

Nebraska

GOVERNOR ISSUES PARDON

Clemency to Burt County Man with Peculiar Sentence.

COURT'S DECREE TO WIFE BEATER

Bread and Water Five Days and Jail Five Days for Three Months—Stay for Wilson.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Garfield Waite, who is serving a term of three months in jail at Tekamah for wife-beating, was pardoned this evening by Governor Shallenberger. The sentence provided that for a period of five days Waite should be fed the regular jail fare, then for five days he was to be served only with bread and water. This diet was to be alternated every five-day period. Attorney General Thompson, after an investigation, recommended the pardon.

Stay for George Wilson. George Wilson, sentenced to be hanged June 2, has received a stay of execution from the supreme court pending the hearing of his appeal. Wilson was convicted in Brown county of the murder of Jacob Davis, robbery being the motive. He was convicted on circumstantial evidence. He was known sometimes as Walter Hifenburg.

Repeal Occupation Tax. The finance committee of the city council agreed this afternoon to recommend to the council the repeal of the 5 per cent occupation tax charged the Traction company and to the enactment of an ordinance providing for a 1 per cent occupation tax. This was done, the committee said, in order to prevent an increase in the rates now charged by the Traction company. The committee said it had information from the railway commission that unless the occupation tax was decreased fares would have to be increased in order to permit the company to make a net earning on its valuation as fixed by the commission.

More Room for Commission. L. L. Souney of College View this morning secured the contract to fit up the room in the basement of the state house for the use of the railway commission, which has outgrown its present quarters. The price to be paid the contractor is \$1,100. The room to be fitted up is directly under the rooms of the commission and will be connected with a stairway.

Commissioners' Offices. Governor Shallenberger, commander-in-chief of the Nebraska National Guard, has issued military commissions to the following officers, whose names have been certified to him from the State School of Agriculture: Majors—Harry Garvin Gould, Harlan county; Samuel Lloyd Hood, North Dakota; Captain—Russell Raymond Isham, South Dakota; Albert Clayton Moray, Lancaster county; Kenneth E. Nash, Douglas; Homer LeRoy Nye, Dawson. First Lieutenants—Christian Bernhard Bull, Douglas; John Casper Furber, Lancaster; Charles Oliver Hurt, Furnas; Delmar Noble Johnson, Burt; Benjamin Verne Kauffman, Colorado; Michael E. W. Krabberger, Dawson; Elmer Eugene Matson, Polk. Second Lieutenants—Arthur DeWitt Fitch, Phelps; Cyrus E. Grant, Fort, Burt; Roy Rex Johnson, Pawnee; Irvin Andrew Nelson, Stanton; Ernest Schneider, Buffalo; Guy Emerson Wilson, Perkins; Chester Allen Arthur Webster, Buffalo.

Candidates Are Filling.

The run in western Nebraska produced a lively crop of candidates who announced their names at the first indications of continued prosperity. Walter A. George of Broken Bow and P. D. Sturdevant of Beaver City are both after the office of state treasurer. Mr. George filed his name with the secretary of state as a candidate for the republican nomination and Mr. Sturdevant asks for the democratic nomination. Mr. Sturdevant was state treasurer in 1904-1905 and defeated Loran Clark by a vote of 4,123 to 4,282. Wes Pickens is more modest, evidently having learned his lesson in the late legislature. Mr. Pickens merely filed as a candidate for the democratic nomination for state senator from the Twenty-third district. In his letter to the secretary of state Mr. Pickens assures the secretary that he will vote for the candidate for United States senator who receives the highest number of votes at the polls regardless of his own personal choice.

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BROKEN BOW, Neb., April 15.—(Special.)—Walter A. George of this city today filed for the state treasurer nomination on the republican ticket. Mr. George is one of the best known men in this part of the state and has resided in Buffalo and Custer counties since 1872. He has served this county three times as supervisor, two terms as county treasurer and was elected three times in succession as mayor of Broken Bow. He was a delegate to the national convention at Chicago and was appointed a member of the notification committee. His business interests here are many, among the principal enterprises being the Security State bank of Broken Bow and the Berryn State bank, both of which he is president. Mr. George is popular among his home people.

Bleached Flour Fight in Politics

North Nebraska Millers' Association Says it Will Appeal to the People. GRAND ISLAND, April 15.—(Special.)—Despairing of relief from what they allege to be persecution instead of protection, the members of the North Nebraska Millers' Protective Association has adopted a resolution carrying the fight against the Agriculture department's ruling as to bleached flour straight into the political field. The declaration that the millers must for their own protection, promote a change of administration at Washington, is embodied in the resolution. The association consists of between fifty and sixty members. The action taken will be officially communicated to every other miller's association in Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Kentucky, the states most affected by the "bleached flour" order. They complain of the dilatory tactics in bringing the question of the bleached flour order into court and pushing it to a conclusion. They allege that in the Council Bluffs seizure case, which Judge McPherson finally dismissed, the com-

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Figures Show School Census "Exaggeration"

Records in Office of State Superintendent Indicate Several Cities Were in on Official Signing. (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, April 15.—(Special.)—Due to several guessing contests over the census of various cities in the state, there has been much discussion here over the padding of the school census. The records in the office of the state superintendent show that many cities and towns of the state have padded their school census and that Jasper L. McBrien, then state superintendent, made a strenuous endeavor to stop the practice. Mr. McBrien made his first following an attempt on the part of the school officers of Lincoln to collect tuition from the children of state officers who attended school here. When the attempt was made it was alleged that the records of Lincoln listed the university students in order to increase the city's share of the school apportionment. That this was true is shown by the falling off in the census following the demand by Mr. McBrien that the practice cease.

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tion between themselves and the Department of Agriculture was plainly and exclusively at issue, but that the department of justice refused to prosecute it, evidencing a determination to find a case, for test, in which the question of misbranding was also, unlike the case at Council Bluffs, involved. And to the question why they did not defend the New Orleans case, the millers give answer that they do not defend misbranding, which was at issue in the latter. Regardless of the failure to prosecute the case at Council Bluffs, however, according to the contention of the millers, two car loads of flour were seized from the Lexington, Neb., mill and six other car loads have, in recent days, been seized and are being held. The association elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, T. H. Kelly of Gothenberg; vice president, J.

M. Campbell of Fullerton; secretary, J. E. Burger of North Platte; executive committee, F. F. Roby of Kearney, E. G. Taylor of Loup City, Paul Jaeger of Columbus. WASHINGTON, April 15.—President Taft and his cabinet today met to consider the bleached flour cases and decided that the government would continue to make seizure of this product in order to force the millers to test the matter in the courts. Nemaha River Drainage Plans. TECUMSEH, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Senator Burkett has sent word to Tecumseh that the plans, maps and drawings of the proposed drainage system along the Nemaha river in Johnson county are now completed at Washington. They will be sent here at once for inspection and approval and will be on exhibition at the office of the drainage association's attorney, L. C. Chapman, after April 15. Senator

Burkett has taken great interest in the work and through his instrumentality it has been completed in the very short time required by the government workmen. JUDGE EXPLAINS HIS DECISION Signers Held at Beatrice Alleged to Have Sold Liquor. BEATRICE, Neb., April 15.—(Special.)—The report to the effect that Judge Pemberton of this city had decided a case at Auburn a few days ago wherein he held the signers to a saloon petition liable for damages has caused many residents of this city who have signed saloon petitions some uneasiness. Judge Pemberton, in explaining the case, states that some of the signers to the petition at Auburn, where a woman had brought suit for damages against the saloon keeper for the sale of liquor to her

husband, were alleged to have sold liquor to him, and he therefore held them as parties to the suit. The law says that signers to saloon petitions are not liable; that they must be disinterested parties and residents of the ward and precinct in which they live. If they are disinterested parties they are not interested and are therefore not liable for damages. Nebraska News Notes. BEATRICE—The Home State bank of DeWitt has decided to increase its capital stock from \$10,000 to \$20,000. BEATRICE—The girls' basketball team of this city won from the Blue Springs team here last evening by the score of 43 to 8. BEATRICE—The pupils of Prof. Thomas Stubbs gave a recital at the Presbyterian church last evening, which was largely attended. BEATRICE—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Farlow, old residents of Beatrice, left today for

Redington, Neb., where they will make their future home. BEATRICE—E. W. Clancy was called to Chicago yesterday by a telegram announcing the death of his mother, Phoebe Clancy, a former resident of Beatrice. BEATRICE—Tripieta, two boys and a girl, were born this week to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barmore, living one mile north of Adams. One of the boys died, but the other two children are hale and hearty. TECUMSEH—John R. Whitney, a resident of Johnson county since 1882, died at his home in this city at 11 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, April 12, 1910, aged 77 years 3 months and 7 days. SHELTON—The first spring rain this season fell here last night and will do untold good to alfalfa, which is now six inches high and fully a month ahead in growth of many former seasons. Fall wheat is also looking fine and will be much benefited. Do not take a substitute for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has no equal.

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