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Northwestern Representatives Explain Disorepanoies in Two Reports.

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Missouri Pacific Asks a Reduction on Portion of its Line Which it Alleges Does Not Pay

Expenses.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN. May .0 - (Special.) - Frank P. Crandon, tax commissioner of the Northwestern, and Ben White, attorney for the same corporation, appeared before the State Board of Assessment this afternoon to explain the inquiry made by Mr. Mortensen as to an apparent discrepancy of some \$13,000,000, as shown by the report to the stockholders and the report to the state board.

Mr. Cranden said the report to the stockholders was made March 31, 1906, and the report to the board covered the situation existing June 30, 1906, and many changes might be made in that time.

Bonds to the amount of \$3.711,000 had been retired, he said, while \$9,800,000 bonds had been issued to buy the stock of the Chiengo, St. Paul, Minneapolis'& Omaha, \$2,000 up the discrepancy of \$12,000,000. The report to the stockholders showed securities to the amount of \$159,000,000 in round numbers and to the board \$139,000,000.

20. Mertensen wanted to know why the 1: 000,000 held in the sinking fund was not th asset to be assessed. Mr. Crandon

tained such was not the case. One Line Does wot Pay.

At the morning session of the board Tax In his argument Attorney General Brown

of these things have put us in bad shape. | merce." In New York it is asserted by some of could do. We even had to borrow money the charge was paid for work done. last year to pay dividends."

While Mr. Highleyman made a neat little plea for a reduction a member of the board recalled that both the Northwestern and the Burlington tapped Adams county and the same country tapped by the Pacific railroad and they are assessed at about twice as much as the latter road.

Mortensen Makes Statement. At the conclusion of the board meeting,

ent discrepancy in the reports: found in the bonds assumed by the consolidation of the Northwestern, and other roads and did not think it would be ex- miss the case, but retain jurisdiction. pisined as it was. I find I was in error

T. A. Polleys of the St. Paul & Omaha | the state to prove this act had been vioaddressed the board and explained his lated. views on taxing railroads. Mr. Polleys stends real estate in Nebraska, which is argued that the giving of the elevation fee

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assessed every four years, has increased 20 to 25 per cent during the last two years and at this time the assessment of real estate is not more than 30 per cent of its value. He thinks his road should be cut down activation. to 25 per cent during the last two years and at this time the assessment of real estate is not more than 80 per cent of its value. debenture bonds had been paid, which made He thinks his road should be cut down ac-

the same to be assessed. Mr. Crandon newered the board these bonds had been placed in the sinking fund and could not be used by the officers. It was merely a case, he said of buying up one's own securities and, therefore, they should not be assessed. This brought on a lengthy argument in which Mortensen maintained the securities held in the sinking fund constituted an investment and saved the company from paying interest at least.

Mortensen wanted to know further why the bonds were not cancelled if they could not be done, but they must be held until the proper time came to pay them off. Both stuck to their positions, Mortensen, that the sinking fund is an investment and should be assessed, while Crandon maincombinations have been repealed by the 1905 Junkin anti-frust act and the state STOCKHOLDERS WIN IN COURT must show this act has been violated.

Commissioner Highleyman of the Missouri reviewed the evidence introduced, which Pacific, in that gentle, easy way of his. in effect showed the dealers divided the explained why it was the Pacific railway state into thirteen districts and when in Nebraska, which is a branch of the trouble arese in either of the districts it Missouri Pacific, should be assessed at was settled by representatives of the other began by telling the board he thought his evidence showed a general freight agent prominet Rhode Islanders. system had been well treated by the as- of a railroad had been called in and had

the freight stack up for fifteen days. All It would be just as much interstate com-

The 1% cents paid the terminal elevathe financial journals that the reason the tors, he said, was nothing more nor less Missouri Pacific is not making money is than a rebate paid to favored shippers due to bad management. As to that I do and if, as the defendant said, the same not know, but I think the management is was paid to the farmer as well, he said doing as good as any other management that would destroy the contention that

The attorney general held it was not necessary for the state to prove the defendants had carried out their intention to control prices, but merely to prove that a conspiracy existed to do this. The incidents he noted, he said, merely went to show that a conspiracy did exist.

Defense Has an Inning. Harry Brome, attorney for the Holmquist Elevator company, said his com-Mr. Mortensen said in regard to the appar- pany had not been notified when the depositions were taken last summer and he thought this discrepancy would be asked the case against his client be dismissed. The attorney general objected to this and asked that the court not dis-

Roscoe Pound of the defendants' counjustice and explain that I was wrong. I procedure of the legal department. He think, however, the \$8,900,000 held in the argued the defendants had a right to know sinking fund should have been returned, under what statute the state was proand I still think this fund should be ceeding. The Junkin act should apply, he maintained, and he held it was up to

> Ed P. Smith followed Judge Pound and to the terminal elevators was not a rebate because it was given to all of them, but even if it was held to be a rebate the state arguments were not finished and another usion will be held in the morning.

After Oil or Gas. The local oil company began to dig for oil or gas this afternoon near Burnham, south of this place. A fifteen inch drill s being used and the officials of the company believe they will strike gas or oil.

Head Back at Old Job. Albert Head, who escaped some months his old job, after a sojourn down in Kanwith a Kansas farmer and, so the story valuable time for that body. goes, fell in love with his employer's wife and the two hied themselves to St. Joseph. as the missing convict and was brought back to prison

MINE IN NEBRASICA

Parmer Near Belden Thinks He Has Fortune in the Hills.

R. H. Mitchell, a ranchman at Belden, (eb., discovered a small mountain of soap Mitchill calls "soap hill" is composed of at Hastings. June 5. a fine and very white sand, which when mixed with water greatly resembles Sa-The people of the vicinity have en making good use of the natural Sapolio, according to Mr, Mitchell, who says that it has been carted away by the wagonload, for the scrubbing of farmhouse floors, polishing of metal and earthenware, and even as a totlet soap for the hands. For the latter use it is said to be superior to Mechanic's soap and the other prepa-

rations used by machinists. Mr. Mitchell was in Bioux City yesterday. inging a sample of the sand to the Haskins Soap works here for analysis. He thing of a sensation in the near future. believes that the sand hill can be made into | For some time phat flowers have been taken

ranchman by the name of Louis Seyl.

of Secretary of the Treasury. HASTINGS, Neb., May 10.-(Special.)group No. 4 of the Nebraska Bankers' as- the blossoms. eciation, about 3 o'clock this morning, the following resolutions were adopted:

following resolutions were adopted:

The bankers of group No. 4, Nebraska Bankers association, in regular meeting at Hastings, Neb., heartily and earnestly endorse the sentiments of Hon. C. M. Brown as opposed to the system of Basset currency now proposed by the secretary of the treasury and others, and we do hereby declare our allegiance to conservative principles in all lines of banking and we declare our belief that only in conservatism lies safety.

We heartily and sincerely approve of the position taken by L. B. Howey, president of the Nebraska Bankers association, in relation to government and state supervision of banks, and we declare it as our belief that strict and careful examinations should be made by competent examiners. Whereas, There is now pending in congress and has already been passed by the house of representatives a bill to remove the internal revenue tax upon alcohol when it has been made unfit for use as a beverage, and.

Whereas, Such a law would greatly ben-

cordingly \$100 to \$200 per mile on the assessed value.

Arguments in Grain Case.

Arguments were made in the grain case this afternoon before Referee Pemberton, the defendants having elected to put in no testimony in answer to the testimony of the state. The state has attempted to show

Effort to Collect for Benefit of Creditors is a Failure. PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 19.-(Special Telegram.)-The Rhode Island court has denied the plaintiff's motion in suits brought by Alfred Hazlett, receiver of the little or nothing. The man from Missouri districts and in one instance, he said, the American bank of Beatrice, Neb., against

began by telling the board he thought his system had been well treated by the accordance showed a general freight agent of a railroad had been called in and had treated by the seal and had treated by the same seased too him a precault of the sould be no complaint. Except, of course, he said, the Pacific reliwar. The had been assessed too himself and by the combination. He said the price of, grain was prive to the neighborhood of Hastings.

The American bank of Beatrice went to the American bank of Beatrice with the American bank of Bea gle that very little was realized and then Hazlett went after the eastern stockholders of the concern. A considerable number of stockholders lived in Rhede Island and he brought suit in the courts of that state to recover.

A decision was handed down in the Rhode Island supreme court Thursday against Receiver Hazlett and for the Rhode Island stockholders.

Legal Tangie Over Fees. TECUMBEH, Neb., May 10.-(Special.)-Former Sheriff W. H. Cummings has filed a protest with the Board of County Commissioners of Johnson county against the payment of certain expenses incurred by County Attorney J. C. Moore, George A. Adams of Lincoln and Edgar Ferneau of Auburn for expenses in conducting the prosecution of the cases of the state of Nebraska against Charles M. Chamberlain, Mr. Cummings' protest asserts that expensive trips have been made by the lawyers to look for evidence, one by the county attorney to the state of Washington, one by Mr. Adams to Chicago, and one nd hope the newspapers will do the road sel, argued against the manner of the by Mr. Ferneau to the western part of Nebrasks. It is said that some of Cummings' claims, when he was ay officer, in which he caused the county expense in connection with the Chamberlain matter, were held up, hence the action. The board will consider the matter at a future meet-

> Degree of Honor Convention. EDGAR, Neb., May 10.-(Special.)-The Fourth Nebraska district, Degree of Honor, held its annual convention in Fraternity courts could have no jurisdiction because hall, this city, yesterday and today. The It was interetate commerce business. The fifty-eight lodges were represented by 100 delegates. A social, to which the public was invited, was held in the hall Tuesday evening and was largely attended and much enjoyed by all present. The hall, reception room and anteroom were beautifully and tastefully decorated with pink and white flowers and festoons of pink and white paper, the colors of the order. The object of the convention is to consider ways and means that benefit the order, especially in matters of legislation, so that delegates to ago from the state penitentiary, is back at the grand lodge may be properly instructed and posted by their lodges before going ms had dear old Missouri. Head got work to the grand lodge and thus save much

> Pass Examination for Bruggists. There the trate husband followed and caused their arrest. Head was identified gram.)—Thirteen embroyo druggists taking the state examination for registration here were successful, as follows: Aifred Adams, Alnsworth; Orby W. Cass, Franklin; Ed Dienes, Hastings; J. P. Davy, Dixon; Dave Goldman, Lexington; O. H. Grauel, Norfolk; C. A. Hubbard, Carroll; W. H. Kerr, Falls City; F. E. Koester, West Point; Art SIOUX CITY, Ia., May 10 -- (Special.) -- Larrison, Oniaha; J. P. Reiffert, Hartington; S. C. Smith, Omaha; Lynn S. Thompson, Gordon: J. D. Williams, Omaha. The near Savage, along the O'Neill line of high mark was made by Mr. Larrison of the Great Northern road. The hill which Omaha. The next examination will be held

Sigma Chi at Lincoln LINCOLN, May 10 .- The annual convention of the college fraternity of Sigma Chi began here today with representatives from the active chapters in the Universities of Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Washington and St. Louis and the alumni chapters of Konsas City, St. Louis and Denver. Besides the business sessions there will be smokers. base ball games, a ball and a banquet.

Girls Caught Stealing Flowers. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 10 .- (Special.)-Grand Island is likely to have somea very paying soap industry. The toilet of evenings from the flower beds to

preparation mountain is owned by an old lawns of private parties, and last evening OPPOSITION TO ASSET CURRENCY was surprised to find that the depredations were being committed by a number of Nebraska Bankers Do Not Like Pian girls. Two of them were recognized and arrests will probably be made in a day or two if the acts are continued. Several Just before the close of the banquet of tulip beds have been completely robbed of

Christian Church Convention. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 16 .- (Speclai.)-A convention of the Christian church for the nine counties of Adams. Hall, Clay, Hamilton, Franklin, Webster, Buffalo, Nuckolis and Kearney is taking place at the Christian church of this ctry, with a goodly attendance of delegates had pastors. The convention will close this evening with an address by Chancellor Aylesworth of Cotner university.

Sheldon Returns from South. NEHAWKA, Neb., May 10.-(Special Telegram.)-Captain George L. Sheldon has arrived from his Mississippi plantation. He was detained a month longer than he expected on account of a threatened break in the levees, which would have flooded his cotton plantation.

Farmer Killed by Horse. DANNEBROG, Neb., May 16 .- (Special relegram.)-Ed. Gugeumus, a wealthy and respected retired farmer, an old ploneer of Howard county, living now at St. Paul, Neb., was killed yesterday by a horse striking him with its head, causing a blood vessel to burst.

BEATRICE—The Beatrice Woman's club is meeting with much encouragement in its plans towards beautifying some parts of the city.

YORK-It is reported that John Lett of Benedict, commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Nebraska, will be a candidate for the legislature. TEKAMAH—Deputy Sherist L. G. Phipps left this morning with Harry Labertaue, a lad of 13 years, from Lyons, who was sentenced to the Boys' industrial school at Kearney by Judge Basler yesterday.

BEATRICE—Yesterday morning at 9:30, at the parsonage of the Christian church, Rev. J. E. Davis officiating, was solemnized the marriage of Charles V. Oden of this city and Miss Bertha McMains of Wymore. BEATRICE—Fire supposed to have been caused by sparks from an engine, slightly damaged the roof of the Rock Island depot this afternoon. Floyd's feed store in West Beatrice was damaged by fire early this

Morning.

ALBION—It is reliably reported that about \$40,000 will be expended in erection of churches here the present year. The Catholics will build a \$25,000 edifice and the Methodists will put in about \$15,000 in a house of worship.

AINSWORTH—Mrs. Sophia Lockmiller, and \$2 years alled last plent at her resistant.

aged & years, died last night at her residence north of town. Four weeks since she was moving a stove and fell on the corner of a table and broke two ribs, from which she did not recover.

which she did not recover.

TECUMSEH—Ira Egge, the 11-year-old son of Mrs. Fannie Egge of this city, has lockjaw. He jumped from a shed the first of the week and stuck a rusty nail in his foot. No attention was paid to the wound and lockjaw resulted. The boy is in a preceding condition.

chief of fire department; Albert Cries, dry attorney.

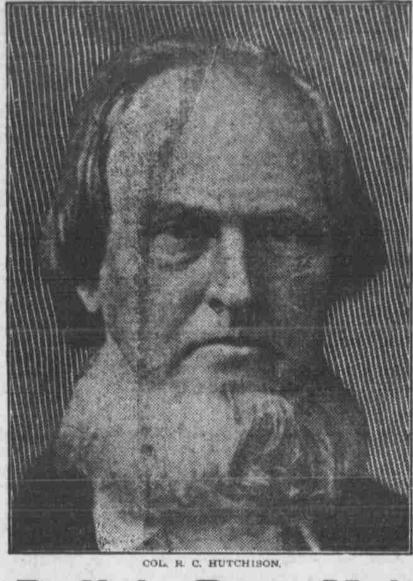
BEATRICE—Gage lodge No. 161, Fraternal Union of America, met last night and elected these officers: J. F. Pethoud, fraternal master; Mrs. Polly Bull, justice; Miss Elizabeth Leach, secretary; W. W. Lawson, treasurer; Floy Kinnamon, truth; Miss Jessie Leech, mercy; Audra Frirear, guids; Herber Palmer, guard; Mrs. Polly Bull, Stephen Bull and Herbert Palmer, stewards. George Ostrom of Omaha, state organizer, was present and addressed the meeting.

meeting.

COLUMBUS—Lebanon lodge No. 58, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, had its annual meeting and elected officers on Wednezday. These are the officers: Walter I. Spiece, worshipful master; George A. Scott, senior warden; J. H. Johanson, junior warden; C. J. Clark, treasurer and James R. Meagher, secretary. The installation will be public insofar that it will include the Masons' families and will be held at the regular meeting after the meeting of the grand lodge in June.

GRAND ISLAND—The funeral of Chris GRAND ISLAND—The funeral of Chris Staal, an early settler in the community, took place yesterday, the remains being followed to their last resting place in the Grand Island cemetery by an exceedingly by be paid in full.

nome of the perpetrators were caught in the Act. The resident catching them at it and Lung Troubles at 85



Col. R. C. Hutchison of Chattanooga, Tenn., amazed at his almost miraclous return to health after seven years of suffering from throat and lung troubles, extols Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey, which cured him when remedies usually prescribed for larynigits and bronchitis had

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man with headquarters there.

TECUMSEH—The second chapter of the matrimonial troubles of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown. formerly of Burchard, has developed here. Mr. Brown is the young man who endeavored to abduct his child from the mother here last Sunday. Mrs. Brown has brought suit for divorce from him in the Johnson county district court, her petition reciting many acts of cruelty and registed.

Interfere by getting into the house and stealing the refreshments, but the doors and windows were so securely fastened they did not succeed. The seniors took a hand to help out the sobhomores and the unior retailsted by procuring a lot of the affair created considerable stir in the neighborhood and the seniors seem to have got the most of the eggs.

the Johnson county district court, her per litton rectiting many acts of cruelty and neglect.

BEATRICE—C. H. Carthage, inspector of bridges for the Burlington road, with a number of officials of the company, arrived in the city yesterday on a special train and remained here for the night. Bridges were inspected along the Burling-ton route yesterday from DeWitt, Neb. as far south as Concordia, Kan, and all were found in first class shape. The train left for St. Joseph this morning.

TECUMSEH—At a meeting of the Tecumseh Commercial club last evening it was decided to hold a big Fourth of July celebration in this city this year. The celebration will include a fitting observance of the semi-centennial of the surveying of 5 Johnson county, which occurs this summer. A meeting of citizens will be given lint the hands of committees.

CHADRON—The year ending May 1 has been an exceptionally good one for Chadron financially, particularly the report of the water commissioner, showing only ill uncollected and that good. The mayor made the following appointments, all of which were confirmed: Charles Dargen (present incumbent) chief of police; H. D. Mead, the following appointments, all of which were confirmed: Charles Dargen (present incumbent) chief of police; H. D. Mead, the following appointments, all of which were confirmed: Charles Dargen (present incumbent) chief of police; H. D. Mead, the following appointments, all of which were confirmed: Charles Dargen (present incumbent) chief of fire department; Albert Crites, city attorney.

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CHICAGO, May 10.—John F. Wallace, former chief engineer of the Panama canal, today announced that he had accepted the presidency of the Electric Properties company. The organization, recently incorporated in New York, is, according to Mr. Wallace, to acquire, finance and develop properties in which electricity plays the principal part.

Depositors May Get Cash. PITTSBURG, May 10.—State Examine-eter G. Cameron, who took charge of

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