

Nebraska

FOSTER DISCOVERS NAME ON PETITION

Suffragist Finds That His Name Has Been Signed on Anti-Suffrage Petition; Says Didn't Sign.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Possession of a lead pencil in the pocket of a visitor to the office of the secretary of state of Nebraska is a suspicious evidence that he needs watching in the event that his visit to that office is for the purpose of examining the anti-suffrage petitions on file there and which have recently been made the subject of much controversy and a suit in district court to determine their validity.

William Foster, a well known member of the state board of agriculture and a former member of the state legislature from Lancaster county and a staunch democrat, visited the office of the secretary of state this morning to discover whether his name was on the Lancaster county petition or not. He had been told that it was, but he did not remember ever having signed it. He told Mr. Pool, the secretary, that no man, not even a democrat in good standing, could see the petition unless he was divested of all the arms of literary warfare. Mr. Foster hunted around in his pockets a few times and finally dug up a stub of a pencil about three inches long, which, with due ceremony, was turned over to the custodian of pencils. He was informed that this was necessary for fear that some names might be added or some other injury be practiced upon the documents.

Mr. Foster is a strong advocate of woman suffrage, but he found his name signed to the anti-suffrage petitions. He says he never signed any petition of that nature. He remembers of signing one that the man told him was for the purpose of having the sun shine in the night and the moon in the day time, or something like that, but never had he signed anything like an anti-suffrage petition.

After he had made the discovery, he arose, was handed his stub pencil by the pencil custodian, and he left the office, a sadder but wiser man, with not an odor of suspicion attached to his garments, for had he not delivered his suspicious-looking stub pencil to the custodian of stub pencils and other kinds and received it back from the custodian unscathed?

Kearney Commercial Club Calls Halt on Experiment

Kearney, Neb., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—The Kearney Commercial club was represented at a meeting of the city commissioners held Tuesday and urged the latter to intercede on behalf of the club to prevent the county board of supervisors from using a mile of government constructed road extending a mile south from the court house, for experimental purposes. The county board decided some time ago to experiment with graveling a road and settled upon the government built mile of road as the likely place.

CHOBAR ON STAND GIVES DETAILS OF MAN'S MURDER

(Continued From Page One.) defense about 3:30 o'clock this afternoon and under the direction of his attorney, G. W. France, he related to the jury the story of the murder and how he left the Blender home.

He told of his suspicions of Blender and his wife and the reasons for his suspicions.

Played a Trick. He said that on the evening of the murder, or about 8:30 o'clock, he told Blender he believed he would go to Benedict in the Blender car, that he took the car and, as Blender and his wife thought, started for town, but went only a few hundred yards, when he stopped, got out of the car and walked back to the house and up to the window of his wife's bedroom.

He was convinced Blender and his wife were together, so he went back and got the car and brought it around to the garage, went to the milk house and got a revolver, slipped back into the house and, without a word of warning, shot Blender in the head near the left eye.

Tied Wife on Bed. Chobar then told of his tying and gagging his wife in bed, cutting the telephone wire, getting the key to the Blender desk from Blender's pocket, with which he opened Blender's desk to get a map of the country to guide him in making his getaway and the taking of \$10 or \$12 from Blender's pocket.

The accused told of his starting the car and how he stalled with it near Clark's, of his abandonment of the car and making his way to Clark's, where he took a train for Grand Island and then on to Kearney. At Kearney he started north across the country, tramped it up into Todd county, South Dakota, and told of his capture there, where he hired out to a ranchman. Chobar was still in the midst of his story when court adjourned until Thursday morning.

Straggled Too Much. A farmer the other day took a plowshare to the blacksmith's to be sharpened, and while the blacksmith worked the farmer chucked and bragged about a sale of hogs he had just made. "Them hogs was only right months old," he said, "and none too fat, neither, but I seen that the buyer was at his wits' end, and by skillful juggling I boosted up the price on him just 100 per cent. Yes, by gum, I got three times more for them hogs than I user get before the war."

Try This. The quick wit of a traveling salesman who has since become a well-known proprietor, was severely tested one day. He sent in his card by the office boy to the manager of a large concern, whose inner office was separated from the waiting-room by a ground-glass partition. When the boy handed his card to the manager, the salesman saw him impatiently tear it in half and throw it in the waste basket; the boy came out and told the caller that he could not see the chief. The salesman told the boy to go back and get him his card; the boy brought out five cents, with the message that his card was torn up. Then the salesman took out another card and sent the boy back, saying "Tell your boss I sell two cards for five cents."

Prince of Wales Takes Seat in English House of Lords



THE PRINCE OF WALES

London, Feb. 20.—The prince of Wales took the oath and his seat in the House of Lords today. Queen Mary and the princesses, Mary and Victoria, were present in the royal box.

The prince wore royal robes and the collar of the order of the garter. He was introduced to the lords with the usual ceremony. The peers in the procession wore their Parliamentary robes.

First Petition for Pool For Congress in Sixth

Lincoln, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Petitions from Howard, Morrill, Sheridan, Dawes and Dawson county reached the office of the secretary of state this morning asking that the names of Charles W. Pool, secretary of state, be placed upon the primary ballot for the democratic nomination for congress in the Sixth district.

This is the first act in the drama in which Mr. Pool and Senator Beal of Custer will play the leading parts in an effort to break into congress. Mr. Pool will not have to take action in the matter until after someone makes a filing and deposits the fee of \$10 required. He will then have five days to shy his hat in the ring and announce his platform.

Pioneer Nebraska Woman Is Interred at Gibbon

Gibbon, Neb., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Funeral services for Mrs. Emily S. Osborn were held here Sunday. She had been making her home at Council Bluffs, Ia., and came here three weeks ago to visit at the homes of her sons, L. T. and T. W. Osborn. Mrs. Osborn was one of the old Platte county settlers, locating near where the town of Monroe is now built.

West Point Educator Takes Charge at Columbus

West Point, Neb., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Prof. C. Ray Gates, city superintendent of the public schools of West Point was elected to the same position at Columbus by the board of education of that city Tuesday.

GOOD FOR CANADA

Canadian Dentists Making History at Home and in the Trenches.

The Canadian Army Dental Corps have had nearly four years' experience in actual war conditions. The development during this period has been more rapid than in half a century of a world at peace.

Canada, with her three years' experience, has many things to teach us—if we are not too proud to learn—and avail ourselves of her counsel.

The above excerpt, taken from "Oral Hygiene," shows that our Canadian brothers are doing at the front—and right in keeping with the spirit of progress—and the throwing off of shackles and superstition—comes this refreshing news from Quebec:

"Quebec Dentists May Advertise" "The College of Surgeon Dentists of the Province of Quebec has ABOLISHED THE RULE PROHIBITING NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING BY ITS MEMBERS."

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If the American dentist can learn much at the hands of his Canadian colleagues at the front—he can also learn something from the twentieth century Dentists of Quebec. Ethics has long been a mill-stone around the neck of the American people. It has promoted the very quackery it pretended to abhor—by classing as FRAUDS AND INCOMPETENTS (and thereby handicapping them) EVERY dentist who used the press as a means of advertising his skill. Now that the entering wedge has been inserted—let America's best dentists—the big, broad-minded, capable members of the profession—come out in the open and join hands in stamping out the quacks who advertise and the quacks who do not advertise—and make it impossible for incompetents who can neither make a living for themselves, nor sell their services to other Dentists—pooling interests and by using unscrupulous tools to malign through the public press dentists who are mentally, morally and professionally their superiors.

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Beatrice Commercial Club Elects Officers for Year

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the directors of the Beatrice Commercial club Tuesday night W. H. DeBilt was re-elected president and E. C. Salisbury re-elected secretary. The other officers are Dr. F. E. MacCacken, vice president, and J. R. Quinn, treasurer. The directors discussed plans for the coming year, and will soon begin a spring drive for new members.

Will Scott, one of the recruits who was to go to Vancouver Barracks Tuesday with 14 others who enlisted a few days ago, was kicked in the face by a mule at his farm and quite badly hurt.

E. H. Morey, assistant state engineer, was before the county Board of Supervisors Tuesday and explained the Nebraska county road system. The duties of the highway commissioner and state and federal aid roads were discussed.

O. H. Liebers, formerly county agent for Gage county, has been appointed by Food Administrator Hoover to take charge of the pinto bean work in growing sections.

University Place basketball team won from Beatrice Tuesday night by the score of 20 to 18. At no stage of the contest was there a difference of four scores between the teams.

Emperor Bill's Dentist Returns to Ohio Home

An Atlantic Port, Feb. 18.—Arthur M. Davis of Piqua, O., who was dentist for Emperor William of Germany, returned to America today on a neutral steamship. He said he left Germany on January 22, having been allowed to cross the border on a military pass personally signed by the emperor.

Dr. Davis asserted that the Russian situation was the foremost topic in Berlin when he left and the development at that time had caused great rejoicing. He declared the food situation in Germany was not so bad as had been reported.

Loyalty Petition Signed By Many Grand Islanders

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 20.—(Special.)—A petition circulated by W. H. Garmire of Grand Island, pledging loyalty to President Wilson, to which he obtained 507 names, has been sent to Washington.

The petition read in part: "We, the undersigned citizens and voters of Hall county, Nebraska, hereby renew our pledge of loyalty to you and assure you of our unwavering faith and confidence in your patriotism, integrity and ability to guide our ship of state in this world war, forced upon the nation by the German emperor, and hereby assure you that Senator Hitchcock does not voice our sentiments."

Lincoln Traction Plant Worth More Than 3 Millions

Lincoln, Feb. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Testimony being taken before the street railway commission on application of the Lincoln Traction company for permission to issue an increase of \$107,000 in stock, disclosed the fact this afternoon that the valuation of the traction property, including the heating and lighting plant, was more than \$3,000,000. President Sharp of the company made the figures \$3,310,000 and Rate Expert Powell agreed that it would go over the \$3,000,000. The application made at this time is in addition to a former application for an issue of \$174,000, made some four months ago.

Man Who Was Shot Dead.

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—James Kellogg, about 40 years of age, who was shot by William Tell at the home of Mrs. Hamlin Sunday night, died today as the result of his injuries. All are colored.

Veteran Newspaperman Dies.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 20.—Major M. H. Bernard, founder of the Wilmington Star, died yesterday after a brief illness. He was 82 years old.

State Credit Men Hold Meeting at Lincoln

Lincoln, Feb. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Nebraska credit men opened their convention here today with a bumper of a meeting, although one of the best things on the program, a speech by E. H. Ward, president of the Omaha association, had to be sidetracked because of a late train. E. W. Nelson, president of the Lincoln association, filled in for Mr. Ward. Secretary J. H. Trego and President S. J. Whitlock of the National association are present. Mr. Trego spoke this evening on building up the work of the association. According to the report of the association secretary there are 127 local organizations. S. J. Whitlock of Chicago is in attendance at the meetings, which are being held at the Lindell hotel.

More Indian Lands Added To Total Assessment Roll

Lincoln, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—Additional reports to the office of State Auditor Smith from two of the three Indian reservations add to the total new acreage of the state. The Omaha reservation makes an addition of 97 tracts for a total of 3,130.00 acres, while the Winnebago agency reports 87 tracts for a total of 4,591.39. Added to the reports already in from the land offices, there will be an increase of 1,840 tracts for an increase of 680,633.12 acres. The Santee agency has yet to report.

Treasurer Hall Advises Higher Interest Rates

Lincoln, Feb. 20.—(Special.)—At the next meeting of the state board of educational lands and funds, State Treasurer George Hall will recommend that the interest rate on bonds be raised from 5 to 5 1/2 per cent. He believes that it will be just as easy to dispose of the higher rate bonds as though they remained at the present figures.



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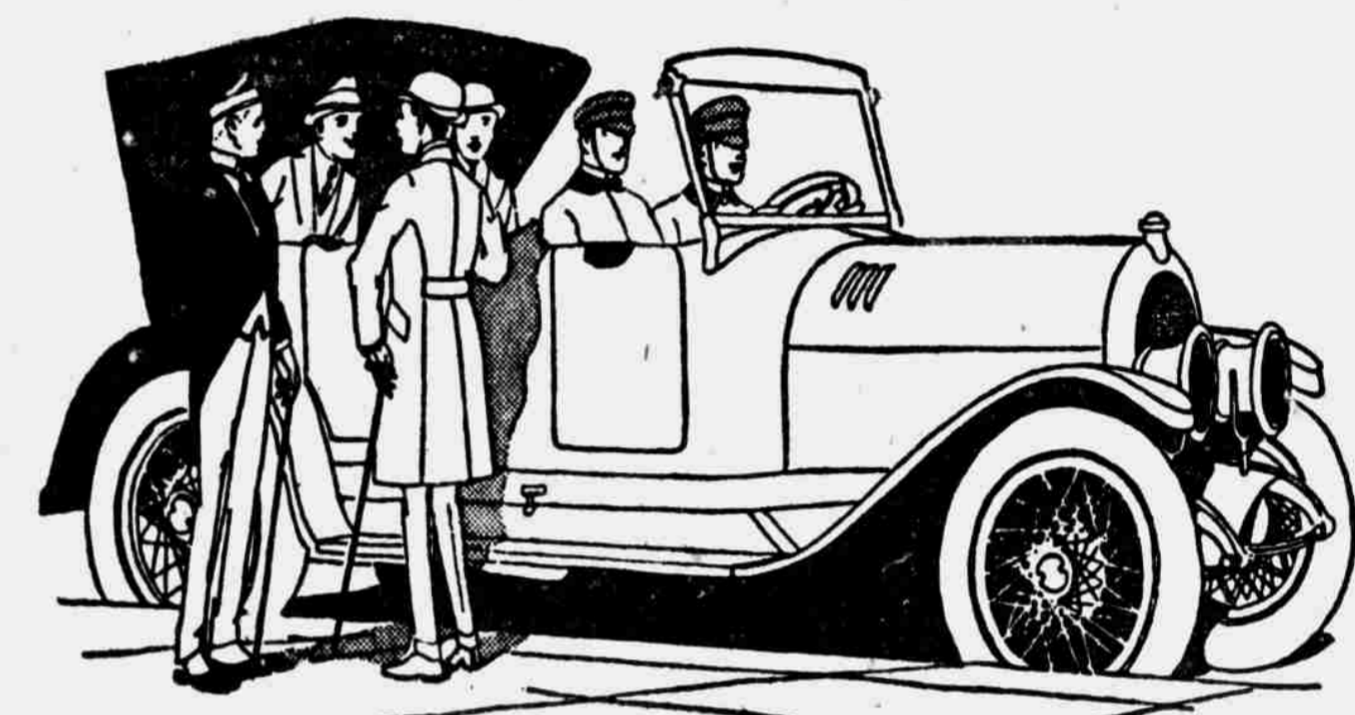
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