

Nebraska BOARD RAISES RAILROADS State Assessment Body Increases Values One Million. GOVERNOR AT POLITICAL SESSION Members Wait for Him in Vain and Decide to Go Ahead with Work in His Absence.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The State Board of Assessment assessed the railroad property of the state today without a speech having been made by any railroad tax agent. The increase over the valuation of last year is \$1,161,982. The increase is confined to the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha and the Kearney, Central City and North Platte branches of the Union Pacific. This makes the total full value of all railroad property in the state \$79,958,217.

The board met yesterday, but did nothing, as Governor Shallenberger had to go to Emerson to deliver a political speech. This morning the board waited an hour on the governor, and he failed to show up. These present were Brian, Cowles, Junken and Barton. After an informal discussion the board concluded to make the assessment at once, and this was done. The vote was unanimous. No other railroad valuation in the state was changed. A. W. Scriber of the Union Pacific reached the state house just a moment after the work had been concluded, so did not get to deliver his speech. The following table shows the changes:

Table with 3 columns: Name, 1909, 1910. Rows include Union Pacific, Kearney branch, Central City branch, No. Platte branch, St. Paul, M. & O.

The action of the State Board of Assessment today marks the shortest time on record that any Nebraska board ever completed the valuation of this class of property. Heretofore it has been the custom of the assessing board to listen to addresses of railroad tax agents and spend many weeks in consideration of the question. So far as the present board is concerned it arrived at the conclusion that it could fix the valuation of the property just as well on the reports made as it could by listening to the tax agents recite their pleas for a reduction.

The board met yesterday and would have done so at the time had Governor Shallenberger been present, but in his absence the board postponed action for one day. It was expected that the chief executive would be on hand this morning, but after waiting until the trains from the northeast had arrived, the board went ahead and did the business. The governor went to Emerson to deliver a political speech, thus neglecting the important work of the board, the members concluded to waste no more time on him, but go ahead and do the work.

This afternoon the board met again and added to the valuation the \$4 million of new road from Lincoln to Denton. This was valued at \$2,000 a mile, which increases the total valuation that much.

Metcalf Jumps in Fight. Richard L. Metcalf has come to the aid of Mr. Bryan in trying to line up the legislators in favor of an extra session for the submission of the initiative and referendum.

Not a Bit Tired Either. Regardless of the fight among the demagogues people are still buying automobiles. From Hooper on dealer wrote in for fourteen registration numbers.

Electrical Men Meet. The Nebraska Electrical association began a three days' session at the Lindell hotel at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The association is made up of the electrical jobbers of the state, and about twenty-five were present at the opening session.

Governor Works Hard. Though he neglected the meeting of the State Board of Assessment Governor Shallenberger stopped off in Lincoln long enough this afternoon to catch a train for Tecumseh where he speaks tonight at a democratic banquet. The governor spoke last night at Emerson, missing a meeting of the State Board of Assessment to keep that appointment with the democrats.

Brewer's Case Argued. The case of J. M. Lewis' against Metz Bros. Brewing company of Omaha, where in the appellant seeks to have reversed the decision of Judge Estelle of Omaha, that

FAMILY FOOD Crisp, Tasty and Requires no Cooking. A little boy down in N. C. asked his mother to write an account of how Grape-Nuts food had helped their family.

Nebraska beer the company is entitled to a license to sell beer for the present year regardless of the fact that it sold beer by the case for home consumption during the last year. Myron L. Learned appeared for the appellee and W. R. Patrick for the appellant. L. D. Holmes writing the brief for the latter.

Dr. Johnson Convicted. Dr. W. H. Johnson, who was convicted of performing a criminal operation, has not yet been sentenced. The jury recommended clemency.

Affidavits Show Raising Receipts by Country Club Grand Island Official Under Fire as Result of Examination by Expert Accountant.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 3.—(Special Telegram.)—That County Clerk George Powell raised a receipt by Anna Liff, an employe in his office in 1909, from \$15 to \$220, and a receipt by Miss Florence Sutherland from \$52.50 to \$222, was indicated in a report to the county board today by J. H. Harless, recently employe from the board to check over the affairs of the offices of the clerk, judge and sheriff and clerk of the district court.

It was further shown that Mr. Powell has retained the excess fees of the last three years, amounting to more than \$600, until April 10, this year, ten days after the expert began his work. This afternoon Mr. Powell's attorney, F. W. Ashton, presented the board with a receipt for the difference in the amounts claimed to have been received by the two young women and the amounts charged on the book.

For a time today the accountant was put on cross-examination as to why he secured the affidavit of Miss Sutherland to the effect that she had received only the sum she testified under oath to have received and had not investigated the receipts of other deputies.

Late the accountant showed the receipts signed by the young women, the amounts being admittedly in Powell's handwriting. In an affidavit attached to the report Miss Sutherland declares that when she received the final payment she was asked by Mr. Powell to sign the receipt in blank, which she did. The difference was paid by Powell to the county treasurer yesterday. The accountant's report, it appears, was closed on April 28.

Powell's attorney declared that for some time Mr. Powell had been convinced that he was being robbed by some one in his office, but was ready to make good the difference as excess fees and was out just that amount of money. Mr. Ashton declared that if a complete investigation were had it would reveal a different state of affairs than was indicated on the face of the reports and the receipts. So far the county board has merely received the report and placed it on file.

Powell was first elected five years ago, mainly out of sympathy for having lost a limb in the saving the life of Paul Usary, the little son of the agent at Poveil, Neb., while a fireman on a freight train. His wife recently sued him for \$10,000. The difference was paid by Powell to the county treasurer yesterday. The accountant's report, it appears, was closed on April 28.

Man Wanted for Murder Captured Near Broken Bow Sheriff Kennedy and Detective from Chicago Arrest Italian Under Indictment in Chicago.

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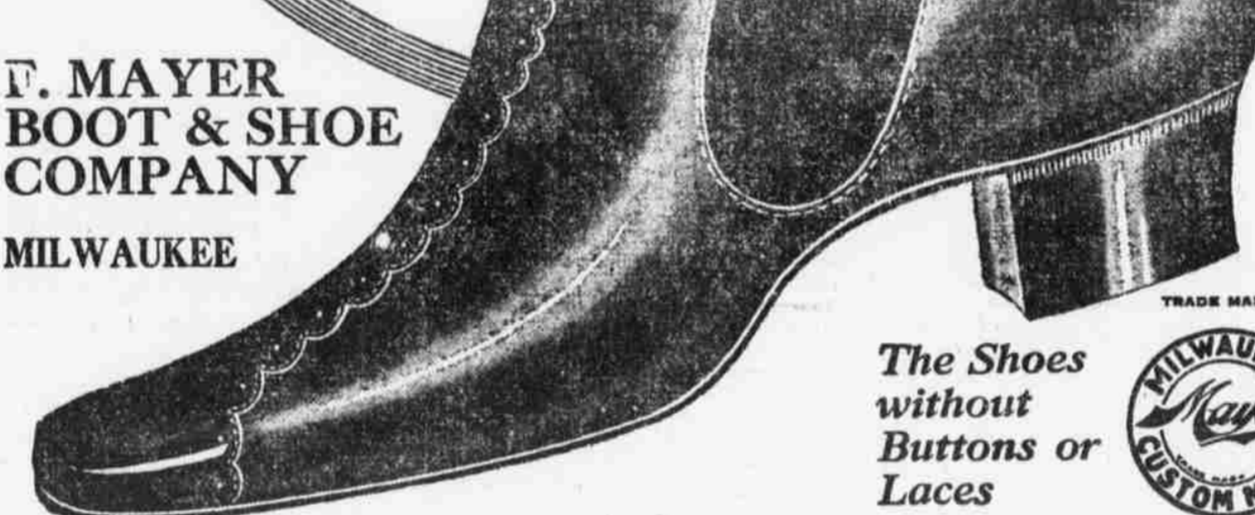
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Bars Go Down Ninth of May Excise Board Rule Twelve Will Be Repealed and Lincoln Will Be Dry and Wet Together.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, May 3.—(Special.)—The bars will be down May 9, Lincoln will be wide open on that date and every man, woman and child in the city who has the price may slip in a case of beer at any time and it will be delivered to any home in Lincoln. And the police will not interfere, and neither will the Excise board and neither will anyone else. This is the date upon which the repeal of Rule 12 becomes effective.

At a meeting of the Excise board this morning it was demonstrated beyond a doubt that the members are not able for the present to get together on any plan to make the city wet and still keep it dry. Mr. Powell insists that his dispensary is the best proposition yet proposed, while the mayor wants to "wait awhile." Mr. Harpam has not yet offered a plan.

During the discussion this morning Mayor Love turned to Mr. Powell and said: "I don't care anything about what you think." "I'm sure I don't give a damn for your opinions," retorted Powell.

Butler Sunday School Convention. RISING CITY, Neb., May 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The Butler county Sunday school convention met at the Greenleaf Methodist Episcopal church, six miles southeast, Saturday and Sunday. Papers were presented on "The Church and the Sunday School," "The Sunday School," and "What Sunday School Teaching Really Is."

Romance at Nebraska City. NEBRASKA CITY, May 3.—(Special.)—Oscar Hobson, one of the men working for the sanitary sewer contractors here, became enamored with the 15-year-old daughter of Mat. Loch, who was working about the hotel where he boarded, and the admiration was mutual, so they tried to elope Sunday morning, but the train for Omaha was five hours late and they were arrested at the depot while waiting. The young man was put in jail and the girl turned over to her parents, as she was but 16 years of age. The parents ascertained that the young man came of a fine family in Oregon and instead of being a tramp or something of that kind had something like \$1,200 in cash and drafts on his person. The parents, finding the girl not willing to give up her lover, consented to the marriage. The father went with the couple to Omaha, where they were married at the home of his brother, Henry Loch, and left for Oregon, where they will make their future home with the groom's parents. The young man has been working for the contractors for several years and was one of their foremen.

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES. NEBRASKA CITY.—The city council has granted a saloon license to John Hauber. BEATRICE.—William Keister, proprietor of the New Howard hotel, who recently applied for a saloon license, withdrew his petition because a remonstrance was recently filed against him. BEATRICE.—Mrs. Anna B. Jones, wife of City Treasurer Jones, died Monday, aged 47 years. She had been a resident of Beatrice for some time and returned recently from a health-seeking trip through California. She leaves no family except her husband.

BEATRICE.—Daniel Callahan, who has been employed here as cashier for the Union Pacific Railroad company for ten years, has been promoted to the position of station agent at Fremont. He will leave in a few days for that place to assume his new duties. ANSELBY.—Since the electric light plant was destroyed by fire Anselby has been in a lull, and now a move is on foot to vote on issuing \$2,000 village bonds to build an electric light system. The village board will consider calling a bond election at its meeting Monday evening.

NEBRASKA CITY.—According to the report of the county recorder, during the month of April there were 1,000 mortgages filed amounting to \$44,800 and 200 real estate

thorough organization of the county work. Half the schools were represented and one-third had made the regular reports. CUSTER PHYSICIAN IS DEAD. Dr. A. E. Robertson of Mason City, Expires from Attack of Pneumonia. MASON CITY, Neb., May 2.—(Special.)—Dr. A. E. Robertson, for fifteen years a well known citizen and leading physician of Custer county, died at his home here this morning of pneumonia, aged 28 years. He was a native of Cleisford, Mich., and a graduate of the Michigan university of Ann Arbor and of the Rush Medical college of Chicago. He located at Ashton, Sherman county, in May, 1891, and two years later removed to Mason City. He leaves a wife and little daughter. Dr. Robertson was a prominent and leading citizen of this community and his untimely death is greatly deplored. The fatal illness which caused his death was contracted while attending to professional duties during the severe cold weather of ten days ago.

NEBRASKA CITY.—Admiral Uriel Sebree of the United States navy, is here on a visit with his cousin, Robert Payne, and Miss Grace. After forty-three years of active service, he has been placed on the retired list, and this is the first time that he and his family have met in thirty-two years. He will remain several days.

NEBRASKA CITY.—The 11-year-old daughter of County Commissioner and Mrs. Charles O. Stewart spent a week's vacation visiting friends and relatives and has returned to take up his work at Iowa university, where he is professor of languages. At the close of school, Prof. Stewart will leave for Europe, to be gone nearly a year.

NEBRASKA CITY.—The Board of Education met Tuesday night and elected the following officers: J. L. Schick, president; H. L. Harper, vice president; Edward Bigler, treasurer; H. A. Jensen, secretary. The races will be held here on June 13 and 14.

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