

POWELL CHECKS CAR WEIGHT

Nebraska Expert Finds Marks on Sides to Be Wrong.

TRAFFIC SCALES ALSO DIFFER

Road in Many Instances Lose by Error and Cheat Themselves Out of Large Sums of Money.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 23.—(Special Telegram)—Railroads may have their business down to an exact science as is often asserted, but figures compiled by V. G. Powell, expert rate man for the Nebraska railway commission, would not indicate it. He has been digging up some facts concerning weights to present to the Interstate Commerce commission at Chicago.

The custom of the roads is to mark on cars the weight of the cars, which marks are permanent. When a loaded car is weighed this amount is taken from the total to get at the contents. Out of 1,100 cars weighed by the commission on tested scales 432 showed a variation for correct weight from 600 to 7,300 pounds, the others varying in lesser amounts. The one which was off 7,300 was a Northwestern car and the stencilled weight was that much less than its real weight, the company thereby cheating itself out of that much on each carload if it weighed up to the maximum.

In others the stencilled weights were too great, the whole showing there was no design in the incorrect weights. In weighing 30 cars of coal four different scales were used and differences in scales amounting to as high as 12,000 pounds were discovered in one instance.

Cambridge Files Complaint.

The city of Cambridge has filed a complaint against the Burlington road in which the allegation is made that the road discriminates against the town and gives smaller and less important pieces of better train service and better accommodations for passengers. The complaint sets out that Cambridge is the largest and most important place on the Denver line of the Burlington between Holdrege and McCook and on the St. Louis line between McCook and Red Cloud; that it has a population of 1,900, has a beautiful natural lake and a fine park which is the pleasure resort of southwestern Nebraska; that it is the home of many traveling men and of the judge of the district court and the common meeting place for many conventions and public gatherings. It is set out that the fast through trains of the road do not stop there, though they do stop at Oxford, a much smaller city. It is also asserted that the Cambridge depot is old, dilapidated and entirely too small for the purpose, is poorly lighted, poorly supplied with drinking water and that the freight room is so small that crates of butter, eggs, fruit (sometimes decayed), poultry and other things are piled in the waiting room and that the company refuses to give better facilities, while Alma has a fine brick depot and other places on the line are favored with adequate facilities.

The Commercial club, which filed the complaint, wants the board to order all trains stopped at Cambridge and a new and adequate depot provided. The complaint will be referred to the company and time granted to file an answer, after which a date will be set for a hearing in case the company and the residents of Cambridge cannot get together on a solution of the trouble.

More than half the state banks have sent in their reports in response to the recent call, which the banking department considers a good record, especially if the remaining ones will hurry up.

Bethany Complaint Heard.

The hearing on the Bethany complaint on street railway charges, after being on all day yesterday and about an hour this morning was postponed to a date not yet fixed to make for a hearing on Rock Island switching charges, which was set for Friday. The company wants a switching tariff abolished so far as it relates to certain parties not on the line of its tracks and where it relates to handling cars brought in by other companies. The company asserts that the business handled under that tariff is all interstate and beyond the jurisdiction of the state commission, and further that it is a general rule among roads not to switch cars brought in by other roads to a wagon track of a competitor and that no other road in Lincoln has such a rate as the one this company seeks to have abrogated.

Religious Census Figures.

Figures taken from the religious census recently made show that one man out of each six in Lincoln and its suburbs is employed by the railroads, or a total of 242. Of this number the Burlington employs 228. The Roman Catholic church claims by far the largest membership of any denomination, with the Lutherans next. Eight per cent of the employees of the headquarters own their own homes, the comparatively small number as related to other classes being attributed to the fact the percentage of single men is greater in the headquarters. Of the engineers and conductors 80 per cent are home owners, 29 per cent of the roundhouse men, 29 per cent of the truck men, 29 per cent of the switchmen, 25 per cent of the yard officers, 19 per cent of the roundhouse officers, 19 per cent of the signalmen, brakemen and baggage-men.

Books for Teachers.

At the meeting of the Nebraska State Teachers' reading circle board held in Lincoln Friday, March 22, the following books were adopted for the year 1912-1913: McMurry's "How to Study and Teaching How to Study," published by Houghton Mifflin Company; "The Personality of the Teacher," published by Row, Peterson & Co. for teachers in city schools (publication 5) and 10; "The American Rural School," published by the Macmillan Company, and McKeeney's "The Personality of the Teacher," published by Row, Peterson & Co. for teachers in rural and village schools (publication 4).

These books represent three lines of work: "How to Study and Teaching How to Study," pedagogical; "The Personality of the Teacher," inspirational or cultural; "American rural schools," vocational training.

Members of the board are: Superintendent Edith A. Lathrop, Clay Center, president; Prof. Fred M. Hunter, school of agriculture, University of Nebraska, vice president; Superintendent J. M. Mathey, President, Superintendent J. E. Dill, Wilber; State Superintendent James E. Deibel, Lincoln, manager.

The board of supplies is busy looking over estimates for supplies for state in-

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stitutions. Bids will be opened next Monday. Fishermen Worried. The duck hunters is not the only branch of the sporting fraternity which is worrying. The opening of the fishing season is April 1, but with the amount of snow on the ground and the time required to get the snow water out of the lakes and streams it will be long after April 1 before the angler can hope to enjoy much sport.

Woodmen Called to Meet Monday to Perfect Plans

HASTINGS, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—The executive committee elected to carry out the program formulated by the state insurgent convention of Modern Woodmen of America has been called by President Boght of this city to meet in Hastings Monday, March 25. The details of the adopted plan of insurgency will be worked out at this meeting and probably another conference will be held in Omaha or Lincoln a week later preparatory to the making of formal demands on the head officials of the order.

The resolutions adopted by the convention commit the insurgent Woodmen to the following line of action: 1. To secure the submission of the rate question to the entire membership for a referendum vote. 2. Failing in the first, to endeavor to secure a meeting of a newly elected head camp for a reconsideration of the rate question. 3. Failing in the first and second, to institute legal proceedings to prevent the enforcement of the new rates pending consideration of the question by the next regular head camp. 4. Failing in all these, to call another convention to take such action as the circumstances may require. The committee charged with the duty of carrying out this program is composed of the following: Dr. J. V. DeHoff, Hastings, president; Alexander McFarland, Friend, vice president; P. G. Devoe, Omaha, secretary; G. W. Phillips, Columbus, treasurer; J. R. Thompson, Grand Island; Nathan Bernstein, Omaha; F. A. Anderson, Holdrege; M. L. Corey, Clay Center; Lon Colin, Oxford.

NEWS NOTES FROM BEATRICE

Only Two of the Sixteen Candidates for Commissioner File Expense Accounts.

BEATRICE, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—Of the sixteen candidates for commissioner only two have filed statements of their campaign expenses. These are M. R. Roby and Morris Freshman. Yesterday was the last day for candidates to file their statements and the state law provides a severe penalty for those who fail to do so.

Charles H. Dunlap of Ulysses, Neb., and Mrs. May Ferris of Lincoln were married here yesterday by Rev. U. G. Brown. "Deacon" Burroughs, who has been confined in the county jail here for the last three months on a charge of robbing the store of the Klein Mercantile company, was released yesterday by County Attorney F. O. McGill, who filed a nolle prosequi in the case. Burroughs appeared as a witness in the case against Clarence Cain, who was sentenced to the penitentiary to serve a sentence of seven years for robbing the Klein store. About fifty students of the high school, who were recently expelled for two weeks because of the part they took in "sneak day" exercises, have chosen a faculty and are conducting regular studies in a room in the court house.

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Jesse Gandy Files for Democratic Nominee in the Sixth District

BROKEN BOW, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—The primary election here promises to be a spirited one as many candidates have entered the race from both parties. Hon. Jesse Gandy, who has been wintering in Texas and is the present representative of this district, has concluded not to file for the nomination of representative, but has cast his lot for congress and will appear as a democratic candidate on the primary ballot. The head of the primary ticket from this district will read as follows: Congress, republican, M. P. Kinshaid, O'Neill, Democrat; W. J. Taylor, Merna; Jesse Gandy, Broken Bow, State senate, republican; A. S. Moon, Taylor; W. S. Mattley, Ansley, Democrat; J. A. Ollis, Ord, Representative, republican; E. N. Bishop, Gates; J. E. Wilson, Broken Bow; A. L. Matthews, Callaway; James Haggarty, Sargent; O. H. Moody, Ansley, Democrat; E. M. Webb, Callaway; Alfred Schreyer, Callaway; George Greenwalt, Garfield; John Pirnie, Merna. Socialist: Fred G. Chase, Mason City; James Stockham, Broken Bow.

NEBRASKA CITY, March 23.—(Special.)—Those that have filed for office in this county are: W. F. Moran, democrat, county attorney; state senate, H. H. Hartling, republican, of Nebraska city, and W. B. Banning, democrat, of Union. Representatives Sixth district: F. A. Rueter, democrat, of Syracuse, and W. W. Anness, republican, of Dunbar. Float representative Eight district: C. H. Busch, democrat. County commissioners democrats: James A. White of Palmyra, Fritz Ztaack of North Branch, Emil Jacobson and I. T. Hensley of Hendricks. Republicans: John Moss of Hendricks, Thomas Rodaway of North Russell and E. C. Rudge of Palmyra. For county assessors: Fred Heller, democrat, of Nebraska City, and G. H. Gross, democrat, of South Branch; Lewis Gansel, republican, of Berlin and W. G. James, republican, of Wyoming.

LEXINGTON, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—The following is a complete list of candidates filed for offices in Dawson county: Representative, Sixty-seventh District—William Stebbins, Gothenburg and Daniel Balmer, Comd, republicans; J. D. Anderson, Cozad and Charles Spencer, Lexington, democrats. County Commissioner, Third District—E. A. Callin, Gothenburg, republican; M. E. Costin, Willow Island; F. G. Hecox, Gothenburg, democrat; Rolf Johnson, Gothenburg, republican; J. H. Gorum, Cozad, democrat. County Assessors—Frank Plank, Gothenburg; J. J. Mutchie, Eddyville, democrats; Roy W. Johnson, Sumner, republican.

CATTLE BREAK THROUGH ICE AND ARE DROWNED

NEBRASKA CITY, March 23.—(Special.)—Henry Holigrew, a large stock raiser, lost thirteen head of fine cattle yesterday in a peculiar manner. The Little Nemaha river was nearly bank full and the cattle got out and attempted to cross the stream on the ice. They broke through and were drowned. Part of the remainder of the herd was following, but when the ice began to give way they retreated to the shore and escaped.

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Two Humboldt Pioneers Are Dead

HUMBOLDT, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—Mrs. Marie Sophia Loennig, widow of the late Frederick A. Loennig, died Thursday evening after suffering from cancer of the stomach for several months. She was born in Mandelburg, Bavaria, Germany, in 1848 and came to America when 15 years old. Her family settled in Illinois, where she was united in marriage to Frederick A. Loennig in 1866. They came to Nebraska forty-one years ago. To this union were born five girls and six boys, nine of whom are living. Funeral will probably be held Sunday afternoon and interment will be in Humboldt cemetery.

James M. Trimble, a well known and highly respected citizen of Humboldt, died Friday morning from cancer of the stomach, from which he has been suffering for more than a year. He was born in Muskingum county, Ohio, in 1837. About thirty years ago he was married to Mrs. Sophia Melina of Appanoose county, Ia., and to this union one boy was born. He moved his family to Richardson county eighteen years ago and lived on a farm south of Humboldt until two years ago, when he moved to town. His wife died in 1908 and in 1906 he married Miss Sarah Revelle of this county. Besides his widow and young daughter he leaves three brothers. Funeral will be held Sunday morning from the Christian church.

M'COOK HIGH WINS DEBATE FROM FRANKLIN HIGH

M'COOK, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram)—The McCook High school debating team won from the Franklin High school team last night in the debate in this city. McCook having won from Trenton and Franklin having defeated Heaver. This victory gives McCook a big boost in the district championship. McCook's debaters were Maurice Benjamin, Cecil McMillen and Harold Schwab. The Franklin team consisted of Robert Gerven, Marston Husson and George Averhoff. The judges were: Superintendent C. F. White, Trenton; Superintendent P. W. Peapoon, Orleans, and Byron Marcellus, Lincoln. Principal E. M. Husson of Franklin presided. McCook had the affirmative side of the open shop question.

SARPY REPUBLICANS ELECT DELEGATES

PAPILLION, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram)—The republicans of Sarpy county met in mass convention here this afternoon. Seven delegates were elected to the state convention and a county committee of twelve members was chosen. I. D. Clark was elected chairman of the committee. Addresses were made by Howard H. Baldrige and R. B. Howell of Omaha.

GENERAL BRUSH ASKS PERMISSION TO RETIRE

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—(Special Telegram)—General Daniel H. Brush, commanding the Department of California, has asked the War department for permission to retire from the service April 12 instead of waiting until his sixty-fourth birthday, which falls on May 12 next. General Brush enlisted in the One Hundred and Forty-fifth Illinois volunteers and entered West Point at the close of the war. On retiring he will make his home in Baltimore. Stimulate your business by advertising in The Bee—the newspaper that reaches all of the buyers.

BRANDEIS STORE 30th Anniversary

Throughout the entire week we continue our wonderful 30th Anniversary Sales and every day will be an extraordinary bargain occasion in every department. Many of our grandest bargain lots have been planned for this week. Don't overlook a single day's announcement. Don't miss a day of this sale.

Women's \$1 Petticoats at 39c Each. Hundreds of black petticoats, many of them elaborately embroidered. Every one guaranteed worth \$1. Anniversary Sale price, on front bargain square 39c

GLORIA SILKS, Worth Up To \$1, at 39c Yard. These are all pure silk and wool, in black, blues and browns, sold up to \$1. Anniversary sale price—in dress goods department, yard 39c

75c CHALLIES at 29c Yard. These are all new spring patterns, all guaranteed perfect, strictly all wool—Anniversary sale price, yard 29c

75 Pcs. \$1.50-\$1.75 All Silk and Wool 42-in. Dress Poplins \$1 Yd. The most popular fabric on the market today—in all shades of blues, light to dark tans, browns, amethyst, all shades of grey, reseda, old rose and black; Anniversary Sale price, yard \$1

\$1.00 to \$1.25 SILKS at 50c a Yard. Fancy messalines, peau de cygne, chiffon taffetas, rajah effect shantung silks, natural pongees, dress messalines and a fine collection of the well known waterproof foulards, in small and medium prints including dots; Anniversary Sale price — on front Bargain Square, 50c

\$1 to \$1.25 DRESS GOODS at 50c Yd. On front bargain square, south entrance, most remarkable values in high grade Spring suiting ever shown by any house at the prices quoted. Plain and fancy serges, novelty suitings, Scotch tweeds, broken checks and fancy stripes; also light weight, all wool dress fabrics for one-piece dresses; a great many in this lot are worth \$1.25 yd., Anniversary sale price

45-inch Swiss Embroidered Skirtings worth \$1, at yd. 59c—Also 27-inch Flouncings and Allovers in choice, new designs; worth \$1.00 yard, Anniversary Sale price, 59c per yard

Fine Convent Embroidered Edges and Insertions, go at, yard 8c—Very fine long cloth in neat open work designs; worth up to 20c; Anniversary Sale price, 8c per yard

18-inch Cambric and Nainsook Embroidered Skirtings, 19c—Embroidered Skirtings, Flouncings, Corset Coverings and Galloons; worth up to 40c, Anniversary Sale price, per yard 19c

16-Button Elbow Length Pure Milanese and Triot Silk Gloves 59c—In black, white and colors; worth \$1.00, on sale in glove department at the Anniversary Sale price, per pair 59c

Women's Pure Silk Boot Hosiery—Wide lisle garter tops, lisle soles, high spliced heels and toes; black, tan and white colors; a 50c quality, at pair 29c

18-inch Fine Allover Laces—In new, shadow, crochet, filet and cluny effects; worth to 50c, special, at a 29c yard

GREAT MONDAY SPECIALS IN KNIT UNDERWEAR. Odd lots of Women's Munsing Union Suits—Irregular—high neck and long sleeves in knee and ankle lengths, etc.; regular and extra sizes; worth up to \$1.50, special, suit 69c

Women's fine Cotton Union Suits—Low neck, sleeveless and umbrella knee—lace trimmed—per suit 25c

As a special feature of this Anniversary week we have secured for Monday and Tuesday a special showing and sale of Exquisite New Imported Tunics and Robes which will be exhibited by a representative of the New York importer. There are 1,000 made and unmade garments of beautiful lace, hand embroidered and beaded effects. These will be sold outright Monday and Tuesday at lower figures than they could possibly be purchased in any other way.

Anniversary Sale Specials in Women's Suit Dept. Second Floor.

Table with 3 columns: CHILDREN'S CLOAKS, HOUSE DRESSES, WHITE SERGE SKIRTS. Includes prices for various items like New Spring Styles, Scores of pretty, new styles, and Women's and misses' sizes.

30th Anniversary Specials in Our Basement

Table with 2 columns: 36-inch Dress Percalés at 6 1/2c yard, 25c Tissues at 15c a yard, 25c Poplins at 15c a yard, 12 1/2c Fancy Dress Ginghams, 5c a yard.

Special Anniversary Offer--Initial Writing Paper

No use saying much about this great bargain—the price talks strongly enough—except to say that a box contains one quire and one pack of envelopes of Cloth Finish Paper, the fashionable square shape, stamped with initial in color —at, per box 10c

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Orchard & Wilhelm Carpet Co. Advertisement featuring Morris Chair, Go-Basket, Kitchen Cabinet, Cedar Chests, Seamless Wilton Velvet Rugs, Brussels Rugs, and Stove Department.