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The Business Man

is a man indeed who does not realize the advantage of keeping a bank account. Yet while aware of the benefits many men hesitate to open one with the banks because they think their transactions are not large enough. They are in error. The banking system is for the man of small as well as large affairs.

The First National Bank

is at the service of every one. It will open an account just as willingly with the small merchant as with the largest manufacturer. If you have been hesitating, don't do it any longer. Start an account today, even if it is only a few dollars.

Time Table

Lincoln	Denver
Chicago	Butte
St. Joseph	Salt Lake City
Kansas City	Portland
St. Louis and all points East and South	San Francisco and all points West

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The iniquitous Revenue Law increases railroad taxes in Platte county \$399.34.

It increases the tax-dodgers' burden in Platte county 221 per cent.

It increases railroad valuation nearly 75 per cent in Platte county.

Taking Nebraska as a whole, it increases the valuation of moneys and bonds 317 per cent, while increasing live-stock only 16 per cent. It increases the valuation of railroads 70 per cent, while increasing real estate only 51 per cent.

It lightens the burden of the honest renter and poor man by lowering the tax on live-stock and personal property, and by forcing the land-owner to pay his share, no more.

The increase in taxes in Platte county this year was necessary to pay the \$13,000 deficit carried over from 1903, which it would have been impossible to raise under the old revenue law.

Out of an increase of \$67.21 in the total taxes of R. E. Jones, referred to by Mr. Berge, \$42.19 is due to the increase in district tax, chargeable to local officials and not to the new revenue law.

Berge and the democratic candidates, without substituting anything better, are pledged to repeal the law recommended by Fusion Governors Holcomb and Poynter; prepared in the legislature partially by the hand of Mr. Loomis, a leading fusionist; and approved by the judicial wisdom of Judge Sullivan and Judge Duffy, democrats.

Republican candidates stand ready to repeal defective features of the law, but are pledged to maintain those features which provide for the collection of all the taxes; and which, by forcing the listing of all property, have increased the valuation of hidden moneys and bonds 317 per cent in Nebraska, and forced out of hiding a half-million dollars worth of property in Platte county; and which will enable Platte county as well as Nebraska to pay her expenses.

Voters, verify these statements from the records, and vote accordingly.

The New Revenue Law has Increased the Railroads' Taxes in Platte County.

Here is the record: We ask the editor of the Telegram to read it and correct his mis-statements in last week's Telegram. We ask George W. Berge to read it, and return to Platte county and tell the tax-payers here the truth:

1903	1904	Increase
Horses, val pr hd \$ 7.72	11.55	49
Cattle, val pr hd \$ 3.62	3.24	10
Hogs, val pr hd \$ 1.12	1.12	0
City, real estate \$68,089	488,861	144
Other property, 236,065	726,635	221

What does this record show as to the distribution of the burden of taxation in Platte county? The tax dodgers get the worst of it. They had to uncover \$500,000 worth of property, hidden under the old law. Their burden increased 221 per cent. Note that while railroad property increased 75 per cent, horses increased only 19 per cent, logs 40 per cent, city real estate 32 per cent; cattle actually decreased.

Working of the Law in Nebraska.

The following figures taken from the state auditor's books show what kinds of property will pay the most taxes this year. Note the increase in railroads, moneys and bonds:

1903	1904	Increase
Increase in valuation of all property including railroads, \$106, 320, 865,		36 per cent.
Increase in valuation of railroad property, \$19, 000, 815,		75 per cent.
Increase in valuation of all property other than railroads, \$87, 319, 047,		54 per cent.

Increase in moneys, bonds, etc., \$11, 019, 175, or 317 per cent.

Increase in real estate, \$61, 714, 379, or 51 per cent.

Increase in live stock, \$2, 970, 283, or 16 per cent.

Would fusion raise the railroad assessment? Here is the comparative record of the two parties from 1893 to the present year showing the railroad assessment:

1893, \$194,733,134, republican.
1894, 193,717,496, republican.
1895, 171,468,207, fusion.
1896, 165,193,726, fusion.
1897, 167,810,765, fusion.
1898, 169,105,903, fusion.
1900, 171,747,935, fusion.
1901, 174,489,693, republican.
1902, 179,976,567, republican.
1904, 230,093,175, republican.

Why Are Platte County Taxes Higher for 1904?

Because Platte county under the old law ran behind \$13,000 in 1903 and had to raise the levy to make up that deficit. Every tax-payer has to contribute his share to this deficit.

Why Have the Taxes of Some Individual Farmers Increased So Much?

Not on account of the state tax or

crossed the burden of the tax-dodgers in Platte county 221 per cent? Will you vote against it because it has lightened the burden of the renter and the poor man by lowering the tax on live stock and personal property? Will you vote against it because while raising the tax on railroads in Platte county and Nebraska it has also raised the tax on farms to where justice demands? The democrats are pledged to demolish this law. The republicans stand ready to amend the defective features of it. It is a matter of political question. It is a matter of plain business. Voters what will you do about it?

Teachers' Program.

Program of the Platte County Teachers' Association, to be held Saturday October 29th, 1904, at Monroe, Nebraska. Session to begin at 1:30 p. m., sharp.

Reading minutes of previous meeting Vocal Music, High School Pupils

"A Beginner's Class in Reading and Numbers," Miss Fannie Weeks

"School and Its Surroundings," Miss Winnie Young

"Profitable Recreations," F. S. Leeson

Music Intermission

"Flag Drill", Intermediate Pupils

"Libraries in the Schools," Miss Fannie Weeks

"Agriculture", Miss O. H. Smith

"Methods and Devices, Gene Loomis

Roll "Announcements"

All are cordially invited to attend this meeting. The discussion will be general. Come so as to begin on time. Respectfully, L. H. Leary, County Superintendent.

Rev. W. S. Hunt.

The Tuesday evening Lincoln Star devoted one column of space to an account about Rev. W. S. Hunt formerly pastor of the Congregational church in this city but now of Harvard, Nebraska. Mr. Hunt was attending the meetings of the state associations in Lincoln, and the Star reporter tells a story about him in regard to his experiences while in Telluride, Colorado during the recent strike of the miners at that place. Mr. Hunt preached the funeral sermon over the body of the first union man to be killed in the strike. Guns had been shipped to the miners in boxes labeled "rubber goods." In a volley fired against non-union laborers one union man suffered death. Mr. Hunt preached his funeral sermon for the first time in the city of Lincoln.

Mr. Hunt reviewed the strike situation and denounced outlawry of the union men. It created emotion, but the preacher was not allowed. He announced that he would preach the sermons for the dead non-union men if permitted, but the undertakers became frightened at the attitude of the union, and religious services were dispensed with. The deal after that were buried in the night.

Dr. Hunt took occasion to speak his mind freely on the strike situation when in Telluride. His congregation consisted of men and women who were suffering, the feeling was intense and the fight furious. When it was over he thought that another minister untroubled in mind and better able to patch up the wounds. Consequently he resigned and returned to Nebraska.

COLUMBUS MARKSMAN ISSUED CHALLENGE.

Don Bray is willing to risk \$5 on the fact that his cup beat Carter. The Tuesday Lincoln Star contained the following: "Don Bray of Columbus is the first Nebraska sportsman firm enough in the belief that he is a better marksman than Game Warden Carter to risk \$5 on his opinion and issue a challenge for the Denver Post challenge cup won by Mr. Carter recently at Broken Bow and now held by him. The rules governing the challenge for the cup provide that the challenger must remit a fee of \$5 to the holder of the trophy. Mr. Bray has forwarded his challenge to the Denver organization and his entrance fee now is on the way to Lincoln.

A. B. Waddington of Beatrice, member of the handicap committee of the state sportsmen's association, also believes that he can take the cup away from the game warden and has signified his intention of forwarding a challenge in the near future. A number of other challenges are expected and Mr. Carter will announce the date of the final shoot off, which will occur at the grounds of the Lincoln Gun club, in a few days.

The Lincoln club is arranging for a shoot next Friday. A 100-bird rifle match between Capt. Hardy and E. Williams of Lincoln was to have been shot off last Friday, but Mr. Williams was called out from town and was unable to return in time to attend the shoot. The match will be pulled off in the afternoon, each man to shoot at 100 blue rocks at thirty yards, with a rifle. Captain Hardy, who is an expert with the rifle and pistol, lately has taken up shot gun work and is developing remarkable proficiency.

His friends, however, assert that the shot gun work will interfere with his rifle shooting and are urging him to discontinue it.

Fire at Meridian Hotel.

The fire which blew just a little before noon today, and the Columbus fire department, always prompt, outdid themselves in getting to the scene of the fire at the Meridian hotel.

Fire had started in a large bin of slack in the furnace room by spontaneous combustion, and had caught in the floor of the hotel.

The fire in the floor was soon extinguished, but it was too deep-seated in the forty tons of coal to be easily reached. All the coal will therefore have to be moved.

The coal was known to be on fire a few days ago, but Mr. Wisentine thought no harm would result and that it would soon go out.

It was fortunate that the blaze was subdued, for with the high wind blowing as it is today, the whole block would have been swept.

If all the fire departments in the country were as successful as the Columbus fire department has been for the last year, the "fire god" would have to go out of business.

School Notes.

Superintendent Kern and the high school teachers expect to leave tomorrow for Lincoln, to attend a meeting of teachers and to visit schools. They will be gone Thursday and Friday and the high school will have a vacation.

Superintendent Kern has just completed his report to the state superintendent. Among other items of interest is the fact that more than fifty per cent of the present grade teachers have either attended, or are graduates of the Cook County Normal, the Chicago School of Education, or the Nebraska State Normal, and the present ninth grade enrolls more boys than girls.

Bellwood and Columbus high schools will play foot ball here Saturday afternoon.

Will Contest.

The hearing on the contest of the will of the late Patrick Ducey of Lindsay before the county court will be heard this afternoon and tomorrow.

Mrs. Bernard Stroutman, a niece of Patrick Ducey, is asking to have the will set aside and to have the administration of the estate opened according to law. Joseph Ducey, the executor, is defendant.

The complaint alleges that the plaintiff is entitled to one-fifth of the estate of the deceased, or \$1000, whereas the will gives her only \$500.

Bankruptcy Proceedings.

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed today with August Wagner, referee in bankruptcy, against Fred E. Brown of Albion. The same is being resisted, the hearing being in progress as we go to press.

H. C. Vail of Albion is representing the bankrupts, and Chas. Goss of Omaha the petitioning creditors. H. L. McIntyre of Omaha is a witness for the creditors.

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Health Hints.

DON'T EAT TOO FAST!

Don't be in a hurry—take plenty of time to properly chew your food. A little rest after meals is a good thing also. There is only one way to be in a hurry about—make haste to drop into our store for their new hair brushes. They have plenty of them now, but first chance is best you know.

Chas. H. Dack Druggist

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Mrs. H. A. Hansen returned today from a trip to Omaha.

Miss Minnie Maybarger of Coonoc is visiting the Huffman family.

J. D. Stires returned today from an extended visit to eastern cities.

Ben Cowdery and son of Humphrey were in town today between trains on their way east.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Jening returned home today to Osceola after a visit to the Zinnecker family.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schreiber and daughter returned home yesterday from a trip to St. Louis.

Miss Edith Linberry of Stromsburg arrived Saturday for a week's visit with Mrs. Cora Hedberg.

Mrs. Young of Monroe was in town between trains today on her return home from a visit to North Bend.

Miss Ella Benda returned home yesterday from Revere, Neb., where she visited Mrs. Theresa Holmes.

Judge Ratterman issued a marriage license today for Mr. Edward Cudbrava and Miss Lizzie Lightner both of Monroe.

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S clothing cleaned, dyed and repaired by R. S. Palmer. Over Commercial National Bank. Ind. Tel. 252.

Mrs. H. J. Hall returned today from a visit to her relatives, the families of Ed Marjory and Earl Simmons in Council Bluffs and Omaha.

Robert Avery who has been employed on the ranch of C. H. Sheldon moved his family to this city where he will reside for the winter.

Mrs. Stewart and her daughter, Mrs. Hoag of Silver Creek, came in last evening from Douglas, where they had been two weeks, visiting.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.—The literary department of the women's club will meet Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. M. Brugger.

Mrs. W. M. Condon and Miss Mary Otis of Humphrey were in the city today between trains on their way to Omaha, where Mrs. Condon will attend the alumni gathering of the Sacred Heart school.

Many Years Ago.

(From files of Journal April 5, 1871.) Married at the residence of J. W. Early on the 29th, by N. H. Barton justice of peace, Lorenzo D. Clark to Miss Emma J. Sheets, both of this county.

At the election of school officers for district 13, held on Monday, 10 mills on the dollar was levied for building school house, 4 mills on the dollar for school purposes, and the following gentlemen selected to take charge of affairs the ensuing year: John G. Compton, moderator; A. J. Stevens, treasurer; E. J. Baker, director.

The Omaha Republican advocates the establishment of an emigrant home in that city for the accommodation, temporarily, of families seeking homes in Nebraska.

"C. Backrottie" writes from Clarkville the following to the Platte Journal: "Allow me to make a few remarks about Clarkville. The Railroad company have just had the town surveyed out into lots for the benefit of the public. You can buy them at from \$20 to \$150. We also have as good farming land surrounding the town as there is in the state and a large portion of it is vacant, only waiting for preemption and homestead settlers."

(From Journal April 12, 1871.) Our correspondent at Genoa "Dan" writes as follows: A terrible storm raged here all day yesterday but was the most severe about noon and at night. About ten o'clock a fire broke out near the Deane's village and ran in a due north direction, but was checked until after twelve o'clock when it started again, destroying every combustible substance in its course, and attacking the dwelling house occupied by Mr. Barclay Jones and myself. In less than twenty minutes after there was seen in the houses, they were completely destroyed."

The snow storm of Monday was some what unexpected after witnessing the very fine weather of the week preceding.

E. Pierce advertises as follows: In white goods I have plain, checked and striped Jaconets, French Cambric, checked and striped cambric, plain, dotted and striped Victoria lawn, striped and figured Pique, Frigate, 7 cents per yard; delaine, 10 cents; sheeting, 10 cents; denim, 12 cents; jeans, 25 cents cash, 10 cents; ladies white hose, 10 cents per pair; hats and caps for men, 10 cents to \$1.

We are informed by Mr. Perrine that the tide of immigration is settling strongly in Nebraska. Last month the Union Pacific company sold 117,857 acres of land to ninety one purchasers. Yesterday \$7,500 worth was sold. The immigrants who are coming to settle in Nebraska this spring are of the better class, many of them being from the states of Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. Everything indicates that Nebraska will add to her population this year from 20,000 to 40,000 people.

Homeschool goods shipped from Cadiz, Ohio on the 28th arrived in Columbus April 17th. Families coming west need not fear the delay of their goods when shipped on the Pan Handle and the Union Pacific.

Will B. Dale is at home again looking as hale and pleasant as in former days.

Wedding.

The wedding of Irve Speice of Columbus and Miss Louise Mathews of Schuyler took place at high noon yesterday in the Episcopal church at Schuyler, as had been announced in the Journal. The church had been decorated beautifully with flowers and smilax, the color scheme being in green, red and white. A bell made of flowers composed part of the decorations.

The bride was unattended by brides maids but was presented to the groom by her step-father, Mr. George H. Thomas. The beautiful ring service of the Episcopal church was used in the ceremony, which was performed by her pastor Rev. Mills. The wedding marches were rendered by Mrs. Lon Bryant, the strains of the Lohengrin march greeting the bridal party as they approached the altar, and the Mendelssohn march being played as they left the church.

The bride was gowned in a handsome gown of robin egg blue brocade cloth with hat to match, and carried a shower bouquet of swan sonia.

There were not many invitations sent for the wedding, and only relatives and a few particular friends being invited to the home.

Messrs. Walter Schroeder and Gus Becker, jr. of this city, were the ushers at the church service.

After the wedding dinner at the home of the brides parents the couple left on an afternoon train for a trip to St. Louis and other cities, expecting to return to Columbus and be at home to three friends in this city about November 1. They will, for the present make their home with Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Hulst.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Speice will join in wishing them a happy and prosperous future.

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If a Woman is in Love, THAT'S HER BUSINESS. But if they intend to get married, THAT'S MY BUSINESS.

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