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### ROSE'S LETTER COMMENDED

Legislators of Opinion Plan of Formulating Bills is a Good One.

INVESTMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL FUND

Prizes Awarded in the Corn Show of the Nebraska Boys-Omaha Coal Dealers Campaign of Method of Letting Contracts.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The letter of Chairman W. B. Rose of the republican state committee, warning legislators of the difficulties that will be placed in the way of carrying out the party pledges, and suggesting that the plan of having a joint committee draft important legislation will in a great measure obviate difficulties, has received the cordial support of many members of the legislature. Some of the members have written Mr. Rose commending him for making the suggestions contained in his letter, and others have called on him in person to approve his action. The present revenue law was drafted by a joint committee and it was passed and stood the test of the courts. This precedent has greatly impressed members of the legislature and there was much favorable talk immediately after the election among the members of pursuing this plan at the coming session. Among the proposed laws that may be referred to a joint committee are the anti-pass law, direct primary law, laws to tax railway terminals, laws conferring upon the railway commission power to determine and enforce reasonable freight and passenger rates and other laws promised by the republican platform.

**Nebraska's Investments.**  
The report of State Treasurer Mortensen shows that of the \$7,438,716 of trust funds invested by the state in interest-bearing securities, \$5,526,023 is invested in bonds and coupons and \$1,912,693 in general fund warrants. Of the amount invested in bonds and coupons, \$2,942,381 is invested in the bonds of other states, divided as follows: Massachusetts, \$977,037; Mississippi, \$287,000; Idaho, \$464,749; Delaware, \$23,000; Tennessee, \$350,500; California, \$32,000.

The bonds of Massachusetts were the first bought from any other state and a ruling of the supreme court was obtained to authorize the investment. The commission permits investments in "state securities,"

and the court ruled that this not only includes warrants of the state of Nebraska, but bonds issued by states other than Nebraska. The investments in bonds of other states were deemed wise because county bonds and state warrants are not available in sufficient quantities to keep the trust funds invested. The Massachusetts bonds nearly all require payment in gold. There is a law in that state which permits the state to issue bonds for the payment of municipal and county improvements. The state issues bonds and then collects from the municipalities and counties that make the improvements. Nebraska has no outstanding bonds of any kind. Its floating debt is represented by outstanding state warrants, and 25 per cent of these warrants are held by the state as an investment for the permanent school fund.

**Prizes in State Corn Contest.**  
The prizes in the boys' and girls' state corn growing and corn cooking contest have been awarded. The greatest number of entries, as well as amount of interest, is in class A, in the corn division. This is ten ears of corn grown from 1,000 grains furnished by the state. The winners in this class, with the county from whence they come, are as follows:

First—Gordon Unanget, Lancaster.  
Second—Loran Patterson, Burr.  
Third—Vai Kuska, Fillmore.  
Fourth—Joseph B. Kuska, Fillmore.  
Fifth—Robert Engle Saunders.  
The following are grouped as having excellent exhibits in this class and are all marked "A." They will be awarded prizes:

Antoni F. Kucer, Cumings; Clifford Young, Kimball; Lester Dury, Lancaster; D. L. Kauffman, Lancaster; Hugh Garrett, Fillmore; Talmage Miller, Saunders; Claude A. Barker, Pawnee; Glenn Smith, Lancaster; Ralph Smith, Lancaster; Lynn Converse, Saunders; J. H. Braunhardt, Lancaster; Ray Huffman, Seward; Harvey West, Otoe; Charles E. Metzger, Pawnee; Leo E. Metzger, Pawnee; Frank De, Douglas; George Campbell, York; Ogden Nelson, Burr; Joseph Miller, Fillmore; Joseph Miles, Seward; Louis Jespersen, Saunders; Lester Moore, Seward; Worthey Nicholas, Gage; Roy Thangst, Lancaster; W. E. Walman, Douglas; Peter Finnergan, Lancaster; Carl Ganti, Saling; Duff Denning, Fillmore; Frank Rigby, Lancaster; Eddie Hall, Dodge.

In division "B" of class A, there are 111 winners, who will receive equal prizes, while in division "C" there are twenty-four winners.

Class B of the corn exhibit consisted of ten ears of corn grown from seed furnished by the county superintendent. Loran Patterson of Burr county won first prize in this class, while all of the other leading winners are from Dodge county. They are as follows:

Karl Kleeman, Eddie Monnich, Frank Fursten, John Lass, Walter Bleyhe,

Perry Kleeman, Clarence Monnich, Arthur Bleyhe, Leroy Kleeman, August Bleyhe, Bruno Layden, Glen Ferguson.

Class C consists of ten ears of corn raised by a Nebraska boy regardless of where he procured his seed. There are eight divisions in this class, though in some of them there are no entries. The winners in the various divisions are as follows:

Division 1—Robert Engel, Saunders; Charles Leander, Sargy; Earl Hogue, Sargy; Ernest Bushler, Johnson; Joe Aldrich, Valley.

Division 2—Joe Aldrich, Valley; Robert B. Benson, Dixon; Carl Kohrell, Cass.  
Division 3—Alex Bleyhe, Dodge.  
Division 4—D. O. Steick, Hall; Robert Engel, Dodge.  
Division 5—Robert Engel, Dodge.  
Division 6—G. Warren Denning, Fillmore.

In class X, which is a collective exhibit, Harry Olding of Sargy won first prize. There are two classes in the sugar beet contest. Class A includes those who received seed from the state, while class B includes those who received seed from other sources.

The winners in class A are D. A. Steick, Hall; Fred Vein, Lancaster; and Segrid Strang, Valley.

Winners in class B are John Gallentine, Hall, and Fred Vein, Lancaster.

In the potato contest, the winners in class A were Samuel Chinn, Dixon; May Nider, Jefferson; Willie Watson, Sheridan, and D. D. Kaufman, Lancaster.

**Lecture on Cooking.**

At 8 o'clock this morning, the members of the girls' association listened to a lecture by Miss Rosa Bouton. Miss Bouton gave her hearers some elemental hints on cooking and demonstrations in measuring. She also spoke briefly on manual training and at the conclusion of her talk took the girls to the university kitchen, which proved a most interesting place to the visitors.

At 11 o'clock the general session assembly held at the chapel of Memorial hall, which was well filled. E. C. Bishop presided and the first speaker was Dick J. Crosby of the department of agricultural education of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Crosby emphasized the value of manual training and urged the necessity of a broad educational basis for anyone who would succeed in any line. This afternoon W. J. Bryan and others spoke in the auditorium.

**Omaha Murderer Appeals.**

An appeal brief for Jay O'Hearn, the Omaha boy murderer under sentence of death for killing Nels Lausten, was filed in the supreme court this morning by his attorney, James P. English. It is a document of 16 pages and sets forth in exhaustive detail the facts and arguments on

which it is hoped to obtain a reversal of judgment in the higher court and a new trial in the lower.

**University Stock at Chicago.**  
Of the nine steers exhibited by the state university at the Chicago Live Stock show, six were prize winners, one of them a 5-months calf, bred on the university farm, winning the grade Angus championship over all ages, and another, the college championship over the entire lot of all breeds and ages exhibited by the various state universities and agricultural colleges. Had Mr. Turner, who came from Herefordshire, England, to judge the grade steers and award the grand championship, judged the prize-steer steers, the university would have won the "Ruby"—a 2-year-old Angus (pure bred)—the same honor that came to Challenger in 1903, via, the grand championship prize plum. "Ruby," under the English judge in the college classes, was placed ahead of the two steers that had defeated him under a Chicago judge and was pronounced by the English judge the best steer in the show. This, however, was after the grand championship had been awarded to a breeder from Illinois. "Ruby" was sold to "The Fair" department store at 15 cents per pound, live weight, the top price of the show for single individuals, bringing for beef \$272. On the yearling steers entered in the carcass contest, the University of Nebraska won both first and second prizes, which is a strong testimonial for the system of feeding practiced at our State farm.

**Largest Exhibit of School.**  
The exhibit this year, nine head, was the largest ever made by the University of Nebraska and a total of \$400 in prizes was won, to say nothing of the high prices received for beef. One of the prize winners was selected from a carload of calves at the South Omaha stock yards nearly two years ago, when a party of students were being instructed by Prof. Smith on the selection of feeding steers.

During the past few years the university has won \$1,500 in prizes at the International Stock show on fifteen steers, one of the number, Challenger, winning \$400 in 1903. The high prices received for the beef is more than paid the expenses for exhibiting and the prize money has therefore been net profit to the state.

**Winter Course in Agriculture.**  
The winter course of the School of Agriculture, University of Nebraska, opens January 2, and continues until March 1. The announcement just issued by the faculty says, the course offers an opportunity to obtain a mastery of the principles of seed selection; a thorough knowledge of the crops which can be most profitably grown in Nebraska; an acquaintance with the methods of adding to and conserving the fertility of our farms; a knowledge of how to deal successfully with the problem of soil moisture; the learning necessary to him who would succeed in making the proper choice of sires to head his herds, in the selection of profitable feeders, and who desires to know the principles of stock feeding and stock breeding; how to prevent the outbreak of contagious diseases among farm animals; a training in the principles of the economic production of milk, butter and cheese; a knowledge of the best methods of growing vegetables, and fruits, orchard products, and ornamental shrubs and grasses; a practical course in the adjustment, use and care of farm machinery; instruction in the care and management of poultry; practice in grading small grain and judging corn. A fee of \$2 is charged for the course.

**Salem Fair Grounds Sold.**  
RULO, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The county fair grounds, located at Salem, Neb., were sold at sheriff's sale in Falls City yesterday, to satisfy a mortgage held by the Salem Interstate Chautauqua association. The property was purchased by the Richardson County Fair association for \$2,000. This sale terminated a long and bitter struggle between the administrators of the county fair and the Chautauqua association. Twelve years ago, when the county fair began to decline the chautauqua was started and at once sprang into great favor. The decline of the county fair and the great success of the chautauqua caused considerable dissatisfaction to some of the interested parties. The Chautauqua association leased the grounds each year from the directors of the County Fair association, and a few years ago the fair authorities borrowed \$500 from the Chautauqua association, giving a mortgage on the grounds as security. The grounds had to be sold. At first there were many bidders, but they gradually dropped out until only the Fair and Chautauqua associations remained in the contest, the fair winning out and securing the grounds at \$2,000.

**River Work at Blair.**  
BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The work of trying to secure the large pile driver of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, which went into the river last week while constructing a dike to protect the river bank, has been abandoned and another driver has been put on the work. The body of Ben Morrison, who was drowned, has not been recovered. The cost of constructing this work, with some few improvements on the Nebraska side of the river, will be about \$5,000, on which about sixty men are now working. As soon as the river freezes the force will be increased to about 500 men. The bridge company has erected a large boarding house on the Iowa side of the river, with sleeping apartments for all their men.

**Collision Near Alnsworth.**  
ALNSWORTH, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—At 5 o'clock yesterday morning, about one mile west of here, a wreck occurred, in which three engines and two trains were badly demolished and two men badly hurt.

Engine 122, westbound, Williams conductor, Griffith engineer. Wears fireman, all of Chadron; head engine 123 of double-header, eastbound, Baker conductor, Thompson engineer. Huffman fireman. Huffman was badly cut on the head and foot and otherwise bruised. All are of Chadron. On the second engine of the double-header, eastbound, L. H. O. Rankins, the engineer, of Cody, was badly scalded in the face and badly bruised. They were picked up and taken to Dr. G. H. Remie's hospital, where they are receiving good treatment and doing well.

**Katibits of Columbus Elect.**  
ALLIANCE, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The following officers were elected by the Knights of Columbus at their meeting and smoker held here last night:

John B. Kennedy, grand knight; William J. Pool, deputy grand knight; W. C. Heelan, chancellor; C. W. Brennan, treasurer; George Dierke, secretary; Samuel Burckell, warden; P. A. Brennan, inside guard; John Pougherty, outside guard; C. G. Berry, T. J. O'Keefe, John Brennan, trustees. Rev. William T. McNamara, chaplain.

It was decided to hold their second initiation and banquet on January 20, and preparations are now being made for the event, which promises to surpass its predecessors.

**News of Nebraska.**  
COLUMBUS—The brothers of this place have formed a society and agreed to keep their shops closed on Sunday.

COLUMBUS—The women's guild of the Episcopal church received about \$200 as the net results of their recent bazaar.

COLUMBUS—Rev. G. A. Munro will preach Sunday evening on the subject, "Torrey, the Man, and His Message."

PLATTSMOUTH—County Judge Travis united in marriage E. N. Ash and Miss Maud E. Ingram, both from Louisville.

COLUMBUS—The Commercial club has taken steps to have a lecture on good roads, to be delivered here in January.

BRADSHAW—Mr. R. W. Taylor of Davenport purchased the restaurant of V. P. Hudson and is now in full possession.

COLUMBUS—Rev. Mr. Thompson will deliver a lecture on "True Americanism."

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