

Nebraska

RAISE LINCOLN PHONE RATE

State Railway Commission Enters Long-Expected Order. TWENTY-TWO PER CENT LIFT

Exhaustive Inquiry Made Into Business Conditions and Status of Lines Before Decision Was Finally Arrived At.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., June 27.—(Special.)—After considering the matter of a raise in telephone rates for nearly six months for the city of Lincoln the railway commission today handed down its decision in the matter making a raise of 22 per cent on individual business phones and 25 cents on individual residence phones.

The battle against a raise in rates by the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company has been a bitter one and has been carried on with a great deal of feeling, both against the company and against the commission.

According to the report of the commission, which is signed by Commissioners Clarke and Taylor and which is opposed by Commissioner Hall, the reproduction values of the Lincoln plant is placed at \$1,785,807 and the depreciation or present value at \$1,381,415.

The rates put in to effect are as follows: Old Rate, New Rate. Individual business, \$3.00, \$4.00. Two-party, 4.50, 5.50. One-way phone, 4.00, 5.00.

University Place, Havelock, Bethany,

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College View, Raymond, Daver, Waverly and Malcomb will have the choice of Lincoln zone rates or rates which apply only to local exchange.

Exhaustive Inquiry. Commissioners Clarke and Taylor, as Commissioner Hall refused to concur, arrived at the decision after making the most exhaustive investigation ever made in a telephone rate case.

Cut Out Duplications. In arriving at its decision the commission cut out all duplications of property of the two plants, except that portion necessary for advance construction.

For instance, Omaha, a city three or four times the size of Lincoln, handles only nine calls per phone per day, but at Lincoln the call per day would be 300,000.

Phone Revenues. In support of its conclusions that the new rate in Lincoln is not excessive in comparison to that charged in other cities, the commission shows in its decision the revenue derived from phones in these cities:

Table with columns: No. of Phones, Rev. Per Phone, Omaha, Lincoln, etc.

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TO PARK CAPITOL GROUNDS

State Board Decides to Complete Plans of Beautification. WILL INSTALL FISH POND

Omaha Company to Engage in Line of Business for Accommodation of Travelling Motorists in Nebraska.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, June 27.—(Special.)—The State Board of Public Lands and Buildings met this morning and decided to complete the cement walks to all parts of the state house grounds not already provided except those on the extreme outside around the grounds.

Will Bring Willis Back. Governor Morehead will ask the governor of Kansas to send back to Nebraska Rufus Willis, who is charged with stealing a valuable watch from George Johnson of Falls City.

License New Company. The insurance department of the state has licensed the Bankers' Life of Monmouth, Ill., to do business in the state.

Company Lacks Authority. Representative D. S. Hardin of Alma has made a complaint to writing policies in this section and wants to know if they have authority to do so.



KING-PECK CO. "HOME OF QUALITY CLOTHES"

FORMERLY KING-SWANSON CO. 16th at HOWARD

The adopting of our underselling campaign has proven a wonderful success—

Giving the greatest possible values in high class apparel at lowest possible prices, has struck a popular chord with Omaha men; it insures a decisive saving of 15 to 25% on every suit.

Here's the fundamental principle of this new policy

In order to establish a new standard of value-giving in this territory, we proceeded on the theory that to mark our garments at the very opening of the season, the lowest possible prices at which dependable suits could be sold, would from the economical view of the policy alone, cause our sales to outdistance all previous records.

- Outing Suits— \$10 to \$25
Crash Suits— \$5 to \$6.50
True Blue Serges \$10 to \$35
3-Piece Suits— \$10 to \$40

Cool Summer Shirts

Immense Assortments, Reasonably Priced

Costless days means your shirts should be new and smart appearing. They should lend the wearer that cool, satisfied look. Our shirts do that and more. \$1 to \$5



Unusual Values in Furnishings

- Summer Union Suits . . \$1 to \$5
Silk Hose . . . . . 25c up to \$1
Belts . . . . . 25c and up
Wash Ties . . . . . 25c to \$1
Silk Cravats . . . . . 50c to \$2

Best Straws in Town

And that's no idle boast. We stand ready to show you the greatest values hereabouts. Assortments are immense and service the best.

- Split Sailors . . . \$1.00 to \$5.00
Sennit Sailors . . \$1.50 to \$3.50
Panamas . . . . . \$5.00 to \$10
Cool Bangkoks . . . \$5 and up
Soft Roll Millans . . \$4 and \$5



Special Prices for the Fourth

- Ladies' Balkan Dresses, in tissues and linen; latest effect, \$12.50 values; specially priced at \$7.75
Dainty Cool Summer Dresses, in white and figured voile, from \$5.98 to \$11.75
A large sample line of Men's Spring Suits at cut prices; a nice light worsted or blue serge suit—\$12.50 value, at \$8.75
Men's Pants in fancy worsted or cheviot, also blue serge, at \$1.75, \$2.50 and \$3.50
Men's Oxford Shoes, in black or tan, button or lace; special at \$2.50



UNION Outfitting Co. 16th and Jackson Sts. Consolidated with THE PEOPLES STORE

SCHMIDT HEADS STATE DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION

NORFOLK, Neb., June 27.—(Special.)—The Nebraska Pharmaceutical association, which held a two-days' session here, elected the following officers: President, J. H. Schmidt, Omaha; vice presidents, J. H. McDowell, Tecumseh; R. J. Christian, Daykin; Clark Dort, Auburn; Mr. Stout, O'Neill; G. A. Chapman, Valentine; secretary, J. G. McBride, University Place (re-elected); treasurer, D. D. Adams, Nebraska; delegates to the American association convention at Nashville, Tenn., A. V. Pease, Fairbury; Frank Ross, Fremont; Edward Bexten, Omaha; R. A. Lyman, Lincoln; Herbert Lock, Central City; D. J. Flak, Holdrege.

Some Chicken



A Parrot That is 116 Years Old and Not Yet in Cold Storage. This picture is taken from an actual photograph of a parrot that is 116 years old, and still has a lively croak. It belongs to an English family, but spent fifty years of its feathered life in that country.

Nebraskan's Sloop is Wrecked Off Cape Cod

BOSTON, June 27.—Ralph Goddard, an instructor at the University of Nebraska, and a student at the university, were brought here today by a fishing vessel which picked them up when Goddard's twenty-six foot sloop Imp was sinking off Cape Cod Wednesday.

Experts Look Up Figures.

Experts Wetting and Powell of the railway commission have gone to Omaha to examine the books of the Bell Telephone company in order to get the condition of the company at its exchange at Lexington, a hearing of which is pending.

Potato Diseases to Be the Subject of Investigation

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, June 27.—(Special.)—Eugene H. Grubb, the potato king, assisted by experts from Germany, France, England and America, will make extensive tests at Alliance and Mitchell, Neb., in order to find out the cause of the germ disease which is said to be prevalent in the western states.

Woman Tries to Save Accused Husband From Prison Term

LINCOLN, Neb., June 27.—Mrs. Arlie Johnson took the stand here today in federal court and made a passionate plea to save her husband, Harry Johnson, after he had pleaded guilty to violating the Mann white slave law. She bared her past, declaring she had been an immoral woman since she was 16 years of age. Johnson was sentenced to a year and a day in the Leavenworth, Kan., penitentiary.

Notes from Beatrice And Gage County

BEATRICE, Neb., June 27.—(Special.)—Theodore Skandany yesterday attempted suicide by drinking about four ounces of carbolic acid. His condition is critical, and the attending physician says his recovery is doubtful. Two years ago he tried to end his life by shooting himself in the head. He has a large family and has been dependent for the last few days.

Fast Train Derailed by Dirt Dropped on Tracks from Wagons

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., June 27.—(Special.)—The board of inquiry investigating the wrecking of the fast mail Union Pacific west bound late yesterday, has found that the jumping of the track by the engine "tender" was caused by refuse dirt jolted from wagons as they had crossed the track at Gothenburg. The engine and five cars performed the unusual stunt of running about 1,000 feet on the ties before plowing up the track and being derailed.

Boys Escape from Industrial School; One is Recaptured

KEARNEY, Neb., June 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Warren Hazlett was arrested this morning at 3 o'clock after he had broken into the Golden Eagle clothing store and outfitted himself from head to foot with new clothing. Warren was just preparing to leave the store, having everything but his newly appropriated shoes on his person, when officers passing by the rear entrance of the store noticed the trams broken open. Upon entering the store they found the young man preparing to leave.

Articles Are Filed For New Interurban

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., June 27.—(Special.)—Articles of incorporation of the Niobrara, Sioux City & Omaha Railroad company were filed with the secretary of state today. The articles do not state whether the road is to be steam or electric, though it is understood that it will be the latter.

Aurora Mills Burn, Causing Heavy Loss

AURORA, Neb., June 27.—Fire last night destroyed the plant of the Aurora Milling company, containing much wheat and flour. The loss is placed at \$40,000.

First Petition Received on University Extension

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., June 27.—(Special.)—The first referendum petition covering the proposition giving the people the right to vote on the university extension proposition as set out by the last legislature, reached the office of the secretary of state today.

Orchard & Wilhelm Co. PORCH SPECIALS

An opportunity to purchase furniture for the porch at reduced price. Chairs, settees and rockers of substantial wood construction that are built for outdoor use, in green and weathered oak finish.

Vudor CRETONES 36 inches wide (washable), up from yard. . . . . 25c



THE HERRICK up from \$12.00

FREE ICE SATURDAY

Is the last day you can secure a free ice coupon book with each purchase of one of our REFRIGERATORS

THE GIBSON up from \$6.75