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Brass Facts

When some of the members of the city government voted down the federal housing project for the city of Lincoln they left the people with the idea that the situation would be cared for by a new firm that was to come into existence and save the day. Since that time I have toured the city with committees to see if there could be found one trace of property purchased by this new company that we might report to the people some progress and thereby give them a spark of hope.

The council spoke and I am sure that the people believed and have waited but in vain. So as one who

knows the housing situation in Lincoln from personal observation and believes that a low rent federal housing project is sorely needed, I ask the questions: Where are the houses that were promised by the council? Also where is the company that was supposed to build them? Are the people suppose to continue to double and triple up in their small homes in order that families will not have to stay out of doors? Must the people continue to live in garages and basements through another winter? Again I say did the council speak for the people?

M. L. SHAKESPEARE.

Wake Up and Live

After viewing the automobiles involved in the recent two-car

Notice to Contractors

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the Department of Roads and Irrigation in the State Capitol at Lincoln, Nebraska, on September 14, 1950, until 10:00 o'clock A.M., and at that time publicly opened and read for SAND GRAVEL FOR SURFACING and incidental work on the CERESCO-ASHLAND Patrol No. 21035 State Road.

The approximate quantity is: 1,685 Cu.Yds. Sand Gravel Surface Course Material

The attention of bidders is directed to the Special Provisions covering subletting or assigning the contract.

Compliance by the contractor with the standards as to hours of labor prescribed by the "Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938," approved June 25, 1938 (Public No. 718, 75th Congress), will be required in the performance of the work under this contract.

The minimum wage paid to all skilled labor employed on this contract shall be one dollar and five cents (\$1.05) per hour, except that a minimum wage of one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per hour shall be paid to:

- Crane Operators
- Dragline Operators
- Power Shovel Operators

The minimum wage paid to all intermediate labor employed on this contract shall be ninety-five (95) cents per hour.

The minimum wage paid to all unskilled labor employed on this contract shall be seventy-five (75) cents per hour.

Plans and specifications for the work may be seen and information secured at the office of the County Clerk at Wahoo, Nebraska, at the office of the County Clerk at Lincoln, Nebraska, or at the office of the Department of Roads and Irrigation at Lincoln, Nebraska.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish bond in an amount equal to 100% of his contract.

As an evidence of good faith in submitting a proposal for this work, the bidder must file, with his proposal, a certified check made payable to the Department of Roads and Irrigation and in an amount not less than one hundred (100) dollars.

The right is reserved to waive all technicalities and reject any or all bids.

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crash on No. 6 highway just west of Greenwood in which three persons were hospitalized, I was reminded that while the war in Korea is exacting a toll from our fighting men, travel on our highways is making an inroad which comes second only to war. Time was when you passed an occasional sign along the road marking the spot where some traveler had learned the "great secret." Now they dot the highways on either side, flashing out their warning to those for whom the time has not yet run out.

Yet despite the warnings, the speed signs and the patrols, motorists rush madly along, disregarding every law of safe travel. We had occasion to check the number of cars between Lincoln and Omaha that have been involved in recent wrecks resulting in injuries, and the number was appalling. Along a highway lined with cars coming and going in both directions, the driver will swerve his car in and out, cutting in here, going around there, in a mad rush to get there fast. Time after time he has to pull in to avoid an oncoming car, but he tries again. After miles of travel he may head the caravan and reach town before the last car. Perhaps his haste is necessary but in his mad rush he has endangered the lives of dozens of persons.

The majority of accidents which take the lives of motorists could have been avoided. Selfish drivers and speeders are the two greatest offenders on the highway. Until we all have a wholesome regard for the other fellow's rights on the road, the little markers with their warning "THINK" will continue to mount in numbers along our highways.

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THE CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE



by JAMES C. OLSON, Superintendent STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

You can't visit the campus of Doane college at Crete without coming to the conclusion that Thomas Doane and his associates knew what they were doing when they selected that precise spot, back in 1870, for the Congregational college they hoped to build in Nebraska. Standing on the hills overlooking the valley of the Blue, Doane college is part of prairie scenery at its best.

Doane college, the oldest of Nebraska's church colleges, has had a long and distinguished history. Incorporated in 1872, it took over Crete academy, founded by the Congregational church the year before. Actually, the history of Congregational education in Nebraska goes back considerably beyond 1871—at least to old Fontenelle university, founded in 1858.

Compared with earlier attempts at college building in Nebraska, Doane started on a relatively firm financial footing. It had the resources of Crete academy including its building, and in addition possessed 600 acres of land, 50 town lots in Crete, and cash subscriptions totalling about \$30,000.

Doane opened its preparatory department in the fall of 1872, with Rev. David Brainerd Perry, who had been active as a missionary on the Nebraska frontier, as president. During that first year he was also the only teacher, and there were only 13 students. At the end of the year, five of the students were sufficiently well prepared to enter the freshman class of the college, and an additional instructor was employed.

The middle Seventies—Doane's formative period—were years of deep depression in Nebraska. The triple menaces of drouth, grasshoppers and low farm prices made life itself almost impossible in the new state. Their effect on a struggling young college can easily be imagined.

Despite adverse circumstances, however, Doane college not only kept alive but it continued to grow. There was a steady increase in both faculty and students, so that by the late 70's the old academy building was outgrown and the college felt an acute need for more space.

To meet this need, the trustees set about raising funds for the erection of a new building, to be called Merrill hall, in honor of Rev. O. W. Merrill, a devoted friend of the young college. The campaign was so successful that by the spring of 1879 the trustees were able to began the structure. The building was dedicated at commencement in the spring of 1880.

Merrill hall still stands on an imposing eminence overlooking the Blue Valley. Although numerous other buildings have been added, the old hall remains the administrative center of the college. I am sure, too, it serves to remind the present generation of students that they owe a great debt to the pioneers who made

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State Fair Board State Fair Grounds Lincoln, Nebraska

Sunday, Sept. 3, will be the opening date of what State Fair Board Secretary Ed Schultz is calling the best Nebraska state fair in history. And, he might add, indications are strong for the 1950 state fair being the biggest in its 81-year history.

The fair attendance record is in serious danger of being shattered this year, with advance ticket reservations flowing into the fair board office at a faster rate than ever before. In addition, livestock are expected to be shown in greater numbers than ever before, with the swine and beef cattle classes leading the field.

"Our stock housing facilities, even though they are greatly increased from 1949, are going to be filled and running over this year," Schultz said.

It's no wonder that so many more people are planning to come to Lincoln for Nebraska's biggest outdoor show. In addition to the state 4-H show—and the larger number of livestock entries, the fair board has arranged for an outstanding program that will include just about every form of entertainment one could expect.

There will be the magnificent Barnes-Carruthers "State Fair Revue of 1950," replete with huge production numbers and scintillating specialty acts, which will be presented the first five nights in front of the grandstand.

The auto thrill shows of Jimmie Lynch and Joie Chitwood, the Sioux City Shrine White Horse Patrol, Cooper's Liberty Horses, giant fireworks displays each night, wonderful exhibits, big car and stock car races, a tractor derby, a mammoth downtown parade Tuesday, the Midway, Kiddies Wonderland and many, many other fascinating features will thrill and entertain each and every state fair visitor.

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Atty. Sampson Named Alternate UN Delegate

WASHINGTON. (ANP). Atty. Edith Sampson, prominent practicing lawyer for 25 years, was named one of five alternate delegates to the UN general assembly by President Truman.

Her appointment resolved speculation as to whether a Negro delegate would be named to take the edge off Russian propaganda that Negroes are without opportunity in this country. Attorney Sampson had been high on the list of possible appointees.

Operator of a "legal clinic" on Chicago's southside, Attorney Sampson has allied herself with numerous civic groups. She recently returned from a "round the world tour" with America's Town Meeting of the Air, in which representatives of 31 American organizations participated and named her president of the tour.

She is the first woman to receive a master's degree in law from Loyola university, Chicago. She holds a bachelor degree from John Marshall Law school. She has served as referee of the Cook county juvenile court and was the first Negro woman in Chicago to be named assistant state's attorney. Among other activities, she holds the chairmanship of the NCNW's committee on interracial relations, and formerly headed the American Council on African and West Indian affairs.

In private life, she is the wife of Atty. Joseph Clayton, prominent criminal lawyer.

Promotions at Tuskegee

TUSKEGEE. (ANP). Dr. F. D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee institute, has named Robert R. Moton jr., assistant to the president and secretary to the board of trustees. These two posts were held formerly by the late Albon L. Holsey.

Mr. Moton, who is a son of the school's second president, has been purchasing agent for the institution for the past nine years.

Harold K. Logan, who served Tuskegee as treasurer for more than a quarter of a century, has been named purchasing agent.

He formerly served as acting business manager in the absence of Luther H. Foster jr.,

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