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CHANGE VALUATIONS

STATE LAW COMMISSION WRESTLING WITH PROBLEM.

Slight Advance Noted in Most Valuations of Stock—Valuations to be Sent to Assessors at Once.

An agreement to allow the livestock valuations tentatively fixed at the recent meeting here to stand as final has been reached by the members of the state tax commission, and Secretary Howell Earnest has been asked to certify them to the assessors of the various counties without delay. They will be sent out within the next two or three days.

The classifications fixed by the commission in connection with the new valuations differ somewhat from the classification made by the State Board of Equalization at the January session last year and in several instances comparisons are practically impossible. However, in several classes of cattle advances of \$2 and \$3 a head are made, the minimum value of stock horses is raised from \$20 to \$30, and stallions from \$100 to \$200; slight advances are made in all classes of sheep; Angora goats are reduced from \$4.50 to \$4, but common goats are raised from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a head, and swine are valued at \$10 a head instead of \$7.50.

In 1914 the full value of all livestock on the tax rolls was \$37,070,536, divided as follows: 118,845 horses \$5,245,005; 11,067 mules, \$733,250; 732,320 cattle, \$22,618,427; 1,775,644 sheep \$7,581,615; 199,647 goats, \$697,555; 18,230 swine \$122,753; 5,791 burros, \$48,235; 208 jacks, \$38,653.

The livestock valuations fixed as the minimum by the tax commission, and which will now be certified to the assessors follow:

Horses.
Conditioned cow ponies \$20; good ponies, \$50; work ponies, 50; work horses, \$75; stock horses, \$30; stallions, \$200.

Mules.
Spanish, \$50; American, \$100; thoroughbred jacks, \$50; burros, \$6.

Cattle—Averaged Mixed Herds.
Common, on open range, \$30; common in pasture, \$32; graded, open range, \$33; graded, pasture, \$35; thoroughbred Herefords or other beef, \$50; common dairy, \$50; improved dairy \$75.

Cattle—Common on Open Range.
Coming yearling heifers, \$23; coming yearling steers, \$25; coming 2-year-old heifers, \$32; coming 2-year-old steers, \$35; coming 3 and 4-year-old steers, \$40; cows, \$35; bulls, \$35.

Cattle—Common in Pasture.
Coming yearling heifers, \$25; coming yearling steers, \$28; coming 2-year-old heifers, \$34; coming 2-year-old steers, \$37; coming 3 and 4-year-old steers, \$42; cows, \$37; bulls, \$37.

Cattle—Graded, on Open Range.
Coming yearling heifers, \$26; coming yearling steers, \$28; coming 2-year-old heifers, \$35; coming 2-year-old steers, \$38; coming 3 and 4-year-old steers, \$43; cows, \$38; bulls, \$38.

Cattle—Graded in Pasture.
Coming yearling heifers \$28; coming yearling steers, \$30; coming 2-year-old heifers, \$37; coming 2-year-old steers, \$40; coming 3 and 4-year-old steers, \$45; cows \$40; bulls, \$40.

Sheep.
Common, over year old, \$4; common, over year old, \$3; improved, over year old, \$4.75; improved, under year old, \$3.25; thoroughbred, over year old, \$5.75; thoroughbred, under year old, \$3.50; rams, \$10; rams, improved, \$15.

Goats.
Common, \$2.50; Angora, \$4.

Swine.
All classes, \$10.

WORSHIPERS STAY ON KNEES WHILE ALTER IS ABLAZE

Priest in San Felipe Church at Albuquerque Continues Service While Bucket Brigade Works on Tip Toe.

Albuquerque, N. M., April 1.—While several hundred people crowded the historic San Felipe de Neri church at a Holy Week service here this morning, fire broke out in the altar decorations from an overturned candle. The flames flared over the altar, filling the end of the church with smoke. The priest calmly continued the service while men from the congregation walked on tiptoe forming a bucket brigade and extinguishing the blaze. The people were kneeling and not a person left the church except the fire fighters. When the fire trucks arrived the fire was out and the service proceeding as usual. The altar was badly damaged. The church was built in 1735.

B. F. Sloan and wife came in last Saturday from San Diego, Cal. where they have been for two years or more. They have taken rooms with Mrs. Bearup and Mr. Sloane has accepted a position with this paper, Mr. Perry having resigned. Mr. Sloane is quite well known in Artesia where he and wife resided for seven years he having been employed on and for some time owned an interest in the Advocate.

Do your swearing at the Current office. Notary always in.

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FRENCH SUFFER APPALLING LOSSES, SAYS GERMAN REPORT.

Berlin, April 7.—via London, 3:20 p. m.—The German general headquarters gave out an official statement regarding military operations, which says:

"In the western theater of the war. The village of Drei Grachten, which was occupied by our troops the day before yesterday and which the enemy has bombarded with his heaviest artillery and mine throwers, was for this reason again bombarded by us last night.

"An attack in the Argonne broke down under the fire of our chassours. "Northeast of Verdun a French advance approached only as far as our outer positions.

"To the east and southeast of Verdun a series of attacks made by the enemy failed with extraordinarily heavy losses.

"In the Combres hills two French battalions were destroyed by our fire. "At Ailly our troops commenced a counter attack and threw the enemy back into his old position.

"At Apremont the enemy had no success.

"In the eastern theater: During an advance on Russian territory in the direction of Andrejew, 30 kilometers southeast of Memel, our cavalry annihilated a Russian battalion. The commander, five officers and 360 men were taken prisoners, while 102 were killed and 150 seriously injured."

LAST DAY TO COURTS

Supreme Court Will Be Called On to Pass On Validity of 24 Hours' Legislation; Next Move Up to State Auditor.

State Auditor W. G. Sargent stated Thursday afternoon that no attempt would be made to conduct the new traveling auditor's office without a formal transfer and that steps will be taken immediately to secure a mandamus writ from the district court to take the controversy immediately into the courts.

Howell Earnest, traveling auditor and bank examiner has refused to turn over the office to A. G. Whittier, appointed by State Auditor W. G. Sargent to the position of state traveling auditor under the provisions of House Bill No. 294.

The action means that the supreme court is to be called upon to decide on the legality, not only of House Bill No. 294, but of all measures passed by the legislature after 12 o'clock noon of Friday, March 12. In addition to House Bill No. 294, four other bills were passed over the governor's veto in the senate after that hour. The test will involve the question of what constitutes a legislative day, and will establish a precedent for the guidance of future state legislatures.

A formal demand for the office and records was made by Mr. Sargent by letter, and presented to Mr. Earnest by Mr. Whittier. The room containing the records and equipment of the office is locked and the key is in the possession of Mr. Earnest.

Mr. Earnest's action was taken after consultation with Governor McDonald. In his letter to Mr. Sargent he makes it plain that his refusal is not with the object of holding on to the office, but in order that the legality of the law abolishing the office as constituted and establishing that of state traveling auditor may be determined.

A war story: The German scout car had blundered into the midst of a French outpost, and, in a hail of rifle bullets, was making all speed to get away. Suddenly the man beside the driver put his hand to his shoulder and shivered. "Why did you shiver, Baron?" said the man at the wheel, too busy with his driving to look around. "I couldn't help it," was the reply; "a bullet just went through my arm and I thought what would have happened if it had hit a tire."

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Mrs. Hillery Boyd's home in La Huerta, was the scene of an egg hunt last Sunday afternoon and was participated in by the following girls: Violet Gossett, Gladys Bush, Theona Benson, Lillian Bearup, Grace Jones and Lois Little. The girls enjoyed the hunting and feasting on eggs and other dainties.

Archie Nelson has purchased a fine canine of some famous breed, white in color and he carries the doggie in the seat with him in his wagon. On getting out of the wagon he left the dog and went into a house for some laundry. The dog later decided to follow and is supposed to have jumped and being white, scared the horse causing a runaway. The horse damaged the wagon considerably but was caught in the southern part of the town, and is still as docile as ever.

A pretty little Easter egg hunt was enjoyed Sunday afternoon with Laveria Hiller. The children played in the yard and hunted for gaily tinted eggs.

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A Serious Runaway.

Saturday morning Mrs. Tom Kindel stopped at the Grantham residence on Greene's Highlands for a few moments and left her horse to the unattended. Mr. Deik drove up from behind and the noise of his rig scared the Kindel horse and he started for home not very fast at first, but finding that he was free he broke into a run spilling several gallons of milk and becoming more frightened as he ran, he crossed the canal bridge but on turning a corner the buggy struck a post and upset throwing the horse and smashing things generally and becoming so entangled he was unable to get up and go on. As luck would have it no one was injured but the buggy does not look like much.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ogle made a trip to their ranch near the bat cave thirty miles southwest last Friday afternoon in the Bouldin car returning Saturday. They have sold the ranch and improvements to C. S. Grammer the hustling angora man.

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Arm Broken.

A. Laude, brother of Mrs. W. A. Poore, had the misfortune to break his arm driving a car home from Roswell.

Messrs. Sikes and Laude had gone to Roswell in Mr. Poore's car and Mr. Sikes was driving a new car down a few miles the other side of Lake Arthur and while making a quick turn the wheels struck a deep rut, throwing Mr. Laude from the car, breaking his arm and bruising him upbadly. Two physicians reduced the fracture while at Lake Arthur and Mr. Sikes brought Mr. Laude home where he is now resting as well as circumstances permit.

A German while attempting to describe his two dogs, said to a guest: "Der littelst vun is the biggest one." "Excuse my husband, for he can't speak good English," said his wife. "Vat he means is dot der youngest vun is der oldest vun."

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MEXICANS STILL AT IT

DECISIVE BATTLE BETWEEN VILLA AND CARRANZA UNDER WAY.

State Department Advises Indicate Struggle for Supremacy May be Determined in Fight at Irapuato.

GUTIERREZ CLAIMS HE STILL IS PRESIDENT.

Says Seat of Government is Being Maintained but He Would Resign if He Had a Favorable Opportunity.

Washington, April 7.—A battle with 40,000 troops engaged, and which may be a deciding action in the war between the Carranza and Villa factions in Mexico, is in progress or impending near Irapuato in the state of Guanajuato.

State department dispatches today, dated April 5, but delayed in transmission sent by Special Agent Carothers, with General Villa, said the fight would take place soon. This was construed to mean that Villa had assembled a force strong enough to meet General Obregon's army and was moving south from Torreon along the National railway.

Obregon was last reported at Quertaro, and was said to have sent a column against San Luis Potosi, while he protected its march with a

EASTER M. E. CANTATA

ATTRACTS A LARGE AUDIENCE.

Easter Program Rendered by the M. E. Chorus Choir.

The program rendered by the big choir last Sunday evening was pronounced by all as being the finest thing of its kind ever produced in the town. At seven o'clock the church was packed and at seven thirty all available standing room was occupied. Those who were so unfortunate as to come late were turned away, as they could not get inside the church.

Miss Penny opened the program with a beautiful voluntary, to which the choir marched to the rostrum and stood before their respective chairs and were seated by a sign from the director.

The favorite Easter hymn "Epiphany" was sung while the congregation stood. This was followed by a prayer from the pastor and response by the choir. The Bunch orchestra then entertained the audience with a most excellent selection which appealed to all.

Miss Christian delighted the audience with a vocal solo, "The Resurrection". She was at her best and sang with much feeling and emphasis.

The anthem, "Come Unto Me" by the choir, seemed a fitting climax to the scripture verses read by Rev. Redmon.

"The Story of Calvary", which is P. A. Schaecker's masterpiece in cantata

YOU WON'T SAY
OH! MY CORNS
IF YOU WILL USE
Penslar Corn Cure
ONE APPLICATION GIVES INSTANT RELIEF
Eddy Drug Store
DRUGS — CANDIES — CIGARS

second column, and a third division of his army under General Hill moved toward Morelia, capital of Michoacan. Obregon is understood by officials here to have 20,000 men and it is said Villa has gathered an equal number.

Irapuato is the junction of the Mexican Central and the National railway toward which Obregon's forces are advancing.

"The department is informed that General Villa has announced that if he is successful in defeating the forces of General Obregon, south of Irapuato he will immediately open the lines of communication to Mexico City.

"The department's advices indicate that should the forces of General Carranza be defeated in this expected engagement, his important strongholds will be Vera Cruz, Tampico and Matamoros."

Advices to the Carranza agency said the gunboat Guerrero reached Guaymas Monday night and her commander notified foreigners to leave the port as he intended to open a bombardment. Mobs in Guaymas and Hermosillo, the agency statement added, were looting business houses. The statement adds that General Maytorena failed to check Carranza troops marching from both north and south, and was defeated yesterday at Navajoa.

General Calles was reported marching on Cananea and Nogales. State department advices said sharp fighting continued at Ebano, near Tampico.

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GREAT SMOKE LICKED

KILLS COYOTE IN HOUSE.

Animal Invades Home and Explores Several Rooms.

Cottage Grove, Ore.—Coyotes have been committing many depredations in Crook county, according to a letter from Mrs. Fannie Mours of Post. One night the family of J. H. Knox was awakened by an unusual noise up stairs. Mrs. Knox went into the yard and could see a coyote tearing and biting at the window of the upstairs room in an effort to get out. Mr. Knox shot the animal.

An investigation showed that it had got into the house through a bedroom window downstairs, the tracks being plain on the bed that it had climbed over. The animal went through several rooms before going upstairs.

Mrs. Mours says that there have been many reports of rabid coyotes in that section, and that few go out after night without being well armed.

BIG CITY ELECTIONS

DEMOCRATS LOSE CITY OF CHICAGO TO REPUBLICANS BY A MARGIN OF 130,000.

Women Vote for First Time in Mayorality Election, Casting Ballots in Same Proportion as Men.

WINNING CANDIDATE WILL ENFORCE LAW.

Council Believed With Mayor by Good-sized Majority; Entire Ticket is Carried Through.

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Chicago, April 6.—William Hale Thompson was elected mayor of Chicago today by an estimated plurality of 130,000. Returns from 1,400 precincts out of 1,566 indicated that he had carried the entire republican city ticket to victory.

Women voted for the first time at a mayorality election in Chicago and incomplete returns showed that the relative percentages of men and women votes received by Thompson and Robert Sweitzer, the defeated democratic candidate, were approximately the same.

About 85 per cent of the three-quarters of a million votes registered were cast. According to election officials this would set a record.

Sweitzer Loses Own Precinct. Some wards hitherto strongly democratic were carried by the republican candidate, and Sweitzer's own precinct was carried by Thompson.

Sweitzer and his managers conceded the election to the republicans early in the evening and congratulated Thompson.

"My first official move," said Thompson, "will be to have my chief of police drive the pickpockets and thieves out of Chicago."

The city council probably went republican which would be the first time in five years.

Socialist Vote Small. The socialist vote apparently was smaller than predicted by party leaders. The returns indicated that the total socialist vote would not exceed 20,000. The prohibition party candidate, John Hill, ran far behind the socialist candidate, Seymour Steelman.

In a close primary contest, Thompson won from Harry Olsen, chief justice of the municipal court, by a plurality of 2,508. Sweitzer defeated Mayor Harrison by a plurality of 79,186 votes.

Thompson was born in Boston, Mass., in 1878, and was brought to Chicago by his parents in the following year. In a biographical sketch which he issued prior to the election he stated that as a boy he sold newspapers and later went to Wyoming and worked as a cowboy and a brakeman. He received much of his education in the public schools and later entered Yale university.

He is a dealer in real estate, having succeeded to the business of his father who died wealthy.

Thompson's plurality of 130,380 was the highest ever given a mayoralty candidate. The nearest approached before was in 1897 when Carter H. Harrison received 79,150 more votes than John Maynard Harlan, the republican candidate.

Eleven of twelve propositions on a huge "little ballot" were approved, the only defeat being the rejection of a double platoon system for the fire department. In voting "yes" on the others, the city approved seven bond issues for a total of \$3,972,000 and increased its territory by annexing more than six square miles, bringing the city's area to more than 200 square miles.

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BIG BATTLE AT HAVANA, CUBA

JESS WILLARD STARTS ON HIS BIG TRIUMPHAL TOUR OF STATES.

Jack Johnson, at the Dock to Bid Champion Farewell Advises Him to Save His Money, London Sporting Men Already Out With Offer of \$24,000 for Fight Between Willard and Moran.

GATE RECEIPTS \$110,000. JACK CURLEY MAKES A POT.

Ringside, Havana, Cuba, April 5.—Jess Willard the Kansas cowboy, is the new heavyweight champion pugilist of the world. He knocked out Jack Johnson, the black champion, in the 20th round of their championship bout here today.

It was Johnson's fight all the way until the 22nd round when his vitality left him because of the hard pace which he carried through the early rounds.

The Kansas plainsman then opened his heaviest attack and the next few rounds carried the fight away from the black man and toppled him over with rights and lefts to the jaw and blows to the face.

Seventeen thousand persons saw the combat and when Johnson crumpled up on the floor from a fierce right swing to the jaw the crowd burst into the ring. Soldiers clard the ring. Johnson took the referees count while lying on the ropes, but the moment after Referee Welsh had given the decision the former champion got to his feet to greet the wild rush of excited spectators.

The knockout came so suddenly that the big crowd seemed as much dazed as Johnson himself. Up to the time of the final blow Johnson showed but little marks of the battle, but he had slowed up and was perceptibly tiring. Willard said as he was being escorted away, that he was never hurt or in danger at any time.

Johnson said he had no excuse to offer and that "a better and younger title"

Havana, April 7.—Jess Willard the new heavyweight champion of the world, left Havana with his party at 11 o'clock this morning for New York, where he is due to arrive on an Atlantic Coast Line train at the Pennsylvania station on Friday, at 6:20 p. m. The party will travel via Key West, Jacksonville, Charleston, Richmond and Washington.

Willard's steamer was delayed two hours by the demonstration crowd at the docks.

Jack Johnson, who came down to the steamer, shook hands with the conqueror and said:

"Jess, I wish you all the luck you could wish for yourself. I hope you can make a heap of money. He sure to save it."

Willard answered with his best wishes and said:

"I will see you in Europe." He appeared to be affected by the incident. Johnson was given a great reception by the crowd.

The Cuban rights for the moving pictures of the Johnson-Willard fight were sold today for \$10,000.

Jack Johnson is preparing to go to Santiago, thence he will sail for Jamaica and then to France by way of Martinique.

Although it was announced last night that the gate receipts of the fight were \$110,000, no one in Havana seems to have definite information on this point.

The largest profits went to the race track lessees, Curley-Brown, who got \$1 extra from each spectator by running a few races after the fight.

NON-PARTISAN TICKET WINS IN MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, April 6.—Non-partisan candidates for judicial offices in Milwaukee county were today elected to all the vacancies with one exception—Civil Judge Joseph E. Cordes, socialist-democrat, being re-elected.

Early returns from the state show a gain of the "drys" in thirteen towns while the "wets" gained one town.

Madison, the capital of Wisconsin, stood by a majority of more than 500 to retain its saloons.

GREEN RE-ELECTED AS MAYOR OF KANSAS CITY.

Kansas City, Mo., April 6.—C. W. Green today was re-elected mayor of Kansas City, Kan., by a 30,000 majority and returns indicate the election of all other candidates on the administration ticket with the possible exception of James L. Rogers, commissioner of streets and public improvements, who was closely crowded for the office by Frank J. Feren.

DRYS GENERALLY WIN IN MICHIGAN COUNTIES.

Detroit, April 6.—Complete unofficial returns from the sixteen Michigan counties in which local option was the issue in yesterday's election, show that the "drys" were successful in fourteen counties and the "wets" were victorious in two.

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