

TO EXTEND FREE SCHOOLS

Proposed Bill for Gratis Tuition Receives Warm Endorsement.

BOARD OF EDUCATION TAKES ACTION

Measure Provides that Residents of Nebraska Shall Be Admitted to Any High School in the State Without Charge.

The Omaha Board of Education adopted a resolution last night requesting the Douglas county delegation in the legislature to do all in its power to secure the passage of a bill granting to residents of Nebraska free tuition in any high school in the state.

For many years the principal in the Omaha High school has had controversies with parents who live just outside the city limits concerning the right of their children to attend the high school without paying tuition.

A resolution was presented by Mr. Howard, which provided that the board secure the passage of a law granting free tuition to the children of all residents of Douglas county who are taxpayers in the city of Omaha.

Resolution is Tabled.

Robert Smith suggested that a law might be satisfactory which provides that free tuition be granted to children whose parents pay taxes which equal the price of tuition.

The question of raising the salaries of janitors was revived at last night's meeting and tabled. Mr. Christie of the committee on salaries offered resolutions which provided that the salaries of the janitors at the high school and the Saunders school be raised \$10 per month.

Dr. Frederick F. Teal's resignation as a member of the board was presented and accepted. He left Omaha last week to accept the superintendency of the Norfolk Hospital for the Insane.

Having given up his residence in Omaha, I herewith tender my resignation as a member of your honorable body. I wish to extend my thanks to the members individually for their many acts of kindness and courtesy.

Elaborate Annual Report.

The report of the Board of Education for the year ending June 30, 1900, was distributed among the members. The book contains photographs of the present high school building and the new building which is in course of construction.

F. H. Gulek was awarded the contract for tuning pianos in the city schools. The contract price was \$275 per instrument.

Bellevue college requested that its graduates be exempted from taking grade examinations when seeking places in the Omaha schools.

Miss Pearl Riley was placed on the assigned list of kindergarten teachers. City Treasurer Hennings' report on the school funds for 1900 showed that \$25,293.93 more in taxes was collected than in 1899.

The man who was "born tired" should use Prickly Ash Bitters. It makes work a pleasure to give vent to the energy and exuberance of spirits generated by functional activity in the system.

EXPENSES ARE NO OBJECT

Sarah Bernhardt Travels Amid the Most Dazzling Luxury.

"Yes, it is true," says Manager Burgess of Boyd's theater. "That Mrs. Bernhardt carries her own carriage and horses with her wherever she goes and that she uses them constantly in going between the trains, hotels and the theaters.

Includes a special car in her splendid train and a school bus along with her not only her hostler to care for her team, but her own French coachman to drive her about. She never has to put her foot upon the ground.

As soon as her train pulls into a station her team and carriage are unloading and by the time she is ready to leave the cars it is driven down the platform to the car steps. I don't know that she carries this equipment to avoid exposure to contagious and infectious diseases in patronizing public conveyances.

"I have just returned from Kansas City, at which place I was called by the burning of the Coates opera house on Thursday night. Our loss is pretty heavy from the fire, but we will soon make it back, for we have leased the new Standard theater and open there tonight. It has only been open about two months, is fire-proof, richly

It Hangs On

We are talking about your cough. One cold no sooner passes off before another comes. But it's the same old cough all the time.

There is first the cold, then the cough, then pneumonia or consumption, with the long sickness and life trembling in the balance.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

loosens the grasp of your cough. The congestion of the throat and lungs is removed; all inflammation is subdued; the parts are put perfectly at rest, and the cough drops away.

By what stretch of the imagination anyone could conceive Herb Howell as bearing any resemblance to the much-wanted Crowe is a mystery, but the popular traveling passenger agent of the Milwaukee

and handsomely furnished and has the biggest seating capacity in Kansas City. "Mrs. Bernhardt arrived in Kansas City on a special train of half a dozen coaches Sunday night and was tendered an ovation at the depot. There were hundreds there to see her arrival. Among them were many prominent citizens and every Kansas City paper had representatives there.

"Anyone who witnessed the preparations in Kansas City for the Bernhardt-Couquelin performance there can readily understand how utterly impossible it would have been for them to produce 'L'Aiglon' here with the limited time they have to stop in Omaha. Why, the scenery for 'L'Aiglon' arrived in Kansas City last Thursday and it took the transfer company over twenty-four hours to get it hauled up to the theater. It would simply be impossible to put the scenery for 'L'Aiglon' in here in a day, which is all the time they would have to do it. They have had a man in Kansas City for three days drilling the 500 supernumeraries required for the production.

"Owing to the burning of the Coates opera house and the necessity of a change of location of the Bernhardt-Couquelin production we secured about 600 seats more than we would have had and every seat is already sold. The sales ran over \$6,000 and were made early. We have some good seats left yet for the Omaha engagement, although Mrs. Bernhardt is to appear here in her masterpiece which Sardou wrote for her with a view especially to display her dramatic power.

"The Bernhardt special will arrive in Omaha over the Missouri Pacific at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning and it will be strange if its coming does not attract considerable attention. It is very probable that her carriage will be seen about the streets tomorrow."

STORM COVERS LARGE AREA

Cold Wave Reported General Throughout Almost the Entire Country.

ACCOMPANIED BY SNOW AND HIGH WIND

Zero Weather on Tap for Omaha-Mercury Falls to 24 Below at Winnipeg-Railroads Hampered by Storm.

The snow storm of Saturday night and Sunday was general throughout the central valley country and upper lake regions, extending eastward to the Atlantic coast. The fall was especially heavy in Missouri, Arkansas and the southwest. Accompanying the storm at Chicago and vicinity was a high wind, at times reaching a velocity of sixty miles an hour. A velocity of thirty-four miles an hour was recorded at the Omaha weather bureau.

The fall in temperature was also quite general, reaching a maximum at Winnipeg of 24 degrees below zero. North Platte reports 2 below zero, Valentine 6 below and Cheyenne 2 above zero. North Platte appears to have been the coldest point in the state. The thermometer in the local weather bureau recorded a degree above at 7 o'clock this morning, a degree of cold which had been reached in Omaha but twice before this winter. From northern Iowa come reports of a fall of 28 degrees. The indications for the next twenty-four hours are continued cold, with perhaps a slight drop in temperature.

The railroads felt the effects of the storm Sunday night and yesterday morning and nearly every train was from fifteen minutes to four hours late. The Rock Island had the most trouble on the road and came in four hours behind time. The coaches were covered with snow and frost and some of the trains suggested a moving iceberg. The trainmen coming from the east reported that the storm had been very heavy in Illinois and that they had passed through snow all the way from Chicago. The depth of the snow was given as from ten inches to two feet in Illinois. None of the roads reported any serious mishaps in consequence of the storm, but the Rock Island was hampered by inability to make the usual headway.

Death of Mrs. Myerson.

Mrs. Cora W. Myerson, nee G. S. Myerson, formerly of Omaha, died at her

home 1300 Victor street, St. Louis, January 22 after an illness of two years. The deceased suffered from nervous prostration, the immediate cause of which was a stroke of paralysis. Three daughters of tender years survive her.

Mrs. Myerson had many friends in Omaha who will be pained to learn of her death. It is said that she had several years in the packing business in South Omaha.

Frank Rooney of South Omaha is taken up on charges of plundering houses where he lodges.

STOP OVER AT NIAGARA FALLS.

Passengers from the west holding tickets reading "York and Buffalo" and the Lehigh Valley railroad will be allowed stopover at Niagara Falls without extra charge.

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