SCOTTISH RITE HALL SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Judge Flansburg Gives Decision in Case of County Commissioners Against **Building Company.**

Lincoln, June 29.—The Scottish Rite temple of Lincoln is subject to taxation as other property, according to an opinion of Judge Flansburg of the Lancaster county district court handed down Saturday. The county commissioners of Lan-

caster county had held that the temple was subject to taxation and the building company appealed. In its appeal the building company set out, according to the written opinion of

according to the written opinion of Judge Flansburg:

"That the order of Scottish Rite Masons has an almoner, whose duty it is to contribute moneys in charity in such a way that the recipient does not know the identity of his benefactor; that the funds for such purpose are derived from appropriations made by the lodge from its general fund and by voluntary secret contributions from individual members. That the members pay yearly dues of \$4 to the supreme council of all such allied lodges, which is located in Washington, and which does no charitable work, since that is left to the subordinate bodies."

Allowed Free Meettings. Allowed Free Meettings.

"It further appears that the Order of Scottish Rites Masons, in whom the right to the use of these properties is primarily wested, having allowed the lodge of Odd Fellows to hold two meetings in the building without charge; that on one occasion a free dinner was given to the G. A. R.; that the churches of Nebraska are allowed to use the building free of charge, and that other Masonic orders are given the use of the building for their meetings; and it further appears that during the period of the war the use of the banquet hall was turned over to the Red Cross. All moneys coming to the lodge are used for iodge purposes, and it seems to be the object of the lodge to devote all makey in excess of operating costs and payments upon the cost of the building to charity.

makey in excess of operating costs and payments upon the cost of the building to charity.

"The evidence further shows that the initiations of members into the lodge are characterized by religious ceremonies to a marked degree; that they are very elevating and inculcate in members principles of morality, temperance, benevolence and charity towards each other as well as toward mankind in general; and it is shown to be one of the general objects of the lodge to aid and care for afflicted and needy members, and to give like assistance to mankind in general where called for and needed.

"It is the contention of the Order of Bectish Rite Masons that the use of this property as above described is one saciusively for charitable and religious purposes, and that therefore the property is exempt from taxation.

"It is not enough that one of the direct or indirect purposes of the lodge be charitable or religious, but in order to be smitled to exemption from taxation it is necessary that the association be organized chiefly, if not solely, for one or the other of these objects.

much stronger in regard to exclusive charitable features than in the case here, and usually the statutes of the states under which these decisions were rendered were more liberal than in Nebraska. This will be noted in the case of Horton vs. Colorado Springs Masonic building society, 173 Pac. 61. Colo. 1918 E 956, and in the case therein cited. The majority ruling and the best considered cases, it appears to this court sold, that the property of such organizations, as is shown by the evidence here, is subject to taxation.

"The order of the county board of squalization is therefore sustained and puch properties held to be subject to axation for the year in question, 1917."

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The Bankers Realty Investment Company, designated by the trust deed as a holder of the interest collected is badly involved. The North American Hotel Company is wholly insolvent.

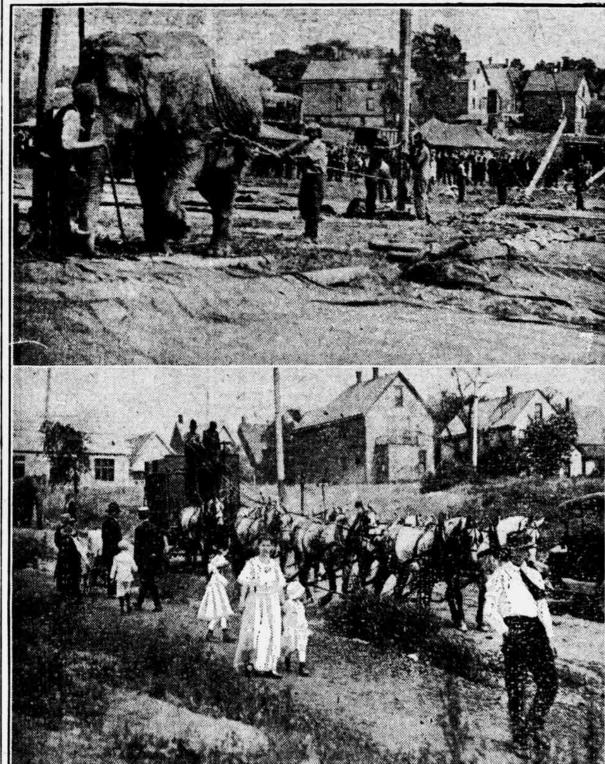
Bondholders should protect their interests. The building is incomplete and the builders have indicated their intention to leave it so.

Executive Committee, Grand Island Commercial Club.

G. S. OTIS, Secretary.

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enalitable or religious, but in order to be entitled to exemption from taxation it is necessary that the association be organized ehiefly, if not solely, for one or the other of these objects.

"It appears to the court that the order of Scottish Rite Masons is ensemblaily a social and fraternal organization, and that the charity it dispenses and religion prevalent in its inlitatory ceremonies, though highly commendable, are only incident to the work it parforms, and not the exclusive proparamount objects of its institution. It therefore follows that the dominant use for which the building was equipped and to which it has been devoted is neither exclusively for religious nor for charitable purposes, and that the properties are charited to exempted from taxation. The is true that Masonic orders have been exempted from taxation. The istruction of the case here, and usually the eximption from taxation of the strings in the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here, and usually the attacts of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here. At 100 cases, the wide access the case here, and the case here. The countries of the stronger in regard to exclusive the case here. The countries the case here the countries of the stronger in regard to exclu The greatest exponents of the podrome track, will require the autight wire, sliding wire and the re- ditor to look carefully and often at bounding wire will be miraculu- the multitudinous array of events ously performing every conceivable that take place under the big top. bats, contortionists and physical the performances beginning one

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Cars by End of Year;

Douglas County Is

Leading.

Lincoln, June 29 .- Nebraska peo-

the rate of 300 a day, according to

John R. Burton, head of the auto-

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New Features in 1920.

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During the past month Mr. Ran-

dall and his assistant. Mr. Reavis

have been sending to automobile

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under the provisions of the new law.

The container should be attached

to the driver's compartment of the

car so as to be visible at all times

and show the certificate plainly.

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scription of the car, number of the

engine, character of power, number

of cylinders, seating capacity, dia-

meter of the cylinders, weight of

car and signature of the owner.

Upon transfer of car the signatures

of both parties must be affixed to

will be protection against

After July 1, under the new law,

as the year will be half over, pur-

chasers of automobiles will not be

fee of \$10 for the first 2.000 pounds

and 50 cents for each additional 100

pounds in the weight of the ear.

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the owners \$1 each for the balance

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hour later.

near the hospital grounds when the round. He's the other secretary Colgan car, which he alleges was an American, and the best of fe that his injuries were permanent, and of such a nature that he will He came yesterday.

not be able to resume his former "Murch!" Trent exclaimed. "But not be able to resume his former ole are purchasing automobiles at business.

Thousands of Omahans Enjoy Sunday at Parks answered.

mobile department at the state house. Mr. Barton figures that by Omaha welcomed a moderately the end of the year there will be cool Sunday yesterday by turning 250,000 automobiles in use in the out at amusement parks and beaches in full force. The highest tem-The department is mailing out perature was 85 degrees at 4 o'clock. new licenses at the rate of 200 a and large numbers of aquatic enday and the head of the mailing dethusiasts splashed about at the vari partment, Ward Randall, says that Douglas county leads in the demand ous bathing resorts.

Boulevards and outlying country for licenses with Lancaster county roads were filled with a continual stream of touring cars. Picnics in the parks and along rural roads One of the new features of the were enjoyed by many. department which will save con-At the circus grounds a crowd of

small boys and some "big boys" watched the Hagenbeck-Wallace put in effect for 1920. Instead of mailing out new plates each autooutfit unload and set up tents. mobile owner can retain his old number and receive instead a seal which can be bolted over the

Company Not Responsible for Changes Made by Agent

Lincoln, June 29.-An insurance company cannot be held responsible for changes made in a contract by its agent after the contract has left the hands of the company. This is the opinion of the state ness. "From childhood's hour I've

supreme court in a decision handed county in which it is held that John E. Baird cannot recover for \$1,439 against the Union Mutual Life In surance company, the difference between the amount offered by the company and a rider attached to the policy by the agent for the company.

the certificate. It is believed that Fire Does \$250,000 Damage. Billings, Mont., June 29.-Damage estimated at \$250,000 was caused by fire which almost completely destroyed the Babcock-Selvidge office and store building in the business compelled to pay the present license district here Saturday. It is estimated that 80 per cent of the loss sult. is covered by insurance. The build

> NIGHT TELEPHONE OPERATOR WANTED SLOAN, IOWA. PHONE SLOAN TELE-PHONE EXCHANGE.

ing was occupied by 21 firms.

THE WOMAN IN BLACK

By EDMUND CLERIHEW BENTLEY

CHAPTER VIII. Rivalry of the Detectives

ouse, to run between thick plan- position. tations; and just before this turn of the boundary hedge. He ap- "Thi approached this gate, which was like." plainly for the use of gardeners and

be like to be as rich as Manderson. He examined the place carefully, and ransacked the hut within, bu he could note no more than the trodden appearance of the uncut grass where the body had lain. Crouching low, with keen eyes and feeling fingers, he searched the ground minutely over a wide area; but the search was fruitless.

It was interrupted by the soundthe first he had heard from the house-of the closing of the front door. Trent unbent his long legs and stepped to the edge of the drive. A man was walking quickly away from the house in the direction of the great gate.

At the noise of a footstep on the gravel, the man wheeled with nervous swiftness and looked earnestly face was almost terrible, so white and worn it was. Yet it was a young man's face. There was not a wrinkle about the haggard blue approached each other. Trent noted with admiration the man's breadth of shoulder and lithe, strong figure. In his carriage, inelastic as weariness had made it, in his handsome regular features, in his short, smooth yellow hair and in his voice as he addressed Trent, the influence confessed. "Oxford was your playground. I think, my young friend," said Trent to himself.

"If you are Mr. Trent," said the young man pleasantly, "you are exthe hotel. My name is Marlowe." "You were secretary to Mr. Manderson, I believe," said Trent. He was much inclined to like young of near a physical breat down, he into the company of Inspector

gave out none the less that ar of Murch, who stood high in the counclean living and 'nward health that cils of the Criminal Investigation de is the pertier glory of his social partment. He was a quiet, tactful type at his years. But there was and very shrewd officer, a man of a challenge to Trent's penetration; in connection with the more dan-an habitual expression, as he took gerous class of criminals. His huit to be, of mediating and weighing manity was as broad as his frame things not present to their sight. which was large even for a police-It was a look too intelligent, too man. Trent and he, through some dreamy. Trent thought he had seen Farnam, to Fifteenth, to Howard, to Sixteenth, to Cuming, to Twentieth, to show grounds.

Such a look before somewhere. He ships with which it was the younger man's delight to adorn his experience to show grounds.

Such a look before somewhere. He ships with which it was the younger man's delight to adorn his experience. The inspector would talk business for all of you. I fear it

"A little limp, that's all," replied cuss details and he young man wearily. "I was every case, to their When Struck by Automobile the young man wearily. Kearney, Neb., June 29.-A \$10,- most of yesterday, and I didn't 000 damage suit was filed in dis-trict court here by Charles John-news-who would? But I have an son, contractor and draftsman of appointment now, Mr. Trent, down Omaha, against J. P. Colgan, his at the doctor's-arranging about wife and son, for injuries received the inquest. I expect it'll be tomorin an accident last November. John- row. If you will go up to the house son, who was a patient at the state and ask for Mr. Bunner, you'll find hospital for the tubercular, was him expecting you; he will tell you walking along Lincoln highway all about things and show you being driven on the wrong side of lows; he'll look after you. There' the road, ran into him. He states a detective here, by the way; In spector Murch, from Scotland Yard

> he and I are old friends. How under the sun did he get here so

> "I have no idea," Mr. Marlowe "But he was here last evening, before I got back from Southampton, interviewing every-body, and he's been about here since 8 this morning. He's in the library now-that's where the open Frenci window is that you see at the end of the house there. Perhaps you would like to step down there and

> talk about things."
> "I think I will," said Trent. Mr Marlowe nodded and went on his way. The thick turf of the lawn round which the drive took its circular sweep made Trent's footstep as noiseless as a cat's. In a few moments he was looking in through the open leaves of the window at the southward end of the house, considering with a smile a very broad back and a bent head covered with short grizzled hair. The man within was stopping over a number of pa-

> pers land out on the table. "'Twas ever thus," said Trent in a melancholy tone, at the first sound of which the man within turned round with startling swift-

down in an appeal from Lancaster Tobacco Habit **Dangerous**

says Doctor Connor, formerly of Joh Hopkins hospital. Thousands of men suf Hopkins hospital. Thousands of men suffering from fatal diseases would be in perfect health today were it not for the deadly drug Nicotine. Stop the habit now before it's too late. It's a simple process to rid yourself of the tobacco habit in any form. Just go to any up-to-date drug store and get some Nicotol tablets; take them as directed and lo; the pernicious habit quickly vanishes. Druggists refund the money if they fail. Be sure to read large and interesting announcement by Doctor Connor soon to appear in this paper. It tells of the danger of nicotine poisoning and how to avoid it. In 'the meantime try Nicotol to avoid it. In the meantime try Nicote tablets; you will be surprised at the re

DITES--STINGS Wash the affected surface with household ammonia or warm salt water; then apply-VICK'S VAPORUBED

Copyright, 1919, by the Century company. seen my fondest hopes decay. did think I was ahead of Scotland Yard this time, and now here is the Some 40 yards further along, the largest officer in the entire Metrooad turned sharply away from the politan force already occupying the

The detective smiled grimly and the grounds of the house ended, came to the window. "I was exwith a small white gate at the angle pecting you, Mr. Trent," he said. This is the sort of case that you

"Since my tastes were being conthe service of the establishment; it sidered," Trent replied, stepping inswung easily on its hinges, and he to the room, "I wish they had folpassed slowly up a path that led to- lowed up the idea of keeping my wards the back of the house between hated rival out of the business. You the outer hedge and a tall wall of have got a long start, too-I know rhododendrons. Through a gap in all about it." His eyes began to this wall a track led him to the little wander round the room. "How did neatly-built erection of wood, which you manage it? You are a quick stood among trees that faced a cor- mover, I know; the dun deer's hide ner of the front. The body had on fleeter foot was never tied; but lain on the side away from the I don't see how you got here in house; a servant, he thought, looking time to be at work yesterday evenout of the nearer windows in the ing. Has Scotland Yard secretly earlier hours of the day before, started an aviation corps? Or is might have glanced unseeing at the it in league with the infernal powhut, as she wondered what it could ers? In either case the home secretary should be called upon to make a statement."

"It's simpler than that," said Mr. Murch with professional stolidity. "I happened to be on leave with the Missus at Halvey, which is only 12 mile or so along the coast. As soon as our people there heard of the murder they told me. I wired to the chief, and was put in charge of the case at once. I bicycled over yesterday evning, and have been at it since then.'

"Arising out of that reply," said Trent inattentively, "how is Mrs. Inspector Murch?" "Never better, thank you,"

swered the inspector, "and frequently speaks of you and the games you used to have with our kids. But you'll excuse me saying, Mr. at Trent. The sudden sight of his Trent, that you needn't trouble to talk your nonsense to me while you're using your eyes. I know your ways by now. I understand you've fallen on your feet as usual, eyes, for all their tale of strain and have the lady's permission to and desperate fatigue. As the two go over the place and make inquir-

"Such is the fact." said Trent. " am going to cut you out again, inspector. I owe you one for beating me over the Abinger case, you old fox. But if you really mean that you're not inclined for the social amenities just now, let us leave com pliments and talk business." stepped to the table, glanced through the papers arranged there in order, and then turned to the open rolltop desk. He looked into the drawers swiftly. "I see this has been cleared out. Well, now, inspector, I suppose we play the game as before."

Trent had found himself on sevomething in the tired eyes that was great courage, with a vivid history formed one of those curious friend has upset you completely, Mr. Mar- more freely to him than to any one under the rose, and they would dis was every case, to their mutual enlight driving the car all Sunday night and enment. There were necessarily rules and limits. It was understood between them that Trent made no journalistic use of any point that could only have come to him from an official source. Each of them moreover, for the honor and prest ige of the institution he represented.

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openly reserved the right to withhold from the other any discovery or inspiration that might come to him which he considered vital to the solution of the difficulty. Trent had insisted carefully formulating these principles of what he called detective sportsmanship. Mr. Murch who loved a contest, and who only stood to gain by his association with the keen intelligence of the other, entered very heartily into "the In these strivings for the credit of the press and of the police, victory sometimes attended the experience and method of the officer, sometimes the quicker brain

and livelier imagination of Trent, his gift of instinctively recognizing the significant through all disguises. The inspector, then, replied to Trent's last words with cordial agreement. Leaning on either side of the French window, with the summer landscape before them, they reviewed the case.

(Continued Tomorrow.)

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"I have been bothered more or

less for the past seven or eight years with my stomach and kidneys,' tinued Mr. Johnson, "and during this time had to be very careful about my eating. If I happened to be some place where I could not get certain kinds of food, best suited to my stomach, and ventured to eat something else, I would have a bad case of cramps and indigestion that would knock me out for several days so that I could not attend to bu ness, and, for this reason, I he decline invitations to big din and banquets. I was also in a highly nervous condition and a d planning of business would so set me that I could not sleep night. In fact, I had gotten so and run-down and so short strength and energy that I coul stand a good day's work. The of my back pained me a great and my kidneys were a corp source of worry to me. I twist and squirm about in my trying to find some way to si that the pain in my back would c up. And at night this pain with nervousness would increase, maki it almost impossible for me to a good night's rest. I would up mornings all tired out, wit

ing unfit for anything.
"I had taken all sorts of medicines, but nothing helped me, and my condition had reached the alarming stage. I finally got Tanlac, as it was so highly endorsed, and I can say that this medicine has done for me in just a few weeks time what I have been trying for years to get other medicines to do. certainly felt mighty well pleased when, after taking Tanlac a few days, I began to develop a regular harvest-hand appetite, and still better pleased when I found I could eat what I wanted without the slightest discomfort afterwards. have taken five bottles of Tanlac now and I don't believe anyone has a better digestion or gets more real leasure out of eating than I do. am not a particle nervous any more, my kidneys and back never bother me and I simply sleep every night like a log. I now get up in the mornings feeling like a different man and am able to attend to business with my old-time strength and energy. I can now get through with the biggest kind of a day's work without the slightest nerve exhaustion and without it affecting either my sleep or eating. I certainly do appreciate what Tanlac has done for me and think everybody who has any cause whatever to take medicine, should know about

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