

**Nebraska**

**LINCOLN GAS CASE DELAYED**

Supreme Court Cannot Hear Action Until Fall.

**CAPITAL POLITICS ARE BUZZING**

Doyle is Out for City Attorneyship—Pratt Refusing to Run for Mayor, May Be Mayorality Candidate.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Feb. 10.—(Special.)—The United States supreme court has sent word to the city attorney that the case of the Lincoln Gas company against the city cannot be heard until next fall. The case is an appeal from a federal court decision in favor of a dollar gas ordinance and this inability to get it settled is a great disappointment to City Attorney Flansburg.

**City Politics Active.**

Thomas Pratt, who has been discussed as a strong candidate for the mayorality, announced today that he positively would not run for the office. His refusal is being talked of him for the city clerkship which he has expressed an opinion. T. J. Doyle, attorney for Robert Malone, the contractor, who is already in the race on a very liberal platform, is out for the city attorneyship. The business men who organized the movement for more liberal candidates for the excise board to run on the same ticket with Thomas Cochrane, who is slated for the mayorship.

**COLLECTING INHERITANCE TAX IN MERRICK COUNTY**

Court Appoints Appraisers for Hord, Ormsby, Clayton and Higgins Estates.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—The good roads fund in the Merrick county treasury will meet with a substantial increase in the very near future if the proceedings that have been started in the county court this week are any indication. Judge Peterson has this week made orders appointing John Patterson, sr., appraiser for the Ormsby estate, J. C. Martin for the Hord and Clayton estates, and E. E. Ross for the Higgins' estate. The law provided that all inheritances exceeding \$10,000 to an individual are subject to a tax of 1 per cent on all over that amount. It makes it mandatory for the county judge to appoint an appraiser to determine the value of the estate and after his return is made the tax imposed draws 7 per cent interest until it is paid. So in response to the mandates of the law Judge Peterson has appointed the above appraisers. The Hord estate is the largest upon which this tax will be levied. The petition for letters of administration filed by O. H. Hord, son of the late T. B. Hord, states that the property left by the father was valued at \$200,000 above all incumbrances. Since Mr. Hord left no will this estate is divided among his three legal heirs—his widow, son and daughter. At the estimate of the administrator this estate will be subject to a tax of about \$5,000. Besides the four estates for which appraisers have been appointed this week, it is expected that others which had been overlooked will be brought under the provisions of this law.

**BRIDGE CONTRACTS IN CASE**

Nebraska Construction Company of Lincoln is Lowest Bidder.

PLATTSBURGH, Neb., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—At a session of the Board of County Commissioners today, the contract for building the bridge across the Missouri river at Plattsmouth was awarded to the Nebraska Construction company of Lincoln, the bid of this company being about \$100 lower on each bridge than any of the other bidders. There were eight bids received.

The principal difference between the bids rejected and the bid accepted was on the steel piling. The steel piling proposed to furnish steel piles at 35 cents per foot, while his competitor wanted 45 cents per foot. The same difference appeared on other dimensions of steel goods.

The county physicians' bids were opened at this session and the work awarded as follows:

District No. 1, Dr. J. B. Martin for \$200 per annum; district No. 2, Dr. J. P. Brundage for \$200; district No. 3, Dr. M. M. Butler, for \$200; district No. 4, Dr. E. G. Lewis, for \$200; district No. 5, Dr. N. D. Talcott, for \$200; and district No. 6, Dr. O. E. Lister for \$200 per annum.

Editor Lee J. Mayfield was appointed justice of the peace and Charles Rehbar constable for Louisville village and precinct.

**Two Divorce Suits at Madison.**

MADISON, Neb., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Peter J. Barnes of Norfolk and a pioneer settler of Madison has resorted to the district court for a legal separation from his wife, Mrs. Bertha Barnes, to whom he was married April 19, 1888, in the city of Norfolk. Mr. Barnes alleges in his petition that he is 72 years of age and his wife but 35. He charges his wife with coldness, indifference and cruelty. He alleges that in consideration of their approaching marriage they entered into a anti-nuptial contract whereby he agreed to give his wife out of his estate in case the marriage contract was dissolved by death or otherwise the sum of \$5,000. She prays for a dissolution of such marriage contract by order and judgment of the court and for an absolute divorce.

**Three Funerals at Stromsburg.**

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**Farmers Institute at Osmond.**

OSMOND, Neb., Feb. 10.—The third annual Farmers' Institute and poultry show closed here last night. The farmers were addressed on Tuesday by Mr. Carlson of Norfolk, Neb., on the draft horse, and by Mr. Hunt of Syracuse, Neb., on the subject of hogs. In the evening N. A. Bengtson of Lincoln gave an illustrated lecture on his subject being "Nebraska." Tuesday morning the awards were made of the exhibit, consisting of grains, fruits, culinary products and fancy fowls. In the afternoon and evening Mr. Kidd of Simons, Okla., Mr. Searle of Lincoln and Miss Maxwell of Neenah, Wis., lectured on the various phases of farm life. There were about 300 exhibits.

**Stores Burned at Republican City.**

REPUBLICAN CITY, Feb. 10.—(Special.)—Fire consumed the store buildings owned by A. T. Smith early Thursday morning. Harman & Justice occupied the room with a general stock of merchandise, which was a total loss. Stock was valued at \$10,000, which was partly covered by insurance. Q. Cortes' restaurant occupied the other room. His stock was valued at \$200. He had \$200 insurance. The store buildings were valued at \$2,000, with small insurance. The origin of the fire was thought to be unknown.

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Men's \$3.50 to \$4.00 Shoes.....\$2.45  
Men's \$4.50 to \$5.00 Shoes.....\$3.30  
Boys' \$2.00 to \$2.50 Shoes.....\$1.00  
Boys' \$1.50 Shoes.....\$1.00

**See Display in Windows 1, 2, 3.**

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A splendid chance to get twice the amount of good, stylish haberdashery for the money you usually spend.

50c NECKTIES.....25c  
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\$1.50 NECKTIES.....75c  
\$2.00 NECKTIES.....\$1.00  
50c SILK HOSE.....25c  
\$1.50 to \$5.00 Fancy Vests.....75c to \$2.50

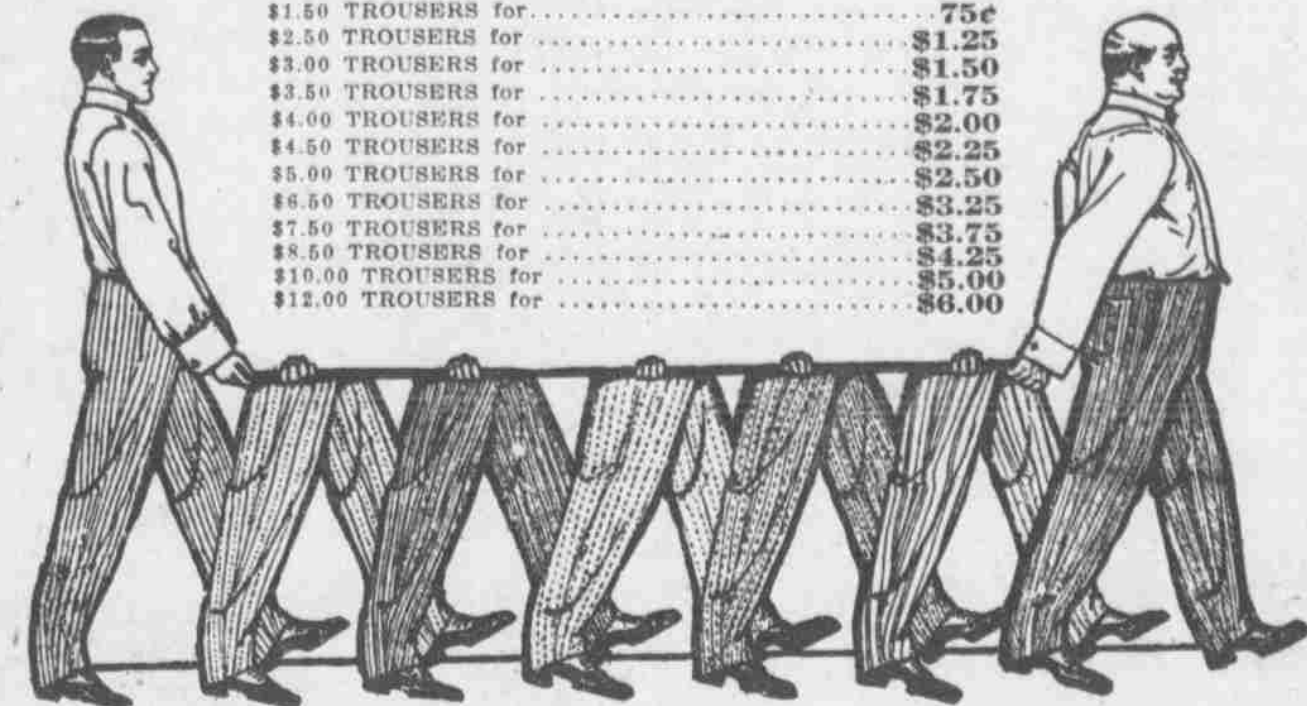
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Our Entire Stock Consisting of 2645 Pairs of Trousers for Men and Young Men at **HALF PRICE**

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**Our Half Off Sale of Suits and Overgarments Brought Great Savings to Omaha People**

Have you ever taken the trouble to compute the savings accruing to the people of Omaha since this sale started? What a pile of money it would make if the savings made by the public were massed in one heap. It would represent nearly one hundred thousand dollars—Think of it—and the end is not yet. Sale continues because we have plenty of garments to continue it with.

- \$10.00 to \$40.00 Suits and Overcoats— at .....\$5.00 to \$20.00
- \$15.00 to \$40.00 Rain and Top Coats— at .....\$7.50 to \$20.00
- Boys' \$2.50 to \$15.00 Suits and Overcoats .....\$1.25 to \$7.50



**A Shirt and Underwear Sale Without a Parallel**

Sale time is usually the time for merchants to trot out all their old, unsightly shirts and inferior underwear. This store never has either, and consequently this sale is not and never has been equaled in Omaha.

- \$1.00 Shirts.....50c
- \$1.50 Shirts.....75c
- \$1.50 Manhattan.....\$1.15
- \$2.00 Manhattan and Gothams.....\$1.38
- \$2.50 Manhattan and Gothams.....\$1.88

**Underwear at Half-Price**

- \$2.50 to \$20.00 Union Suits— at .....\$1.25 to \$10.00
- \$1.00 to \$3.00 Shirts and Drawers— at .....50c to \$1.50

**Henry Stehr Held Without Bail**

Man Accused of Murdering His Four-Year-Old Stepson Given Hearing at Madison.

MADISON, Neb., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—The preliminary hearing of Henry Stehr, charged with the murder of his 4-year-old stepson, Kurt Stehr, was held before County Judge William Bates, in the district court room yesterday afternoon. He was bound over to the district court, bail being denied. Stehr is the stepfather of Kurt Stehr, whose feet were so badly frozen during the blizzard about Christmas time that amputation was necessary. Through neglect of the child's parents medical assistance of any kind was not had until the little boy had practically rotted off and when the operation was had it was too late to save his life. Stehr does not speak or understand the English. Rev. Hunsick, pastor of the Lutheran church of this city, acted as interpreter, and repeated the charge to the prisoner in the German language as he stood before Judge Bates, while Prosecuting Attorney James Nichols read the same. B. F. Barnhart of Norfolk appeared as counsel for Stehr. A. Bucholz, Dr. Verges, Edward Harter, David Rees, Charles Belvidere, and Annie Banker, all of Norfolk, were the witnesses examined and their testimony was in substance the same as given at the coroner's inquest several weeks ago in the city of Norfolk.

**Aldrich Recalls Stout Parole; Action Lauded**

Governor Cancels Clemency—Grand Island People Express Their Approbation.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Feb. 10.—The action of Governor Aldrich in recalling the Stout parole has met with general approval in this county, in which the crime for which Stout was convicted was committed, but the sentiment is voiced that as promptly as the executive has recalled the parole granted under the present system the legislature should recall the system and provide that no parole be granted without a public hearing, through notice of which shall be given thirty days in advance.

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**Wolf Hunt Near Lorton.**

LOFTON, Neb., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—About 300 of the finest and best wolf hounds were divided into a number of companies with John Frerichs, Carl Derman, Fred Viox and Pat Courtney as captains. They surrounded about five miles of territory and marched toward the center, meeting in the Nemaha valley between this town and Tallman, a short distance east of the Missouri Pacific track. While each company killed many prairie chickens, a few jack rabbits and other wild game only the company coming from the west was successful in bringing in a wolf. The dead animal was taken to Tallman and placed on exhibition. The wolves have been

**Booknau Will Case Involves Big Sum**

Man Killed by Cars Found to Have Left Estate to Half Sister—Brother Wants It.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Feb. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The Booknau will contest, involving a sum of \$150,000, was brought into probate today before Judge Charles H. Holcomb. Lewis Booknau was killed by the cars last October at Hazard and when his will was opened it was found that Jennie Booknau, a half sister with whom he formerly lived in this county and later at Lincoln, had inherited all of the property.

Henry Booknau and Elizabeth Robinson, a brother and sister living at Grinnell, Ia., immediately started to contest the will on the grounds that Lewis had been unduly influenced by the half sister. Feeling is wrought up on both sides and the case is being bitterly fought. This afternoon there were statements, charges and counter charges by the opposing counsel, and Judge Holcomb emphatically stated he would tolerate the prating of no family skeletons, but all evidence must bear directly on the case.

Jennie Booknau is represented by Sullivan, Squires, Guttererson and Ford, while ex-Governor Holcomb and Judge J. R. Dean appear for the brother and sister.

**Protection of Birds, Binder Twine and Good Seed Discussed**

Experts Makes Addresses to Convention of Farmers' Grain Dealers' Association at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—At the convention of the Farmers' Grain Dealers' association in session here, Warden Swenson of the South Dakota state penitentiary gave a talk on prison-made binder twine, showing how the prison-made twine had enabled the farmers to secure the product at a reasonable price, as the trust had forced most of the small twine factories out of business, leaving only the prison factories as competitors.

E. C. Dunn, the newly elected secretary of the Iowa Farmers' Grain Dealers' association, made the hit of the convention with his two addresses, an impromptu speech upon the night of his arrival on a delayed train, and his speech Thursday on "Co-operation." He predicted that government ownership would follow within a few years if the railroads did not adopt equitable grain rates.

Dean Perisho of the University of South Dakota was detained, and Prof. Smith delivered his address on "Birds as a Factor in Agriculture," contending for the preservation of the birds of South Dakota by protecting them from marauding animals, and from the shotgun of the hunter or the rifle of the small boy. He told of numerous species of birds indigenous to South Dakota, which were of immeasurable value in destroying seeds of noxious weeds.

A. E. Chamberlain of Aberdeen, associate editor of the Dakota Farmer and superintendent of farmers' institutes for South Dakota, spoke on the subject of seed grain, dwelling upon the importance of sowing nothing but good grain, and expressing the opinion that in time the several elevators in different towns will reach an agreement where some one of them will offer a price considerably higher than the market for high grade grain of the different varieties, with the understanding that such grain be kept in the community and sold for seed to surrounding farmers. By such a procedure, Mr. Chamberlain contended, the quality of the grain produced in South Dakota could be greatly enhanced.

A Guarantee of Business Prosperity—The Bee Advertising Columns.

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A purchaser remembers quality long after she forgets the price.

**Saloon Bill Will Start Litigation**

South Dakota Publicans Insist that Licenses Are Contracts that Cannot Be Changed by State.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., Feb. 10.—(Special.)—The passage by the state legislature of what is known as the daylight saloon bill, requiring the closing of saloons in South Dakota at 9 o'clock at night, with an emergency clause attached, has given rise to a discussion as to the legal right of the legislature to attach an emergency clause to such a measure.

Inasmuch as the present licenses of the saloons doing business in South Dakota do not terminate until July 1 next, and were granted under present conditions, and in accordance with the state license law which has been in effect many years, and which fixes the closing time at 11 o'clock at night, it is practically certain that if an attempt is made to enforce the provision of the daylight law requiring saloons to close at 9 o'clock the attempt will be resisted in the courts.

Attorneys who have investigated the matter say that the liquor dealers entered into a contract with the state in good faith to sell liquor legally until July 1 next and that the state cannot violate the contract. A decision of the courts upon this feature will be awaited with interest.

**Most Food is Poison**

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