

PROUT FAVORS COMPROMISE

Understanding that Bondmen Propose to Pay Costs of Suit. STATE TO REALIZE NOTHING FROM THEM

Examiner Reports on Condition of Elkhorn Valley Bank at O'Neill, but Statement Not Made Public.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Dec. 3.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the State Board of Compromise last night, at which was discussed the Bartley bondmen case, Attorney General Prout read a history of the litigation and closed by recommending that the board settle the matter. While no formal proposition was made to the board, it is understood that the bondmen are willing to pay the court costs of the suit. It has been learned by the board members that W. A. Paxton has spent a large sum fighting the case. It was told a member of the board that Mr. Paxton gave his wife and son each \$20,000 and kept \$20,000 himself. Since the suit began it is said he has spent \$20,000 in defending the suit and in other ways, and that a judgment would be valueless. It has been reported to the board that if it fails to compromise the suit the bondmen expect to go through bankruptcy.

Report on Broken Bank. Bank Examiner Whittemore has made his official report to the State Banking board of the condition of the Elkhorn Valley bank at O'Neill and this will be followed by an application for the appointment of a receiver. The report will not be made public at this time, for the reason that in the opinion of Attorney General Prout such publication would hamper the work of settling up the affairs of the bank and the names of some individuals are used in the report that it is not deemed expedient at this time to give to the public.

The official report, however, does not differ materially from the reports of the condition of the bank as already published. The \$25,000 worth of notes found by the examiner that he at first reported as being apparently worthless are worth something. Some of the notes are new ones and are not yet due. Many of these notes, it is safe to say, can be realized on for the benefit of the depositors, but to what extent is not known. No cash, other than the ten copper cents, has been found.

Chaplain Rev. Williams Resigns. Rev. W. K. Williams, chaplain of the state penitentiary, has resigned his position and the place is now vacant. The resignation was tendered to Governor Mickey some days ago, but was not made public. It is probable that Rev. P. C. Johnson of Tecumseh will be appointed to fill the vacancy. Rev. Mr. Johnson is an old-time preacher and stands high in Methodist circles. He is an old soldier and is at present without a charge. It is understood that he was formerly pastor of one of Governor Mickey's churches.

Board Friendly to Penn. Commandant Penn of the Soldiers' home at Milford and Joe Testers, who wants his place, were both interviewed by members of the State Board of Public Lands and Buildings this afternoon, though each said there was no significance in his visit. Some complaint has been made against Mr. Penn, but a member of the board said in his opinion seven-eighths of the old soldiers would sign a petition for his retention, and that he believed the present board would retain him. His time, however, is not out until March, and it is a new board, with the exception of two members, that will do the selecting. Matt Howe and G. W. Day, both of this city, are after the same place.

Suspense Not Over Yet. Auditor Searle, who was expected here today to name his office force, failed to show up and the present members of Auditor Weston's staff are consequently still on the anxious seat. It has been announced that G. W. Day, both of this city, are after the same place.

Premium for Fine Poultry. Secretary Ludden of the State Poultry association is sending out to poultry fanciers the list of premiums to be awarded at the coming poultry show to be held in Lincoln January 15 for five days. The premiums are as follows:

Omaha Man Gets Endorsement. Frank Farmer from Douglas county, who has been doing a begging stunt around town for several days, on the strength of a letter of endorsement signed by the county commissioners of Douglas county, has secured a further endorsement on his begging letter. The endorsement is signed by the desk sergeant at the city jail: "I cannot endorse all of above, but will certify that on 11 a. m. on December 1 he was paroled drunk." Folkman was arrested for being drunk and upon his promise to get out of town was released by the chief of police.

Has Time to Read Clippings. Hon. Thomas Tibbles will have thirty days in which to meditate over things said about him in the press clippings furnished him by the Burrell Clipping bureau of New York before paying the \$60.00 or not paying the said sum. The case was called for hearing in a justice court yesterday and the late vice presidential candidate asked for thirty days' continuance and also asked that the clipping bureau be required to file a bond for costs in the case.

Cases Are Postponed. The cases against two parties for renting houses for immoral purposes were called in police court yesterday and continued, with the consent of the deputy county attorney. The arrest of the parties is the beginning of a war to be waged by the Ministerial association, preparatory to cutting some ice in the next city election.

Federation Asks Postponement. The Civic Federation of Omaha, dated for consideration here this morning before Governor Mickey, disappointed the people of this city grievously. The delegation failed to show up, but instead wrote a letter to the effect that the president of the association, T. J. Mahoney, was busy and couldn't fill the engagement, and in-

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For a free order for Book on Dyspepsia, a full dollar's worth of my remedy, or a full dollar's worth of my remedy, write to me at once. I will send you a full dollar's worth of my remedy, or a full dollar's worth of my remedy, write to me at once.

CATTLE THEFTS IN CUSTER

Ranchman Hides a Bunch of Twenty-Five Head from His Herd. ALL BUT TWO TRACED TO SOUTH OMAHA

Young Calf and a Crippled Cow Evidently Lost on the Drive to Litchfield—Other Cases Reported.

LITCHFIELD, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—On November 6 George Porter was on his ranch and counted his cattle. On the first of last week he again counted them, finding a shortage of twenty-five head. Inquiry has revealed the fact that on November 7 twenty-three head of cattle were shipped to McLoud-Love company, South Omaha, by one Jonny Powers. So far Jonny Powers has not been found. One little calf left in the stock yards and a crippled cow, which would hardly make the trip from the ranch to Litchfield, accounted for the shortage.

Tom Todd, a farmer living on Clear creek, south of Leis park, lost twenty-five steers in September and has been unable to get any trace of them.

The preliminary hearing of M. E. Chandler, Robert Fox and E. E. Huff, charged with stealing thirty-four head of cattle from Crist Jensen and N. J. Crawford is set for December 12 in a justice court at Broken Bow. J. E. Chandler is out on \$500 bonds, signed by George Gross, an ex-convict. Robert Fox is out on \$500 bonds signed by his wife and another.

FREMONT MASONIC TEMPLE BURNS

All of Lodge Paraphernalia Destroyed Before Flames Are Under Control. FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—The Masonic Temple on Fifth street was discovered on fire about 3 o'clock this morning and before the flames were under control the entire building was badly damaged. The fire evidently caught in a property room on the third floor and the whole upper part of the building was a blaze when discovered. All of the lodge paraphernalia was destroyed, including the Knights Templar uniforms.

The second floor was a large hall, which was being decorated and fixed up with booths for a Masonic fair which was to be held next week. About \$15,000 worth of goods which were to be sold during the fair were in the hall and an adjoining room and were a total loss and of course uninsured.

Courtright & Sidner's office, on this floor, was badly damaged by water. Much of the billiard hall on the first floor were removed in a fire, damaging conditions. O. D. Harris' bowling alleys were totally destroyed.

The building was built in 1888 at a cost of \$22,000 and was owned by a corporation known as the Masonic Temple Craft. Its loss is about \$100,000, with no insurance. Courtright & Sidner's loss, which is principally by water, is about \$600, with no insurance. Ed Hein places his loss at \$500, which is just covered by insurance.

O. D. Harris' loss is \$500, with no insurance. The Knights Templar carried \$1,700 on their uniforms. The Blue Lodge chapter, Easter Star and the Knights had \$2,300 insurance on the properties, which are a total loss. The lodge records were saved in a fire damaged building.

The records of the different Masonic lodges, which were in a desk in the lodge room on the third floor, were taken out of the ruins this afternoon, and while wet and scorched are still legible. The origin of the fire is not known.

The lodge room says that he left the building about 12 o'clock and is positive there was no fire there then. A number of people who were at work decorating the hall in the second floor left about the same time and everything was all right at that time. The four walls seem to be in good condition.

ENJOINED FROM LAYING FLOOR

Five Councilmen Resign as Result of Litigation at Kearney. KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—The injunction case of C. A. Robinson against Mayor Roe and the councilmen of the city caused them to resign from their positions. The injunction was issued by the court on Friday afternoon.

Mayor Roe was represented by N. P. McDonald, and the remainder of the councilmen by City Attorney Squires and Warren Pratt. After listening to the arguments Judge Hostetter issued a temporary injunction fixing the bond of the plaintiff at \$100.

As a result of the litigation over the floor matter Councilmen Chass, Clapp, Kuhn, Shreve and Boyd this afternoon filed their resignations in the office of the city clerk.

Small Docket in Dawes. CHADRON, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—The full term of the district court of Dawes county, set for November 28, convened today. The cause of the delay was that the present judge, Roe, was away on business in hearing a murder case in Keya Paha county and was detained longer than expected. The docket contains five criminal cases, the only one of which will come to trial, in all probability, being that of Frank Woods, for \$200 bought for \$1,000 the person of Mae Johnson in a sporting house in Chadron, and fifty-one civil suits.

After call of docket and setting of cases for trial, court adjourned until December 6, to which date the jury has been excused. This is the smallest number of cases ever on the Dawes county docket and the court announced that the docket would be cleared even if court stayed in session until March.

Farmers Feeding Much Stock. FAIRBURY, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Jefferson county mortgagee indebtedness for November is as follows: Farm mortgages filed, 14; amount, \$23,385; released, 18; amount, \$37,750; city mortgages filed, 15; amount, \$9,460; released, 13; amount, \$7,228.75; chattel mortgages filed, 78; amount, \$4,711.33; released, 26; amount, \$5,988.98. The large amount of chattel mortgages filed is due to the fact that for winter feeding, one feeder having given a mortgage for \$24,000 for stock purchased.

Conductor Crushed by Cars. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Conductor Charles S. Brawley, 24 years of age, was run over and crushed by a car at Pacific Junction this morning. The unfortunate man was brought to this city and admitted to the hospital. He had been in the employ of the Burlington for twelve years. His wife and their son, aged 13 years, accompanied the body to their home in Creston, Ia., this evening.

William Bossov. WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Word was received in the city this week of the death of William Bossov, who was a patient from this county in the hospital for the insane at Hastings. The body was brought to this city and was interred by his parents, who live north of town. The deceased was 28 years of age.

Omaha Firm Sees for Contract. FAIRBURY, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—At their last meeting the county commissioners awarded the contract for build-

ing and repairing county bridges for 1905 to Phil S. Easterday of this city. John W. Towle of Omaha commenced mandamus proceedings against the board yesterday to compel them to give him the contract, as his bid was the lowest. The commissioners claim that as they considered the bid of the former the best they had the right to award the contract as they did.

HUSBAND AND WIFE ARE KILLED

Old Settlers of Madison County Struck by Train Near Meadow Grove. NORFOLK, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—A Norfolk News specialist states that Thomas E. Ayers and his wife, old settlers of Madison county, were killed by a North-western freight train near a little bridge west of Meadow Grove last night, and their bodies, together with the body of their dead dog, were found blanketed with snow by section men today.

The bodies were horribly cut and mangled, limbs being torn off and features destroyed. Each was 50 years old. They leave five children.

An inquest was held today.

Drowns Himself in Well.

BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Peter Jensen, aged 52 years, who has lived on a farm about one mile from the city for several years, drowned herself in a well this morning. She had got up to prepare breakfast, and her husband, missing her from the room, searched for her and found the body at the bottom of the well. She had shown some slight derangement of the mind for about four weeks, but was not thought to be bad enough to do herself any harm. She was 50 years old, besides her husband, two sons and one daughter, all grown.

New Egg-Eating Record.

COLON, Neb., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—In order to win a bet of \$1 with Dr. Willis Joseph Jenovays on Wednesday devoured four dozen eggs in twenty-five minutes, without serious inconvenience. Apparently he suffered no after ill effects. The eggs weighed six pounds and the shells on and were soft boiled. He ate them in the morning, one hour for the task, but got through in less than half the time. A large part of Colon and the surrounding country was on hand to witness the feat.

News of Nebraska.

SEWARD, Dec. 3.—A decidedly cold wave is making itself felt at Seward today. The thermometer yesterday

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—The farmers' elevator at Blue Springs is almost completed. It is a two-story building, 100 feet long and 40 feet wide, and is ready for occupancy by December 25.

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—Francis M. Gall-nant, a 34-year-old man, was arrested in the northeastern part of the county, to E. C. Kemmer for \$13,000.

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—The movement is on foot to secure all-night electric lighting throughout the city. At present the light is furnished only until 11 o'clock.

SEWARD, Dec. 3.—The Methodist Episcopal presiding elder of York district gave a talk at the home of Mrs. E. A. Gilbert last night on "Aggressive Evangelism."

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert L. Cole, pioneer residents of this city, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Monday at their home on South Sixth street.

FAIRBURY, Dec. 3.—W. T. Hicks, formerly a resident of this city, is the publisher of the Fairbury Gazette, the late publisher, Cash M. Taylor, retiring to engage in other business.

PLATTSMOUTH, Dec. 3.—In district court in the case of Matt Gering against School No. 28 to collect the balance of about \$300, the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant. District court has adjourned until Monday.

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—This section of Nebraska is experiencing its first touch of winter. The thermometer yesterday dropped down to about 29 degrees above zero and prospects are for snow before the weather moderates.

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—At a meeting of the Board of Home Company held last evening, Charles W. H. Stewart, a delegate to attend the annual state convention, was elected to the position of secretary.

PLATTSMOUTH, Dec. 3.—The Burlington streetcar from the main line to the new hill, near Oreadella, to the mouth of the Platte river, will be used by the Lyman Sand company to get sand from the river bottom.

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—The Carnegie public library will be opened formally and with a fitting literary and musical program Tuesday evening. The doors will be open thereafter between designated hours until the week. Miss Mabel Stone will be librarian.

AUBURN, Dec. 3.—Mrs. Harmon, wife of G. B. Harmon of this city, met with a painful accident this evening. She slipped on a defective sidewalk, breaking her right ankle. She was taken to the hospital and the broken bone reset.

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—Harry G. Miller, a former resident of this city, is the closing number at that place, informally met a number of the local grand jurors here last evening for the purpose of talking over the matter of forming an organization.

SCHUYLER, Dec. 3.—Arrangements have been perfected for a fat stock and poultry show to be held here on December 15. The thing like \$100 in cash prizes will be offered. During the show there will be sales of fine stock and poultry. The show will be held at the home of W. Cameron, J. C. Kahl, E. F. Folds and others.

BEATRICE, Dec. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith were married fifty years last Wednesday, and thirty of their friends gathered for a grand celebration at their golden anniversary. The aged couple were presented with beautiful flowers and a young girl presented them with a Bible with dollar bills for bookmarks.

DAKOTA CITY, Dec. 3.—Joe Hagan, a farmer residing near Hubbard, was reported to Sheriff Hansen that on Wednesday night of this week, while on the way to the farm, he had killed three prairie dogs.

THE VALUE OF CHARCOAL

Few People Know How Useful It is in Household Cleanliness. Nearly everybody knows that charcoal is the safest and most efficient disinfectant and purifier in nature, but few realize its value when taken into the human system for the same cleansing purpose.

Charcoal is the best of all medicines ever on the Dawes county docket and the court announced that the docket would be cleared even if court stayed in session until March.

Charcoal sweetens the breath after snoring, drinking or after eating onions and other odorous vegetables. Charcoal effectually cleans and improves the complexion, it whitens the teeth and further acts as a natural and eminently safe cathartic.

It absorbs the injurious gases which collect in the stomach and bowels; it disinfects the mouth and throat from the poison of catarrh.

All druggists sell charcoal in one form or another, but probably the best charcoal and the most for the money is in Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges, the finest composed of the finest powdered Willow charcoal and other harmless antiseptics in tablet form, or rather in the form of large, pleasant tasting lozenges, the charcoal being mixed with honey.

The daily use of these lozenges will soon clear the system of all impurities, give general health, better complexion, sweeter breath and purer blood, and the beauty of it, is that no possible harm can result from their continued use, but on the contrary, great benefit.

A Buffalo physician in speaking of the benefits of charcoal, says: "I advise Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges to all patients suffering from gas in stomach and bowels, and to clear the complexion and purify the breath, mouth and throat; I also believe the liver is greatly benefited by the daily use of the lozenges. It is a safe and reliable agent in some sense a patent preparation, yet I believe I get more and better charcoal in Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges than in any of the ordinary charcoal tablets."

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50 and 60-inch Bagdad couch covers, fringe all around, extra heavy cover, all colors, price, each 1.75
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Striped and Negus Portieres, full width, extra heavy, fringe top and bottom, all colors—ways sold for \$4.50 to \$5 per pair 2.50
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Our assortment consists of all the conceivable shapes in taborettes in golden, weathered and antwerp oak, mahogany finish and solid mahogany, also genuine teak wood and Damascus taborettes. Oak taborettes at 75c, 90c, \$1, \$1.35, \$1.50, gradually raising in price up to the extreme fine pieces in teakwood, up to \$40.

Ladies' Writing Desks 73 patterns in golden, weathered and antwerp oak, bird's eye maple, curly birch, mahogany finish and solid mahogany at as great a variety in prices as there are styles, from \$5.25 to \$100.

Parlor Cabinets A large showing of these pretty pieces for the parlor, handsomely finished in oak and mahogany and gold. Some plain, others carved, while still others handsomely inlaid. For the plainer pieces we start at \$12.50 and grade gradually up to the extreme fine ones at \$200.

Many other pieces suitable for gifts in furniture, such as davenport, divans, pretty parlor chairs, Morris chairs, leather couches, Turkish chairs in leather, parlor and den tables, den and weathered oak pieces of all kinds, gentlemen's auto-valets or chiffoniers, princess dressers, bookcases and many other articles.

Work Tables See our complete assortment of ladies' work tables in genuine mahogany. Some especially attractive pieces in old colonial and antique reproductions. These range in price from \$13.50 to \$45.

Tea Tables In oak and mahogany. \$8, raising in price to \$35.

Music Cabinets Also open and closed cabinets for pianola rolls. Music cabinets come in golden oak, mahogany finish and genuine mahogany in great variety of shapes, starting at \$4.75 and grade gradually in price up to \$55.

Dressing Tables In oak, bird's eye maple, curly birch, light and dark mahogany. A very extensive showing of these for the holidays, ranging in price from \$8 to \$80.

FINNS ARE FEELING BETTER Expelled Persons Elected to Diet Are Permitted to Attend Sessions. ELECTIONS HELD WITHOUT COERCION Coming Session of Parliament Regarded as Being of Vital Importance to Future Status of Grand Duchy.

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Dec. 3.—An order has been issued by Emperor Nicholas that as the statutes of the Finnish Diet require members to participate in its deliberations all expelled persons who have been elected deputies or who are heads of hereditary noble houses shall be permitted to return and attend the Diet until the session closes. The assembling of the Diet December 6 arouses the most intense interest among the Finnish people, as the session is regarded as being of vital importance in determining the future status of the grand duchy. The elections have given the constitutionalists a majority in three houses, the nobility, the burghers and the peasants, and there is a tie in the clerical chamber.

Much of the political agitation which disturbed the tranquillity of the country was due to the belief of the Finns since the policy of the Russification of Finland became active, that the Diet would not be reconvened this year. The late Governor General Hrobrkoff's opposition to its convocation was the cause of his intense unpopularity, and it is not too much to say that the country experienced a sense of relief when Schaumann's bullet ended the governor's existence. With the advent of Governor General Prince Obolensky and the emperor's action in not only convoking the Diet for December 6, but in fixing the date of its assembling three years hence, instead of after the usual five years' interval, much better feeling prevailed, and the elections took place without any evidence of coercion on the part of the Russian officials.

Snow at St. Paul. ST. PAUL, Dec. 3.—For the first time this season snow has fallen in St. Paul. The temperature is mild, but indications are that the snow will continue to fall.

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