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### Sidney Telegraph Commends Supt. Pate

From Sidney Telegraph, April 23:

Prof. W. R. Pate, who has been superintendent of the Sidney schools for the past five years, was tendered the superintendency of the Alliance city schools and has accepted the same.

His acceptance was contingent upon securing his release from a contract with the Sidney school board. A special meeting of the board was held the first of the week and the members decided that owing to the large advance in salary Prof. Pate would receive at Alliance over what the Sidney position was paying him, that it would be an injustice to insist upon his remaining here, and he was accordingly released. The Alliance position pays \$1,800 per annum.

Prof. Pate has been doing Junior Normal work during the summer months at Alliance for the past three years, and this gave the Alliance people the opportunity to become acquainted with him. This no doubt led to the present appointment.

During the time he has been connected with the Sidney schools Prof. Pate has not confined his work to the school room but has been wide awake and active in all matters which had to do with the school district, town and community. It is but a just tribute to him to state that the advancement of our schools to their present efficiency is due in a great measure to his wise supervision. It is with regret that the Sidney people part with him and his estimable family.

Prof. Pate has been further honored by the appointment as principal of the Alliance Junior Normal. This appointment was announced Tuesday by State Supt. Bishop. He succeeds W. D. Hayes, who was also his predecessor in the Alliance schools. Mr. Hayes has been appointed president of Peru Normal.

No successor to Supt. Pate has as yet been selected by the Sidney school board.

The position of principal of the Sidney schools to succeed Prof. Earl Cline has been tendered A. J. Stoddard, of Auburn, Neb. Prof. Stoddard was principal of the schools in his home town for several years and is now finishing a course at Peru. He comes highly recommended by the school authorities at Peru and others who are acquainted with his school work.

### Two Not of a Kind

The editor of the Chadron Journal manifests a sour grape disposition in the following editorial last week:

Possibly it is just as well our delegates did not win the Alliance-Chadron debate for if they had won Alliance would doubt-

less have gotten out an injunction to prevent us from holding the victory.

The editor of the other Chadron paper, The Chronicle, shows a more generous disposition towards Alliance. The following is taken from his writeup of the debate at Chadron between representatives of Alliance and Chadron High schools:

Aside from the individual benefits received by the debaters, the goodwill and friendship between the schools as a result of the debate cannot be estimated. We wish our rival contestants of the coming year all kinds of success but reserve the highest honors for Chadron.

### Church Debt Raised

Last Sunday was a red letter day with the Alliance Methodist church as on that day subscriptions were taken to completely cover the indebtedness, \$2,500.00 on the church and parsonage property.

Rev. Dr. Jesse W. Jennings, who was pastor of this church some fifteen years ago, but who is now manager of the book department of the Methodist Book Concern at Kansas City, was present and preached morning and evening and assisted in securing the subscription to wipe out the debt.

On Friday and Saturday he, in company with Rev. Vallow, made numerous calls, re-newing old acquaintances and making new ones. The Doctor seemed to enjoy his visit here and we are sure it was a treat to those who had the pleasure of listening to him and his able discourse.

### Tribute to Memory of Harry E. Tagg

Grant County Tribune, April 21:  
Harry E. Tagg died last Sunday evening at the home of his father, in Omaha, the result of a general nervous breakdown. For about five years Mr. Tagg has been ailing and during the past two years his health has failed steadily.

He was a member of the firm of Tagg Bros. Live stock Commission Co. of South Omaha, and for a year or two made Hyannis temporary headquarters during the shipping season, and was well and favorably known in this vicinity.

Harry was exceedingly popular among his associates, being of a genial nature and his death has caused sorrow generally in South Omaha, where he was well known.

He was born in Wisconsin in 1867, consequently was in his 43rd year, over 22 years of his life having been spent in the live stock commission business.

C. C. Street was down from Alliance Wednesday shaking hands with old acquaintances. Charley is agent for the Watkins Remedy Company with territory around Alliance, and reports meeting with good success.—Oshkosh Herald.

### Among Those Who Play 500

Last Friday afternoon Miss Emma Soules and her sister entertained at the Fletcher home in honor of Mrs. Nellie Hillier of Sheridan. Twenty-eight ladies passed the afternoon playing 500. Mrs. Regan and Mrs. McCluer cut for first prize, a souvenir spoon. Mrs. McCluer won. The consolation prize went to Mrs. Dr. Slagle. The guest of honor prize was a fine gold spoon. After the games a very delicious three course lunch was served.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. John Brennan entertained in honor of Mrs. Nellie Hillier. The ladies enjoyed the time with cards and music. The dainty lunch was greatly enjoyed by all.

Mrs. R. E. Murry invited twelve of her friends to play 500 with her last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Lindley Ellis won first prize, a china plate. A very pretty framed picture was given to the guest of honor, Miss Sadie McCauley. Mrs. Murry invited her guests into the dining room at 5:30 and treated them to an elaborate feed.

Twelve ladies spent last Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Mort. Johnson. Everybody played 500 until 11 p. m. The first prize, a hand-painted cup and saucer, was given to Mrs. A. E. Nelson. Mrs. U. N. Hoskins was given the consolation prize, a good celluloid deck of cards. A dainty three course lunch was served on the card tables by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Grebe.

### Alliance Choral Union

There is always a best time to do a thing, and usually that is the present time. This is emphatically true, it seems to us, in regard to a choral union in this city. The success of the cantata, "Queen Esther," given last week by a large number of Alliance singers who had never before undertaken anything of this kind together, is an indication of the success that might be expected of a choral union composed of the same singers and others that might wish to join.

We hope that persons who have musical talent and taste for this line of work will see that steps are taken without delay for the organization of a choral union in our city.

### Big Orders for Sewing Machines

When Geo. Darling was in Chicago last month he gave an order for twenty-five Free sewing machines. The fact that the Free factories are running at their full capacity and still are so behind in filling their orders that Mr. Darling has not yet received these machines is an indication of the grow-

ing popularity of the celebrated Free machine. A previous order for seven machines was recently filled and the twenty-five machines ordered last month are expected soon.

### Removes from Omaha to Alliance

E. T. Eneyart, son of A. S. Eneyart of Hemingford, arrived in Alliance from Omaha, April 14th, to take charge of the Alliance Tailoring Company's shop. He has been working in one of the leading tailoring shops of Omaha during the last five years, and is well qualified to do the work that will be entrusted to him in this city.

He and his wife expect to make this city their permanent home. Mrs. Eneyart having arrived on Tuesday of last week. We are glad to extend to them the welcome which we are sure they will receive from the people of Alliance.

### Time to Start Something Else

York News:  
It is time for a sensible word on the subject of capital removal, which has furnished Nebraska editors with material about long enough. Everybody knows the seat of government of this great state will never be changed until Western Nebraska has a larger population. When that time comes Broken Bow will have a much better chance to be chosen for the high honor than any of the towns which are bidding for it at present. The geographical center of the state will be considered when removal day arrives, and a town as far east as Grand Island or as far south as Kearney need not apply. Hastings is, of course, out of the question. Now let somebody start something else.

### Engraved and Embossed Cards and Stationery

We have completed arrangements with a firm of the best engravers in the west by which we can supply on short notice, engraved cards, embossed stationery, engraved wedding invitations, or any thing else that may be desired in fine engraved or embossed work. Readers of The Herald who are thinking of securing anything of this kind should call at this office and see samples.

### Notice

Parties having dogs they do not wish to pay city tax on will save expense to city by bringing the dogs to city hall and I will have them disposed of. Dog taxes are due May 1st.

D. LANDRIGAN,

Chief of Police.

Home raised Short Horn bulls for sale.—James B. Leith, Box 1066, Alliance, Nebr.

### State Capital Removal

For some years past there have been occasional efforts made to set on foot a movement to relocate the state capital, these efforts usually emanating from Omaha. Not much attention has been paid throughout the state at large to what has been said by Douglas county papers and politicians on the subject of the relocation of the state capital until recently. However a few weeks since a certain gubernatorial, backed by certain special interests of Omaha and South Omaha discovered an opportunity of making political capital by promulgating a so called platform, one of the planks of which declared for the removal of the state capital to some town nearer the center of the state. Of course it was to be expected the editors of the papers in the towns suggested as possible locations for the state capitol fell over each other in their haste to endorse that particular plank of the aforesaid platform. It is possible that some of those interested really think there is a possibility of the state capital being taken away from Lincoln, but to one who is thoroughly acquainted with the state the idea is preposterous. Although Lincoln is some distance from the geographical center of the state it is not so far from the geographical center of the population, and it has railroad facilities that make it easy of access to a larger number of people in the state than any other point that could possibly be named. A little study of the map of Nebraska will quickly convince any one of this fact. The towns spoke of as candidates for the capitol, should it be relocated are: Hastings, Kearney, Grand Island, Columbus and Broken Bow. In order for it to be relocated it would be necessary for one of these towns to secure more votes than Lincoln. In a contest between either of them, and Lincoln it is probable that about two thirds of the voters of Douglas county would be against Lincoln, but to offset this the vote of Lancaster county would be practically unanimous for Lincoln so that Lincoln could safely count on an even break in the votes of the two most popular counties of the state, having a total of about one sixth of the states population so that in trying to prognosticate the result of a contest between Lincoln and either of the other cities named these two counties may be left out of consideration. As between Lincoln and Hastings, all of south east Nebraska as far west as the western line of Seward and Saline counties, also the north east part of the state leaving out Douglas county and the northern and north west part of the state would be almost unanimous for Lincoln, and the votes in the south central and south west part would be divided to some extent. To one who will analyze the

situation with unbiased mind there appears to be absolutely no show for Hastings.

If the contest should be between Kearney and Lincoln, the vote against Lincoln would be considerable heavier along the line of the Union Pacific railway and in the north west part of the state south of the main line of the Burlington, but a good many votes that would go to Hastings from the south central and south west part of the state would go to Lincoln. Kearney would probably be able to hold a larger vote than Hastings against Lincoln, but not anywhere enough to secure a majority.

Grand Island could probably secure the heaviest vote of any of the five towns named if the other four were eliminated in a contest with Lincoln, but still the most heavily populated part of the state outside of the two counties above mentioned would be against Grand Island and in favor of Lincoln. Grand Island no doubt could secure the largest vote in the north west part of the state, including the entire panhandle of any of the towns named but she would lose most of the votes in the south west part, and it is doubtful if that city could secure one third of the total votes of the state in a contest with Lincoln, for the state capital.

As far as Columbus and Broken Bow are concerned, either of them would stand so small a show of securing as many votes as Lincoln that neither of them is seriously considered as a candidate for the capital by persons who are at all posted on the geography and population of the state. Columbus is little if any nearer the center of population than Lincoln and its railroad facilities are not to be compared with those of the capital city. Broken Bow would suit us in this part of the state, of course, and is nearer the geographical center than any of the other towns named, but it would receive practically no votes south of the Platte river, or in the western part of the state south of the main line of the Burlington or in the north east part of the state, east of the east line of the sixth congressional district.

We invite parties who are interested in the matter to file this paper away and if there should really be an effort made to re-locate the capital, compare results after the election has been made with the analysis which we have herein given.

In our opinion however the agitation for removal of the state capital will subside after the third Tuesday in next August when the primaries for the candidates for state officers shall have been held.

Mrs. A. H. Copey of Alliance, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. O'Brien, and other relatives and friends in Broken Bow for a couple of weeks, returned to her home Tuesday morning.—Custer County Chief.