

Shinn's Copper Cable Lightning Rods



The genuine Pure Soft Copper Cable Lightning Rod manufactured at Lincoln, Neb. The National Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Omaha, is now giving 25 per cent discount on the rate of insurance whose buildings are rodded with Shinn's Copper Cable Lightning Rods. No other firm has proven themselves worthy of this. We give you a written guarantee with every building rodded. See that our trade mark (W. C. S.) is on every spool.

Write Today for Free Book on Electricity in English or German



W. C. SHINN, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Nebraska News

TO IMPROVE STATE FAIR

Propose Sanitary Sewerage and Toilet Rooms—Need of Better Speed Program

The total receipts of the state fair, as estimated hurriedly by the board of managers, is \$66,331. It is estimated that the net profits will be about \$38,000. About \$5,000 was on hand at the beginning of the fair and there were no debts. Needed improvements including a new fisheries building, a large machinery hall, an addition to the amphitheater, a well equipped theater, an extension of the sewerage system and new toilet rooms and walks are already being discussed. Any one or two of these improvements will take all the money at the command of the board. The state will probably be asked to help the fair to a new building. What improvement the board will decide to make cannot be known until the members make up their minds and give expression in a future meeting.

Probably for the first time the speed department more than paid expenses, and in addition it probably was the inducement for many thousands of visitors to pay their way into the fair. The receipts of this department as estimated by Secretary W. R. Mellor were \$10,048. This includes \$2,142 receipts from entries, \$160 for stalls and \$7,746 for grand stand and quarter stretch tickets. The management paid out \$6,143 in purses, \$652 for baseball games, \$1,263 for other expenses, making a total of \$8,060, leaving a balance of \$1,990.

Secretary Mellor regards toilet rooms and sewerage as the crying need of the fair. Artificial stone walks are needed in many places. A new building for the fisheries is a necessity and there is need of a large machinery hall. For the convenience of visitors a theater building where a first class show can be given is considered desirable. Some believe this would help the fair greatly. It is argued that places of amusement are now becoming necessary at first class fairs and if the Nebraska fair desires to keep pace with the times it must provide such a feature. A theatre serves both as a place of amusement and a place where visitors can obtain half an hour's rest. The need of more grandstand room at the race course is admitted by all who saw the large crowds at the racing this year and last

year. Hundreds are unable to get seats during the big racing days.

In regard to the racing, the board and its officers have been praised for increasing the purses, but the most bitter disappointment was caused by the absence of horses. This absence in some instances eliminated every feature of contest in the races. "How can we get better and more horses?" asked a member of the board. The board has offered liberal prizes and has advertised in horse papers, has written thousands of letters and sent a man to several racing meetings to induce horsemen to come to the fair. "The trouble, in my opinion," said Secretary Mellor, "is that Nebraska must compete with the Minnesota fair, which is known as the greatest horse racing fair in the country. There \$26,000 in purses is offered for racing. The date of the Nebraska fair conflicts with the Minnesota fair. There are too many racing meetings in competition for horses that is hard to overcome."

NEBRASKA NOTES

Plattsmouth—Choice home grown peaches are selling on the streets for 50 cents a bushel.

Wood River—A number of Wood River people have returned from the fair at Lincoln and complain of the lack of accommodations and the exceedingly stiff prices charged.

Columbus—Officer Burke discovered the other night that some one was trying to break into the Leavy drug store. A couple of men started to run, but he caught one of them. The fellow had a glass cutter, a dirk knife and some pieces of jewelry. The fellow caught gave his name as William Gamble. He is in jail awaiting his preliminary examination.

Wood River—A fine eighty acre farm belonging to J. B. Moore, northeast of town, was sold to C. Loucks of Mound City for a consideration of \$6,200. Mr. Loucks will occupy it himself after March 1.

Stanton—The weather continues fine for maturing the immense crop of corn which this county has produced. Some pieces are already out of the way of frost and two weeks more favorable weather will place the major portion of the crop in that condition.

Blair—The fourth annual convention of the Washington county Women's Christian Temperance union was held Saturday in the Methodist church at Kennard. The session was one of the most interesting held in this county and the attendance the best. The program, outside of the regular routine of business, consisted of discussion, music recitals, question box, etc., and

was carried out successfully. Almost all those who were assigned parts were present and prepared. The officers elected for the coming year are as follows: President, Mrs. L. P. Vanliw, Blair; vice president, Miss Ella Wright, Kennard; secretary, Mrs. Alice Vanvalin, Herman, and treasurer, Mrs. E. Spraker, Arlington.

Wahoo—The Saunders county fair will be held September 26, 27 and 28.

David City—Fifteen new cement crossings are being put in, which will be completed next week.

Seventy-two citizens of Butler county received their final citizenship papers from District Clerk McGaffin this week and became citizens of the United States.

David City—Joseph McGaffin, son of Editor McGaffin of the Bellwood Gazette and a brother of William H. and J. M. McGaffin of this city, who belonged to the regular army stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., and who has been confined in the hospital since June 1, was honorably discharged this week on account of poor health. He returned home Wednesday evening.

Geneva—Mrs. Margaret Hamilton of Omaha, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church, was in Geneva Thursday afternoon to meet the women of the Episcopal church in the interests of the missions.

York—The dry, warm weather is making another bumper corn crop in York county and assisting corn to mature before frost. Farmers are talking of \$100 land. A retired York county farmer paid last week for the Hager farm for \$125 per acre.

Beatrice—Fred Metz has been called from South Carolina to take the position of secretary for the Mary Young Mens Christian association. He was formerly membership secretary for the Omaha association.

Beatrice—The Bell Telephone company is making several additions to its lines between Beatrice and Ellis, one of which is a new circuit for the convenience of its patrons between these two towns.

Summary of News

(Continued)

Number of lunatics in Great Britain increases in an alarming fashion, and the burden to the taxpayers mounts up rapidly.

New tariff measure presented to the Dominican parliament provides for maximum duty against the United States and Germany.

Pino Guerra, the Cuban insurgent leader in Pinar del Rio, blocks peace overtures by refusing to agree on armistice.

Liberal reforms, including the removal of useless restrictions on Jews, are promised by the Russian govern-

ment, which, however, takes steps to impose new checks on revolutionists. Premier Stolypin seeks appointment as dictator of Russia, but declares himself as opposed to reaction.

Inability of the Cuban government to quell the revolution, which is spreading, causes increasing alarm. Program of the revolutionists, as adopted by the insurgent leaders, is made public.

Many persons are slain in fights in Warsaw between the revolutionists and soldiers. People flee in panic from city.

THE PEERLESS
MATTHEWS PIANO
NO BETTER UPRIGHT PIANO MADE
FACTORIES, OREGON, ILLINOIS
SALES ROOMS
1513-15 Harney OMAHA, NEB. 1116-20 O St. LINCOLN, NEB.

CATTLE
LIVE STOCK  COMMISSION
SHEEP
Nye & Buchanan Co.
SOUTH OMAHA, NEBRASKA.
Best possible service in all departments
Write or wire us for markets or other information.
Long distance telephone 2305.

PURE LINSEED OIL PAINT
Guarantee for 5 years
Direct from the Factory to Consumer

| | |
|---|--------|
| House paint in gallon cans, gal. | \$1.15 |
| Barn paint in gallon cans, gal. | .58 |
| 5 cents less in 5 gallon kits. | |
| Wagon & Implement paint, gal. | 1.15 |
| Carriage paint, per qt. | .45 |
| White lead, per 100 lbs. | 6.50 |
| Ten pounds white lead and 3 qts. Linseed oil will make a gallon of the very best house paint. | |
| English Venetian red ground in oil per gallon. | .60 |
| Oxide red ground in oil, per gallon. | .60 |
| One gallon colors ground in oil and one gallon of Linseed oil will make the best barn paint on earth. | |
| Strictly pure boiled linseed oil, gal. | .35 |
| Strictly pure raw linseed oil, gal. | .34 |
| Less than a barrel extra charge for cans, 5 gal. can 35c, 10 gal. can 50c. | |
| Dry paints, brushes and varnishes at wholesale prices. Do not buy your paint second hand when you have the opportunity to get the best paints and oils at factory prices. Write us today for color cards and price list sent free on application. | |

C. H. BAUER Mfg. Co.
Corner 3rd and O Sts.
Lincoln, Nebraska, Box 826