

WEST STARTLES EASTERNERS

Opens Eyes of Newspaper Men on Los Angeles Limited.

ALL THANKFUL TO UNION PACIFIC

Amazed at Splendor of Road and Wonders of the West Through Which It Travels.

Just as the clock on the Union station indicated that it lacked three minutes of being 11 Tuesday night, a monster engine of the Union Pacific railroad steamed into the station and pulling behind it the new Los Angeles Limited of five sleepers, diner and coach.

As the train came to a stop in the station the members of the touring party from Omaha alighted, and, while they expressed themselves as having had an excellent time, they could not hide their pleasure at being home again.

The thirty-five newspaper men signed this letter, addressed to the passenger department of the Union Pacific:

The undersigned, members of "The Los Angeles Limited" party—guests of the Union Pacific passenger department—which was personally conducted by Messrs. E. L. Lomax and Alfred Darlow, wish to return thanks for one of the grandest trips it has ever been our pleasure to take.

"The Los Angeles Limited," running over the perfect roadbed of the Union Pacific and aided by the big cutoff, not only brings the marvelous country of southern California eighteen hours nearer the people of the north, but affords with every luxury and comfort known to modern travel, and takes the wanderer through a territory heretofore inaccessible.

The region traversed by "The Los Angeles Limited" affords a view of one of the most varied scenic panoramas ever unfolded and opens up a hitherto hidden section of the great west.

We respectfully request you to return thanks to the passenger department of the Chicago & Northern railway, the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake railroad, who, in conjunction with the Union Pacific, rendered us many courtesies on the trip.

Easterners Open Their Eyes.

A newspaper was published twice daily on the train during the trip that had the highest-priced corps of newspaper men of any paper published in the United States.

Montgomery Schuyler, editorial writer on the New York Times and dean of the newspaper coterie, was extremely well pleased with his trip and said on his arrival in Omaha:

"I am congratulating myself that I did not go to the Catalinas with the bunch, for you know a storm made a landing impossible. I went to San Francisco instead. It was my first trip to the extreme west and was an eye-opening. I guess I was like most of the easterners, could not see outside of New York, but I am a changed man, for the west is the place, and San Francisco is ahead of New York in many respects. I attended a ball at the Palace hotel in San Francisco and the women were better dressed and better looking than the New York bon-tous. This is the first time that the east has seen a mile and the dining car service was perfect. The Union Pacific has the roadbed and is not afraid to turn the wheels."

The Los Angeles Limited has been running for a week and a half now and has been late but not that very little and due to an accident to another train. The schedule is fast, faster to Ogden than the Overland Limited.

Daniels Over Big Bureau.

The New York Central has organized an advertising department for its entire system and has placed in charge George H. Daniels, for many years general passenger agent of the New York Central. The scope of this advertising is the entire world and in the advertising sent to foreign countries the United States will be exploited. The department through its general publicity incidentally will increase the American manufacturer in placing his goods in the markets of the world. Railroad advertising has been the means of bringing thousands to America to investigate manufactures and has wonderfully increased the foreign commerce of America.

Selections from Handel's "Messiah" by the choir of sixty voices at Kountze Memorial church Sunday evening, December 21. E. D. Keck, conductor.

Sinet Rings—Frenzer, 15th and Dodge.

Bad Fall from Street Car.

Isajah Katsky, 612 Dorcas street, attempted to alight from a Sherman street car at 15th and Vinton streets at 6:30 last night without waiting for the car to come to a complete stop, and was thrown to the ground with such violence that he was rendered unconscious, receiving a cut over the right eye and a concussion of the brain. He was carried into Straub's drug store on the corner and attended by Dr. Kallal, being later removed to his home by the doctor. He remained in an unconscious condition for some time, but finally rallied and will suffer no permanent injury from his mishap.

Inquest Over Ingress.

Cornerer Bradley will hold an inquest over the remains of Albert Ingress, who died at Clarkson hospital at 4 o'clock yesterday morning as the result of injuries received in a fall from the rear platform of a street car at 15th and Calhoun streets and had a daughter, Mrs. Fred Hoelt, living at 15th and South Twenty-fourth street, South Omaha. Ingress died within three hours after the accident without regaining consciousness. The inquest will be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Beatrice F. Hathaway has been granted a divorce from Walter J. nonresident. She charged embezzlement and non-support. The wife's attorney, the Brewing company has filed an amendment to its articles of incorporation making capital stock \$250,000. Justice Day sentenced Emil Snyden to the State industrial school at Beatrice until he is 21 for the theft of copper wire from the auditor.

A campfire under the auspices of George Crook post and corps will be held at Magellan hall, Twenty-fourth street and Ames avenue, Friday evening.

Mrs. Harriet Morisy died at her home, 12th and South streets, at 8 o'clock last night at the age of 44 years. She leaves a husband and family.

Frank Nelson, aged 64 years, died at St. Joseph's hospital early last evening from old age. He had lived in Omaha many years, but leaves no relatives here.

Charles P. Schlicht of Clearwater, Anellope county, has filed his voluntary petition for bankruptcy in the United States district court. His liabilities are scheduled at \$129.10 and his assets at \$2. Regular meetings of the creditors are being held at Fort Omaha this winter under the auspices of Companies B and D of the United States national guard. The next one is on the 10th of each month. The next one is on the 17th of each month. The next one is on the 24th of each month. The next one is on the 31st of each month.

ONE MILE GOOD AS ANOTHER

Equality of Valuation of Railroads Urged by Charles J. Greene.

BURLINGTON FIGHTS PAYMENT OF TAX

Divide Aggregate of Tangible Property, Stocks and Bonds by Mileage to Reach Assessable Value, Says Attorney.

The application for a permanent injunction to restrain the county treasurer of Nebraska from enforcing the collection of the delinquent taxes against the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company for the year 1904 and 1905 was argued before Judge Munger in the United States circuit court Wednesday, Charles J. Greene, appearing for the railroad company and Attorney General Norris Brown for the state, assisted by County Attorney Slaughter.

The entire forenoon was taken up with the argument of Mr. Greene, who maintained that the taxes should not be levied upon the entire road, but locally. He said in effect:

"Of the \$170,000,000 of the stocks and bonds of the road, but \$23,000,000 of this amount could properly be credited to Nebraska. East of the Missouri river the railroad serves a population of 14,000,000, while west of the river there is a population of less than 4,000,000. The road has an approximate mileage of 3,000 miles, of which less than one-half is west of the river. The entire system both east and west of the Missouri has been considered by the state Board of Equalization whereby to determine the fractional valuation for tax in Nebraska.

Equality of Valuation.

"One mile of a railroad on the basis of a box valuation is as valuable as any other mile. That is so far as the road is considered in its entirety a mile of railroad passing a farm in Sarpy county is just as valuable as a mile of that same road passing through a city. A part of land appropriated for the right-of-way of a railroad loses its commercial significance and value other than as an integral part of the entire railroad system.

"A railroad is simply an organization, not an aggregation of wood, steel and rolling stock. The lands of the right-of-way cease to have a commercial value in themselves. They are valueless for any other purpose than the railroad and as a part of the organization of the railroad. It is a scientific and philosophical fact that is scientifically and philosophically sound. Take the tangible property, stocks and bonds as a whole, divide it by the total mileage, and then arrive at the value by counties, as is done in other states, and you will reach the assessable valuation of that property, and by no other fair way."

Norris Brown Argues.

Mr. Greene concluded his argument at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon and was followed by Attorney General Norris Brown for the State Board of Equalization. He proceeded to show the difference between the old and the new state revenue laws, showing that under the old law the county boards of equalization were the courts of final resort in local tax matters, but that under the new law no equalization is final until passed upon by the State Board of Equalization. He said in part: "Under this new law all valuations must rise to the valuation fixed by the state board. By this act local valuations were increased in twenty-four counties of the state from 25 to 216 per cent and the judgment of the state board in these increased valuations was sustained by the supreme court of the state. There has been no substantiated charge that the state board acted fraudulently. The board made its findings upon the evidence submitted. Not a particle of evidence was produced that a single assessor undervalued a single item of taxable property. The board put into force every provision of the new law in the best of faith on the testimony given before it by competent and able authorities after weeks of careful deliberation as to the fair taxation of all railroad property. The board acted with the purest and best motives. In 1903 the roads tendered according to their own report \$50,000 taxes, but in 1904 they tendered but \$44,000, or over \$6,000 less under the raised assessment than they had tendered the previous year."

Book Pollard's Figures.

"The board took Mr. Pollard's statement as to what property the railroad had, but not what he said it was worth. Is this Mr. Pollard the fellow that shall assess the Burlington railroad? The law requires that a statement shall be made of the market and true value of the stock in its schedule the Burlington stated that the stock had no market value for two or more years. The true value of the stock was marked blank on that schedule. Is this not an ample proof of fraud on the part of the railroad? When this injunction was asked the road claimed that it did not know what its stocks were worth. Yet this stock three years before was exchanged for bonds, two for one, bearing 4 per cent interest and the bonds were promptly and in full being paid. We will not contend that the board had the right to do this."

Constantly Wants to Resign Because His Pay Has Been Stopped.

Hans Schneider, constable in Jefferson precinct, has notified the county board that he desires to resign, because his last three bills have been disallowed. The board has not yet accepted the resignation.

To Finish Floors and Woodwork.

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

Announcements of the Theaters.

"The Marriage of Kitty," which comes to the Boyd theater on Sunday evening for a single performance, has become notable for its perfectly legitimate comedy situations, which never fail to please the most exacting auditor, hence its unequalled success everywhere. The Jules Murry Comedy company, headed by Miss Alice Johnson, whose charming personality seems exactly fitted for the role of "Kitty" Silverton, is an organization which has been much praised for its artistic attainments. The hit which the play and the company has scored is attested by the success it has met.

"Strongheart," the Indian and foot ball play in which Robert Edson and company will be seen at the Boyd theater for an engagement that begins with a special matinee on Monday next, is one of the best studies of the relations between the red and the white and that it is a play of tremendous success in New York last season, and has been very popular on its tour this season. The discussion it has engendered is hardly equalled by any other play.

The regular shoppers' matinee at the Burwood theater this afternoon will afford a delightful treat for the women who are downtown on business, as well as for those who come down for the holiday performance of the Christmas play, which is a play of good deal. It is the most popular play that has been put on this season, and the work of the company in the production is by far the best it has done yet.

Cut Glass—Frenzer, 15th and Dodge.

Scott & Squire, 409 First St., New York.

MORE PROTESTS ARE HEARD

Excise Board Hears Testimony in Five Special Cases at Its Meeting.

Protests on the part of the Civic Federation against five applications for saloon licenses were heard by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners last night. The charge in each case was that the applicant was not the real party in interest; that he did not seek a license with a view to running the saloon himself, little or no ground was gained. Charles Thomas in the whole session, the applicants swearing as to their good faith and the former proprietors of the saloons in question testifying that they intended to have nothing to do with the business.

Charles Broderick, who has applied for license to operate a saloon in the Bee building, swore that he intended to run it himself. Frank Dinuzzo, the present proprietor, said on the stand he would have no interest in it after the year expired. Edward Rosewater was sent for at the request of Mr. Thomas and he declared he had not rented the saloon and it looked doubtful if he would.

Christ Nielson, applying for a license at 242 Leavenworth street, said he would run the saloon himself, and the present proprietor, E. M. Jensen, declared his intention of having nothing to do with it. Julius Burster, Anheuser-Busch agent, said he had made arrangements for Nielsen to run the saloon.

J. A. Nye, who wants to conduct a business at 902 Capitol avenue, and the present proprietors, Mendlinger & Colwell, testified as to their good faith. It was the same way with Jacob Lewis, 166 North Ninth street, and William Sutherland, who now has the saloon. Fred H. Krug said if given a license for business in the Lange hotel he would run the saloon himself.

The application of the Schank, 812 Dodge street, was withdrawn. The firm of Furth Brothers was granted a wholesale liquor license.

The board adjourned until 10 o'clock Friday morning. At that time protests against a few more saloon keepers will be heard, provided they put up their money for license before the meeting of the board, there being still time on Saturday for publication. The board announced that it would close with the beginning of the year the places of all saloonists who do not complete their application by Saturday night.

BEEMER GETTING CITY BROKE

Warden Comes to View Tall Buildings and Street Cars Before Venturing Back East.

Warden Beemer of Lincoln, one of the biggest men, physically and mentally, at the head of a penal institution anywhere, and whose penitentiary was said to be the best kept in the United States by delegates attending the National Prison congress at Lincoln recently, is in Omaha getting used to the tall buildings and street cars preparatory to visiting old friends and relatives back in Pennsylvania and Virginia, for which places he soon will leave.

"Everything is quiet at the institution," said the warden, "and we are congratulating ourselves that we are to handle United States prisoners in the future. A big Christmas dinner was served to the prisoners Christmas day and Governor Mickey called upon each of the inmates and talked to him. It was a big day for us."

VINSONHALER MOVING OUT

County Judge Will Set Up Law Office in First National Bank Building.

Judge Vinsonhaler has gathered up and had carted away all his personal belongings in the office of the county judge, which he will relinquish to his successor, Charles Leslie, January 4. The retiring judge will engage in the general practice of the law, with an office in the First National bank building.

GOOD REASON FOR QUITTING

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A QUESTION OF COST.

In any number of stores you'll see various preparations of cod liver oil at as many different prices. You'll wonder, perhaps, why Scott's Emulsion costs more than some other kind in as large a bottle. Hearing only one side of the question you may be led into buying the "just as good as Scott's" at the lower price. That's false economy. Scott's Emulsion costs more because it's more expensive to make. Every ingredient is tested and guaranteed of the purest quality. No adulteration, no shaving of quality. There's no economy in bargain medicine. If you can afford to experiment with your health, substitutes may satisfy you. We take it, however, that you want a pure preparation, a reliable remedy and something that's going to help you. That's what you get in Scott's Emulsion. Thirty years the standard.

Scott & Squire, 409 First St., New York.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

In a few days we commence our Annual Inventory. Before then we insist on clearing out at reduced prices all our odd lots of seasonable merchandise. The busy holiday season has left us with a great many odd lots of dependable goods. We have tremendously cut prices in every department of our store. The departments mostly affected are

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING HATS AND CAPS for Men and Boys FURNISHING GOODS for Men and Women Including UNDERWEAR AND GLOVES Nebraska Clothing Co. FARNAM & 15TH

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A NEW CHICAGO TRAIN VIA THE NORTH-WESTERN LINE Leaving Omaha at 11 P. M. daily, arriving at Cedar Rapids 6:10 A. M.; Clinton 8:15 A. M., and Chicago 11:55 next morning. "THE BEST OF EVERYTHING." Other Chicago trains at 8 A. M., 11:30 A. M., 5:50 P. M. and 8:38 P. M. City Offices, 1401-03 Farnam Street.

METERS LONG ON MEASURE

Several Gas Gauges Newly Installed Said to Be Too Good to Company.

City Gas Inspector John Lynch received a vigorous protest Wednesday morning from a man who gave the name of Jackson and charged that since the gas company had reduced its rates it had put in new meters and that at his home and at some of his neighbors houses the meters were long on measure and thus the cost to the consumer was more than under the higher rate and the old meter. The gas inspector requested the man to bring the meter to his office and have it tested Thursday morning.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP

Has been used by Mothers for over Fifty Years children while teething for over Fifty Years will pain, cure wind colic, and bring the best remedy for all ailments of infants. TWENTY-FIVE CENTS A BOTTLE.

CREDIT We have a great many patrons who have had loans from us, and established a Credit and when they want money they can get it on a Moment's Notice. They think such a Credit useful and we think you would also. We make salary and chattel loans.

OMAHA MORTGAGE LOAN CO. 28 No. 15th Street. Phone 228.

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Special Rates to Colorado \$18.25 Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo. Jan. 2 and 16; Feb. 6 and 20. Round-trip, first-class; three weeks' limit. \$12.50 Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo. Jan. 2 and 16; Feb. 6 and 20. One-way, second-class. (Good in Tourist Sleepers or Chair Cars.) \$27.20 Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo. Daily throughout the winter Round-trip, first-class; limit May 31, 1906. The Rock Island has two fine daily trains to Colorado. Standard and Tourist Sleepers, Chair Cars, Dinners. F. P. RUTHERFORD, D. P. A., 1323 Farnam Street, OMAHA, NEB.

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Heat—electric light—janitor service—all night and Sunday elevator service—a fire proof building—all cost the tenant of The Bee Building nothing extra.