

ORGANIZE FOR EQUALIZATION

First Meeting of State Board Lasts Only a Few Minutes. EXPECT REVENUE LAW OPINION TODAY

Chairman Lindsay of Republican State Committee Calls Meeting of Executive Committee for December 25.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) SULLIVAN, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The State Board of Equalization, as created under the revenue law enacted by the late legislature, met this afternoon for the first time with all members present except Auditor Weston, who is unavoidably detained in Wyoming.

Chief Justice Sullivan stated today that the opinion of the court in the revenue case would be prepared probably some time tomorrow. It was thought by some that the opinion would be handed down today, as the Board of Equalization got together for the first time this afternoon, and upon the decision of the court depends the life of an insurance company.

Republican Committee Called. Chairman Lindsay has issued a call for a meeting of the executive committee of the republican state committee, December 25. The executive committee is composed of Byron Clark, Plattsmouth; Victor Rose, Omaha; Thomas Omaha; Fred Rose, Hugh McCargy, Crete; E. G. Titus, Holdrege; C. A. Robinson, Kearney.

Continues to Read Bible. This little band of Bible readers in school district No. 2 of Gage county still clings to the book notwithstanding a recent mandate of the supreme court ordering them to comply with its decision in the mandamus suit which was instituted by Daniel Freeman and this afternoon Henry D. Odell and Samuel D. Vertrees, members of the school board, filed an answer in the supreme court protesting that they have not violated the law and will continue to read the Bible in the manner prescribed by the court.

The school officers' say in the document filed: "We further return that the sacred songs found in the Good and Beautiful Pentecostal hymn books and the personal prayer of the teacher to God are not used in said school. We further, after due deliberation and interpreting the said peremptory writ in the light of the opinion of the supreme court in this case, as we are instructed to do in said writ, we believe, as is stated in the language of Justice Sullivan, that the decision of this court does not, however, go to the extent of entirely excluding the Bible from the public school. It goes only to the extent of depriving the right to use it for the purpose of imparting sectarian instruction."

National Guard Report. Adjutant General Culver has received the annual report of the acting adjutant general of the army for 1903. It shows in reference to the inspection of the National Guard...

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FREONTMERS ARE ELATED

Had About Given Up Hopes of Anything Being Done With Canal. DITCH TO BE TWENTY-FOUR MILES LONG

Dam One Hundred Feet High to Be Built at Lower End, Which Will Furnish All the Power Needed.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The news of the letting of the contract for the construction of the Fremont power canal, which was received here last evening, has stirred up more enthusiasm among business men than has existed since the old boom times. There was a feeling among many that the scheme would fall through, and that sufficient capital could not be procured to construct the canal even if the engineers should report favorably—fact, a general lack of confidence all around.

The power canal plan was started about ten years ago. A Chicago promoter by the name of Williams was here in the interest of the scheme and succeeded in interesting local capital to the extent of the formation of a company and the payment of \$400 for surveys. The Williams people professed to have millions at their command, but none of their backers appeared to take much stock in power canals. An investigation of their previous career raised strong suspicions that they had been connected with other parties of the name in "promoting" iron works in Michigan and Iowa which proved brilliant failures and the plan fell through. The company still maintained its existence. A few years later Mr. Lloyd, engineer of the Goshawk canal, became interested in the Fremont canal, but nothing was accomplished. With the reorganization of the Commercial club two years ago L. D. Richards and Secretary J. F. Hanson again took hold of the scheme and began a regular campaign for the purpose of interesting capitalists and parties connected with manufacturing establishments in the state, and their efforts met with success. W. J. C. Kenyon of South Omaha submitted a proposition to raise the sum of \$500 for the purpose of making thorough surveys of the proposed route and expressed himself as confident of financing the scheme should the route prove feasible and superior to the Columbus Power and Irrigation canal plan. The money was raised and the surveys made, the route being slightly different from the first proposed. It starts at the Platte river near Linwood and runs parallel with the river almost due east, at a point directly south of the city at the mouth of Elm creek. The route presents no serious engineering difficulties, and some distance after leaving the Platte it follows along the bottom lands, then extends into the bluffs. As far as possible and along the last end of its route it follows natural water courses. Only a few ravines have to be crossed, and as the general surface of the country south of the Platte is lower than the river itself, the bottoms of these are lower than the level of the canal.

Fall of One Hundred Feet. It crosses the right-of-way of the Lincoln branch of the Northwestern about half a mile north of Cedar Bluffs, then, turning slightly to the south, reaches Elm creek, following that stream to its mouth near the west bank of the Platte. A better natural dam than the mouth of this creek cannot be found. For a distance of a quarter of a mile the creek flows at the bottom of a deep wooded ravine, the sides of which are from sixty to ninety feet high and very steep in places almost perpendicular. The ravine is only a few feet wide at the bottom. The dam, which will be placed at the mouth of this creek, will hold back an immense volume of water, extending back over hundreds of acres of land. The fall will be about 100 feet, which will give sufficient pressure to run the most powerful machinery for generating electrical power, and there is ample space at the mouth of the creek for an enormous power plant.

The canal basin, thus located in the midst of fertile farm lands of irregular shape, is second in size and importance to the dam. The basin will be a great deal deeper than the dam, and will be used for the purpose of storing water for the use of the canal. It will be a great deal deeper than the dam, and will be used for the purpose of storing water for the use of the canal. It will be a great deal deeper than the dam, and will be used for the purpose of storing water for the use of the canal.

Supreme Court Proceedings. The following cases were orally argued and submitted: Klutsch against Security Mutual Life Insurance Company; Omaha Gas Company against City of Omaha; Van Aken against Lathrop; Hull against Kansas City and Orient Railroad Company; Reed against Reed; Farmers and Merchants Irrigation Company against Gothenburg Banking House of Irrigation Company; Stewart, David Bradley & Co. against Stewart; Gault against Gault; Brown against Brown; State Savings and Loan Association against Johnson; Sharp against Citizens Bank of Hastings; F. C. Lumber Company against Conklin; Mauder against State ex rel. Gage County; Wilson against County of Okech; Colquhoun against McClary & Martin; Goodwin against Harris; Sherrill against New York Life Insurance Company; Johnson against Health Stocker against Nathanson; Tyson against Tyson; Hoffman against Hoffman; Barr against Taylor; Hamilton National Bank against American Loan and Trust Company; Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company; Farmers and Merchants National Bank; Lincoln Medical College of Cotner University.

Boys' Injuries Fatal. BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Gifford Tucker, the 12-year-old boy of Mr. Freeman Tucker who was run over by the cars at DeSoto yesterday afternoon and whose leg was amputated last night, died near midnight, being unable to survive the shock resulting from the injury.

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THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1903.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Rawlins post No. 35, Grand Army of the Republic, met and elected the following officers Saturday night: S. B. Dooley, commander; Dr. F. L. Lewis, senior vice commander; Captain W. N. Whitlock, junior vice commander; E. R. Craig, quartermaster; Dr. Ferd. Broder, surgeon; W. H. Walker, officer of the day; Charles Treadwell, officer of the guard; D. H. Horn, chaplain; R. G. Gilmore, delegate to department encampment.

Rawlins Women's Relief Corps No. 52 elected these officers: Martha Coulter, president; Sarah E. Hutchins, senior vice president; Nancy Lowe, junior vice president; Mary Hagey, treasurer; Frederika J. Cole, secretary; Maggie Dorn, chaplain; Mary Brewey, conductor; Susie E. Gould, guard; Rachael Layman and Lettie Hartley, delegates to national convention.

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KENNA, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The Modern Woodmen of America, Kennerd camp No. 147, has elected John Blaco, V. C.; Elmer Wright, W. A.; T. E. Ward, J. B. Abels, clerk; E. L. Tiffany, secretary; E. E. Cashman, watchman; W. H. Harrison, sentry; Dr. W. H. Pruner, camp physician; C. W. Weed, manager for three years. The installation followed, followed by a banquet, occurs Tuesday evening, January 5, 1904. On this occasion the members and their wives will attend.

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Machine Which Never Stops. NEHAWKA, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—BERT Painter of this place has discovered a perpetually moving machine. He has invented a machine which has run seven weeks without stopping and without any apparent loss of energy. He is having a model made on which he hopes to secure a patent.

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MOTHER CANNOT SEND HELP IN TIME. Has to Spend a Night in Wonder and Fear, Because She Cannot Leave Her Babies to Give Alarm.

STUART, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Last evening about 8 o'clock Mrs. Patrick Murphy sent her 12-year-old boy on horseback to a neighbor's a couple of miles distant on an errand. Two hours later the horse returned home without the boy. Mr. Murphy was away from home and the mother, being alone with smaller children, was unable to give the alarm until this morning. A search was instituted at daylight and the boy was soon found, lying dead by the roadside. The theory is that he was thrown from his horse and so badly stunned that he froze to death before regaining consciousness. There was no sign that he had struggled or made any effort to get up.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The cold and apparently lifeless form of a man, covered with ice and snow, was found last night in a creek near the old ice house on Washington avenue. The discovery was made by Louis Mittelmeier, who summoned assistance and had the body removed to a warmer place. It was Antonie Jerosky, an employe of the Burlington shop, who makes his home with John Narshel, in the western portion of the city. When consciousness returned the unfortunate man appeared to be unable to account for his condition or how he came to be lying in such a lonely place on such a cold night. The supposition is that the man had been "doped" as those who know him say that he does not drink intoxicating liquors to excess.

Buchanan Off to Panama. NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—William J. Buchanan of Buffalo, N. Y., the first United States minister to the Republic of Panama, sailed today for Panama to take up his new duties.

Kill Big Gray Wolf. PAPILLION, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Yesterday John Wesce, while hunting one mile west of Papillion, shot a large gray wolf. These animals are very scarce in this part of the country, none having been seen for years.

Select Omaha Architects. WAHOO, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The report of the Board of County Commissioners of Saunders county today awarded the contract to draw plans and specifications for the new \$5,000 court house to Fisher & Lawrie, architects, Omaha.

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Guardians Hold Smoker. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The members of Company "C" Nebraska National Guards and a few invited guests last night held an informal smoker at the armory. A number of the old members of the company were present and made short addresses. A banquet was served during the evening. The members of the company gave expression to their views on the late encampment held at Fort Riley and the consensus of opinion was that the arrangement in connection with the regulars was very beneficial to the service and the continuance of the program from year to year is eagerly looked for. The company closes the year in a good financial condition and hopes are entertained that a building belonging entirely to the company may be built at no distant date.

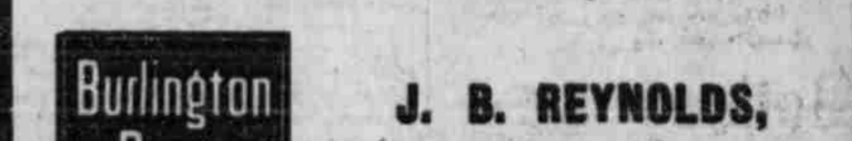
Becomes Suddenly Insane. OSCEOLA, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—One of the old pilgrims, and the last of the family of Stevens, Henry Clay Stevens, has been ill for several weeks and last night it developed that his insanity was incurable. It was necessary that he have watchers all the time to keep him from destroying

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