

ASKED A REDUCTION

County Clerk Appeared Before State Equalization Board.

COUNTY VALUATION HIGH

Complaints Were Filed by Ten Other Counties.

John Chain returned yesterday from Topeka, where he appeared before the state board of equalization as a representative of the taxpayers of Sedgewick county and asked for a reduction from the total valuation placed by the state upon the personal property held in this county.

In asking for a reduction, Mr. Chain compared the valuation of this county with that of other counties over the state and asked the board to reduce the valuation placed on the property of Sedgewick county 15 per cent. In comparison with other counties the valuation of this county was considered too high. This does not reflect upon the township assessors, as it was their duty to assess all property on a common basis. When this was not done the county commissioners framed themselves into a county board of equalization and adjusted the differences between man and man. The state board is for the purpose of adjusting the differences in valuation between counties and has no jurisdiction over individual valuations. A short time ago the board sent notices to the county clerks of all the counties in the state naming a date on which the complaints would be heard—if there were any to be made. Out of all the counties in the state only ten filed complaints of over valuation. The reduction asked for by Sedgewick county was below the average, as they ranged from 12 to 24 per cent. Shawnee county asked for a reduction of 20 per cent. The clerks merely submitted their complaints and reasons for making them and the decisions of the board will not be made for at least ten days.

SEVENTY-SIX YEARS OLD.

Mrs. G. M. Knight Was Almost Blind—Cured by Prof. Samuels.

What is more dreadful than being blind? Think for one moment and consider the question, "Does Prof. Samuels restore blindness?" If so, how does he do it? Here comes a well known lady who lives amongst us and makes the following statement:

Mrs. G. M. Knight, mother of William Knight, manager of the Zonia Toilet company, 25 South Market street. She lost her eyesight with cataracts and as the old custom is to have an operation, she was advised to do so, but having read recommendations and how Prof. Samuels cured cataract with his remedies, she concluded that it was better than the knife. She now feels grateful to him as she sees perfectly to read and at a distance and wishes her name to be used that it may be the means of having others who may be afflicted to do as she has done. She will only be glad to talk to anyone who wishes to call on her.

WON DECISIVE VICTORY.

Wichita Golfers Won 53 of 58 Holes From Hutchinson Club.

Fort, Fort, Fort, Dub, Dub, Dub, Wichita, Wichita Country Club.

This golf greeted those who were at the station last evening to await the return of the Wichita Country club golf team from Hutchinson, and it was sounded with a vim, too, for the Wichita golfers had won a decisive victory. Fifty-three holes won to Hutchinson's five was the result of the tournament. Ten of the eleven Wichita contestants won their matches.

The Wichita team say that they were greatly entertained by the members of the Hutchinson Country club, and report an excellent time. The Hutchinson club is a young one but it is coming to the front rapidly. The grounds are beautiful, a new club house has just been completed, and the greens are in good shape considering the short time they have been

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In use. After the tournament the ladies of the club served a delightful lunch. Each team consisted of eleven players and the matches were two rounds of eighteen holes each. The victory was a decisive one for the Wichita team, but the Hutchinson players do not feel discouraged as their links have just been put in good condition, while the Wichita players have been playing for several years. The Hutchinson club has several promising players, and after they practice up a little they intend to come to Wichita and play a return game.

MORE CARS COMING

Two Summer Cars Will Arrive in Wichita Today.

EIGHT HAVE BEEN ORDERED

New Party Car Will Be Run Out of Barn in Short Time.

Two new summer cars, larger than any in use at present, will arrive in Wichita today and by the first of next week they will be running. Such was the announcement of Manager Nelson of the street railway company last night. The new summer cars were ordered but the trucks and motors were tangled up in the flood and the cars were not finished. Four were ordered immediately after the first two are expected today and two more will be here within a week or ten days. Four more cars have been ordered and will be here within the next few weeks adding eight more cars to the equipment of the company. When the new cars are started it will be possible to resume the ten minute service on South Main street and also give quicker service on Emporia avenue and the winter cars will be sent to the barn. No one likes to ride in the winter cars during the summer and the company feels that they are losing money by running them, so they jessed the car builders to get their cars here as soon as possible.

The new summer cars are wider and longer than those in use at present. Another row of seats being added. The company's carpenters are at work on a car specially designed for trolley parties in this city. This car is being remodeled from one of the summer cars burned early in the spring. It has no roof and the seats extend entirely across the car. A heavy steel pole in the center of the car holds the trolley. This pole is to be covered with colored incandescent lights. The motor will have a platform all its own, it being closed to the passengers. A large horseshoe stands in the center of the platform studded with lights. The work on the car has progressed rapidly and it will make its first run within a short time.

Manager Nelson stated yesterday that through service on the West Side would be established Saturday and there would be no more transferring and walking for passengers. The connections of the switch at the corner of Douglas and Seneca will be completed today and as the paving progresses arrangements will be made to have the cars run through.

THIS COSTS YOU NOTHING.

G. Gehring Will Return Your Money if Mi-o-na Does Not Cure Dyspepsia and Increase Flesh.

There are hundreds of people in Wichita who were not the least bit surprised when they read in the Eagle that G. Gehring is selling Mi-o-na under a guarantee to refund the money, in case it did not cure indigestion and increase weight. This remarkable preparation is a true fish-forming food that builds up good, healthy, solid tissues, and makes thinness and scrawny a thing of the past. It tones up the digestive organs and will cure the worst cases of indigestion, headache, dizziness, or the depressed, weak condition that afflicts nearly everyone who suffers with stomach trouble. Mi-o-na does not simply relieve; it does lasting good.

G. Gehring can tell you many well-known people whose Mi-o-na has restored to health, after a long and fruitless, after trying other methods of treatment with no benefit.

In 28 out of every 100 cases where Mi-o-na is used, the result is a restoration of perfect harmony between height and weight and an absolute and permanent cure of all stomach troubles.

G. Gehring believes in Mi-o-na and stands ready to refund the price to any customer who can say it has not helped.

The best kind of advertising is the praise of a pleased customer, and there are today hundreds in Wichita who are advertising Mi-o-na because it cured them. A few months ago they were thin and dyspeptic, and could eat nothing without fear of stomach trouble. Since using Mi-o-na they have made noticeable gain in flesh, can eat what they want, and when they want, without fear of suffering.

Remember that you risk nothing in buying Mi-o-na. If it gives you the desired effect the cost is trifling, if it fails G. Gehring will pay for the remedy himself.

CONFERENCE ENDS.

Prominent Russian Officials Have Returned Home.

Port Arthur, Manchuria, July 15.—The conference of prominent Russian officials has ended. Exultation over Russia's increasing power in Manchuria was the dominant note in the gathering. The possibility of taking any backward steps are scoffed at if frightened by outside influences. But Russia objects that possibility was discussed, but it was denied that was the object of the conference. The evidence of increase of warlike preparations since the arrival of General Kuropatkin, the minister of war, and of the intention to bring more troops to Manchuria are abundant. Orders were given to Port Arthur contractors last week for an immense quantity of building materials for barracks to accommodate 20,000 soldiers to be shipped to Harbin.

The officials explained that Russia's opposition to opening Manchurian towns to foreigners was not based upon opposition to foreigners whose trade is desired, and who would in due time be invited into the country. But Russia objects that explained to having consuls accredited to the Chinese government in towns which are practically under Russian control, which would give the subjects of countries so represented enjoyment of extra territorial rights. They asserted that such arrangements would be certain to result in great friction, such as occurred in Newchwang.

Plans are on foot to establish a co-operative broom factory at Quinlan. E. L. Grayson has been here and laid the plans before the citizens and they met with the approval of all. Mr. Grayson has the machinery to turn out twelve dozen good brooms daily, and with the bush grown right at home brooms could be turned out in this way that no factory at a distance could compete with, declares the Quinlan Mirror. With the small plant at hand and the experienced men directly interested there is no reason that Quinlan should not furnish all the brooms used in the west end of the territory, and as the business increases work right along and reach out for new sales.

COMING LOCAL EVENTS.

The Court of Honor will hold its regular meeting tonight in the Old Fellows' hall, on East Douglas avenue.

Ice cream social on concert evening at Hamilton park this evening. The ladies of the Free Kindergarten association will give a good party.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will meet in the association parlor this afternoon at 2:30. It is very important that every member be present.

The ladies of the Highland Cemetery association will hold a lawn social this evening at the residence of Mrs. Loveland, 126 South Main. Ice cream, cake, etc., will be served. All friends are invited.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. John's church will meet Friday afternoon at 7 o'clock with Mrs. C. E. Scott, 44 North Emporia avenue. Some prominent characters of the crusades will be the subjects for study. All the ladies of the church and congregation are cordially invited.

Mr. V. H. Branch, formerly of Beloit, Kas., has taken up his work as vice president of the National Bank of Wichita, and his family are located at 102 North Emporia avenue. Mr. Branch takes up the position left vacant by the resignation of R. S. Grainger.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reed and Mrs. P. W. Reed left yesterday for a trip through the east. They will visit Buffalo first and will then go down the St. Lawrence to Montreal. After this they intend to make an extended tour through New York state.

Pineapples weighing eight and nine pounds, from Old Mexico, by express, consigned to the express agent—one-half dozen—the express charges were \$7.65. The average pineapple to be found in the store weighs one or one and a half pounds and sells for 15 cents. These mammoth affairs can be seen at Wettschick's grocery.

CITY IN BRIEF

Personal and Other Items of Interest to Wichitans.

Cesar Perkins has returned from Emporia.

Lynn Stanley went to Newton yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Scott of Ponca City, was in Wichita yesterday.

Robert Oden of Kingman, will spend the day in the city.

P. Simon, a merchant of Allepo, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Frank Cahill is visiting friends at Nebraska City.

E. E. Young of Perry, is in the city transacting business.

Mr. G. A. Wolfe is ill at his home, 240 St. Francis avenue.

C. S. McClellan of Enid, Okla., was a city visitor yesterday.

Ralph H. Garcelon of this city, is visiting friends at Colwich.

Mrs. Henry Dutton, after two weeks of serious illness is recovering.

H. C. Howard, cashier of the bank at Peck, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. G. C. Carey is visiting in Eldorado with her brother, C. W. Harvey.

Paul Israel and Bishop Owens expect to leave tomorrow for Kinman.

Harrison King, a banker of Leon, Kas., was a visitor in the city yesterday.

W. T. Chase and Wife of Ponca City, O. T., spent yesterday in Wichita.

Miss Margie Knorr has gone to Terre Haute, Ind., to visit for a few days.

J. A. Butt, a lumber dealer of Augusta, Me., is in the city yesterday on business.

Oliver young and wife have returned from a ten days' outing in Colorado.

Miss Emma Colvin is visiting in Hutchinson, the guest of Mrs. Amy Alexander.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry White, at 720 South Market street, a nine-pound boy.

Master Lin Wagoner returned yesterday from a visit with friends at New Murdock.

Mr. and Mrs. Mattie Roulet's baby is very sick at their home, 813 Tremont avenue.

Z. C. Shaw of the Shaw Barber Supply company, is spending a few days at Gueda Springs.

Mrs. Jessie Ark of this city is in Wellington visiting her sister, Mrs. Strahn, who is ill.

W. C. Roof of Cincinnati, Ohio, is in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. Ora McKenney.

Mrs. Howard Bartels and daughter of this city are visiting relatives and friends in Eldorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Reed left yesterday morning for the Thousand Islands for the summer.

Mrs. Edith Johnson has gone to her old home at Eldorado, to visit friends for a few weeks.

Miss Daisy Warner of Topeka, is visiting Miss Georgia Graves on North Lawrence avenue.

Mr. Watson, of the Watson Milling company, with his wife has gone to New York for a vacation.

Miss Elsie Gilmore, stenographer in R. E. Torrington's office is ill at her home on South Topeka avenue.

Mr. M. E. Shepard left yesterday for Colorado Springs, where she will spend the hot summer months.

P. S. Savage of Topeka, head of the Advertising department of the Santa Fe was in the city yesterday.

Miss Mabel Cochran left Wednesday for New York City, from which place she will go to Toronto, Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tyrone of Kansas City, are visiting with Prof. Samuels of 22 North Lawrence avenue.

Miss Helen Childs, returned yesterday to her home at Alva, Okla., after a visit in this city with friends.

S. A. Welsh, proprietor of the Pfister Billiard Hall in this city has sold his billiard hall at McAlester, I. T.

H. M. Wait of Newton, who has been looking after his interests in this city, left yesterday for the Kansas oil fields.

R. Graham, cashier of the Wichita National bank, and his wife are visiting relatives and friends at Knoxville, Iowa.

J. F. Nolan, freight traffic manager for the Rock Island, and his party arrived in the city last evening in his private car.

Abbie Sullivan is the only one of the Mount Carmel Academy students who is still at the academy. Her home is in California.

Dr. Denham, a veterinarian from Topeka, was in the city yesterday looking for a location. If he is successful he will move to this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Knapp and daughter left last evening for an outing in Colorado. They expect to spend most of their time at Boulder.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brown of 29 South Lawrence avenue left yesterday to spend the summer with her daughter, Mary Merrill at Colorado Springs.

Mrs. J. F. Stanley left yesterday for Los Angeles, Cal., to join her husband who has been in the city for several months. The family will join him later.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Miles and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bradford and family have gone to the Bradford Mills on the Walnut for two weeks' camping and fishing.

Shas Brown returned yesterday from Cheney. He states that help in the harvest fields is scarce around Cheney and that wheat is suffering because of it.

Class of 1903 of the Wichita High School will have a class meeting at the home of Dwight Torrington, 126 N. Emporia avenue, next Monday evening.

Will Smythe, Clyde Young and Char. Russell will leave tomorrow for the Flint Hills, where they will spend several days camping and fishing on the Fall river.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hays left last night for Franklin, Pa., to visit their daughter who will get from there to Muskogee, Canada, fishing. They expect to be gone about six weeks.

Miss Blanche Lowrey of Hutchinson, entertained a few guests at dinner last evening. Miss Hester Winnie of this city, Miss Mabel Christman, and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lowrey and son.

G. W. Ulch has returned from a trip to his lumber yards at Zenda and Spivy. He reports the harvest well advanced and says that the farmers are longing for rain for their corn.

Dr. Edward Parlan of the Orient railroad, is in the city for the purpose of securing rooms suitable for his family to occupy while he is engaged in his work along the line of the road.

Frank Furness, a son of ex-Senator A. G. Furness, was in the city yesterday. He lives in Cernancho county, Okla., but came up to converse at the bar, and threatening of his wheat near Belle Plaine.

MEN IN COUNTRY

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Hot Weather Fabrics at One-Half Their Value

COLORED SATIN STRIPE, grenadine effects, very rich, in black, champagne, green, etc.; regular value 50c. Now 25c. SATIN STRIPE WAISTING, blue and red figures, 25c grade 18c. SUMMER MILLINERY SALE FOR SATURDAY—This is a special make-up of hats, late styles; the material in them at sale prices, labor at idle price. Throw away your spring hat and buy a new one cheaper than you ever bought before. None sold until