

NEW MEXICO COMMISSION

Land of Manana to Be Represented at Transmississippi Exposition. DELEGATION TO LOOK OVER THE GROUNDS

L. Bradford Prince Talks About the Resources and Plans of the Territory for a General Exhibit.

Ex-Governor L. Bradford Prince of Santa Fe, N. M., vice president of the exposition for that state and a member of the New Mexico Exposition commission, arrived in the city yesterday as the advance guard of a committee delegated to come to Omaha and make arrangements for space for an exhibit of the resources of that territory.

Gov. Prince is a most enthusiastic supporter of the exposition and says he hopes to have his section represented in a manner commensurate with its resources. "We regard this exhibition as the opportunity of a lifetime for our territory," said he in the course of a conversation. "It is to be held in the very heart of the section of country from which the great bulk of our population is drawn and we believe we can derive more benefit from participation in this exposition than from any other that has been held in the country. Our legislature made but a small appropriation for it and we will endeavor to supplement this by private contributions, to enable a good showing to be made."

"We will make a good showing on agricultural products and will probably surprise some people who have not looked into our resources. At Chicago we took the first prize in competition with wheat and were awarded the prize for the best oats in competition with all sections in America. Horticulture is our strongest point, however. We raise all the temperate zone fruits, grapes and plums to winter apples. We will also make a fine showing on sugar beets. I realize that Nebraska is a sugar-producing state, but when I say that our beets give very high I am prepared to produce the proof. On account of the dryness of our climate and the amount of sunshine our beets grow 22 per cent, which is a very high percentage. "In minerals we will make a fine showing with the specimens from the various mines, the only ones in the United States, and the finest mines in the world. We will also show gold, silver, copper and lead and other commercial ores."

INTEREST IN THE NORTH.

The North Dakota Exposition commission organized at Fargo Monday of this week by electing C. A. Lounsbury of Fargo president, C. B. Latta of Bismarck treasurer and J. B. Power of Power secretary. Alfred Dickley of Jamestown was appointed general agent and special agents were authorized to be appointed in each of the various states that can be spared as circumstances.

Notes of the Exposition. Workmen have commenced putting staff on the Agriculture building.

Contractor Parrish is making good headway on the gallery which is being put up to the World's Fair building and will have it complete within a few days.

The Buffalo Scale company of Buffalo has sent a sketch to the Department of Exhibits showing a handsome booth which it proposes to erect for its exhibit. It will be 16x20 feet and handsomely decorated.

John Laughland, superintendent of the Associated Charities of Omaha, is making efforts to secure the meeting of the Association of Charities of Omaha. The association will meet during the coming year.

WORK ON GOVERNMENT BUILDING.

Contractor Making Good Headway on the Building.

The Government building on the Exposition grounds is making rapid progress and has now reached a point where some idea may be gained of the size of the structure. Engineer J. J. Farnan of the engineer corps of the Treasury department is in charge of the work and is pushing the construction with all possible speed.

Members of the local Curling club were enjoying themselves on the ice at the exhibition lagoon yesterday. A cut of the Grand Island club would meet the Omaha club in friendly contest at the Scotch game today, but the Islanders sent word that they were unable to come today but would come at a later date.

The Baldwin locomotive works has made application for space in the Transportation building for two of its locomotives, which it proposes to install as exhibits. The engines will be raised slightly from the floor and will be connected with a steam pipe and be in full operation. The works say that the company says about 2,000 feet of floor space will be required for their exhibit.

The Jewelers' Weekly, the oldest and most influential paper of the trade, in its issue of January 12, has been placed to the exhibition. The reading matter is descriptive of the exposition, the buildings and the plan of the fair. It is a most interesting and useful volume to the exhibitors and a number of the main buildings are given.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Arthur G. Fisher of Chadron is an Omaha visitor.

M. D. Welch of Lincoln is a visitor of Omaha.

Judge M. P. Kinkaid of O'Neill is in Omaha.

F. M. Stephens of St. Louis is a guest at the Barker.

D. A. Davis of Minneapolis, Minn., is at the Barker.

J. J. Mahoney went to Lincoln yesterday on business.

W. P. McCreary, the horseman of Hastings, is in the city.

A. C. Hahn, general agent of the Northwestern, left for Chicago last night.

Deputy United States Marshal P. W. Barber of Hastings was in the city yesterday.

E. S. Jenkins, manager Adams Express company, St. Joe, Mo., is at the Barker.

R. W. Latta, Wynona, and M. P. Hill, North Bend, are registered at the Barker.

Dow Fonda returned to Albany, N. Y., yesterday after a visit with his parents in this city.

Mrs. J. A. Allen and children left yesterday for Deadwood, S. D., to spend a few weeks with friends.

Berno Leeburger, business manager, and Mrs. Sophia Scacchi Operatic company are stopping at the Barker.

Nebrascans at the hotels: Frank Brabee, Beatrice; Thompson, Crete; Frank Bason, Gothenburg; G. M. Beer, Geneva; P. Palmer, Alliance; D. H. Davis and wife, Bassett; Mrs. N. B. Hayden, Mrs. T. J. Taylor, Wilber; A. Stanton, Decatur; Garford Parker, Spencer; E. Williams and wife, Fremont; L. L. Johnson, inland; George W. Porter, Grand Island; J. E. McCracken, W. H. H. Dunn, Charles I. Neal, Lincoln; Lyman Cary, Kearney; A. C. M. Buer, Geneva; E. A. Reed, Arapahoe; J. L. May, Lexington; E. A. Wurt, Plattsmouth; J. A. Tully, Red Cloud; A. E. Gaspar, and wife, Curran; J. C. Jones and wife, York; C. K. Gibbons, Kearney; E. E. Tebbets, Beatrice; Mrs. K. A. Kehoe, Platt Center; S. B. Light, North Bend; I. R. Reid, Dunning; F. W. Meicher, West Point.

Start on the Colonades. The colonades, extending from the Government building to the Art building on the south side of the lagoon and the Agriculture building on the north side, arrived on the grounds yesterday with its piles, etc. Driver, lumber and men, etc. are expected to make a vigorous onslaught on the work of construction.

STRUCTURE. Eight-foot piles will support each of the many columns which will form this covered passageway, and the pile driver was put in position to commence the work of driving.

BRIDGES ON BOULEVARD BRIDGES. Park Commission Opens the Offers and Refers Them.

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The people of the west have for years contributed vast sums to the insurance companies of the east for premiums. The money thus taken from the banks and sent to the east is withdrawn from circulation and is not used to supply in each state of the west more than \$1,000,000 annually. The millions of money sent east for insurance, in excess of the assessed value of the property, is not returned west, and then only in exchange for western bonds, mortgages or other securities of the east. The interest thus paid by the banks and sent to the east is a drain on the west. This is a subject that should command the attention and best thought of our financiers, bankers, business men, insurers and the press."

Western life and fire insurance companies should be supported and built up. The money thus paid for premiums remains at home in our banks. The accumulations and surplus being invested in each state, the interest is not sent away. Western insurers should not wait to be urged to give patronage to solid, well conducted western companies, but should rather apply for small policies.

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SPECIAL ONE HOUR SALE, HARDWARE AND FURNISHING DEPT. FROM 8 TO 10 A. M. TODAY. 65c 14-qt. granite water pail, 25c. 15c parlor brooms, from 9 to 10, 75c. Wash tubs, from 9 to 10, 25c. 4c square wire, 10c. 25c 2-qt. granite covered pail, 12c. 25c folding lunch boxes, 11c. 4c kitchen mats, 25c. 20c shoe brush and duster, 9c. Scrubbing brushes, from 9 to 10, 25c. 25c granite stew kettles, 11c. 25c extra good washboards, 10c. 25c per cent discount on all skates from 9 to 10 a. m. today.

FROM 10 TO 11 A. M. 10 all over 15c, 20c, 25c, decorated plates, from 10 to 11 o'clock, 5c. All of our 75c and \$1.00 per set flint blown engraved initial tumblers, 25c per set. 10 kitchen sets, 35c. All of our 75c and \$1.00 per set, by piece, at 5c each from 10 to 11 o'clock only.

HAYDEN BROS. Homeseekers' Excursions. Tickets will be sold on the first and third Tuesday of February and March via the Union Pacific to points in Kansas and Nebraska; points in Colorado west of and including Leadville, Salida and Alamosa; points in Utah (except on Southern Pacific company) points in Idaho east of and including Weiser and Market Lake; also Ontario, Pocatello, Boise and Salt Lake City. For full information or tickets call at city ticket office, 1302 Farnam street.

HAYDEN BROS. Special Linen and Sheet Sale. 5 pieces, 2-yard wide damask, 35c. 10 pieces, 2-yard wide damask, 17c. 150 dozen 5c bleached damask napkins, 5c. 4-4 bleached Lockwood sheeting, 15c yard. 4-4 extra heavy unbleached muslin, 35c per yard. Extra heavy pillow slips, 45x36, at 6c. Ready to use sheets, bleached, torn and hemmed, 10c. Hemstitched pillow slips, 3-inch hem, size 45x36, best quality, bleached muslin, at 15c. From 9 to 10 o'clock a. m. and 2 to 3 o'clock p. m. today we will sell 10 yards Lonsdale or fruit of loom muslin at 50c.

HAYDEN BROS. HALF RATES SOUTH. Via the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf. Tickets sold EVERY DAY during January to all points on the "Fort Arthur Route" south of Gentry Ark. for one fare (plus 2c) the round trip. For rates and all information call at "Fort Arthur Route" office, 1415 Farnam street, (Paxton Hotel block) or write HARRY E. MOORES, Ticket Agent, Omaha, Neb.

LOCAL BRIVITIES. Max Hatog, charged by Mrs. Victoria Steeley with obtaining goods under false pretenses, was discharged in police court. Willie Campbell, arrested for the theft of some hay from George Brothers and Tenth and Nicholas streets, received a ten days' sentence at the hands of Judge Gordon. This evening at the conclusion of the services the women of Temple Israel will hold a meeting to make arrangements for a grand fair to be given shortly under their auspices at the city of Omaha.

The Parish Aid society of All Saints' church will give a Kensington this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Albert Noe, 100 South Twenty-ninth street. All friends of the parish are invited to attend. H. W. Hawkins, the young man from Lincoln who was arrested in this city for defrauding the Grand Hotel of Lincoln out of \$1,000, has been released by Chief of Police Frank J. O'Neil.

John O. Yeiser has filed in the supreme court his brief in his suit against the telephone company, in which he is seeking to compel the company to furnish him with a copy of its list of telephone rates. The brief covers sixty-two pages of printed matter. W. H. Hutchins, residing at 313 North Fifteenth street, is reported missing by his friends. His last whereabouts was between 4 and 5 o'clock and has not been seen since. The missing man is 32 years of age and is unmarried.

George Ames, who amused himself not long ago by shooting holes in the air at Fritz Wirth's beer garden, also taking an occasional shot at Joseph Kelly, who happened to be present, was discharged yesterday afternoon from a charge of shooting with intent to kill. Burgess, an attempt to enter the house of J. F. King, 610 North Seventeenth street, Wednesday night. Mr. King was aroused by the noise of some one working at the lock of his front door. When he arrived at the front part of the house the men had made their escape.

Chief Gallagher has received a description of E. M. Wilcox, charged in Chicago with carrying on a gambling table. He is requested to be on the lookout for Wilcox, as it is thought by the Chicago officials that he may be in this city. He has been charged with carrying on a gambling table for San Diego and is now said to be returning east.

A small boy named Gibbons fell in a fit near the corner of Sixteenth and Farnam streets yesterday afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock and a report was circulated that he had been killed by a motor. A good Samaritan in the form of a kind-hearted woman took charge of the child, who was carried and removed the lad to her home near Eighteenth and Harney streets.

E. M. Cough, living at 2417 Binney street, who is employed in painting the Mercantile hotel, reported to the police yesterday that a couple of men, whose names he gave, had climbed up the fire escape of the building in the morning and entered it and stolen a quantity of napkins, bed clothing and other articles. The men got into the hotel through a man hole in the roof. They are now being held in the property to a room in a building near Thirteenth and Jackson streets and to have afterwards offered for sale at Bishop's restaurant.

PORTION OF A FLOOR FALLS

Workmen Get an Unexplained Drop to Death for One.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE CUDAHY PLANT Small Section of a Wall Gives Way and One Man is Killed and Two Injured as the Result.

By the falling of a small portion of the floor in the new neutral house at the Cudahy packing plant yesterday one man was killed and two injured. J. Novak, whose home was at Fortieth and J streets, was the laborer killed. Chris Montgomery, another laborer, had his jaw broken and Mike O'Day received a few slight scalp wounds. The portion of the floor which fell was at a point where the new neutral house joined the old neutral building. All of the timbers used in this floor were new and the girders, which were 12x16 inches, were set twelve inches into the old brick wall. For some reason as yet unexplained a slice of this wall about twelve inches wide slumped and allowed the heavy girder to fall.

There was no particularly heavy weight on the floor that fell, but the greater weight was caused by a very few barrels of a part of the portion that fell was used as a passageway. The man who was killed and those injured were working on the floor at the time when, without warning, it gave way and precipitated them to a very few feet a distance of about ten feet. Some of the pork barrels fell on Novak and it is supposed that the weight of these crushed him to death.

Superintendent Cameron at once put a gang of men to work removing the fallen timbers and pork barrels and the body of Novak was brought out in a very few minutes. Doctors had been sent for as soon as the accident happened, but Novak was beyond help. The injuries of the others were dressed and they were sent to their homes. In speaking about the accident Superintendent Cameron said that it was one of those unavoidable accidents which sometimes happen and the cause of which are hard to ascertain. Every piece of timber used in the construction of this floor was new and sound, and at the time the girders had been inserted in the wall extra precautions had been taken to brace the wall by the addition of new brick.

Brewer & Sloane took charge of the remains and notified Coroner Swanson, who decided to hold an inquest this forenoon. Superintendent Cameron extended every courtesy possible to the newspaper men who visited the plant for the purpose of inquiring into the details of the accident, and the injured men were also treated with every consideration.

WELCOME FOR EXPLORER NANSEN. Doctor Will Find Omaha Warmer Than the North Pole. A mass meeting of the Scandinavians was held in the North Star club rooms last night to make arrangements for a proper reception of Dr. Nansen when he arrives in the city next Tuesday. It was the sense of the meeting that a committee be appointed to meet Dr. Nansen at the depot in the morning with a band and escort him to the hotel. In the afternoon they will again escort him to the theater for his lecture and to the hotel in the evening.

In the evening it is proposed that a guild of honor, consisting of several hundred Scandinavians, the different singing societies from three cities and a couple of brass bands, conduct Dr. Nansen to the First Methodist church and themselves enter the church and take seats in a body. On reaching the hotel the concert will be given by the singing societies in the rotunda. The subject of a public reception and also a drive about the city was discussed, but nothing definite was decided upon.

A committee of nine was elected with power to act in all details of the reception. It consists of J. Sundland, Peter Weig and J. A. Anderson for the Norwegian; A. Edgren, E. M. Stenberg and John Nordall for the Swedes; E. Nordin, Otto Wolf and S. Jonsson for the Danes. Another mass meeting will be held Sunday evening. J. Sundland and J. F. Anderson went to Minneapolis last November to hear Nansen and the former is enthusiastic in his comments upon it. Several thousand people, he says, "met Nansen at the depot and a reception was given him at his hotel in the evening by the Scandinavian societies joining in the chorus."

THE REALTY MARKET. INSTRUMENTS placed on record Thursday, January 20, 1898: Carrie Fallon and husband to Herman Meyers, lot 4, block 1, Elkhorst, \$ 207. Amalie Bisset and husband to Francis D. Bisset, lot 1, block 1, 2nd 2d, 2nd boy's add., 4.000. R. M. Souders and husband to C. C. Nielsen, a 31 feet lot 2, Ketter, 1,500. John Steel and wife to T. J. Moriarty, lot 29, block 15, Shultz's 2d add., 4,000. Metropoli Loan and Trust company to Vaclav Jelinek, w/2 lot 19, block 2, Melia's 1st add., 125. Elias Svenson and wife to J. E. Newman, lot 13, Davenport's sub., 3,000. Margaret Mechara to Mary Donlon, lot 4, block 8, Bedford, 1st add., 800. W. E. Andrews and wife to Equitable Life Insurance company of Iowa, lots 3 and 4, block 13, Omaha, 55,000.

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS. C. B. Rustin and wife to Margaret Steiner, w/2 lot 24-B, w/2 lot 1-14-12 and a tract in w/2 lot 1-14-12, 1. Master in chancery of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company, w/4 lot 1 of 22 feet lot 4, block 102, Omaha, 5,630. Total amount of transfers, \$74,317.

THE NEW MERCER. This hotel will be opened on the 1st of February. We are now offering special inducements to regular boarders, and rooms can be engaged at the hotel office. First come first choice. "DICK" SMITH, Manager.

In the City of London

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