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MORTGAGE WILL BE BURNED

Last Vestige of Debt of Second Presbyterian Church is to Go Up in Smoke.

The board of trustees of the Second Presbyterian church will give a jubilee social in the church parlors Thursday evening. A program for the occasion has been arranged. The event will formally mark the cancellation of the church debt, over which the members feel happy. The growth of the church has been steady during the pastorate of the Rev. Newman Hall Burdick, who has shown his aggressiveness in all lines of the church work. The congregation hopes to have a new building before the very distant future.

Diamond Rings—Frenzer, 15th and Dodge.

Mortality Statistics.

The following births and deaths have been reported to the Board of Health during the twenty-four hours ending at noon Wednesday: William Burrell 3015 Seward, boy; Gabriel Dalfol 1162 South Twelfth, girl; Josef Hamousek, South Thirteenth, boy; Joe Kregel 1917 South Fifteenth, boy; Jerry Maloney 2310 South Eleventh, boy.

Deaths: Carrie Rydman, 40, 3014 Seward; Alfred Patterson, 39, 567 North Twelfth; William R. Smith, 36, 1619 Dodge; William C. Card, 73, 1117 Briggs; Horace C. Cassell, 59, 1128 North Eighteenth; Elphige Cofori, 80, Bernard Cats.

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VAIN ATTEMPT AT SENSATION

Paper Falls Down Badly on Effort to Stampede County Officers.

EVERYONE REFUSES TO GET SCARED

So Far as Officials Are Concerned, What Legislature Did or Did Not Do on Salaries is Immaterial.

With the possible exception of Mr. Hitchcock and others closely related to him in an endeavor to make some campaign thunder, excitement over what the legislature did or did not do on the matter of fixing salaries of county officers is nil. The county officers in Omaha said by the World-Herald to be affected and nearly scared to death refuse, with a stoicism that is painful, to get excited or even interested over the matter.

The general opinion expressed was that the legislature did not intend to single out any group of officers for a reduction in salary, but that it did intend to increase the salary of the treasurer in counties having between 25,000 and 60,000 inhabitants.

County Judge-elect Leslie said:

"That amendment does not affect the office of county judge. Even if the salary were cut by the amendment, there is a further provision that the county judge shall have fees up to the amount of $2,500."

Deputy County Clerk Butler said:

"We hold the amendment does not affect our office one way or another. We are paying no attention to it at all. If need be, we will fall back on the time-honored defense of all good men and hold the law unconstitutional."

County Treasurer Fink said: "I have been too busy to pay any attention to the matter; but you can say for me that whatever the law is it will be obeyed by the county treasurer. Further than that I have nothing to say now."

One of Sheriff Power's deputies said:

"We are not worrying at all. This office considers the law plain with reference to the compensation of the sheriff, and we are living up to its provisions. Someone will have to show us if we are drawing more money than the law allows. We rather think the shoe is on the other foot, with the county holding up and disallowing bills which a judge of the district court says there is at least a strong moral obligation to pay."

One of the judges of the district court said:

"As the amendment stands it apparently applies only to county treasurers, but it is difficult for anyone to say just what the legislature did mean. So far as I can see the old section is re-enacted in toto, with the exception that the words 'and less than 60,000 inhabitants' are inserted in the clause referring to county treasurer."

Heartrending

was the state of A. C. Suckel's daughter, Miletus, W. Va., with a leg sore. Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured her. 25c. For sale by Sherman & McConnell Drug Co.

A NEW FIRM FOR OMAHA.

The Matthews Piano Co. Opens a New Piano Store at 1513-1515 Harney Street This Week.

The Matthews Piano company is a Nebraska corporation, controlled by Nebraska people, operating several large stores throughout the central west, with their own piano factory at Cregan, Ill.

Having procured the second floor of the Reichenberg & Smith building, just east of the Bennett company on Harney, they have remodeled and arranged the entire second floor into a large and commodious salesroom. With the large ground floor display windows and elevator service, together with the ideal central location, they will be in a position to make a strong bid for patronage. Mr. S. H. Guthrie, the local manager, says: "We shall offer to the piano buyers of Omaha the finest line of high-class, medium and moderate-priced pianos to be found in this section, and that we shall earnestly and conscientiously strive to quickly establish the reputation of being Omaha's first-class piano house. While we shall carry pianos that can be sold for as little money as the lowest, we shall always look first to quality and shall cater particularly to Omaha's very best class of trade."

To Finish Floors and Woodwork

Use only "FLOOR-SHINE" Enamels. Oak, Mahogany, Cherry, etc. Sold by Orchard & Wilhelm Co.

Alleged Gamblers Raided.

Sergeant Hayes, Detectives Ferris and Dunn and Officer Sandstrom raided a room where gambling was supposed to be conducted, at 1810 Harney street at 10:30 last night. Ten men were found in the place and a game was in progress. All the inmates were placed under arrest under the charge of gambling. In the search at the jail considerable money was found distributed among the crowd. The principal man concerned was thought to be G. A. Lang, 1605 Howard, as it was he who was guarding the door. The furniture was confiscated and taken to the jail. This furniture was of a much better order than is usually found in such places.

Farmer Selects Poor Bed.

A man, supposed to be a farmer from Iowa, was found sleeping among the cockle burs in a vacant lot at Twentieth and Webster streets last night. He refused to give his name at the desk and made futile efforts to strike everyone around him. He looked just like a big brown bear, so completely was his heavy coat covered with burrs. The officers who had to hold him were decorated with the burrs almost as much as the man himself. He was charged with being drunk and given the name of John Doe, for want of a better.

THE VALUE OF CHARCOAL

Few People Know How Useful it is Preserving Health and Beauty.

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 a remedy that the more you take of it the better; it is not a drug at all, but simply absorbs the gases and impurities always present in the stomach and intestines and carries them out of the system.

Charcoal sweetens the breath after smoking, drinking or after eating onions and other odorous vegetables.

Charcoal effectually clears and improves the complexion, it whitens the teeth and further acts as a natural and eminently safe cathartic.

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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; they are 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 tell in a much improved condition of the 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 them; they cost but twenty-five cents a box at drug stores, and although 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."

OWNER NOT BOUND FOR RENT

Water Board Attorneys Advise Real Estate Exchange as to Pertinent Question.

After consulting for advice with John L. Webster and Carl C. Wright, attorneys for the water board in its litigation with the Omaha Water company, and also with Warren Switzler, the committee appointed by the Omaha Real Estate exchange to look into the matter reports that the water company cannot hold property owners for water rent in cases where the water has been turned on at the request of the tenant.

The committee further reports:

"We are of the opinion the water company has no legal right whatever to its contention that the property owner is holden for back water taxes, especially when it has turned on the water and recognized the tenant in accepting money for same. We would recommend a subscription be raised among the members of the exchange or any property owners concerned in their unjust charges sufficient to make a test case of it, and that the Real Estate exchange lend its moral support to this suit, if the attorney taking the case is satisfied a judgment in favor of the property owner is practically assured, and such judgment will end further annoyance on the part of the Water company."

REWARD OF BENEVOLENCE

Guest Steals Forty-Five Dollars from Host Who Keeps Him All Night.

Ed Egan of 502 South Thirteenth street is writing the word "ingrate" on his slate over and over again, so he may never forget it. Mr. Egan reported to the police that he took an old friend home with him Tuesday night, gave the man the best of his bed and board, to be rewarded Wednesday morning with the unannounced departure of the friend with $45 of Egan's money.

Announcements of the Theaters.

"The Land of Nod," which has its first performance in Omaha at the Boyd theater this evening, has one purpose in view, and that is to make the busy man forget his cares for the time being, at least. The music is light, the conceits quaint and original, the costumes are of the sort that ravish the senses and the pictures delight the eye, while the airs and melodies please the ear. The composition is interpreted by a company numbering above a hundred members, in which are included many of the well established favorites in the musical comedy world. William Norris heads the list. On Saturday night Sam Bernard and Hattie Williams, in "The Rollicking Girl," the hit of the last season in New York, will be the bill.

The shoppers' matinee at the Burwood this afternoon is a most pleasant place to rest after making the rounds of the stores. The play, "Under the Red Robe," is one of the most interesting and is being splendidly produced by the Woodward Stock company.

To entertain the large clientele of women and children who make their regular weekly pilgrimage to the Orpheum on Thursday, at the popular price matinee, the cozy vaudeville theater has on a bill for this afternoon that embraces much calculated to meet popular fancy. Prelle's dogs in the guise of horses eschew the beaten path of animal acts and score heavily with old and young, but in particular do they delight the little folks. Another feature meeting with distinct success is the picturesque Italian street singers and instrumentalists, the Melani Trio. The other features are varied and well balanced.

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Mabelle Crawford-Welpton Recital.

Holders of tickets and others intending to attend this recital Thursday evening are earnestly requested to secure their reserved seats in advance at the "Lyric" box office, as the sale has been large and an early exchange will be necessary to secure a choice of seats. The recital will be at this charming little theater Thursday evening, December 7, at 8:15 o'clock.

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BABCOCK CAUGHT IN DRAGNET

Former Commissioner at Chadron Indicted for Alleged Land Frauds.

THREE OTHERS ARE ALSO TAKEN IN

Frank Allen of Crawford and H. G. and Burt Furnam of Chadron Are Indicted and Give Bond.

Former United States Commissioner G. H. T. Babcock of Chadron, has been caught in the drag-net of the fraud investigation in the northwestern part of the state and is among those indicted by the federal grand jury for conspiracy and subornation of perjury in reference to the fraudulent land filings, particularly such filings as were made by United States soldiers now in the service, as members of the Tenth United States cavalry at Fort Robinson. Mr. Babcock was, until last summer, United States commissioner at Chadron. He gave bond before United States Commissioner Ernest Slattery in the sum of $3,000 for his appearance before the United States district court.

Mr. Babcock resigned his office as commissioner by request, through charges having been preferred against him last summer direct to Judge Munger in which it was intimated that he had became a little too conspicuous in some of the fraudulent land filings, as discovered by the special agents of the land office investigating matters in that territory. Mr. Babcock's indictment at the recent session of the grand jury is the result of these investigations. Ernest Slattery of Chadron was appointed United States Commissioner by Judge Munger, to succeed Babcock.

Three More Indicted.

Frank Allen of Crawford, similarly indicted on parctically the same charges as Babcock, also gave bond before Commissioner Slattery in $3,000 for his appearance before the United States district court.

Deputy United States Marshal John Sides brought H. G. Furnam and Burt Furnam of Chadron to Omaha Wednesday morning to answer to indictments for conspiracy and subornation of perjury in fraudulent land filing cases from the vicinity of Chadron. The bond of each of the indicted parties was fixed at $3,000, which was furnished.

The hearing of the case of Thurston county, against the United States in the matter of the taxation of the Indians heirship funds now on deposit in the Security National bank of Sioux City, has been set for January 2.

Kansas Stockmen Indicted.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 6.—The federal grand jury in session held today returned indictments against twelve persons for the illegal fencing of grazing lands in northern and western Kansas. None of the men have been arrested yet, and pending that the names are withheld from publication.

Henry S. Boyce of Kansas City, president of the H. S. Boyce Cattle company, and all the officers of that company, as well as the company itself, were indicted for illegally fencing in government lands in Morton county, Kansas. There were four indictments returned against Boyce and his associates, each indictment, however, being a joint bill against all of the officials of the company and containing two enclosures, which practically amounted to eight indictments.

The officers of the Boyce company, beside H. S. Royce, are Emanuel Lemon, treasurer, and A. E. Meridan, secretary. Lewis Gans, also of the Boyce company, was indicted, but he is given no official title in the corporation.

Another indictment was returned against A. B. Lynch and Robert Merton, cattlemen of Stevens county, also for illegal fencing.

Sells More of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Than All Others Put Together.

The following letter from a locality where Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is well known shows by the unprecedented demand for it that the medicine sells on its own merit. Mr. Thomas George, a merchant at Mt. Elgin, Ontario, says: "I have had the local agency for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy ever since it was introduced into Canada, and I sell as much of it as I do all other lines I have on my shelves put together. Of the many dozens sold under guarantee, I have not had one bottle returned. I can personally recommend this medicine, as I have used it myself and given it to my children and always with the best results."

We have decided to continue to give till Dec. 16, 1 extra portrait in a beautiful Mezzo Portfolio with each doz. regular priced photos from $4 up. This offer on the west side of So. 15th St. only. H. Heyn, Photographer, 318 to 322 So. 15th St.

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Marriage Licenses.

Three couples, with the same family names, have taken out licenses to wed, but there is no blood relationship between them. Following are the licenses issued:

Name and Residence.	Age.
John Reed, Omaha	51
Mrs. Clifford Reed, Omaha	36
Ole Jensen, Omaha	25
Annie Jensen, Omaha	23
James Johnson, South Omaha	35
Emma Johnson, South Omaha	27
Ira A. Horn, Hansen, Neb	35
Mamie I. Riley, Omaha	22
Ray W. Cozad, Council Bluffs, Ia	23
Dora Lingel, Omaha	20
Thomas H. Comte, Lincoln, Neb	38
Clarice B. Howard, Lincoln, Neb	21
Otto C. Martens, Snyder, Neb	36
Alma C. Soennicksen, Plattsmouth	22
Buck M. Rosenbaum, Kennard	29
Emma Japp, Kennard	23
Mack Spahr, Penn	27
Mamie Corbett, South Omaha	23
Grae Lockhart, Omaha	27
Edith Ingman, Omaha	24

Woman's Nightmare

No woman's happiness can be complete without children; it is her nature to love and want them as much so as it is to love the beautiful and pure. The critical ordeal through which the expectant mother must pass, however, is so fraught with dread, pain, suffering and danger, that the very thought of it fills her with apprehension and horror. There is no necessity for the reproduction of life to be either painful or dangerous. The use of Mother's Friend so prepares the system for the coming event that it is safely passed without any danger. This great and wonderful remedy is always applied externally, and has carried thousands of women through the trying crisis without suffering.

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