

## Nebraska

## BID TO OLD NORMAL BOARD

Alliance Submits Proposal for Location of New School.

## PULLMAN SEATS MAY BE FREE

Passengers Need Not Pay Extra for Seats in Case There Are No Seats for Them in the Day Coaches.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Aug. 28.—(Special.)—The Commercial club of Alliance showed its faith in the "old" Normal board by submitting to it a proposition for the new normal school. The Commercial club sent to Luther P. Ludden, secretary, an offer to give to the state eighty acres of land to be selected from four tracts. If the school is located there. Enclosed with the proposition were several petitions from neighboring towns asking that the school be located there, and also a statement signed by numerous business men offering a bond of \$20,000 to guaranty title to the property.

President Childs of the old board has not yet called a meeting, but he is expected to do so within a few days, as the school is to be located between the 1st and 10th of the month.

In the meantime friends of the old board, which was legislated out of business by the late democratic legislature, have looked up the record and discovered that the proposition for the new normal school was made previous to the creation of the new Normal board, and for that reason these friends believe the legislature intended to have the old board locate the new school.

## Busy at Fair Grounds.

The state fair grounds have every indication of a real fair, though it does not begin for a week from Monday. Scores of men are at work putting up tents, cleaning up buildings and putting up machinery, several carloads already having been placed upon the grounds. Temporary stalls are being fitted up adjoining both the cattle and horse barns, because the entries have exceeded the room in both departments. The machinery exhibit this year will surpass any previous year. Though eighty-four more stalls were provided for horses this year, it was found necessary to construct additional stalls for temporary use. President Rudge and Secretary Miller went to Des Moines tonight to spend Monday visiting the Iowa fair. They will return Monday night. The fair management has been notified that an instructor from Fort Collins will be present to hear B. F. Kingsley deliver his address on draft horses.

## Mixup on Advertising.

The new State Normal board has evidently slipped up on its dates, for it is advertising in several papers that the board will receive bids for the construction of the buildings at Kearney and Peru up to August 19 to be opened August 20. At the last meeting of the board, when only one bid was received for one of the buildings and none for the other, the secretary was authorized to readvertise. And so the same advertisements are still running, to be paid for by the state. Incidentally the ads for coal bids are also still running, though the coal was bought at the last meeting of the board.

## Pullman Seats Free.

At the request of the Union Pacific and the Pullman company, the State Railroad commission has modified its order relating to the sale of seat tickets on trains Nos. 7 and 8 of the Union Pacific. The new order issued today, following a conference of the commission and officials of the Pullman and railroad company, provides that no seats may be sold on these trains, but that when the local coach is full, passengers are entitled to any vacant seats on the parlor and sleeping car without extra charge. It is provided, however, the passenger who is riding in the parlor car without cost must return to the coach whenever there is a seat for him there. A chair car has been attached to these trains for the use of local passengers. Trains Nos. 1 and 2 will carry no local passengers, the railway commission having decided to permit those trains to be run exclusively for interstate business.

## Thomas Finishes Speaking Tour.

President A. O. Thomas of the Kearney Normal school was here today on his way home after speaking at Bethany last night. That speech wound up the speaking season for Dr. Thomas, who has made forty-one addresses in the state of Nebraska since the first of January. The Kearney Normal school opens September 15, and Dr. Thomas is expecting the largest attendance in the history of the institution.

## Son Visits Inmate Father.

After an absence of seven years caused by a family estrangement, Henry Pitcock, a old man confined in the county jail at Omaha, was visited by his son Friday. The father went to Michigan and there remained. He was working in Falls City and when a man of his father's name was named at Lincoln, came up to see if it was his father. The father's name was Pitcock. A letter was received from the second

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## Boy Mangled by Farm Disc

Both Feet of Lad Are Almost Severed in Runaway—Series of Accidents.

## MINISTER ON LONG HIKE

Walks 300 Miles and Climbs 50,000 Feet in Rockies.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

BEAVER CITY, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—From a farm disk today and terribly injured. He was driving four horses, which became unmanageable and ran a quarter of a mile. The boy's clothing caught and he was drawn beneath the disk. Both feet were nearly cut off and his body badly bruised. He will live. While he was riding a rake today the team of Dan Moyes, 19 years old, ran away with him and he fell in front of the rake teeth and was badly injured.

Burlington freight, No. 173, was wrecked east of here yesterday afternoon and passenger traffic delayed. The wreck was caused by the journal of a car of wheat burning off.

## PONCA, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Rev. Joseph B. Cherry, pastor of the Presbyterian church, has just returned from his vacation in Colorado, where he walked a little more than 300 miles among the mountains and climbed, in the aggregate, 50,000 feet. This was accomplished in twelve days excepting Sundays.

He climbed to the top of Pike's peak on August 10 and again August 13, first going by the wagon road and then to the Bootcamp Pt. and climbing up from that place 3,000 feet over the broken rocks, returning each time by the cog railroad, leaving the summit at 3:30 p. m. each time and walking down in the night. On August 16 he left Manitou at 10 a. m. and walked to Leadville, a distance of nearly 120 miles. The wagon road follows closely the Colorado Midland railroad to Hartsell, where he took the old county road, passing through South Park and over Western Pass, where an altitude of nearly 12,000 feet is reached, and then through the Musgrave private lake region to Leadville.

Doctor Cherry weighed exactly the same number of pounds when he finished his 300-mile walk as when he started on it.

## SINGERS GATHER AT HASTINGS

Women Participate in Saengerfest for First Time.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Several hundred visitors are here for the tenth annual saengerfest of the Nebraska Saengerbund, which was opened with a concert for members only tonight. Concerts by the United Societies under the direction of John Rees will be given at Chautauqua park tomorrow. It is expected at least 200 singers will participate.

The Omaha societies, accompanied by Mayor Dahlman, arrived this afternoon. Tonight the Grand Island Liederkreis came on a special train. All visitors formed in line for a procession tonight. An innovation in this year's saengerfest is the participation of the Omaha Concordia Ladies' quartet, as it is the first time women have had a part in the meeting. Singing societies are here from Omaha, Grand Island, West Point, Madison and Columbus. The place for the next annual saengerfest will be decided tomorrow.

## Jack McCormick May Die.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—A letter from Kansas City states that Jack McCormick, who was sentenced to the penitentiary for life from this city, for the killing of Mrs. Maggie Lindsey and pardoned last Fourth of July, was lying gravely ill in the hospital at that place with pneumonia, a disease not often encountered in this part of the country, but incident to the south. The physicians there have no hope for his recovery. He was here but a few weeks ago and it is thought he contracted the disease while in the penitentiary at Lincoln. His pardon was secured by the untiring efforts of his relatives after he had served twelve years.

## Letton Dissents from Decision on Nonpartisan Law

Holds Endorsing and County Petition Provisions Bad, But Rest of Statute Good.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge C. B. Letton of the supreme court this morning filed an opinion dissenting from the opinion of the majority of the court which held the nonpartisan judiciary law invalid.

Judge Letton agrees with the majority of the court that the portion of the act which provides that it is unlawful for a convention to endorse or criticize or in any way mention candidates for the judiciary of school offices, is invalid.

He also agrees that the portion of the law which limits the signers of petitions to 500 to a county is bad.

However, he holds that the law provided no penalty for a violation of the section relating to conventions and therefore he holds the legislature in this act merely in an advisory capacity or expressed what it would like to do had it the power. Were these provisions out of the law he holds there is still sufficient left to carry out the intentions of the legislature and therefore the law should stand. He holds the legislature has authority to prevent the nomination of any candidate for a primary or to regulate these nominations as it may see fit, leaving the same to party committee or taking charge of the matter itself.

## SENTIMENT TOUCHES SHOW MAN

Buffalo Bill and Company to Honor Memory of Old Comrades.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Over twenty-six years ago the Buffalo Bill exhibition of frontier life, which will be in this city next Friday, organized and started from Columbus to make its first appearance in Omaha, and naturally a number of those connected with it were from this city among whom were the celebrated chief of the Pawnees, Major Frank North, Captain Fred Matthews and George Clothier, all frontier Indian fighters. These members of the original outfit have passed away and are buried in the Columbus cemetery. At 9 a. m. on the day the show is here, the band and members of the company will form at the grounds and march to the cemetery, where a memorial service will be held in honor of the former comrades of Colonel Cody. The services will be conducted by Dean Beecher of Omaha, who was a personal friend of many members of the organization.

Buffalo Bill has a soft spot in his heart for Columbus and the men who assisted in building up his show and in his day of prosperity he stops long enough to pay a tribute of respect to the old time plainsmen of his pioneer days in Nebraska.

## SORENSEN READY FOR FLIGHT

Aviator Who Fell 3,500 Feet Will Try Out Machine Again.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Ulrich Sorenson, a blacksmith, whose drop of 3,500 feet while testing his aeroplane made him famous, is preparing for another test of his machine. He will fly as one of the attractions at the Custer county fair, to be held here September 24 to 27, inclusively. Instead of being dismayed by his first experience, Prof. Sorenson is now satisfied he has struck the right principle and can successfully navigate the air. Whether he will start this time from his balloon among the clouds or from the ground is not announced.

For twenty years Sorenson, confined to his bed, has maintained one of the best fairs in the state. It has paid more money annually in premiums than any other county and its average attendance for that period has been ten thousand people daily.

The race track is one of the best in the state and the fast premiums offered for harness and running races have always brought in a large field of fast horses, and this year it is larger than ever. Other attractions will be a group of five diving horses springing from a forty-foot platform to a pond of water beneath, numerous relay races, Lady Weaver, the guileless wonder, who paces the track in 2:15, two good theatrical companies and several street shows to entertain the crowds at night.

## Burt Pioneers Celebrate.

TEKAMAH, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—The seventh annual reunion of the Burt County Pioneers and Old Settlers' association was held at this place yesterday. It was the largest and best meeting of its kind ever held here.

Congressman J. F. Latta, who is president of the association, delivered the address of welcome at 11 o'clock, which was followed by the memorial address by Lieutenant Governor M. R. Hopewell.

The principal address of the day was delivered by Prof. N. C. Abbott, superintendent of the Institute for the Blind at Nebraska City.

Colonel Wellington Harrington, who has been a continuous resident of Tekamah since 1855, was the next speaker, and in a most pleasing manner contrasted the conditions as they then existed with the present.

The afternoon session was opened by a brief address by Lieutenant Governor Hopewell on "The Characteristics of the Average Pioneer."

Others who spoke were: J. B. Whittier, Captain Joseph Hall, W. B. Newton and several other pioneers.

The Oakland quartet rendered many excellent selections during the entire program.

The ball game between Lyons and Tekamah was won by the former by a score of 5 to 1. It was the poorest exhibition of the national game ever given here. All the scores made by Lyons were made on errors, Tekamah getting the only earned run of the game.

## Pioneer Dies Suddenly.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Herman Otten, a pioneer of Lincoln county, died suddenly this morning. He arose, kindled the kitchen fire and did a few chores as usual, and when his wife came downstairs she found him sitting in a chair. She spoke to him, and not receiving an answer she went to him, when his head dropped and he was dead without a word. Mr. Otten came to Lincoln county in 1862. Previously he had served in the Union army during the civil war. He was for several years in the mercantile business here, and later purchased a farm near the city and grew much fruit. He leaves a wife, two sons and three daughters. He was born at Hanover, Germany, in 1844.

## Meningitis in Seward County.

SEWARD, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—A case of spinal meningitis is reported in the country north of Seward. In the family of Chris Luben. This is the first case in the county.

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## What State Has to Sell

Labor Commissioner Gives Out Figures of Nebraska's Surplus Products.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

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