

TELEPHONE RATES INCREASE

State Board Splits Difference Between Company and the Citizens.

CONSOLIDATION NOT PASSED ON

State Board of Assessment Meets and Adjourns for Lack of Quorum—Correction in Buffalo County Returns.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Neb., May 4.—(Special.)—The State Railway commission today decided in part the telephone controversy at Kearney and will in all probability hand down its decision on the remaining question tomorrow.

The question of the purchase of the independent company by the Bell and its consolidation with the latter was not decided, but it is understood this will be given out some time tomorrow, as the opinion of the commission is already written.

Who Operated Telegraph Office. The answer of the Missouri Pacific railroad to the complaint filed with the railway commission that it closed the telegraph office at Wabash to the detriment of the business there, has raised the question of ownership of the telegraph office at that place.

Stock Issue May Be Prohibited. John W. Stewart, city attorney of Lincoln, who recently filed a complaint with the State Railway commission to prevent the Citizens Street Railway company from issuing any more stock on its present investment, is likely to score at least a partial victory in the case.

Board of Assessment Adjourns. The State Board of Assessment met this morning with Acting Governor Saunders in the chair. Acting Governor Saunders also held the position of Governor Sheldon, Land Commissioner Eaton, Auditor Seale, Secretary of State Junkin and Treasurer Brian.

The following is the value of the Union Pacific lands as assessed by the assessor: Miller Creek, \$44,250; Lexington, \$32,248; Rockville, \$32,620; Gothenburg, \$29,942; Leup City, \$29,700; Genoa, \$44,250; Wabash, \$29,700; Fremont, \$39,611; Wyan, \$18,000; Elgin, \$12,991; Valparaiso, \$3,820; Cedar Rapids, \$30,939; Sidney, \$2,146; Central City, \$12,889; St. Paul, \$2,248; Chapman, \$4,613; Raymond, \$9,580; Clarke, \$3,913; Schuyler, \$7,400; Cass, \$3,884; 30,800 Danvers, \$1,497; Fairbault, \$2,140; David City, \$3,791; Overton, \$4,000; Paddyville, \$16,672; Ogallala, \$9,872; Alton, \$3,812; North Bend, \$3,383; Bousha, \$12,217; Norfolk, \$2,715; South Omaha, \$20,430; Mendota, \$2,248; Omaha, \$6,736; Malvern, \$2,534; Callaway, \$15,720; Polk, \$1,820; Cento, \$13,995; 30,812; Plattsmouth, \$1,571; Shelby, \$9,781; Platte Valley, \$15,653; Stromberg, \$1,534; Elkhorst, \$6,870; Lodge Pole, \$2,300; Lincoln, \$2,900.

Correction in Assessor's Returns. C. C. Christ, county assessor of Buffalo county, has written to the State Board of Assessment that if the figures on the assessment of Union Pacific railroad property in Buffalo county are correct, a mistake has been made in his report.

Pictures of Governor and Party. Pictures were received at the state house today of a portion of the governor's party riding burros at the base of a mountain somewhere between here and the Pacific coast.

conspicuous in the pictures were Governor and Mrs. Sheldon, Adjutant General Schwarz and Mrs. Schwarz, Colonel Hutto, "The Barb" of the burros ridden by the governor were visible.

Complaint on Health Inspector. The secretary of the local Board of Health of Valley has filed a formal complaint against Health Inspector Wilson in which there are two counts. In one the health inspector is charged with having been right in enforcing a smallpox quarantine against a boarding house and in another permitting the release of a party having the smallpox, without proper disinfection.

Poultry Company Purchase. The H. T. Clark building at Eighth and P streets was sold today to the Clarinda Poultry, Butter and Egg Company of Clarinda, Ia., for \$25,000. The building was owned by D. E. Thompson and was sold for him by Paul H. Holm.

Enough Said. One case set for hearing in the supreme court tomorrow will go over. That is the case of Glover against Arthur. H. M. Sullivan of Broken Bow, an attorney for one of the litigants, filed an affidavit with the clerk of the court today in which he said owing to the fact that he was suffering with the smallpox, he asked that the case continue. After setting out that he was stricken the affidavit closes with the usual, "and further affiant saith not."

STARTS ONE TOO MANY QUARRELS. Emilie Naegeli of Brock killed by his brother-in-law. AUBURN, Neb., April 4.—Luther Hutton shot and instantly killed Emilie Megol, about two miles south of Brock in this county, and about ten miles northwest of this place, yesterday evening.

Dodge County Railroad Assessment. FREMONT, Neb., May 4.—(Special.)—County Assessor Henry Oberman has made the following returns of the railroad assessments in the cities and villages of this county: Union Pacific in Fremont, \$139,614; Union Pacific in North Bend, \$3,823; C. & N. W. in Fremont, \$32,509; C. & N. W. in North Bend, \$1,422; C. & N. W. in Scribner, \$1,121; C. & N. W. in Snyder, \$2,511; C. & N. W. in Dodge, \$1,523; C. B. & Q. in Fremont, \$19,974; C. B. & Q. in Gehring, \$1,629.

Nebraska News Notes. LEIGH.—The town board had a meeting last week and the following for chairman, re-electing H. S. Buhman as chairman.

BEATRICE.—Samuel Wolfe, 8 years old, died from injuries received from falling twenty-two feet down a stairway. He was a son of Frank Wolfe.

COLUMBUS.—Sunday at St. Bonaventura Catholic church, Rev. Bishop Scamwell, of Omaha, in presence and preached eloquent sermons both morning and afternoon, and in the afternoon a class of 125 children, confirmed, among them being 125 children.

PAPILLION.—Died at the hospital at Rochester, Minn., last week, of pneumonia, Mrs. Susie Little, oldest daughter of John W. Thompson. She leaves besides her husband, two children, both boys. She will be buried at Dunlap, Ia., where her husband owns a mill.

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RAIN FELL TO THE DEPTH OF ONE INCH AT COLUMBUS BEFORE 8 O'CLOCK MONDAY MORNING, with good rains at Ashland, Lincoln, Sutton and Hastings. There was a general rain all over the Lincoln division of the Burlington and a light rain over the Alliance division before 8 o'clock Monday morning.

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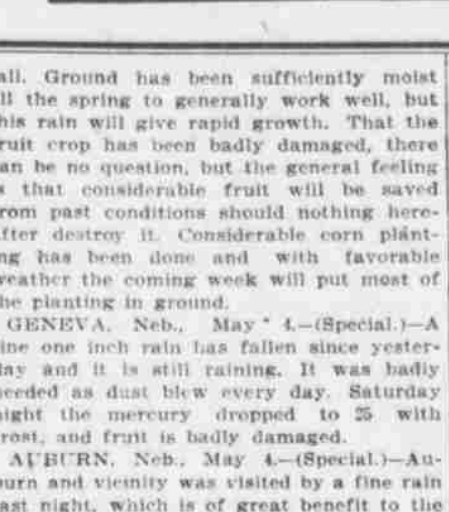
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CALEB POWERS MAY GO FREE. Governor Willson Will Finally Pass on Petition for Pardon on Tuesday. FRANKFORD, Ky., May 4.—Governor Willson will on Tuesday announce his decision on the applications for pardons for Caleb Powers and James Howard, charged with complicity in the assassination of William Goebel.

AMERICANS HAD BIG DAY. Fast Amateur Team Plays Good Ball on the Start. The Americans swooped down upon the Hoffmans of South Omaha on Krug's lot at Twenty-fourth and Vinton streets Sunday and defeated them 10 to 1.

CLEVELAND IS IMPROVING. Hopes to Be Able to Return to His Home in Princeton Within a Few Days. LAKEWOOD, N. J., May 4.—The condition of former President Grover Cleveland, who is said by his physicians to be suffering from acute indigestion, continues to show daily improvement, according to Mrs. Cleveland, who expresses the hope that the

GREEN LETTER MEN AT UNIVERSITY TRY TO SAVE THEMSELVES. LINCOLN, Neb., May 4.—(Special.)—The campaign for election to student membership on the University of Nebraska athletic team has begun with eight candidates in the field. The fraternities have not put up a ticket because of the new method of election, which allows every male student to vote without paying a registration fee.

BOONE—Saturday evening, in the Lincoln armory, this city, the members of the Phi Beta Kappa chapter of the Iowa State college had a dancing party. They invited their gentlemen friends from Ames and this city. Among the chaperones of the party was Dr. A. B. Storms, president of Iowa State college, and former pastor of Des Moines. He remained in the hall, watching the dancers, and took some enjoyment in the affairs of the younger people.

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