

Nebraska CONVICTS ENJOY THREE MEALS A DAY

Warden Gives Their Menu in Report Filed with State Board of Control.

TWELVE MEN HAVE DEGREES

This Number Out of Four Hundred and Thirty-Six Are College Graduates—State House Employees Paid.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Inmates at the state penitentiary feel little of the conditions covering the high cost of living and appear to get three pretty good meals each day, no matter whether the price of foodstuff is high or low. A report filed with the State Board of Control gives the menu at the institution for the three meals as follows:

Breakfast—Fried bacon, brown gravy, fried potatoes and coffee. Dinner—Roast pork, boiled navy beans, stewed turnips and coffee. Supper—Cottage fried potatoes, brown gravy, hot biscuits, syrup and tea.

Produce of Farm. Other interesting parts of the report show that among the many things raised on the penitentiary farm by the convicts was \$1,024 worth of potatoes, \$2,000 of pork, \$1,312 of alfalfa, \$1,888 of milk, \$1,153 of wheat.

During the biennium there have been 496 people in the institution, of which 498 were male and eight female. Of these 281 were white, fifty-one negroes, two Indians, one Chinese and one Japanese.

Twelve Uni Graduates. Eighteen had no education, fifty-three a primary education, 231 common school, sixty high school and an even dozen were educated in a college or university.

There were 319 who were single, 113 married, seven widowed, three divorced and three did not know whether they were single, married, widowed or divorced.

Under the head of nativity, seventy-nine were born in Nebraska, 289 in the United States outside of Nebraska, and fifty-two were foreign born. Illinois furnished thirty-four, Iowa, thirty-five; Missouri, twenty-eight, and New York, seventeen.

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GAGE FAIR ASSOCIATION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Gage County Society of Agriculture was held Tuesday afternoon, at which time officers were elected: President, F. W. Mumford; vice president, C. G. Baker; treasurer, W. W. Scott; secretary, H. V. Hiesen; chairman of board and general manager, J. C. Emery; members of board of directors, E. L. Hevelone, C. W. Murray, C. H. Green and Dr. C. P. Fall. The report of the secretary showed the society to be in good shape financially.

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Nebraska Governor Denies He's After Heads Of Institutions

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The publication in democratic papers yesterday that Governor Morehead had trouble with the Board of Control and that in connection with it all he was going to ask for the resignation of Dr. Orr of the orthopedic hospital and Superintendent Guttery of the Norfolk insane asylum caused the executive this morning to emphatically deny that he had any intention of quarreling with the Board of Control members over the removal or retention of any heads of institutions.

"You may say," said Governor Morehead to The Bee, "that there is absolutely nothing in the charges. The running of the institutions of the state are absolutely in the hands of the Board of Control and I do not propose to dictate to them what they shall do regarding the heads of those institutions. It is probable that we may confer together on matters of importance if they desire, but as for absolutely demanding the dismissal of any man at the head of any of the institutions under control of the board, I do not intend to do so."

WEST NEBRASKA STOCK WEATHER WINTER WELL ELLSWORTH, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Owing to preparedness and a plentiful supply of hay, stock has not suffered from cold as in former years with each recurring cold snap, but the change to a more moderate temperature from 23 degrees below zero is very acceptable to stock growers and farmers.

Considerable agitation over the division of Sheridan and Garden counties is uppermost at this time. It is proposed to take sufficient from the south part of Sheridan and the north part of Garden to establish a new county, with Lakeside as the county seat. The necessity of this move is of long standing, and is evident in the poor roads and other inconveniences in both counties in this section that could be remedied if even indifferent attention was given by the powers that be in the north and south end of the counties. Petitions have been circulated and unexpected support for the new county is increasing.

The recent personal visit to Ellsworth of Representative-elect F. M. Broome of Alliance, who is now so prominent in the running for speaker of the house at Lincoln, has put his friends here strongly behind him.

He is not fanatical in any view he possesses, and his broadmindedness is a prominent feature of his every action.

LIVE STOCK BREEDERS ANNOUNCE PROGRAM (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—President J. A. Ollis and Secretary H. J. Gramlich of the Nebraska Improved Live Stock Breeders' association have announced an important series of programs for the live stock sections of organized agriculture. These meetings will be held in Lincoln January 15 to 23.

A special colt session of the Nebraska Horse Breeders' association will be held Tuesday morning, January 19. The program follows:

9 a. m., "How a Colt Grows," H. J. Gramlich, Lincoln; "Fall Colic," J. S. Montgomery, The Fowl from Birth to Weaning Time," J. H. S. Johnstone, Chicago, Ill.; "How We Feed and Care for Weanling Fools at Gregory Farm," W. S. Corsa, Whitehall, Ill.; "Can the Eastern Nebraska Farmer Afford to Raise Colts?" Senator J. M. Bates, Fort Crook, Neb.; "Alfaifa and the Draft Colt," T. B. Bowman, Boone, Neb.

HARRY G. LAWRENCE OF TECUMSEH IS DEAD TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Harry G. Lawrence, son of Judge James A. Lawrence, died at noon yesterday in this city. He had been in failing health for two years and diabetes was the cause of death. Mr. Lawrence was aged 36 years. He was born on a farm near Tecumseh and spent the days of his boyhood here, graduating from the Tecumseh High school. One year was spent in newspaper work in Florence, Ala., and thirteen years ago he became a reporter on the Johnstown (Pa.) Democrat. A year later he became a reporter for the News-Standard at Uniontown, Pa., and recently he was promoted to city editor of that paper. Two months ago he had to give up the position owing to failing health. The funeral probably will be held Thursday afternoon.

SCOTTISH RITE RITUAL AT BURIAL OF STRAUBE FAIRBURY, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The first Scottish Rite funeral ever held in Fairbury occurred here at 10:30 last night when the Lincoln consistory held its ritual service over the body of the late Alfred A. Straube in the Christian church. Fairbury members of Lincoln consistory assisted with the services.

Mr. Straube was a member of Lincoln consistory and had attained the highest degree of Masonry. The body was taken to St. Louis this morning for burial. A tribute of honor was paid by a delegation of Rock Island engineers accompanying the body as far as Belleville, Kan.

Mr. Straube had been a prominent Rock Island passenger engineer at Fairbury since 1892.

GERDES ON HUNT FOR WATER FOR INSTITUTE BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Henry Gerdes, a member of the State Board of Control, was in the city conferring with the city commissioners in regard to securing water from the city for the Institute for the Feeble Minded. If necessary arrangements can be made, the water will be pumped from the Zimmerman springs to the state institution.

Oxford selects Debating Team. OXFORD, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Fred Helmer, Merlin Springer and Ralph Cole were selected to represent Oxford High school in the district debating contest. Roy Bendler was chosen alternate. The judges of the preliminary contest were Superintendent D. D. Gibson and Principal W. J. Yourd of Hedroge, and E. J. Buraigast of North Loup.

Dr. King's New Life Pills. For constipation, torpid liver, sallow complexion; their use will strengthen and add tone to your system. 50c. All drug-gists.—Advertisement.

WESTERN STATES FAVORED Dry Legislation is Cause of Failure of 12-Million Brewery

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 23.—The Hostler-Columbus Brewery company, a \$12,000,000 corporation, went into the hands of receivers today or order of the United States district court. "Decreased demand for beer, adverse legislation and the voting dry" of many states and counties in the last eight years, was given as the cause.

The appointment of receivers was made by Judge John E. Sater upon a showing that the company had defaulted payment upon a judgment of \$5,518 in favor of Samuel S. and Victor Steiner of New York.

The court named C. Christian Born and Carl J. Hoeter, large stockholders of the company, as receivers.

In its statement the company declared the voting dry of West Virginia was "the last straw" in a series of legislative acts which reduced seriously the sale of its products. Increase of the saloon license fee to \$1,000 by the Ohio legislature eight years ago, a county local option law and the more recent license system by which the number of saloons was greatly cut down, were mentioned as other causes.

Read the "For Sale" ads if you want bargain of the minute.

DEATH RECORD David O. Brawner. SPRINGFIELD, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—David O. Brawner died last evening at 8 o'clock from the effect of a paralytic stroke. Mr. Brawner came to this county in 1878 and was one of the first businessmen in Springfield. He was a member of the first village board that organized the village. He was a member of the Adventist Christian church and also a member of the Woodmen of the World.

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Christmas Program at Ingleside Hospital

HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—An elaborate program has been arranged for the Christmas festivities to be held at the Nebraska hospital for the insane at Ingleside, from 2 to 4:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. It will be under the direction of Superintendent Baxter, who extends an invitation to the public.

The inside institution is for the incurable insane. Several numbers on the program are by inmates of the institution. The address will be by Superintendent Baxter, after which there will be a number of selections by the Institute orchestra. Miss Baxter, daughter of the superintendent, will sing. There will be reading by Miss Hanshaw, a cello solo by Joseph Harrison and a trombone solo by James Foley. Refreshments will be served later in the day.

OXFORD DEMOCRATS WILL CHOOSE POSTMASTER OXFORD, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The democrats have called a primary for December 26, the purpose being to unite on some one for a successor to Postmaster E. P. Reichardt, whose term expires February 1, 1916. Up to date six persons have signified their desire to become Mr. Reichardt's successor. The primary will be open from 5 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Notes from Ravenna. RAVENNA, Neb., Dec. 23.—N. A. Grigsby, who conducted a saloon in Ravenna for a number of years, but went west for his health a few months ago, died in a hospital in Denver. His body was brought to Ravenna for burial yesterday. He leaves a wife and two children.

A locker at the Burlington shops was broken open and a diamond ring, valued at \$100, together with \$40 in cash, belonging to O. C. Schrank, night machinist, was stolen. There is no clue.

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