

FIX FAIR DATES

State Board of Agriculture Decides to Hold Exhibition Sept. 30 to Oct. 7.

MEETING AT SPRINGFIELD

Officers Are Re-elected—General Premium List Increased to Total of \$40,000.

At the annual meeting of the state board of agriculture at Springfield Tuesday the classification of premiums for the state fair voted totaled about \$40,000, an increase of about \$3,000 over a year ago.

The meeting of the new board was held in the morning and A. D. Barber of Hamilton, the new president, presided.

W. C. Garrard of Springfield was re-elected secretary without opposition, and E. A. Hall, also of Springfield, was made treasurer.

Under his direction the fair has always been a success. Mr. Hall has also held the position of treasurer with great credit to himself.

E. E. McCoy and D. C. Hoyt, clerks in the office of the secretary, were re-appointed. Miss Agnes DuBois, curator of the museum, and Miss Annie G. Springer, clerk, were not applicants for re-appointment.

The board fixed Saturday, Sept. 30, to Oct. 7, as the dates for holding the fair this year. The 10 days' fair is not popular.

Miss Agnes DuBois, curator of the state museum, which occupies a large room in the state house, will be removed to the fair grounds in order that the room may be occupied by some new state board.

There being an overdraft of \$4,500 in a local bank, the board authorized a loan of \$12,000 for the purpose of paying this overdraft and current expenses until July 1, 1905, when the appropriation made for the expenses of the board by the present legislature will be available.

STATE SERVICE TO BE HAD NEXT YEAR

Union Electric Company Planning Long Distance Connections.

The Union Electric Telephone company, which operates exchanges in the tri-city, expects to be connected up with all cities in the state where the independent companies have a foothold during the coming summer.

The independent companies of the state have been getting together during the winter, and have agreed upon a plan whereby they will share the expense of building lines to connect the various cities. The question so far as it affects the Union Electric company will be acted upon at the annual meeting of the stockholders to be held at the head office of the company here next month.

The company in February will publish a new tri-city directory containing 5,000 names.

CITY CHAT.

Try Weckel's flour. Call for Improved Zamora. Lage-Waters' great shoe sale.

Plenty of apples at Weckel's. Lage-Waters for fine footwear. Real sale. Read my ad. Lloyd.

Tri-City Towell Supply company. The great shoe sale. Lage-Waters. For bus or express, Spencer & Trefz.

Ladies' shoes 95 cents at Lage-Waters. Everybody is thinking about Lloyd's sale. Men's shoes 98 cents at Lage-Waters.

For real estate and insurance, E. J. Burns. Telephone your orders for hickory shop wood to the Mutual Wheel com-

Advertisement for TOOTHACHE, Faceache, Rheumatism, etc. featuring ANCHOR PAIN EXPELLER.

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She then arranged to hold the meeting two miles from the city.

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She was placed under guard, but in the 16 days managed to break away twice and evade her jailers. She says that this was a scheme devised to arrest her, and was resorted to because the authorities were unable to bring any other charge against her.

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Advertisement for Banks' New Play 'An American Woman' at Davenport. Licensed to Wed. Bert Corken... Miss Anna V. Kennedy... The Best Place in Town. To buy Good series cheap. Read a few of the many bargains to be found here.

Advertisement for THE MARKETS. Chicago, Jan. 12.—Following are the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations in today's markets: Wheat, Corn, Pork, Lard, Hibs.

Advertisement for The Blaklee Studio. 1823 Third Avenue. Telephone for appointments.

Advertisement for LEWIS' SINGLE BINDER CIGAR STRAIGHT 5¢. F. A. Lewis, Manager, Peoria, Ill.

Advertisement for John Volk & Co., CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS. Dealers in single and double strength Blinds and Mouldings, Veneered and Hardwood Flooring of all kinds.