

# Lincoln Bureau of The Bee

## BIRTH AND DEATH RECORDS SHOW BIG DECREASE

### Marriages and Divorces Show Increase Over Last Year — Weddings Few In West.

Lincoln, April 10.—(Special.)—There were 3,096 less births in Nebraska in 1919 than in 1918, according to the state bureau of health, and 4,013 less deaths. The reports on the births show 29,736 in 1918 and 26,640 in 1919. The reports on the deaths show 15,663 in 1918 and 11,650 in 1919.

The report shows 14,138 marriage licenses issued in 1917, 10,748 in 1918 and 14,074 in 1919, while the divorces were 2,904 in 1917, 2,237 in 1918 and 3,359 in 1919.

Douglas county had 3,912 births in 1919, 2,476 deaths, 2,743 marriages and 1,636 divorces. Lancaster county had 1,762 births, 1,051 deaths, 1,283 marriages and 317 divorces. People in Arthur and Wheeler counties live happily ever after, for there were no divorces reported from either of these counties.

### State Awards Contract To Improve County Bonds

Lincoln, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Three contracts were awarded by the state highway commission for the improvement of roads in Nebraska counties as follows: Project No. 113, Knox county, grading, Edward Peterson Co., Omaha, \$65,560.99; culverts, Western Bridge & Construction Co., Omaha, \$12,341.45.

Project No. 33, Knox county, grading, Edward Peterson Co., Omaha, \$68,176.09; culvert, Western Bridge & Construction Co., Omaha, \$11,885.50.

### Fremont Grain Dealer Buys Pipe Organ for Home

Fremont, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Frank Fowler, vice-president in charge of the Nye-Schneider-Fowler company, has ordered a pipe organ to be installed in his home, the most costly residence in Fremont. The organ will be placed in the basement, the keyboard on the first floor and the echo-organ on the third floor. Mrs. Fowler is an accomplished musician.

### Opposition of Patrons Halts School Consolidation

Fremont, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—No consolidation of Dodge county rural schools will be recommended by the districting committee, County Superintendent Marsh has announced, because of local opposition to proposed changes. The county now has 76 country schools which would have been organized into 24 large districts under proposed consolidation.

### Fremont Dentists Will Treat Former Service Men

Fremont, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Two Fremont dentists, Drs. H. S. Murphy and H. D. Muir, have been notified of their appointment as district supervisors for the war risk insurance bureau, to treat dental cases of former service men. Any former soldier or sailor who has defective teeth as a result of service will be given free treatment.

### Wakefield Unanimous for Pershing for President

Wakefield, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Wakefield is practically unanimous for Pershing for president, according to H. S. Collins, committee man, here today. Mr. Collins wired Pershing headquarters at Lincoln that soldier sentiment was changing rapidly in favor of the Pershing campaign.

### Ties Century Record.

Berkeley, Cal., April 10.—The world's record for the 100-yard dash was equaled here Saturday by Padlock of the University of Southern California in a meet against the University of California, the time being 9.3 seconds, the time as made by D. J. Kelly, whose death was reported yesterday.

### Heavy Registration.

Lincoln, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—A total of 944 registrations for the primary election was reported Friday. Clerks reported that a rush today, which is expected to result in a much larger total. Polls were kept open until 9 p. m.

### "Get Together" Meeting.

Ogallala, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Secretary Ryan of the North Platte Chamber of Commerce was the principal speaker at a "Get Together" meeting of the Keith County Community club here. Over 200 members attended. Refreshments were served followed by dancing.

### Auburn Loses Debate.

Table Rock, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The high school debate at Pawnee City between Auburn and Pawnee was decided in favor of Pawnee City by a vote of 2 to 1. The Pawnee City team had the affirmative of the question.

### Increase Telephone Rates.

Table Rock, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The Pawnee Telephone company has been granted permission by the state railway commission to increase their rates 75 cent a month.

Free Iris Plants—All purchasers of seed or nursery stock, regardless of amount bought, will receive free iris plants this spring. We have no agents. Meneary Nursery and Seed Store, 3341 West Broadway, Council Bluffs, Ia. Phone 1693.—Adv

## Treated Seychellas Island Natives for Hookworm Trouble



Dr. J. Fox Kendrick

Dr. J. Fox Kendrick of the Rockefeller Foundation, who performed wonderful work among the natives of Seychellas Island, who were afflicted with hookworm, snapped upon his arrival in New York aboard the Mongolia. Dr. Kendrick declared that 90 per cent of the natives were suffering from the disease. He plans to return there shortly to continue his work.

### Bryan and Owen Speak at Two Meetings in Hastings

Hastings, Neb., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—W. J. Bryan and Senator Owen addressed the Rotary club and a public meeting here today. Mr. Bryan declared that prohibition will be permanent if the reopening of the question is defeated at the San Francisco convention. Senator Owen discussed the peace treaty, declaring he felt like offering an apology for the senate because of the treaty's defeat. Mr. Bryan will speak here again Sunday night at a union church meeting.

### Liberty Farmers Plan to Buy \$25,000 Lumber Yard

Beatrice, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Business men and farmers of Liberty have practically closed a deal for the purchase of the Searle & Chapin lumber yards at Liberty and a committee has been appointed to finance the proposition. It is planned to form a co-operative company with a capital stock of \$25,000. The farmers own their own elevator, and if the lumber plant is taken over it will be operated as a separate business from that of the elevator.

### Fremont Y. M. C. A. Launches Drive to Pay \$32,000 Debt

Fremont, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The Fremont Y. M. C. A. has started a drive to raise \$32,000 to pay its debt accumulated during the war, with the warning that the association will be removed unless the amount is paid. Five \$1,000 subscriptions have already been received. C. F. Coykendall, of the financial service bureau of the international committee, and Dan V. Stephens are leaders of the campaign.

### Adams County Republican Women Form Organization

Hastings, Neb., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Under the direction of Nettie E. Bauer of Rhode Island, representative of the republican women's national committee, and Mrs. J. A. Andrews, assistant secretary of the state republican committee, the republican women of Adams county today perfected a party organization. Permanent officers will be chosen after the primary.

### Hastings Presbyterian Church Second in State

Hastings, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—With a gain of 188 members in the last year and 300 in the last two years, the First Presbyterian church of Hastings has taken rank as the second largest of the denomination in Nebraska, according to its annual report. In the last five years the church has increased its benevolent and mission gifts 650 per cent. In the last year, the subscribed \$25,000 for Hastings college, purchased a manse and bought its pastor, Dr. George E. Newell, an automobile.

### Table Rock Harness Shop Is Closed by Creditors

Table Rock, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The harness shop of George Legler in Table Rock has been closed and is in the hands of Sheriff J. C. McClung of Pawnee City as agent for the creditors.

### Trap Shoot at Exeter.

Exeter, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—A registered trapshooting tournament will be held at Exeter next Wednesday, April 14. Exeter has for several years had very successful shoots and from the number of letters received from shooters over the state this will be one of the big shoots of the season.

### Farmer Dismissed.

E. O. Hackerthorn, farmer from Walthill, Neb., was dismissed in central police court of a charge of reckless driving. He was arrested when an automobile he was driving struck Tony Alicata, 1251 South Thirteenth street. The accident occurred near Sixteenth and Dodge streets. Alicata was slightly injured.

### Cozad Camp Grounds.

Cozad, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The Commercial club of this city has completed preliminary arrangements and will open a camp grounds for the use of automobile tourists.

### Vote on Park Bonds.

Cozad, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—A special election has been called here to vote on the question of issuing \$10,000 in park improvement bonds.

## Wayne School Teachers Elected at Increased Wage

Wayne, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—All but six places on the faculty of the Wayne public schools were filled by teachers elected by the board of education this week. Salaries have been increased on a schedule of qualifications and experience.

The schedule for high school teachers, who must be college graduates, is from \$1,200 to \$1,800, junior high school teachers, who must be graduates of normals and have had three years' training experience, will receive from \$1,200 to \$1,700. The schedule for grade teachers who are graduates of normals is from \$1,000 to \$1,450; for grade teachers not graduates of normals, \$800 to \$1,350.

Most of the present faculty were re-elected. For the first time since the war a manual training instructor and director of athletics have been employed.

## Normal Training Inspector Joins Ranks of Benedicts

Lincoln, April 10.—(Special.)—When A. L. Burnham, inspector of normal training, with the state department of education, reached his office at the state house this morning he found his chair and desk decorated with old shoes, bright ribbons and other things supposed to go with wedding bells. The office had heard that he had been married to a young woman in Stanton and took this way of showing their appreciation of his efforts to get away from the single life.

## Boy Sobs When Taken From Aunt and Given to Father

Lincoln, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Paul Lemke, 9 years old, clung to his aunt, Mrs. Anna Guthmann of Plattsmouth, Neb., and sobbed loudly when Judge Stewart in district court here today awarded him to his father, William Lemke, following a hearing upon habeas corpus proceedings. The boy has been in the custody of his aunt since the death of his mother more than eight years ago. The father instituted legal proceedings to regain possession of the child.

## Hamburg Wants Games.

Hamburg, Iowa, baseball team wants to schedule games with class A Omaha teams. Harry Mansfield, manager, insists that he wants to play only from first rate teams. Hamburg has several dates open, among them April 18.

## Nebraska Supplied 59,287 Soldiers in the World War

Lincoln, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Nebraska furnished exactly 59,287 soldiers in the late war. Of these, 52,042 were in the army, 7,158 in the marine corps and 87 in the coast guard.

These figures are from statistics in the possession of Charles E. Thompson, who has been assigned as permanent field director for Nebraska for the government bureau of war risk insurance. His duties are to advise ex-soldiers in insurance matters and assist them in collecting back pay and bonuses.

Mr. Thompson's permanent office will be in the federal vocational aid bureau at the city hall in Lincoln, but he expects to spend much of his time in Omaha and out in the state.

## Talmage Children Are Badly Burned by Accidents

Auburn, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Ronald, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Badberg, who live near Talmage, pulled the plug from a washing machine and the scalding water from the machine burned his body very severely.

The same day his cousin, the baby daughter of Herman Badberg, living in the same neighborhood, was badly burned when her body became saturated with the contents of a bottle of liniment.

## Auburn Man Earns \$24 for Few Minutes' Work With Club

Auburn, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—A club, early this morning, William Chinkensard earned \$24 in five minutes killing coyotes.

He stepped into a deserted cottage of the H. R. Howe farm, south of Howe, and found a coyote with her litter of seven cubs. He had a club in his hand and when the old coyote showed fight he attacked and killed her. He then put the litter of whelps to death and brought the scalps to the office of the county clerk, receiving \$24 bounty on the eight scalps.

## Church Realty Holdings Are Not Exempt From Tax

Lincoln, April 10.—(Special.)—Property owned by a church society other than that upon which the church is located, but which it is the intention to use some time in the future as a location for a church building, is not exempt from taxation.

## 11,000 MEN LOSE JOBS IN OMAHA PACKING PLANTS

### Killing Departments In Six Omaha Plants Closed as Result of Switchmen's Strike.

Eleven thousand employes in the killing departments of the Omaha packing plants were idle yesterday, laid off for an indefinite period, due to the strike of railway switchmen in 17 different cities in the middle west. Live stock pens at the yards are full to capacity with cattle, sheep and hogs.

Receipts of live stock dropped noticeably again yesterday. But 650 head of cattle were received as against the customary 12,000. Hogs dropped to 3,000 and sheep to 1,000. Heads of the big packing plants predicted that receipts would be down to practically nothing by Monday. Those received today were in transit before the decision of the plants to shut down.

Seven thousand six hundred and forty-seven hogs are held over in the pens from Friday's market. There was practically no live stock market at the exchange. Buyers and sellers sat around the change building talking politics and industrial unrest—but bidding was light.

Morris Packing company closed their killing department Friday. Those who closed yesterday were Skinner Packing company, Cudahy company, Swift & Co., Armour Packing company and the Omaha Packing company.

No strike of switchmen in the yards on the South Side is expected, according to Everett Buckingham, general manager of the Union Stock Yards company.

"The 82 men we have in our yards are conservatives," he said. "They have been with us for years. We anticipate no walkout and no trouble."

## Speaks for Wood.

Sutton, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—C. J. Maseck of Kansas, a returned soldier, addressed a meeting of the "Wood-for-President" club here.

## Yankton Business Men Pleased With Reception in Omaha

The delegation of business men from Yankton, S. D., who were in Omaha last week discussing a proposed bridge across the Missouri river at that point, and railroad connections with Omaha, returned to Yankton Friday night.

Before leaving members of the party declared they were highly encouraged by the reception Omaha business men have accorded their scheme.

Confidence was expressed that financial aid necessary to completion of the rail connections between Omaha and Yankton will be subscribed in this city.

They expect to return to Omaha next week for further conferences.

## Farmer's Wife Asks \$325 Monthly for Maintenance

Yinka Rose asked the district court yesterday to order her husband, William Rose, a Cass county farmer, to pay her \$325 a month separate maintenance for herself and their five children.

She says in her petition that Mr. Rose has property worth \$10,000. They were married in 1902 and she charges him with extreme cruelty. A fee of \$1,000 for her attorneys is also asked.

## Hebron Houses Numbered For City Mail Delivery

Hebron, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Numbering of business houses and homes in preparation for city mail delivery is nearing completion. Other requirements have been met and it is expected the new service will be started soon.

## Senator Norris' Itinerary.

Lincoln, April 10.—(Special.)—Senator George W. Norris, speaking in the interests of the campaign of Senator Hiram Johnson for the republican nomination for the presidency, will deliver speeches next week as follows: Blair, Tuesday night; O'Neill, Wednesday night; Norfolk, Thursday night; West Point, Friday afternoon; Broken Bow, Saturday afternoon.

## YOUTHFUL SCHEME TO GAIN WEALTH LEADS TO KEARNEY

### Of Seven Arrested for Theft Of Fruit, Three Are Given Sentences.

Frank Kearney, Sam and Charlie Marasco, Peter Mercurio, Tony Lotta, Alfred Incontro and Feno Cullio, Italian boys, ranging in age from 10 to 13 years, went into the fruit business two weeks ago. Yesterday three of them were sent to Kearney Industrial school by Juvenile Judge Sears and the "fruit combine" is broken up.

The boys testified that they decided to stay out of school and "make some money." They went to the produce market and stole a box of apples, some oranges and cabbage which they sold to a restaurant at Thirteenth and Howard streets. "What was the idea?" asked Judge Sears.

"Make some money," mumbled Alfred Incontro. Both Frank and Alfred had been rather incorrigible in the past and suspended Kearney orders were already over them. The judge sentenced them to Kearney. Then Mrs. Mercurio, a volunuous woman, pushed her way to the judge's side and emitted a volley of Italian-American, pointing at Feno Cullio.

"He steals da pig, he steals da pig," she screamed. "Did you steal a pig?" asked the judge. "Why—yes, but I was in for that before," admitted Feno. "Back to Kearney," said the judge.

Thus was the cup of freedom snatched from Feno.

## Bowens to Practice.

Manager Johnny Dennison has called his Bowen base ball team together for practice this afternoon at Thirty-second and Dewey avenue.

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