

Nebraska

SCHOOL OFFICERS RESIGN TO TAKE OTHER POSITIONS

Resignations of State House Employees Come Thick and Fast Following Offers of Outside Places.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, April 14.—(Special.)—The office of the state superintendent of public instruction appears to be in a fair way to depopulation, so many of the assistants having resigned to go "up higher."

The latest to accept other places is Deputy State Superintendent John H. Woodard, who will resign in August to accept the principalship of the county high school at Miles, Mont., at a salary of \$2,750 the first year and \$3,000 thereafter. Thus again does the state lose an educator because of its lack of appreciation of ability by paying salaries which will keep good men in its service.

Dixon Also Goes.

Another man who leaves the state superintendent's department is Assistant Superintendent A. H. Dixon, who goes to the superintendency of the city schools of University Place at a much higher salary than he was receiving from the state.

A short time ago Miss Nell Bagwell, one of the most efficient stenographers at the state house, resigned her position in the office to accept a chief service appointment and is now in Washington.

It is rumored that Miss Alice Florer, another assistant in the office may become a candidate for nomination for state superintendent. In case State Superintendent Clemons will also be candidate for re-nomination, of course, out of courtesy, Miss Florer may resign, but nothing definite is known. It is pretty well understood that Miss Florer's friends are quietly pushing her for the place, but just how far the pushing has gone is not known, although it is said an effort is being made to encourage Mr. Clemons not to again become a candidate, because of his health.

Woman and Office.

This brings to the controversy again whether a woman can hold a state office. Some are of the opinion that just as long as women cannot vote for a constitutional office they are prohibited from holding a constitutional office. The constitution does not make itself clear in the matter, specifying though that in the case of governor and lieutenant governor, the occupant must have been an elector of the state for the past two years. Others claim that as long as the constitution does not especially prohibit a woman from holding, they are eligible to all offices below the two named above.

Ernest Gifford of Turkey Creek to File for Office

Table Rock, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Ernest Gifford of Turkey Creek precinct, who lives in the Lewistown vicinity, filed Friday for the republican nomination for representative from Pawnee county, subject to the August primaries. Frank H. Taylor of the Table Rock Argus, former postmaster at Table Rock, will also file for the same office.

Cards have been received in this locality announcing the recent marriage of Miss Mabel Liming, who grew to womanhood in this county, to Parley Roach, the marriage having taken place in Denver, Col.

Private George K. Stitzel of Camp Funston, Kansas, who was born and grew to manhood in Pawnee county, was recently married to Miss Florence Lucille Kohn, a Pawnee county girl, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kohn, at Junction city, Kansas, the county judge of Geary county, Kansas, officiating.

Mrs. Vesta Freeman-Brittenham, wife of Jack Brittenham of Oklahoma City, Okla., died at her home in that city yesterday morning after a long illness with tuberculosis.

Lou F. Marburger, shoemaker of Humbolt, dropped dead at his home Thursday morning. The cause of his death is given as apoplexy. Funeral services will be held at the Presbyterian church at Humbolt Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services at the cemetery will be in charge of the Odd Fellows, of which order he had been a prominent member for several years.

Lyons Home Guards Check Nonpartisan Meeting

Lyons, Neb., April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—One hundred and fifty Lyons home guards went to the Casper Rief hall, west of here last night, to break up a Nonpartisan League meeting. They were assisted by more than 1,000 home guards and other patriotic citizens from Oakland, West Point, Bancroft and Pender. The organizer, O. E. Wood of Lincoln, was on hand, but the meeting was broken up and turned into a great patriotic demonstration. C. O. Stauffer of Oakland made a patriotic speech, and the Lyons band furnished the music. Wood was compelled to salute the flag.

Ten Called From Dawes to Complete Draft Quota

Chadron, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Ten men from Dawes county have been called in the selective draft to complete the county's quota. A traveling man stopping at Chadron recently made the remark that there appeared to be a larger proportion of 100 per cent Red Cross signs at Chadron than in any other part of the state.

Home Guards Give Drill.

Red Cloud, Neb., April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Home guards' day was observed here this evening. Drills were put on by companies from Guide Rock, Inavale and Riverton. These companies in their new uniforms demonstrated the result of careful training. Music was given by the Red Cloud band. The program closed with patriotic addresses.

Beatrice Council Passes Ordinance for Street Paving

Beatrice, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—At a special meeting of the city council yesterday afternoon an ordinance appropriating \$32,500 for three new paving districts was passed. Mayor Heffelfinger announced the appointment of Frank Dutton, Nick Eaton and Roy Scoggin as police officers and the appointments were confirmed.

Otto Wollenberg, Kathie Bergmeier, William Wollenberg and Louise Bergmeier, all of the Clatonia vicinity, were married at the German Lutheran church, Rev. Mr. Monhardt officiating. They will make their home near Clatonia.

Daniel Carre, a pioneer of Gage county, who recently celebrated his 81st birthday anniversary, was attacked by a bull west of the city. His hands were lacerated by the animal's hoofs and his body severely bruised.

Harold Atkins and Miss Irene Garrison, both of Adams, were married at the C. I. Whymann residence on Thursday night. Rev. A. V. Hunter officiated.

High prices were paid for stock at the Carl J. Neese farm sale yesterday south of the city. One team of mares brought \$600 and 2-year-old mares brought \$200 and up. Mr. Neese leaves Monday for Wimmer, S. D., where he has 800 acres of wheat planted. After harvest time he expects to be called into the army.

Patriotic meetings have been held at the various townships of Beatrice and Gage county, where sums ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 have been subscribed. Gage county's quota is \$624,000.

The office of the county clerk has paid bounties on 3,300 gopher scalps since last fall, indicating the boys of Gage county farms are making a drive on this pest. The bounty is 10 cents for each gopher.

C. W. Beaman, who has been looking over the city in regard to a new hotel project, left yesterday for his home at Omaha. He was suffering from a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Discussing the subject of compulsory military training, Beatrice last night won from Pawnee City debating team. Beatrice has but one more victory to gain to make it champion of southeastern Nebraska. Pawnee City was represented by Margaret Cossin, Leland Arnot and Harold Wilson, and Beatrice by Richard McCann, Loren Johnson and Chester Vasey. Prof. George M. Foster of Lincoln acted as judge.

Kearney County Goes Over Top in Junior Red Cross Drive

Minden, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—The Junior Red Cross of Kearney county has gone "over the top" with 100 per cent. The juniors are doing Red Cross work in the schools over the county and have entered upon a plan to purchase an ambulance for our boys in France. The plan is unique in that every school boy and girl may have an actual part in purchasing the ambulance. Eighth grade commencement day has been made ambulance day and every school girl in the county is to give at least two dozen eggs for the ambulance fund on that day. Another ambulance day will be held in the fall, when each boy in the county is to give one or more bushels of potatoes to the fund.

Patriotic community meetings are being held in school houses all over the county this week. Mrs. Haidee E. Rankin, chairman of the Junior Red Cross, has been very active in organizing the "over the top" drive.

Cattle Fed Nebraska Soft Corn Brings Highest Price

Lincoln, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Cattle marketed this week at South Omaha by the university farm showed that Nebraska soft corn was fed with profit last winter. Of five lots of cattle sold, those fed snapped soft corn and alfalfa, were the most profitable. Nearly \$20 a head was made on cattle fed this ration. Cattle fed shelled corn and alfalfa made a profit of less than half this, \$8.23. Cattle fed silage, cottonseed and alfalfa made the smallest profit, \$4.19 a head. Cattle fed ground corn, cottonseed and ground alfalfa made a profit of \$11 each. The silage fed cattle suffered a large shrink in transit, 50 pounds, while the cattle fed snapped corn lost but 18 pounds. Corn and alfalfa cattle lost 28 pounds.

Breeders' Association Holds Auction at McCook

McCook, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—The initial sale of the Republican Valley Shorthorn Breeders' association was held in McCook Thursday afternoon. Forty head of pure bred were offered, 24 males averaging \$185 and 14 females, \$221. The sale total was about \$8,000. Highest price paid for a male was \$500, by J. F. Cordeau of McCook. The highest priced female was purchased by C. L. Fahnestock of McCook for \$400. The Red Cross cow sold for \$230 to Frank Humphrey of Culbertson. H. S. Duncan of Omaha and G. M. Matson of McCook were auctioneers.

Fifteen Thousand Dollars From White Elephant Sale

Scottsbluff, Neb., April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Although figures are not complete for the white elephant sale by the women of the Red Cross, it is safe to say proceeds will be \$15,000. One heifer brought \$2,850.50, which is said to be the record price for any one animal in the state. One sheep netted more than \$500. The white elephant brought over \$1,000. Another heifer sold at \$1,000. One hen's egg brought \$95. Everybody took a half holiday and was imbued with the spirit of buying.

To Entertain Travelers.

Fremont, Neb., April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—The annual convention of the Nebraska division, Travelers' Protective association, will be held in Fremont April 19 and 20. The local committee plans to entertain 175 commercial salesmen and their ladies. A dinner-dance has been arranged for the ladies the opening night while the delegates are opening the convention.

Wage Fight on Wheat Rust.

Minden, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—Miss Emma N. Anderson of the botany department of the University of Nebraska gave a short talk before the botany class of the Minden High school Friday, concerning wheat rust and the method of preventing its spread by the extermination of the common barberry bush.

MANY LIBERTY BONDS BOUGHT IN ST. CECILIA'S

Announcement Made That Subscriptions in Parish Total \$98,000; Other Parishes Make Good Progress.

Liberty loan subscriptions in St. Cecilia's parish, in which the cathedral is located, totaled over \$98,000, announcement was made Sunday. Father Harrington congratulated the parishioners, and especially the committee of women, who have made this drive so successful. He urged redoubled efforts during the coming week.

"In my short visit, I found everywhere the people alive to the serious situation which confronts us. We are in the midst of a terrible war, the worst that has ever befallen the world. It is up to us to assist in the prosecution of the great work which the president has undertaken.

"Through an oversight, no great stress was laid on the coming drive in this church last Sunday, but the response by the people was splendid. There are still some who have not done their duty, and we hope that by Thursday all will be represented. We must get busy. It is the biggest proposition this country has ever faced. Patriotism is love of country, and the best of love is the willingness to sacrifice for the thing we love. Therefore, I ask this morning that all people, young and old, buy bonds, that the parish of St. Cecilia may be awarded its full credit for a successful drive."

Other parishes of the city reported their drives progressing nicely. Figures could not be obtained, but it was said they would exceed the highest hopes of the committees in charge. St. John's church has subscribed \$2,000. Reports from the solicitors in the parish are very encouraging. Creighton university subscribed \$6,000.

Reports from New York and Washington show unbounded success for the Catholic drives. The archdiocese of New York, not including Brooklyn, subscribed \$4,000,000, almost double its quota. Some of New York's wealthy Catholics contributed \$25,000 and \$50,000 each.

In the Supreme Court

The following are rulings on miscellaneous motions and stipulations in the supreme court of the state of Nebraska, April 11 and 12:

- 20254—Vincent Grain company against English. Stipulation allowed; rule day extended to June 4, 1918.
20274—Westover against Emerson-Brantingham Implement company. Stipulation allowed; rule day extended to May 13, 1918.
20275—Stevens against Bunnell. Stipulation allowed; rule day extended to May 11, 1918.
20266—Koenigstein against state. Order suspending sentence entered; bond fixed at \$1,500.
20257—Genho against state. Stipulation allowed; rule day extended to July 1, 1918.
20258—Pavlich against state. Stipulation allowed; rule day extended to July 1, 1918.
20106—Luther against Luther. Motion and stipulation for continuance sustained; appeal given to state; rule day before the court at session commencing June 5, 1918.
19434—O'Brien against Coon. Argument ordered on motion for rehearing before the court at session commencing May 20, 1918.
19772—MacPherson against Phillips. Argument ordered on motion for rehearing before the court at session commencing May 20, 1918.
19248—Kane against Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. Reargument ordered before the court at session of court commencing May 20, 1918.
19560—Rout against Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. Argument ordered on motion for rehearing before the court at session of court commencing May 20, 1918.
20273—Lincoln Commercial club against Union Pacific Railroad company. Stipulation allowed; appeal dismissed at costs of appellants; mandamus to issue forthwith.
The following options were filed:
18327—Baker against Thomas. Affirmed. Cornish, J., Letton and Sedgwick, JJ., not sitting.
19360—Carter against Gahagan. Reversed and remanded. Bean, J., Morrissey, C. J., and Rose, J., not sitting.
19889—Byers against Chase. Affirmed. Banner, J., Rose and Sedgwick, JJ., not sitting.
19918—Chicago & N. W. R. Co. against Queenan. Reversed and remanded with direction to enter judgment for plaintiff and against all defendants in accordance with opinion. Hamer, J., Sedgwick, J., not sitting.
19274—Fisher against Lawson. Affirmed. Hamer, J., Sedgwick, J., not sitting.
19970—Wallace & Co. Bankers, against First National Bank of Superior. Affirmed. Morrissey, C. J., Rose and Sedgwick, JJ., not sitting.
19975—Keon against Zeliger. Reversed and remanded. Bean, J., Hamer, J., dissenting separately. Letton, J., took no part. Sedgwick, J., not sitting.
20125—Fitch against State. Affirmed. Morrissey, C. J., Sedgwick, J., dissenting. Cornish, J., concurs in dissent.
20205—Swift against County of Sargey. Affirmed. Sedgwick, J., Hamer, J., dissenting.
20416—Eskelsen against Union Pacific R. Co. Affirmed. Bean, J., Hamer, J., dissenting. Sedgwick, J., not sitting.
The following cases were disposed of by the committee:
18861—Western Supply Co. against Sabata. Affirmed. Parriott, C., Letton, J. absent.
19436—Farmers' Co-operative Creamery and Supply Co. against Michigan Central Railway Co. Affirmed. Martin, C.
19881—State against Gardner. Affirmed. Martin, C.

Methodists Reach Partial Agreement on Amalgamation

St. Louis, April 14.—The joint conference committee of the Methodist Episcopal church and the Methodist Episcopal church south, which has been in session for four days discussing measures for reunion of the two branches of Methodism, adjourned tonight with the announcement that a partial agreement had been reached. Rev. Dr. Frank M. Thomas of Louisville, secretary of the committee, said "two of the three crucial problems involved in unification have been approved." The principles and framework of the regional conference, the episcopacy, the general conference and the judicial council have been agreed upon, he said, but no agreement was reached on the status of the colored membership.

The suggestions of both commissions on this subject will be transmitted to the general conference of both churches for action.

Omaha Woman Speaks.

Minden, Neb., March 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. Paul Rivett of Omaha spoke at the court house Wednesday evening and Thursday afternoon in the interest of food production and conservation as factors in winning the war. She spoke at the high school Thursday morning on the same subject.

Operetta at Minden.

Minden, Neb., April 14.—(Special.)—The Operetta, "Windmills of Holland," was presented by the Girl's Glee club of the Minden High school, assisted by four male voices. Their instructor was Miss Alice Anderson.

- 19984—Kerr against The Travelers' Insurance Co. Reversed and remanded. McGirr, C.
2001—Morris against Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Co. Affirmed. McGirr, C.
20005—Tiede against Village of Orchard. Affirmed. McGirr, C.
20020—Batfield against Jakway. Affirmed. McGirr, C.
20020—Jackson against Platte Valley Telephone Co. Affirmed. Martin, C.
20020—Kotchkas against Miller. Affirmed. McGirr, C.
20031—Schonlau against Hiatt-Fairfield Co. Affirmed. Parriott, C.
20025—Hoyt against Fisher. Affirmed. Martin, C.
20034—Blatchley against Tompkins. Affirmed. Parriott, C.
20042—Gross against Pinkenstein. Affirmed. Martin, C.
The following are rulings on motions for rehearing:
19870—Frye-Schneider Co. against Besta & Prange. Overruled.
20194—Russell against State. Overruled.
20518—Tennis against Millard. Overruled.

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