

VICTIM OF PENITENTIARY

Dying Elmer Urbach Shows Interest in Hospital Facilities.

SITE SOUGHT FOR STATE HEADQUARTERS

Omaha to be Considered Among Other Cities by Ancient Order of United Workmen—Jests Over Senatorial Contest.

LINCOLN, May 2.—(Special.)—The inadequate facilities for caring for sick convicts at the state penitentiary was again emphasized today when Governor Savage commuted the sentence of Elmer Urbach, who is serving time for grand larceny. Urbach was in sound physical condition when received at the penitentiary some years ago but today he is scarcely more than a shadow, suffering from a severe and advanced case of tuberculosis. Dr. Willmuth, physician at the penitentiary, says that he contracted the disease in the small and poorly ventilated hospital room. He was taken into this room about a year ago, and after the fusion ward, to be treated for a bad cold and placed beside Convict Fuller, who was then suffering from consumption. In a few weeks Urbach showed symptoms of the disease and his case has grown steadily worse. The physician says there is only one room at the penitentiary that can be used for hospital purposes.

Urbach was convicted in Richardson county. His sentence was commuted to five years and three months and this time expired today. Arrangements were made to secure more suitable quarters for the hospital. Why similar efforts were not made by the fusion administration of the institution has not been explained.

Seek Headquarters in Omaha. A special committee of the Ancient Order of United Workmen was here today consulting with citizens relative to the local bid for the permanent location of the headquarters of the grand lodge of our grand lodge headquarters and will have no difficulty in finding a city well located and desirable in every respect for state office. The location of our headquarters will mean a great deal to the city agreed on. A building will be constructed and offices for the entire state jurisdiction will be opened up therein. Besides this all future meetings of the Nebraska grand lodge will be held there the permanent headquarters are located. Our order has about 30,000 members in Nebraska and the grand lodge is one of the largest in the country.

During the afternoon Dr. Laffin called at the state house and laughed with the officials there over some of the humorous incidents of the last legislature. Senator Arendt of Otoe county and Representative Andrews of Fremont county appeared unexpectedly and naturally some asked if the new governor had called a special session. "Guess we're up here through force of habit," remarked one of the early arrivals, and that reminded Dr. Laffin of a story.

Still Answering Roll Call. "Speaking of force of habit," said he, "I've got one that beats the funny papers. It's on Senator Edgar, who, by the way, ought to be given a crown for his never-failing, prompt regularity in all affairs. The other day the senator was walking down the main street in Beatrice, and Merwin, another newspaper man, was going in the opposite direction on the other side of the thoroughfare.

"Senator Edgar," shouted Merwin, beckoning to the legislator. Called as he was in a loud tone, the sound of the name made Senator Edgar believe he was being written roll call in a joint session of the legislature and without any hesitation he responded, "Thompson, Currie."

Senator Edgar said he was attracted here by matters of private interest only. Representative Andrews' private entree from his home to St. Joseph, Mo.

Tolson's Case Continued. The State Board of Health and the board's secretaries met in the office of the state superintendent of public instruction this afternoon, and besides granting eleven physicians' certificates transacted a lot of routine business that has been pending consideration for several weeks. The case of B. F. Tolson of Omaha, who is charged with unprofessional conduct, was continued thirty days. The case of Dr. Guttery of Valparaiso was continued sixty days. Dr. A. Flanagan of Neligh, who has been before the board for several months on an application for a certificate, was granted and the parchment issued along with the rest.

Suit Against Burlington. An interesting question is brought to the attention of the supreme court in a case for \$121, instituted by Michael Burns, a former employe, against the Burlington Railroad company. Burns was employed on the railroad in the northwestern part of the state. He was given a check for the amount named and an Alliance was held up and robbed of the check the day after he had received it. On the following day Burns notified the cashier of the railroad company at Omaha of the theft and asked him to stop its payment. Subsequently the check was presented for payment.

COMMON PROPERTY. Public Praise is Public Property. Omaha People may Profit by Local Experience.

Grateful people will talk. Tell their experience for the public good. Omaha citizens praise Doan's Kidney Pills.

Kidney sufferers appreciate this. They find relief for every kidney ill. Read what this citizen says: Mr. Fred E. Hall, 108 North 22d street, employed at the railroad bridge two miles from the city, says: "I had a bad back for about a year and in the winter of 1898 it became very severe. When lying down it was very difficult to get up and on stooping sharp pains caught me in the small of the back and my kidneys were weak. It was for this that I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Kuhn & Co.'s drug store. Since using them I have had no occasion to complain of my back or kidneys and I have told friends my high opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills and will personally corroborate the above at any time."

Sold for 50c per box by dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no other.

SENATOR THURSTON'S PLANS

Will Open a Washington Law Office, but Remains a Nebraskan.

HAS NO WISH TO LOSE CITIZENSHIP

Expects to Have Much Business to Do for St. Louis Exposition—Is Retained Also to Represent Railroads.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator and Mrs. Thurston returned from the west last evening. The senator was around the departments today on matters connected with his former position and upon questions affecting the St. Louis exposition. In response to a question Senator Thurston said: "It is my present intention to open a law office in the city of Washington and retain my present office in Omaha. There will be considerable business shortly with the St. Louis exposition and undoubtedly the government board will have an office here, although it may not be opened until late in the year. I will have charge of the eastern end of the government business so far as it affects the St. Louis exposition and a long time I had great doubt whether I should not move to New York, still retaining my citizenship in Nebraska, but pleasant arrangements have been made and I am permitted to say that I will retain my citizenship in Nebraska and at the same time open a law office in this city."

Represents Railroad Interests. It is understood that Senator Thurston has been retained to represent a number of railroad interests in this city. The senator expects to be in San Francisco at the same time the president is there. He is attorney for what are known as the Scripps lands in the Kernon county, California and has several of these cases to try before the state courts about the middle of May. He will leave for San Francisco early next week.

National Bank Reserve Agents. The Chase National bank of New York and the First National bank of Omaha have been approved by Government for the Smith National bank of St. Edward, Neb.

Contract for Yankton. Edward C. Dudley of Yankton, S. D., has been awarded the contract for the water system for the city of Yankton. The contract is for \$4,225.

Civil Service Examination. The civil service commission will hold examinations at Omaha, Sioux City and Burlington June 3, for these positions in the Agricultural department: Horticulturist, salary, \$2,000; ethnologist, salary, \$1,500; assistant in seed laboratory, \$1,500; plant physiologist, \$1,600; instrument and property clerk, \$900; field assistant, \$1,000; and accountant, \$1,000.

Appointed Assistant Attorney. A. C. Campbell of Roswell, N. M., has been appointed assistant attorney in the Department of the Interior and assumed the duties of the position today. His appointment was made by Governor Otero and other republican politicians of New Mexico. Mr. Campbell formerly was United States attorney for Wyoming.

Cheyenne Public Building. Supervising Architect Taylor has decided to accept the bid of Foster & Smith of Minneapolis for the construction of the superstructure and completion of the Cheyenne public building. Formal award of contract will not be made, however, until experts of the Treasury department examine the samples of stone from the Rawlins and Iron Mountain (Wyo.) quarries. The material proposed to be used in building. If it is practicable, stone from both quarries will be used in the building and all other material will be bought, if possible, in Wyoming. Senator Warren has urged the department that Wyoming materials be given a preference in all cases where possible.

BRYAN CRITICIZES M'LAURIN Nebraska Says to South Carolina Senator "You're Not Likely to Be Leader."

LINCOLN, May 2.—In a statement made today, W. J. Bryan takes Senator McLaughlin of South Carolina to task for what he declares is his political flop. At the same time Bryan admits Senator McLaughlin's action marks the beginning of a movement in the United States which will have an influence upon the politics of the nation. He says: "It is not likely that Mr. McLaughlin will be the leader of the movement, because he is handicapped by the fact that he is using his official position to misrepresent the views and interests of his constituents, but some influence will be given direction and force to the aristocratic and plutocratic element for which Mr. McLaughlin speaks. There is such an element in every community, and now that the race question no longer unites the white people of the southern states it will doubtless manifest itself."

Senator Tillman has already taken up the sage of battle thrown down by Senator McLaughlin, and will doubtless be able to marshal a considerable majority in that state, but the same influences are at work in other states, where there is greater danger of their success. The democratic sentiment is strong enough to resist and overcome the McLaughlin movement, but those who believe that the man is more important than the dollar will have to bestir themselves."

David City Officials Appointed. DAVID CITY, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—The city council yesterday named H. W. Keller as elected president. Mayor Aldrich appointed J. J. West, chief of police; Joe Calvin, night patrolman; James Riddell, street commissioner; Dr. F. W. Lester, health officer; Councilmen Zellinger and Busch, members of the Board of Health. Saloon licenses were granted to John Styskal, Joe Shramek, S. A. Donelson and Jacob Thomas. The bond of John Styskal was signed by a bond company, the others giving personal bonds. The city's finances are in better shape than they have been for years.

Humboldt People Bury Hatchet. HUMBOLDT, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—The five cases growing out of the Humboldt controversy were set for a hearing this week. Four men, John Moser, Mose Thompson, Joe Krasny and Will Zelenska were held on a charge of illegal voting, and John Marshall on a charge of electioneering too near the polling place. Before the trial the complaining witnesses appeared in Justice Smith's court and asked that the cases be dismissed, a compromise having been effected whereby the license and anti-license people agreed to bury the hatchet.

Michigan Central Re-Elects Directors. DETROIT, May 2.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Michigan Central railroad was held here today. The entire board of directors was re-elected. President Ledyard announces that no other business will be done at the meeting. The election of officers will be held at the board meeting in New York.

Grand Island Dwellers House. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—Fire, the origin of which is a mystery, broke out at 2 o'clock this morning in the home of Mrs. Catherine Ott, a whole section of the house being ablaze before the members of the family awoke. The flames had approached the entrance to the sleeping room section and the family had to make its escape through windows. Little of the furniture was saved. The loss was grandly covered by insurance in the Phoenix.

Dodge County Mortgage Record. FREMONT, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—Following is the mortgage record for Dodge county for the month of April: Farm mortgages recorded fifteen, amount \$24,218.15; released twenty-five, amount \$40,796.75; village and city mortgages recorded eleven, amount \$6,290; released ten, amount \$6,218.25. Eighty-one chattel mortgages were filed, amounting to \$9,296.18, and twenty-five released, amounting to \$6,309.05. There were less chattel mortgages filed than during any month for six years.

Farmhouse Near Lyons. LYONS, Neb., May 1.—(Special.)—The house of John Daggert, ten miles northeast of here, together with the furniture, fixtures and all the effects of the family, was destroyed by fire yesterday forenoon. A portion of the farm buildings were also destroyed, including eighty tons of millet hay and several head of hogs and calves. The grain, together with the household furniture, Mr. Daggert was working in the fields. There was some insurance on the buildings.

Discing the Corn Ground. FARNAM, May 2.—(Special.)—The spring has been an unusually good one for the farmers in this locality. Corn planting is in full blast. Many of the farmers followed the suggestions of Prof. Bruner of the State university and thoroughly disced their corn fields before planting. This put the ground in the best possible order for planting, killed the first crop of weeds and destroyed the vitality of the eggs of the grasshoppers.

Rush to File Oil Claims. EVANSTON, Wyo., May 2.—Claims in the new Wyoming oil fields are being filed at the rate of 100 a day. The field covers nearly all the southern part of Uintah county in the northern part of the state, north of the river to the Uintah range of mountains. The Standard Oil people have had men out locating claims and have already filed some 200.

Highlanders to Meet at Tecumseh. TECUMSEH, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—The district convention of the Royal Highlanders will be in Tecumseh Wednesday. Delegates are expected to be present from twenty-six castles.

MARTIN AFTER BIGGER GAME HERE'S A REAL PEDESTRIAN He is Training for a Walk from Sioux Falls to Buffalo Exposition.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The Sioux Falls Press, in discussing the senatorial situation, in the morning will say, on what apparently is the basis of authority, that Congressman W. Martin of Dakota will under no circumstances accept a re-nomination next year, the inference being that he will enter the contest for the United States senatorship.

Wool Clip is Light. CASPER, Wyo., May 2.—(Special.)—Shearing in this vicinity is progressing nicely and there have been few delays. The clips in almost every instance have been a surprise to the flockmasters, in that they are much lighter this year than ever before. The wool is shorter, looser and cleaner than for years. One clip will fall short of last year's weight over 25,000 pounds, and the same number of sheep were sheared this year as last. Others will fall short from 5,000 to 15,000 pounds.

Westover Employe and Money Gone. PIERRE, S. D., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—F. P. Roll, a merchant at Westover, on White river, sent an employe named Thompson to this city a week ago after a load of supplies and with \$500 to deposit for him. The man failing to return, Roll sent another employe here, thinking that the first one had been caught in a quarantine, but on his arrival he found the hands of speculators as quickly as water. Thompson in this city where it fell several days ago, but failed to find any trace of the man.

Another guessing contest in The Evening Bee, May 8.

What Shall We Have for Dessert? This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O.

A delicious and healthful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! No baking! Add boiling water and set to cool. Flavors—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. Get a package at your grocers to-day. 10 cts.

Fireman Missed by Bullet. SIoux FALLS, S. D., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Fireman Fred Hays, fireman in the electric light plant, had a narrow escape from death by a bullet today. While sitting in the boiler room he heard a loud report, but paid no attention to it. Others investigated and found where the bullet had ploughed along the roof and lodged in a cupboard. A deviation of six inches would have probably resulted in Hays' death.

Faculty Fears Smallpox. YANKTON, S. D., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Because of alleged smallpox in the Mitchell university the faculty of Yankton college today passed a resolution against the Yankton track team going to Mitchell Monday to take part in the track meet. Unless a more favorable report of smallpox is received they will also refuse to take part in the intercollegiate debate here May 13.

Mrs. Hearst Not to Come. LEAD, S. D., May 2.—(Special.)—Many people are disappointed to learn that Mrs. Phoebe Hearst will not be able to visit the Big Hills and plant this spring. When about to leave Washington, D. C., she received a message, calling her immediately to her home at San Francisco. She expects to come to the Hills later in the year.

Another Candidate for Superintendent. PIERRE, S. D., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Another candidate for the position of superintendent of the reform school is John Thomas McGowan of Sioux Falls, who has been a member of the legislature from that county for three sessions.

Head Smashed in Mine. LEAD, S. D., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Henry Danielson was instantly killed today in the Delaware shaft, operated by the Golden Reward company. It is supposed that he was fainting while coming up on the cage. His head was smashed.

Reunion at Sioux Falls. SIoux FALLS, S. D., May 2.—(Special.)—The 25th anniversary of the morning of the Battle of Little Bighorn was celebrated on Saturday, June 8. Elaborate preparations are being made.

STOP LAND SPECULATION

United States Officials Issue New South Dakota Order.

HARDER DUTY FIXED FOR SETTLERS

Increased Cost of Proving Up Will Restrict Many from Settling Out and Keep the Homesteaders at Work Improving the Land.

MITCHELL, S. D., May 2.—(Special.)—The officials in the United States land office of Mitchell have received the new order issued by the commissioner of the general land office at Washington, based on an act of congress January 28, 1901, which imposes a harder duty on the settlers of the Yankton reservation concerning their proving up before the expiration of the five-year limit. Until this act was passed settlers on the Yankton reservation could make commutation proof—that is, prove up any time before the expiration of five years and get their land at \$1.25 per acre. This would include all proofs made between the passage of the free homestead bill of May 17, 1900, and the bill passed January 26, 1901.

Under the new order, all parties on the Yankton reservation who make proof on their lands before the expiration of the five years' limit will be required to pay \$2.25 per acre for all proofs made subsequent to January 26, 1901. In case a settler remains on his land for the five years he can make proof and secure the land free of cost, other than the regular fees of the land office, which amount to about \$12. This order will remove much of the land from speculation, for when a man could prove up on his quarter for a little over \$200 he would have no difficulty in selling his land for an advance of \$100 or \$200.

This order issued by the commissioner will have a tendency to keep the settlers on the land for the required term of settlement, for at the end of the five years, with cultivation, the land will be greatly enhanced in value and will not get into the hands of speculators as quickly as water. Final proof could be made for a song. There is little land open to settlement on the Yankton reserve at present, not to exceed a few thousand acres, and this generally is some distance from railroad connections.

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