

## STOCK YARDS LAWYER BALKS

Throws Obstacles in Way of Compromise of Personal Property Assessment.

## WANTS REALTY FIGURES LEFT UNCHANGED

Packers Appear Before Board of Equalization and Talk Principally About What They Do Not Own.

At the afternoon session of the board of equalization raised the assessments of all the packers, all the franchise corporations and the stock yards company, the total increase being \$1,502,761.

Attorney J. H. McIntosh, as the representative of the Real Estate exchange; Attorney F. T. Ransom, as the representative of the Union Stock Yards company; General Manager Robert C. Howe, as the representative of Armour & Co.; W. L. Selby, as the representative of Swift and Company; T. A. Craig, as the representative of the Cudahy and Omaha companies; and A. L. Sutton, as the representative of the Hammond company, talked all forenoon with the board of equalization as the representative of the taxpayers of Douglas county. The result was that when the board adjourned at 12:30 for lunch there had been no vote taken on any assessment and affairs stood apparently about where they did when the session began. Commissioner Hofstad was absent.

Attorney McIntosh tried to get the board to act immediately on the packers and stock yards, accepting the tax committee's compromise figures, but Commissioner Hofstad informed him that the body "is able to transact its business" and "preferred to do so in its own way." Mr. McIntosh and Mr. Ransom were a unit in urging the board that if the stock yards' personal assessment is raised to \$400,000 (the figure assessed by the tax committee had announced as having been agreed to by the company) its realty assessment must remain as returned by the assessor, which is \$107,700 on the yards proper and \$15,000 on lots in South Omaha, the total being \$122,700.

## O'Keefe Makes a Motion.

O'Keefe approved this and moved that if anything was added to the realty assessment a similar amount be deducted from the \$400,000 personal, but Chairman Ostrom held this motion out of order and balked on the whole proposition. He said he had understood from Mr. McIntosh that the \$400,000 had been agreed upon as the personal and that the stock yards should not get any figure with the realty if the board decided to raise the latter, which was not improbable, he said, in view of the fact that complaints have been filed against the latter. The discussion closed with the decision of the board to return the realty assessment before acting on the personal.

Attorneys McIntosh and Ransom were not a unit, however, on the wording of the agreement between the tax committee and the stock yards company. Mr. Ransom raised the voice of a body and outraged man to inform the board that he had, by a glance through the assessors' books, discovered that therein are entered assessments of many men and firms of Omaha who have scheduled not one-sixth of the real value of their property, but only one-fourth, and he said that his company had agreed to the proposition that it was a condition that all other taxpayers be raised to a valuation equally fair. Mr. McIntosh, standing at the justice-champion's elbow, spoke up with equal vigor to flatly deny his statement, and to inform the board that the stock yards' agreement had been without qualification. The exchange of denials continued some minutes without ending anywhere in particular.

## Packers Have Their Say.

The representatives of the packers were certain about the things their companies didn't own, but woefully ignorant of the things they did. In substance, Mr. Howe said that the value of the Armour company's personal property in the county is \$487,000; that the plant has a capacity of 7,000 hogs and 1,200 cattle per day, but kills on an average only 2,000 of the former and 200 of the latter; that he doesn't know what insurance the company carries and couldn't easily find out, as the insurance clerk is resident in Chicago; that all cars used by the company belong to a separate company in Chicago; that he hasn't any idea of the number of cars in use by the local plant April 1, and that he had never agreed to any assessment figure, but had told the tax committee to first see if its figures were accurate. The exchange of denials continued some minutes without ending anywhere in particular.

## Chairman Ostrom called their attention to figures in an editorial in The Bee, showing that in the census report the companies' investment was given as \$15,435,418, but they attempted to explain this by saying that the figures must represent the accumulated investment of all the years the companies had been in business, while much of the machinery, for instance, represented in the total of \$1,225,869 had been worn out and discarded long ago.

## Harte asked if the South Omaha figures were given by Mr. Howe and the latter replied that they were Commissioner Fitzgerald's.

## Chairman Ostrom said it had been de-

termined to swear all parties, and put Mr. Creigh under oath. The gentlemen represented this suit because the jobbers were not sworn, and Mr. Howe left. Chairman Ostrom said he would have him recalled and placed under oath. Mr. Creigh said that \$470,000 represented the value of the Cudahy plant; that its capacity was about the same as Armour's; that it has 200 cars, 150 of which are assessed elsewhere than Douglas county. The Omaha plant, he said, in generalizing, could be rated proportionately with the others.

## Mr. Selby, being sworn, said that \$400,000 represented the fair value of the Swift plant; that its capacity is 4 per cent less than Armour's; that it owns no cars, and that he knows nothing of its insurance.

## Attorney Sutton, also placed under oath, pleaded that the Hammond plant contains not a dollar's worth of personal property, all having been sent to St. Joseph. The boilers and engines, he thought, would be rated as realty, because they are attached to the walls. When all had testified the board adjourned, instructing them to call at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, when the board promised to pass on the assessments of their companies.

## REPORTS FOR TWO MONTHS

County Treasurer Shows Collections and Disbursements for April and May.

## Report of G. Fred Elmsasser, county treasurer, showing the whereabouts of county funds May 1, 1902.

Balance June 1, 1901, \$106,373.55

Collections for April, 146,412.74

Total, \$252,786.29

Disbursements in April, \$44,900.91

Cash in drawer, 860.45

Checks in drawer, 6,708.62

Postage account, 229.20

Protest money, 1,961.18

On Deposit in Banks, 74,414.50

Merchants National, 29,809.49

Commercial National, 17,849.27

First National, 17,780.90

Packers National, 17,500.00

Omaha National, 20,449.95

Union National, 6,774.07

Total, \$201,786.29

Balance May 1, 1902, \$206,835.28

Report of Treasurer Elmsasser showing the whereabouts of county funds June 1, 1902.

Balance May 1, 1902, \$206,835.28

Collections for May, 178,401.67

Total, \$385,237.06

Disbursements for May, \$154,233.50

Cash in drawer, 46.90

Checks in drawer, 7,718.55

Postage account, 286.90

Protest money, 1,618.85

On Deposit in Banks, 60,962.53

Merchants National, 25,809.49

Commercial National, 14,294.27

First National, 17,780.90

Packers National, 14,500.00

Omaha National, 20,449.95

Union National, 6,774.07

Total, \$236,237.06

Balance June 1, 1902, \$232,093.55

## AK-SAR-BEN HUSTLERS' PLANS

Committee Will Hold Session on Monday Evening Prior to Den Exercises.

The hustling committee of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben held the last meeting of the season at Baldwin's Monday evening, when the final reports of the subcommittees will be received. The hustling committee has done great work this season, returning as many applications by the last of June as were returned last year by the middle of August. It has now been decided by the members of the committee to give the members of the society an opportunity to do a little hustling and it is said that if each member of the order will devote one day during the coming month to securing one applicant the record for membership will be broken.

There is no special work on for Monday night at the den and Omaha will be given another night for its citizens. It is expected that invitations to be present at subsequent meetings of the knights will be accepted by W. H. Thompson, fusion candidate for governor, and other candidates on the different state tickets will be asked to meet the knights at the den and devote one evening to pleasure during the campaign.

## KAPLAN MUST SHOW COURT

Grocer Accused of Slapping His Sister-in-Law During a Family Squabble.

Albert Kaplan, a grocer, is out under \$400 bond to appear before Justice Altstad July 5 and tell why he struck Mrs. Minnie Kaplan, prove that he did not strike her, or take the consequences. Two days ago a daughter of Albert Kaplan went to her aunt, Mrs. Minnie Kaplan, at Eighteenth and Leavenworth streets, and told her that a special sale was going on downtown and that she would do some purchasing for the aunt. The girl was given a dollar, but failed to return when the aunt thought she should. Mrs. Kaplan then went to the grocery store of Albert Kaplan on South Leavenworth street, and told her that she went in the store, she said, Albert shut the door and gave her a whipping. Albert denied the woman's story. He was arrested and released on \$400 bond.

## LINEMAN TAKES A LONG DROP

Harry Moore Painfully Hurt by Accident While at Work on Pole.

Harry Moore, a lineman, fell a distance of thirty feet at 5:30 a. m. yesterday from a telephone pole at Ninth and Dodge streets. He received a compound fracture of the left wrist and his back was badly sprained. Moore was taken to the police station, and after his injuries were being attended to he was removed to the Clarkson hospital. At the time of the accident Moore was on a cross-bar of the pole, and the buckle on his belt gave way, causing him to lose his balance and fall. He resides at 413 North Fifteenth street and has been in Omaha only a few days, having been employed out in the state by the telephone company for a number of years. His injuries are not thought to be serious.

## ANOTHER TOOK HIS WIFE

Why E. A. Cooper Sues H. F. Schleusner for Twenty Thousand Dollars.

Edwin A. Cooper has filed in district court a petition for \$20,000 judgment against Henry F. Schleusner, whom he accuses of alienating his wife's affection and carrying her away with him. He relates that Henry took Mrs. Cooper from her happy home at Little Falls, Minn., January 20, and has since had her with him in New York, Chicago and Omaha.

## Low Rate Eastern Excursions.

On July 8 to 9, inclusive, the Nickel Plate Road will sell tickets at one fare for round trip to Portland, Me., and return, with five-cent return limit August 15th. Particulars at City Ticket Office, 111 Adams St., Chicago.

## The Milwaukee Railway.

has on its line at Yorkville, Ill., 21 miles east of Omaha, a beautiful grove and picnic grounds. Committee on location will do well to see this location. Call at City Ticket Office, 1504 Farnam St., for particulars. GEO. B. HAYNES, City Passenger Agent.

Publish your legal notices in The Weekly Bee. Telephone 238.

## UNION PACIFIC PLANS CUT

Will Shorten Line Into Salt Lake to Meet New Competition.

## SCHEME IS TO RUN DIRECT FROM ECHO

Air Line from Denver to Mormon City Is Considered Impracticable on Account of Mountains—Railroad Notes.

The Union Pacific is credited with a new scheme for meeting the competition of the projected Moffatt short line from Denver to Salt Lake City. Reports from abroad indicate that the Union Pacific will build a line almost parallel with that to be constructed by the Denver capitalist and known as the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific.

The Harriman road will meet the competition of its new rival is not denied by executive officials of the company, but that it will meet it by this means is emphatically denied. The Union Pacific has another route or cut-off in mind, already surveyed, and which probably will be adopted when the time comes. It could be constructed in half the time, or less, necessary to complete the Moffatt short line, and consequently work upon its construction need not be started for some time yet.

This cut-off contemplated by the Union Pacific is from Echo straight into Salt Lake City, which would obviate the trip to Ogden and reduce the mileage considerably. But, as a matter of fact, the reduction thus accomplished would be insignificant as compared with that made by a bee line from Denver to Salt Lake City, if such a thing were possible. Railroad officials declare it is not; that in order to run a continuous track from Denver to Salt Lake City it would be necessary to plow through some of the highest and most rugged of the Rockies, forming one solid tunnel for miles that would cost in many places several million dollars a mile. The scheme is pronounced absolutely impracticable by the Union Pacific.

## Bee Line Impossible.

Nor will the Moffatt people be able to do this. Their route will extend from Denver to Salt Lake City not on a bee line, but will be run to the south and have to zig-zag through the mountains so much that in the end it will not have gained much in distance over the present route of the Union Pacific. And after the latter has reduced its course by building the cut-off from Echo down to Salt Lake City it will be in a still better position to compete with the short line.

The Union Pacific has the route from Echo already surveyed, and it is understood that while on his recent trip over the system E. H. Harriman approved this route. The Moffatt feature announces that they are not entering the field to fight any other road, but as a matter of fact they will have very good vantage ground should they decide to become a little pugnacious in the future.

Since the projection of the Moffatt line a number of surveys have been made in territory of that section and among these is one by the Union Pacific from the terminus of its spur through the southwestern part of Utah. The terminus is at the New Mexico and the plan is to extend this branch straight into Los Angeles. This could be accomplished and give the Harriman people good competition with the new Clark-Hill road which soon will traverse that country. With the completion of this route the Union Pacific would have a direct line almost without any detour whatever into the southern California metropolises.

The whole scheme back of the Union Pacific projects is said to be Harriman's resolute determination to make his road a long link in the transportation chain, which will unite European ports with those of Asia. It is conceded that this dream of commercial expansion and railroad supremacy can be realized in no other way than by laying the route from the two great continents through America.

## Sebastian Is Promoted.

The local Rock Island office yesterday received the announcement that John Sebastian, for fifteen years general passenger agent of the Rock Island, had been promoted to the position of passenger traffic manager. The appointment will take effect at once and his office will remain in Chicago. This change will have no effect in the matter of promotions on any local Rock Island men.

## Fate of Passenger Association.

Discussion continues as to the fate of the Western Passenger Association. It is maintained on some hands that its dissolution is threatened by the collapse of the immigration bureau, but local officials laugh at this view. One prominent Union Pacific man is authority for the statement that the permanency of the passenger association is not endangered in the least by the recent failure of the immigrant bureau or that there is any reason whatever for doubting the ability of the passenger association to pull through what minor difficulties exist among its membership or officials.

The passenger association is a much older organization than the immigration bureau, and was never dependent upon the latter for its success or existence.

## Railway Notes and Personals.

General Manager Holdridge of the Burlington has returned from an official trip as far west as Denver. H. E. Gray, commercial agent at Kansas City for the Central of Georgia road, is making the rounds of business in Omaha. A. C. Shaw, general passenger agent, and J. C. Thompson, traveling passenger agent, for the Soo line at Chicago, are in the city.

## ARRESTED AS A DYNAMITARD

Former Prisoner Acts Suspiciously at Rear of Chief Donahue's Home at Night.

What was thought to be an attempt to blow up Chief of Police Donahue, and all his belongings, or to rob his residence, was frustrated at an early hour yesterday by Officer Dunn, who arrested Fred Lee in the alley in the rear of the chief's house, 812 North Seventeenth street. Lee was seen to enter the alley by the officer and was arrested while standing in the rear of Chief Donahue's house. After being taken to the station he was identified as a man who had been released from jail last Wednesday after having served a term on a charge of beating a woman and robbing her. A careful search was made in the alley for explosive material, but nothing was found. Lee denied that he had any intention of doing harm to the chief. He recently came to Omaha from Pennsylvania.

## HELPS ELECTRICAL WORKERS

Building Trades Council Decides to Stand by Linemen in Their Trouble.

The Building Trades council has indorsed the grievances of the electrical workers and will stand by the linemen in their present difficulties. This is taken as an omen of success to the linemen, who claim that certain work is being done by the electrical workers which would be completely tied up if the members of the trades council were to strike, a contingency quite probable in event the tele-

## GLORY OF A GARDEN

A Prominent Chicago Woman Writing to Mrs. Pinkham Says:

"Honor to Whom Honor is Due, and You Deserve Both the Thanks and Honor of the Mothers of America Whom You Have So Blessedly Benefited."

After years of struggle to attain public confidence, with a firm and steadfast belief that some day others will recognize in us the truth, good faith and honesty of purpose that we know we possess, what a genuine satisfaction it is to have succeeded and to feel the uplifting influence of the merited confidence of the vast army of our fellow beings.

This is the standing of Mrs. Pinkham among the women of America today, and Mrs. Brown's letter which we have the great privilege to herewith publish, with her portrait, is only another visible evidence of this truth, and that of all the medicines for women's ills in the world Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound stands today pre-eminently at the head.



MRS. MAY BROWN,

Chairman Program Committee, Westside Literary Union, Chicago, Ill.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—'Honor to whom honor is due,' and you deserve both the thanks and honor of the mothers of America whom you have so blessedly helped and benefited. I have used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound when I would feel run-down or have any of the aches and pains which but few women escape, and I have found that it relieved me at once and gave me new strength. Several ladies, members of our Literary Union, speak in highest praise of your Vegetable Compound, as they have been cured from serious female troubles. One lady, who thought she must submit to an operation was cured without using anything in the world but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Sanative Wash. You have hosts of friends in Chicago, and if you came to visit our city we would delight to do you honor. Gratefully yours,—Mrs. MAY BROWN, 57 Grant Place, Chicago, Ill."

## "How Mrs. Pinkham Helped Mrs. McKinny."

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel it my duty to write and let you know the good you and your Vegetable Compound are doing. I had been sick ever since my first baby was born, and at the birth of my second, my doctor, as well as myself thought I should never live through it. After that menstruation never came regular and when it came I suffered terribly. I also had womb and ovarian trouble. A friend of my husband's advised him to get Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for me. At first I had no faith in it, but now nothing could induce me to be without it. Menstruation has become regular and I feel like a new woman. Your medicine is a God-send to suffering women. I hope this letter will lead others to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Yours truly, Mrs. M. McKINNY, 28 Pearl St., San Francisco, Cal. (March 16, 1901).

If there is anything in your case about which you would like special advice, write freely to Mrs. Pinkham. Address is Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free.

**\$5000** REWARD.—We have deposited with the National City Bank of Lynn, \$5000, which will be paid to any person who can find that the above testimonial letters are not genuine, or were published without obtaining the writer's special permission. Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

phone and telegraph companies persist in not recognizing the linemen's demands. Work on the new building soon to be erected by the Nebraska Telephone company would be affected. It is claimed, by the combined action of the unions if the grievances are not settled.

## SOAP MEN IN CONFERENCE

Manufacturers Will Endeavor to Unite on General Advance in Prices.

The Western Soap Manufacturers' association, which includes representatives of the leading soap factories of the west, was in session at the Her Grand hotel yesterday for the purpose of reaching an understanding as to the sale of soap in the western territory. About a dozen men are present from Chicago, Omaha, Kansas City, Minneapolis, St. Paul and other cities.

"Soap is entirely too low at this time," said a representative of a Chicago factory.

"The prices of all of the ingredients of soap have advanced. We are paying more for tallow, more for potash and more for the wrappers. We had made practically no advance in the price, at least none in comparison to the advance in material, and some of the factories are facing a time when they must run at a loss or advance prices. The representatives here today may have no power to make this advance, but they can make recommendations to their houses and such recommendations will have considerable weight.

"The soap men are getting together. There was a time when they would not co-operate and during that time the premium plan of pushing business grew, until today there are people who will not buy a cake of soap unless they have an ultimate chance of getting a grand piano or a house and lot. There is no reason why soap makers should be expected to give household goods and musical instruments to the people who buy their goods, and there are many reasons why soap should sell as any other product, upon its merits. It is to discuss all these things that the meeting is being held."

## INCREASE IN SCHOOL CENSUS

Complete Returns in from Eight of the Eighteen Enumerating Districts.

Eight of the eighteen enumerating districts of the city have been heard from and the returns show a gain of 274 children of school age over the corresponding districts of a year ago. For the purpose of enumeration each ward is divided into districts, known as the north and south of east and west districts. The returns thus far received are as follows:

North district of Second ward, 1901, 1902, 2,061, 2,314  
South district of Second ward, 2,027, 2,281  
North district of Third ward, 807, 894  
South district of Third ward, 1,441, 1,543  
North district of Fourth ward, 1,134, 1,153  
West district of Fifth ward, 1,142, 1,176  
North district of Seventh ward, 1,261, 1,282  
North district of Eighth ward, 1,116, 1,135

Totals, 13,738, 15,094

Increase, 1,356

The falling off in the south district of the Eighth ward is due to the fact that the students of Creighton university were not counted this year, as has been done in a past year. The faculty explained to the enumer-

ator that that institution received none of the public money, and that, therefore, none of the students were non-residents, so declined to give the usual data. It is thought that the school district of Omaha will not be in a position to demand this information, since the faculty are neither the parents nor the guardians of the students.

Last year the school district of Omaha received from the state \$42,414.87 as its share of the state school fund. The first half of the present fiscal year shows an increase over the amount paid for the first half of the last fiscal year of \$1,366.70, and at this rate, the total increase will be about \$2,600. The amount of taxes paid the district by the state is in proportion to the number of children of school age in the district, each child increasing the amount by approximately \$1.50.

## TALK OF PROPOSED CATHEDRAL

Bishop and Priests Discuss Subject, but Make No Definite Plans.

The annual retreat of the Roman clergymen of the diocese of Omaha came to a close Friday evening. Yesterday morning at Creighton college there was held a synod of the diocese at which the priests of the jurisdiction were present, including secular and regular. Matters relative to the rules of the diocese were discussed, but nothing of interest to the laity.

The proposed cathedral was discussed at the retreat by Bishop Scannell and the clergymen, and it is understood that the building will certainly be constructed, although the bishop is not ready to make any positive announcement as to the time it will be started.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

The office of the city treasurer will be kept open Saturday afternoon until 4 o'clock to accommodate those who are unable to call earlier in the day to pay their taxes. June 28 is the last Saturday before the city taxes become delinquent.

Judge Munger of the federal court has named the date for the October term of court as the time for the memorial services to be held in respect to the late Gen. M. L. Lambertson. This will be at Lincoln and brings the services on Monday, October 1. At that time the resolutions drawn up by a committee appointed by the court will be read and speeches made by prominent attorneys of Nebraska.

Clyde Johnson, a colored lad of 9 years, shot himself in the right hand at 1 p. m. yesterday while playing with a revolver. The ball entered in the palm of the hand and broke one of the small bones. Johnson was near Twelfth street and Capitol avenue examining the revolver when it was discharged. He was taken to the police station and the wound dressed by a police surgeon. He lives at Eleventh and Davenport streets.

## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

J. H. Shields of Fort Morgan, Colo., is in the city.

Dr. Charles Etkar and wife of St. Louis are in the city.

Dr. L. H. Dillon of Auburn, Neb., is at the Merchants.

"Spud" Farish returned yesterday from the south, where he has been for several months on account of his health. For a time he was at Hot Springs, Ark., and from there went to Texas, where he remained for a month or more. While in the south his life was despaired of and it was only by the most careful attention that he was able to rally at the present time. He is able to attend to his work and will report for duty at the city hall Monday morning.

# A TWENTIETH CENTURY NEWSPAPER.

There is no newspaper in the United States published in a city of less than 150,000 inhabitants that ranks with The Omaha Bee, as complete, up-to-date and well edited newspaper. It is recognized as the representative paper of the Trans-mississippi region.

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### The Illustrated Bee

There is only one other paper in the country which prints a half-tone supplement that compares with The Illustrated Bee. The quality of the paper and engravings, as well as the pictures, place it in a class by itself. The Bee has its own photographic department, so that nothing of interest to be presented to our readers, escapes the eye of the camera. Each week's issue contains Frank Carpenter's letters illustrated from his own snap shots, and these alone are worth the price of a year's subscription. The holiday and special numbers of The Illustrated Bee compare favorably with the best magazines. The colored covers are works of art, and the special illustrations most pleasing.

## A Bigger as Well as a Better Newspaper.

Most of the issues of The Bee are ten and twelve pages, so that it gives its readers a greater number of pages than its competitors by from twenty-five to fifty per cent. Not only does it print a