OLD FICTIONS ARE REVAMPED

Railroads Hash Over Exploded Arguments to Escape Taxation.

ALLEGE TERMINAL TAXES ROB SCHOOLS

Simile of Sponge in Water Bucket, Which Business Men Say is Mixed in Its Application, is Offered to Confuse Issue.

YORK, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—Three pamphlets issued by the railroads of Nebraska opposed to terminal taxation are being distributed among leading business men of the state. Several have been received in York. The recipients are asked to use their influence with their representatives in the legislature and ask them to vote against the terminal taxation bill.

One of the pamphlets is entitled: "Terminal Taxation and What the Courts Say." Another folder is entitled: "The Omaha Scheme," and the object is to work up a feeling against Omaha saying in case this terminal taxation bill should become a law, Omaha will secure a tax in much larger proportion on its railroad values that would nearly do away with taxes in the school districts in other cities of Nebraska. There are few who can be made to believe or endorse that proposition.

The other pamphlet is entitled "The Omaha Sponge." It starts out:

Let a bucket represent the railroad as a unit; fill it with water and let the water represent the taxable value of the railroad, let a sponge represent the Omaha scheme. Place the sponge in the water and you are amazed that the bucket contains both water and sponge, when the sponge itself seemed large enough to fill the bucket, which was already filled to overflowing. Thus far you have no loss of water or taxable value. But take the sponge out, and to your amazement you will find that a large per cent of the water has disappeared. Where? Into the sponge, of course.

That is what the railroads say. It is a pretty hard matter to prove to citizens in Nebraska that Omaha would absorb nearly all the taxes paid by railroads by reason of its being a city with valuable railroad mileage in the way of sidetracks, also they own considerable real estate which has escaped tax at this time. If the railroads were compelled to pay municipal taxes on the actual value of their railroad property in the city of York there would be some increase. Business men of York believe that railroads should not pay one cent more tax in proportion to the value of their property than any other citizen. If they understood the terminal tax bill would make them do this they would gladly range themselves on the side of the railroads and assist them in having their valuation made in accordance with that of other corporations and individuals.

It is urged that in the simile of the sponge and the water bucket the sponge should be considered as representing the railroads themselves and the bucket the pocket of the common people.

The Commercial club of York is considering what effect the 2-cent passenger rate will have in York. The business men think there will be a considerable increase by reason of the fare being so small from the nearby and small towns. In Seward the argument is made than on account of the passenger fare being so small Seward and a number of Seward people have been trading in Lincoln and Seward has lost considerable. Some business men claim the fare is so cheap from York to Lincoln that York will have the same experience as Seward.

CHANNEL FOUND IN NIOBRARA

Railroad Engineers Save Bridge by Use of Dynamite.

NIOBRARA, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—Superintendent Reynolds and his expert, Robert Eckles, succeeded in breaking a channel through under the west side of the Northwestern railway bridge last evening. The expert began at the lower side of the bridge at the mouth of the Niobrara and worked up for about a quarter of a mile until the main channel found its way to the Missouri and diverted the channel from the east side, where much weakening to the 1,000-foot bridge had resulted by undermining and breaking piling. About a dozen cars of rock were dumped into the weakned point, only to be taken away by the rushing current. The Niobrara river has a fall of nine feet to the mile and thus has a tremendous force in a narrow channel, coming with direct force against the piling. Four days were consumed in breaking the solid ice and 300 pounds of dynamite.

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PRAIRIE FIRE NEAR SUTHERLAND

Range Where W. A. Paxton Is Holding Cattle Damaged by Flames.

SUTHERLAND, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—One of the worst prairie fires to occur in this section for years destroyed thousands of acres of valuable range for the ranchmen and homesteaders in the hill country north of the river, Tuesday afternoon and night. The fire got its start over the line in McPherson county and, fanned forward by a forty-mile gale, rushed at race-horse speed in the direction of the valley of the North Platte river, where there was considerable hay in stack. Energetic work on the part of the ranchmen, who at times were forced to seek safety from the rapidly moving fire, kept the fire from burning on to the bottoms. The burned area is perhaps twenty miles in length and fifteen wide, and the loss cannot be estimated. As a result of the destruction of the range a bad storm would probably cause the loss of much stock, as the supply of hay is short. Among the ranges burned was that of W. A. Paxton of Omaha, who had nearly 3,000 head of cattle north of the river. The large Coker range was also nearly totally destroyed.

CHAPPELL, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—A Union Pacific engine set fire to the prairie west of town a little ways, and the high wind that was blowing at the time carried it across the country as fast as a horse could run. It burned over a scope of country several miles wide and about twenty-five miles long, going clear to the North Platte river. It completely destroyed the winter range, and has left several stockmen and farmers in hard shape for feed. No loss of personal property has yet been reported.

NOT IN THE REVENGE BUSINESS

Northwestern Officials Positive About Not Retaliating.

LONG PINE, March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—According to current reports from headquarters, the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad company has, in view of the two-cent-fare law, decided to pull off passenger trains Nos. 1 and 2 between Long Pine and Chadron, and there is a strong possibility of pulling off the passenger trains Nos. 1 and 2 between Long Pine and Norfolk. This will cripple the traveling facilities to a very great extent, as the pulling off of these passenger trains will leave only one passenger train and one freight train each way daily.

The above telegram was shown to the Northwestern representatives at the headquarters in Omaha and they denied any knowledge of such action.

"The Northwestern is not trying to retaliate on anyone," said S. F. Miller, assistant general passenger and freight agent. "Mr. Walters, the general manager, is out of the city and I have just returned from Cheyenne, but I have not heard a word about the matter. We put on the Long Pine-Chadron train last fall as an experiment and if it is found it does not pay to extend the train to that point it probably will be taken off, but I have not heard a word about the matter."

YORK ELKS WILL BUILD HOME

Fund for a Twenty-Thousand Building is Started.

YORK, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—A special meeting was held by York Benevolent Protective Order of Elks No. 1024 at the Fraternal hall last evening to receive the report of the committee which had in charge the building of an Elks hall. The committee reported favorably and after the matter was thoroughly discussed the lodge declared in favor of building an Elk home, the cost not to exceed $20,000. C. A. McCloud, Exalted Ruler, offered to take $1,000 worth of stock and when stock to the amount of $19,000 was subscribed, he agreed to take $1,000 more, making this a gift to the Elks. There is a general strong sentiment among the Elks in favor of building a home and it is believed there will be no trouble to get the money needed. The hall will probably be two stories and basement. Part of the basement will be used for a cafe and perhaps office, dining hall and furnace room, card room and directors room. The upper floor will be used entirely for lodge purposes. The membership of York lodge at this time is 225, and it is believed there will be no trouble in securing 300 members before the building is completed.

HIGH LICENSE TICKET AT BLAIR

W. D. Haller is Named for Mayor for Eighth Time.

BLAIR, Neb., March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—A citizens' mass meeting was held at the opera house this evening for the purpose of placing candidates in nomination on a city ticket for the coming city election. F. H. Claridge was elected chairman and Thomas Osterman secretary. The following were placed in nomination: For mayor, Hon. W. D. Haller; city engineer, W. H. Hill; city clerk, Wallie McMillen, city treasurer, Chris A. Schmidt; members of school board, James E. Maher and Dr. C. R. Mead; councilman, First ward, Alvin McKinney and Joseph Allen; Second ward, Charles H. Robertson; Third ward, John Schmahling; Fourth ward, Charles Hoff. Should Mr. Haller be elected to the office of mayor this will be his eighth term in that office. Mr. Haller being called upon for a speech declared himself in favor of high license as the best means to control the liquor traffic. The entire ticket is considered high license.

COUNTY AFFAIRS IN SAUNDERS

Many Deeds Are Recorded and Railway Taxes Paid.

WAHOO, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—County Recorder B. F. Whitney has been swamped with real estate transfers the past week. Over one hundred warranty deeds, aggregating about $500,000, have been filed for record since March 1. The largest single transfer was for $20,000 with others ranging from $17,000 down. As the price of land advances the mortgages increase. There was filed in Saunders county in the year 1906 $1,805,983.65 in real estate mortgages and released, $526,367.91; town mortgages filed, $88,327.28; released, $52,315.48. Chattel mortgages filed, $249,227.01; released, $172,659.12.

The Burlington Railroad company paid into the county treasurer's office today $11,605.12 taxes.

No Retrenchment at David City.

DAVID CITY, March 9.—(Special.)—The 2-cent rate and the paying of taxes did not stop the Union Pacific from making improvements in this city. They have adorned the depot with a coat of paint.

SONS OF HERMANN LOSE SUIT

Christine Soehner Gets the Verdict on Second Trial of Case.

LAW DOES NOT FAVOR FORFEITURES

Judge Instructs Plainly Against Contentions of Defendants, Which Are Based on By-Laws of Orders.

BLOOMFIELD, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—A decision of vital interest to fraternal benefit associations was rendered in the district court of Cedar county yesterday, when the jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff in the case of Christine Soehner against Grand Lodge Sons of Hermann of Nebraska.

Jacob Soehner, deceased, husband of the plaintiff, was a member of Golden Crown lodge No. 19, Order Sons of Hermann of Nebraska. On May 1, 1902, he failed to pay assessment No. 4 for the month of April and was suspended, according to the laws of the order. He also failed to pay assessment No. 5, for May, and No. 6, for June, and was, on July 1 dropped from the membership record of the grand lodge. On September 13 Soehner paid to the secretary of the local lodge all assessments and dues to September, 1907, and received a recipt from the secretary with the understanding that in case the grand lodge would accept this money he (Soehner) should be reinstated according to the laws of the order. Before the secretary, however, had an opportunity, Soehner was killed by a railroad train on his way to his home.

Secretary Holds Money.

The secretary had not remitted the money to the grand lodge nor had he turned it over to the treasurer of his local lodge, but held it in his possession. He notified the grand lodge immediately after the death of Soehner of his action, and the grand secretary replied simply that Soehner was not a member of the order, and therefore did not consider the grand lodge liable. Three months later suit was brought against the defendant in the district court of Cedar county and, after listening to all the evidence, the court decided the case in favor of the defendant. The case was appealed to the supreme court, and on an opinion of Judge Oldham reversed and returned for a new trial.

Instructions Favor Plaintiff.

The case came up for hearing this week, and the instructions of Judge A. A. Welch, on the strength of which the case was decided by the jury, are as follows:

You are instructed that conditions in the certificate of insurance issued by defendant to deceased Jacob Soehner limiting or avoiding liability of defendant thereon are strictly construed against the defendant and literally in favor of the beneficiary named therein, and that the law does not favor forfeitures, and that a failure of the said Jacob Soehner to pay his assessments within a specified time did not ipso facto and without any affirmative action by the defendant forfeit said certificate of insurance and suspend him from all rights thereunder, but that in order to forfeit his rights under said certificate of membership or insurance for nonpayment of dues or assessments some affirmative action on the part of the defendant was required before such suspension became operative.

By-Laws Are Explicit.

The policy of insurance and the laws of the grand lodge provide:

That members who have failed to pay their lodge dues, assessments and fines within thirty days from date of call shall be suspended ipso facto and shall lose all right to which they would otherwise be entitled and it shall need no special order or notice on the part of defendant. Suspended members, whether on account of failure to pay lodge dues or assessments, shall lose all rights to which they would otherwise be entitled, and the certificate of insurance shall be null and void. A suspended member can be reinstated if he pays all arrearages within thirty days from date of suspension and can also be reinstated if he makes written application for reinstatement to the local lodge within three months from date of suspension and pays all lodge dues, assessments and fines. To be reinstated at this time, however, two-thirds of all the votes cast by ballot thereon shall be in favor of such reinstatement at a meeting of the local lodge.

The case will again go to the supreme court.

LINCOLN MAN KILLED BY THE CARS

Attempts to Cross Track and Is Struck by Engine.

LINCOLN, March 9.—(Special.)—Charles W. Hicks, a retired ranchman living at 1705 North Fourteenth street, was killed by a Burlington train at the Fourteenth street crossing at 10:30 this morning. Hicks was walking into town and started to walk across the track at the crossing when the train struck him. He was thrown some thirty or forty feet and landed in a ditch dead. His body was brought to the morgue and Coroner Graham took charge of it. The dead man was 63 years old and came here from Wyoming, where he has several children. One daughter, Mrs. Henry Carr, lives at Greenwood. Hicks was a widower.

HEAVY WET SNOW ENSURES WHEAT

Fall of from Four to Six Inches Reported from Southern Counties.

BEATRICE, Neb., March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—The heaviest snow of the season fell here today and continues unabated tonight. The ground is covered to a depth of six inches with heavy wet snow.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—There was a heavy snowfall throughout the southwestern part of Nebraska Saturday. Here the fall measured four inches. This snow practically assures an immense wheat crop.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—Snow commenced falling soon after noon Saturday and continued all afternoon.

Kenison Murder Trial in March.

GERING, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—The prosecution of E. S. Kenison, who will be tried at the term of district court beginning here March 25 for the murder of Sam D. Cox at Minatare in December, will be conducted by M. F. Harrington of O'Neill. The county board this week decided upon his employment and received a telegram accepting the case. Judge F. G. Hamer of Kearney has been engaged by the defense and the case is looked forward to with much interest.

Pup Bites Small Boy in Head.

ASHLAND, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—The 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Little of East Ashland was attacked by a young bull pup yesterday. The boy was thrown to the ground with the dog's teeth fastened into the back of his head. Had the father not been near and rushed to the rescue it is probable that the boy would have met with death from the attack, as Mr. Little was obliged to open the jaws of the dog by main force.

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Farmer Injured by Cave-in.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 9.—(Special Telegram.)—H. D. Long was seriously injured by a cavein of a storage cellar on his farm five miles east of town today. With his son he was removing the wood support of a brick arch which he had just completed. When he loosened the boards the arch gave way and the earth fell in. His arm was broken and his back sprained. His son was less seriously injured.

News of Nebraska.

SEWARD—Bruce Campbell has sold his potato chip factory to Mr. Hulburt.

DAVID CITY—Dr. Willits gave the first number of the lecture course Friday evening.

BEEMER—The Beemer photograph gallery has changed hands. Blossom & Kriz are the new proprietors.

RED CLOUD—Land in Webster county continues to rise. Land valued at $194,803 was transferred this week.

ALLIANCE—County Clerk C. W. Brennan has received a check for a little more than $12,000 in payment of Burlington taxes.

RED CLOUD—W. Kofod of Omaha has purchased the Holland hotel at this place and will take possession in a few weeks.

SEWARD—The Burlington has, through its agent here, paid the sum of $39,959.52 taxes, of which $4,300 of this was interest.

WEST POINT—The Standard Bridge company of Omaha was the successful bidder for the bridge contract for Cuming county.

MILFORD—Rev. F. Ostertag, pastor of the Evangelical church of Milford, has resigned his pastorate on account of ill health.

DAVID CITY—The Ben Hur lodge will initiate 100 new members Monday evening. The degree team from Lincoln will put on the work.

DAVID CITY—D. W. Patrick, deputy county treasurer for three years, has resigned and accepted a position in a bank at Ulysses.

YORK—Messrs. Sterner Brothers have purchased the stock of harness owned by the York Harness company and have taken possession.

SCHUYLER—A large improvement has been made at the Wells-Abbott-Nieman Milling company, in which a car of flour can be loaded in forty minutes.

SCHUYLER—The large oil tanks of the Standard Oil company have arrived and will be filled with oil for the distribution in Schuyler and neighboring towns.

CHAPPELL—The Odd Fellows have concluded to build a hall and will soon begin work on it. It will be a credit to the town and the order when completed.

PLATTSMOUTH — An epidemic of "spotted fever" is raging in Pacific Junction. Sam Evans has lost one child and two others are not expected to live.

PLATTSMOUTH — The Nebraska City Elks assisted in initiating about a dozen members into the local lodge Friday evening. A reception and banquet followed.

CHAPPELL—The Chappell hotel, W. H. McEldowney proprietor, changed hands today, being sold to W. A. Hemming, who recently came here from Pennsylvania.

GENEVA—Revival meetings are being held at the First Baptist church by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Brooks. He is assisted by Miss Porter of Omaha, who sings.

WEST POINT—Interest is being manifested in the forthcoming municipal election. The people's party has issued a call for a mass convention to take place on March 14.

WEST POINT—The Antelope and Willow Creek gun club held its weekly blue rock shoot at the farm of Charles Belter with the following result: Antelope, 84; Willow Creek, 83.

PLATTSMOUTH—The Plattsmouth High school girls' basket ball team went to Nebraska City Friday and were defeated by Captain Mary E. Wright's team by a score of 12 to 11.

SCHUYLER—Julius Wacha, who has been employed in his brother's store for the past two years, has gone to Clarkson, where he will open up a general merchandise store of his own.

VALLEY—Rev. S. G. Carlson has accepted a call as pastor of the Second Baptist church. Rev. Hassoblad, the former pastor, goes to a home mission field in South Dakota.

NEBRASKA CITY—Otoe county is richer now by $13,629.04 than it was, because the Burlington has paid its portion of disputed taxes, with interest, which they claimed they did not owe.

DAVID CITY—The People's Banner has offered a prize of $10 to the ladies' club or society which will put in and maintain the prettiest flower bed in the city park during the coming season.

VALLEY—Thomas Gibbs and Miss Fillie Marsh were united in marriage at the home of Mrs. A. Marsh, Rev. Cruger of Fremont performing the marriage ceremony. Only relatives were present.

BRADSHAW—The will of Nathaniel Pope has been probated. Mrs. Pope was appointed executrix. The estate is valued at about $12,000. Mr. Pope was one of the oldest settlers near here.

BEATRICE — The citizens convention called for Friday night was a fizzle, as not enough voters were present to hold a convention. An adjournment was taken to next Wednesday evening.

RED CLOUD—H. A. Howard, an old-time citizen of this place, died Sunday morning from a stroke of paralysis after an illness of more than a year. Mr. Howard located in this county over thirty years ago.

ASHLAND—The remains of Mrs. Alexandria Victoria Patton, who died at Crete this week, were interred in the Ashland cemetery. Mrs. Patton with her husband came to Nebraska thirty-five years ago.

NORTH PLATTE—Henry C. Frickey, charged with horse stealing, plead guilty after the jury had been selected and the evidence for the state given. Sentence has not yet been pronounced by Judge Grimes.

SCHUYLER — Many cases of blackleg have been reported among cattle in this county. Dr. Stoupfer vaccinated 116 for one party this week and many others are doing the same, which will soon stop the disease.

YORK—George Chilcote, the Lincoln Avenue grocer, has purchased the stock of Fred Newton and has taken possession. Mr. Chilcote will close the stock out and the room will be occupied by W. K. Williams, clothier.

BEEMER—The Beemer Times has made arrangements for a home of its own, Editor Sechrist having bought the old Clark blacksmith shop. The building is being raised. When completed it will make a nice newspaper home.

RED CLOUD—Miss Maude Wilson, who lives a short distance northwest of Red Cloud, took first place in the annual declamatory contest of the Wesleyan school of expression, which was held at the auditorium in Lincoln Tuesday.

ALLIANCE—The smallpox situation has improved. Strict quarantine regulations have been enforced and the epidemic is practically wiped out, with the exception of a few cases now in the pest house, which are by no means dangerous.

HOUSTON—A double wedding was held at the residence of John M. Shaw. Rev. John Creighton of the Presbyterian church officiated. The contracting parties were Emma J. Shaw and John T. Price, Effie M. Shaw and Clarence Ramp.

RED CLOUD—A dinner and supper was given by the women of the town at the Damerell hall Saturday for the benefit of the new band. One hundred and twelve dollars was realized. The money will be used to purchase new uniforms.

ASHLAND—Roy Deen returned this week from Lincoln after two weeks' treatment for an injured eye in which a small piece of steel had become embedded. Although the young man received the best of treatment it was impossible to save the eye.

ALLIANCE—The Retail Clerks' Protective association was organized with Jud Laravie president, E. G. Laing, secretary; Clarence Brunell, treasurer; Messrs. Birney, Cogswell and VanNice, trustees. They will endeavor to inaugurate earlier closing hours.

CHAPPELL—Early Friday morning the Lewellen Mercantile company's store building and stock was destroyed by fire at Lewellen, Neb. Origin of the fire unknown. Loss was partially covered by insurance, which they held to the amount of $2,800.

VALLEY—Mrs. Elizabeth Hudspith died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Hubbard, last night after a lingering illness. Mrs. Hudspith was one of the pioneer residents of Valley and an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church. She was 70 years of age.

NORTH PLATTE—It is reported that John H. Day has been offered the position of traveling inspector of locomotives and machinery on the Union Pacific. He was called to Omaha Tuesday night by Superintendent W. R. McKeen to consult with him in this regard.

SUTHERLAND—It is said that regular traffic will be started on the new O'Fallons & Northport railroad about May 1. It is expected that there will be a rush by landseekers to the North Platte river valley traversed by this line as soon as passenger traffic is inaugurated.

BEATRICE—Word has been received here of the promotion of Archie Gilliland, a former Beatrice boy, from the position of clerk in the office of the general superintendent of the Rock Island at Chicago to the chief clerkship in the passenger department at St. Louis.

WEST POINT—The school board unanimously elected Prof. R. M. Campbell to the position of superintendent. His salary was fixed at $1,125 per year, being an increase of $25 over last year. It was decided to have but one day of vacation during Easter time, Friday, March 29.

HARVARD—Bradford Stone, died at his home, aged 75 years, leaving a widow and eight children. The first hotel built in Harvard, in 1872, was built by Mr. Stone and his partner. During the civil war he was a member of company D, Sixteenth New York infantry, and saw much fighting.

BENEDICT—York county farmers are reaping a harvest on the sale of alfalfa, clover and timothy seed. There was a large acreage and an extra large yield of seed. Farmers are making all the way from $15 to $30 per acre from the seed alone, not counting the value of the hay.

SCHUYLER—The republican city caucus was held in the county court house Friday evening. Mayor Rothsack, City Clerk Woods and City Treasurer Higgins were nominated by acclamation. One councilman from each ward and also two new members for the school board were also nominated.

STROMSBURG—At a referee's sale of a piece of land three miles south of this city the farm brought $55 per acre and it is not an average good farm. The improvements are poor. There were only three bidders. Polk county land has advanced fully 20 per cent during the last six months.

RED CLOUD—At a meeting of the Commercial club Tuesday evening the following officers were elected: Frank Cowden, president; Alfred McCall, vice president; Paul Dietrick, secretary and treasurer; executive committee, Charles Platt, James Peterson, Del Turnure, Dr. Creighton and Bert Grice.

VALLEY—The "Busy Bees" and Valley Woman's club held a reception at the home of Mrs. W. E. Weekly in honor of Mrs. S. F. Lyons, who leaves soon for her new home in Seattle, Wash. Mrs. Lyons was president of the "Busy Bees" two years and librarian for the Woman's club since its organization.

FALLS CITY—Mrs. T. Roy, one of the oldest residents of Falls City, has sold her live stock and farming implements and is leaving the home she has occupied so many years at the edge of town. The land, over twenty acres, has been sold to capitalists of Falls City for the benefit of the city as a park.

NEBRASKA CITY—One of the oldest two-story brick houses in this city is being torn down by Cal Chapman, and the material will be used in erecting tenement houses. The building was used by a hide house for many years and the salt destroyed the foundation, so it was necessary to tear down the building.

YORK—C. A. McCloud, president of the Farmers' National bank, had contracted in advance for ticket No. 1 at the 2-cent rate over the Burlington. C. C. Boslow, deputy county clerk, purchased ticket number one at the 2-cent rate over the Northwestern. Burlington depot agent Smith says that he expects a large increase in traveling.

CHADRON—Frederick Hall of Danbury, Neb., and Eleanor Reynolds were married by Rev. G. W. Mitchell, in the presence of over 200 invited guests. The groom is the pastor of the Danbury Congregational church, at which place the young couple will make their future home. The bride is the only child of ex-Senator W. H. Reynolds.

STROMSBURG—The Young Men's Christian association entertained the business men, over a hundred being present. R. L. Castile, president of the association, was toastmaster, and speeches were made by State Secretary Bailey, Dr. Creighton of York, Mr. Lashley, the local secretary, and A. B. Hedbloom of this city.

ASHLAND—A county tournament was held this week at Cedar Bluffs among representatives of various gun clubs in the county for the trophy championship of Saunders county. The contest finally narrowed down to Albert Olsen of Cedar Bluffs and William Smith, jr., of Ithaca, finally being won by Mr. Olsen by a score of forty-five to forty-three.

ASHLAND—The team belonging to Ralph Hayes, a young farmer living west of Ashland, ran away with a heavy lumber wagon on Silver street. The team succeeded in running over and completely demolishing a buggy belonging to Mr. Ed Hovey, whose team was hitched on a side street. Mr. Hayes' team had become freightened by a small wagon drawn by boys.

SOUTH BEND—The Rock Island has withdrawn most of its workmen from its bridge at South Bend, leaving a few carpenters to complete the repairs to the structure which was damaged by the recent high water in the Platte river. Search is still being maintained for the workman who fell from the bridge about two weeks ago and was drowned. The railroad has offered a reward for the body.

NORTH PLATTE—Mr. George W. Parsons, one of the most prominent citizens of Brady and vicinity, met with a very severe accident on last Saturday. His team became frightened in some manner and ran away, throwing Mr. Parsons under the wagon, and the wheels passing over him, injured his spine in such a manner as to paralyze the lower part of his body. Little hopes are entertained for his recovery.

ASHLAND—A special emigrant train consisting of ten freight cars and a passenger coach, left Ashland over the Sioux City line for Brunswick, Neb., one day this week. The train contained the families and household effects of a number of farmers who have purchased land in Antelope county, about ninety miles west of Sioux City on the O'Neill branch of the Great Northern. There were fifty-four persons in the party.

NORTH PLATTE—John Burke and Frank F. Murray of this city and H. P. Votaw, formerly of Maywood, have organized a commission company to be known as the Burke-Murray-Votaw Commission company with headquarters at Denver. Mr. Burke, who is president of the company, was formerly connected with the Union stockyards at this place. Mr. Murray will act as secretary and treasurer of the new company.

AURORA—Aurora military band gave its annual concert Friday evening. Vocal solos were given by Miss Houser, H. E. Bradford, Dr. Dorwart and Mrs. O. T. Hartquest and vocal duets by Messrs. Fowler and Dorwart and H. E. Bradford and Mrs. J. G. Alden. Miss Martha Dayton of York, Neb., favored the audience with a violin solo which was exceptionally well rendered. The audience highly appreciated the seven selections by the band.

BEATRICE—The P. E. O. society held its annual meeting yesterday with Mrs. Helen M. Drake and elected these officers: Mrs. E. G. Drake, president; Mrs. J. T. Harden, vice president; Mrs. W. W. Duncan, corresponding secretary; Miss Grace A. Liddicott, recording secretary; Miss Anna Kyd, treasurer; Miss Lucy Fry, chaplain. Delegates to the grand chapter convention, to be held at McCook in June, Mrs. Drake, Miss Jessie Moore; alternates, Miss Liddicott and Mrs. J. R. Quein.

NEBRASKA CITY—An interesting question has been raised here. For some time our churches have been holding entertainments to which an admission fee was charged. A taxpayer investigated the law and wants to know why the churches giving these entertainments should not be taxed the same as a theater or any other place of amusement. The county assessor made an investigation, but was not satisfied as to his interpretation of the law and will refer the matter to the State Board of Equalization.

BEATRICE—The republicans of Wymore held a caucus Friday night and placed in nomination the following candidates: For mayor, John Taylor; city clerk, L. E. Caldwell; city engineer, J. W. Brown; police judge, F. E. Crawford; members of the Board of Education, E. N. Kaufman, George O. Huckett and I. R. Clayton; councilmen, First ward, Victor Holmes; Second ward, William Bentley. Resolutions declaring for the enforcement of the city ordinances as regards the sale of intoxicating liquors and favoring good government were unanimously adopted.

ASHLAND—A number of cases of petty thieving have been reported in Saunders county. Sneak thieves broke into the school house in district Twenty-one carrying away about twenty school books and other school supplies. Burglars have also recently entered the hardware store of C. H. Cornell of Ithaca, taking a small amount of change from the money drawer. Sneak thieves entered the basement of the Congregational church where the social entertainment was being given, and made away with a portion of the refreshments.

GENEVA—The Japanese and Ben Hur fete, given in the school auditorium by the Geneva Equal Suffrage club and Miss Stevens, was a success in every particular. A hundred children, mostly pupils of the school, and some young men and women composed the chorus, assisted by the principal, Miss Scott, and Miss Combes, a grade teacher. "Cheyenne" and "Flora-dora" were each encored a number of times. Miss Brandt, teacher of domestic science, gave a reading and an encore.

BEATRICE—Yesterday Judge Kretsinger, attorney for L. C. Parker, received word from the clerk of the supreme court stating that the court of last resort had affirmed the decision of the district court, and sustained the will of Mrs. Almira Parker. The case has been in the courts for years. The will of Mrs. Parker gave her property to the child of her son Lewis, Frank Parker of Los Angeles, a son of Mrs. Parker, resisted the probating of the will, and the case was tried in all the courts, being continuously before the public for the last six years. In the district court, under the instructions of Judge Kelligar, Lewis Parker won, and now the court of last resort has affirmed that judgment.

County Buildings on Fair Grounds.

HURON, S. D., March 9.—(Special.)—The county commissioners have appropriated $3,000 for the erection of a building for Beadle county exhibits on the state fair grounds in this city. It is understood that other counties in the state will make similar appropriations, thereby increasing interest in the South Dakota state fair. The appropriation of $35,000 by the state, though not as much as hoped for, is thankfully received by the board and steps will be taken as early as possible for the erection of additional buildings and general improvements on the grounds, which are already the finest in this part of the northwest.

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Golden oak, $6.75 to $100.
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Genuine mahogany, $25 to $150.

DINING CHAIRS.
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