

Cutting of Tax Waste Problem for Legislature

Question Not Height of Levies but How People Are to Get Most for Their Money.

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 problems, amounting to the housing, feeding and clothing of 6,209 inmates, quite a good-sized city. It is not authorized to employ a purchasing agent or business manager, but handles all matters in connection. An idea of the magnitude of its task is given in the yearly consumption of 40,000 tons of coal, and in the employment of 750 people. A central warehouse might enable the board to buy many supplies in larger quantities, direct from factories and reship to its institutions as needed.

There is no occasion to criticize the personnel of this important state board. Some of the superintendents who run the various state institutions under it have the idea of saving the taxpayers' money; others may be assumed, as putting the people to needless expense in petty ways, as has always been done in public affairs. There is not as much of this as there used to be. From the time of Governor Neville all public service has been getting cleaner. Public sentiment has been more powerful and exacting. The administration of city, county and state affairs is constantly growing in efficiency and honesty, because the people have demanded it.

Advocates Short Ballot.
 In the course of events it is natural to suppose that the business of the board of control will be taken over by the department of welfare. This has been done in Illinois, which is also under the code system. It is possible that a similar change made by reducing the number of elective officers to the governor and the auditor. The first reaction of a fundamental democrat to this suggestion of a short ballot is apt to be unfavorable—and yet it can hardly be said that the voters actually exercise choice in the marking of a long ballot filled with the names of contestants for minor offices whom they do not know. At all events it must be admitted that the federal government is more efficient in its run than if the voters choose the heads of each cabinet department.

For one of the greatest financial leaks the people of Nebraska have themselves to blame. This is in the scattered location of state institutions. Each one of these is regarded as a community pork barrel. For years politicians went to the legislature and returned in disgrace if they had not secured an appropriation for the establishment of a soldiers' home, an asylum or the like in their district, or at least funds for extending the ones already existing. In the senate the districts having state institutions controlled the majority, and expensive logrolling by which one group would support the demands of another in return for similar appropriations was frequent and unrebuked by selfish local pride.

Logrolling Halted.
 The budget bill, requiring a two-fifths majority for increasing a budget estimate, has stopped some of this, but there is nothing to prevent a governor eager for votes endeavoring to this unwholesome community appetite which would rather see a reformatory in its limits than a factory.

The location of state institutions follows:
 Schools—University of Nebraska, Lincoln; College of Medicine, Omaha; Normal, Peru; Normal, Kearney; Normal, Wayne; Normal, Chadron; Agricultural school, Curtis; Agricultural school, Scottsbluff; School for the blind, Nebraska City; School for feeble-minded, Beatrice.
 Hospitals—Asylums—Insane hospital, Lincoln; Insane hospital, Norfolk; Insane hospital, Hastings; Orthopedic hospital, Lincoln; Tubercular hospital, Kearney; General hospital, Omaha.

Penal Institutions—Penitentiary: Lincoln; men's reformatory, Lincoln; women's reformatory, York; boys' reformatory, Kearney; girls' reformatory, Geneva; girls' home (unmarried mothers), Milford.
Homes—Soldiers' home, Milford; Experiment Stations—Lincoln, North Platte, Valentine, Curtis, Halsey, Union.
Fish Hatcheries—South Bend, Dundys county.

Could Close One School.
 Counting the normals and the teachers' college at Lincoln, there are five of these training schools in Nebraska. There is waste in this and if the people really were pinching their pennies they would close at least one of them down. Omaha might well be called upon to close its school for the deaf, Nebraska City its school for the blind, and Beatrice its school for the feeble-minded. Not only would the administration be more efficient, but money would actually be saved by centralizing such institutions. The abolition of legislative logrolling would furnish a large item. The general plan of concentrating state institutions should be adopted if the taxpayers realize their own best interests. However, no politician could ever be elected on such a platform. It might kill Lincoln to load it with all these refugees, but this is what ought to be done. As many as possible should be located in the state capital.

Why should there be two soldiers' homes, one in Milford and another in Grand Island, each with an overhead that might be reduced by consolidation? Why two fish hatcheries, one at South Bend and the other in Dundys county unless the state treasury has been sandbagged? It is true that the experiment stations could not be conducted in a single locality. The university school of medicine probably belongs in Omaha, while its students have the advantage of instruction from specialists and entrance to other hospitals. But everyone knows of some institution whose location amounts to waste of the public funds.

Inspection Agencies Vital.
 The item of regulatory and inspection agencies is also a considerable one. Almost everyone is opposed to further additions, but there are few except those who are hit by state

supervision that can name one they would see dropped. In many cases the fees collected pay the expenses of this inspection. The recent meeting of agricultural representatives of seven western states to consider getting more federal and state funds to combat wheat rust is not in tune with the present mood of the public. However, who wishes to see the inspection of dairies done away with? Would it be advisable to cease inspection of weights and measures, of oil and gasoline?

Some are urging that the state railway commission be abolished and control of local utilities be returned to the cities, the legislature to deal directly with the railroads. The public, however, will not be willing to give up any agency as long as it believes it receives protection from it. State taxes will be lower for 1922 by \$2,051,755. If the assessed value had no property tax, the mill levy for the general fund will be reduced one-third, from 3 mills to 2 mills. No doubt some of this will mean a sacrifice, and further public sacrifices will be necessary if greater reductions are to follow.

Rain and Snow Revive Winter Wheat at Upland

Upland, Neb., March 21.—(Special.)—The rain and snow gave the ground here the first good wetting it had for over six months. Farmers who had examined their wheat were saying it was still alive if only it could have moisture. Now it has had the much needed moisture and no doubt in a few days the miracle of a resurrection will be wrought in the wheat fields. The snow was so deep in the hills that the rural route men could not make the complete circuit even with a team. For the first time for many months hitch racks here were crowded with teams. But very few cars were on the streets.

Two Parties Develop for Superior City Election

Superior, Neb., March 21.—Two parties developed at the city caucus held here. The progressive party nominated Frank Bossmeier, mayor; councilmen, First ward, S. Reed and L. Perry; Second ward, F. Lyman; third ward, Carl Bates; school board, W. F. Gingrich and E. B. Ellison; clerk, Harry Hanna; treasurer, E. O. Ebersole. The conservative party nominated William Keithley, mayor; councilmen, First ward, Frank Veira; Second ward, John Duwe; Third ward, J. Fitzgerald; school board, H. Blackstone and E. A. Jones; treasurer, Harry Hanna; clerk, L. Gregory.

10 Buildings to Be Erected in Frisco at \$10,000,000 Cost

San Francisco, Cal., March 21.—Announcement that 10 buildings, to cost an aggregate of \$10,000,000, will be erected near Eighth and Market streets, is made by Arthur F. Rousseau, local real estate operator, following his purchase of the McCreey estate property for \$1,500,000. By this deal Rousseau becomes the largest holder of Market street frontage, the property having a 275-foot Market street front and 55,000 square feet area.

Kearney Directory Disputes Federal Census by 4,570

Kearney, Neb., March 21.—(Special.)—Kearney's new city directory made its appearance today and the total in number of names listed reflects upon the accuracy of the recent United States census enumeration. The census gave Kearney credit for having a population slightly under 8,000, while the city directory, just compiled and printed lists 12,570 residents.

Six Men in Race for Gage County Sheriff Office

Beatrice, Neb., March 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff J. C. Emery filed today as a candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff of Gage county, making the sixth in the race. The lineup at present consists of Paul A. Acton, B. H. Goble, John Rittenish and J. C. Emery, republicans; Jesse Walker and Al Mosher, democrats.

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Sale of Bankers Fire Insurance Company Pends

Negotiations Now Under Way for National Securities of Omaha to Take Control.

Negotiations are now under way for the sale of the Bankers Fire Insurance company of Lincoln to the National Securities company of Omaha, according to an announcement by W. B. Young, state insurance commissioner, last night.

The contract for the sale has been submitted to Mr. Young and he has approved of several technical errors which do not dovetail with the state requirements. Mr. Young was of the opinion last night, however, that these errors can be eliminated and the sale consummated in a short time.

The Bankers Fire Insurance company was founded by some of the same men as the Bankers Auto Insurance company, which failed a couple years ago and some of whose officers are now in the state penitentiary. At the time of this failure the state began to investigate the status of the fire insurance company. As a result the stockholders took hold of the situation, rehabilitated the company, put in new officers and placed the concern fully within the requirements of the state law. Officers of the company state, however, that the odium of the Bankers Auto company has remained with the concern despite the fact that it has been on a sound basis and has passed the requirements of the state for several years. This has been given as the reason for the sale to the Omaha concern.

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Widow of Man Killed at Dold's Is Awarded \$2,400
 Lincoln, March 21.—(Special.)—Frank A. Kennedy, state compensation commissioner, today ordered that the widow of Dave Wright be awarded \$2,400. Wright was electrocuted while in the employ of the Dold Packing company, Omaha. Mrs. Wright is living at Bay City, Tex.

Farmers Start Sowing of Oats Near Beatrice
 Beatrice, Neb., March 21.—(Special.)—A few farmers have started sowing oats in this section of the state and say that the ground since the rain Saturday is in fine condition for seeding. Nearly three inches of water fell.

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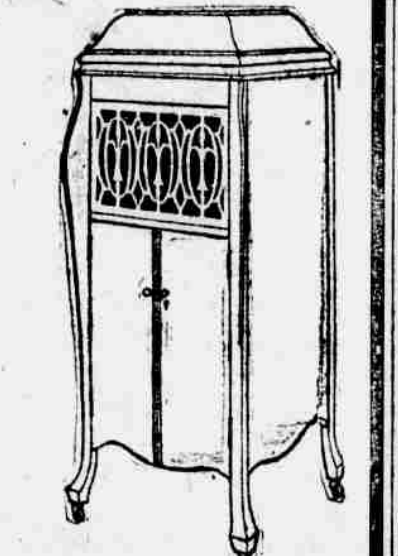
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Schmoller & Mueller, Oak and Mahogany	\$140.00	\$ 92.00
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 Basement—North

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