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POTAWATTAMIE PROSPERITY

Real Estate Activity Indicates Thrift Among Farmers.

FEBRUARY RECORD IS ENORMOUS

Closing Three Days of Month Show Aggregate Sales of Nearly \$300,000—Banks Loaded with Surplus Cash.

The prosperous condition existing among the farmers of Pottawattamie county is evidenced by the real estate transfers filed in the office of the county recorder during the last month.

The number of transfers filed was unusually large, and this is particularly true of the last few days.

The total amount of real estate transferred during the month was \$287,522, while those on Friday aggregated \$47,622.

This extraordinary activity in the real estate market is attributed to the prosperous times that the farmers of this county are enjoying.

The banks are loaded down with surplus cash and willing to loan it at a lower rate of interest than has prevailed in this part of the state for many years.

A few years back it was nothing for a bank to charge 8 and even 10 per cent on loan money.

The rate of interest dropped to 7 and later to 6 per cent, and has now been reduced to 5 per cent.

This has all been changed by the present era of prosperity and the banks are willing to loan their money on good farm securities at 5 per cent, and one large loan was recorded last week in which the interest was only 4 per cent.

This low rate of interest has induced many farmers, who heretofore have rented, to buy land.

They have found it cheaper to borrow money from the banks at 5 per cent than to purchase land from the owner at \$3 and \$4 per acre.

Pottawattamie land is considered a good investment and during the last few years has almost doubled in value.

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JOHN EVANS FOUND GUILTY. Jury Recommends That the Court Show Mercy in Sentence.

After being out all night the jury in the district court brought in a verdict yesterday morning finding John Evans guilty of assaulting Joseph Clark with intent to do great bodily injury.

Evans was charged with assaulting Clark with a hammer during a quarrel over a boundary line between their farms in Garner township.

Clark's injuries were such that for a time it was feared he would not survive them.

Frank Allen, who pleaded guilty to breaking into the Demming residence on First avenue and stealing an overcoat, was sentenced to six months in the county jail.

Ed Holden, whom a jury found guilty of plain assault on James Hughes, whom he is alleged to have slashed with a knife, was sentenced to a fine of \$75 and twenty-two days' imprisonment in the county jail.

Judge Thornell overruled motions for new trials in three cases: Soren Myrnes against O. W. Graham, M. Denton against Dr. P. B. Bellinger, T. D. Thompson against the Woman's Christian association, Weightman against Weightman.

Mrs. Nellie Kirby, whose husband, William Kirby, was charged with the murder of a man, was granted \$40 a month temporary alimony.

County Attorney Killpack filed a motion yesterday to reinstate the case of Pottawattamie county against Daniel Carrigan and others, begun in April, 1893, which had been dropped from the docket by mistake.

SUPERVISORS AND ROAD FUND. County Board Learns from Auditor James the Various Amounts.

At the meeting of the Board of County Supervisors yesterday morning County Auditor James submitted a report showing what each supervisor had spent of the road fund in his district during the last year and the amount of the road tax collected.

This statement was requested by the board in answer to the charge made by Supervisor Hansen that the members of the board had failed to comply with the law and report to the auditor the expenditures on road work in their respective districts.

The auditor's statement gives the following figures: Supervisor Auld's District—Amount of road fund expended, \$1,785.18; tax collected, \$1,643.34.

Supervisor Brandes' District—Amount expended, \$1,093.93; tax collected, \$1,235.83.

Supervisor Hansen's District—Amount expended, \$2,260.17; tax collected, \$1,877.49.

Supervisor Kerney's District—Amount expended, \$1,673.02; tax collected, \$1,658.49.

Supervisor Matthews' District—Amount expended, \$4,390.54; tax collected, \$4,344.14.

Supervisor Smith's District—Amount expended, \$2,050 of the amount expended out of the road fund was turned over to the municipal authorities.

The county auditor's statement shows that Supervisors Auld and Hansen expended a larger proportion of the road fund than was collected in their respective districts.

The total amount expended of the road fund was \$11,502.84, while the tax collected was \$11,803.29.

From the discussion that ensued after the reading of the auditor's statement it is expected that Supervisor Hansen's published charges against the members of the board will have the effect of inducing them to conform strictly with the requirements of the law and furnish detailed reports to the auditor of every dollar expended of the road fund in their several districts this year.

This was the only business transacted at the session and the board adjourned until April.

Card of Thanks. Since it is not possible for me to see in individually all who have rendered me valuable services in reference to matters at the Merriam block, I wish to take this public way of thanking the members of the Council Bluffs, city marshal, chief of police, city physician, Board of Public Health and others for their prompt action and extensive and effective work in reinstating my building.

No expense or labor has been spared to protect all interests concerned.

Not less do I wish to thank all the occupants of the building for their patience and kind consideration under such trying circumstances, and I am especially gratified to know that not one has left to take office elsewhere, and every part of the building has been thoroughly purified, the occupants and patrons and clients can feel assured that they are in a pure atmosphere when there. Respectfully, N. MERRIAM.

For Breaking into Saloon. Tom Carter was arrested yesterday, charged with breaking into R. Pitter's saloon at Tenth street and Broadway Friday night.

He went to get a pitcher of beer and the bartender refused to serve him. After the saloon was closed for the night, it is alleged, Carter broke off a shutter and kicked in a window and was about to enter the place when frightened away by the police.

Mr. Carter, who occupies a room over the saloon.

Council Bluffs Society. Mrs. Zeuss Lange left yesterday for a visit with friends at Ottumwa and Des Moines.

The Ladies' auxiliary of St. Paul's church met Friday afternoon with Mrs. T. J. Foley of Sixth street.

The Calendar Card club met Friday evening with Miss Blanche Arkwright. First prize was won by Mrs. W. G. Dorland.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Tracy returned home yesterday afternoon from their western journey to Colorado and their western trip.

Mrs. W. A. Stephenson and son, a commended by Mrs. D. Stephenson, will leave tomorrow for Denver where they will make their home.

Miss Genevieve Wickham entertained charmingly Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Mae Waite of Ott. Neb., who is visiting in this city.

The Ladies' Aid society of St. Paul's church was entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. McConnell and Miss Robinson on Willow avenue.

Mrs. L. Hammer will entertain Ott. Neb. and friends at her home on East Broadway, at a Lenten tea.

Mrs. B. Wadsworth entertained at dinner Thursday night in honor of her sister, Miss Katherine Elyne of Oregon, Ill.

Covers were served at a reception in honor of Mrs. George Robinson of Sixth street, who has as her guests Mrs. E. Hancock and Miss Annie Durkee of Ottumwa, Neb., and Miss Grace Reasoner of Omaha.

North and Fred Davila entertained at a club Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Davila on First street.

Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Auld.

The Woman's club met at the home of Mrs. C. W. Hicks on First avenue.

The Central University Extension club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Askwith of Mill street.

The Ideal club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Walter Bates of Bluff street. Holland was discussed.

The art department of the Woman's club will meet Monday evening in the clubrooms, with Mrs. F. W. Smith as chairman.

The current events department of the Woman's club will meet Tuesday afternoon in the clubrooms with Mrs. P. J. Montgomery as chairman.

The New Century club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. J. Davenport as chairman.

The club will meet this week with Mrs. John L. Templeton.

The club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Myrtle Talmage of Sixth avenue. An interesting program was given.

Those taking part were Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Sackett, Mrs. King and Mrs. Higginson.

It has been decided by the members of the Council Bluffs Woman's club to abandon the rummage sale and instead to levy a tax of \$2 on the individual members of the federated clubs for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the biennial entertainment.

The local executive board for the Iowa state biennial of the Woman's club met Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the rooms of Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Bushnell, Mrs. Sims, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. King, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Sackett, Mrs. King and Mrs. Higginson.

The matter of completing the various committees was taken up. John N. Baldwin was appointed chairman of the transportation committee, with Mrs. J. J. Davenport as assistant.

Mrs. Baldwin, as chairman of the decoration committee, made her report on the work done in that connection.

The committee on the program of the biennial will meet at 2 o'clock in the clubrooms.

Grinnell, Ia., March 2.—The government is having trouble with the Sacs and Foxes, the remnant of the tribes of the famous Black Hawk, now located on the Tama reservation.

The tribe has formulated its demands in the form of a protest which will be taken up in Washington.

Representatives went to Washington today.

Tribal laws and customs do not conform with the moral standard of the agent, who charged them with polygamy. They claim that the agent has interfered with the family relations resulting from their marriages and they demand exemption from such interference.

MAJOR CURTIS OF ATLANTIC. Death is Caused by Malarial Fever Contracted in Porto Rico.

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He was 62 years of age. He had been seriously ill for the last month, with little hope of recovery. Anemia, resulting from malarial fever contracted during his residence in Porto Rico, in the course of his death.

Mr. Curtis was a candidate for congress in this district in 1898. The convention was in session at Council Bluffs for four days, Hon. Smith McPherson finally being nominated.

In February, 1899, he was appointed to membership on the insular commission and left at once to take up the work. To him was left the greater part of the legal phases of the questions and the work was very taxing. When he returned last June he was in ill health.

Makes Break for Liberty. BOONE, Ia., March 2.—(Special)—Edward Huxford, a prisoner in the county jail, when the jailer entered the cellroom yesterday, made his escape. The sheriff immediately suspended the jailer, who has installed Deputy Marshal John Hull in his place.

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Additional Iowa News on Ninth Page.

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