

Nebraska STATE GRANGE HANDS ROAST TO DEALERS

Meeting at Gibbon Adopts Resolution on Peddling From Cars

TRIES TO FIX THE BLAME

Gibbon, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—At the closing session of the farmers' grange state meeting held here this week a resolution was read and adopted as follows:

On October 12 the railroads in this section of the country issued an order prohibiting the selling of merchandise and farm products from freight car doors and labeled it "Peddling Car Order." A mass meeting of farmers, fruit growers and independent shippers was held in Lincoln in November which appointed a committee and instructed it to draft and file a protest before the State Railroad commission, and the protest was filed. An informal hearing was held at which the wholesale, retail and commission combinations appeared in defense of the order issued by the railroad companies, thus showing the cloven hoof completely and conclusively. A copy of a letter was heard read, wherein a railroad man said this order was issued at the urgent demand of the business interests.

The State Railroad commission did not issue a definite order, but suggested to the railroads that they suspend the order for a time, at least during the early summer months. H. R. Sullivan of Tecumseh invited the state grange and the farmers' union to join with him in a complaint before the United States Interstate Railway commission, asking that the ruling be set aside. This hearing was held November 16 and 17 and again the business combination came to the assistance of the railroads, the following being a few of those who were present: Kansas Retailers' association, Arkansas Retailers' association, National Retail Grocers' association, Western Fruit Jobber, Agamirino-Grange company, Retailers of South Dakota, Retailers of North Dakota, General Brokerage company of Minneapolis, Minn., Federated Retailers of Nebraska, and several others.

I do not believe that the majority of the business men of this section of the country effected are connected with or would uphold such proceedings. But there is absolute proof of a gigantic conspiracy among a certain class business combinations to shut out the independent dealer or shipper and to throttle every attempt made by the farmers to market their own products or purchase their own supplies without paying whatever tribute the ease of self-protection guardians of the farmers might decide to levy upon them. To our minds it is an attempted case of highway robbery, wherein these business combinations were trying to use the railroads as a pistol to shoot the farmers and independent shippers and dealers into submission and if the railroads insist on being made a tool of by prohibiting this long-established practice, that is so plainly in the interest of both producer and consumer, they will merit the reward that our outraged public will measure out to them in the years of the future.

J. D. BEAN, Grand Master.
EDNA JACOBS, Grand Secretary.

Doctors of Johnson County Hold Meeting

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Johnson County Medical society was held here yesterday. At a business session in the afternoon the following officers were elected: President, Dr. J. M. Curtis; vice president, Dr. S. E. Conley; secretary-treasurer, Dr. T. E. Fairall; delegate to state meeting, Dr. C. H. Davies; alternate, Dr. A. B. Cramb.

A banquet was spread in the evening, after which the following program was given: President's address, Dr. Dora M. Judkins-Davies; "Spinal Curvatures and a New Spinal Brace," Dr. H. Winnet Orr, Lincoln; "Uterine Hemorrhages," Dr. E. W. Rowe, Lincoln; "Treatment of Tuberculosis," Dr. J. M. Mayhew, Lincoln; "Catarhal conditions of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat," Dr. Zehmer, Lincoln.

Bray Will Fight Going Back to Springfield

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—A hearing will be had before Governor Morehead Monday afternoon to determine whether E. J. Rathbun, inspector of police of Springfield, Mass., shall take back to that city with him Horace L. Bray, charged with deserting his wife and three children.

Bray was arrested in Omaha, but is understood to have been released on bail. According to the inspector, the wife has been compelled to work at day work since her husband deserted her in order to support herself and the children, and Bray is wanted there and if found guilty will be given a prison term, 50 per cent of his wages earned while working for the state going toward the support of his family.

It is understood that Bray will fight the requisition when the matter comes up.

Body of Major Johnson Taken East for Burial

Alliance, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The remains of Major Carter P. Johnson, commanding officer at Fort Robinson, who died suddenly of heart failure at one of the local hotels here yesterday, were taken by the widow and her brother, William B. Harrison, of Denver, to the old home of the deceased at Staunton, Va., for burial. Major Johnson served as captain in the Spanish-American war and retired about six years ago a major in the Eighth cavalry. He returned to duty about a year ago and was placed in command of Fort Robinson, which position he held until his death.

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Johnson County Getting Excited Over Oil Prospects

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Dr. George E. Condra of the State Soil survey, has for years been of the opinion that there is oil in Johnson county. With his associate geologists he has traced the favorable indications to this county from some of the richest fields of Kansas several times.

At Table Rock a company has been formed which will drill for oil. Tecumseh is but sixteen miles away and it looks as though something is to be done here. J. T. Hurst of Greybull, Wyo., a wealthy oil operator and State Senator Phil Kohl of Wayne have been here this week in an endeavor to secure leases upon certain tracts of land. They have suggested that a meeting of property owners be held here in the near future, with Dr. Condra present to represent the people.

The promoters do not ask the local men to invest a cent. They simply desire to get leases upon a sufficient amount of land to warrant the expense of sinking some wells. Mr. Hurst said the wells would cost at least \$15,000 each, and several should go down.

Clemmons Decides Who Will Assist Him

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—A little agitation of the political plum tree today, made by State Superintendent-elect W. H. Clemmons, brought appointments to the following:

H. H. Dixon of Tecumseh, county superintendent; Alice Florer, former county superintendent of York county but now with the Kearney normal; John Woodard, city superintendent of the Seward schools.

What positions they will fill is not announced.

Omaha Girl Takes Leading Part In Comedy by Bellevue Students

Miss Florence Stocker, 3303 North Twenty-first street, Omaha, and Miss Auretta Bradshaw, 714 Perrin avenue, Council Bluffs, will play the two female roles in "The Mollusc," a three-act comedy to be presented by the Bellevue College Dramatic club immediately after the Christmas holidays. Dean Fales and Karl Branstad will play the two male parts.

Miss Stocker is a freshman at Bellevue. She was a student last year at Omaha Central High. Miss Bradshaw is a graduate of Council Bluffs High. She is also a freshman. Dean Fales is a member of the junior class. He has played the leading part in several plays staged at Bellevue the last two years. His best work was probably done as Shylock in "The Merchant of Venice," staged last spring under the auspices of the Bellevue senior class. He is editor of the Junior Annual for this year and holds other offices at the suburban school. Karl Branstad is also a freshman.

The cast of the play is as follows:
Tom Kemp.....Karl Branstad
Mr. Baxter.....Dean Fales
Mrs. Baxter.....Auretta Bradshaw
Miss Roberts.....Florence Stocker

"The Mollusc" will be the first of the Bellevue plays this year. Present plans are to make a road trip during the Christmas holidays and to present the play in a home performance immediately after school opens after New Year's.



LANE STUDIO PHOTO
Florence Stocker

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NEBRASKANS MEET GOVERNOR-ELECT

Neville Is Guest at Gathering of Cornhuskers in Washington.

HOLD CELEBRATION FEB. 2

Washington, Dec. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The first winter meeting of the Nebraska State society of Washington was held last evening.

Governor Keith Neville took time from a later engagement to greet his fellow citizens, who warmly welcomed him. Music, instrumental and vocal, regaled the audience and relieved the stress of business statements, while the evening was again enlivened by the drollery and witticisms indulged in by the congressional contingent of the society, led by Messrs. Sloan and Lobeck.

The main feature of the meeting was a unanimous vote to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the admission of Nebraska into the union as a state. On account of the inaugural date of March 4, it was decided to hold the celebration by the society, with a banquet, on February 2. William J. Bryan and other distinguished sons of the state will be invited to participate.

Mrs. J. H. Hanley delighted the society with her sweetly sympathetic soprano in singing "My Little Gray Gnome in the West." She was accompanied by Miss Roddy. A highly artistic treat was had in violin playing by Miss Marguerite Snyder, accompanied by her sister, Miss Dorothy. After the speeches and other business, the incumbent officers of the society were re-elected for the ensuing

year. Then, before refreshments were served, the society, with Mr. Preston as orchestral conductor, sang a new state song, the words of which are by Adam Bredt, of Hastings. All joined in the chorus to a stirring, catchy air, the refrain being:

Nebraska land, Nebraska land,
I love your waving fields,
Nebraska land, Nebraska land,
I love your golden fields;
It matters not where I may be,
What foreign fields I roam,
You'll always be most dear to me,
I love 'em 'cause you're home.

High Cost of Living Drives Sharp to Suicide

Shenandoah, Ia., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Brooding over the high cost of living is assigned as the cause of the attempted suicide of Charles Sharp, Chadron, Neb., father of Will Sharp. The son received a message that his father was very low and for him to come. The condition of the father is not known here.



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