# THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 1904.

**BOARD AFTER STOCK VALUES** Tax Agent Scribner Going to New York Office to Secure Them.

TREASURER MORTENSON FORCES ISSUE

theriff of Dodge County and Escaping Prisoner Have Pistol Duel on Streets with Nobody

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(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, May 24 .- (Special.)-The State Board of Equalization spent another busy morning with A. W. Scribner of the Union Pacific on the witness stand in a discussion of the value of stocks and bonds belonging to the Union Pacific proper. Mr. Scribner did not have the information re quired of him by the board and he was given time to communicate with the New York office to get it. The debate hinged on this motion made by Treasurer Mortensen as soon as the board was convened, in order to get the matter properly before the mem-

I move that the Union Pacific Railroad company be requested to furnish this board with a sworn statement, giving the total capitalization of the said Union Pacific Railroad company and the market value of its bonds and stocks on the first day of April, 1994. willing.

April. 1994.
The statement also to show:
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1. The total mileage of said Union Pacific Ratiway company proper.
2. An itemized statement of the several bonds and stocks owned by the said company for excise of said company for assessment.
3. The market value of all such bonds and stocks or the real value of same on the first day of April, 1904.
4. A description and estimated value of such properly which is subject to local taxation, eliminating from said report the mileage, including all bonds and stocks owned by the said stocks or such properly which is subject to local taxation, eliminating from said report the mileage, including all bonds and stocks owned by the auxiliary roads, the Oregon Short Line rairoad and the Oregon Rairoad and Navigation company.

Scribner Does Not Know.

Mr. Follmer seconded the motion and the debate was on. Mr. Scribner said the resolation called for an impossibility, as the stocks and bonds of the company were so intermingled that they could not be divided and that it would be impossible to learn the market value of the bonds of the Umon Pacific proper, because the bonds were considered as a whole, I'nion Pacific stock having been issued to take up the retired stock of the other companies. The three roads together, the Oregon Short Line and the Oregon Rail.oad and Navigation company, with the Union Pacific, he said, con trolled most of the business of the northwest, and that the condition was such that the bonds and stocks could not be divided.

"I have tried to figure it out and have wasted many hours in the task without ac anything," continued Mr. complishing Scribner. "It is a condition that the stocks and bonds are consolidated, and taken separately it cannot be estimated what the bonds are worth."

Governor Mickey then thought the con solidation of the three companies made the stocks and bonds of the Union Pacific more valuable, which Mr. Scribner answered by saying that it made the business of the ompanies more valuable.

Mr. Mortensen, who by this time had begun to show some signs of being nettled. said:

"In Poor's Manual it gives the correc statement of all that I am asking you. Where did he get his information? Un doubtedly from a source from which Mr. Scribner could get the same information." When Mr. Scribner had interrupted to say that the manual included some retired slock on which there had been no divi-

dends paid, Mr. Mortensen continued: "You hold probably a hundred classes of

took a shot at the sheriff. He then made for the front door, stopping once to shoot in the direction of the sheriff again. Both three horses dragging the harrow. When Warm, Dry Week Favorable to the Growth shots lodged in the ceiling. Bauman at once gave chase and the two ushed down Eleventh street, the convict shooting once up in the air and a second time direct at his pursuer. The officer returned the fire and finally caught his pris oner, who surrendered gracefully and at

at the lavatory in the rear of the room. horses were also killed. His son, who had

lowed himself to be handcuffed without re sistance. Drannon had been sent up for eighteen

months for horse stealing and apparently was resigned to his fate, having given the sheriff no trouble until they reached the restaurant. A number of people were on the streets at the time of the shooting and considerable excitement was stirred up. Mrs. Bauman was almost on the heels of her husband when the prisoner was caught and she showed as little excitement as the the same officers. other two.

## Miller Returns Home.

George Miller, who had packed his clothes in the trunk of Babe Smith and left his wife and baby at the old homestead, preparatory to what looked like a contemplated elopement, today severed his cently. partnership with the Smith woman and was taken back by his forgiving wife Miller and the Smith woman were arrested last night and lodged in jail. Miller being charged with wife desertion. Whan the wife offered to forgive, Miller was

### Stories Simply Fakes.

The sensational stories appearing in Ne brasks and lows papers to the effect that Governor Mickey had been sounded on the question whether he would honor requisition papers issued by the lowa governor for the return to that place of Tom Denni son of Omaha, indicted by an Iowa grand jury, are fakes pure and simple. No polltician has asked Governor Mickey about the matter and the governor has not discussed the matter with any one. When told of the stories being published, Governor Mickey said:

"I have not been sounded by any poll tician or any one else concerning the Dennison matter. No one has asked me about honoring a requisition, and I have not dis cussed Dennison or the regulation with any one. The stories that I have are false in every particular, without the slightest foundation."

A Lincoln paper published yesterday afternoon that the matter would soon be brought before the governor, and telegrams sent to Des Moines were to the effect that already the politicians had been bearing down on the governor to get him to refuse to honor the requisition.

Board Wants to Know Powers.

C. C. Wright, city attorney of Omaha, wants to know just what the Board of Fire and Police commissioners of that city can do and to find out has filed a motion in the supreme court to have the order refusing a peremptory writ to compel the mayor and the board to close the saloons at midnight and on Sundays set aside. The peremptory writ was refused by the court at the last sitting, with the suggestion to the attorney. I. J. Dunn, that the lower court was the proper place for him to bring his action. The application will be argued Tuesday.

Carriers to Meet Monday,

The state branch of the National Letter Carriers' association will meet in Lincoln on Decoration day, and it is expected that fully 100 postmasters will be present. Congressman Burkett is billed for a speech and Congressman Hitchcock has been invited to do the same. Postmaster Sizer will act as toastmaster. A banquet will be given that night after the business session by the local committee.

Trouble Among Barbers.

Tonsorial artists in one of the prominent shops of the town are just now wrestling Bowen, one of the old veterans of the craft, this morning left the shop with his dander clear up in the air. For years and years and years he has been a familiar figure in a majority of the shope in the town and naturally was set in his ways and liked not the fads brought on by the younger generation. This morning he was taken quietly aside by the proprietor of the "parlor" and gently informed that to appear for work in the morning without a white shirt, white the and white suspenders would be considered his resignation. His razor dropped from his hand; he gathered what strength he had left and marched from the shop. "Putting on airs with 10cent shaves won't go with me," he volunteered as he left the place.

NEBRASKA CROP CONDITIONS Suddenly Drannon drew a revolver and been dragging in the field, drove to the house about noon and the stricken man went out to ald his son in unhitching the the accident occurred the son was shocked.

but not seriously injured. A heavy rain fell here this afternoon which will greatly benefit crop conditions, that were never better than at present.

New Bank at Plattsmouth. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., May 24-(Special.) Articles of incorporation were filed today for a new bank in Plattsmouth, to be known as the Plattsmouth State bank, with

a capital of \$50,000. The officers are: W. H. Newell, president; T. E. Parmelee, vice president; J. M. Roberts, cashier; C. P. Atwood, assistant cashier. The place of Riley block now occupied by the Platts-

mouth Savings bank and the business of the two corporations will be conducted by

News of Nebraska.

BEATRICE, May 24.—Farmers in this ocality expect to finish planting corn this week. Early planted corn is coming up, and the stand is good. PLAT'SMOUTH, May 24.—Several burg-laries have occurred in Cass county re-cently. A farmer reports that several horses were stolen from him last night. PLATTSMOUTH, May 24.—The man with the street fair company, who was arrested in Missouri Valley, charged with having stolen goods in this city, gave bond and skipped the country

HUMBOLDT, May 24.—The slight frost of last night did some damage to the pear buds, but aside from that the fruit men say the buds are uninjured. Without hall or blight the crop in all lines will be the largest ever seen.

the largest ever seen. ALBION, May 24.—The annual election of officers of Albion lodge No. 78. Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, resulted in the following: F. M. Weitzel, W. M.; W. C. Weitzel, S. W.; W. W. Ladd, J. W.; T. F. Martin, secretary: Isaac Letson, treasurer, ALBION, May 24.—The funeral of Mrs. Harry Cline, who died at her home in this city last Friday morning, was held from the residence at 3 o'clock yesterday after-noon. Friends and relatives from Valley, Neb., and from Newman Grove and Seward were present.

were present. were present. PLATTSMOUTH, May 24.—In the district court Judge Paul Jessen refused to allow the trustees of Greenwood to issue a license to Peter A. Smith to sell liquor in the village of Greenwood. The trustees granted the license, and then the temperance people appealed the case to the district court. DESTRICT: Mark 20 Destrict location of the second Destrict location of the second list of the seco

appealed the case to the district court. BEATRICE, May 24.—Beatrice lodge No. 26. Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, met last night and elected the following officers: Clemens A. Spellman, worshipful master; J. Ed C. Fisher, zenior warden; Edgar D. Price, junior warden; Gilbert L. Cole, treasurer; Burt L. Spellman, secre-tary.

tary. LEIGH, May 24.—Thomas Mortimer, man-ager of the Stanton County Breeding com-pany's ranch, located eight miles northwest of this place, and George Boetel, a local stockman, left yesterday for Chicago with a special train soad of fourteen cars of fat cattle. This stock was exceptionally fine, it all being raised by the shippers.

PLATTSMOUTH, May 24.-The Platts

it all being raised by the shippers. PLATTSMOUTH, May 24.—The Platts-mouth Telephone company has purchased from Judge J. W. Johnson the brick build-ing on Sixth street, just north of the Riley hotel block. After making extensive im-provements in the building the telephone exchange will be removed from the Coatos bock to the new location. PAWNEE CITY, May 24.—Rev. R. T. Campbell, who has been principal of the Pawnee academy for the last ten years, at a meeting of the board last week, ten-dered his resignation. He plans to spend some time in study and then resume work in the ministry. It is reported that all the rest of the faculty escept one also re-signed their positions. ALBION, May 24.—Captain Mack of Com-pany M, Nebraska National Guard, has issued an order for the members to be at the armory next Sunday morning for the purpose of marching to St. Edward, a dis-tance of twelve miles, and take part in the Memorial exercises of that day. They will the march back to Abion and participate in the Decoration day exercises in Abion Monday, May 30. This will give the boys a sample of real army ife and will also prove a sood outing. FAWNEE CITY. Neb. May 34.—Last sood outing.

FAWNEE CITY, Neb., May 34.-Last FAWNELS CITY, Neb., May 14.-Last Bunday evening the annual class sermon of the graduating class of the high school was given in the Presbyterian church. The sermon was preached by Dr. J. M. Camp-bell, the pastor. The church was insuffi-clent to seat nearly all of the people who

of All Kinds of Orcps.

CORN PLANTING IS ABOUT COMPLETED

Damage to Fruit by Frost Proves Very Slight-Apples Not Blooming Profusely, but Other Fruits Promise Well.

Weekly bulletin of the Nebraska section of the climatic and crop service of the business will be in the room in the Hotel weather bureau for the week ending Monday, May 23, 1994;

Warm, dry week; favorable for work and the growth of vegetation. The mean daily temperature averaged 2 degrees above nor-

mai. The rainfall was confined to light. tered showers; the amount of rainfall ex-ceeded half an inch in only a few places, while generally it was less than a quarter of an inch.

of an inch. Winter wheat, spring wheat, oats and grass have grown well. In a few places oats are a thin stand and the fields are be-coming weedy. Rye is in good condition and heads are just beginning to show. Al-falfa has grown well and in the southern counties is nearly ready for the first cut-ting. Corn and augar beet planting are about finished; early planted corn is com-ing up rather unevenly and considerable reabout finished: early planted corn is com-ing up rather unevenly and considerable re-planting is being done; in a few fields cul-tivation of corn has begun. The damage to fruit by the frosts of last week was very slight. Apple trees generally are not blos-soming profusely; other fruit promises a large crop.

Report by countles:

Southeastern Section.

Butler-Small grain looks well; corn plant-ing about finished; some corn up and culti-vation begun; some corn being replanted. Cass-Bulk of corn planted, early planted up finely; wheat and oats growing nicely and look well; grass good; splendid prospect for fruit

for fruit. Clay-Crops of all kinds growing well. Filimore--Wheat and oats growing well: corn about all planted; apples did not blos-som fully; other fruits promise large crop. Gage-Winter wheat, oats and grass grow-ing well; some corn to plant yet; pastures good; alfalfa large enough to cut. Hamilton-Corn practically all planted, some cultivated; rain needed. Jefferson-Corn mostly planted, some ha

some cultivated; rain needed. Jefferson-Corn mostly planted, some be-ing replanted; wheat growing well; oats and grass fine; prospects for fruit excellent. Johnson-Wheat in good condition; oats growing finely; pastures good; corn about all planted, some up, and cultivation begun. Lancaster-Small grain growing finely; corn about all planted. Nemaha-Grass, wheat and oats growing fast; corn planting nearly finished, some replanting done; pastures fine.

eplanting done; pastures fine. Nuckolls-Wheat looks fairly well; oats good; corn planting about finished, corr coming up nicely; grass and alfalfa in fair condition.

coming up nicely; grass and alfalfa in fair condition.
 Otoe-Wheat rather thin, but doing well; corn planting well advanced, early planted rotting some and replanting necessary; fruit promising.
 Pawnee-Corn planting progressing rapid-ly, but considerable yet to plant, early planted coming up nicely; excellent pros-pect for fruit.
 Polk-Oats and winter wheat doing finely; grass growing well; corn coming up slowly.
 Richardsom-Some corn vet to plant and some replanting necessary; wheat, oats and grass look well; prospect for full crop of fruit.

ruit. Saline-Small grain and grass doing well: corn planting nearly finished; corn coming up well; apples and cherries setting well. Baunders—Corn about all planted; some replanting done; grass and email grain growing well; plums and cherries setting

well. Seward-Wheat, oats, alfalfa and timothy growing well; corn about planted; corn coming up slowly and some replanting

Thayer--Corn mostly planted; early planted corn coming up; what growing rapidiy; oats fair; grain and alfalfa fine. York-Corn and potatoes coming up slowly and irregularly; planting about fin-ished; small grain growing well. the weather bureau: While the fore part of the week was much too cool in the districts east of the Mississippi river, as a whole the tempera-ture conditions were much more favorable than in the preceding week, the states of the Missouri valley and the Rocky moun-tain and Pacific coast districts experiencing highly satisfactory iemperatures. Gen-erally light rainfall in the central valleys the weather bureau:

Northeastern Section. Antelope-Corn planting about completed ; everything doing well, but rain would be beneficial.

Burt-Corn nearly planted; some fields of small grain thin stand; pastures fair. Cedar-Grass and small grain look well; corn practically all planted. Colfax-Corn planting about finished; pats improved, but some fields

Central Section.

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Sceding is finished, except in the extreme but finally after many delegates had left well; fruit damaged some by freet; corn coming up fairly well. Dawson-Some corn coming up unevenly; northern districts, and harvest is in prog-ress in the southern states. In the east gulf states light yields are generally reported and in Missouri a crop below the average

Indicated.

Fight on Kansas City Platform.

Telegram.)-The Clay county democratic

CLAY CENTED, Neb., May 24-(Special

coming up fairly well. Dawson-Some corn coming up unevenly: some replanting done: spring grain doing fairly well; prospects good for fruit. Garfield-Corn about planted; small grain looks fine; grass abundant. Greeley - Grass in pastures growing slowly; corn uneven; small grain growing micely, but rain is needed. Hall-Small grain looks fine; much corn planted.

convention met here today. J. A. Moore planted. Howard-Winter wheat and rfe look well. of Harvard was elected chairman and C. L. moward winter wheat and fye look well grass good; corn about all planted. Merrick-Corn planting about finished some early planted on low land requires replanting; small grain and grass growing micels. Coons of Clay Center secretary. It was ant Huntington of the signal corps, Liouthe most spirited democratic convention tenant Kimball, in charge of the batteries, held here in years and developed into a and F. E. Culver of the office of General

struggle between those favoring the Kansas Culver and H. M. Crawford, sergeant of ticely. cely. Nance-Crops growing nicely, but more in would be beneficial. City platform and those against it. The the artillery, arrived on the evening train

Nance-crops growing nicely, out indee rain would be beneficial. Bherman-All small grain looks fine: pas-tures and cattle look poor; corn planting about done; rain needed. Valley-Wheat and cats doing fine; early planted corn up; good stand; grass grow-ing slowly.

struct the delegates to the state convention, is expected to arrive this evening. Wheeler-Spring wheat and oats look well; winter wheat will be very short; rain

# Southwestern Section.

Adams-Wheat, oats and alfalfa growing cely; corn about all planted and much of up; pastures short. Chase-Wheat jointing; corn coming up to

good stand. Dundy-Grass growing finely; plowing for cane and millet in progress; corr

Dundy-Grass growing finely; plowing for cane and millet in progress; corn coming up nicely. Franklin-Corn not all planted, while some is being cultivated; fruit damaged but alightly by last week's frost; small grain growing well. Frontier-Winter wheat much damaged; spring wheat and alfalfa doing well; too cool for corn. Furnas-Large acreage planted to corn; large per cent of winter wheat plowed up, but gome fields look fine. Gösper-Fail wheat short and poor growth; wild grass pastures fine: wheat and oats doing well. Harlan-Alfalfa and fail, grain growing nicely; some early planted corn will have to be replanted. Hayes-Fail sown grain poor, moatly plowed up: spring sown grain doing well. Hitchcock-Corn planting about finished; growing nicely. Keartwy-Oats and wheat look well: corn

of life in the sleeping volcano; but within is '

ng nicely. Kearney-Oats and wheat look well: corr the giant awakes with deafening roars, and they are lost beneath a downcoming up, good stand; rain would be bene icial; alfalfa nearly ready to cut; pastures pour of heated rock and scalding ashes. Thousands of blood poison sufferers are living upon a sleeping volcano, and are taking desperate chances,

fair. Lincoin-Spring wheat looking and doing well: grass growing nicely and stock look-ing fine; corn/and beets about planted. Perkins-Wheat and grass growing well; too cold for corn. Phelps-Corn planting nearly done; wheat doing very well; rye heading: wild grass pasture doing fine. Redwillow-Spring wheat looks well, but winter wheat is very poor: alfeifa doing for under the mercury and putash treatment the external Gentlemen: For over four years I suffered symptoms of the disease dis- greatly from a severe case of contagious blood

symptoms of the disease dis-appear, and the deluded vic-tim is happy in the belief of a complete cure; but the fires of contagion have only been smothered in the system, and as soon as these minerals are left off will blaze up again. kedwillow-spring wheat looks well, but winter wheat is very poor: alfelfa doing very well; fruit damaged some by frost. Webster-Small grain, pastures and al-falfa doing well; corn coming up slowly, some poor stands and many replanting.

Western and Northwestern Sections

Boxbutte-Some corn planted; all crops backward, but doing well. Brown-Grars slow and backward; wheat, oats and rye doing well; wild fruit damaged by frost; corn about planted. Cherry-Grass growing slowly; cattle look well. Cheyenne-Cool, with showers; grain and grass growing well. Occasional sores break out in well. the mouth, a red rash appears on the body, and these warning symptoms, if not heeded, are soon followed by fearful eruptions, sores, copper-colored

grass growing well. Deuel-Cold and windy; grass growing

slowly. Keith-Grass backward; small grain grow logan-Frost damaged fruit and killed

Logan-Frost damaged fruit and killed all corn that was up. McPherson-Grass growing finely; range cattle doing well. Rock-Small grain and grass making good growth; enrly corn and potatoes up; cattle doing well. oing well. Scott's Bluff-Good rain; rather cool fo

Sheridan-Small grain coming up, Sheridan-Small grain coming up, Sloux-Good rain; grass and all crop doing finely. G. A. LOVELAND, Section Director Lincoln, Neb. crop

WEEKLY SUMMARY CROP REPORT Corn Planting Nearly Completed and

Oats and Wheat Promising.

WASHINGTON, May 24 .- The following

s a summary of the weekly crop report of

securities, and if any are to be deducted we want to know it. If any are above par we want to know that. We are laying the foundation for railroad assessment that probably will be followed for years, and it is the desire of this board to lay the foundation right. It is our business to start right and that is what we want to do without doing injustice to any one, and we appreciate any information that the railroads will give us."

Stocks as Basis of Valuation. "Then I understand that you want to make the information the motion calls for the basis of valuation," said Mr. Scribner. "Yes, sir," answered Mr. Mortensen, and

none of the board contradicted him. "Then if you will give me a copy of the resolution," said Mr. Scribner, "I will comunicate with the office in New York City, because I cannot undertake to furnish you the figures and neither would I take the responsibility of trying to figure out what you desire. But in regard to taking the capitalization as a basis I want to say that we have tried that and the supreme court said we could not do it. We were told to get the value of the property in use for are not enough of the committee members taxation," and then Mr. Scribner began to theorize that if the Board of Equalization was a board fixing the rate to be charged for transporting freight it would not allow the road to take into consideration the transcontinental business done to increase the valuation of the road, but he was interrupted by Mr. Mortensen, who said the board was not a rate board and that it was a condition it had to face and not a theory.

The motion was finally adopted, with two roices voting for it and none against it. Weston then announced that he thought the motion was not broad enough and he wanted to include the holdings in the Oregon Short Line, Northern Securities company, Northern Pacific, Southern Pacific and other companies in which the Union Pacific had holdings.

"All we want," said Mr. Mortensen, "is a report of the Union Pacific proper.' Then Mr. Scribner asked if this would be required of all the roads.

He was assured by the board members that all roads would be treated allke. Mr. Scribner will probably go to New York himself to get the information from the financial office and will report a week from Monday.

The board spent the afternoon digging out the value of the tangible property of CRABTREE GOES TO PERU NORMAL the Burlington.

### Prisoner Shoots at Sheriff.

A pistol duel between Sheriff Bauman of Fremont and a convicted horsethief, Edward Drannon, occurred on the streets here this afternoon, with no disastrous results. The sheriff was bringing Drannon to the penitentiary and, with Mrs. Bauman, the three went into Hendry's restaurant, on North Eleventh street, to get dinner. After eating the sheriff went to wash his hands



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# Republicans to Organize.

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock the state committee and the nominees for state offices will meet at the Lindell hotel to perfect an organization of the new committee. At this time it is impossible to tell who the chairman will be, as none of the nominees will express an opinion, and there here to tell the sentiment. J. C. F. McKesson will likely receive the support of Lancaster county for the place, and it # not believed that he will be objectionable to the candidates. Other candidates for the place, however, have just as many friends, who will work to land their man.

Examining Irrighting Canals.

Assistant State Engineer Hubbard went to Bedford and Dunning today to look up some canals of the Loup river preparatory to getting out maps this fall. The irrigated portions of the state have been mapped with the exception of the canals from the Loup, and it is the desire of Engineer Dobson to get this done this fall.

Three holidays in a stretch will be the record for next week and besides there will be a circus in Lincoln Sunday. Monday is Memorial day and Tuesday is the day set apart by Governor Mickey in commemoration of the signing of the Kansas-Nebraska bill fifty years ago. The date was changed from May 30 to May 31 because the first date is Memorial day. The date of the celebration in Omaha has been changed to June 10, though Governor Mickey's proclamation for May \$1 still holds good

Dr. Clark's Resignation is Accepted by the Board.

PERU, Neb., May 24.-(Special Telegram.) -The Board of Trustees of the State Normal school met here this evening and in addition to routine business received the resignation of Dr. Clark as superintendent of the school. It was accepted, and J. W. Crabtree of Lincoln was elected to the position. The only other change in the faculty was the election of Miss Nettleton of Central City as teacher in elocution.

# Capture Boy Burgiars.

FAIRBURY, Neb., May 24.-(Special.)-Two boys, who gave the names of John Hill and August Carl Bathke and claimed Chicago as their home, broke into a B. & M. freight car at Reynolds a few days ago. They were captured after disposing of most of the goods, but escaped from the constable after pleading guilty and being remanded to jail. The Crawford bloodhounds were put on the trail and followed them to Mahaska, at which place they took the blind baggage passage westward. Sheriff Hill of Belleville, Kan., was notified and headed them off, bringing them to Fairbury this morning.

Killed by Lightning. WAYNE, Nob., May 34.-(Special Telegram.)-C. C. Clark, who resides on the A. M. Jacobs farm, six miles northwest of Wayne, was struck by lightning and instantly killed about meen today. Three,

cient to seat nearly all of the people who wished to attend. Tonight in the opera-house was held the class day exercises. Thursday evening, May 25, will occur the graduation exercises. There are thirteen in the class-seven girls and six boys. CLARKS, May 34.—The fifteenth annual commencement of the Clarks High school occurs this week, beginning with a schern program participated in by the various de-partments of the school on Thursday even-ing. The commencement orations and the class address by Hon. J. L. McBrien, deputy state superfutement, will be given Friday evening. The baccalaureate address will be delivered on Sunday evening by Rev. Mrs. E. B. Perkins. Monday evening the annual alumni banquet will be held at Campbell's hall. PLATTSMOUTH, May 24.—R. W. Clem-

the annual alumni banquet will be held at Campbell's hall. PLATTSMOUTH, May 24.-R. W. Clem-ent, city treasurer, has instituted man-damus proceedings in the district court against W. D. Wheeler, county treasurer, to obtain an order from the court to com-pel the county treasurer to pay to him a talance of something like \$715.65, collected from the levy made upon taxable property in the city of Platismouth for the road fund. This suit is brought to decide the question as to whether or not the county treasurer has a right to retain one-half of such taxes collected, which was in this case twice the amount asked for in the petition. BEATRICE, May 24.-District court con-vened here yesterday, with Judge Kelligar on the bench. The case of Hazlett & Jack against the estate of Almira T. Parker, a suit for attorneys' fees, was disposed of, the court finding for the defense. The \$5,000 damage suit of Vertrees against Gage county was taken up for trial today. The plaintiff asks damages for injurics sus-tained by failing through a wagon bridge with a threshing machine engine. Charles Foiden, who was on the angine with Ver-trees at the time the accident courted, was instantly killed. The accident hap-pened last September.

hin stand; rye fine and beginning to show heads. Cuming-Corn planting mostly done; first planting up; small grain improved by rain of last week; fruit prospects good. Dakota-Crops doing well; plenty of rain. Dixon-Small grain rather thin stand; pastures good; corn planting mostly com-pleted; early planting up. Dodge-Spring sown wheat and oats gen-erally thin and weedy, oats especially, but growing finely; corn planting about finished. Holt-Oats look a little thin; alfalfa grow-ing finely; corn about planted; potatoes coming up; pastures good. Knox-A little corn up and cultivated; alfalfa considerably winter-killed. Madison-Rye heading; corn coming up would be benefited by rain. Platte-Small grain good; corn about all planted; some corn up; apple trees have not blossomed profusely; pastures good. Sarpy-Corn coming up slowly, some a poor stand; cherries setting abundantly; corn about all planted. Thurston-Small grain looks fine; corn about planted; poart and oats backward, but look well; some early planted corn up, about planted; sastures are good. Washington-Wheat and oats backward, but shows poor stand; cherries promise large crop. Wayne-Small grain and grass doing Cuming-Corn planting mostly done; first

tain and Pacific coast districts experiencing highly satisfactory imperatures. Genally light rainfall in the central valleys and over most of the southern states perimitted the favorable progress of farm mitted the favorable progress of farm fined mainly to the upper Ohlo valley. Complaints of wet soll, however, continues for portions of the central Mississippi and lower Missouri valleys. Drouth continues in the south Atlantic and east guilf states and over the southern plateau region, and lower Missouri valleys. Drouth continues in the south Atlantic and east guilf states and over the southern plateau region, and lower Missouri valleys. Drouth continues the need of rain is beginning to be felt in central and castern Texas and on the north Pacific const. Frost, more or less damagning, occurred on the 16th and 17th in the lake region, upper Ohlo valley, where it has been prevented by wet soll. In fowa, Nebraska and Kansas planting is nearly completed, but in Missouri it is only about to be planted in the Ohlo valley. Where this work has been greatly delayed. In the central and east guilf states corn is backward, but has made good growth in Texas. Cut worms have proved very dostructive in Kenucky. Tennesses and portions of the isst named state the outlook is somewhat less promising. Whiter wheat has advanced favorably in Nebraska and Kansas is reported from Illinois. Michigan and Ohlo, where, however, the condition of the crop is very poor. In the middle Atlantic states the crop has made state the outlook is reported from Illinois. Michigan and Ohlo, where, however, the constitution of the crop is very poor. In the satisfactory progress, and a general imgrovement is also noted. On the Pacific coast whiter wheat subtained afformation and washingtor.
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sown. The general outlook for oats in the princi-pal oat-producing states is promising. nice; corn planting nearly completed; some corn just coming up; pastures good. Custer-Small grain and grass looking



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for the state convention are opposed to the

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