

WATER PROJECT SUIT NEAR END IN U. S. COURT

\$1,000,000 Involved In Disagreement Over Contract to Transfer Management of Irrigation District.

Federal Judge Woodrugh heard arguments yesterday in the suit between the Tri-State Land Co. of Scottsbluff and the Farmers Irrigation district to enforce a contract which calls for government control of the big irrigation project and involves \$1,000,000.

Specific performance of the contract will force the bondholders to cancel \$203,000 in bonds, reduce the interest on the balance of \$2,000,000 from 6 per cent semi-annually to 4 per cent annually and give the farmers the government system of payment on the bonds. The government allows 20 years to pay principal and interest.

Purchased in 1912.

The Farmers' district which was purchased from the Tri-State Land company in 1912 covers an area of 63,000 acres and adjoins the government project of 150,000 acres.

Attorneys for the Farmers' district allege that the bondholders committee has refused to comply with conditions of the offer claiming that the state laws of Nebraska do not provide for the taking over of irrigation enterprises by the government.

Unable to Pay Taxes.

The evidence dates back to 1914, and it is alleged that the farmers were unable to pay their taxes and that interest on the bonds was not paid. Witnesses testified that a number of differences between the farmers and bondholders have arisen and that at a meeting in Omaha it was decided that the project could be advantageously handled by the government in connection with the North Platte project.

Attorneys for the bondholders contend that in several particulars the contract with the government for "taking over" the project does not meet with the proposal made by the bondholders. They insist that the contract calls for a trust conveyance and that the government plan does not meet these requirements.

Man Whose Car Killed 13-Year-Old Boy Arrested

J. H. Wise, 3101 South Twenty-fifth street, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of causing the death of William Kucera, 13 years old, while exceeding the speed limit in an automobile, Friday afternoon, at Sixty-second street and Military avenue.

Wise, whose arrest was ordered by the county attorney following an investigation, was arraigned in police court and was bound over to the district court on a bond of \$5,000.

The Kucera boy lived at 3108 North Fifty-seventh street.

Brief City News

Have Root Print It—Beacon Press Vacuum Cleaners—Burgess-Nash Co. Flour Purchases—The United Grain corporation announces that it purchased last week 50,000 barrels of first clear flour at prices ranging from \$1.39 to \$1.25.

Buys Chicago Property—James Pick, Omaha real estate dealer, has purchased the leasehold in an eight-story apartment building and a two-story store and office building in Chicago. The consideration was said to be \$150,000.

Denied Garbage License—Application of George Urtich for a license to haul garbage to a hog yard located along the Missouri river was denied by city council when protested by a large number of people living in that part of town were received.

Four Couples Married—William St. Warren and Lillian S. Denlon, Edward Riba and Nellie Eliza, Walthill, Neb.; Frederick C. Morton and Margaret Olson of Sioux City, Ia., and Clifford Smith and Anna Slater of Baker, Kan., were married by Rev. Charles W. Savidge.

Doctor Wins Suit—District Judge Leslie yesterday took from the jury the suit of Eleanor Shulte, formerly a clerk at the federal reserve bank, against Dr. J. H. Thomson for \$25,000 and decided in favor of the physician. Miss Shulte charged that the doctor had not given her proper care following an operation for appendicitis.

Omaha Sailors Promoted—Word has been received at the navy recruiting station, 210 South Fourteenth street, that Michael Balkoric, 114 South Fourteenth street, Omaha, has been advanced from seaman second class to seaman first class. Balkoric is now serving on the U. S. S. Nebraska. Rollin C. Turpin, 114 South Twenty-sixth avenue, Omaha, has been advanced from seaman first class to store keeper third class. Turpin is now at the Great Lakes Training station.

Plan Elaborate Program In Ships for U. S. Navy

Washington, Dec. 9.—Recommendations of the navy general board for the building program for 1921, include two battleships, one battle cruiser, 12 scout cruisers, five submarine "fleet leaders" and six submarines.

The navy of the United States should be "equal to the most powerful maintained by any other nation of the world" not later than 1925, the report adds.

How would you like to go barefooted this weather? If you have wearable clothing that you can spare, please send it to the Y. M. C. A. and the Society for the Friendless will see that it is given to needy persons.

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Hist! Mr. Ringer Has Left Omaha on an Errand of Mystery

Police Commissioner Ringer took the train Monday night at 6 o'clock on a mysterious journey.

Nobody knows whether he went. At least his confidential secretary, Harry Silverman, who sits constantly at the outer door of Mr. Ringer's private office, doesn't know.

"He has gone away," said Harry. "Where did he go?" he was asked. "I don't know," said Harry. "When did he leave?" "At 6 o'clock Monday night," Harry admitted.

Go to fetch a new police inspector, maybe?" said the reporter. "He might have," said Harry. But Harry doesn't know where Mr. Ringer has gone—absolutely no.

Ice Companies Are Clearing Off Snow For Annual Harvest

The wave of zero weather now hovering about Omaha, has expedited the ice-cutting prospects at Carter lake, according to officials of the Lake Side Ice company. The depth of ice on the lake yesterday morning was estimated at seven and one-half inches with an equal depth of snow on top. Seventeen teams of horses began clearing the ice of snow yesterday, and it is expected cutting will begin within the next three or four days.

During the ice-cutting season the Lake Side Ice company employs from 300 to 400 men, and the season usually lasts from four to six weeks, officials say.

To Cost \$2,418 to Repair New Cadillac Police Car

An estimate of the damage to the new Cadillac police car which was smashed in an accident at Twenty-eighth and Farnam streets, last Sunday night, shows that it will cost \$2,418 to repair it, about two-thirds the original cost of the car.

The estimate was presented to the city council yesterday. Five police officers were badly injured in the wreck.

A new cabinet for photographs and records is mounted on two legs and two wheels, so that it can be moved easily.

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