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DEPOSITS SHOW GOOD INCREASE

Average Reserve in Nebraska State Banks is Twenty-Eight Per Cent.

SHOWS SEVEN PER CENT BOOST

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 25.—(Special.)—The report of the condition of the 815 state banks of Nebraska at the close of business, February 24, 1916, shows an increase in deposits since February 3 last year of \$2,608,036.25. The resources have increased \$2,837,270.92, loans and discounts, \$8,911,141.55, and capital stock of the banks \$1,311,200. The number of depositors is 76,879. The average reserve is 28 per cent, an increase of 1 per cent since the last report, December 9, 1915. The report in full is as follows:

Table with columns for RESOURCES, LIABILITIES, and other financial metrics. Includes items like Loans and discounts, Bonds, securities, and Capital stock.

Attorneys of North Platte Will Argue Water Rights Case

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—J. J. Halligan and W. V. Hoagland, attorneys of this city, will go to Washington early next week to assist Attorney General W. B. Reed in litigation now pending before the United States supreme court. The question to be settled by the higher court is whether the state can control water rights within Nebraska territory or whether this right is vested in the federal government. Both the North Platte attorneys have been active in water rights litigation, and the state has undoubtedly strengthened its chance for victory in securing the aid of these men.

NORTH PLATTE DRYERS ARE MAKING ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—Last evening a public men's meeting was held in the parlors of the Presbyterian church of this city in the interest of the campaign to rid North Platte of its saloons at the coming election. About 300 men were present, to whom lunch was served by the women of the Methodist, Christian, Baptist and Presbyterian churches of this city. Judge A. L. Sulton of Omaha was the principal speaker and his address was devoted to the wet and dry issue. After Judge Sulton's address the meeting was thrown open to discussion. Among those who discussed the question were Attorney J. G. Beeler, Howard Watkins, Butler Buchanan, J. H. Van Cleave, Byron Oberst and Prof. Redenbaugh. Before Judge Sulton's address Mr. M. Adams of the Nebraska state experimental farm gave a short address as to the view of an outsider upon the question.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS GRADUATION AT TAMORA

TAMORA, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—There was featured at the Presbyterian church Thursday evening a graduation service of a class of six who had completed the first standard course. Prof. J. C. Greenwood of the public schools conducted the class. The other members awarded diplomas were Mesdames J. C. Herron, J. C. Greenwood and M. E. Muir and the Misses Effie A. Gilbert and Anna Volghtman. Rev. H. H. Houseman of Omaha, Sunday school educational superintendent of the Presbyterian synod, was present to deliver the address. Rev. C. M. Rohrbaugh of Seward conducted the service.

Tecumseh Pastor Goes to Wymore.

TECUMSEH, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—Rev. C. C. Markham, for the last year pastor of the Tecumseh Baptist church and recently re-elected for the coming year, has resigned. He has accepted the pastorate of the church at Wymore. Rev. Mr. Markham will preach his farewell sermon next Sunday. It is said the Tecumseh church will secure a new pastor in the near future.

Superior Band at State Fair.

SUPERIOR, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—The Superior band has secured the contract to play for the state fair two days, this in competition with forty-eight bids from the best country bands of the state. The band boys are now getting ready for their annual concert, which will be given soon.

Oakland Jewelry Store Robbed.

OAKLAND, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—Burglars entered the Roberts Drug company store some time during the night and carried off a good amount of wares, including eleven kodaks, several dozen fountain pens and jewelry. The safe was also emptied.

Stella Pastor Goes to Iowa.

STELLA, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—Rev. H. A. Wolfe, who has been pastor of the Lutheran church the last four years, has resigned and will preach his farewell sermon Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Wolfe has accepted a call at Tipton, Ia., a town of 2,500, in Cedar county.

Mullis Files for Representative.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 25.—(Special.)—Hon. C. J. Mullis of Dunbar, Otoe county, has filed for float representative from the Eleventh district, representing Cass and Otoe, on the democratic ticket.

Head of Order of Scottish Clans Guest of Clan Gordon in Omaha

Alexander J. Finlay of Seattle, Wash., royal chief of the Order of Scottish Clans, is in Omaha today, guest of Clan Gordon, No. 62, and will be guest of honor at a reception by the local clansmen on Monday evening at the Swedish auditorium.

Mr. Finlay is serving his second term as royal chief, having been first elected in 1913 at the Philadelphia convention of the clans, and again in 1915 at the San Francisco convention. He is now returning to his home in Seattle, after a visit to the local clans throughout the jurisdiction. Twenty years ago he was a resident of Omaha, and for this reason his present visit will be of great interest to the older Scots of the city.

The Order of Scottish Clans is a fraternal and social organization, uniting men of Scotch birth and blood throughout the United States and Canada. It has a large membership throughout the country, but mostly east of the Mississippi river. For this reason western Scots feel an especial gratification that one of their number has twice been chosen for the responsible and honorable place of royal chief.



ALEXANDER FINLAY.

RURAL SCHOOLS BOOMING

State Superintendent Finds His Plans Working Well in Scott's Bluff.

GREAT AID FOR COMMUNITY

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 25.—(Special.)—There is a great outlook for rural school improvement in Nebraska. The larger district giving larger taxable area and larger groups of children makes possible many things which are impossible in the small or common district. The three to six-teacher school, with a five-acre tract of land and a teacher's cottage, is rapidly growing in favor among Nebraskans. The following interesting letter from County Superintendent Ada M. Halldeman of Scott's Bluff county to State Superintendent Thomas tells a great story. Scott's Bluff county is on the way educationally as well as in many other lines. The letter: I shall be glad to co-operate with Mrs. J. L. Meier of Scott's Bluff. We are needing some good teachers. I hope to have some consolidations under way soon, but our people are interested in two-room schools. It seems, I and see whether we may not turn the tide. The two which we have already are most excellent examples. I visited

Hope school Saturday night and attended their dedication exercises. The two rooms were full. The excellent picture exhibit from the Lincoln fine arts shop was on the walls and several pictures were purchased and donated to the school. Also the bell fund was brought close to the required amount.

The teachers are in the old building and appreciating their home beyond words. I was one of a house party for the week-end, but the party turned into an unexpected channel, showing that a teacher's age has never been bounded by required use. The mother of eight children in the district died and Miss Harrison's heart and home opened to the family. She had from three to six at the teachers for two days and turned her own wardrobe out to help make clothing for the needy family. A sewing machine was sent in from a neighbor's and our children were spent in making clothes for the children. Sunday the school house was used for the funeral. Next Sunday there will be church services there. Already new settlers are coming in because of the good school facilities. Part of Uncle Sam's homesteads, included in this week's land drawing are in Hope district.

If you can send us more school mothers like Miss Gene Harrison we shall welcome them. The year has been very hard and lonely for her, but she has made good.

Lake Alice's teachers are doubtless on the ground now, since they were moving last week.

There is a big need for these teachers and our three should, by their usefulness, be the beginning of many. Especially are they convenient for two-teacher schools, or those having more than two teachers.

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RIDGELL JOINS IN CLEANUP WORK

Fire Commissioner Urges All Good Citizens to Assist in the Campaign.

BURN ALL RUBBISH CAREFULLY

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 25.—(Special.)—Fire Commissioner Ridgell joins in the cleanup week campaign and in a proclamation calls upon all good citizens and others to get things in shape so there will be less danger from fire. He gives a line of instruction to be followed out, and says: Governor Morehead has issued a proclamation naming the week of April 10 as "Clean Up" week throughout the state. This "Clean Up" week should interest every citizen in the state. The mayor of every city and village should issue local proclamations asking their citizens to cooperate in cleaning up and removing all fire dangers. The city or village should furnish men and teams free of charge to haul away waste and rubbish. This would cost only a few dollars and would probably save the city thousands of dollars from fire waste.

During "Clean Up" week all fire chiefs should make a special inspection of their territory and report the change of any conditions which would tend to eliminate the possibility of a fire.

Every commercial club of the state should have a fire prevention committee. The committee should send out a call asking all citizens to co-operate in making "Clean Up" day a success.

Women's clubs should take an interest in the day and ask every member to look into their home conditions with a view of abolishing every possible fire danger.

Never allow old rubbish, waste paper, excelsior, paints, oils, or greasy rags to accumulate in kitchens, attics, closets, cellars, barns, sheds, yards, or alleys. All old rubbish should be gathered together now during "Clean Up" week and hauled away and burned.

Ases should be taken away and disposed of. Gasoline, naphtha and other volatile oils should not be kept in buildings. Open fire holes should be covered and protected with metal caps.

Electricity, when improperly installed, is a dangerous fire hazard. Lamp cords should not be hung on nails or wrapped around any piping; confer with your city electrician when changes are contemplated. Do not allow employes or inexperienced persons to tamper with electrical installations.

Never make a bonfire or a fire to burn rubbish within twenty feet of any building or near a wooden fence or shed. Never make a fire to burn rubbish on a windy day. Great conflagrations have been caused by "sparks" from bonfires and by "burning rubbish."

On March 22 the city of Paris, Tex., was almost wiped out of existence by a conflagration which destroyed property worth over \$2,000,000. We have no assurance that Nebraska will never be visited by a like calamity.

The fire commission department of Nebraska is interested in making Nebraska have the lowest fire loss possible, and every citizen of the state should be interested in assisting us in this worthy purpose. Seventy-five per cent of our

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Dr. Bradbury's Dentistry is ready to be matched on merit. Let it stand or fall on test or looks against any other work. Some of the biggest ideas put in action for the good of your Teeth, Gums or spaces to be filled in and the very latest of everything to make each operation painless. Don't contract for your next Filling, Crowns or Bridging until you know Bradbury. Equipment and an interest in your case that will make you satisfied for years. Let me X-Ray some of your bad teeth and diseased gums. When you can see the inside condition of some of these poisonous masticators, your mind will be made up as quick as a flash as to what ought to be done.

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BEATON & LAIER CO. advertisement for home furnishings, including drapery, madras, and furniture.

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Hundreds of families are coming west daily to make new homes. We want everyone of these good people to know the Schmolter & Mueller Piano Co.

Its finest Pianos, Player Pianos and Phonographs and its money-saving facilities to the buyer, just as the old families have for many years known them.

We want to greatly increase our sales this year and jointly with a number of America's leading Piano Manufacturers, we have set aside a large fund to bring this house to the attention of every home, old and new.

Only one member of a family can compete, and if more than one answer is sent in by the same family they will be disqualified and the answers thrown out.

Contest Closes on Tuesday, March 28, at 6 O'clock P. M.

Address All Answers to—Schmolter & Mueller Piano Co. Contest Dept. A. 1311-13 Farnam Street, Omaha, Neb.

Advertisement for furniture and home furnishings, including arm chairs, sofas, and a 3-piece davenport suite.

Advertisement for baby furniture, including a carriage and go-carts, with prices ranging from \$1295 to \$3850.

Advertisement for Western Hay & Grain Co., featuring a 'Hay There!!' slogan and contact information.

Advertisement for Metz Beer, described as 'The Old Reliable', with contact information for Wm. J. Swoboda.

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