THOUSANDS OF ACRES COVERED BY DEAL

One Man Files Sixty-Four Declaratory Statements, Many Applicants Being New Inmates of Soldiers' Homes.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., March 18 .- (Special.)-One of the features of the homestead law seems to have been taken advantage of by some of the men who are very reluctant to give up the land which they have for years past used as free range for their stock. An enactment of congress of some years standing provides that still retaining his commission in the guards old soldiers of the rebellion may have certain privileges not accorded to other against the flag. The circumstances atpeople desiring homesteads. One of these privileges is that by filing a soldier's de- are more remarkable than anything in claratory statement the soldier shall have fiction. When the Virginia militia were after the land described in the declaratory be filed by an agent, and there is nothing ing for a number of people.

The effect of flling the statement is pracing the recent opening of land in this region to one-section homesteads one Philesoldier's declaratory statements, and altostatements covered the best land in the re-

An example of the manner of covering the records of the United States land office township 17, range 36; 7,000 acres in townwere covered by these statements. On the be no concealment of the motives. It is not saying more than there is ample season at \$2 per section. The applications show that the postoffice address of the old soldiers who have signed these applications are most entirely locations soldiers' homes, which presents unmistakable evidence that the agent, Wintersteen, went to these homes and procured the old soldiers' signatures to the power of attorney authorizing him to choose land for them.

The land has been pronounced by people who are acquainted with its character as being the best that was thrown open for entry in February. Consequently there will become subject to one-section homestead entry at the North Platte, Neb., land office 45,000 acres of the best homestead ACTIVE FIGHT FOR PROHIBITION land in the region. These declaratory statements expire six months from date of filing and they will all run out between August 13 and 30 of the present year, at which time no doubt there will again be a goodly number of applicants in this city hunting for land.

Rock Island Wins Contest.

BEATRICE, Neb., March 18 .- (Special.)-By a clever move the Rock Island road has secured right-of-way over certain streets and alleys in the south part of the city for the purpose of building a switch to the grocery house of E. S. Stevens. The extension will be about four blocks in length and will run diagonally across three blocks. The ordinance granting the company this privilege was passed at the last meeting of the city council, and, although the Union Pacific had a similar proposition before the council several months ago, it met with defeat.

While the statement was made at the meeting of the council that the company wanted the right-of-way merely for sidetrack purposes, it is believed there is something behind this move on the part of the company not yet known to the public. and that it may be figuring on making

What Sulphur Does

For the Human Body in Health and Disease. The mention of sulphur will recall to

many of us the early days when our mothers and grandmothers gave us our daily dose of sulphur and molasses every spring and tail.

It was the universal spring and fall blood purifier," tonic and cure-all, and mind you, this old-fashfoned remedy was not without merit.

The idea was good, but the remedy was crude and unpalatable, and a large quantity had to be taken to get any effect.
Nowadays we get all the beneficial effects

of sulphur in a palatable, concentrated form, so that a single grain is far more effective than a tablespoonful of the cruds sulphur. In recent years research and experiment

have proven that the best sulphur for medicinal use is that obtained from Calcium (Calcium Sulphide) and sold in drug stores under the name of Stuart's Calcium Wafers. They are small chocolate conted pellets and contain the active medicinal and nominated the following ticket: For principle of sulphur in a highly concentrated, effective form

Few people are awate of the value of this form of sulphur in restoring and main. B. S. Bierce received the nomination for taining bodily vigor and health; sulphur police judge and Chris Polick, J. R. Wright acts directly on the liver, and excretory organs and purifies and enriches the blood by the prompt elimination of waste material.

Our grandmothers knew this when they dosed us with sulphur and molasses every spring and fall but the crudity and impurity of ordinary flowers of sulphur were often for Board of Education, W. H. Lenning, worse than the disease, and cannot compare with the modern concentrated preparations of sulphur, of which Stuart's Calclum Wafers is undoubtedly the best and most widely used.

They are the natural antidote for liver and kidney troubles and cure consupation and purify the blood in a way that often

surprises patient and physicians alike.

Dr. R. M. Wilkins while experimenting with suiphur remedies soon found that the sulphur from Calcium was superior to any other form. He says: "For liver, kidney and blood troubles, especially when resulting from constipation or malaria, I have been surprised at the results obtained from Stuart's Calcium Wafers. In patients suffering from bolls and pimples and even deep-seated carbuncles. I have repeatedly seen them dry up and disappear in four or five days, leaving the skin clear and smooth. Although Stuart's Calcium Wafers is a proprietary article and sold by druggiats and for that reason tabooed by many physicians, yet I know of nothing so safe and reliable for constipation, liver and kidney troubles and especially in all forms of

skin diseases as this remedy." At any rate people who are tired of pills, cathartics and so-called blood "purifiers" will find in Stuart's Calcium Wafers, a preparation.

STOCKMEN TAKE THE STAND some extensive improvements. It is besidering the question of building a line to Ciatonia, a point about twenty-three miles northwest of Beatrice, thus making a consecting link with its Lincoln line.

SHOWALTER'S FIRST ENLISTMENT

How a Member of the Virginia Militia Got Into the Army. FREMONT, Neb., March 18 .- (Special.) Major J. H. Showalter of this city is one of the few survivors of the members of the Virginia militia who were called into service during the John Brown insur-

rection just before the war. He was at that time first Heutenant of the Marion Guards of Fairmont, Va., now West Virginia. At the time Brown was hung, his company was again in service doing guard duty at Harper's Ferry. He was bitterly opposed to accession as were a majority of the people in that part of the state, but not in that county and while he quietly formed a decision not to fight tending his enlisting in the Union army the right to enter for six months there- called into service by Governor Letcher, the women of Fairmont presented the Marion from Arkansas by Sheriff Richardson, and statement. The declaratory statement may guards with the confederate colors. The same day the captain left for Richmond in the law to prohibit one agent from act- on a political errand and the command of the company fell to Lieutenant Showalter. He knew the sentiments of most of his

the distriction of the land for a period of six months. It stood among the Union men, who numcosts the applicant but \$2 per filing. Dur- bered twenty-three, not quite a third of the attracted a large crowd and lasted most company that they would meet in the tus 11. Wintersteen filed sixty-four such ing and decide what to do. In spite of all Sullivan and Humphrey represented the soldier's declaratory statements, and altogether there were filed seventy-six such statements which covered and practically prohibited from entry by bons fide applicants 45,000 acres of homestead land. There was method in the affair, too, for the agent was in the employ of a prominent cattle man of the state and these declaratory statements covered the best land in the re
state.

Damaging evidence was given by one of the firm of Tagg brothers of precautions the news leaked out that the state. in the confederate army. They informed him that he had been enlisting men for "Abe Lincoin's hirelings" and that they had the rope there to hang him. They would undoubtedly have succeeded for he was unarmed had not his sister-in-law, a handsome, resolute young woman, stepped in front of him giving him an opportunity to escape through the house. That night one by one the twenty-three men gathered in the sum of \$1,000 to appear before the next term of district court. As no one so far has offered to go his bond, Sheriff Richardson still has him in custody.

Chandler was released, as there was no evidence to hold him.

News of Nebraska.

Was dressed.

PAPILLION, March 18.—G. D. McClaskey, who for years has been connected with the Papillion Times and who recently sold out his interests, will in the future devote his time in following a poultry paper at Clay Center, Neb. The name being "Poultry Reeper's Companion." While in Clay Center recently he organized the McClaskey-Jessup company and made arrangements to begin the publication of the paper the first of September.

OSCEOLA March 18.—A large crowd of the land may be seen from the fact that was unarmed had not his sister-in-law, a show that there were 10,000 acres in front of him giving him an opportunity in township 16, range 36; 14,006 acres in to escape through the house. That night ship 16, range 37; 4,000 acres in township in the tannery building and by the light 17, range 37; in round numbers 35,000 acres of a solitary candle signed an agreement

drawn by their lieutenant to enlist face of them and the records, all is fair in the Union army. They left by and no fraud exists, but back of it there different roads and by the following noon nearly all succeeded in reaching General Kelley's forces which were on evidence to substantiate to say that it is their way to Fairment. The next morning but renting the government land by a the union forces entered Fairment. cattle man or two for this year's grazing Showalter's former command and another company of Virginia militia which arrived the day before having taken to the woods. He was commissioned captain upon the organization of the Third West Virginia infantry, in a few months was promoted to be major serving for three years. Governor Letcher of Virginia offered a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of one John H. Showalter dead or alive

average. If 2,500 vote for no license it will carry, since the remainder of the vote would be divided between the republican

and democratic tickets. A vigorous effort will be made to enlist the public in the plan. Mass meetings will be held and literature distributed.

The committee on arrangements appointed to plan for the annual congress of the National Prison association, to convene in Lincoln October 10 to 20, 1905, elected Hon. M. B. Reese chairman and John Davis secretary of the local executive committee. J. E. Miller was elected chairman and Warden A. D. Beemer vice chairman of the committee on reception and entertainment. Other committees will be named later.

Hugh Murphy of Omaha submitted the lowest and John Grant of Omaha the next to the lowest bid for the paving of thirtynine blocks of Lincoln's streets, the contracts for which will be let Monday by the city council. All but six blocks will be paved with asphalt. The bids of both Murphy and Grant were below the estimates of the city. For the native material Murphy bid \$2.06 per square yard and \$2.11 for Portland material. The respective estimates were \$2.10 and \$2.15. The work is to be done this summer

MUNICIPAL TICKETS ARE NAMED

Political Parties in Nebraska Towns Line Up for Spring Elections. HASTINGS, Neb., March 18 - (Special.)-

The republicans of Hastings held their city convention at 19 o'clock this morning councilman in First ward. Sven Johnson Second ward, A. V. Cole; Third ward, H. W. B. Norris; Fourth ward, D. M. Ball. and Mell Tennant were nominated for members of the school board. William F. Button was elected chairman of the republican city central committee and James

Crowley secretary. The democrats have nominated the following: For police judge, B. J. Reynolds; councilmen, Matt Frohnen, Ezra Langevin,

S. S. Snyder and J. C. Saucerman. LINWOOD, Neb., March 18 .- (Special.) At a republican primary last evening the you're going to be sick. Start taking following were placed in nomination for trustees by a unanimous vote: Husenetter, S H. Showers, W. J. Blair, all for two years each. The democrats will hold their primary Saturday night, PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 18 .- (Special.)-The democrats have placed in nom ination the following ticket: Councilman, First ward, Tom Walling; Second, Jacob Trietsch; Third, L. P. Larson; Fifth, John Vorndron. No name was placed on the ticket for the Fourth ward. D. C. Morgan

and John M. Leydia were named for members of the Board of Education. SUTTON, Neb., March 18 -(Special)-A citizen's caucus last evening nominated the following candidates: Mayor, M. J. Mc-Dermott, the present incumbent: clerk. Henry Ochsher; treasurer, A. W. Clark; police judge, F. M. Brown; engineer, Howard Moonham; councilmen, First ward, H. W. Gray; Second, George Honey; Board of Education, S. Carney and Christ Ruth.

This is a high liceuse ticket. WAYNE, Neb., March 18 -(Special Telefar safer, more palatable and effective gram.)-At the citizen's caucus last night the following officers were nominated for

re-election: Mayor, Ames Britten; treas-urer, H. S. Ringland; city clerk, A. T. Witter; councilmen, First ward, J. P. Gaertner, Second, D. R. McVicker; Third, be in session the most of next week.

Gaertner, Second, D. R. McVicker; Third, Lambert Boe; members of school board, Theo Duerag and Thomas Marion. No other ticket will be nominated.

WEST POINT, March 18.—(Special.)—At the people's mass convention last night Herman Zeplin was named for mayor; C. C. Malchow for city clerk; R. F. Kerkow for treasurer; D. J. Crellin for police judge; G. A. Heller for city engineer; for councilmen, First ward, P. Hassler; Second ward, Samuel Reppert; Third ward, Frank Boyer; for members of the Board of Education of the session the most of next week.

AUBURN. March 18.—Elizabeth D. Darrah, wife of ex-Mayor James W. Darrah was one of the heart after a lingering in the heart after a ling cation, R. F. Kloke and M. E. Kerl.

NORFOLK, Neb., March 15 .- (Special Telegram.)-The republicans nominated Mayor Hazen for a third term; clerk, S. R. McFarland; treasurer, Robert Utter; judge, S. W. Hayes; school board, Dr. P. H. Salter and A. H. Viele. The citizens' convention indorsed the democratic nominees except two, substituting Dan Craven for the council and E. J. Schoregge

Bound Over for Cattle Stealing.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., March 18 .- (Special Telegram.)-The preliminary hearing f James Rhodes, who was brought back John E. Chandler, arrested at Angley, took place today before Justice Shinn. Both men were charged with stealing a bunch of twenty-five cattle from George Porter's ranch, near Mason, on November 26 last and shipping them to South Omaha on the following day from Litchfield. The hearing of the day. Attorney Dean appeared for cellar of the Fairmont tannery that even- the defendants, while Messrs. Johnson,

GENEVA, March 18.—Revival meetings are in progress at the First Baptist church. BEATRICE, March 18.-Anton Schindler mas sold his farm northwest of Beatrice o Henry Tinhart for \$8,900. PLATTSMOUTH, March 18.—County Superintendent Wortman held a teachers examination in his office today.

BEATRICE, March 18.—The real estate men of Beatrice will meet next week for the purpose of organizing a real estate excharge.

GREELEY, March 18.—A farmers' insti-ute was held here on St. Patrick's day. A large crowd attended and considerable in-erest was manifested. GRAND ISLAND, March 18.—Fifty-four ducks were found by a deputy game warden on the place of J. C. Gerspacher. Mrs. Gers-pacher was fined \$25 and costs.

NEBRASKA CITY, March 18.—The reil-road employes gave a dance at the Armory ast right for the benefit of St. Mary's lospital. Over \$200 was realized.

cident while out hunting. He was brought here last night for treatment.

WEST POINT, March 18.—Fred Evans and Neille Long were united in marriage by County Judge Louis Déwald. The parties are well known residents of Wisner and will reside at that place.

BEATRICE, March 18.—The farm line of the Nebraska Telephone company of the city is completed and has been connected with the exchange in Beatrice, making a complete list of 910 telephones here.

WEST POINT, March 18.—James G. Benedict, manager of the West Point Milling company's plant, has resigned and will in future be employed by the Standard Bridge company of Omaha, with headquarters at Kansas City.

PLATTSMOUTH, March 18.—Mrs. Cora M. Muck has brought suit for divorce from Joseph F. Muck on the ground of non-support. She asks for the custody of their 4-year-old daughter. They were married in Omaha, October 10, 1990.

OSCEOLA, March 18.—Fred L. Smith of Stromsburg was adjudged insane by the commissioners of insanity yesterday, and this morning Deputy Sheriff W. S. Miller took him down to deliver him into the care and custody of Dr. Greene.

NEBRASKA CITY, March 18.—Clinton Cora a voung farmer was seriously bruised.

NEBRASKA CITY, March 18.—Clinton Cox, a young farmer, was seriously bruised by being dragged by a runaway saddle horse. Cox was thrown while attempting to mount the animal and he was dragged about 100 yards before the horse was

caught.

BEATRICE, March 18.—Yesterday afternoon Mr. Charles Maschmier and Miss
Caroline Wiedeman were united in marriage. Judge Bourne officiating. The
young couple are prominent residents of
this county and will make their home on
a farm in Lincoin township.

WEST POINT, March 18.—Herman Gaster
and Clementins Maack were married at
the German Lutheran parsonage yesterday
afternoon, Rev. A. R. E. Gelschlaeger,
pastor, officiating. The bride is the eldest
daughter of Nicholas Maack, a pioneer settier, and the groom a young business man
of the city.

BEATRICE, March 18.—The Woman's

of the city.

BEATRICE, March 18.—The Woman's club program yesterday afternoon was in the current topics department under the direction of Mrs. George Emery. Rev. W. A. Mulligan delivered an interesting address on "The Life and Times of St. Patrick." An excellent musical program was rendered.

was rendered.

GRAND ISLAND, March 18.—The Grand Island fire department has elected W. R. McAllister, president; James Dunkel, wice president; Gus E. Neumann, secretary; John Alexander, treasurer. The report of the chief shows twenty-nine fires during the last year with a loss of \$12.143, covered by insurance of \$16,479.

HARTINGTON, March 18.—District court is in session, here this week, with Judge Guy Graves on the bench. The case of "Toots" Osborne, charged with stabbing James Stanton was disposed of, young Osborne getting ninety days in jail and a small

have that "tired feeling," are half-sick have no appetite, sleep poorly, headaches and nerves unstrung. The system is full of impurities that must be cleaned out or



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regulator.

G. A. Heller for city engineer; to climen, First ward, P. Hassler; Second ward, Samuel Reppert; Third ward, Frank Boyer; for members of the Board of Educice is somewhat doubtful at this time. ice is somewhat doubtful at this time.

GRAND ISLAND, March 18.—The fourth annual ball of Division No. 8 of the Order of Raliway Tellegraphers was held in this city last evening. The division comprises the rallway telegraphers of the Union Pacific from Omaha to Denver and northern branches. Prof. Bartling's complete orchestra of eight pieces rendered excellent music.

FREMONT, March 18.—The county board yesterday voted to replace the spans in the Platte river bridge which were carried out by the ice a few weeks ago with steel and to require Saunders county to stand a share of the expense. A committee was appointed to report on placing fascines in the Elkhern river near Hooper to keep the stream within hounds.

stream within bounds.

BEATRICE, March 18.—At a meeting of the Crabtree Forensic club last night an interesting debate was held. The subject debated was, Resolved, That capital punishment for crime should be abolished. Samuel M. Rinaker and Lawrence Weaver were selected to represent the team in the Omaha and Lincoln debates. A third member will be chosen later.

PAPILLION, Massie 16. tream within bounds.

member will be chosen later.

PAPILLION, March 18.—At the nonpartisan mass meeting of the citizens of
Papillion to place in nomination candidates for village trustees the following
were chosen: Chas. Nownes, Andrew
Fricke, J. J. Lutz, sr., Mike Zweibel, C. C.
Spearman and I. D. Clarke. The village
election will be held Tuesday, April 4, when
three trustees will be elected.

tion of the paper the first of September.

OSCEOLA, March is.—A large crowd of Rising Star Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Rebekah Degree lodge of Osceola gathered at their hail in Osceola, Neb., in honor of three of their members, Mrs. James Matthews and John Holt and wife, who have been three of their most capable and efficient members for a large number of years. This was to give them a farewell reception, Mr. and Mrs. Holt going to the Pacific coast, and Mrs. Matthews to Colorado.

COZAD, March 18.—The annual declarate.

Mrs. Matthews to Colorado.

COZAD, March 18.—The annual declamatory contest of the Cozad High school occurred this evening at Odd Fellows hall.

There were nine contestants, all of whom rendered their selections in a highly creditable manner. Prizes were awarded as follows: First, Roy Thompson, selection, "The New South;" second, Harry Travis, selection, "Socery Joins the Lodge;" third, Florence Wedge, selection, "The Shakers." The program was interspersed with vocal and instrumental music. A large audience was in attendance.

BEATRICE, March 18.—The democrats

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