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PLANS FOR BAR MEETING

Secretary of Association Gives Out Program for Meeting.

IMPORTANT PAPERS TO BE READ

Judge Good, President, Will Deliver Address Upon Some Topic of Timely Interest—Atwood of Kansas City Guest.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—A. G. Ellick, secretary of the State Bar association, has given out the program of the state meeting, which is to be held here December 23 and 24, and asserts that besides the discussions of the proposed changes in the civil and criminal codes a number of important papers will be read and discussed by those who attend.

Judge B. F. Good, president of the association, will talk on some timely subject and John H. Atwood of Kansas City will speak on "The State as a Rate-Maker." Paul L. Martin, dean of the Creighton law school of Omaha, will talk on "The Trained Lawyer" and Judge Root of the state supreme court will discuss "The Other Side of the Shield."

A big banquet will conclude the proceedings December 24 and will be presided over by George A. Adams, president of the Lancaster County Bar association.

Fate of Mark Schrader.

The state supreme court was asked today to pass upon the question whether Mark Schrader of Gandy killed himself or died in a choking fit while an inmate of the Lincoln county jail. The matter was brought here by the Modern Brotherhood of America, which lost a suit in the district court when it resisted payment on a policy held by the widow of Schrader. The policy was for \$1,000 and the company contended that the contract for insurance provided that it should be void if the insured died at his own hand. The company alleged that Schrader took poison while confined in the jail on the charge of forgery.

The defendant company asks a reversal of the trial court decision on this ground.

Reverends Asked For.

Judge Harry Dungan's decision in the matter of Mrs. Nora Shanahan, widow of Thomas Shanahan, against the Burlington railroad, which came up in the state supreme court today, was characterized by the attorneys for the latter as being "absurdly erroneous." Mrs. Shanahan sued for damages on account of the death of her husband, which occurred in the Hastings yards on the night of August 28, 1907. The trial court over which Judge Dungan presided gave the widow damages on the theory that the railroad was negligent in that it did not properly protect an immigrant who was accompanying household goods to a point in the state.

Shanahan was alleged by the company to have wandered away from his car and to have gone uptown after dark. His return was more or less impeded, the railroad alleged, because he had been drinking. The contention made by the plaintiff in the case, that the train which struck Shanahan was being run at a speed greater than that allowed by the Hastings city ordinance, the company met by saying that that law had not been observed for many years past and that it was necessary to go at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour in order to get its work done in reasonable time. The company's attorneys asked for a reversal of the trial court's decision.

SAM PATTERSON LOOKS UP GUARANTY CLAIM

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Matthew Gering of Plattsmouth called at the state house today to make investigation of the reason in the pattern of the claims of Bank Examiners Dowling and Tate against the state for salaries during time which they were supposed to have served, but which they were prevented from doing because the bank guaranty deposit law was held up in the courts. The claim was rejected by state Auditor Barton and there is reason to believe that the men will carry the matter, on appeal, to the district court.

Gering is said to have been retained as counsel for Sam Patterson of Arapahoe, who was appointed secretary of the state banking board by Governor Shal-berger for the period during which the law was being questioned as to its validity. Mr. Patterson filed his oath of office and his bond and took a trip to Oklahoma for the purpose of investigating the workings of the guaranty law of that state.

SARGENT MAN BADLY HURT IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Stanley Carr of Sargent met with a serious accident while enroute to Broken Bow in an automobile. The machine was just outside of the city limits and going at a high rate of speed when the two side wheels dropped into a sink hole, bringing it almost to a sudden stop. Carr was thrown forward over the auto a distance of twenty-five feet and when he struck the ground rolled over and over like a ball. Had it not been for a heavy fur coat he was wearing Carr would have been crushed to death. As it was he sustained a broken instep and a badly bruised body.

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SPEAKER ON GOOD ROADS AT THE AUTOISTS' MEETING.



T. H. POLLOCK, Plattsmouth.

Metcalf Considers Request from Omaha

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—During his stay of two days in this city Matthew Gering of Plattsmouth held a long conference with Richard L. Metcalf, who late last week was asked by a coterie of Omaha democrats to announce himself as a candidate for the party nomination for governor. It was rumored here that the conference had to do with the sidetracking of the local man from the senatorial race, which he desires to enter.

Among politicians there was much speculation as to the extensive nature of the conference largely because of the fact that one of the men is a pronounced member of the dry faction of the democratic party and Gering is just as rigid a believer in the wet divisionists' principles.

SECTIONAL MEETINGS FOR CUMING COUNTY TEACHERS

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—A series of sectional meetings for the teachers of Cuming county has been announced by Miss Emma R. Miller, county superintendent, as follows: At Beemer, December 5; at Wisner, December 9; at Bancroft, December 16; West Point, January 12. The leaders will be Superintendents Bowen of West Point, Moss of Wisner, Steinbach of Bancroft, C. L. Wright of Beemer and Superintendent Emma R. Miller of West Point. The course of study conducted at these institutes will be "The Great American Educators," "The Life and Work of Will Lam R. Page," "Ethics for Children," "Working Together," "The Story of the Quails," "Hans, the Shepherd Boy," and "The Teacher and the School."

HEAD OF INDEPENDENTS DECRIES PHONE MERGER

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Manford Savage of Champaign, Ill., president of the National Independent Telephone association has written the Nebraska State Railway commission that the proposed merger of telephone systems in this state as talked about at considerable length in connection with the Minor telephone merger bill, is a myth and that such a thing would be impossible and worthless. Savage says that the idea is impracticable and undesirable and impossible. The railway commission has decided to request the attorney general to prosecute the Holbrook Telephone association for failure to file reports required by law.

RURAL LIFE COMMISSION TO MEET IN JANUARY

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Farmers of Nebraska who claim to have some ideas regarding life in rural districts will soon have a chance to discuss them with men selected by the state to take measures in making that sort of existence more likable. According to Secretary Frank G. Odell, the Nebraska Rural Life commission will make a visit to Fremont, Norfolk and Broken Bow in January. At these places the farmers from the surrounding country will be asked to meet with the commissioners and review all phases of rural life that can be suggested.

Bloodhounds Lose Trail.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—An autolog of people from Steinauer, accompanied by the Beatrice bloodhounds, came over yesterday on the trail of some burglars who had broken into the depot and a store at Steinauer the previous night. They were trailed as far as the elevator at the city tracks, where the trail was lost, the culprits having evidently caught the early westbound freight.

Fire in Grand Island Millinery Store

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Fire, presumably from an electric iron, caused quite a little loss in the basement of Warner & Co.'s millinery store and by smoke in the adjacent room of the Gaston Music company. The fire was quickly extinguished by the department. Both losses are practically covered by insurance. The fixtures and stock in the basement and workroom of the millinery are a total loss.

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Larson Murder Trial Begins in District Court at Tekamah

TEKAMAH, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—District court convened in Tekamah this morning at 9 o'clock, Judge Day presiding, and at once took up the case of the state of Nebraska against Frank Larson, charged with the murder of his brother, Charles W. Larson. The defendant and his wife and two children, a young girl and a little boy, were in the court room. County Attorney James A. Clark has charge of the prosecution. He will be assisted by Attorneys Wigton of Lyons and W. M. Hopewell of Tekamah. The defendant is represented by Attorney John A. Singhaus of Tekamah and Ed P. Smith of Omaha.

The morning is being spent in endeavoring to secure a jury. Besides the regular panel of twenty-four there has been summoned an extra venire of thirty-five jurors. So far two men have been excused for cause, J. O. Claypool of Oakland having scruples against the infliction of capital punishment and Andrew O. Ford of Oakland having had such acquaintance with both the Larson families as might give him an opinion that could not be removed by the evidence. It is expected that the major part of the extra venire may have to be used before the case has secured a jury.

On the morning of October 3 Frank Larson, who lives about a mile and a half west of Lyons, telephoned to his brother to come over to his place as he wanted his assistance. When the brother arrived Larson took him to the barn and having gone inside deliberately told him he was going to shoot him. The brother did not feel that he was in earnest over the matter and they entered into conversation concerning the attitude of the visiting brother in reference to the wife of the defendant. The parties then went up to the house, called out the wife, and she, too, entered into conversation with the brothers. The defendant still continued his assertions that he was going to shoot, and the visiting brother told him to go on and shoot. The defendant thereupon shot, the charge striking his brother in the head and killing him instantly. The defendant then drove to town and gave himself up to the authorities. The details of the cause of the trouble will no doubt all be brought out in the trial, which is attracting a good deal of attention in this county, especially among the residents of the west side of the county. The defense will be temporary insanity and the "unwritten law."

Both brothers were well-to-do. The defendant owns 300 acres of land and also owns with his brother an undivided eighty acres.

SENATOR HOAGLAND WILL DEFEND IRRIGATION LAW

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Senator W. V. Hoagland of North Platte is in Lincoln today looking up the law with the intention of appearing for complainant against the Cosad Canal company, which is to have a hearing shortly. The case involves the legal question whether the railway commission has any jurisdiction over canal companies with respect to service as well as rates. The senator will defend the law which assumes to make canal companies common carriers.

FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION MEETS SOON

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—In preparation for the Farmers' State Co-Operative association's meeting in Omaha on January 10, 11 and 12 the committee on arrangements of the State Farmers' congress will meet in this city Wednesday to talk over plans as to that gathering. The committee is composed of J. S. Canady of Minden, W. S. Delano, secretary of the farmers, and Frank G. Odell, secretary of the State Rural Life commission.

SUPREME COURT DEFERS ACTION IN TOBACCO CASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The supreme court of the United States today took under consideration the application of the leaf tobacco board of trade of New York to have that tribunal review the reorganization plan of the American Tobacco company. A decision is expected next Monday. The government opposed the motion.

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Christmas the time for Furniture

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- \$28.50 Wing Chair—Mahogany frame; upholstered in green denim; solid and comfortable \$20.00
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- Mahogany Candlesticks—Heavy and serviceable; neat designs \$2.25
- Solid Brass Candlesticks—Made of the best materials; excellent quality \$2.50
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- Drop-Leaf Tea Table—Solid mahogany; one spacious drawer; substantial and beautiful article \$20.00
- \$11.00 Desk—Mahogany; beautiful inlay; roomy compartments; solid writing bed \$9.00
- Ladies' Desk Chair—Beautiful oak; solidly made; strong seat and back; very serviceable \$4.75
- Silk Lamp Shades—Size 16 inches; gold galloon; beautiful; imported from France \$8.00
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