

BUY BONDS FOR THE STATE

Dawes County Obligations Purchased for the School Fund.

FUSIONISTS ARRANGE FOR CONVENTION

State Normal Board Starts Out in Morning for a Tour Along the Line of the Elkhorn Road.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The meeting of the State Board of Educational Lands and Funds it was decided to accept an offer of W. E. Barkley of this city to convey to the school fund \$5,000 of Dawes county court house bonds bearing 6 per cent interest and running for ten years on a 2 1/2 per cent basis.

The board also appointed a commission for the appraisal of a tract of western school land.

Dr. Kern, superintendent of the Hastings asylum, has also purchased from the Ohio Blanket company 400 blankets at \$1.75 each.

This bid was accepted over two others which proposed \$1.75, and \$2.50, respectively, as the price of the goods.

Quite a bunch of bids for the routine supplies were referred for consideration at the regular quarterly meeting.

Tickets Being Filed.

William P. Miles, chairman, and C. F. Schramm, secretary, have filed the certificates of nomination of E. M. Grimes as republican nominee for judge of the Thirtieth judicial district by the Sidney convention held August 15.

New Corporations.

The Virginia Telephone company of Gage county filed articles of incorporation today, with a capital of \$4,000, and the incorporators being John A. Dobbs, W. H. Stamm, Joseph Manly and G. A. Erickson.

Attempt at Robbery.

A bold attempt to rob the home of Mrs. A. P. Norton and Mrs. Wilson at Twenty-sixth and P streets was made last night. Mrs. Norton is the wife of A. P. Norton, a traveling man, and the women were alone at the time. They had retired, but were awakened a little before midnight by strange noises.

Program of Fusionists.

The democrats of Lincoln are preparing to go to the convention of their party one week from today in solid phalanx. Dr. Hall says that they will have a special train, which will leave Lincoln at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday and will reach Oshkosh in ample time to permit necessary roll calling and will pulling before the convention meets, at 7 o'clock.

Downs Gets Continuance.

The State Board of Health held a special meeting this morning for the purpose of hearing the case of Dr. C. W. Downs of Omaha, charged with unprofessional conduct in that it is alleged that the doctor circulated pamphlets and circulars the contents of which would tend to excite rather than to raise the morals of humanity.

Normal Board Out Again.

The State Normal board will start out again in the morning, to be the guests of those towns that want a normal school. The stops tomorrow will be at Alnsworth and Long Pine. The time for the meeting of the board to discuss the question has not yet been announced, but it will not be very much longer, for at least two of the board will have to go to work by the first week in September, and will be unable to come to Lincoln as easily as they can now.

DR. CHARLES FLESH FOOD

Advertisement for Dr. Charles Flesh Food, describing its benefits for the form and complexion, and its use for removing wrinkles and developing the bust.

KIDNEY AND BLADDER TROUBLES PROMPTLY CURED

A Simple Bottle Sent FREE by Mail. Dr. Kliner's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in promptly curing kidney, bladder and uric acid troubles, rheumatism and pain in the back.

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Burned Extinguishing Fire.

NORFOLK, Neb., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The large residence of A. Dagner, a prominent hardware dealer, was nearly burned yesterday. A boy stepped upon a match inside a closet and the clothing which hung about took fire. Mr. Dagner was quite badly burned in his efforts to extinguish the flames, but finally succeeded with little property loss.

Lightning Strikes Rectory House.

BEATRICE, Neb., August 18.—(Special.)—The dwelling house of Mike Lieberman, who resides in the east part of the city, was struck by lightning during a thunderstorm Saturday and badly damaged. The family were slightly shocked, but soon recovered. It seems a miracle that none of them were killed.

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ORINOCO TRADE SEEMS TO BE DOOMED

President Does All in His Power to Destroy Commerce in Spite of Bright Prospects and Poverty of Country.

PORT OF SPAIN, Aug. 18.—Authentic information was received this afternoon announcing the imprisonment of French, German and Italian merchants at Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela, for refusing President Castro's demand for the payment of taxes already paid to the defunct government.

President Castro demands the payment of arrears for the period of occupation of Ciudad Bolivar by the revolutionary government, a sum exceeding \$8,000. The merchants refused to recognize President Castro's decree abolishing Ciudad Bolivar as a port of entry and declined to ship goods via Carupano.

The Venezuelan gunboat Muranda went to the district of Nutrias, executing and fines amounting to another \$5,000. The goods imported during the revolutionary regime were confiscated and double duties were imposed. It is reported that President Castro has threatened to annihilate the commerce and expel the foreign community of Guayana, on the Orinoco. A reign of terror prevails throughout the district owing to the extortion, threats and barbarities of the party in power.

The entire region of the Orinoco seems to be in a state of anarchy during the past two years, for which there are no adequate shipping facilities. The native and German firms at Caracas appear to be seeking to control the entire Orinoco import trade. There is no money in the Orinoco country and the distress is great. All the American river boats and interests up the Orinoco are at a standstill, being unable to move in consequence of President Castro