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THOMAS' PROGRESS IS SLOW

Supreme Court as Yet Issues No Order in Ballot Case.

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Application for Decree Made by Mrs. Elizabeth Waite Creates Sensation in Mississippi-Lee Gets Busy.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—Elmer E. Thomas tried during the afternoon to get a hearing before four judges of the supreme court on his motion to advance the election board ballot case, but no order was issued by the court during the day. Mr. Thomas alleges that the district court erred in holding that a vacancy occurred within the meaning of the statute, although in fact it may have occurred prior to the date of the primary election.

Mississippi Divorce Case. The news of the action of Mrs. Elizabeth Waite instituting divorce proceedings in the district court of this county against Captain Otis J. Waite appears to have created a sensation in Jackson, Miss., where the defendant resides and where he is rated as one of the foremost business men. The petition was filed April 17 and the grounds alleged are drunkenness and extreme cruelty. The following dispatch from Jackson gives something of the history of the estranged couple.

News has just reached this city of the beginning of divorce proceedings in Lincoln by Mrs. Elizabeth Waite, wife of Captain Otis J. Waite of Jackson and through it created a high amount of surprise. It has given rise to no little talk in social and business circles.

Captain Waite is one of the foremost business men of the city. He is vice president of the First National bank and is prominently identified with numerous other enterprises. He is about 50 years of age and occupies a high social position. The allegation of drunkenness causes considerable surprise, for he has never had the reputation of being a liquor addict. He will contest the case.

Mrs. Waite is less than half the age of the defendant. She was formerly Miss Elizabeth Meacham of Kansas City and a niece of the captain's first wife. As such she frequently visited the family in this city. When she left here it was with the avowed intention of going on the stage, but no word was ever received here of her having secured an engagement. She was at one time connected in an editorial capacity with a society publication in Kansas City known as The Butterfly.

Mrs. Waite has visited in Jackson once or twice since separating from the captain and their relations have apparently been friendly.

Mrs. Waite has been in Lincoln for about a year and has been boarding with a prominent family. She is a woman of rather striking appearance and cultured manner. Her mother and sister, formerly lived in Lincoln and left here for the south eight or ten years ago.

The divorce petition recites that plaintiff and defendant were married in Kansas City March 27, 1906, and that he has been repeatedly and continuously guilty of extreme cruelty. He began exhibiting this cruelty within a few months after their married life began and continued it during all of the time that they lived together. It is charged that he struck her at various times.

Mrs. Waite stated today that there would be no contest upon the part of her husband, from whom she had secured a voluntary appearance and waiver of summons; he was satisfied that she should secure a divorce. She was asked if she had ever made her appearance on the stage or attempted to secure an engagement, but declined to discuss the subject. In reply to a query as to whether or not she had been employed since taking up her residence in Lincoln she stated that she had been carrying on a mail order business. She declined to make any statement as to her newspaper experience in Kansas City.

Will of I. M. Raymond. The will of the late Isaac M. Raymond which was filed and admitted to probate

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yesterday, was executed January 26, 1902. By its terms (testator bequeaths to his widow all of the household goods, horse and carriage. To his son, Donald A. Raymond he leaves his watch and chain, and to his sister, Ada M. Lansing, he gives an undivided half interest in lot 2, block 19, Lavender's addition and \$1,000 in cash. All of the other property is divided among and share alike.

At the hearing it developed that the estate is worth approximately \$500,000 and that it consists of the wholesale business, bank stock, real estate and bonds. No inventory has yet been filed. By the terms of the will the widow and William H. Raymond are made executors, and though the decedent requested that they be allowed to serve without bond, Judge Cogrove required surety in the sum of \$50,000, it being his policy and that of the law to require bond in all such cases. The inheritance tax which will be paid to the county on this estate will amount approximately to \$2,000, being 1 per cent on every hundred above \$10,000 inherited by the legatees.

Treasurer Buys Bonds. State Treasurer Brian, who went to Boise City to bid on an issue of \$500,000 of Idaho state bonds, telegraphed his efforts that he succeeded in getting \$150,000 of the issue. The bonds bear 4 per cent interest and were bought at par. Prior to this purchase the state of Nebraska owned over \$700,000 of Idaho state bonds.

Lee Will Bid for More Men. Clinton R. Lee of the Lee Broom & Duster company, has returned home and will enter the contest for convict labor by making a bid for forty or fifty more men. He has a contract for 500 prisoners, but in view of the proposition from a Louisiana man to employ convict to make overalls at the penitentiary, will bid for more.

Snapping Hawser May Cause Death

J. R. Shoaf of Lincoln Probably Fatally Hurt at Rosalie-Taken to Sioux City.

ROSLIE, Neb., April 27.—(Special Telegram.)—J. R. Shoaf, conductor of a work train on the Burlington's Sioux City branch, was probably fatally hurt today by the breaking of a hawser on steam shovel. The big wire snapped, the end striking Shoaf in the head, fracturing the skull in two places. The Sioux City passenger train was due in a few minutes and was held thirty minutes on the injured man could be taken to Sioux City for medical and hospital treatment.

Mrs. Shoaf, who was staying here while her husband was employed on special service, accompanied him. He revived shortly after the accident for a moment, sufficiently to recognize his wife. Shoaf's home is in Lincoln.

Bertuka Pleads Not Guilty. BEATRICE, Neb., April 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Perrone Bertuka was arraigned in county court on the charge of murdering John Prehus, an 11-year-old boy at Wymore last Saturday. He pleaded not guilty and was remanded to jail to await preliminary which will be held next Saturday.

Antonio Arenato of Omaha, who represents the Italian consul, has arranged to secure counsel to defend Bertuka in case he decides to stand trial.

Banks Ready for Robbers. ASHLAND, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—The local banks of Weston, Ithaca, Ceresco and Wahoo have recently installed new burglar-proof manganese safes. This action was inspired by the robbery of the bank at Ceresco last autumn.

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Joke Proves Fatal to Men in Boat

Frank Ingrain and Fred Barker Are Drowned in River as Result of Frank by Former.

TEKAMAH, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—Word was received here this morning that Frank Ingrain, better known as "Dot," and Fred Barker, were both drowned in the Missouri river near Decatur Sunday night.

Ingrain and George Rathbourne were operating a floating saloon about four and one-half miles north of Decatur, and were returning to Decatur about 7:30 Sunday evening in company with Fred Barker and Milton Levering, an Indian, in a skiff. Ingrain was rowing the boat and thought he would give the others a scare by hitting a snag in the middle of the river. He did, and instead of the boat sliding off to one side it went down, throwing them all into the water, which was, perhaps, forty feet deep. Rathbourne and the Indian hung onto the snag, but the other two were drowned. It was nearly 10 o'clock before these two were rescued and they were almost chilled to death. The Indian let loose of the snag and went down twice, but being large and fat he floated and was towed in behind a boat about 300 yards away where the boat captured. It is said that they all had been drinking before leaving the saloon.

FIRE GREATLY DAMAGES PAPER PLANT AT BLAIR

Danish Lutheran Building and Plant Almost Wiped Out—Worth Over Fifty Thousand Dollars.

BLAIR, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—Fire almost wiped out the plant of the Danish Lutheran Publishing house at 3 o'clock this morning. The fire department by hand fighting kept the fire within the brick walls and saved several adjoining business houses.

The fire started in the basement and it is supposed it was started from some papers left in the basement. The plant is under the management of the Danish Lutheran church and is valued at about \$50,000. The stock and the machinery, type and fixtures are appraised at \$35,000. A new linotype machine had just been installed at a cost of \$2,000 and one is already in use worth about the same. The house publishes the "Dankeren," a semi-weekly newspaper; "Dansk Lutheran Kirkblad," official paper of the Danish Lutheran church and several other publications of the church. The stock of paper, books, stationery, etc., is almost an entire loss, as is also the furniture and fixtures and the inside wood work of the building and all plate glass. The loss on the machines and type is hard to estimate. The insurance held on the entire plant is \$27,000. The manager H. Scov Nelson thinks the plant will be rebuilt at once as soon as an adjustment can be made. They employed about fifteen people and their business was in a prosperous condition. The president of the board of managers, A. C. Welman, is at present in Denver, Colo., and was notified by wire and is expected here at once.

Stove Polish is Explosive

Woman and Daughter Narrowly Escape Being Burned to Death at Nebraska City.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. Thomas Ryan, after completing her labors yesterday afternoon, blacked her stove with a new patent liquid polish and left the room. The fire had been out of the stove for some time, but it was warm in a minute and she and she did there was an explosion and she was enshrouded in a sheet of flames. Her clothing took fire and she ran screaming into the yard, but was caught by the mother, who stripped the blazing clothing from her body and saved her from being incinerated. In doing so she burned her hands badly. The chestnut coat of hair and eyes brows and lashes. The mother returned to the house to find it in flames, but she extinguished the blaze without calling help and then fell exhausted in the yard where the neighbors found her.

PASTOR DISCARDS THE CLOTH. Rev. C. H. Churchill of Pender Leaves Ministry at Own Request.

PONCA, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—The Nebraska presbytery at its recent meeting at Steward, Neb., received notice from Rev. Charles H. Churchill, acting pastor of the Presbyterian church of Pender, Neb., that he had "quit the ministry" and desired his name dropped from the roll of the presbytery. The matter was referred to a committee of investigation. The committee recommended that his name be dropped from the roll according to the law of the church. This left Mr. Churchill out of the ministry and out of the church as well. Mr. Churchill has not settled on his course for the future.

President Turner Will Remain. HASTINGS, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—President Turner of Hastings college has completed negotiations for a fine home here, the property erected some years ago by J. N. Clarke, and is planning to occupy it the latter part of the summer. Dr. Turner is now completing the second year as president of the college and his friends are desirous that he remain at the head of the institution for an indefinite period. He has made an excellent record in his two years in the place and if he remains president he is expected to make Hastings college one of the foremost denominational institutions in the west.

New High School Bonds. HASTINGS, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—An official call for the election for the issue of high school bonds is being prepared, which will be published in a week or so. The election will take place May 25. New teachers elected by the Board of Education are Miss Meters, Kearney, la tin; in the high school; Miss Van Camp, Beatrice, English in the high school; Miss Brown, Kearney, mathematics in the high school; Mrs. Patterson, Norfolk, principal of South ward; Miss Moore, principal of the seventh grade.

Revival at St. Paul Closes. ST. PAUL, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—Rev. Mr. Hamilton, a Kansas evangelist, and Rev. Mr. Underwood, a singer, associated with him, finished a five-week revival meeting engagement here yesterday evening with satisfactory results. More than two hundred persons have taken a stand for conversion and most of these, if not all, will join the different churches. Messrs. Hamilton and Underwood left last evening after the meeting for a new field of labor in Kansas.

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Peter Konnagell Hangs Himself

Aged Man at Millard, Through Despondency, Ends His Life by His Own Hand.

MILLARD, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—Peter Konnagell, 76 years of age and for twenty-six years a resident of this place, committed suicide about noon Monday by hanging himself in a barn in the rear of Fred Marode's hotel and saloon.

The body was found at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon and the dead was committed sometime between 11 o'clock and that time. Despondency is thought to have been the cause of the suicide but no especial cause can be assigned as Konnagell, although well advanced in years, was in vigorous health and still pursued his occupation of wild digger. He leaves five daughters, three of whom live here, one in Omaha and one in the state of Washington.

Coroner Henney was notified as soon as the body was found and came here at once and held an inquest. The verdict of the jury was that death was due to suicide by hanging and was caused by despondency. It is probably that the body will be sent to Davenport, Ia., for burial. Konnagell had been a member of the Davenport lodge of Odd Fellows for many years.

Fire at Exeter in High Wind

Four Buildings Are Destroyed, Entailing Loss of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars.

EXETER, Neb., April 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Fire starting in Enterprise printing office about midnight last night and fanned by the high wind destroyed four buildings, entailing a loss of almost \$25,000 and threatened several other buildings. The fire was finally brought under control by the local fire department.

The Exeter Auditorium, worth \$7,500, was totally destroyed. The Enterprise building and stock, worth \$2,000; the Fisher blacksmith shop, worth \$900; the Plugh building, valued at \$1,300, and the Vanderklok Implement stock, worth \$10,000, are all a total loss. The Auditorium was insured at \$4,000, the Vanderklok stock at \$6,000 and the Plugh building at \$800.

The origin of the fire is not known. The flames were discovered coming from the Enterprise building by passers by, who gave the alarm.

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Omaha Cadets Camp at Ashland

Commandant Oury Pick Spot in City Park Where Boys Will Pitch Their Tents.

ASHLAND, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—The Omaha High School Cadet battalion will hold its annual encampment from June 7 to 15 at Ashland. Commandant Harry Oury and Captain Flotau of the high school cadets were in the city Sunday and in company with the Business Men's association selected the city park as the camping place.

The park adjoins the city and possesses shade, an excellent parade ground and city water. The Business Men's association will supply electric lights, fuel, straw, transportation of baggage and every facility for the comfort and convenience of the cadets. It is understood that about 450 cadets, including the battalion band, will be in attendance. In addition to regular camp duties and battalion drills and parades an opportunity will be given the cadets to witness the target practice of the regular troops at the Ashland range on the Platte river. One day of the encampment will be known as "visitors' day," when special trains for the accommodation of relatives and friends of the cadets will be run from Omaha. The young people of Ashland are also planning on several social events during the week. Arrangements are being perfected also for the holding of the university cadet battalion encampment at Ashland from May 28 to June 5.

New Span in the Bridge.

ASHLAND, Neb., April 27.—(Special.)—The Burlington railway is building a new span for its Ashland-Sioux City line to the Ashland government range for the handling of passenger and freight business to and from the camp. The county commissioners have also opened new roadways to the range.

Nebraska News Notes.

BEATRICE—Charles Hackmann, the wrestler, left this morning for Omaha, where he will try and arrange a match with Oscar Vasmatazis.

BEATRICE—The Young Men's Christian Association Baseball team yesterday defeated the west side school nine by the score of 13 to 12.

KEARNEY—The funeral of W. Alexander, who died Saturday of cancer of the stomach, was held Monday forenoon from the residence.

NEBRASKA CITY—Harvey Fray, the new chief of police has resigned and John Critch has been appointed temporarily to fill his place. Mr. Fray goes on a farm.

TEKAMAH—The nineteenth anniversary of Oddfellowship was observed here last night by the local lodge. The evening was spent in social games and dancing. Over 500 were present.

NEBRASKA CITY—The two sons of Dyden Smith, colored, who have been guilty of a number of burglaries of late, were sent to the reform school. They were caught robbing Buller's butcher shop.

BEATRICE—Rev. G. H. O'Donnell, for the last year pastor of the First Baptist church here, has tendered his resignation to take effect in June. He expects to attend the Chicago university for a year.

BEATRICE—At the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. L. F. Wright, on East Bell street in this city, Saturday took place the marriage of Herbert W. Wright and Miss Elsie Morse, Rev. G. H. O'Donnell officiating.

PLATTSMOUTH—George W. Vallery, general manager of the Colorado Midland Railway, and his wife of Denver arrived in this city yesterday and spent Sunday with the former's mother and other relatives.

KEARNEY—James C. Davis of Wacombs, traveling in the interests of the Society of Equity, spent several days in this city explaining the remedy he thinks would prevent gambling in farm divisions and necessities of life.

KEARNEY—Colonel George B. Cox of the Salvation Army spent Saturday and Sunday in this city, holding special meetings in connection with the local corps. A very large crowd attended her meeting at the opera house Sunday afternoon.

PLATTSMOUTH—At the regular meeting of the city council last evening six saloon licenses were ordered issued and two registered druggists were given permission to sell intoxicating liquors in Plattsmouth. This city had seven saloons last year.

BEATRICE—Harry T. McCormick of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. Laura Lawson were married yesterday at the home of the bride's parents in this city. The couple left on an afternoon train for Los Angeles, where they will make their home.

BEATRICE—A number of Italians employed on the Union Pacific section at Warrick quit yesterday and left town on account of the trouble at Wymore Sunday morning, when all of the Italians were driven out of the city by a mob.

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NOTICE!

The great Piano Auction Sale by Mail closed Saturday, April 24th. Mrs. C. S. Ragan, Fort Calhoun, Neb., was the highest bidder. \$300.00 was her bid, and the committee awarded the piano to her. Here is her letter:

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Mrs. C. S. Ragan.
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member of the North Platte chapter of that order. BEATRICE—The members of Beatrice lodge No. 147, Independent Order Odd Fellows, celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the order here last evening in the presence of about 200 persons. The principal address was delivered by Rev. J. R. Mauer, following which a banquet was held. The Beatrice Odd Fellows also celebrated the anniversary of the order with a big banquet and a fine program. Rev. I. G. Brown of Beatrice delivered the principal address.

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FOR IOWA—Increasing cloudiness and warmer.

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Hour	Deg.
5 A. M.	45
6 A. M.	45
7 A. M.	46
8 A. M.	46
9 A. M.	47
10 A. M.	48
11 A. M.	48
12 M.	48
1 P. M.	48
2 P. M.	48
3 P. M.	49
4 P. M.	49
5 P. M.	49
6 P. M.	49
7 P. M.	49
8 P. M.	48

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