

STATE UNIVERSITY CONTROLS SCHOOLS

Some Very Sensible Ideas in
Regard to State School
Matters.

Greenwood, Neb., October 24.
Editor Plattsmouth Journal:

It is well for the voters of the state to know where their candidates for the legislature stand with reference to good roads, the initiative, referendum and recall, and other progressive measures. But it is also of very grave importance that they know where they stand with reference to our school system.

We have a state university that is becoming more and more dictatorial over all other schools of our state, be they denominational, private or public, and it is able to assume the role of dictator by reason of laws passed and appropriations made by our legislature under the influence brought to bear by this same state university. At the present time our High school courses are arranged by a "High school inspector" sent out by the university, and they are arranged with the sole idea that each pupil will attend the university, giving no thought to the great majority who never expect to go farther in school work, or especially school work of a strictly literary nature; and they have either supplanted or abridged many subjects that should be thoroughly taught in the public schools, by same make-shift of no merit, and repugnant to most live boys and girls, and given each of the so-called subjects the honorable position of one more "credit point" to the state university—providing the pupil sits long enough in a High school seat, pretending to study said subject, to satisfy the dignity of the state university. Then, after the pupil has sat in "an accredited High school" the required length of time—four years—he or she is handed, with much ceremony, a diploma from said "accredited High school."

By virtue of said diploma and the "points" earned by sitting four years in said High school to get said diploma, the possessor, without further preliminary, is admitted to the sanctum sanctorum of all education—the state university. His country cousin, who dug the meat out of the real subjects and mentally digested the same at home in the evenings by the kitchen table, while the High school pupils ran the streets developing "class spirit," by practicing thuggery and thuggery, is compelled to take a rigid examination before enjoying the privileges of the state university; and even then he is at a disadvantage, as he has not developed "class spirit," can't use slang, play the masher, nor spend his money fast enough.

By reason of the influence of this state university over the legislature we now have four state normal schools capable of excellent assistance in log-rolling laws and appropriations through the legislature, and there will be a great effort made this winter to buy out our last private normal school and make it the fifth state normal under the direct guardianship of our state university, thus leaving us with no private school of importance with which to compare our state schools in educational acumen or in necessary running expenses when asking for appropriations, schools in educational acumen but I believe in schools that make education pay, and that are not conducted to fleece the public, endeavor to make it appear that an education is a very difficult thing to acquire, and that are continually crowding the real, practical and mind-developing subjects out of our primary and secondary schools, that our children may be compelled to go away from home to get what they should get in our home schools, that the so-called higher schools may still continue to dominate our school courses, and fleece the public by log-rolling appropriations through the legislature.

Each community has a sufficient number of intelligent citizens to formulate a course of study for its schools without any dictatorial advice from the state university, and the laws of our state give each community such authority, and it should assume the duty, leaving the state university to arrange its own courses to fit the ones that are adapted to our respective communities.

There is no more dangerous monopoly than a monopoly of education, because everyone ad-

mits the value of it. Hence, almost anything done under the guise of higher education is tolerated, even though in reality it is a great hindrance to the best interests of education.

This the writer believes is the condition in our state today. The departments of our state university are being scattered over the state to give greater political control. We now have four state normal schools under the guardianship of the university. We need but two at most. Now, if our coming legislature commits the error of establishing a fifth state normal it will have destroyed our last independent school of note, leaving us nothing with which to make comparisons, and completely fastening the educational monopoly on the public, with the state university as sole monarch.

Our candidates for the legislature should be made to understand that they will be doing a much greater benefit to the cause of education in our state by failing to make appropriations for a couple of our present state normals, rather than by establishing a fifth state normal. The idea that the best in education is attained by uniformity and must emanate from one head is fallacious. It eliminates the real spirit that makes for progress—the spirit of independent thought and friendly competition on equal basis.

Edward Lance Jones.

THE MURRAY FAMILY JOIN IN JOLLY REUNION

One of the Most Enjoyable Events
of the Season and Long to
Be Remembered.

One of the most enjoyable events that has been held here for some time was that of the Murray family, held the home of L. C. W. Murray, just outside of the city, on Sunday, October 20. There were present on this joyful occasion Charles A. Murray and wife, John Murray, wife and children, Leonard C. Murray and wife of Oklahoma, Clarence Murray of Parsons, Kansas, Mrs. Yost and children, Mrs. Will Berger and children of Nebraska City, Frank Spangler and family, Mrs. Philip Spangler and family, David Murray and family, Edward Murray and family, Christopher C. Murray and family, Guy Murray and family, Albert Murray and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. W. Murray, Mrs. Stephen Wiles, mother of Mrs. L. C. W. Murray, and Miss Isabel Wiles.

There were twelve grandchildren not present, two sons-in-laws and one daughter-in-law not able to attend; there were forty-nine present on the pleasant occasion. Of the descendants of Mr. and Mrs. Murray there are thirty-four living grandchildren and five dead. A pleasant feature of the day was a photograph of the father, mother and thirteen children together, and one of the entire gathering, as well as one showing four generations of the family.

FOR SALE—Duroe-Jersey boats. George A. Kaffenberger. 10-24-1fd

Oscar H. Larson and wife of Omaha were in the city today looking after business matters at the court house.

Adam Kaffenberger was in Saturday transacting some business matters and visiting with his friends for the day.

Miss Julia Svoboda returned to Omaha this morning, after visiting over Sunday with her father and sister in this city.

Mrs. William Fritchman and little son of Council Bluffs were in the city Sunday visiting at the Albert Schuldee home.

Albert Clabaugh departed this morning on No. 6 for Shenandoah, Iowa, to look after the interests of the light company there.

Frank Homola departed this morning on No. 6 for Glenwood, where he is employed, after spending Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. F. M. Phebus and two sons were passengers this morning for Omaha, where they spent the day looking after business matters.

Lee Allison, one of the substantial farmers from the vicinity of Murray, was in the city Saturday looking after some matters of business.

DEATH OF LUTHER REEVES SEABOLT

Another Cass County Pioneer
Passes to His Reward Mon-
day Morning.

DIED—Seabolt, Luther Reeves, October 28, 1912, aged 84 years, 8 months and 21 days, of paralysis.

Death has again called and claimed as his own another one of the pioneer citizens of Cass county, in the person of R. L. Seabolt, of near Murray. Mr. Seabolt had been suffering for the past five weeks from the effects of a stroke of paralysis, and owing to his advanced age was unable to withstand the shock of the stroke and passed away at his home near Murray early this morning.

Mr. Seabolt was born in Ollisville, New York, in the year 1828, and spent his early manhood in that state, where he was married to Miss Harriet Moore, also of that state, February 11, 1855. He and his wife decided to join the westward tide of immigration and removed to the young state of Nebraska in 1869, where they settled on the farm in Rock Bluffs precinct, where they have resided since that time, and where Mr. Seabolt passed away. He leaves surviving him his wife and two children, John B., living near Murray, and Mrs. Mary Mutz of Auburn, Neb., and one sister, Mrs. Harrison Smith, living near Plattsmouth.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the late home and will be conducted by Rev. Ross Williams of the Christian church of Murray.

THE MARRIAGE OF WILLIAM LAU AND MISS ANNA GAEBEL

The wedding which occurred at the German Lutheran church last Wednesday was one of the largest affairs ever held in this community, the happy couple, Miss Dora Gaebel and William Lau, representing two of Cass county's oldest and most prominent families. The impressive ceremony, conducted by Rev. T. Hartman, occurred promptly at 4 o'clock p. m. The bride was handsomely attired in a beautiful gown of white satin with the usual long veil and orange blossoms. She was attended by her cousins, Misses Lena Lau and Lydia Pautsch, who were also gowned in white. The groom was attended by the brothers of the bride, Fred and Louis Gaebel.

Immediately after the ceremony the wedding party and assembled guests repaired to the home of the bride's father, C. J. Gaebel, where an elegant dinner was served, the tables being laid again and again to accommodate the large number present. As is usual in this hospitable community, a sumptuous supper was served, and later on a lunch, while several charvari parties were made welcome and generously treated. Mr. and Mrs. Lau were the recipients of a large number of handsome presents. They will go to housekeeping at once and will live for the present with the groom's mother, Mrs. E. Lau. The Courier joins their host of friends in extending congratulations and best wishes—Louisville Courier.

W. H. Newell was a business visitor in the metropolis today, being a passenger for that city on No. 15.

Mrs. A. B. Swarbut was a passenger this morning for Omaha, where she visited during the day with friends.

Mrs. Peter Mumm and daughter, Miss Rose, were passengers this morning for Omaha, where they visited for the day.

WANTED AT ONCE—Woman or girl for restaurant work. Wages \$5 per week. Apply Union restaurant, Union, Nebraska. 10-28-3td-1twkyq

W. H. Heil, wife, daughter and sister, of Eight Mile Grove, were in the city Saturday looking after business matters, and remained to attend "The Prince of Tonight" at the Parmele.

Mrs. J. R. Sexton of LaJunta, Colorado, came in yesterday and visited for the day with W. T. Scotten and family. Mrs. Sexton is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Scotten and greatly enjoyed the visit here with her relatives.

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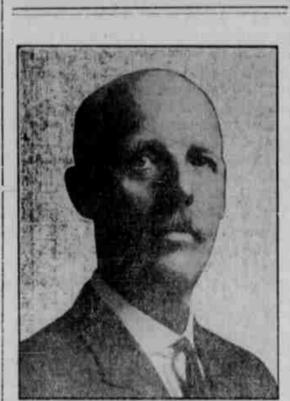
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Political Advertisement



HERMAN DIERS DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR Lieutenant Governor of Nebraska

The motto of Herman Diers is: "Less Politics and More Business in State Affairs."

Mr. Diers is a brother of W. F. Diers of Louisville and one of the successful business men of the state. He solicits the votes of the people of Cass county.

If elected he promises to give as careful attention to state affairs as comes under his supervision as he gives to his own business affairs. He promises to safeguard the interests of the people in every particular.

His record as representative of York county, and as state senator from York and Fillmore counties is a matter of public record and as such is open for inspection.

For State Senator.

Having served the people of Cass county in the state senate, and believing that I have done my duty to my constituents, I am a candidate again for the same position from Otoe and Cass counties, and solicit the votes of everyone who believes in a "square deal" to all.

W. B. Banning.

Candidate for Assessor.

William R. Bryan has farmed for 23 years in Cass county and is offering to serve the people in the capacity of county assessor, and believes he is well qualified to fill the position to the satisfaction of the taxpayers of Cass county.

C. A. RICHEY.

Candidate for the legislature on the republican ticket. Reared in Cass county, and for many years a resident of Louisville, Neb. Your support is solicited.

For Assessor.

L. A. Tyson, republican candidate for county assessor. Resided in Cass county 46 years. County clerk of Cass county 4 years. Your votes solicited.

For Representative.

John J. Gustin is a candidate for representative from Cass county in the legislature. Having been reared on a farm, and having received a very fair education, I feel that if elected I can serve the people honestly and to their satisfaction. I will endeavor

to do my best for the people I represent. I therefore solicit the votes of all who believe "in equal and exact justice to all."
John J. Gustin.

HENRY H. BARTLING.

Republican candidate for State Senator, candidate for re-election, Cass and Otoe counties. Resident of Nebraska City. Promises to vote for people's choice for United States Senator.

WM. WEBER.

Thirty-five years a resident of Cass county. Republican candidate for the office of County Commissioner, First Commissioner District. Resident of the City of Plattsmouth. Solicits the support of the voters of the county.

JULIUS PITZ.

Democratic candidate for the office of County Commissioner, First Commissioner District. Has been a Cass county farmer and fruit grower for many years. The support of the voters at the November election will be greatly appreciated.

For Float Representative.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of float representative. If elected I will vote for the people's choice for United States senator and promise to give my constituents the very best service within my ability. I stand for the strictest economy in all matters of appropriation consistent with good government. Your support is most earnestly solicited.
Chas. H. Busch.

Seats on sale now at Riley Hotel for "The Wolf."

FOR SALE—A Monarch Steel Range, in good condition. Price reasonable. Inquire at this office.

James Higley and wife were called to Omaha this afternoon by the illness of Grant Cotner at the hospital.

Mrs. L. B. White was a passenger this morning on No. 15 for Omaha, where she spent the day with friends.

Karl Reese and Glen Scott of Omaha came down Saturday on No. 2 to spend Sunday with relatives in this city.

"The Wolf," one of the most favorite shows on the road, at the Parmele theater one night only, Wednesday, October 30.

Mrs. J. A. Murray returned Saturday on No. 2 from Omaha, where she has been visiting her son and daughter for a short time.

County Attorney Taylor was a passenger yesterday morning for Union, where he spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Barbara Taylor.

H. L. Ofe and wife of Oakdale, Nebraska, who have been visiting Mr. Ofe's brother, Henry, in this city for a few weeks, departed this morning on No. 15 for their home.

Miss Margaret Donelan returned to her studies at Brownell Hall, in Omaha, this morning on No. 15, after spending Sunday with her mother, Mrs. John Donelan, and other relatives.

A Winner—Journal Want Ads.

Mrs. C. A. Rawls and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Rawls spent Sunday in Murray with relatives and friends.

This is your last chance to see that great play, "The Wolf," at Parmele theater, Wednesday, October 30.

C. L. Graves, editor of the Union Ledger, was in the city this morning looking after some business matters.

Miss Mildred Cook returned this morning to Glenwood, after spending Sunday with her parents, W. L. Cook and wife.

Anton H. Koubeck of Omaha came down Saturday and visited over Sunday with his mother and other relatives in this city.

Russell Harris and wife and little child came down yesterday and spent the day with Mrs. Harris' parents, F. G. Fricke and wife.

Henry Hirz, sr., and two daughters departed this morning for Omaha, where they looked after business matters for the day.

Miss Minnie Hires of Lincoln, who has been visiting here with the family of Will Gerdes, returned this morning on No. 15 for her home.

Mrs. Casper Thygeson returned this morning to her home at Nebraska City, after visiting a few days with her parents, A. W. White and wife.

Mrs. Henry Steinhauer and daughter, Miss Gladys, returned last evening from Falls City, where they have been visiting friends for a few days.

J. G. McDaniel, who has been here visiting at the I. T. Royer home for several days, departed this morning for his home in Scotland county, Missouri.

Miss Glee Applegate, one of our popular school teachers, was a visitor in Union yesterday, where she visited for the day with her mother and other relatives.

George Dodge, wife and daughter, Miss Violet, and W. A. Egenberger motored to Nebraska City yesterday in Mr. Dodge's car and visited for a few hours with friends.

R. M. Stivers, who visited over Sunday at the home of Simon Clark, departed this morning for Cedar Creek. Mrs. Stivers returned this afternoon on the Schuyler.

Earl Mayfield of Louisville was in the city today looking after some business matters, and took time to drop in and chat a short time with the Journal force.

25c, 35c, 50c and 75c are the prices for one of the best dramas ever written—"The Wolf." Last time here, Parmele theater, one night only, Wednesday, Oct. 30.

Rev. M. W. Lorimer departed this morning on No. 15 for his home at Woodriver, Neb., after preaching at the Presbyterian church yesterday. Rev. Lorimer will make preparations to move to Plattsmouth at once.