

PLAN CUT IN HARNESS PRICES

State Association Tries to Arrive at More Accurate Figures.

TAXABLE PROPERTY ON INCREASE

Figures for State of Iowa Show Total for Last Year Nearly Eight Millions More Over Year Previous.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, June 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Members of the State Harness-Makers' association have launched a statewide campaign to lower the price of harness. "The price of harness is largely due to the inability of the harness-maker to estimate what it will cost him to make it," said President C. Rickett of Charleston. The first step in the campaign was taken when an expert cutter cut the leather for a harness. The leather was then weighed. The amount of leather lost was also weighed. In this way the cost of a property cut harness was easily determined. From the cost estimated by the experiment this morning a scale for estimating the cost will be made. The members of the association believe that in this way less loss will occur in their business and a closer state organization will be maintained.

Taxable Property Increase. The net taxable value of all property in Iowa increased \$7,857,177 in 1910, as compared with 1909, according to statistics compiled by Joe Wall, deputy in the office of State Auditor Bleakley. The taxable land value in that same period of time increased \$1,300,528, while the taxable value of personal property made the enormous increase of \$5,556,779.

Reduction in Fines. Judge McPherson in the federal court today ordered a reduction in the fines assessed recently against the S. P. Pend company and the Anderson Canning company, both of Keokuk, on account of violation of the federal pure food law. Both fines were reduced from \$50 to \$25 for the first named and \$40 for the other.

Swift to Head Eagles. It is practically assured that Sam Swift of Dubuque, will be elected head of the state order of Eagles tomorrow and that Burlington will be the next place of meeting.

Harnesmakers Meet. A state meeting of the Iowa Harness-makers' association began in this city today with about 200 present. Among other things an effort is to be made to provide some protection for the small dealers from the competition of some jobbing houses.

Dobbin's Pushes Case. In the supreme court this afternoon, Judge Mitchell presented the application of John R. Dobbin, one of the Mabray defendants, who was convicted of larceny in the state courts. He contends that the court went wrong in its instructions. Ex-Attorney General Byers will present the side of the state tomorrow.

Wanted Court to Reverse Itself. An argument was made before the state supreme court today by attorneys for T. J. Gallagher of Sioux City, asking the court to reverse its recent decision in regard to the time of taking effect of the Moon law limiting the number of saloons in any city of the state to a percentage of the population. The decision affects nearly every city in the state and is driving out many saloons out of business because they secured permits between the time the law was passed and the time it went into effect. The court holding that all such were illegal.

Government Will Handle Mail. The state executive council today made arrangements with the post office department to have the mail for the state capitol building carried to the building by the department. For many years the state has employed a mail carrier with a team to haul the mail and distribute it.

Death of Willard Eaton. Members of the railroad commission today received word from Osgood to the effect that Willard L. Eaton died at his home there today. Eaton was railroad commissioner until the first of last January, had been speaker of the Iowa house and long prominent in Iowa affairs. He was regarded as one of the most able and best men that ever sat on the railroad commission. He had been in ill health some time. James Miller, superintendent of mails in Des Moines for many years, died last night, aged 72. He was a remarkable man in that thirty-six years ago he was terribly injured in an accident when he was a mail agent and had a part of his head and face literally burned off by a red-hot stove. He continued in the service until two months ago.

Assessment Principle Settled. In the supreme court today a decision was rendered in a Des Moines case settling the principle to be followed in the matter of deduction of real estate values from assessment of corporations. The court held that the assessed value of the real estate should be taken from the assessed value of the capital stock, and that the court and the review boards should take note of the fact that real estate is not assessed at its full value. The lower court had deducted the supposed real value of the real estate from the assessed value of the capital stock.

No "Boozing" in Restaurant. The supreme court in a case from Jasper county also decided that "boozing" can not be done from a restaurant. A restaurant man had been found selling "Pabst mead," which on examination was found to contain too much alcohol. As soon as he found it out he quit. But an effort was made to prosecute him because it was an act of "boozing" though conducted in connection with a restaurant. The court refused to take this view.

Supreme Court Decisions. R. W. Cordy, appellant, against C. H. Humphrey, Taylor county, reversed. August Telsford against George E. May, appellant, Iowa county, reversed. Lena Baker against Jewel Tea company, appellant, Lyon county, affirmed. W. J. Newton, Lyon county, affirmed. Augusta Reichner, appellant, against John Dora, Story county, affirmed. W. E. Bremer, appellant, against G. J. Hoag, Bremer county, affirmed. Harry Barr, appellant, against S. P. Neel, Jasper county, affirmed. Valley Investment company against Board of Review of Des Moines, appellant, Polk county, reversed. Josephine Ozell, appellant, against Whitbeck & Co., Jasper county, modified.

Take Mine Examination. Eight miners appeared before the State Mine Examining board today to take the examination for certificates, four for holding engineers and four for pit bosses.

Court Decision Delayed. The decision of Judge McPherson in the express rate case has been delayed longer than expected, and he has not yet determined whether the commerce court law applies to this case, which would mean calling in two other federal judges to act with him. A new question has been raised to the effect that no matter how this case may be decided the coal rate case soon to be heard will come under the jurisdiction of commerce court requiring three judges because in that case the Iowa 2-cent fare law is involved and its constitutionality attacked.

FORTUNE IN LAND IS DEEDED TO DAUGHTERS
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gronau Give Real Estate Worth Quarter Million to Their Two Children.
DENISON, Ia., June 8.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gronau of this city this week deeded to their daughters property valued at \$250,000. The recipients are Mrs. B. J. Sibbert of Denison and Mrs. John D. Stevers of Los Angeles. Mr. Gronau came to Denison as a wagonmaker thirty years ago. His savings, the result of close economy, he placed in lands and finally became possessed of property valued as above. The lands are in Clark and Spink counties, South Dakota, and Stutsman and Burleigh counties, North Dakota. The Gronaus have yet plenty of means for their comfort through life.

Ninety-Nine Years Old. CHARLES CITY, Ia., June 8.—(Special.)—Yesterday Father Lucian M. Foster celebrated his ninety-ninth birthday and he

One of Omaha's Young Old Men Enjoys His Birthday
Thirty-three years' service as a justice of the peace would seem to be a long life's work for most men, but Justice George C. Cockrell of Omaha, who yesterday passed his 75th birthday, is really an able to serve many years more. Born in Green county, Illinois, in 1836, he was beginning a successful life when the war broke out. When he enlisted with the Ninety-seventh Illinois he was taken through the siege of Vicksburg, captured and, through the bitter vicissitudes of that campaign, lost his health. When he returned to his home at Jerseyville, he was made justice of the peace, and few people thought he would last long even in that comparatively quiet work. But he went through twenty-one years of it there and twenty years ago he came to Omaha and has spent twelve of those years as an officer of Douglas county. He has always been a sound republican. His wife, who is also past the allotted three score and ten, is hale and active as he is. Harry B. Coker and George M. Cokerrell of Omaha are his sons, and he has one daughter, Mrs. M. A. Warren of Jerseyville, Ill. Several of his five grandchildren are grown men and women. Today he claims the honor of being the oldest young man in Omaha.

Commercial Club is Aroused

OMAHA, June 7, (Special.)—Honorable G. M. Hitchcock, United States Senator, Washington, D. C. According to a Washington dispatch appearing in this morning's World-Herald, "Omaha will not suffer much as a result of the changes in army departmental and divisional headquarters." The article goes on to say "this is made clear in a report sent to the senate by the War department today (June 8th) in response to a resolution of inquiry by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska."

If the information which we have at hand is authentic, and we have it from sources that command our confidence and respect, but which we must protect, the War department has only treated the matter in a general way and has withheld detail, which if given, would have made it impossible, in our judgment, for your correspondent to send such a dispatch as he did. From the various newspaper items and from other confidential sources, we learn that our department headquarters will lose Colonel Gray (chief surgeon) with three clerks and one messenger; Colonel McCarthy (chief quartermaster) with fifteen clerks and one messenger; Major De Vore (chief of staff) with seven clerks and two messengers; Majors Dundy and Laster (inspectors general) with two clerks and one messenger; Captain O'Connor (Judge advocate) with three clerks; Major Walker (chief engineer officer) with two clerks; Major Lord (chief paymaster) with two clerks and one messenger; Colonel Eastman will lose his office of chief commissary. The staff of the chief commissary will be reduced to three clerks, but retaining the office of purchasing commissary. We will lose one clerk each to the present aides, who act as chief ordnance officer and inspectors small arms practice. This makes a total of eight officers, thirty-nine clerks and six messengers a grand total of fifty-three men, whose monthly salaries will amount to over \$4,000, an average of about \$15 each. So much for the loss of officers, offices and men. That is bad enough, but from a commercial standpoint that is not the whole story.

In the transfer of the chief quartermaster and chief commissary from Omaha to Chicago is Omaha's greatest loss, for the reason that after July 1 all requisitions for either quartermaster or commissary supplies for this department will go direct to Chicago instead of coming here and the purchase will be directed from there. The natural tendency of these two departments will be to buy everything through the purchasing departments at that point. What will be ordered purchased here will be comparatively insignificant, although the War department would have us believe that the retention of a purchasing commissary in Omaha will give us practically the same business in the future as in the past. It looks to us as if out general issue and supply depot, for which we have worked so many years to establish and build up will be practically wiped out. If not entirely so, it will be a long step in that direction. It looks as if the influence of Chicago in the purchase of government supplies is almost beyond our ability to meet. We have but recently come through a hard tussle with them on Indian supplies and only succeeded when we showed them the business belonged here and that goods could be purchased to best advantage through an Omaha depot. But with three Chicago men in the president's cabinet, we do seem to be up against it. It seems as if Chicago, New York and San Francisco are going to be the three market points that are to receive Uncle Sam's favor in the future.

No matter what fine distinction may be drawn between administrative, territorial or the tactical handling of military divisions, the Department of the Missouri loses Fort Leavenworth, Riley and Leavenworth. These being commanded by brigadier general, become separate and independent military reservations, so far as this department is concerned, and will, after July 1, report direct to Chicago. The enlargement of this department by

the addition of the state of Colorado is a joke, there being nothing in the entire state but a recruiting station at Fort Logan. As an excuse for all of this upheaval is alleged a great saving in administrative expense. We all know Uncle Sam has a peculiar way of handling some of his accounts; that in making purchases for the War department account is not taken of what it costs to transport supplies from the point of purchase to the ultimate destination, so that when the statement is made that a great saving is to be effected, it may be just another case of "robbing Peter to pay Paul." We can see no way of saving very much except through clerical hire, as the salaries of officers and the expense of maintaining offices at the various points will continue just the same, except in the case of Denver, where they are now renting space. If, as seems to be their plan, a large number of clerks will be located in Chicago, they will in all likelihood have to go to quite an expense for office space there, as the army headquarters located in Chicago postoffice building are said to be crowded right now. On the other hand, Omaha is reputed to have the finest and best equipped office building for War department purposes anywhere outside of Washington, with all the room and every facility necessary.

To summarize the situation as we see it, we are confronted by a very serious condition. Here is what happened within the last year, and, as we have frequently said, if we cannot add something to our headquarters or military possessions from time to time, we will sooner or later lose what we have. Last summer we learned too late to forestall it, although we worked hard to have it rescinded, that an order had been issued discontinuing disbursing quartermaster's offices here, through which had been adjusted and paid all bills for transportation expense. This took from Omaha six or seven men and their families, and most of them went to Chicago. This reduced our bank deposits and clearings accordingly. In the early part of this year orders were issued transferring from Omaha to Denver the purchase of all commissary stores for Fort Russell (Cheyenne), Fort Robinson (Crawford), Fort Meade (Sturgis) and Fort Mackenzie (Spearhead), regardless of the fact that 80 per cent of subsistence stores for these reservations could be delivered at these posts from Omaha at less expense than from Denver. This change alone reduced the purchases made at Omaha by 65 per cent, measured by the number of men at these posts. When the troops return from the Mexican border, the purchases made in Omaha for groceries, tea, coffee, sugar, spices, meats, lard, ham, bacon, etc., will be only 35 per cent of what they were at the beginning of this year. Now we are to have our headquarters force reduced to practically nothing, so that later on the same may be said of its abandonment as General Wood now says of Denver—that under the new order of things the loss of their headquarters is insignificant, only a matter of seven men.

The article referred to in the opening paragraph of this letter is, according to our department, misleading to our members and our citizens. It does not tell the truth. Omaha will lose fifty-three men, ten departments, and what is more serious in the long run, practically all of our prestige as a military center and a purchasing point. The transfer of the general executive committee held the 8th inst. a resolution was unanimously adopted instructing the forwarding of this letter to you protesting most vigorously against the reorganization that will be so injurious to our interests and at the same time questionable from a Va. department standpoint and representatives give the matter, which is as important to Nebraska as it is to Omaha, their immediate and personal attention.

J. M. GUILD, Commissioner.

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Expedition from San Francisco on Steamer Eureka Gets Millions Cashed by Chilean Cruiser Years Ago.
SAN DIEGO, Cal., June 8.—A message received here from party of treasure seekers aboard the steamer Eureka says their expedition to recover an immense cache of gold, hidden by the crew of a Chilean cruiser off the Honduras coast, more than twenty years ago, has been successful. The treasure has been variously estimated at from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000, according to reports circulated here.

PROBING COAL AND COKE DEAL
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made it a condition that the former owners should not re-enter business in competition with you or in certain districts," asked Mr. Young.
"No such agreement was ever made that I know of."
"Is there any agreement between the Steel corporation roads and the Hill roads to keep up the freight rates?" Chairman Stanley asked.
Mr. Gary insisted there was not and added that the rates maintained now were practically the same as before the Hill road came into that territory.
"There never has been any complaint to the interstate commerce commission of the rates made, so far as I know," he added.
R. W. Lindabay, counsel for the Steel corporation, added that a complaint on Great Northern rates in that territory was now being considered by the commission and on the result would depend the action of the Steel company as to its rates.
Mr. Stanley suggested that probably one reason complaints had not been made in the cases of rates charged by the Steel roads was because they shipped to concerns with whom they had most amicable relations.

VOLCANO COLIMA IS CENTER OF EARTHQUAKE
Two Towns Situated Near It Badly Wrecked—Several Lives Lost at Zapatlan.
GUADALAJARA, Mex., June 8.—The Volcano Colima became active yesterday when the earthquake shocks were felt and today is emitting smoke and lava. The towns of Tonila, situated in San Andres, badly damaged by the disturbances, parts of them being destroyed. A relief train was sent from here.
MEXICO CITY, June 8.—Dispatches from Tlaxcala, a few miles east of the volcano Colima in the southern part of the state of Jalisco, say that the eruption suffered severely from yesterday's earthquakes. The number of victims is said to be large. A church and a number of houses were thrown down and other dwelling places rendered unsafe. Thousands of persons are homeless.
The towns of Tonila and Platinar, situated near the volcano, have been damaged.

TABOR COLLEGE TRUSTEES HOLD ANNUAL SESSION
Vacancies on Board Are Filled and C. E. Jones Is Elected President.
TABOR, Ia., June 8.—(Special.)—At the regular annual June meeting of the board of trustees of Tabor college, held here Tuesday, the following named persons were elected trustees for the college for five years, W. H. Wyant, C. E. Jones, H. T. Woods and F. W. Long, all of Tabor; for four years, E. W. Davis of Avoca and J. L. Robbins of Malvern; for one year, Willard Whiting of Whiting and Rev. C. S. Hanley of Shenandoah.
Officers of the board chosen for the coming year are: President, C. E. Jones; secretary, M. C. Gaston. The resignation of F. W. Ide of Creston as trustee was accepted.
The local trustees were authorized to hire any teachers needed to fill vacancies; also to elect a college treasurer for the ensuing year and to fix his bond and approve the same.
It was voted to provide and maintain a permanent endowment fund from certain pledges and funds received and henceforth 50 per cent of all general donations shall be placed in such fund and 50 per cent shall be used for current expenses of the college unless otherwise stipulated by the donors.
Nine persons were graduated from the college department, two from the conservatory of music, six from the academy, two from the commercial department. The degree of D. D. was conferred upon Rev. John Howard, Rev. Frank B. Burhans and Rev. Duane Hefenbark.
L. A. Hill of Mason City delivered the alumni address Wednesday morning before an appreciative audience in the Congregational church. This was followed by the alumni banquet, at which covers were laid for sixty. Rev. V. B. Hill of the class of '91 presided as toastmaster.
A base ball game was played on the public square diamond Wednesday afternoon between the college and alumni teams, resulting in a victory for the alumni by a score of 4 to 0. Alumni batteries: Ellis and Johnson; college, Hall and Mann.

MOB FORCES INNOCENT MAN TO CONFESS ROBBERY
Friends of Arnon Elumbaugh Will Prosecute Men Who Tortured Him.
HEARTSVILLE, Mo., June 8.—It developed today that Arnon Elumbaugh, who was forced by a mob on May 28 to confess to a robbery committed at Rayburn, Mo., on May 25 was unwilling the crime Elumbaugh was whipped and driven from the town and now officers are trying to locate him.
On Saturday, May 27, the home of John Hopkins of Rayburn was broken into and robbed. Elumbaugh was accused, but he made a vigorous denial. The next day a mob gathered and Elumbaugh was threatened with death unless he confessed. He admitted the robbery and was punished by the mob.
Elumbaugh's relatives say they will prosecute the members of the mob.

Seemed to Give Him a New Stomach.
"I suffered intensely after eating and no medicine or treatment I tried seemed to do any good," writes H. M. Young, editor of The Sun, Lake View, O. "The first few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets gave me surprising relief and the second bottle seemed to give me a new stomach and perfectly good health." For sale by all dealers.

Crops Are Doing Well.
LORTON, Neb., June 8.—(Special.)—A much needed rain fell in this vicinity Wednesday. The crops promise a much larger yield than last year. There is a much larger acreage of wheat sown this spring than last and it is making good.
Schreiber May Return to Denver.
DENVER, June 8.—President McMillin of the Denver Western league baseball club today received a telegram from Clarke Griffith, manager of the Cincinnati Nationals, stating that he had asked for waivers on Barney Schreiber, the former Denver pitcher. It is probable, therefore, that the left-hander will back with the Denver team within a few days.

DEATH RECORD
Mrs. Ed Luebke.
LYONS, Neb., June 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Ed Luebke, who died at her home southwest of here on Monday, was buried Wednesday at the German Lutheran cemetery. Rev. J. P. Kuehnert presiding the funeral service. She died from heart trouble.

A Fever's Attack.
of malaria, liver derangement and kidney trouble is easily cured by Electric Bitters, the guaranteed remedy. 50c. For sale by Boston Drug Co.