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INSURANCE CASH PAID OVER

Auditor Barton Lets Go of Money in Union-Woodman Case.

WISON DEMOCRATS TO MEET

Call issued Asking Them to Gather in Lincoln Fifth of March—Heston Will Ask Again for License.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Fris was written today on the episode of the payment of \$2,000 to the officers of the Union Fire Insurance company to induce them to resign that the officers of the Woodman company might succeed them. Auditor Barton forced a repayment of the money and he has been holding it until today as trustee for whoever the court might decide was entitled to it.

Some days ago the Woodman company brought suit to recover it, alleging that it was paid out of the funds of that company and belonged to the Woodman company. The officers of the Union, who, by the way, are now one and the same as the officers of the Union, filed an answer and admitted the allegations in the petition and today Judge Cosgrove in the district court ruled that the money should be paid to the Woodman Fire Insurance company.

Several Nebraska life insurance companies are desirous of engaging also in accident insurance, the same as is done by outside companies. The law permits foreign companies to combine these two lines and Auditor Barton has decided he will not deny to a local company any privilege granted to an outsider.

Heston Will Apply Again. Frank J. Heston of Omaha, who was denied a license as a life insurance agent by the insurance department because of charges made by the Phoenix company, by whom he was formerly employed, has written the department that he will straighten up all the matters which the department objected to and renew his application.

The governor's office is up against a proposition which the attorney general has been asked to settle. F. H. Elliott of Newcastle has applied for a commission as a notary public and in his application says that he has taken out only his first citizenship papers. While his right to vote on his declaration of intention to become a citizen the governor's office is uncertain whether he can legally be commissioned a notary public.

Live Stock Insurance. A number of inquiries recently have come to the auditor from parties who desire to organize mutual live stock insurance companies under a law passed some years ago, but it has been suggested to the auditor that the courts have held the act invalid. A cursory examination fails to disclose any such ruling by the supreme court, but the inquiry will be carried further before any action is taken on the petitions.

Messrs. Hurd and Reber of the physical valuation department of the railway commission and Mr. Horton of the Union Pacific were on the stand today in the Union Pacific hearing. They were all questioned as to the methods pursued in arriving at the value of lands used as right-of-way. In the case of the state's employees it was the same as for the Northwestern and Rock Island roads—a combination of the regular survey, state maps, assessment, actual sales of similar lands and prices at which owners held their lands. Mr. Horton exhibited a table showing actual sales of land adjacent to right-of-way with percentages of assessment to the actual sale of the lands which had been transferred and extended the same comparative actual to assessed value to surrounding and railroad lands a number of other witnesses are to be heard on the right-of-way question, among those on the ground being W. G. Ure of Omaha, who is to testify regarding terminals in Omaha.

Hogges Looks Up Charter. E. P. Hogges of South Omaha was at the state house today surveying the scenes of his activities in years gone by and also looking up the record of the passage of the South Omaha charter bill, which is being attacked in the Douglas county courts.

State Treasurer George has bought \$12,000 of school bonds of the Hardy district. The bonds bear 4 1/2 per cent interest. A major item of the regular army, who is acting as instructor of the Nebraska National Guard, has just come in from a tour of inspection. He has completed the inspection of fifteen of the twenty-six organizations in the state, but, of course, will not give out any of the details of what he ascertained. After he completes the task in Nebraska he has a regiment in Missouri to inspect and by that time he will be ready to pack his grip and start for the Philippines, he having been ordered to report to his regiment this spring.

Seed Corn from Beatrice. The first really high grade seed corn that the pure food department has tested yet is a lot sent in from Beatrice. It is from 100 bushels of seed purchased by one of the inspectors for his own use. He did not inform the department what year the corn was produced, but it would rank well as seed at any time.

Secretary Melor of the State Agricultural society and member of the stallion registration board, is of the opinion that about 75 per cent of the animals in the state have been inspected up to date and the inspectors are now on their second round and will soon have all the work done except the animals belonging to those who refuse to admit inspection. The office work is somewhat behind in the inspection, as there was delay in getting started and lack of room to work in the office.

Oscar W. Gardner of Gehring has sent in his filing as a republican candidate for representative from the Seventy-fifth district. Suing Village Board. The supreme court is asked to decide the question whether a village board can or cannot be sued. The case comes from Curtis, Frontier county, where J. W. Adams brought the action, which was to prevent the village board opening a street through land which he had occupied, he asserted, for twenty years. The lower court held with Adams.

Wilson Men Called. A call has been issued for a meeting in this city March 5, of the Wilson democrats. This is a counter move on the Harmon men, who recently met in Fre-

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most and formed an organization to push the candidacy of the Ohio governor. The call is not signed, but the wise ones assert that it emanates from Mike Harrington of O'Neill. No mention is made of Bryan directly, but all through it there is the note which points strongly to the Fairview statesman and his political creed. Local democrats are expected to have had nothing to do with the issuance of the call, but it is evident they will be on hand in force on the date of the meeting.

Breakers Fall from Train. Gene H. Clark, a brakeman on Burlington train No. 73, was missing when the train reached Lincoln shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. None of the crew had seen him since shortly before the train reached Havelock. Word was at once sent back along the line and his mangled body was found in the Havelock tunnel. No one, so far as has been ascertained, knows the accident and nothing is known as to how it happened. His parents reside in St. Louis and the body will be sent to that city for burial. He was a cousin of H. H. Brown, a Burlington conductor running out of this city.

Omaha Man President. J. C. Bixby of Omaha, who is elected president of the Nebraska master plumbers' association yesterday afternoon at the closing session of a two days' convention at the Lincoln hotel. G. H. West of Lincoln was selected for vice president; F. W. Barclay of Beatrice was selected treasurer, and J. C. Cunningham has been chosen secretary. William Bellamy, Omaha; L. H. Walker, Fremont; E. J. Long, Grand Island, and Leslie Porter of Aurora were selected for the board of directors. The place of the next meeting was left to the executive board and will probably be decided at its meeting in June. Upon the request of the national president, F. C. Phillips of Lincoln was made state vice president of the national association.

Attack New Stallion Law. It is apparent that not only will the stallion registration law be assailed in the courts, but a determined effort will be made to have it repealed at the next session of the legislature, in case the attack in the courts fails. The opponents of the law assert it does absolutely no good to anyone and a great injury to some, while it is a needless expense to all. It is asserted the examinations of the inspectors are superficial and valueless as a protection to the public. The opposition comes largely from several firms of horse importers, some of the veterinarians and from the owners of breeding animals.

The inspection board insists that the cause of the opposition in the case of some is that it puts a check on the importation, sale and use of improper animals and from certain veterinarians who failed to get places as inspectors. You can pay your money and take your choice of these two sides of the question, and if you do not like that you can wait until the matter comes up in court and then read the testimony.

One angle of attack on the board has been a demand on the auditor that he check up the accounts of the board, and this he has complied with. The report shows that since September 1, when the board organized, it had collected in fees for examination of animals and certificates \$24,471, all but \$1 of which was for examinations. The number of animals examined was 4,921. The total expenses for the same period were \$25,575, which leaves a net deficit to the credit of the board. A considerable amount of this, however, will be required to pay for the printing of the register, which will be a formidable book by the time all the registrations are made.

The expenses are divided as follows: Salary of inspectors, \$2,412.50; expenses of inspectors, \$1,183.31; printing and advertising, \$1,121.21; miscellaneous, \$1,059.48. There are fifteen inspectors and seven members of the board, but it is said that the number of clerks, as soon as the initial inspection has been completed and recorded. The board, even with the number of clerks employed, is unable to keep up with the inspection reports, as the recording of these, in addition to the pedigrees of the animals, involves a great amount of clerical work, which the board members say was delayed about a month after the inspectors commenced their labors by failure to obtain record books on time.

COMMERCIAL CLUB BOOMS SEED CORN CAMPAIGN

KEARNEY, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The Kearney Commercial club held a special meeting last night in the interests of the seed corn campaign, which was addressed by Frank G. Odell, secretary of the Rural Life commission Neils F. Hansen, pure food commissioner, and Representative E. C. Bassett of Gibson. The meeting was largely attended by representative business men and farmers and much interest was manifested in the seed corn situation, which is regarded as very critical in this locality.

Prof. A. J. Mercer, head of the agricultural department of the Kearney State Normal, has made several hundred tests of samples of seed corn submitted by the farmers of Buffalo county which have indicated a very low per cent of germination. Much interest is manifested locally in the coming of the seed corn train on February 23, and a large crowd will be in attendance to take advantage of the advice and information tendered by the speakers who accompany the train. The arrangements for the seed corn train are in the hands of the Commercial club, which has printed 2,000 large posters to be distributed in all parts of the county, and a telephone campaign has been instituted to notify every farmer of the coming of the train.

FIRE BURNS BEAUTIFUL HOME NEAR SPRINGFIELD

SPRINGFIELD, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Fire destroyed the \$3,000 residence of F. P. McCandless, one-half mile south of here, last night. The fire started in the upper room by a lamp being broken. Mr. McCandless was alone and telephoned for help, which came in time to save most of the furniture in the lower rooms. This fine residence was built by John Stougras, a cattle king, twenty-four years ago and was the finest residence in this part of the country. The property was insured for \$5,000, which was allowed in full.

Serious Charge Against Farmer. BROOKING, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—A complaint has been sworn out and warrant issued for the arrest of Joseph Redmond, a youthful farmer, charging him with statutory offense against 14-year-old Cecelia Browning. The girl is a step-daughter of Charles A. Tella, a well known farmer living near Oconto, this county. Redmond has disappeared, but Sheriff Wilson feels sure of locating him soon.

Last Call for Bargain Seekers

For several weeks we've been conducting a Sale of Winter wearables for men and boys. It has been wonderfully successful and the clearance has been most complete. There remains, however, enough variety to satisfy one day's demand and probably no more. Therefore we've decided to discontinue these sales after Saturday, Feb. 24. We advise and urge those who have need of such items as appear below to come Saturday.

- \$10 to \$35 Suits \$5 to \$17.50
\$10 to \$40 Overcoats \$5 to \$20
\$15 to \$35 Top Coats \$7.50 to \$17.50
\$15 to \$30 Raincoats \$7.50 to \$15
\$2 to \$12 Boys' Suits \$1 to \$6
\$2.50 to \$12 Boys' O'Coats \$1.25 to \$6

In addition to the clothing bargains listed above we have remaining unsold a fair assortment of the following desirable furnishings:

- SHIRTS: Our regular \$1.00 shirts 70c
Our regular \$1.50 shirts \$1.05
Our regular \$2.00 shirts \$1.35
Our regular \$2.50 shirts \$1.75
Our regular \$3.00 shirts \$2.05
OUTING FLANNEL: PAJAMAS AND NIGHT SHIRTS: \$1.00 quality 70c
\$1.50 quality \$1.05
\$2.00 quality \$1.25
NECKTIES: 50c Ties 30c, 2 for 51c
75c Ties 45c
\$1.00 Ties 60c
\$1.50 Ties 90c
\$2.00 Ties \$1.25
\$2.50 Ties \$1.75
\$3.00 Ties \$2.05
SWEATER COATS: \$2.00 Coats \$1.25
\$2.50 Coats \$1.75
\$3.00 Coats \$2.05
\$4.00 Coats \$2.75
\$5.00 Coats \$3.25

Our shoe sale has been very successful. There are enough bargains to last another day but no more. All \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00 Patent Leathers One-Half Price.

- Broken lots \$3.00 shoes \$1.95
Broken lots \$3.50 shoes \$2.45
Broken lots \$5.00 and \$6.00 shoes \$3.45
One Big Lot Dress and Work Shoes: Worth up to \$5.00 but there are only one or two pairs of a kind, \$1.00.
Boys' Shoes, 9 to 13 1/2, worth to \$2.25, for 95c and \$1.45.
Boys' Shoes, 1 to 5 1/2, worth to \$3.50, for \$1.45.

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Look in Windows 1 and 2 and See the New Spring Hats You'll Want to Choose From

Our hats have always commanded admiration—even from the fellows who were accustomed to buying elsewhere. This spring showing is unusually attractive. It contains every style that Fashion winks at—from rough and cloth soft hats to stylish derbies. Each hat contains an excessive amount of King-Swanson hat quality—the best recommendation a hat can have. Our polite hat salesmen will gladly show you through even though you have no intention of buying just yet.



Stetsons, \$3.50 up Others, lower or higher than \$3.50—as you choose.

Fireman Scott Given Verdict for Twenty-Five Thousand

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Prince Pleads Not Guilty of Murder of Warden Davis

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 23.—Albert Prince, the mulatto convict who murdered Deputy Warden E. B. Davis at the state penitentiary on Sunday, February 11, pleaded not guilty to the crime of first degree murder in district court this morning. The announcement by his attorney that he wished the setting of the trial postponed to gain time to take depositions upon Prince's part, especially his attitude to yield to "irresistible impulses," is taken as an indication that the negro's defense will be insanity. Prince committed the crime at the chapel before the entire body of convicts, guards and officials of the penitentiary, stabbing Davis as he walked past him to open the door which would have admitted the convicts to their dinner room.

Commission Form Suit Being Argued This Afternoon

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—In a suit in the supreme court to test the validity of the law creating commission form of government, City Attorney Rine and John H. Breen appeared to defend the act. Each side filed briefs and the court set 2 p. m. today for oral argument. A speedy decision is promised. A suit from Beatrice involving the same point was consolidated with the Omaha suit.

REPUBLICANS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY ORGANIZE

FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The republicans of Jefferson county held a man meeting in the court room at Fairbury Wednesday evening and organized a 1912 Jefferson County Republican club. A. M. Berry, county treasurer, was elected temporary chairman; R. E. Riley, temporary secretary. This selection was later made permanent. Speeches were made by Messrs. John Heasty, C. H. Denney, N. H. Prout, R. C. Harris and H. R. Hinshaw. The purpose of this club is to work for the success of the party in Jefferson county this fall. No reference was made as to preference of presidential candidates leaving this to be decided by the national convention. Acting on the motion of John Heasty, a committee of five was appointed by Mr. Berry to draw up a set of resolutions and by-laws to be adopted at a later meeting. Mr. Berry appointed Messrs. John Heasty, R. C. Harris, H. R. Hinshaw, O. L. Schuman and Dr. Lynch on this committee.

HASTINGS PREPARES TO RECEIVE SEED EXPERTS

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Frank G. Odell of Lincoln, and E. C. Bassett of Gibson, were guests of the Hastings Commercial club at a luncheon at the club rooms today. These gentlemen were present to complete the arrangements for the reception of the Special Seed Corn train, which is to stop at Hastings on March 7 at noon. Both spoke briefly concerning the seed corn situation and the urgent necessity for immediate action, and paid a tribute to the public spirit manifested by the Omaha business men who are financing this great movement for the benefit of the state.

SACKETT AND KING CHANGE POSITIONS ON THE TICKET

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The La Follette-Roosevelt ticket for delegate to the republican national convention has been changed, it has developed, since the meeting in Lincoln when it was nominated. At that time E. L. King of Onocia was named as a delegate-at-large and H. W. Sackett of Beatrice as a delegate from the Fourth district. The managers of the affair thought a switch would strengthen the ticket and the positions were transposed.

DAVID F. MASON HELD FOR DEATH OF O. P. BEESON

ERICSON, Neb., Feb. 23.—The coroner's jury called here to investigate the death of Orville P. Beeson has returned a verdict that it was caused by a shot from a revolver in the hands of David F. Mason. The shooting followed a quarrel over some dogs of Beeson's which he found in the pen of a neighbor named Crimmins, who claimed that they had damaged his corn. Mason, a relative of Crimmins, is said, drew a revolver and fired three shots, the first of which mortally wounded Beeson, the others entering his arm.

CLAY COUNTY WOODMEN ELECT DELEGATES TO MEET

FAIRFIELD, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Modern Woodmen to the number of nearly 300 met in Clay Center last night to take action of protest against the rates adopted at Chicago. Nearly every camp in the county was represented. Delegates were elected to attend a state meeting, the basis of representation being one delegate for each 50 members. Omaha was decided as the place of meeting and the time set for the last week in March.

MAN WITH BROKEN LEG REFUSED MEDICAL AID

STANTON, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—While stealing a ride on the morning freight, Louis Schaffronick became cold when near Piger and as the train was moving slowly he got off and ran along the side of the train. When passing over a cattle guard his leg was thrown against a post, breaking it in two places. He was picked up by the train crew and taken to Norfolk. There he was refused any treatment and was finally shipped to Stanton. The county officials here refused to stand for medical attendance, but after an hour's squabble Dr. E. C. Underberg, physician for the railroad, was contacted, set the broken bones. He was treated kindly by Stanton people and was sent to a Fremont hospital for treatment.

Debaters Chosen at Dodge

CRETE, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—The preliminary debate tryouts were held at Dodge Wednesday evening, the question being "The Recall of Judges." The judges chose the first six men and those were later divided up to make the two teams to go against Cotner and Bellevue. Those chosen to defend the affirmative of the question at home against Cotner are Davidson, Kellogg and Dawes. The negative team that goes to Bellevue will consist of McNeil, Hill and Wilkinson. The trial will be held either March 8 or 15, the time not being fully determined.

Funeral of Mason Jones

ARHLAND, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The funeral of Mason Jones, forty-three years a resident of Ashland, was held this morning. He was a native of Cincinnati and was aged nearly 87 years. He is survived by two sons, residing in Oklahoma and Oregon, one daughter, Mrs. Ollie Butts of Ashland, with whom his aged widow makes her home.

Hastings Will Vote on School Bonds

HASTINGS, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Petitions have been prepared for a special election on the proposition to issue \$50,000 of bonds for additions to the various school buildings, all of which are now overcrowded.

SATURDAY LAST DAY

FRY'S CLEAN-UP SALE

Don't fail to come Saturday and get some of these bargains in good shoes. These shoes at sale prices are from our regular stock and are priced to close them out and make room for spring shoes.

- MEN'S SHOES: Howard & Foster \$5.00 Winter Tans, button and blucher for \$3.75
Eight line Fry's \$5.00 and \$4.00 Tans, patent and dull, button and lace \$2.85
Boyd's \$6.00 patent calf and gun metal, button and lace \$3.75
All the broken lines of \$4.00 and \$3.50 patent and gun metal shoes go \$2.45
WOMEN'S SHOES: Ziegler Bros.' and H. H. Gray's \$5.00 patent and suede boots \$3.75
10 lines \$4.00 patent and dull, lace and button, now \$2.85
Eight line Fry's \$4 and \$3.50 patent and dull, lace and button \$2.45
Several broken lines of \$3 and \$2.50 patent, dull and kid \$1.95

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