

STARTS ON EQUALIZATION

First Kick Comes from Counties on the Valuation of Lands.

TROUBLESOME TIME IS ANTICIPATED

Deputy Oil Inspector Burns on the Carpet for Failure to Obey Instructions Regarding Method of Inspection.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, July 21.—The State Board of Equalization is at it again and the board does not know how long it will be at its work, as protests are coming in from many counties, and the returns from these same counties are so widely different that it will take hard work to do the equalizing.

Parties were here today and spoke for a lower assessment in Otoe, Cass, Furnas, Sarpy and other counties. The valuations made by the assessors in these counties were so high, said the speakers, that unless the levy was lowered in proportion that an injustice would be done the taxpayers. While it is not believed that every county will have representatives here a great number will, hence the work will be long drawn out.

The returns of the assessors show great discrepancy. These few counties in the same strip of country give a fair indication of what the assessors have done over the entire state. Cass county land was returned at \$1.10 per acre; Sarpy at \$1.30; Washington at \$1.20; Hart at \$1.20. These show an increase over last year. Saunders county land was assessed at \$1.24, the same as last year; Douglas county assessed its land at \$1.22 and Otoe at \$1.21. A delegation is expected here Wednesday to show cause why the land in these counties should not be assessed out of proportion to other property. It is believed now that Douglas county will be taxed on a 7-mill levy. And this is the only way the board will increase or decrease the taxes, by lowering or raising the levy. No values will be raised or lowered.

One of the speakers this afternoon, Attorney John Roper of Pawnee, protested against the assessed valuation of horses in Pawnee and in Gage county. Mr. Roper told the board that horses in Pawnee were assessed just twice as much as in Gage, and he wanted it remedied. Another thing that he objected to was the fact that Gage county, though much larger, had returned 70 cattle less than was returned by the Pawnee county assessor. From remarks of board members, however, it is likely that the board will not go behind the returns of the assessors and if all the cattle were not returned the board will not look them up. Roper thought it was the duty of the board to dig up the unreturned property. Land in Gage county was returned at \$1.25 less than that of Pawnee and they are adjoining counties.

The returns of the various counties show that the increase in the assessed valuation this year over last is \$3,453,511. Of this \$1,312,100 comes from advances in the value of land and \$2,141,411 from more acres reported. The average assessed valuation per acre of improved land this year is \$3.91, and last year was \$3.15. Unimproved land last year was returned at \$1.14 and this year at \$1.23. The average value of improved lots since last year has decreased \$206,728. Lots have decreased in number 9,964. The average value of improved lots in 1902 was \$17.76 and unimproved, \$12.37. This year the average value of improved lots was returned at \$18.71 and unimproved, \$15.90.

The board met yesterday but no formal meeting was held. Today all members were in attendance and an all-day session was the result. Deputy Oil Inspector Burns of Scribner was in Lincoln today to explain to Oil Inspector Church why he had the Standard Oil agent send him a bottle of oil to the station at West Point for examination instead of going to the tank himself and getting the oil.

Burns assured Church that he was a victim of his own innocence and a little scheme on the part of his enemies. He said that when he got to West Point a man met him at the train and handed him a bottle, with the remark that the Standard Oil agent had sent him the oil to be tested. Burns had sent him the oil to be tested. Burns took the oil and left the town. Burns told Church that he was taken by surprise and when the oil was offered him took it and did not think he was doing wrong.

Instead of being a man who would be a padlock game and talks the same way, his story is not doubted and he in all probability will not be asked to give up his position. Burns said he had since found out that a big bottle, with the name of the Standard Oil agent on it, had been paid \$30 to get him to take the bottle. Burns said he believed he would be able to get an affidavit from the man that had been hired to do that, and, as he has left the city, it is believed that he has gone after it. However, the fact that someone worked a game on Burns was a cause for him violating his instructions relating to the testing of oil, and he was given to understand that in the future he would be expected to get his oil from the tank and not take it out of a bottle.

What Nominations Cost. Judge Holmes, who was recently renominated as a candidate for district judge of this district, has filed his report of money spent during his campaign for the nomination. The total amount spent, so the judge said, was \$21.44. Of this amount \$24.45 was spent for postage and \$1.35 in street car fares. Most of the remainder was for cards.

Teachers' Wages Increase. The county superintendent of Stanton county has filed his annual report, the first to report the state superintendent's office. The report shows that the salary of male

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teachers during the last year has been increased from \$4.40 to \$6.50, and for female teachers from an average from \$3.50 to \$5.50.

Storch is Lieutenant Colonel. It is now Lieutenant Colonel Joseph A. Storch of the First Nebraska, made so by the vote of the regiment, which was canvassed in the office of the adjutant general today.

Too Many Harvest Hands. Eastern university students who are contemplating coming to Nebraska to get a little brown and money in the harvest fields would better stay at home.

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Largest Attendance in History of State Volunteer Tournament.

RUNNING TEAMS CENTER OF ATTRACTION

Columbus Takes First Prize for Largest Number of Men and Grand Island for Finest Appearing Company.

NORFOLK, Neb., July 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Amid ideal conditions in every respect, with a perfectly cloudless sky, a track that could not be better and the largest attendance of fire fighters in the tournament history, the eleven annual tournament of the Nebraska Volunteer Firemen began in Norfolk this morning at 9:30 o'clock and will continue during the next three days.

All incoming trains last night brought hundreds of the firemen from every direction and the morning trains today have kept up the procession. Every hotel and rooming house in the city is crowded with lodgers, and no doubt before the close of the last day there will be some crying for beds.

The queen of the tournament, Miss Ella Flynn of York, together with her attendants, Miss Kate Glass and Miss Bessie Wiley, arrived over the Northwestern last night. A misunderstanding as to which railway station would be favored with the queen's arrival sent a fashionable trap to the Union depot, where it waited two hours, until word came that the queen had dined at one of the hotels.

The running teams in of course heroes of the day. They are training severely. Last night they were in bed at 10 and the morning sun woke them today. Out on the track this morning the Fremont prize-winners and the York crowd tried out for an hour.

Fremont men are determined to carry home the championship and others are just as set upon taking it away. Among the possibilities for the state championship are York, Seward, Grand Island and Stanton.

The streets are filled with concession booths of all sorts. There are a great many fair. There are shooting galleries, merry-go-rounds and a score of other "phenomenal and attractive features." The royal tyrots hold forth in a large den, where initiations are administered for a consideration.

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A resolution was passed endorsing the candidacy of J. H. Grimm of Wilber for judge of the Seventh district, and he was asked to name the delegation to the judicial convention. The names will be announced later.

SURVEYING FOR POWER CANAL

Work Will Settle Choice Between the Fremont and Columbus Projects.

FREMONT, Neb., July 21.—(Special.)—C. B. Vance, the chief engineer of the engineering corps, who will survey the Fremont canal route, arrived in this city last evening. Other members of the party are expected here Wednesday and the work of running the lines and cross sections will at once commence.

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FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Forecast: For Nebraska—Fair in south; showers in north portion Wednesday; Thursday showers. For Iowa—Showers Wednesday and Thursday; light variable winds becoming fresh south. For Colorado—Showers Wednesday, cooler in south portion; Thursday showers. For Missouri—Occasional showers Wednesday and Thursday.

For Illinois—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; showers; light variable winds becoming south. For South Dakota—Showers Wednesday and Thursday; not so warm Wednesday night. For Kansas—Fair Wednesday; Thursday showers, not so warm. For Montana—Showers and cooler Wednesday; Thursday showers. For Wyoming—Showers Wednesday; cooler in western portion; Thursday showers.

Local Record. OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, July 21.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the past three years:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Maximum temperature, Minimum temperature, Mean temperature, Precipitation. Rows for 1902, 1901, 1900.

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Condition, Temperature. Rows for Omaha, Valentine, North Platte, Cheyenne, Salt Lake City, Rapid City, Huron, Chicago, St. Louis, St. Paul, Denver, Kansas City, Haver, Helena, Beaumont, Galveston.

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