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Annual Taxpayers' Meetings Opposed.

METHOD IS ANTIQUATED

School Board Thinks It Should Have as Much Power as County Commissioners, and Bill Will Go to Next Legislature.

Almost general dissatisfaction seems to prevail in educational circles relative to the custom of holding annual taxpayers' meetings for the purpose of considering the tax levy and the subject matter pertaining to the local public schools.

Research among the archives of the past indicates that the idea has been in vogue a long time, although nobody appears to know just when it originated.

Bill to Abolish Failed.

A bill to abolish the system was presented at the last session of the legislature, but for some reason or other never became a law.

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"Ice Football" Has No Kicks and No Broken Bones.

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DOLLAR'S CARGO SHIFTS

Alaska Steamer Compelled to Run for Seah Bay Harbor.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—The steamer Harold Dollar, the first boat to clear direct for Seward, Alaska, has been compelled to put back to Seah Bay to trim her cargo.

Second Man Causes Death.

LAKE GENEVA, Wis., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Louis Erb shot and killed his wife at 2:30 this evening and then shot himself, dying instantly.

SELECTED VERSES OF THE DAY

My Love. A rover am I and a lover bold, And the earth is my lady fair.

Those Misty Blue Eyes. She sold me a book, and I do not know why, She sold me a book, and I do not know why.

The Sad Case of Percival. Percival Perkin Ptolemy Jones Was his mamma's pride and only son.

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KENTUCKY POLITICS WARM

Senatorial Combat in Bluegrass State Is Close. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 29.—With the closing of headquarters here tonight and the departure of the chief figures in the fight for the seat in the United States Senate now held by J. C. S. Blackburn.

French Agitators Convicted. PARIS, Dec. 29.—In the Assize Court of the Seine today, 25 members of the anti-military organization, accused of inciting recruits to disloyalty and insurrection, were found guilty.

Editor Has Throat Cut. HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 29.—Editor O. F. McCannell, of the Cameron, Tex. Herald, was killed today in his office at that place by Wirt Terry, an employe.

Traffic Resumed on Railroads. ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 30.—M. Ayk-moff, a member of the Senate, has been appointed Minister of Justice.

Odessa Has Quieted Down. LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Times, in its second edition today, publishes a dispatch from Odessa which announces that the crisis there is over.

Man Kills in Saloon. DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 30.—(Special.)—E. R. McDaniel, president of the Dallas Abstract Company, and prominent in business and politics, was shot and killed tonight in a saloon by Elmo Trimble.

Joy Morton Will Recover. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 30.—The condition of Joy Morton was such this evening that he is expected to recover today, left tonight for New York.

Judge DeHaven Gives Opinion. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—United States District Judge De Haven today, by agreement of counsel, handed down a decree awarding the libel suit of \$250,000, which \$250,000 is to be paid H. T. Payne.

WEATHER METEOROLOGICAL REPORT. PORTLAND, Dec. 30.—Maximum temperature, 45 deg.; minimum, 28. River reading at S. M. A. 4.3 feet; change in past 24 hours, 0.5 of a foot.

WEATHER CONDITIONS. The storm central of the Washington coast yesterday evening advanced rapidly eastward during the last 24 hours.

FUNERAL NOTICES. CLAYTON—In this city, December 29, 1905, at 409 Morrison street, Edward Clayton, aged 56 years.

FUNERAL NOTICES. TRACY—At residence of his son, 385 Lovell street, in this city, December 29, 1905, John Walter Tracy, aged 72 years.

FUNERAL NOTICES. WISNER—In this city, December 29, 1905, at 100 1/2 1/2 street, James J. Wisner, aged 58 years.

FUNERAL NOTICES. CAMPBELL—At Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 27, 1905, Mrs. M. E. Campbell, aged 60 years.

FUNERAL NOTICES. J. F. FINLEY & SON—Funeral directors and embalmers, No. 281 1/2 St. Cor. Madison.

FUNERAL NOTICES. DENNING, MENESTER & GILBAUGH, Successors to Denning & Campion, undertakers and embalmers.

FUNERAL NOTICES. EDWARD HOLMAN CO., Undertakers and embalmers, have moved to their new building.

FUNERAL NOTICES. F. S. DUNNING, Undertaker, 414 East Alder.

FUNERAL NOTICES. ZIEGLER-BURNES CO., Undertakers, embalmers, 215 Russell.

FUNERAL NOTICES. NEW TODAY. Mortgage Loans 5%, Upwards Real Estate—City and Farm. Insurance in All Lines.

FUNERAL NOTICES. A. H. BIRRELL, 223-3 McKay Bldg., Third and Stark sts.

FUNERAL NOTICES. Flanders Street 100x100 feet, between 20th and 21st sts., facing south. Price below market value.

HAWAIIAN OFFICIALS ANGRY

Declare Jordan's Statement of Facts Victorian's Falsehood.

HONOLULU, Dec. 29.—Local officials and physicians who were concerned in the investigation of the death of Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford in this city, expressing indignation over the cable report to the effect that President David Starr Jordan, of the Leland Stanford University, has made a statement.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—(Special correspond.)—John R. Walsh's exit as a banker today was accompanied by many pathetic incidents at the magnificent bank building in Monroe street, which he had erected but a few years ago.

While the draymen were shouting their orders and tugging at the mahogany desks that Mr. Walsh had used so many years in the bank structure, the financier walked nervously up and down the marble floors.

Occasionally he glanced over the exquisitely decorated walls and the elaborate marble adornments and, like the Moor of Granada, heaved a sigh, as he turned his back on the tender associations recalled by the walls and the office fixtures.

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