

Nebraska STATE BOARD MAKES CUT IN ESTIMATES

State Commissioners Reduce Sums Asked for by Superintendents.

MILFORD HOME IS FAVORED ONE

Makes Big Cut Along Line of Extraordinary Expenses and Lesser Cut in the Ordinary Expense Line.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—In an effort to keep down appropriations for the next biennium the State Board of Control has cut the amounts asked for by the institutions under its control \$48,723 less than the superintendents of the institutions believe will be needed to run for the coming two years on ordinary expenses. Every institution has had to suffer except the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Milford, which the board raises from \$78,493 asked by Commandant Rowden to \$88,885. One other institution, the Institute for the Blind at Nebraska City, remains the same. In making its figures the board makes a comparison with appropriations voted by the last session of the legislature and makes a raise over those appropriations of \$6,790. In counting extraordinary expenses the board makes a big cut along that line, making a reduction of \$10,000 from superintendents' estimates and \$272,375 over appropriations of two years ago. The \$150,000 voted for a reformatory has not been used.

This makes a total reduction made by the board from the amounts asked for by superintendents of \$85,723 and from the appropriation for the present biennium of \$112,195.

YOUNG M'COOL MAN DIES OF HIS WOUND

M'COOL, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Otto Bellows, who shot and killed his mother and wounded his sister and fired a bullet into his own head, died at 2 o'clock this morning. The young man is believed to have been temporarily insane at the time of the shooting.

It had been known that he was dissatisfied because he was not given the authority of conducting the affairs of the farm since his father's death. His mother had complained to the authorities early in the week and this is supposed to have angered him. At noon yesterday he threatened to blow up the gas plant in the basement of the home. It is said he carved some of the furniture with a butcher knife.

After shooting his mother and sister, the young man started after Earle Wiedman, the hired man, and drove him out of the house and into the yard, where he fired seven shots at him, but without effect. The shot fired at his sister entered her shoulder, and while it is a severe wound it is thought she will recover. The gun used was a .22-caliber repeating rifle.

JONES GIVEN VERDICT FOR INJURY SUSTAINED IN FIGHT

FAIRBURY, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—After deliberating five or six hours on the criminal action of E. H. Jones against Peter Barkman for the recovery of \$2,000, the jury allowed Mr. Jones a judgment of \$100. The suit was the outgrowth of a fight in Jansen a few months ago over the operation of a slot machine. Jones was injured and was under the care of a doctor for a few days. Barkman was arrested and paid a fine for assault and battery.

See Plant for Cambridge

CAMBRIDGE, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Ruben Finch yesterday purchased machinery for an artificial ice plant. He has leased the Harvey building and will remodel the same.

Nebraska Biddy "Laymore" Proves Herself To Be Some Hen

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The Nebraska hen is entitled to the grand medal as a producer of wealth. Corporations may pay a 10 or 20 per cent dividend on the money invested, but it is left to a Nebraska hen to bring her owner 800 per cent on the amount invested in this case. There may be something in a name and a contest put on at Mountain Grove, Mo., between two hens of great producing ability, calling under the names of "Laymore" and "Lady Showme," which has been given considerable publicity. In which the Missouri hen, "Lady Showme," was pitted against the Nebraska hen, "Laymore." In which the Missouri hen was unable to live up to her name, while the Nebraska hen more than made good on her name, indicates that the Cornhusker fowl was some hen, and Statistical Engineer George W. Kline of the State Board of Agriculture has this to say about Laymore:

Lady Laymore belongs to Oscar E. Hensling of Mead, Neb. She is a fowl produced 28 eggs in 305 days. If marketed at the average price for the locality of Mead these eggs would bring \$4.80. The prevailing price for the fowl is \$1.50. The average price for the hen would bring about 60 cents. This gross income from Lady Laymore is 800 per cent. Without definite figures as to the feeding cost, the net income can hardly be computed. On the basis of \$2 paid out for extra select feed for Lady Laymore, the net income is 45 per cent. Lady Showme, the defeated opponent, was valued at \$1,000 and no price has been set on the winner. According to the government census of 1910, the Nebraska hen produced 46,929 (823 dozen) eggs. The eggs of that year brought the farmers approximately \$10,000,000, to say nothing of the cash value of the 16,000,000 fowls on Nebraska farms.

Notes from Auburn And Nemaha County

AUBURN, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The poultry show, which has been in session for four days, closed Friday night. Some 500 birds were on exhibition. Both Omaha and Lincoln were represented by exhibitors. E. M. Quay of Laporte, Ind., was the scorer, and seems to have given good satisfaction. The attendance has been good.

Word has just been received of the death of Sarah Reimers at Patmona, Cal. She was one of the early settlers of this county, and was the wife of R. Reimers, also an early settler, and they were married here in 1854.

Mary Plager died at her home in this city last night. She was the widow of Herman Plager, who died some twenty years ago. Mrs. Plager was a native of Germany and came to this county when a little girl. She is survived by three daughters, all married.

Miss Fannie Shaffer and Rolla Morton were married by Rev. Dearden at the Christian church parsonage Thursday. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shaffer, and the groom is one of the rural mail carriers out of Nemaha. The fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Thomas McCune and wife of Julian was celebrated this week. They spent all of the fifty years of married life in this county.

DR. THOMAS WRITES RURAL ARITHMETIC

KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Critics examining the manuscript presented by Dr. A. O. Thomas for the new series of arithmetics, which he has just completed, when he was in New York City a few days ago, were well pleased with the manner in which the material was handled. No trouble was experienced in getting the books on the press and the first series, a rural arithmetic, will be ready for summer sales. Dr. Thomas had goodbye to many friends in Kearney on Friday, and together with his family will make his home in Lincoln after the first of the week.

Nebraska KINKAIDER TO HOLD OFFICE

Question of Residence Brought Up in Case of Mr. Pool.

CONFLICT WITH CONSTITUTION

As Usual the Fundamental Law of the State is Quite Likely to Come Out on Top in Contest of Authority. (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—For the first time in the history of Nebraska a Kinkaid homesteader will be called to fill one of the state offices when the change takes place on the 15th of next month. While this is a new thing in the history of Nebraska, around the proposition comes the query from different sources as to how a homesteader can live upon his claim according to law and at the same time reside in Lincoln as is expressly set out in the constitution which reads:

"The governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts and treasurer shall reside at the seat of government during their term of office, etc."

The controversy involves the holding of office of Charles W. Pool, who has been elected secretary of state and who has a claim recently drawn by him in the government sale of land in western Nebraska. Some people have gone so far as to say that Mr. Pool must either give up his office or his homestead, but their attention is called to a ruling by the land department made several years ago and which has not been set aside, which provided that where a holder of a homestead is elected to a public office within the same territory of which his homestead is a part he shall not be required to live upon his homestead, but may fill the office and reside in the place where the location of the office is made by law.

However, Mr. Pool's family has been living on the homestead during the time which has passed since he obtained it and improvements have been made, while he has sold his property at Tecumseh and has made his legal residence since that time on his homestead.

It has been the custom of state officers in the past when the constitution requires to live in Lincoln still to hold their legal residence in the home town from which they were elected for voting purposes and that is being done in some instances at the present time.

It is not probable that the land department will change a ruling which has been in vogue for many years, especially when it involves the loss of a job to a tried and true democrat.

Names His Office Force. Charles W. Pool, who will on January 7 be sworn in as secretary of state, has made his appointments for the office force, though he has made up his mind not to assign them until he discovers the qualifications of each. In addition to Hugh L. Cooper, a former newspaper man of Johnson county, whom he appointed some time ago as his deputy; the following are given out as the official family in the office: Kenneth A. McRae fills the position of deputy recorder of deeds for that county. He is secretary of the Young Men's Democrat club of Grand Island. Max Kattelman of Omaha is connected with the health department of that city. B. R. Bays is from Saunders county and has been cashier of a bank at a small town in that county.

Miss Cecil Snapp, who will probably be the stenographer in the office, has filled the position of chief clerk and stenographer in the office of Colonel Phil Ackerman, hotel commissioner. The office of labor commissioner, which Mr. Pool holds, is in the same department and it was her general efficiency and ability, which attracted the attention of Mr. Pool and he persuaded Mr. Ackerman that Miss Snapp was entitled to promotion.

Miss Edna Saffer lives in York county, but for several years was employed at the Common office in Lincoln. Recently she has been employed in the office of F. M. Eager.



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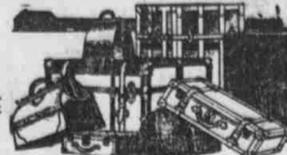
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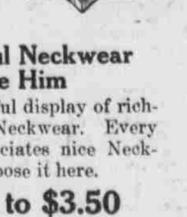
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Poultry Show at Fremont Draws Large Entry List

Poultry breeders of eastern Nebraska were out in full force with their best fowls at the Dodge county poultry show at Fremont last week. One hundred and three exhibitors displayed 1,200 thoroughbred birds, making this year's show the greatest in numbers ever held in eastern Nebraska, with the exception of some of the big Omaha shows. The Barred Rock breeders proved the popularity of their breed by making theirs the largest class in the show, 210 birds, or more than a fourth of the total entry list.

Other big classes were White Wyandottes, Buff Orpingtons and Rhode Island Reds. A freak one-winged Brown Leghorn was on exhibition and was one of the big features of the show. Another unusual display was a coop of capons.

Judge A. H. Rhoads satisfactorily handled the stupendous job of judging the entire show alone. The score card system of judging was employed.

The citizens of Fremont offered more silver cups as prizes than are usually seen at a county show. Thirty-one silver trophy cups were given to winners. It was necessary for the donor of silver cup for highest scoring bird in the show to provide two, as a bird owned by J. E. Porter and one owned by W. J. Anderson tied with a score of 96 1/2 points of a possible 100.

A striking example of woman's ability along lines heretofore considered only man's work was the large number of woman exhibitors, and the fact that a woman, Mrs. O. Alsworth, won more silver trophy cups than any other exhibitor.

Members of the Dodge County Poultry association showed their appreciation of Secretary J. W. Catter's work by re-electing him secretary for another year.

Mrs. Bertram Refused Divorce. MADISON, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The divorce case of Ella Bertram against August Bertram was dismissed, there being no grounds for divorce. The costs were taxed to the defendant. Court adjourned until January 26.

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