

NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA. COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass. Sherraden makes photos, \$1.50 doz. Weisbach burners at Hixby's. Tel. 132. Budweiser beer. J. Rosenfeld, agent. Dr. Stephenson, Merriam blk., room 23. Pictures and frames, Alexander's, 233 B'y. Schmidt photos are guaranteed to please. Born-To Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Bergen, yesterday, a son.

AFTER THE TAX SHIRKERS

Board of Supervisors Farms Out All Uncollected Revenues.

INDIANA MAN AWARDED THE CONTRACT

Francis M. Cunningham Undertakes, for a Commission of Fifty Per Cent, to Ferret Out Property Taxed and Collect on It.

The board of county supervisors intend to go after the tax shirkers, and at its session yesterday entered into a contract with Francis M. Cunningham of Sullivan, Ind., to ferret out all omitted taxable property with a view to having it assessed and any moneys that may be due the county from other sources. The contract provides that Cunningham shall receive one-half of all such moneys collected as a result of his investigation and work.

Cunningham was presented before the board by Ellis E. Sluff, a member of firm of attorneys in Muncie, Ind. He submitted testimonials from the auditors of other counties in this state and counties in other states where Cunningham has performed similar work, and which showed that considerable property that had evaded taxation had been brought to light and made to pay its proportion of the taxes.

C. W. Weiman of Indiana and E. J. Salmon, also submitted propositions to the board to do the work, the former making 40 per cent of the money collected, while the latter wanted half. The proposition submitted by Cunningham was as follows:

I herewith submit for your consideration the following proposition for an investigation to determine whether or not any individuals subject to taxation in your county have fraudulently, wrongfully or unlawfully omitted or concealed any part of their property or real estate subject to taxation, and to determine whether or not there are any moneys now due your county from the state or any other source and not now known to the county officials or any of them.

I propose to make careful and diligent search for such omitted or concealed property and honestly and fairly report to proper officers for assessment and entry on the tax lists all such property, if any, which I shall find to exist, and also careful and diligent search for and recovery of moneys due to the state or any other source or not now known to the county officials or any of them.

Your county to pay me for such services a sum equal to one-half of all moneys collected as a result of my said investigation. All expenses incurred in said investigation, including attorney's fees and costs of litigation, to be paid by me, no action to be begun unless by properly authorized officers of the county. Payment for my services to be made to me as fast as moneys are paid into the treasury as a result of my investigation. The auditor to be ordered to issue to me a warrant on the treasurer for any moneys due me from the county property verified accounts being filed with him. Respectfully submitted.

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This is the Contract. The contract entered into by the board with Cunningham follows:

It is therefore ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Pottawattamie county, that said Francis M. Cunningham be and is authorized and directed to make a diligent and careful search for and recovery of moneys due to the state and other counties and states for such omitted or concealed property, the taxes upon which are lawfully due in this county, and upon discovery of such property, to report the same to the county auditor for assessment and entry on the tax lists then in the hands of the state treasurer for collection; and also to make diligent and careful search for moneys due from the state and other sources and not now known to the county officials or any of them. It is further ordered that Francis M. Cunningham shall in consideration of the moneys to be paid a sum equal to one-half of all moneys collected as a result of his said investigation. And the auditor is ordered to issue to the said Francis M. Cunningham a warrant on the treasurer for any moneys due him from the county property verified accounts being filed with him. This is the contract.

Mr. Sluff stated that Cunningham had done similar work in Madison, Warren, Union, Clark and Lynn counties in this state and in the counties of Indiana, Kansas and Minnesota. On an average the counties, he said, had realized about \$6,000 through Cunningham's investigations and discoveries of omitted taxable property. When asked what he thought the prospects were in this county he said from the slight observation he had been able to make he could see about \$1,000,000 worth of property that was not paying taxes and which ought to be assessed. He expected to commence work in about thirty days.

The board met for the purpose of canvassing the vote cast at last Tuesday's election, but owing to the time consumed in discussing the tax-collecting proposition and awarding the contract prevented a completion of the count by adjournment and the canvass will be resumed this morning. So far but very few changes from the figures already published have been found.

Scientific optician, Wollman, 409 B'dway. Davis sells paint.

Petitions in Bankruptcy. Petitions in voluntary bankruptcy were filed in the United States district court here yesterday by Henry H. Hols of Manila, John B. Wilson of Carson, Jeremiah S. Cole of Red Oak and Ernest Godfrey Rucht of Charter Oak.

Holst, who is a barkeeper, schedules his liabilities at \$2,774.50, of which all are unsecured except one item of \$1.50. His liabilities on notes and bills which should be paid by others amount to \$557. His only assets consist of \$59 worth of clothing, which he claims as exempt.

Wilson is a farmer and his debts, of which he wants to be relieved, amount to \$2,184. His assets are household goods, \$150; horses, cows, etc., \$176; carriage, \$29; farming stock and implements, \$100, all of which he claims as exempt.

Cole was in the mercantile business in Red Oak and his liabilities are mostly wholesale. His liabilities amount to \$5,790, with \$105 worth of assets, which he claims as exempt, leaving nothing to divide among his creditors.

Rucht is a tiller of the soil, with liabilities aggregating \$1,738.25, of which \$263.25 is secured and \$1,475 unsecured. He admits to assets amounting to \$282.50, of which he says 90 cents is cash, while the balance he claims as exempt.

Real Estate Transfers. The following transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street: McDowell White and wife to Annie M. Bishop, lot 24, block 1, Gates' add to Council Bluffs, \$4,000; 250 Thomas Kinley to D. C. Bloomer, lot 2, block 12, Grimes' add to Council Bluffs, \$200.

Total, two transfers, \$4,200. Vandervoort-Bennett. Paul Vandervoort, Jr., and Miss Josephine Bennett came to Council Bluffs yesterday afternoon from Omaha and, after securing the necessary marriage license, were married, the ceremony being performed by Justice of the Peace Ferrer in his office. The bride was accompanied by Miss Georgia Corbett, Miss Bennett, in answer to the justice's formal questions, stated that she was born in Breckenridge, Mo., and that she was the daughter of James Bennett of Henry, Mo.

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On the Running Tracks. Great Day for Bookies at Newport, Five Favorites Being Benten. CINCINNATI, Nov. 13.—This was a great day for the bookies at Newport, every one of the favorites being sold by the dealer. The victory of the Canadian sprinter, Flying Bess, at 10 to 1, in the mile handicap, was a big surprise. Weather pleasant; track fast; attendance large and betting very brisk. Results: First race, one mile, selling; J. J. Tom, Frank O'Connell second, Junetta third. Time: 1:30. Second race, five furlongs, selling; Flora Daniels won, Russell R second, Alcida third. Time: 1:30. Third race, one mile, selling; Ranzazzo won, Dolly Wethoff second, Necklace third. Time: 1:32. Fourth race, handicap, one mile; Flying Bess won, Kris Kringle second, Molo third. Time: 1:40. Fifth race, one mile and eighth, selling; Frank Wagner won, Fresco second, Rambo H third. Time: 1:53. CINCINNATI, Nov. 13.—Weather clear; track good. Results: First race, one mile; Brown Dick won, Alice B second, Falsetto third. Time: 1:45. Second race, five and one-half furlongs; Catamount won, Bannish second, Deering third. Time: 1:47. Third race, mile and one-eighth; Catamount won, Bannish second, Deering third. Time: 1:47. Fourth race, five furlongs; Al Garrett won, Merton B second, Hugh Penny third. Time: 1:31. Fifth race, six furlongs; Irwin won, Lamond second, The Monk third. Time: 1:45. Sixth race, mile and one-eighth; Chaney won, Plain second, Walkenshaw third. Time: 1:57. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13.—Weather cloudy; track muddy. Results: First race, five furlongs, maidens; Geiro won, Burdock second, Aborigine third. Time: 1:44. Second race, six furlongs, selling; Silver State won, Coda second, Ricardo third. Time: 1:38. Third race, seven furlongs, selling; Silver Tone won, Jennie Reid second, Lavator third. Time: 1:31. Fourth race, five furlongs, selling; Afamada won, Campus second, Don Luis third. Time: 1:38. Fifth race, one mile, purse, all ages; Marcato won, Gypsy second, Morinet third. Time: 1:44. Sixth race, seven furlongs; Dr. Sheppard won, Malay second, Mortgage third. Time: 1:31. HENNINGTON, Nov. 13.—Hennington race track results: First race, all ages, non-winners in 1899, six furlongs; L. Long won, in Madison Square, Tyrba third. Time: 1:30. Second race, six furlongs; Fluorin won, Elsie skip third. Time: 1:31. Third race, 3-year-olds and upwards, one mile and 16 yards; G. G. G. won, in G. G. G. second, Campana third. Time: 1:51. Fourth race, selling, 2-year-olds, six furlongs; Precursor won, Back Talk second, Jucoma third. Time: 1:30. Fifth race, maidens, 100 yards; St. Simonian won, Havelock second, Come to Order third. Time: 1:31.2-5.

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