatives and intimate friends all partook of a bounteous wedding dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fehr will be at home to their friends two miles east of Verdon.

Missionary Entertainment.

The missionary ladies will give an entertainment Thursday evening, December 28th, at the home of Rev. W. T. Cline and wife.

Will Veach High Man.

Will Veach attended the shoot at Omaha on the 12th and 13th inst. As usual he showed his superiority before the trap and the first day broke 194 bluerocks out of a possible 200, his competitors scoring one more at this time.

The second day Mr. Veach scored 193 and here is where he always shines. He is an even shot even in a prolonged tournament where a majority lose their nerve and are unable to hold up their score. In this second day shoot Will was so far superior to his competitor of the day before that he won hands down.

Miscellaneous Shower.

Maud Maddox and Etta Reichers gave a miscellaneous shower on Tuesday evening at the home of W. H. Maddox in honor of Elsie Foster. Elegant refreshments were served and a most delightful evening spent.

The Friends in Council enjoyed a most pleasant evening the guest of Mrs. Al Roberts on Monday evening, it being in the form of a shower for Elsie Foster. The club ladies presented Miss Foster with a lovely cut glass water set.

The county treasure's office will be closed from Saturday evening until noon of January 4, 1906. This is done in order to make the official change.

Tax Dodgers.

Falls City, Dec 16,

The following to the State Journal by F. A. Harrison will be of interest to our readers:

This community is so wrought up over the failure of the railroads to pay their taxes that boycott resolutions have been adopted in a public meeting, the court which enjoined the collection of the taxes is condemned, and a petition is in circulation asking President Roosevelt to secure the impeachment of a federal judge. It is important to examine the conditions which have brought about this state of the public mind.

The Burlington railroad has 56 miles of track in this county, running through eleven precincts and 24 school districts. Last year the tax assessed against this company was \$17,582.70. The road tendered \$11,400.31, which was refused. This year the assessment amounts to \$15,621.58, and the company tenders \$10,241.85, which is again refused. This leaves the road owing the county a total of \$33,204.28, of which it offers to pay only \$21,642.16, and enjoins the collection of the balance.

For the years the funds affected by the failure to pay are as follows:

	1904	1905
State and county	\$5,500.00	\$6,730.00
Bonds	986.40	857.40
School districts	5,091.40	5,227.20
School bonds	1,083.20	715.80
Precincts	1,601.30	1,593.18
City and village	624.96	430.25
Special road	172.50	51.75

The Falls City district is paying interest because the railroad money has not come in, and in many districts individuals are carrying the burden.

In detail the amounts now due the school districts from the Burlington are as follows:

DIST.	DIST. TAX	BONDS
16	\$ 213.00	
22	321.00	
33	306.00	
36	207.00	
37	700.00	
38	228.00	\$160.00
39	111.00	
42	38.00	
43	300.20	
45	307.50	
46	261.00	
52	857.00	558.00
53	148.50	
55	290.40	
56	777.25	214.40
57	320.40	
58	500.00	
59	1416.00	472.00
60	22.00	
61	239.80	
62	93.00	
65	1137.40	314.60
66	478.50	
102	805.40	

Richardson county people are peculiarly irritated because sixteen months ago their county was singled out as a horrible example. There had been objection raised here against the new revenue bill, which was called a railroad measure. Those who defended the bill published figures showing the increased taxes the railroads would pay here. These figures were taken up and circulated by the railroads all over the state to show how a county could be ungrateful when the railroad was assuming an increased burden. A couple of months later the Burlington got out an injunction to prevent the collection of the tax about which so much bragging had been done.

The injunction was obtained immediately after election. This year the matter was more or less an issue in the minds of the tax payers, and the result was a loss of nearly the whole ticket by the dominant party. The election was a prelude of what followed.

A few days ago a public meeting was held. It had not been widely advertised, yet it was largely attended. The people were very much stirred up, and some of the speeches made were intemperate in tone. The resolutions adopted have already

been published. They condemn the railroads for failure to pay, for granting rebates, and for meddling in politics. The judge who issued the injunction is denounced for that and for other things. A boycott is declared against the road which has failed to pay its taxes.

The most practical plank in the resolutions is the one striking at the business of the delinquent road, and it is interesting to note how they have gone about it. All of the business men have been visited and pledged to divert their freight business to the Missouri Pacific, which pays its taxes. A majority of the merchants have signed orders to the Chicago wholesalers, instructing them to route shipment in the future by way of Omaha or Kansas City over roads that have kept their faith with this state. Jobbing houses at Lincoln, Omaha and St. Joe have also had their instructions.

The people have not stopped with the merchants. They have gone among the farmers, many of whom are extensive stock shippers, and they have pledged them to send their stock over the Missouri Pacific. Men who sell grain are solicited to haul only to the elevators on the road which has paid up. Into this plan the farmers have readily fallen. The effect of this is already noticed by the grain and stock dealers. The men who are located only on the Burlington, while in sympathy with the effort to make the company pay up, are sufferers because of the boycott.

It is suggested to the elevator and stock men on the Burlington that they write to the officials of the road at once and complain of this unfortunate condition, and it is quite probable that they will do this. They have no hope that the local officials of the road can do anything, but the complaints may be sent on up until an official is reached who has power to act. The local agent of the Burlington is personally popular, and is keeping a close watch on the progress of the crusade against his company. The people believe he is making daily reports to the higher power.

The county treasurer calls attention to the fact that the tax for 1905 for the entire county is less than it was last year, although the total valuation has increased. This is because of smaller levies. Last year some of the school districts raised more money than they needed, and this year the levy was small because of the money on hand. Attention is called to one district in Franklin precinct, of which the Davis half section may be taken as a sample. Last year the farm paid \$177.57 total tax, of which \$93.46 was school tax. This year on an increased valuation the total tax was only \$131.04, of which \$50.40 was school tax.

In Jefferson precinct the E. A. Kanaly quarter paid \$103.12, of which \$49 was school tax. This year the total is \$89.62 of which \$28.36 is for schools. Other farms in that district are affected in the same way.

It will be noticed that the total tax assessed against the Burlington in the county is \$1,961.12 less than last year. The total tax levied was \$213,306.52 1904, and \$192,352.74 in 1905.

The Missouri Pacific has 23 miles of road in the county. The tax for last year was \$5,408.25, and for this year \$5,050.42. Both amounts have been paid without protest.

Friends in Council.

Friends in Council met with Susan Gehling Friday evening. The following program was rendered:

Roll call.....Current Events
Longfellow.....Mrs. Roberts
Some account of the translation of Dante's Divina Commedia
.....Miss Morton
What Place of Literature does Evangeline Occupy.....Miss Bowers
Music.....Miss Gehling
Quotations from each member.

A pleasant evening was spent.

W. O. W. Memorial Service.

The Woodmen of the World met in the M. E. church in this city last Sabbath afternoon to remember their departed sovereigns. Hon. Edward Walsh, state manager, presided and gave a short but beautiful initial address.

Rev. Dr. Cline offered prayer and pronounced the benediction. The music was under the direction of Mrs. T. J. Gist and was excellent.

Rev. G. H. Schlah, Ph. D. D. D. of Omaha gave the oration which was the most masterly ever given by him in Falls City. He has spoken to a number of audiences in our city and always pleased them. Mrs. Evans recited "The Cross" in a thrilling manner. The state manager voiced the gratitude of the W. O. W. to pastor, choir, church and Mrs. Evans, and the camp gave to the parties named the official camp honors of the order.

Dr. Schlah preached to a large audience in the M. E. church at night. He will be welcome in our city whenever he comes.

Mr. Walsh and Dr. Schlah left for convention work on the north bound M. P.

District Court.

Judge Raper was in the city Monday and Tuesday holding an equity term of court. The Glenn foreclosure case was disposed of and several motions were argued and submitted. The drainage matter will be called January 3rd and a jury term will be held about January 17th. It is expected that the jury term will be a long one as many cases are awaiting disposition.

A General Clean Out.

The president after a hearing declined to reinstate U. S. Marshal Matthews. Mr. Warner, of Dakota county, chairman of the state republican committee, has been appointed to succeed Matthews. Mr. Warner is a young man of splendid attainments and excellent reputation. No sooner had the Matthews matter been disposed of than the president called for the resignation of U. S. District Attorney Baxter. The question around the federal building in Omaha is, "Who will be the next?"

Preston Dedication.

The new Brethren church at Preston will be dedicated next Sunday Dec. 24th at 10:30 a. m.

Rev. E. E. Haskins will preach the morning sermon and the pastor, Rev. Lee A. Myers will preach at 4:30 p. m. The music at the dedication will be in charge of Dr. Mathers of this city assisted by the choir of the Brethren church of Hamlin, Kansas.

Small Blaze.

On Wednesday evening J. Shield, proprietor of the new racket store overturned a lamp in the back part of the building. Not much damage was sustained as the flames were soon extinguished.

Supervisors.

The county board of supervisors will convene Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1906, at 9 o'clock a. m.