

### AMENDMENT IS NOW LAW

Governor Mickey Issues Formal Declaration of the State Vote.

MORE PAY FOR TEACHERS OF THE STATE

Average Increase in Some Counties Five Dollars Per Month Due to Operation of New Constitutional Law.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
LINCOLN, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—Governor Mickey today issued his proclamation as follows, declaring the railroad commissioner constitutional amendment adopted:

Whereas, said proposed amendment was duly submitted to the voters of the state of Nebraska at the general election held on Tuesday, November 6, 1906, in conformity with the provisions of said joint resolution; and

Whereas, the Board of State Canvassers met in the office of the secretary of state on the third Monday after said general election, to wit, on the third day of November, 1906, there being present Governor John H. Mickey, State Auditor Edwin M. Scarle, Jr., Attorney General Norris Brown and Treasurer Peter Mortensen, and canvassed the votes for and against said proposed amendment in accordance with the statutes governing such canvasses; and

Whereas, the board upon said proposed amendment disclosed that the total number of votes cast at said general election was 147,143, and the total number of votes cast "for constitutional amendment," with reference to state railway commission, was 117,612, and the total number of votes cast "against constitutional amendment," with reference to state railway commission, was 29,531; and the findings and figures are duly entered of record in a book containing the total number of votes cast at the general election held in Nebraska November 6, 1906, said book being part of the records of the secretary of state; and it appearing that a majority of the electors voting at such election has adopted said amendment;

Therefore, I, John H. Mickey, governor of the state of Nebraska, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the constitution, do hereby declare that the amendment known as the proposed railroad commissioner amendment, with reference to state railway commission, and which has been cast in full as a part of this proclamation, is adopted by a majority of the electors voting at the election aforesaid, and I do hereby proclaim and declare the said amendment to be adopted, and that the same is a part of the constitution of the state of Nebraska.

#### MISSING GIRL NOT YET FOUND

No Trace of Violet Ayers, Who Disappeared from Her Home at Waterloo.

Violet Ayers, 14 years old, mysteriously disappeared at Waterloo, this county, on the night of November 16. Search has been made by the citizens out there and

#### Increase in Pay of Teachers.

Reports of county superintendents filed with State Superintendent McBrien indicate the average salary of teachers will be the largest in the history of this state. The county superintendents reported an average increase of \$5 a month. This increase is due, it is said, to the increased efficiency of the teachers by reason of the operations of the new certification law. It is predicted in the state superintendent's office that the increase next year will raise the average salary more than \$20 a month. The average salary includes the pay of superintendents and principals as well as county teachers.

#### Second Amendment Adopted.

Governor John H. Mickey is the second Nebraska governor who ever had the distinction of issuing a constitutional amendment. The amendment carried and a part of the state constitution. In 1887 Governor John M. Thayer issued a proclamation that the amendment to lengthen the terms of legislators and to increase the pay was a part of the constitution. The official vote on this amendment did not carry, so no proclamation was issued at that time, but a record by the legislature showed it had carried, hence the proclamation was issued on the authority of the legislature, being different from the one just issued in that the latter was based upon the report of the state canvassing board.

#### General Webster to Wed.

Tomorrow at the home of Tom Allen will occur the marriage of the Hon. Joseph R. Webster and Dr. Leonard Perky. Mr. Webster was elected to the legislature of Nebraska. At the present time he is engaged as an attorney in a department of the national government at Washington. Dr. Leonard Perky is one of Lincoln's best-known physicians and became prominent during the last year of the campaign for the legislature.

#### Members Selecting Seats.

Seats in the senate chamber and Representative hall are fast being taken by members-elect. In the house, out of 100 seats, thirty-eight remain unoccupied, and out of the thirty-three seats in the senate only eight remain unoccupied. Incidentally these unoccupied seats are the best in the senate chamber.

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#### Winnecker Case Is Dropped

Baltimore Man Will Not Be Prosecuted for Kidnapping Child.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 28.—(Special.)—A man of this city, who was charged with kidnapping a boy from the home of the boy's mother at Grand Island, Neb., will not be prosecuted for the alleged offense. A telegram was received here today at police headquarters from the Nebraska authorities announcing that the boy had returned home and that the charge against Winnecker will be dropped.

#### GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Nov. 28.—(Special.)—

Floyd Bruner, the 12-year-old boy who has been the central figure in the alleged kidnapping case, was returned to the arms of his mother last night, at a late hour by Edith Bruner, the Omaha (Ore) server, an acquaintance and friend of the family, who had traced the lad to Baltimore. The meeting was an affectionate one and was apparently as much a source of rejoicing to the boy as to the mother. And with the return of the boy, and upon the advice of Mr. Bruner, no further action will be taken in the matter. Sheriff Dunkel has not as yet left for Baltimore. Upon hearing the boy's story it has been decided that Winnecker had no criminal intention, meant only well for the boy though acting ill-advisedly, and he will not be prosecuted.

The boy relates that Winnecker left money for him here to join him at York. Winnecker had been at the hotel where the boy was stopping. His mother, it appears, had found occasion to punish the boy for some offense. It was deemed by others as unnecessary punishment. Others encouraged Winnecker. The boy himself left this city of his own volition and alone. He met Winnecker at York. Winnecker took him to Baltimore, where he secured for him a position at light work in a factory and made arrangements to send him to a night school. It seemed to be Winnecker's plan to make the best of it and one family at York and that he believed this would be better than his surroundings at the hotel in this city. In view of these facts, there being no indication whatever that Winnecker had evil intentions, the case will be dropped.

Mrs. Bruner will keep her boy with her at the hotel until in January, when she will send him to the Boys' Military academy at Kearney, an Episcopal institution, where he will receive good training and at the same time be near at home.

#### STERLING SILVER—Tresner, 15 & Dodge.

#### Thanksgiving Low Railroad Rates.

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more property. As yet no application for the appointment of appraisers has been made, but it is reported that such action will soon be taken on the part of the company.

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BEATRICE.—R. W. Edwards, night watchman at the flour mill, was called to Grand Island by a telegram announcing the serious illness of his father, M. B. Edwards, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis.

COLUMBIA.—The Columbus Commercial club is gratified over the fact that in three days' canvassing they have received 15 new names to their list of members, and they are among the best boosters there is in Columbus, Neb.

BEATRICE.—"Dad" Wagner, who was arrested Monday on the charge of robbing James Redfern of \$50, was released yesterday afternoon, as Redfern did not file a complaint against him. Wagner was told to get out of town, which he did in a great hurry.

YORK.—After the car blockade the elevators of York look forward to a large harvest. Due to the scarcity of cars there is little grain moving. Little corn will be shipped out of York, Neb., for the time being.

NORTH PLATTE.—Edwin Salisbury and Miss Viola Brown, both of Logan county, were united in marriage Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McMichael. Rev. T. B. Kenney, pastor of the Presbyterian church, performed the ceremony.

NORTH PLATTE.—Foreman Joe Murphy will begin work tomorrow on the two new non-Pacific ice houses and they will be ready by the middle of next week. There will be a demand for carpenters and laborers, and those waiting work of that kind will have plenty of opportunities.

BEATRICE.—The laborers employed by Rutherford & Lee on the excavation for the new gas plant struck for nine hours' work at \$2 per day. As they waited until almost ready to go to work before demanding the raise, the employer let them go and filled their places with other laborers.

BURWELL.—Garfield county, owing to the continued dryness of the soil, crops are in a condition such as it has rarely been before. Every cent of real estate taxes, except those against the school, and all outstanding warrants are practically paid, leaving the county out of debt except a small balance.

TERKAMAH.—In the district court here, in the trial of the Northwest Thresher company against E. F. Peterson, the plaintiff was allowed \$60. The original amount of this trial yesterday Judge Kennedy charged the jury and adjourned court until next Monday, when the equity cases will be tried.

BURWELL.—Jim Stanley while out hunting with serious accident yesterday. While carrying his shotgun it in some way he accidentally discharged and the full force of a shot entered the neck, penetrating the amputation of the entire back part of the foot. It is hoped the balance of the foot will be saved.

BURWELL.—Mrs. T. H. Loran, wife of Representative Loran, who died very suddenly with serious accident yesterday, the family residence this afternoon. The services were under the direction of the church. Rev. J. B. Stocking officiated.

FREMONT.—The Sure Hatch incubator company has begun work and has already a quantity of chickens being raised. The company has an increased number of orders ahead and will run a full force through the season.

BEATRICE.—The Ladies' guild of the Congregational church held its annual fair and entertainment at the opera house yesterday. The women kept open houses during the afternoon, and the booths, where fancy articles, cooking and sweets were sold, were kept busy until those clock-toppers

## Some Needs of Nebraska Towns

The first and greatest need for the development of the interior Nebraska towns, in the opinion of many of the members of the Commercial club of this city, is cheaper fuel. Without that the fulfillment of other wants would be incomplete.

Water power is out of the question on account of the instability of the supply and the immense expenditures first necessary to secure the same were the supply what it should be. Steam coal costs \$4 per ton in railroad lots, and the best grades are not procurable at that. In recent years, the rates have advanced about 30 per cent. Other conditions must be very favorable, therefore, before industries can be established, though in many lines there are such extremely favorable conditions—for instance, the ready, cheap and direct supply of a raw material.

A second great need is more equitable freight rates. In the heart of a great stock-feeding country it is regarded as almost impossible to establish a packing industry owing to the handicap enumerated in the first paragraph and the further handicap of a high local rate that must be added to reach the Missouri.

A third need is additional capital, and the retention of home capital in home enterprises. There can be little doubt but that thousands of dollars are annually invested from such Nebraska towns as Grand Island, in western mines, all doubtful of realization, which would be invested in home enterprises under the proper conditions and terms, home capital combining with outside capital, in properly, equitably and legally organized companies. In one year \$100,000 of capital was taken out of this county to be invested in the development of other states, which amount, under the proper conditions, would have been loaned toward the development of Nebraska resources with the result of adding to rather than subtracting from the wealth of the state.

A fourth need of this particular city is a transportation line, steam or electric, into the rich Loup river valley, west and northwest of Grand Island. The people of this valley made every effort available to interest capitalists, but they were unable to get any in either direction there are, for a rich territory here, no transportation facilities whatever. Such a line would immediately add hundreds of thousands of dollars to the value of the fine farming and dairying country in this valley. The Commercial club of this city once took the matter up, but interest finally began to lag, both on the part of the people in this city and those of the several counties interested, owing to the bigness of the undertaking. Either one of the railroads now entering Grand Island, or the Missouri Pacific, will eventually tap this territory and find it a rich "take."

Not an inconsiderable need of Nebraska towns, if Grand Island were taken as a criterion, would be a revival of public spirit, industry and enterprise and the evangel of patronizing home industry. In many lines, it is present, but the business man seems to be pulling all for himself. Only that which directly benefits him alone appeals. That which might benefit his neighbor as much as himself is left for the other to do and is left undone. The average attendance at the meetings of the Commercial club of Nebraska towns the Mitchell-Gering canal, and the balance will later be covered by the government canal now under contemplation.

Land under the canal now in operation is selling for \$25 to \$75 per acre. This and a few years ago could have been purchased for \$12 to \$15 per acre. Now, under the beneficent system of irrigation, it is only a matter of a few years when it will be worth from \$100 to \$200 an acre.

Alfalfa, potatoes, sugar beets and all kinds of small grain are the staple crops raised here. Alfalfa produces from four to seven tons per acre and sells at the alfalfa mills for \$5 per ton, to be ground into alfalfa meal.

Potatoes produce from 150 to 300 bushels per acre and of excellent quality.

Oats produce from fifty to 120 bushels per acre and sell at \$1.25 per hundred.

Sugar beets produce from fifteen to twenty-four tons to the acre, with a high percentage of sugar.

We are assured of a beet sugar factory as soon as the railroad reaches our valley, and this will be an immense benefit to the town and the country surrounding it.

As the road nears us many new enterprises will start up in Gering. At present, next to a railroad, an up-to-date hotel is needed, and anyone possessing the means to erect and operate a good hotel will certainly reap large returns for his investment.

The finest house in the county has recently been erected in Gering at a cost of about \$50,000.

This residence, being built by one of the pioneers of this part of the state and one thoroughly conversant with the conditions here, testifies to the future solidity of the old town of Gering.

The citizens of Gering and surrounding country are mainly Americans, contributed from Illinois, Iowa, Colorado and the eastern portion of Nebraska.

Our supply of water for irrigation purposes is unlimited, and for domestic purposes the water obtained at a depth of fifty feet is as good as can be found in the state.

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Northwestern Wants More Room.

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