

CHANGE BAD FOR SCHOOLS

State Superintendent Fowler Advocates Longer Terms for Superintendents.

THREE-YEAR CONTRACTS ADVISABLE

John D. Macfarland, for Years a Prominent Lincoln Business Man, Dies at Los Angeles, California.

(From a Staff Correspondent)

LINCOLN, April 10.—(Special.)—Superintendent Fowler declares that he is in favor of longer terms for district school superintendents throughout the state. He says:

"The election of a superintendent for a term of three years tends to make the profession of teaching more desirable, because less precarious, and therefore retains in the profession the services of the most competent persons, and in my opinion the legislature very wisely left the matter to the sound discretion of the board. It may be urged that in some instances the authority to employ a superintendent for two or three years may be used to forestall the action of the newly elected members or to defeat the will of the people, but since only one-third of the members go out at a time, the danger is not very great when compared with the advantages. Every person who is in a position to be liable to abuse, official integrity of public officers is properly presumed. A desire on their part for the prosperity of the schools whose affairs they manage and a proper regard for the rights and opinions of the incoming members of the board can in most cases be relied upon with confidence."

Death of Old Residents.

John D. Macfarland, for many years one of the leading business men of this city, died this morning at his home in Los Angeles, Cal. The only information regarding the end came in a telegram to a relative, which said that he had died after a week's illness and that the funeral would be Monday.

Mr. Macfarland leaves a widow and five children, only three of whom, Misses Jessie and Ruth and Jack C., are deceased. Frank P. Macfarland, a son by a deceased wife, is a resident of Philadelphia, and another daughter is Mrs. Ralph Douglas of St. Joseph.

Mrs. Macfarland was formerly Miss Nannie Cobb, daughter of Judge Anassa Cobb, who is now a resident of and practicing law in Los Angeles.

Mr. Macfarland was very widely known in Nebraska, of which he had been an active and influential citizen for thirty-five years. He was born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, October 22, 1846. At the age of 17 he enlisted in Company D of the Twenty-second Pennsylvania cavalry and served until the end of the war. In 1867 he came to Nebraska, locating at Brownville, where he was employed in the United States land office. He later he went to Beatrice, where in 1871 he became receiver of the service of the Burlington land department. In 1879 he was made land commissioner of the road, a position he held until he resigned, November 1, 1900, to become president of the First National bank, to succeed John R. Clark, deceased. He was at the head of the bank until July 1, 1892, when he resigned and left for Europe. After his return he became receiver of the Capital National bank, a position that he did not long retain. He went again to Europe on a trip and since then has devoted his attention to private affairs.

He married Miss Nannie Cobb in Lincoln October 22, 1878. They lived for a number of years in the splendid mansion at Fourteenth and Q streets. About a year and a half ago they removed to California, where Mr. Macfarland had considerable property interests.

Death Due to Own Carelessness.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., April 9.—(Special.)—Coroner Wells came up from the county seat last night and, after inspecting the jury, held an inquest over the body of David Corbush, the colored boy killed in a freight car in the Humboldt yards yesterday. The jury found that the deceased came to his death as the result of his own carelessness and exonerated the railroad company and the men from all blame. The body was shipped to St. Joseph to the boy's mother this afternoon.

Alliance Lighting Plant Sold.

ALLIANCE, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The property in this city of the Alliance Electric Light and Power company was sold at public sale Monday to R. M. Hampton, cashier of the First National bank, by W. D. Rumer, receiver, for \$1,000, Hampton assuming all liabilities of the firm. This transfer means an up-to-date lighting system for this city.

Mayor and Firemen Still at Oats.

BEATRICE, Neb., April 9.—(Special.)—The question of a new fire chief for this city has not yet been settled. Mayor Norcross refuses to confirm J. T. Walker on account of his physical condition, and the firemen refuse to elect him. The fire department met last night in regular session, but no action was taken in the matter.

Columbus May Get Free Mail Delivery.

COLUMBUS, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The receipts of the Columbus postoffice for the year ending April 1 passed the \$10,000 mark entitling the city upon petition to a free letter carrier service provided the houses are numbered and the sidewalks pass the required inspection.

Peters Appeals to Supreme Court.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The case of the State ex rel and George Peters against Sheriff J. D. McBride has been appealed to the supreme court. At the March term of district court Judge

Paul Jensen refused to grant a writ of habeas corpus and Peters is detained in the Cass county jail, pending the payment of the balance of the judgment of \$1,300 secured by Miss Killiam in 1897 for the support of their child.

DIES BY HER OWN HAND

St. Paul Woman Despondent Over Ill Health Puts Bullet Through Her Brain.

ST. PAUL, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Mrs. A. D. Baird, living seven miles east of here, committed suicide Tuesday by shooting herself through the head with a rifle. Despondency on account of ill health is thought to be the cause of the act. She was 35 years of age and leaves a husband and seven children.

Penny in Slot Telephones for York.

YORK, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—There has been recently granted two telephone companies franchises permitting operations in York. At last night's meeting of the city council Messrs. Owen and Clark of this city introduced an ordinance granting them a franchise to put 1,000 telephones in the city of York. These instruments will be operated in a different manner from the Nebraska Telephone company. Customers are to pay as they use the telephone by dropping a penny into a slot. The York County Farmers' Telephone company has put in its poles and is stretching its wire, and York will soon be connected with another large local telephone company.

Would Enjoin City's Action.

BEATRICE, Neb., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—A peculiar case was filed in district court here today, which is John M. Hurst against Mayor Dodds, city clerk, and the city council of Wymore. The motion is to enjoin the defendants from publishing an ordinance passed by the council of that town yesterday which transfers certain property from the Second ward in said city to the First ward in order that the requisite number of freeholders' names may be obtained on a petition for a saloon license. The suit is the outgrowth of a fight over the license question that has been in Wymore the last few days.

Alleged Fence Breakers Bound Over.

WEST POINT, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The two farmers, George Hoy and A. N. Hank, who are accused of breaking fences and opening an old Black road for passageway, were arraigned in Judge Crellin's court yesterday on charge of venue. The trial developed an offense beyond the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace and the defendants were examined for probable cause. After a lengthy hearing the defendants were bound over to the district court for trial. They gave bonds for their appearance.

Feared Lunatic Gives Himself Up.

FAIRBURY, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—County Attorney Denney was visited today by a man who alleged to have escaped some time ago from the hospital for insane at Lincoln. He said he had been living at Nelson, Neb., but preferred the asylum as a residence. A telephone message from the hospital verified his statements as to the escape from that institution and he will be sent to his former ward. He said his name was Saylor.

G. A. R. Campfire at Plattsmouth.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—McCoombe post, No. 45, Grand Army of the Republic, of this city held a campfire here last evening in commemoration of the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox. Hon. S. M. Chapman, post commander, presided. Colonel T. J. Majors of Peru, H. C. Russell of Schuyler, Adjutant General H. C. F. Graves of Shelton, Judge Lee Estelle, James Kiner and John Butler of Omaha were among the speakers.

Sappy County Mortgage Record.

PAPILLION, Neb., April 10.—(Record.)—The following is the record of mortgages filed and recorded in Sappy county during the month of March: Farm mortgages filed, \$66,165.15; farm mortgages released, \$64,385.87; town mortgages filed, \$985; town mortgages released, \$2,000; chattel mortgages filed, \$10,449.24; chattel mortgages released, \$5,352.92.

Celebrate Appomattox Surrender.

OSCEOLA, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—J. F. Reynolds post No. 56 Grand Army of the Republic, celebrated the anniversary of the surrender at Appomattox last evening at the Grand Army of the Republic hall. There was a large number of old soldiers present, including some of their families and friends.

Rain at Papillion.

PAPILLION, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—A welcome rain began to fall in this vicinity this morning and continued until nearly noon. The moisture was badly needed for farm and garden truck, as the ground was getting hard and dry.

Beatrice Gets Light Rain.

BEATRICE, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—A drizzling rain set in here today and prospects are favorable for a good soaking. As wheat is maturing badly, a good rain would be of great benefit to the crop in this section.

Elks Entertain at Beatrice.

BEATRICE, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—The Elks gave a dress party at their club room in this city last night, which was largely attended.

Rainfall at Geneva.

GENEVA, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—A much needed rain fell this morning. Wheat and gardens were greatly in need of moisture.

Hardware Dealers Elect Officers.

ST. LOUIS, April 10.—The Heavy Hardware Dealers' National Union has closed its session by electing J. A. Brown of St. Paul president and W. C. Grogan of Chicago secretary-treasurer. Robert E. Bier of St. Louis was made chairman of the executive committee. Henry Ziefeld, E. B. Bonwell and P. Van Camp are the new vice presidents.

Stove Demonstration

Today we continue our demonstration of the utility of our Oil Stoves. It will interest every cook and housekeeper—it'll interest YOU. The stoves are of all sizes, shapes and makes and burn kerosene. We will show you what can be done for the kitchen by an inexpensive Oil Stove—inexpensive in view of their limitless serviceableness. Friday and Saturday Stove Demonstration.

Advertisement for W. R. Bennett Co. featuring 'AN EXPERT TELEPHONE SERVICE' and 'RING UP 135 OR 180'. The ad includes the company name in large letters and the address '16th & HARNEY STS. OMAHA.' It also mentions 'WHERE QUALITY AND PRICE COUNT WE WIN'.

Advertisement for Bennett's Wall Paper. It states 'The finest offerings in Wall Paper to be seen in the city—artistic selections, all new—every roll emphatically a 1902 pattern.' It also mentions 'Friday and Saturday we will BARGAIN AWAY miles of select rolls at a reduction of ONE-THIRD OFF USUAL PRICE. You cannot afford to miss this most Exceptional Wall Paper Opportunity.'

BARGAIN FRIDAY IS ALREADY AN INSTITUTION WITH US.

Today one of our most ambitious efforts will be exerted. We will put on sale a MANUFACTURER'S ENTIRE CLEAN-UP OF LACES AND EMBROIDERIES at prices so thoroughly bargain struck that you'll always read these ads and snap those advantages. Such money saving opportunities as you will have at the Big Daylight Store today do not come every day, nor can we hope to have them regularly for Bargain Friday. Do not lose this snap chance or you will lose money.

Advertisement for Bennett's Shoes. It says 'Every day is rich in shoe opportunities here. We control the famous Franklin shoe—each pair peerless in shoe making, without the shadow of a fault in any particular. Every pair made to wear and please the sense and taste of the customer. Friday bargains in men's footwear: Men's extra good value kangaroo-calf tip-toe shoes—worth \$2.00—at \$1.65. Men's artizan seamless kangaroo calf—full double sole—union made work shoes—\$2.00. Men's Rienzli calf—waterproof—three-sole—bellows tongue—stitched aloft—union made—railroad Creckmores—\$2.50. Men's calf double sole and tap—plain toe—best shoe railroad or policeman's shoe made—\$2.50. Men's original English grain—selected stock—double sole—\$1.35. Men's oil grain cap toe—\$1.25.'

Advertisement for Bennett's Dry Goods Dept. It says 'A Great Lace Exposition and a Lucky Circumstance. We have just been so fortunate as to secure a manufacturer's entire clean up in laces and embroideries. We offer you fullest possible advantage. See them and you'll feel you just need them.' It lists various lace and embroidery items with prices.

Advertisement for Bennett's Art and Picture Dept. It says 'There's mental uplift in a walk through it. We are never done hanging new gems of the easel. Bring your pictures to our Art Department for framing. Our work is first-class; our prices the lowest. Mouldings in the length, from 2c per ft. and up. A special line of Framed Pictures in five-inch black circle frames—at 30c. An assortment of Colored Pictures suitable for card prices, at 95c, 85c, 69c, 55c, 40c.'

Advertisement for Bennett's Grocery Dept. It says 'Our Grocery Department draws to it the patronage of every section of the great west. We were always renowned for table providing. Our facilities are so comprehensive, our equipments so complete, our purchasing power so strong, that competition has given up the race. Absolute purity, unflinching freshness, defiance prices, are the SPEAKING characteristics of BENNETT'S MAMMOTH PURE FOOD EXPOSITION. Friday Bargain Specials: Good Rice—5c. Ginger Snaps—5c. Nice Cream Cheese—12c. Best Grade Rolled Oats—4c. Good Canned Biscuits—10c. Canned Shrimps—12c. Excellent Canned Apples—5c. Stuffed Olives—10c. Oil Sardines—5c. Teas: Take all the pretty exaggerations ever written in praise of the "cup that cheers," and you have the simple truth about pure, B. F. Japan, English Breakfast, Ceylon, Young Hyson, Gunpowder—your choice—per pound—38c. Coffee—good drink—12c. Bennett's Capitol Coffee—28c. Spices—strictly pure—in airtight cans.'

Advertisement for Bennett's Crockery Dept. It says 'One of the handsomest and best arranged departments ever given to the merchandising of Crockery. No such thing possible as being deceived with any article. Full daylight streaming in through the finest windows. Let the buyer all the facilities required to make selections that will satisfy.' It lists various crockery items with prices.

Advertisement for Bennett's Good Clothing. It says 'LADIES are requested to examine our new and genuine Peter Thompson sailor suits for boys. Ages 3 to 10. Every detail absolutely correct. Fine selections of serges, flannels, worsteds—some the latest New York styles at popular prices—\$3.95, \$4.95, \$5.95. Boys' knee suits ages 9 years to 16 years. With or without vest, single and double-breasted, same well cut materials and stylish tailoring. Young men's suits—late arrivals that are new. Prices \$2.45, \$2.95, \$3.45, \$3.95, \$4.95, \$5.95. Youth's suits, ages 15 to 20 years. Choice of elegant new spring suitings in fancies and blue and black—all the latest styles. Prices \$5.45, \$6.25, \$7.45, \$8.75, \$9.25, \$10.45, \$12.45, \$14.45. FRIDAY SPECIAL—35c boys' club string ties. 15c. Boy's hats, caps, boys' white shirts and collars.'

Advertisement for Bennett's Candy Dept. It says 'Our Candy Department is the rendezvous for old and young. If you have a sweet tooth—nearly everybody has—give it indulgence. Visit our Candy Department, make your choice of these candy charms. Special: HARD MIXED CANDY—per pound—8c. Cream Bar—per pound—15c. French Cream—per pound—18c. Cream Taffy—per pound—20c. Mulberry—per pound—15c. Peanut Taffy—per pound—15c. Dotted Mints—per pound—20c. Crystal Peanut—per pound—25c. Cherry Ripe—per pound—20c.'

Advertisement for Meat Department. It says 'FRIDAY SPECIALS: No. 1 Sugar Cured Hams—11c. No. 1 Sugar Cured Bacon—12c. Three-pound pork Lard—39c. Five-pound pork Lard—65c. California Ham—per pound—8c. Boneless Ham—per pound—12c. Cottage Ham—per pound—12c. No. 1 Baked Ham—per pound—15c. Sliced Ham—per pound—18c. We will have a demonstrator in fancy ways in beef, pork, mutton and lamb and chicken and turkey Saturday. Beef Roast—per pound—12c. Legs of Mutton—per pound—12c. Legs of Lamb—per pound—15c. Dotted Mints—per pound—20c. Rump Corned Beef—per pound—7c. Pork sausage—home-made—7c.'

Advertisement for Specials Friday and Saturday. It says 'Extraordinary sale for two days only. Rare collection of Decorated Fancy Gold Plates—fine china—9c. New Chocolate—9c. Semi-porcelain climax blue Tea Cups and Saucers—set of six—55c. Plates to match—8c. Stunged Gold Water Filters—30c. Full Gold Celery Trays—40c. Chocolate Sauce—5c. New Gold Floral Tea Cups and Saucers—10c. Table Tumblers—six for—10c.'

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A. U. P. SHOP FRIENDS CONVENTION, SATURDAY, 2 P. M. TO 10 P. M.

MANY ATTEND PRESBYTERY

Meeting at Kearney the Most Interesting Held in Years.

EXAMINE CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Has a Prosperous Year with Increased Collections for the Cause.

KEARNEY, Neb., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The twenty-first annual meeting of the Kearney presbytery began its session on Tuesday evening at the First Presbyterian church of this city, with a sermon by the retiring moderator, Rev. L. E. Humphrey of Parwell.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, April 10.—Official record of temperature, precipitation and wind compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

Table with 4 columns: Year (1902, 1901, 1900, 1899), Maximum temperature, Minimum temperature, Mean temperature, Precipitation.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Table with 3 columns: Location, Temperature, Precipitation.

TELEPHONE MEN CONVENE

Representatives of Middle West Independent Exchanges Inspect Exhibits in Chicago.

TWO DAYS OF FAIR WEATHER

Rising Temperature, Accompanied by Variable Winds for Friday.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Forecast for Friday and Saturday:

For Nebraska—Fair Friday and Saturday; warmer Saturday; variable winds.

For Iowa—Fair Friday and Saturday; rising temperature Saturday; variable winds.

For Missouri—Fair and cooler in east and south portions Friday; Saturday fair; west wind.

For South and North Dakota—Fair Friday and Saturday; rising temperature Friday in west portion; warmer Saturday in east portion; variable winds.

SANTOS-DUMONT IN NEW YORK

Visits United States to Arrange for Aerial Exhibition Trips.

ELATED OVER AMERICA AND AMERICANS

French Aeronaut Says Aerial Navigation May Be Established in Ten Years and Leads Work of This Country.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Alberto Santos-Dumont, builder and navigator of airships, arrived here today on the steamship Deutschland. He has come to the United States to discuss plans for an exhibition of aerial navigation with the managers of the St. Louis exposition and will be in the country for three weeks.

Engagements in England during the coronation of King Edward require that he re-cross the Atlantic by that time, but if the necessary arrangements can be made he will return here in July or August for either a race with a rival or an exhibition.

That he might be prepared for a visit this summer, he has shipped his latest built airship—No. 7—to this country, and will have it made ready for use. He will do no flying during the present visit to the country.

The young aeronaut was accompanied by Manuel Aime, former secretary of the Aero club of Paris, and Albert Chapin, a machinist expert in airship mechanism. Santos-Dumont will remain in New York for five days before going to St. Louis.

"I hope to see New York the principal air port of the world before I pass away," said he, "I have no doubt but that in my time, perhaps ten years, if I get the proper encouragement and help, aerial navigation will be an accomplished fact. I have no doubt but that I will live to see passengers transported by airship across the Atlantic from New York to Paris."

"I have not patented my airship in this country and I do not intend to. I want other men to take my ideas and improve on them if they can. If the St. Louis exposition takes place next year, it is possible that nobody but myself would be ready to enter a race of airships, but it takes place two years from now. I am sure there would be other entries. I have great hope for the future of the airship."

"You are doing some excellent work here in the United States and your professor, S. P. Langley, is one of the greatest men in the field. This is the country, too, in which it should be taken up."

As Deutschland neared Nantucket Santos-Dumont attempted to send the following message ashore:

"How to the greatest country in the world."

He did not succeed in getting the message off.

WOODMEN BANQUET AT GENEVA.

GENEVA, Neb., April 10.—(Special.)—Last night the Ancient Order of United Workmen lodge gave a banquet and about 400 were present. There was a good program of music and recitations.

Large advertisement for SCROFULA. It features the brand name in large letters and a small illustration of a person. The text describes the disease as a 'treacherous disease' that affects the blood and skin, and promotes Scrofula as a 'miraculous cure'. It lists symptoms like enlarged glands, tumors, and skin eruptions. The ad concludes with 'S. S. S. combines both purifying and tonic properties, making it the ideal remedy in all scrofulous affections.' It also mentions 'THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.'

Large advertisement for R. C. Peters & Co. It features the text 'The Best Office Building' and 'The Bee Building'. It describes the buildings as 'moving time' and 'spring time'. It lists 'RENTAL AGENTS, Ground Floor, Bee Building.' Below this is another advertisement for 'PARTS 1 to 12 The Living Animals of the World NOW READY At The Bee Office Price 10 cents—By mail 15 cents'.