

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. All were pinned under the car, but managed to extricate themselves.

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.

The Geneva girls' industrial home is asking for farm improvements amounting to \$6,000.

The Grand Island soldiers' home: Addition to boiler house and new machinery, \$12,000.

The Hastings insane asylum: Sanitary sewer and addition to power house with use of estimated income of \$30,000 from patients able to pay.

The Kearney boys' industrial school: Hay and cattle barn, \$3,500.

Kearney tubercular hospital: Extension of water mains, repairs to superintendent's house, cement walks, etc., \$18,000, and x-ray apparatus, \$2,500.

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 4 columns: Institution, 1915, 1916, 1917. Total: 4,476,479,208,726,236,770

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 2 columns: Item, Amount. Salaries, 1812; Traveling expenses, 1,159; Extra help, 110; Furniture, 1,200.

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. A surgeon removed the bullet and anticipates no serious results.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take 1 L. S. GROVE'S BRONCO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.—Advertisement.

An Aid to Digestion.

When you have a fullness and weight in the stomach after eating you may know that you have eaten too much, and should take one of Chamberlain's Tablets to aid your digestion.—Advertisement.

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. The rush started soon after Thanksgiving and the last week was unprecedented.

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, which is 50 cents under the regular retail price here.

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, not more than twenty-five cents of which was contributed by one person.

Used 70 Years

A large sized sample of Theford's Black-Draught liver medicine will be sent on receipt of a 2 cent stamp. This old, reliable medicine made from roots and herbs has been used for over 70 years for constipation, indigestion, biliousness, headache, etc.

Advertisement for Sunny Brook Pure Food Whiskey, featuring a bottle and a man's face. Text: 'A Bottle of Sunny Brook the PURE FOOD WHISKEY makes a fine XMAS GIFT'.

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.

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. Several cases were disposed of.

Hamilton County Advocate Quits

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Neighbors 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.

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

Winter Tourist Fares Via Rock Island Lines

Table of winter tourist fares via Rock Island Lines to various destinations like Jacksonville, Lake City, Tallahassee, etc.

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Large advertisement for Rock Island winter tourist fares, listing various routes and prices. Text: 'Winter Tourist Fares Via Rock Island Lines'.