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NEBRASKA NEWS

**Annual Convention Will Be Held
in Capital City.**

BOGGS' WATER CASE COMES UP

Attorney General Rules No Authority
to Authorize Issuance of Bonds to
Callaway Milling Company—Gideons
Hold Meeting in Lincoln.

Lincoln, July 8.—The annual convention of the sheriffs of Nebraska will be held in Lincoln tomorrow, the first session beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Mayor Armstrong will deliver the address of welcome and Deputy County Attorney Hager will speak later in the afternoon. Several of the visiting sheriffs are on the program for speeches. After the regular business meeting, a banquet will be given by the Commercial club, with C. C. Quiggie as the toastmaster. J. J. Doyle, H. V. Hoagland, E. C. Strode of Lincoln and Mathew Gering of Plattsmouth will speak at the banquet. Following the business session an automobile trip will be given the visitors to the state institutions and also to the Burlington shops at Havelock.

Water Application Up.
The state board of irrigation decided to have a hearing in the Boggs application for water from the Loup river for power purposes some time within the next thirty days. The applicant, C. T. Boggs of Lincoln, proposes to take water from the Loup west of Columbus at a point where the A. C. Koenig project proposes to return water to the same river. Mr. Boggs proposes to return the water to the Platte river near Schuyler, and will therefore in no way interfere with the Koenig rights.

Mr. Boggs is associated with other Lincoln parties and G. G. Moore of Detroit is to furnish the money to start the matter going, taking bonds in payment. The name of the company will be the Schuyler Development company. They will require 2,000 cubic feet of water per second. The diversion dam is to be seven feet high and the fall obtained will be sixty-six feet. The plant will be on the north bank of the Platte river, near Schuyler, and have a capacity of 12,000 horsepower.

No Callaway Bonds.

Attorney General Grant Martin has given out an opinion that the railway commission has no authority to authorize the issuance of bonds to the Callaway Milling and Electric company of Callaway. The company, which is a consolidation of the milling and electric companies, had no right to consolidate, or, at least, Mr. Martin questions their right so to do and holds as the electric light business of the company is to be a small part of the entire business it cannot be called a public service corporation, and, therefore, the railway commission had no right to authorize an issue of bonds.

The state treasury was boosted last week considerably, the largest amount from any one county coming from Lancaster, which sent in \$60,000. The total amount on hand at the close of the week was \$188,000. This is considerable less than last year, when at this date there was \$252,000 in the state fund.

Applications for Pardons.

Application for pardon or commutation of sentence has been filed with the state prison board by the following persons, who will be given a hearing before said board at its meeting, beginning today: John P. Ernsdorff, Adams, Jan. 22, 1912, one to seven years, larceny; Charles Allen Whiting, Cass, April 2, 1912, one to seven years, bigamy; Andrew Tucker, Douglas, Jan. 17, 1904, fourteen years, murder; John Lieb, Thurston, April 12, 1911, two years, criminal assault; Arthur Frenchy, Richardson, Feb. 30, 1911, one to ten years, burglary; J. W. Connell, Douglas, Feb. 25, 1911, eight years, robbery; John K. Thomas, Douglas, Nov. 26, 1905, life, murder; Howard Bailey, Dodge, Sept. 27, 1904, twenty years, statutory assault; Calvin Wahn, Douglas, June 25, 1906, life, murder.

Gideons Hold Meeting.

The Nebraska Gideons, an organization of traveling men, held their annual meeting in this city. The retiring president in his report stated that the organization had placed nearly 2,000 bibles in the hotels of the state during the year. The report of the secretary showed the largest paid membership since its organization in the state. The new officers are: G. M. Barnes of Omaha, president; T. C. Barner of Lincoln, vice president; F. H. Orcutt of Omaha, secretary-treasurer, and H. J. Steenken of Lincoln, chaplain.

Wymore Phone Troubles.

The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company has asked the approval of the railway commission for a consolidation of the two Wymore companies, which recently passed into their hands. The Nebraska Telephone company, with 460 phones, and the New Home company, with 240, are the companies mentioned. Permission was given for consolidation subject to complaint.

Nebraska Pioneer Dead at Alliance.

Alliance, Neb., July 6.—Word was received of the death in a hospital at Lincoln of Thomas Regan, a pioneer resident of western Nebraska, whose family resides in this city.

INDEPENDENT SYSTEM TO DIE

Stockholders Will Not Get Over Thirty Cents on the Dollar.

Omaha, July 8.—"The independent telephone exchange won't last thirty days in Omaha," said President C. E. Yost of the Nebraska Telephone company, after the sale of the independent system to the Nebraska company had been confirmed by Judge Munger of the federal court.

Mr. Yost said the Nebraska company did not expect to operate the independent system to any great extent when it purchased it, but much of the property of the independent will be of value to the Bell company.

Mr. Yost said the company eventually will sell the buildings, of which there are four, two in Omaha, one in Florence and one in South Omaha.

In the office of the independent company there are at present over 1,000 orders for the removal of telephones, according to Mr. Yost. He declares that no company could operate a system on a paying basis on such rates as those of the independent in Omaha. The rates were \$2 per month for business and \$1 per month for residence telephones.

It is the opinion of Mr. Yost that, judging from the price the independent brought at the sale, the stockholders will not receive more than 25 to 30 cents on the dollar.

FUNERAL OF W. W. LATTA

Body of Burt County Pioneer Laid to Rest at Tekamah.

W. W. Latta, whose funeral occurred at Tekamah, was a pioneer settler and prosperous citizen of Burt county.

Mr. Latta, during his thirty-five years' residence in Tekamah, was an active factor in municipal affairs. For some years he was interested in the hardware business and in late years was connected with the First National bank of Tekamah, of which he was president since the death of his cousin, Congressman Latta, nearly a year ago. During all these years Mr. Latta still carried on his farming and live stock business with his son, Bud R. Latta.

Mr. Latta's estate is estimated to be worth \$1,000,000.

TENNIS "SHARKS" BARRED

State Tourney at Norfolk Next Week Open to Nebraskans Only.

Norfolk, Neb., July 8.—Professionals are at work every day now on the clay courts at the Norfolk Country club grounds, putting the grounds into condition for the coming Nebraska state tennis tournament, which will be held in Norfolk during the week, beginning Monday, July 15.

Beautiful trophies have been selected, as well as a choice lot of prizes for winners, runners-up and consolation winners in both singles and doubles.

One vital point which directors of the state association wish to impress upon all tennis men in Nebraska is that this is a "closed" tournament. No outsiders will be permitted to come in and gallop away with the prizes. Only Nebraskans may enter.

GUARD GOING TO MANEUVERS

Adjutant General Sends Telegram Accepting Conditions.

Lincoln, July 8.—Adjutant General Pielis has sent a telegram to the war department, as follows:

"The First regiment of Infantry, Nebraska, will participate in the maneuvers at Pole mountain, Wyoming, July 25 to Aug. 6, inclusive, subject to these conditions:

"That the vacancies of two companies in this regiment be filled by assignment of like number of companies from the Second regiment.

"That where companies are below minimum strength enlisted men from the Second regiment be detailed thereto, and that the aggregate allotment to the state be \$20,000, as set forth in your letter of June 10."

Marshall Littrell Reported Dying.

Auburn, Neb., July 8.—Marshall Littrell, who had a fight with three of the Anholtz boys on the Fourth, is reported in a serious condition, with the chances for recovery against him. Littrell, who resides near Johnson, is accused of picking a quarrel with one of the Anholtz boys, who reside near this place. The result was that the three Anholtz boys, ranging from seventeen to twenty-one years of age, gave him a beating. Dr. Wilson of Johnson telephoned County Attorney Hewitt to come out and get a statement from Littrell, as he believed him to be dying.

Sends Call for Harvest Hands.

Sidney, Neb., July 6.—Over five inches of rain has fallen throughout Cheyenne county. All kinds of small grain, including alfalfa and corn, is exceptionally good. There will be an early harvest and every prospect is favorable to the largest yield that Cheyenne county has ever produced. The lack of harvest hands will necessitate the Commercial club sending out for hired help to assist in harvesting the grain.

Sutherland Has \$50,000 Fire.

Sutherland, Neb., July 8.—Fire destroyed all the business places on East Front street for a block, with the exception of the State bank and Burkland's general store. The losses are: C. G. Wood, hardware; William Garman, general store; D. Love, furniture; Fordyce, millinery; Lee Case,ivery, and A. B. Yates, clothing. The loss will aggregate about \$50,000, partly covered by insurance.

THE OUTLET

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- 3 hogs, 150 thoroughbred Plymouth Rock chickens.
- 1 lumber wagon, 1 low wheel wagon, 1 spring wagon, 1 breaking plow, 1 stirring plow, 1 Johnson mower, 1 hay rake, 1 hay rack, 1 Empire separator, 1 gasoline engine, 1 feed grinder, 1 bone grinder, 1 meat chopper, 1 corn sheller, 1 pump (all of these grinders, etc., including pump, can be run with the engine), outfit of well tools, 1 set work harness, 1 set light harness, 9 horse collars some of which have never been used, 1 Marks saddle, 1 Edison phonograph with 4 doz. records.

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