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Now and then a man gets into office and learns during his term of little discrepancies or faulty titles to land that encourages him to believe he can profit by setting such titles aside for a consideration—in other words, they work for the people for awhile to get onto the ropes so that they can better work against them. This is the kind of a man that Cherry county has twice honored with election, and that man is now lending his assistance to destroy titles to land through some technicality. Our courts should observe such proceedings and wherever possible take into consideration the good and lawful intent of the parties. People throughout our country have lost millions of dollars through faulty titles dug up by some rascal or scal-a-wag to cloud a title of land, but there has been few instances where the rightful owner has been defeated in the end if he had the money to fight the case. The burden falls upon those unable to go into court to defend their titles.

Fining The Beef Trust.

It is reported from Argentina that a law is in contemplation which will be designed to put the American beef trust out of the business of dictating prices of cattle or meat. It is described as a bill prohibiting any trust or combination especially tending to influence the price of cattle and meat. It is stated that the bill is directed against the American beef trust. And penalties are to be fines running from \$100 to \$500.

That will probably hold the beef trust. If it should be fined the penalty each day of the year, including Sundays and holidays, it would never miss the money. Or, if it did miss it, there are two methods of recourse: One would be to advance the price of meat a fraction of a cent, and the other would be to decrease the price of cattle a fraction of a cent a pound. In the United States there would be a third method, namely, to appeal to a higher court and have the judgment set aside; but that might not work in Argentina, where the science of justice is imperfectly developed.

Anyway, two avenues of escape are enough. Fining a monopoly! There are no jokes like the old jokes. This standard jest has appeared in something like a hundred different forms, dating back to the Medes and Persians. Another form of it is lifting yourself by your bootstraps. Still another is the story of the man riding a mule and carrying his sack of corn on his shoulder to save the mule the weight of it. But in some respects the most delightful version of this old stand-by of wit and humor is the modern system of imposing fines on a monopoly that has plenipotentiary control over the price of a universal necessity—World-Herald.

The School Election.

The village school election was held at the court house Monday night. A nine months school was voted and instructed the county commissioners to levy a sufficient amount to pay the expenses of same. W. E. Haley and W. D. Clarkson were elected on the school board for the three year terms. G. A. Chapman was elected for the one year term. The retiring members were W. A. Pettycrew, L. C. Sparks and Mrs. Lottie Cramer, the latter being appointed to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of W. D. Armstrong.

During the past year there has been some friction between the school board and the graduating class. The people generally were not pleased with the action of the school board and were ready for a change, hence the new regime. Last year an element got together under the secret purpose of throwing out Prof. Watson and put up their nominees under a guise of interest in building and in school work. Charles Anderson and W. D. Armstrong were elected, defeating W. D. Clarkson and G. A. Chapman. When their real purpose became known the citizens of Valentine rebuked them and the defeat of other members now is the result of their having lent some assistance to or because they were believed to be a party to the intended insult to Prof. Watson.



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Contest Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Valentine, Nebraska, June 23, 1909.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Bert P. Bishop, contestant, against Homestead entry No. 18223, made March 13, 1906, for E 1/2, section 26, W 1/2 W 1/2, S 1/2 S 1/2, N 1/2 E 1/2, section 25, township 27, range 34, 6th P. M., by Rolla R. Lewis, contestee, in which it is alleged that said Rolla R. Lewis has not established a residence on said tract, that there is no house on said tract, that the land is not cultivated or improved according to law, and that claimant maintains a home elsewhere than on said land, all of which defects exist at this date and have not been cured.
Said parties are hereby notified to appear and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on August 9, 1909, before the register and receiver at the United States Land Office in Valentine, Nebraska, and that the final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on August 16, 1909, before the register and receiver at the United States Land Office in Valentine, Nebraska. The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit filed May 8, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
25 4 11 E. OLSON, Receiver.

Contest Notice.

U. S. Land Office, Broken Bow, Nebraska, June 12, 1909.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Leah E. Griffith, contestant, against Homestead entry No. 2026, made October 23, 1902, and homestead entry No. 3521, made June 28, 1904, for all of section 19, township 29, range 30, 6th P. M., by Benjamin A. Anderson, contestee, in which it is alleged that Benjamin A. Anderson has wholly abandoned said tract, that he has failed to reside upon, cultivate and improve said tract, as required by law, that there is no house or place of habitation on said tract, and that claimant maintains a home elsewhere than on said land, all of which defects exist at this date and have not been cured.
Said parties are hereby notified to appear and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on August 3, 1909, before John H. Welton, U. S. Commissioner, at Mullen, Nebraska, and that the final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on August 5, 1909, before the register and receiver at the United States Land Office, Broken Bow, Nebraska. The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit filed May 10, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
25 4 11 JOHN REESE, Register.

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Order of Hearing on Petition for Appointment of Administrator.
In the County Court of Cherry County Nebraska.
STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss
COUNTY OF CHERRY, ss
To the heirs and to all persons interested in the estate of Frederick Welke, deceased:
On reading the petition of Ida Lutz praying that the administration of said estate be granted to William Finley Parke, as administrator.
It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county on the 2nd day of July, A. D. 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m. to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted and that notice of the pendency of said petition and that the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Valentine Democrat, a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for 3 successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 15th day of June, A. D. 1909.
23 3 JAMES C. QUIGLEY, County Judge.

Notice to Non-Resident Defendants.
To Nellie A. Crooker and Herman D. Crooker, non-resident defendants:
You, each of you, are hereby notified that on the 1st day of June, 1909, James F. S. Phillips filed his petition in the district court of Cherry county, Nebraska, against you, and each of you, as defendants. That the object and prayer of said petition is to quiet the title of the plaintiff in and to an undivided one-half interest in and to the Southeast quarter of section 9, in township 23, north of range 31, in Cherry county, Nebraska, and that each of said defendants and every person claiming by, through or under them, or either of them, be forever barred and excluded from any right, title, interest in and to the plaintiff's said undivided one-half interest which he asks to have quieted in him, and to have the right and title of the plaintiff in and to an undivided one-half interest in and to said land forever quieted and established in his simple and for all other and further orders and judgments as shall appear to the court to be right and proper.
You are required to answer said petition on or before July 19, 1909.
24 1 JAMES F. S. PHILLIPS, Plaintiff.

Sheriff's Sale.
By virtue of an order of sale issued by the clerk of the district court of Cherry county, Nebraska, June 2, 1909, under a decree of mortgage foreclosure, wherein F. M. Walcott and Frank Brayton were plaintiffs and Frank Brayton, William V. Johnson, Charles A. Johnson, Andrew L. Johnson, of the firm of Johnson Brothers, George H. Torchy, Charles M. Bailey and Benjamin F. Bailey, defendants. I will sell at the front door of the court house in Valentine, Cherry county, Nebraska, that being the building wherein the last term of said court was held, on the 6th day of July, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., to satisfy judgment of \$682.70 and interest at 8 percent from date of judgment April 23, 1909, and costs taxed at \$23.35 and accruing costs, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property to-wit:
The S 1/2 W 1/4, section 15, and the N 1/2 NW 1/4 of section 22, township 33, range 25, in Cherry county, Nebraska.
Dated this 2nd day of June, 1909.
21 5 G. A. BOSSELER, Sheriff of Cherry County.
Walcott & Morrissey, attorneys for plaintiff.

Order of Hearing on Petition for Appointment of Administrator.
In the county court of Cherry county, Nebraska.
State of Nebraska, ss
County of Cherry, ss
To the heirs and to all persons interested in the estate of Susan Dixon, deceased:
On reading the petition of Samuel Yusum praying that the administration of said estate be granted to William E. Haley, as administrator.
It is hereby ordered that you, and all persons interested in said matter, may, and do, appear at the county court to be held in and for said county on the 10th day of July, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and that the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in The Valentine Democrat, a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 21st day of June, 1909.
[SEAL] JAMES C. QUIGLEY, County Judge.

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