

JUSTICES OWE THE COUNTY

Auditor's Report Shows Them Lax in Their Methods.
SOME HAVE BEEN PAYING UP
Barnett Says that Law Requires Police Magistrates to Also Make Reports to the County Treasurer.

That police magistrates and justices of the peace in Douglas county are failing to obey the laws which regulate the conduct of their offices, is a report made to the Board of County Commissioners by Auditor J. W. Barnett, who has been investigating their dockets.

"I desire to call your attention to that section of the statute which provides for an annual report. This would indicate that police magistrates should also make such a report, but they do not do it, and they collect fines which should be turned in to the county treasurer, whereas all of their fines are turned into the city funds."

Justices holding office since December 20, 1909, owe the county \$239 according to their own dockets, the auditor reports, an additional \$167 having been turned in by them since he began his investigation. No effort was made by him to estimate the amounts due the county from previous office holders. Reports made years ago show that these sums amount to several hundred dollars.

For the first time in its history the county this year collected unclaimed witness fees from justices as the result of Justice Claiborne's payment of such fees last fall in accordance with the law. Present officeholders still owe the county \$148 received by them from this source, but officials consider such sums owed by former incumbents as lost.

Auditor Barnett criticizes the justices' methods of keeping their dockets. The report, which covers the period from December 20, 1909, to September 29, 1913, says:

"I desire to say that it is impossible, in some cases, to determine just what has been done, on account of the condition of the dockets. I find on a great many of the dockets the justice does not make any endeavor to charge his costs, or to say whether or not he collected any witness fees or fines. In other cases they show a collection, but do not show the disposition of the money. I also find a great many cases where the defendant was fined, but the docket does not show whether the fine was paid or not. On inquiry of the justice in these cases he says he did not collect it, or he says he remitted it. I find in a great many cases where a cash bond had been put up, but the record does not show whether or not it had been returned or forfeited. On inquiry of the justice in these cases he says he has no receipt for it; the same might be said of witness fees; they say they have paid them, but they do not take a receipt for them.

There is a statutory provision which says the justice of the peace shall make an annual report to the county clerk. I am unable to find more than two of such reports that were filed as provided for. Taken as a whole the justice work in this county is not conducted in the proper manner, and I believe your honor that they have been in the past.

The docket of Justice Altstadt shows that he owes the county \$11 unclaimed witness fees, while the dockets of the late Justices Cookrell and Kain indicate they owed \$84 and \$71, respectively, for fines and witness fees."

Queen of Spain Enjoys Rare Winter Sport



Her majesty, the queen of Spain, skating with the duke of Sauto Mauro, on one of the lakes in the king's private estates near Madrid. It is seldom that the opportunity to enjoy this sport is presented in Spain. That country, however, is now experiencing, together with other countries of southern Europe, the severest cold spell in many years. The lakes on the king's estates are now frozen over sufficiently to support a skater for the first time in twenty-seven years.

From Our Near Neighbors

Valley.
Miss Merle Doherty spent Sunday with her parents at their home in Valley.

J. E. Nichols and A. C. Hedberg were in Omaha, Sunday.

Mrs. John Lentell, who has been seriously ill, is improving slowly.

W. E. Weekly left for Chicago on a business trip Monday morning.

Rev. and Mrs. B. A. Fye are rejoicing over the birth of a son January 22.

Miss Onia Gaines of Fremont visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Butts last week.

Miss Edna Weekly entertained the Kensington club Friday evening at her home.

Miss Lola Byars returned to her home in Benson after a week's visit with Valley friends.

Hon. and Mrs. W. G. Whitmore returned from Lincoln, Saturday, where they spent the week.

Miss Bertha Akin left Saturday morning for Fairbury, Neb., to be ready to take her position in the high school Monday.

Misses Teresa and Mildred Fitzgerald and Rosamond Mowison spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Corrington at Benson.

The regular meeting of the Suffrage club of Platte Valley precinct was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Agee.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Presba visited their parents at their home in the Methodist hospital, Omaha, Tuesday. There is not much change in her condition.

Mrs. Holmback took Vernon Zimmerman to Yutan, Monday, to take the train for Heiden, Neb., where he will join his father, Rev. E. E. Zimmerman, in their home.

The second kennington of the season will be held at the home of the president, Mrs. J. C. Ayer, Friday afternoon. The women of the second division will furnish the entertainment and lunch.

Miss Wauneta Cook came up from Lincoln, Saturday, and began her work as principal of the high school Monday morning. She is making her home with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Butts.

Prof. George Ellingwood Joy, national lecturer on social ethics, child culture and Christian manhood, is giving a series of six lectures, beginning Sunday evening and closing Friday evening. He is also giving instruction to the boys of the seventh and eighth grades and of the high school each afternoon. He is here under the auspices of the Valley Woman's Christian Temperance union.

Springfield.
Fred Meisner has moved to his forty-acre farm near Omaha.

The family of Harmon Anson has been quarantined for smallpox.

Mrs. A. G. Hamilton of Thermopolis, Wyo., is visiting in the neighborhood.

Joseph Driskell of Upton, Wyo., visited the W. J. Armstrong home this week.

The Glee club of the State Normal at Peru will give a concert here on February 2.

Miss Goldie Singleton and Frank Adair, jr., of Springfield were married in Omaha Wednesday.

A meeting is called for Saturday by the farmers to complete the organization of a local farmers' union.

Mrs. David Ames departed for Upton, Wyo., with her son, Joseph Driskell, where she will make her future home.

Will Wagner, a former resident of Springfield, died in Omaha Wednesday. He had been government gauger for sixteen years.

Miss Helen Christianson has resigned as kindergarten teacher in the Brookings, S. D., schools, and has accepted a like position in the schools of Hastings, Neb.

The following officers of the Woodmen of the World were installed at the local lodge: Louis Boose, consul commander; Carl Gottsch, senior lieutenant; A. Mayhew, banior; Will Gleason, escort; W. H. Hines, entry; Manuel Boose, watchman; H. Fegenbaum, clerk; C. E. Smith, manager.

Blair.
Ash Dixon, jr., is at Hot Springs, Ark. Mrs. James E. Maher visited friends in Walthill this week.

Charles Heister of Pisgah, Ia., visited this week with W. K. Strode of the Blair Tribune.

Homer Fisher, for many years a resident of Blair, died at the Grand Island Soldiers' home last Sunday.

F. W. Arndt was in Omaha Tuesday, attending the annual meeting of the directors of the Biogas company.

Mrs. Joseph H. Nash of Cleveland, O., daughter of the late A. Castetter, left last Monday to visit friends in Central City.

George Fuller, former Blair boy, who is minister at an Omaha theater, this week visited for a day with his many friends here.

W. D. Hughes, a farmer living near Blair, had four of his cows badly in-

Rousing Specials for

the last Saturday of the Month—January 31

Do you need things to wear? Do you appreciate quality? Do you want to save big sums? These articles are advertised for your benefit. They are stylish, quality articles which at their regular prices were considered reasonable and which, at these exceptionally low prices—make them the most wonderful bargain offers in town. We'd like to see you among the Saturday shoppers. If we see you then we'll surely see you often in the future. May we have the pleasure of serving you with the best bargains in town?

High School Girls Here's a Coat Special for you

For Saturday's selling the last 75 of our coats among which are many of our prettiest models in sizes 15, 16 and 17, that formerly sold up to \$22.50, go at one price,

\$6.75

Peter Thompson Suits A few of our most select styles for Juniors. Sold for \$15.00 and \$18.00, now—

\$10

All Women's Coats going at wonderfully low prices Those that sold formerly to \$22.50, for—

\$7.50

\$17.50

Great Bargains in Coats for Girls

6 to 14 Years an excellent assortment of colors and styles, formerly sold up to \$8.50, all in one big lot at

\$3.25

Very unusual Specials in Furnishings for Boys and Girls

Children's 5-piece underwear, shirts or pants, cotton fleeced, regular values up to 35c, now 17c
Children's 50c part wool vests and pants, 33c
Boys' and Girls' \$1.25 Mentor Union Suits, 89c
New \$1.50 ones for \$1.15
Children's Vests and Pants, from up to \$1.00, now 48c
Little Girls' Jersey Kitties Dresses, 2 to 6 years, imported from England, in open or navy blue, brown, also white, regular values to \$2.50, now \$1.75

Small Men and High School Boys Here's a Suit Snap for you

(Sizes up to 38 Chest) We have assembled all the suits where only one or two of a kind remain and put them into one lot. These sold at \$15.00 \$18.00 and \$20.00 and will be sold Saturday for

\$10

Two Whirlwind Bargains in Boys' Suits

Boys' Norfolk Suits in neat stylish mixtures of gray or brown, regular values to \$3.75—

\$1.95

Boys' suits that formerly sold to \$6.50, excellent patterns and styles, now—

\$3.45



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EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IS RECORDED AT SEATTLE

day, where he took out his first naturalization papers preparatory to becoming a citizen of the United States.

Pawnee Fair Elects Officers. PAWNEE CITY, Neb., Jan. 30.—(Special.)—At the adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Pawnee County Fair association held in this city yesterday afternoon, Frank L. Bennett was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation from the office of treasurer of the

Rempton Assumes New Duties.

MOBERLY, Mo., Jan. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—J. W. Kempton of York, Neb., appointed general secretary of the Young Men's Christian association of this city to succeed George T. Howser, who resigned to accept a similar position at Parsons, Kan., is in Moberly to assume his new position and attend the farewell reception to Mr. Howser tonight. Mr.

GRAND CLEARANCE

of all Genuine Mink Furs, \$400 Set only \$195 Saturday and Monday. The House of Menagh, "The Store for Gentlemen" 1013 Farnam Street. a thorough examination, decided that the death was caused from eating the cornstalks.

F. OXYDONORS

A few days ago we read in one of the magazines an expose by Wiley (the former United States government chemist) of a cure-all which worked while the patient slept. And if Wiley is correct, it surely worked the patient. This suggested to our mind a new name for the FAKERS, and so—the headline. We have such donors in Omaha, but the public profits little by their donations. They, too, work while you sleep—(work to work the guileless and unsuspecting). OUR METHODS ARE DIFFERENT.

Now for the Last AT KILPATRICK'S SATURDAY, When Store Opens at 8 in the Morning

We have succeeded in practically CLEANING UP and SELLING OUT all our stock of Women's Seasonable Coats, (the Suits are all gone), but we have still on hand

One Only—\$27.50 Hand Embroidered Lunch Set.....\$12.50
Two Only—\$45.00 Embroidered Sets (not by hand), at.....\$3.29
Two Only—\$7.50 Embroidered Sets (not by hand), at.....\$3.98
Two Only—\$16.00 50-inch (here's a bargain), at.....\$6.98
One Only—\$13.50 50-inch (here's another), at.....\$4.98

ABOUT 200 CHILDREN'S & JUNIOR COATS
CHILDREN'S in sizes from 3 years up—JUNIORS adapted to OLDER GIRLS and SMALL WOMEN. We have taken our medicine—we have pocketed our loss and we are going to see the last of them Saturday—if there are any.
LITTLE GIRLS—LITTLE GIRLS—BIGGER GIRLS—AND SMALL WOMEN IN OMAHA WHO CAN USE ANOTHER COAT—OR WHO ARE UNCOATED—And here is how we hope to accomplish it. All the Coats which sold up to \$12.50, will be priced \$2.50 at each.
All the Coats which sold up to \$22.50, will be priced \$5.00 at each.
Priced, did we say—ay, methinks the word should be we'll sell at these prices. Let us see what we will see—we do not believe that such values were ever offered here or elsewhere—if such offerings have been made they missed our eye, at any rate.
We have also 15 Junior Suits, sold before at \$15.00 to \$18.00, (same kinds), Saturday at one fell swoop, each.....\$2.50

MORE LINEN WONDERS
Five Only—\$45.00 Hand Embroidered Lunch Sets, at each.....\$4.98
Two Only—\$10.00 Venetian Lace Sets, at each.....\$6.98
Two Only—\$30.00 15-inch Madeira Naps, at each.....\$20.00
Two Only—\$22.50 14-inch Madeira Naps, at each.....\$15.98
Five Only—\$12.50 14-inch Madeira Naps, at each.....\$8.50
One lot of 12.25 Embroidered Towels, at.....\$9.98
One lot of 12.25 Hand Embroidered Towels, at.....\$9.98
Five Only—\$6.50 Madeira Towels, at.....\$4.98
One lot of \$2.25 and \$2.50 Towels, at each.....\$1.69
85c Embroidered Guest Towels, at each......68c
12.25 Embroidered Guest Towels, at each......98c
\$2.00 German Breakfast Cloths, at each.....\$1.60
Two Only—\$22.50 Austrian Breakfast Sets, at each.....\$15.98
All our 63-inch, 72-inch and 81-inch German Embroidered Colored Linen Cloths, at each.....\$3.98

CLUNY SPECIALS
One \$27.50 72-inch Cluny Cloth, at.....\$19.98
One \$15.00 72-inch Cluny Cloth, at.....\$10.98
One \$45.00 72-inch Cluny Cloth, at.....\$32.50
One \$30.00 72-inch Cluny Cloth, at.....\$19.98
One \$65.00 72-inch Madeira Cloth, at.....\$42.50
One \$45.00 64-inch Madeira Cloth, at.....\$32.50
One \$50.00 45-inch Madeira Cloth, at.....\$37.50
One \$30.00 72-inch Madeira Cloth, at.....\$19.98

Saturday Will Also Be the Last Day of the BIGGEST LINEN SALE in Our Experience
The prices BEFORE and for SATURDAY will speak more eloquently than we can. Read them and if there is one Didymus among the readers of this paper, to him or her, we say come and see—and if we cannot convince such a one—of our bona fides, he or she is unconvincible—(pardon our Carlylean phraseology).
90c All Linen Damask, at per yard......69c
\$1.25 All Silver Bleached, at per yard......98c
\$3.00 extra fine Double Damask, per yard.....\$1.98
\$8.50 Naps to match, at per dozen.....\$5.98
One only—\$20.00 Hand Embroidered Lunch Set, at.....\$12.50

THOS. KILPATRICK & CO.

ADDENDA—Late word from the Furnishing Goods Section: We have bunched together a lot of Men's Ties—ties which sold at 50c, 75c and \$1.00—Saturday, 25c each—MAINLY FOUR-IN-HANDS. THOMAS KILPATRICK & CO.

Sprains
To get prompt relief from pain—to remove the soreness and reduce the swelling—apply
SLOAN'S LINIMENT
the antiseptic remedy that's fine for bruises, cuts, burns, and scalds.
Mrs. H. B. Springer, 201 Flora St., Elizabeth, N. J., writes: "I fell and sprained my arm and was in terrible pain until I used Sloan's Liniment. It took all the pain away, and now I can use my arm and hand again."
At all dealers. Price 25c., 50c., & \$1.00
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EXCELLO Lamp—Nearest to Anthracite—blue flamed—lasting.....\$8.50
OLYMPIC Lamp—Egg or Nut.....\$6.50
Our very best soft coal.....\$6.00
COAL HILL—Lump.....\$6.00
—Illinois.....\$6.00
COAL HILL—Nut.....\$5.50
—Illinois.....\$5.50
Good soft coal.
COMET—Lump.....\$5.00
per ton.....\$4.50
COMET—Nut.....\$4.50
per ton.....\$4.00
IOWA Mine Run, \$4.00 per ton.
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The Food-drink for All Ages.
More healthful than Tea or Coffee. Agrees with the weakest digestion. Delicious, invigorating and nutritious. Rich milk, malted grain, powder form.
A quick lunch prepared in a minute. Take no substitute. Ask for HORLICK'S. Others are imitations.