

WOULD AUCTION FUNDS OF STATE

State Treasurer Hall Urges Having Banks Make Bids On Them.

LET TO HIGHEST BIDDER

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Putting state funds up at auction for banks to bid off is a plan recommended by State Treasurer George Hall in his report to the governor for the closing biennium.

He would also prohibit departments of the state from using fees for the support of their offices and would have these fees turned over to the general fund and the legislature make all appropriations for last biennium in addition to the payment of the regular expenses of the government for the biennium.

Cook Woman Is Badly Scalded

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Mrs. J. G. Albers, wife of a hardware dealer in the town of Cook, this county, was in her bath and had a kettle of scalding water on an oil heater near the tub, for use if needed.

Notes From Aurora and Hamilton County

Aurora, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The annual dinner of the Aurora Commercial club will take place at Highlander hall next Wednesday evening.

Auto Strikes Pig Four Men Injured

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—A car filled with men and driven by Ernest Neddrenrip, struck a pig and turned turtle.

Fremont Good Fellows Sends Out 365 Packages

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The Good Fellows of Fremont gladdened the hearts of 365 needy boys and girls Saturday, when they delivered packages of clothing, toys and candies to homes where Santa Claus might not call.

Temporary Order in Fremont Light Case

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—A temporary injunction restraining the city council and the board of public works from purchasing additional machinery for the city plant was granted in district court by Judges Button and Thomas.

Member of American Ambulance Corps Dies

Paris, Dec. 25.—Howard Burchard Lines, a graduate of Dartmouth and the Harvard law school, son of Dr. E. H. Lines of Paris, and a volunteer in the American ambulance corps, has just died in the Argonne of acute pneumonia.

THREE MILLIONS TO CHARITIES OF STATE

State Board of Control Makes Its Estimate of Appropriation Needed for Biennium.

BIG INCREASE IN TOTALS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—By employing an expert efficiency engineer to watch things around state institutions the State Board of Control has been able to save the state considerable by stopping leaks that might not otherwise have been discovered.

Many of the institutions, in their reports to the board, asked for greater appropriations than the board felt were justified and, acting as a "board of censorship," the appropriations were cut over \$800,000 less than heads of institutions asked for.

What Is Asked For.

The Beatrice institution for the feeble-minded is asking for a cottage for girls to cost \$40,000 and an addition to the hospital to cost \$10,000.

Lincoln hospital: New hospital building and furnishings, \$100,000; building for house employees, \$40,000.

Lincoln orthopedic hospital: Fire escapes, laundry and kitchen equipment, \$9,500.

Penitentiary: New laundry building and equipment, \$10,000; new dormitory, \$10,000; for purchase of 120 acres of land, \$20,100.

Milford women's home: Fire escapes, well pump, etc., \$7,500.

Milford soldiers' home: Barn, machinery, etc., \$3,000.

School for blind, Nebraska City: No appropriation for extras.

Norfolk asylum: Sewer system improvements, \$3,000; remodeling plant and boiler house, \$50,000.

Omaha school for deaf: New barn, etc., \$6,000.

Lincoln children's home: Nothing new.

What Will Be Allowed.

The board, after cutting out amounts it believed the institutions could get along without for a while longer, gives the following estimate for each institution:

Table with columns: Institution, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930. Rows include Beatrice, Lincoln, Milford, Norfolk, Omaha, and Lincoln Children's Home.

Total Looks Big

In addition to the above is a sum of \$454,800 as an extraordinary appropriation, making the total \$2,810,570.

The board of control for itself will ask for an appropriation of \$44,450 this year as against \$39,300 last biennium divided as follows:

Table with columns: Item, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930. Rows include Salaries, Traveling expenses, etc.

Hunter Shoots Self In Foot With Rifle

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 25.—Ernest Schaler was carrying his rifle with the barrel aimed down when the weapon was discharged, the bullet entering his foot.

IOWA MERCHANTS REPORT BIG TRADE

Des Moines Dealers Say Rush Greatest on Record and Stocks Are Sold Out.

GUARDS WON'T REENLIST

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Merchants here report the biggest holiday trade in their history.

Mayor Buys Coal.

Mayor MacVicar went into the coal business on Saturday and bought two carloads of coal, which he will sell out at \$4.50 per ton.

Guards Won't Re-enlist.

An attempt to poll the Iowa National Guard members, a part of the First regiment, who reached Des Moines Friday night, as to whether or not they will take the new oath of enlistment with the army and continue their services for another three years, resulted in showing that 80 per cent at least of the Guard members will not re-enlist.

Raps Federal Courts.

Attorney General George Cosson takes a rap at the Iowa supreme court for holding a number of the statutes unconstitutional, in an argument he has filed with the United States supreme court on the sterilization law.

King of Roumania Praises His Army

London, Dec. 25.—A Reuter's dispatch from Jassy, dated December 22, says that the Roumanian parliament was opened there on that day by King Ferdinand.

Woodmen Friends Honor J. L. Sundean

Minneapolis, Minn., (Special Telegram)—In appreciation of the services during the Modern Woodman rate fight and its fortunate settlement and his leadership in reconstruction, John L. Sundean formerly of Lincoln and Wahoo received Christmas greetings with ten thousand signatures of Minnesota members, also a cash gift of \$500.

Uni of Nebraska Will Not Establish Journalism School

Lincoln, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The petition for the establishment of a college of journalism in the University of Nebraska was rejected by the senate of the school at a meeting yesterday, but a motion to enlarge the courses in newspaper training was passed.

Sigma Delta Chi, the journalistic fraternity, filed the petition for the department with the board of regents, which in turn referred it to the senate—composed of faculty members of the university.

A committee headed by Dean Stout of the engineering college, and generally hostile to the proposed department, was named to investigate and report its findings.

While smothering the application for a college of journalism, a motion made by Prof. H. K. Wolfe carried with little opposition to enlarge the newspaper courses now being given at the university.

District Court in Johnson County

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Judge John R. Raper held district court in Johnson county the last three days in this week.

In the case of the First State bank of Sterling, charged with the selling of intoxicants to minors upon several counts, appeared before the court, was fined \$25 and costs upon one count, the judge withheld judgment on the five other counts, and paroled the defendant to the court for a term of one year.

In the case of the First State bank of Sterling against Herman Steinkuhler, et al., on contract, judgment was entered in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendants, Herman Steinkuhler and Henry Seale.

The motion to retax costs in the appeal of the forcible entry case of James Molman against John Morrissey, was overruled.

The plaintiff withdrew his motion for a new trial in the damage case of Jake Miller against E. J. Lecky.

In the case of Ralph Varney against Roy L. Stewart, for damages, the plaintiff was granted leave to withdraw his motion for a new trial.

The jury was waived in the case on Celia A. Hendry against L. A. Hanks. The case was tried to the court and the finding was for the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,052.47.

C. E. Zink was appointed referee in the partition case of Caroline Gerdes against Jacob Kritner, et al., and a decree of partition was granted.

The sale was confirmed and deed ordered in the foreclosure case of Otha H. Fuller against Ralph Varney.

Hamilton County Advocate Quits

Aurora, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The Hamilton County Advocate, which has been published here for the last five years, is now a thing of the past.

The dispatch says that the king in a speech from the throne said that the war had shown that Austria-Hungary in its present condition could no longer exist as a factor in the equilibrium of Europe.

NEWSIES FEED AND CHEER FOR BRANDEIS

Little Merchants Guests of Big Store Manager at a Christmas Banquet.

SPREAD FILLS THE BILL

"What dey tryin' to do, ruin us?" These words, by a grimy little street merchant, epitomizes opinion among the 200 "newsies" present at the newsboys' Christmas feed, provided by George Brandeis yesterday noon at the Hotel Rome.

No after-dinner speeches and cabaret stunts were necessary to make that dinner palatable. And no separate courses with extra rounds of cocktails were needed to whet up jaded appetites. It was a clean victory for good digestion over appetite.

A big plate heaped up with turkey, potatoes and trimmings; a steaming cup of chocolate, two kinds of fruit, ice cream, cake and candy greeted each separate appetite and caused the street merchants to forget all about their "wuxtry papurs."

Too Much for Him. It was when some of the "newsies" had finished their first "rastle with Mr. Christmas Turkey and saw what was yet to come that one of the little urchins made the exclamation "What dey tryin' to do, ruin us?"

All ages from 10 to 43 and all nationalities and races were represented, for age, nationality and race counts for little in the freemasonry of the streets. A few were there with pinched white faces, but these were in contrast with the wind-reddened countenances of most of the "newsies."

As the "street merchants" had eaten their fill, one of them rose to his feet: "Say, fellers, what's the matter with George Brandeis," he shouted, "three cheers for George Brandeis."

Cheers for the Host. The cheers that followed were without doubt the loudest that were ever heard in the large dining room. In fact, they were so ear-splitting that many of the guests of the hotel rushed into the room to see what was going on.

An appreciation of thanks in the way of a large bouquet of the reddest roses the "newsies" could find in the city, was sent to Mr. Brandeis.

Newsboys present were in charge of Mike Barto of The Bee, Tony Costanzo of the Herald and Sam Zigman of the News. Others present were "Gus" Miller, probation officer, and Rome Miller.

Indigestion—Bad Breath—Bour Stomach. If you suffer any of these take a dose of Dr. King's New Life Pills tonight. Only 25c. All drugists.—Advertisement.

Hotel Astor advertisement with logo and text: residents of Nebraska registered at Hotel Astor during the past year. Single Room, without bath, \$2.50 and \$3.00. Double, \$3.50 and \$4.00. Single Rooms, with bath, \$5.00 to \$6.00. Double, \$4.50 to \$7.00. Parlor, Bedroom and bath, \$10.00 to \$14.00.

Times Square advertisement: At Broadway, 44th to 45th Streets—the center of New York's social and business activities. In close proximity to all railway terminals.

Prisoners in City Jail Receive Xmas Presents

Miss Nellie Magee, in charge of the City Mission, Sunday remembered prisoners in the city jail and workhouse. After a brief religious service, the Mission workers headed by

Miss Magee, distributed handkerchiefs and boxes of candy and nuts among the prisoners. Each of the 106 prisoners received a present.

Give your Want Ad a chance to make good. Run it in The Bee.



SawtAY advertisement: Do Your New Years' Baking Early. With Sawtay, you can bake your cake fully a week before, and count on its appearing at the holiday dinner fresh and delicious. SAWTAY 100% Pure Butter-of-Nuts For Baking, Shortening, Frying. Gives cake greater richness than the finest creamery butter, and you use one-fifth less. Cake made with creamery butter will not "keep" because the taste in cow-butter is bacteria. Closely incorporated in cake, the bacteria rapidly develop and the cake grows stale. Sawtay is wholly free from bacteria, so will not turn rancid.

Table of Winter Tourist Fares Via Rock Island Lines. Lists fares to Jacksonville, Lake City, Tallahassee, St. Augustine, Palm Beach, Tampa, Key West, Savannah, Mobile, New Orleans, Pensacola, Thomasville, Augusta, Aiken, Charleston, Columbia, Jackson, Meridian, Havana, etc.

Rock Island advertisement: Circuit Tours. Jacksonville, Fla., and return, via New Orleans in one direction, direct routes in opposite direction... \$65.56. Tickets on Sale Daily, with Long Limits and Very Liberal Stopovers. Automatic Block Signals. Finest Modern All-Steel Equipment. Superb Dining Car Service. Chicago-Nebraska Limited at 6:08 P. M., Daily. Tickets, reservations and information at Rock Island office. Phone, write or call. J. S. McNALLY, D. P. A. Fourteenth and Farnam Sts. Phone Douglas 428.

Sunny Brook advertisement: A Bottle of Sunny Brook the PURE FOOD WHISKEY makes a fine XMAS GIFT. ALWAYS Acceptable and Appropriate. Will add cheer and make "MERRY X'MAS" MERRIER. GROTTÉ BROS., CO. General Distributors OMAHA, NEBR.