PLAN OF THE CONVENTION

Fixing Up the Details for the Educational Meeting.

LOCAL COMMITTEE OUTLINES THE WORK

Five General Meetings, with Numerous Sessions of Sections, Departments and Congresses—Coliseum Hall is Secured.

The local committee having in charge the matter of making preparations for the Transmississippi Educational convention to be held at Omaha June 28, 29 and 30 has issued circular No. 1, outlining the plan and giving a number of details in relation to the preliminary work which will interest those having to do with educational work. These circulars are to be sent to state superintendents of education in all of the transmissippi states with the request that they distribute them to the teachers in all of the counties and cities in their jurisdiction.

The following extracts are made from the circular:

"The Transmississippi Educational convenhas been organized to promote the educational interests of the states participating in the Transmississippi Exposition. It aims to give teachers and schoolmen the benefits accruing from a great gathering of representative educators interchanging ideas and listening to addresses of recognized leaders in the different branches of pedagogic work. While following in general scope the meetings of the National Educational association, it seeks to supplement its work and extend its influence. The plan and object of the convention have been endorsed by resolution of the State Teachers' associations of Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, South Dakota, Montana and Colorado.

"The date of the convention has been fixed for the last three days of June. This will give ample time for finishing up the closing work of the schools, for attending the convention, for visiting the exposition and, if desirable, to go on east for the National Educational association. The days of the week are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The time assures fair weather and moderate temperature.

"The convention will consist of five general meetings and numerous sessions of sections, departments and congresses. For the general meetings the program will provide addresses by educators of national reputation upon topics of general educational interest. The conferences will be under direction of leading specialists in each field, as follows, so far as determined: School boards, arranged by Hon. J. H. Trewin, Lansing, Ia.; secondary schools and colleges, President James H. Baker, University of Colorado; rural schools; manual training; teachers of deaf and blind, Prof. J. A. Gillespie of Omaha; teachers of history, Prof. F. M. Fling, University of Nebraska; teachers of English, Prof. Hopkins, University of Kansas; teachers of science, Prof. Charles E. Bessey, University of Nebraska; teachers of music, Prof. C. H. Congdon, St. Paul, Minn.; teachers of drawing; kindergartens; child study.

"Those conferences for which leaders are not named are still in process of arrangement.

"Aside from the program outlined the Transmississippi and International Exposition will be the great attraction. The exposition will be opened at Omaha, June 1, and it is conceded will be second to none except the World's fair. In it will be represented not less than thirty-five states of the union, besides many foreign nations. This exposition will be a graphic illustration of the resources and development of the western half of the American continent and will afford an education in itself. One of the special features will be the educational exhibits now in preparation by the schools of almost all the western states, illustrating the methods and results of advanced educational systems. Exhibits of text books, school furniture, literary apparatus and of the printing and book making trades promise to excel anything ever before attempted.

NO SPECIAL EXPENSE.

"There will be no special expense whatever imposed upon visitors except the moderate charge of 50 cents for the handsome official badge, which will entitle the holder to all privileges of the convention. Voluntary contributions in sums of 50 cents and over to the expenses of the meeting are, however, acceptable and will be properly receipted with the official badge—a beautiful souvenir for all, whether they attend or not.

"Special reduced railroad rates will be put in force for this convention equal to the best ever accorded any other educational gathering. In addition, limits, conditions, and deposit privileges will be arranged most favorable to those who wish to attend the Transmississippi Educational convention en route to other points and have their excursion tickets available on the return trip later in the summer or fall.

"The general meetings will be held in the Coliseum, in which the national convention of the people's party made its nominations in 1892. This hall has a seating capacity of 10,000. The section meetings and congresses will be held in the smaller halls, with which the city is abundantly supplied.

"Entertainment is promised in the way of a special day at the exposition, special night illuminations, social receptions, and, if possible, a grand school and college parade.

"While the local executive committee and its subcommittees have taken upon themselves the preliminary arrangements and work of entertainment, the program is being constructed with the help of an advisory board, including members from the various transmississippi states. The advice, suggestions and co-operation of all persons interested in educational institutions is respectfully solicited."

MORE PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE.

Additional Fire Fighting Apparatus at Exposition Grounds.

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners was held last night; present Commissioners Peabody, Herdman and Bullard. A communication was read from the chief of the fire department giving an estimate of the needed fire protection at the exposition grounds. It advised that seventeen men be stationed on the grounds, five on each of two hose wagons and seven on the hook and ladder truck. The communication was considered and an immediate addition to the force on the grounds was ordered to the extent of one hose cart and two men.

The following leaves of absence in the police department were allowed: Captain Patrick Mostyn, Court Officer Boyle and Patrolman Ronk, ten days; Sergeant Bebout and Jailor Dooley, five days each.

Leaves of absence in the fire department were granted to Firemen Henry Jaacke, six days, and J. J. Ormsby, three days.

The trial of Fireman Jack Nolan was postponed one week. Charges against Mrs. Minnie Wirth for selling liquor to minors were also laid over until the next meeting. The petition of Chief of Detectives W. W. Cox for sick benefit will be considered until April 4.

Applications for liquor licenses from W. H. Morehouse, 1301 and 1303 Farnam street, and John Maltry, Third and Pine streets, were granted.

The resignation of Fireman Grant L. Fox was accepted.

MEETING OF EXPOSITION CHORUS.

Members Becoming Deeply Interested in Their Work.

The second meeting of the Transmississippi Exposition chorus at Hayden's Music hall last night, was even more successful than the first meeting one week before. There were a number of new faces in the seats occupied by the chorus when Choral Director Kelly swung his baton for the first number and the volume of sound was all that could be expected from a chorus numbering about 120.

The entire evening was devoted to Charles Gounod's "By Babylon's Wave," a most difficult number, full of traps and pitfalls for the unwary but one of the most beautiful concerted numbers ever written. Director Kelly exercised the greatest care and patience in drilling each branch of the chorus on the difficult portions of the work and the members showed a degree of intelligence and interest which was warmly commented on by Musical Director Kimball who was an interested observer of the work of the chorus.

At the conclusion of the drill Director Kimball made a short talk to the members of the chorus, informing them that the celebrated Theodore Thomas orchestra has been secured for an engagement covering the first five weeks of the exposition, with a possibility that the engagement may be extended over a second five weeks. This organization will accompany the chorus in all its performances. Mr. Kimball called the attention of the members to the fact that this would be the first time this orchestra has played an engagement of over one week west of Chicago.

Mr. Kelly also talked for a few moments, speaking of the charge of $5 which is made for membership in the chorus. He stated that a membership ticket carries with it the privilege of admission to every concert given in the Auditorium during the exposition, and explained that this meant at least $25 worth of admissions, as a season ticket to the Auditorium concerts is already contemplated, these tickets to be sold for $25 each. For their services in singing, the members of the chorus are to be given these tickets for $5 each, thus saving $20 by being in the chorus. Mr. Kelly also took occasion to deny the rumors that are being circulated by some of his alleged friends to the effect that he receives nothing for his services except what is derived from the fees paid by members of the chorus. He denounced these reports as being absolutely untrue, and stated that he received a fixed salary from the exposition management, regardless of the fees paid by members of the chorus.

The next meeting of the chorus will be held at Hayden's music hall Monday evening of next week, at 8 o'clock.

EXAMINES THE NEBRASKA BUILDING.

Chairman Neville Says the Structure Will Be Completed Next Week.

Chairman William Neville of the Nebraska Exposition commission came to Omaha yesterday to investigate the reports about the condition of the Nebraska building and the rumors of many changes in the plans of the structure, which were freely ventilated at the last meeting of the commission, at which time he was appointed a committee to take such action in the matter as the situation seemed to require.

After making a trip to the grounds and looking over the building, making such inquiry as seemed necessary, Chairman Neville announced that he found the building so near completion that he thought best not to do anything to stop the work. He said the staff work would be completed within a few days and the carpenter work and all be finished by the last of next week. One or two changes that were contemplated he had stopped and had left positive instructions with Superintendent Blake that no more changes of any kind should be allowed.

The monthly report of the condition of the fund of $100,000 appropriated by the legislature for Nebraska's participation in the exposition has been made out by Bookkeeper Dan Althen and forwarded to Governor Holcomb. This report shows the following condition of the fund on March 1:

Salaries and wages	$ 3,646.98
Furniture and fixtures	159.54
Office supplies	610.54
Construction	15,504.72
Agricultural department	5,017.25
Horticultural department	2,739.61
Apiary department	485.28
Live stock department	5,059.15
Dairy department	753.20
Poultry department	1,281.35
Floriculture department	118.00
Educational department	5,386.05
Miscellaneous space	3,560.25
Postage	100.00
Total	$44,422.52

The total unexpended balance in the fund March 1 is $55,577.48.

Denverites Are Enthusiastic.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Three hundred representative citizens attended a meeting tonight for the purpose of discussing the construction of a Denver building at the Transmississippi Exposition. The delegates who visited Omaha last week made detailed reports. Governor Adams, Lieutenant Governor Brush, Ex-Mayor Platt Rogers, Mayor McMurray and others made addresses creating great enthusiasm. A committee composed of nine leading merchants were appointed to secure funds for the construction of the building. The state commission is working with success in arranging exhibits for the different departments.

OPENING OF THE JEWISH FAIR.

Plenty of Entertainment Provided for the Visitors.

The Jewish fair, planned on an extensive scale, was opened last night in Metropolitan hall and will continue during the week. The object of the undertaking is to obtain a fund for the construction of a new temple and the women of Dr. Franklin's congregation have taken considerable pains to make the bazar a success. A score of tastefully decorated booths have been constructed in the hall, each under the direction of an attractive attendant. The goods which are displayed were all of local production and were taken possession of rapidly by patrons.

The special attraction planned for last night was a grand concert by Kaufman's full orchestra. An enjoyable program was completed and several instrumental solos were given. The formal opening of the fair was to have been pronounced by Mayor Frank E. Moores, who was absent from the city last night. The welcoming address was therefore given by Dr. Leo M. Franklin. This evening a novel entertainment is announced, entitled "Living Advertisements," which will be participated in by 100 pupils of the Sabbath school. The groups will be arranged to represent easily recognized advertisements and some artistics makeups will be shown.

About 300 visitors were present last night and the proprietors of the booths were kept busy. The displays included an art gallery, a Japanese village, museum, phonograph, postoffice, Rebecca at the well, wheel of fortune and gypsy tent, besides the furniture, flower, grocery, art, candy, clothing, cigar, doll and fancy goods booths. One of the most interesting collections was contained in the museum under the direction of Mrs. Herman Freedman, where there were on exhibition a number of fanciful and grotesque illusions. A good exhibition of paintings and fancy goods was displayed at the art booth under the charge of Mrs. Leo M. Franklin. There was also a gaily caparisoned corner, where an artist sold souvenirs of the temple with sketches burned in cork with a platinum needle.

Attacked by a Dog.

Paul Schmadler appeared at the police station last night with a badly lacerated arm, the result of an encounter with a neighbor's bull dog. Schmadler was in a hurry and adopted a short cut through the back yard of Archie Harvey, 119 North Tenth street. He was intercepted by the dog and had considerable difficulty in freeing himself from the animal's grasp. His wounds were

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Denver and everywhere west—
Kansas City and everywhere south—
See time table in another column.

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J. B. REYNOLDS, Pass'r Agt.

SURE SIGNS OF PROSPERITY

Review of Business Conditions as They Exist in Omaha.

MERCHANTS REPORT AN EXCELLENT TRADE

Vacant Houses Are Hard to Find and the Indications Are that the City's Population is Rapidly Increasing.

Careful inquiry into the marked increase in Omaha's population and the greatly improved commercial conditions, has developed some very satisfactory results. The crowded streets, well-filled cars, increased trade in all lines and scarcity of desirable houses for rent are unmistakable signs of a material increase in population, but the all important question is, how great is the increase?

Nowhere, perhaps, can the number of people in a city be determined as well as at the postoffice, for every stranger in town goes there. Assistant Postmaster Woodard says that the postal authorities have from forty to fifty new orders for mail delivery every day and that very few of these are people moving from one part of the city to another. They are from entire strangers. In addition to those who order their mail delivered there are a great many newcomers who get their mail at the general delivery. Mr. Woodard thinks that the mails are fully a half larger than they were a year ago. He says that carriers whose work was light at this time last year, can scarcely take care of their mail now, and every day seems to bring a heavier mail. There is also a great increase in the sale of stamps, the sales being about 21 per cent larger than one year ago. Although this change has been most noticeable at the postoffice during the last six or seven months, it has been taking place for more than a year.

IN THE BUSINESS DISTRICT.

Omaha wholesalers in all lines report that they have been having the best business in years and are confident that prospects never were better for a fine spring trade. The greatly improved condition of the farmers in Nebraska and adjoining states has put new life into the jobbing trade. The retail trade in Omaha is much the same as that of the wholesalers. The winter's business was entirely satisfactory and the spring trade is opening in good shape; furthermore they say that the large crowds that will be in attendance at the exposition will tend to do away with the lull in business that ordinarily takes place in midsummer.

Much building of a substantial sort is going on and the architects and builders predict that there will be greater activity in their line as soon as the season is farther advanced and the price of brick more stable. Most of the buildings in construction at present are medium-priced residences. Omaha, unlike Chicago and Nashville, is not building many temporary structures that are to be used merely during the exposition and to stand vacant afterwards as monuments to bad investments.

At the rental agencies the universal reply to inquiries concerning good houses is, "We haven't anything left." No good houses in any part of the city are empty and the demand for all kinds of houses is greater than it ever was before. Rents have advanced from 15 to 25 per cent, the advance being heavier in the north part of the city than elsewhere.

The various companies engaged in the hauling of household goods reports that there are ten families coming to Omaha where one family leaves, and that every month is adding seventy-five families to Omaha's population. Of course the exposition attracts a great many temporary residents and tends to increase the mail receipts, but the greater part of this additional population is brought about by a substantial revival of business. Various estimates have been made as to how great the increase of population has been during the last year. These estimates range from 20,000 down to 10,000, and from all data that can be had on the subject, 10,000 seems to be a very conservative figure.

Arnold's Bromo Celery cures headaches, 10c, 25c and 50c. All druggists.

A Peculiar Combination.

One of the oddest combinations that has come to light for some time is one just entered into by Swift & Co., the big stock yards firm, and the National Woman's Christain Temperence Union. It appears that the W. C. T. U. is in need of funds for furthering its work by the purchase of literature, organizing and the many different means which require money. On the other hand, Swift & Co. had just purchased the plant and trade mark of wool soap.

Hearing that the W. C. T. U. needed funds, Swift's people made an offer of 1 cent for every wool soap wrapper handed over to them by the National W. C. T. U. before January 1, 1899. It is needless to say that this generous proposal was immediately embraced by Helen M. Barker, treasurer of the union, and President Frances Willard, for it is estimated that if the temperance women use this soap and pursuade their friends to do the same all this year, $150,000 can be added to the funds available for fighting the liquor traffic.

Arrangements are now being made by the various state unions all over the country to systematize the collection of the wrappers from the members, and through them their friends. All are to be forwarded to headquarters in Chicago, and Mrs. Barker will collect the money from Swift & Co. Of the money so received 70 per cent is to be retained by the treasurer for use of the National union, while the other 30 per cent will be returned to the state treasurer for local use.

"THE COLORADO SPECIAL."

Fastest Train to Denver
Via the
UNION PACIFIC.
Leaves Omaha at 11:55 p. m.
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having buffet, smoking and library cars. Sleeper on westbound train will be open to traveling public at 9 p. m., and persons bound for Colorado points need not wait until train leaves at midnight before retiring. For full information call at city ticket office, No. 1302 Farnam street.

ANSWER FILED IN HENNESSY SUIT.

Allegation that Plaintiff's Brandy is Not Up to Standard.

Some secrets of the liquor business are being disclosed in the pleadings in the suits instituted in the federal court by James Hennesey & Co. against a number of liquor and drug dealers in this city and Lincoln.

Hennesey & Co. alleged that the defendants sold a cognac in bottles of the same shape and labeled with the same trademark as the genuine French article, which they are manufacturing. They brought action to prevent the dealers from further imposing on the public in disposing of the counterfeit liquor. The first answer to these petitions was filed by May & Hiller, one of the defendant firms. The defending firm makes the allegation that a fraudulent article is put on the market by the Henneseys themselves. The defendants say that the Hennezey cognac has never seen France, but is manufactured in this country and admit that it is "vile and deleterious" in comparison with the genuine French article. They admit, too, that the Hennesey liquor is put up in "peculiar tall, dark-colored bottles," as the plaintiffs alleged, but say that the bottles are peculiar in that they are advertised to contain a quart and appear to hold a quart, whereas in fact, they are constructed with such "peculiar" bottoms that they fall short of that measure to a considerable degree. They maintain, too, that if the plaintiffs are offering to sell their cognac in this state they are doing so in violation of the law of the state and nation in that they have not taken out licenses to sell liquor.

Itching, Burning, Creeping Crawling Skin Diseases relieved in a few minutes by Agnew's Ointment. Dr. Agnew's Ointment relieves instantly and cures Tetter, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Eczema, Ulcers, Blotches, and all Eruptions of the Skin. It is soothing and quieting and acts like magic in all Baby Humors, Irritation of the Scalp or Rashes during teething time. 25 cents a box. Kuhn & Co., 15th and Douglas;

WILL FIGHT DEPARTMENT STORES.

Omaha Business Men's Association Calls Mass Meeting.

The department store problem took the biggest part of the meeting of the Omaha Business Men's association last night, although no definite action was taken. It was decided, however, to call a mass meeting, to which women will be invited, to discuss the matter. Two weeks from next Thursday was suggested as a date, but this is to be definitely settled by the executive committee.

A suggestion was made that women be invited to join the association or to form a feminine auxiliary. It was stated that they would assist materially in the anti-department store campaign. No action was taken, the matter being left to the executive committee.

President George F. Munro, who was one of the business men who made the recent southern trip in the interests of the exposition, made a report of the result of the junket. In the course of his remarks he said that Omaha had been found to have dirtier streets than any city visited.

The Thurston Rifles offered the use of their parlors at the armory to the executive committee for its weekly meetings as a token of appreciation of the manner in which the business men of the city have treated them in the past. The offer was accepted with a vote of thanks.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, the old reliable, will cure every case of cough or cold.

AT THE HOTELS.

"Affairs are moving along rapidly in the Pacific," said William P. Bailey of Portland, Ore., at the Millard, "and we should not lose sight of China. The Chinese have got their loan of $80,000,000 and they have agreed to open their inland waters in June. They have agreed to put their customs offices on a better business footing, they have granted important railway concessions, and, lastly, China is going to take a census. These are the great changes which are taking place in that part of the world. The important question now is what part will the United States take in these movements.

"It is much easier to take a census in China or in India than in the United States, in spite of the differences in the languages. In the first place it will be a simple enumeration of the population, and not a thousand and one other inquiries which congress has heretofore demanded in the United States. The imperial order is simply issued to the several governors-general of the provinces, and they in turn transmit their orders to the subordinate local officials, who, in turn, set the constables at work in their respective districts. In this way probably in China more than 1,000,000 petty officials will be required to do the work of the enumerators. In the last census of India nearly 1,000,000 enumerators were employed and the result of the work showed a total population of 337,000,000. It is most probable that the total population of China, if correctly enumerated, will aggregate not far short of 400,000,000. At any rate, it is understood that there will be a full and honest count. As Russia took a census last year we may hope in 1900 to have the most accurate idea of the population of the world thus far obtained."

"One of the most substantial government canals in the United States is the works at Keokuk, Ia.," said Howard C. Collins of that city. "This canal is twelve miles long and leads along the Iowa bank of the Mississippi to Nashville, a small town above Keokuk. During low water all navigation between those two points is through the canal, because the rapids of the river render it too shallow for even the smallest steamer to pass over. Indeed, so shallow does the water become that at times one could wade the river from bank to bank. The canal was built in the '70s at a cost to the government of about $10,000,000, and it requires a large appropriation yearly to keep the works in repair. There are three locks in this canal—one at either end and one in the middle. The average depth of the water is maintained at about fifteen feet, which is ample to float the largest packets that run in the trade."

Personal Paragraphs.

C. F. Boydan, Chicago, is at the Mercer.

L. C. Watson of Maquoketa, Ia., is a Mercer guest.

George C. Headworth is at the Mercer from Chicago.

H. C. Brandson and wife of Creston, Ia., are Mercer guests.

Former Mayor George Duncan of Burlington, Ia., is in the city.

M. D. Hodge, a prominent stockman of North Platte, is in the city.

W. M. Jennings and E. Holloway of Denver are registered at the Barker.

Owen Van Horn and J. B. Wallace of Hastings is registered at the Mercer.

George L. Carson, vice president of the Cleveland (O.) Street Railway company, is in Omaha.

Mrs. Lewis and Babe Lewis, vaudevilles playing at the Creighton theater, are stopping at the Barker.

F. B. Richland of Joplin, Mo., is in Omaha. Mr. Richland is extensively interested in zinc mines near Joplin.

Mr. Glover, musical director; R. Jones, stage manager, and twenty-eight members of the Boston Lyric Opera company are quartered at the Barker.

Hon. F. W. Corson, editor and proprietor of the Lockport (N. Y.) County Union-Sun, with his family, is the guest of his brother, Attorney W. A. Corson.

J. F. Finch, Fremont; Mrs. M. Cassin, Columbus; C. O. Leake, D. M. Ruger, Fremont; R. Leach, Lincoln, and George D. Myers, Grand Island, are state arrivals stopping at the Barker.

Nebraska people at the hotels: J. N. Brush, Lincoln; Walter Wise, Beatrice; C. K. Brightner, Ogallala; T. J. Wightman and wife, Fremont; Oscar A. Russell, Fullerton; Thomas B. Dwight and wife, Lincoln; R. B. Jewell, Julesburg; A. C. Foster, North Platte.

The Equitable Life.

The statement of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, published today, is noteworthy for the extraordinary increase in the assets—over twenty millions of dollars in a single year. The surplus, although millions of dollars are paid out of it each year to those whose policies become entitled to it, has now increased to over $50,000,000; a fact that gives great significance to the guarantees of the Society. This surplus is ascertained by the New York Insurance Department of the standard which assumes that the company will earn 4 per cent on its assets throughout the future, but the advantage of the Equitable is that on the more exacting assumption that the prevailing rate of interest will be as low as 3 per cent, it still has a surplus of over $29,000,000. In this particular of strength the Equitable seems to be unique. The income was $48,572,269.53; the assets amount to $236,876,308.04, and total amount of assurance in force is over $951,000,000.

Homeseekers.

To readers of North Nebraska Resources and others seeking homes: The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley R. R. will sell home seekers' tickets at one fare plus $2.00 for the round trip on March 1st and 15th, to points on their line in Nebraska where the fare is $3.00 or more.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday by the county judge:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Azor B. Davey, Omaha	23
Lertha Larson, Omaha	22
Henry Hilderbrand, Omaha	22
Laura Wehte, South Omaha	18
Fred M. Lininger, Omaha	22
Marie Moran, Omaha	21

DIED.

BORGLUM—Niels, age 63 years, at the residence of his brother, Dr. J. M. Borglum, No. 533 South Twenty-second street. Funeral from residence at 2 p. m. Tuesday, March 1, 1898.

HEINTZE—Pauline, mother of George E., A. M., Charles E. and Hugo R. Heintz, February 28, at 7:40 a. m., at the residence of her son, George E. Heintze, 4023 Hamilton street. Funeral notice later.

JEWET—Mrs. J. J. L. C., at the residence of her son, Mr. James K. Chambers, on Sunday, February 27. Funeral services

PLAN FOR SOME EXTENSIONS

Telephone Company Will Begin Operations Very Soon.

NUMBER OF NEW LINES TO BE CONSTRUCTED

About Every Town of Any Importance in Nebraska Will Be Connected with the Omaha Telephone Exchange.

Two important announcements have just been made in local telephone circles. Casper E. Yost, president of the Nebraska Telephone company, has been elected president of the Iowa Telephone company and will hereafter have jurisdiction over the principal telephone companies of both Nebraska and Iowa. The second announcement is of the work of extension in Nebraska, involving an expenditure of nearly $75,000, that will be commenced as soon as the frost is out of the ground and energetically pushed to completion during the spring, summer and autumn months of this year.

Within a very few weeks three gangs of workmen will be sent out on the work of construction throughout Nebraska by the Nebraska Telephone company, and under the direction of Superintendent E. B. Smith, will extend the lines of the company so that conversation may be had between almost any points in the state. In speaking to The Bee of the work of extension soon to be begun President Yost said: "This will involve a pretty big expenditure, but I believe the improved conditions throughout the state justify the move. No one can gainsay that our people are more prosperous than they have been for some time and I believe a telephone system that will enable a man in one Nebraska town to talk with another man in any town of considerable size in the state will be taken advantage of by a large number of people. At any rate we are going to try the experiment."

SOME OF THE NEW CIRCUITS.

One of the new circuits that will be built this spring will commence at the station on the company's line at Auburn and from there will extend to Brownville, Nemaha City, Howe, Stella, Verdon, connecting at Salem with the line at present in operation to that point. Another line will be built off the present line to Dewitt, to Swanton, Western, Tobias, Ohiowa, Strang, Shickley, Ong, Edgar, Fairfield, Clay Center and Harvard. Another line will run from Strang to Bruning, Carleton, Davenport, Belvidere, Alexandria and Hebron. A fourth new line will be built from Wymore to Odell, Lanham and Steele City. In the northern part of the state there will be another new line built from Norfolk to Hoskins, Winside, Wayne, Wakefield, Emerson, Hubbard, Dakota City, Neb., and Sioux City, Ia. There will be a new line constructed from Bancroft to Pender and to Emerson, connecting with the other line at the latter point. Along the line of the Union Pacific an additional telephone line will be constructed from Grand Island to Chapman, Central City, Clarks, Silver Creek, Fullerton, Genoa, Monroe, Oconee, Platte Center and Colum bus, connecting with the line to that point that has been in use for some time. There will still be another line built to connect Wahoo, Mead and Yutan and another to connect Wahoo, Weston, Tuhay and Valparaiso. The last line to be built during the coming summer will connect Seward, Stablehurst and Ulysses.

MAKES A GREAT SYSTEM.

The completion of these extensions will give to Nebraska a telephone service that is not equaled by any transmissouri state. The extensions call for over 400 miles of new line. At present the Nebraska Telephone company has 1,300 miles of copper metalic circuit lines, counting but one line on the poles of the company. As there are as many as six wires on some poles of the company, there is now a total telephone mileage in the state of over 3,000 miles. In the Nebraska exchange of the company there are 5,245 miles of line exclusive of the toll lines.

It is interesting to note the growth of the telephone system within the last few years. The average daily number of connections made in the exchange of the company in the state of Nebraska for the last year was 51,709. Of these the average daily number of connections made in the Omaha exchange was 33,000. Comparison with the number of connections made a few years ago plainly points toward the greater amount of business now transacted here. During the year 1896 the average daily number of calls in the Omaha exchange was 22,000, while during the year 1897 this average increased 50 per cent, amounting to 33,000.

During the year 1897 there were 200 new telephones placed in service in this city, and to keep pace with the growing business of the company it has recently been found necessary to increase the equipment of the operating room of the Omaha exchange. An additional switchboard has just been built by a Chicago firm. It has arrived here, but has not yet been placed in service. It will be set in position during the next few days, and when placed in service will greatly benefit the local service.

It is interesting to note in connection with the business of the telephone company that the records for the year just past show that in the towns where there are less than 100 subscribers the average daily number of connections made for each telephone was five and one-fourth. In places where the number of subscribers ranged from 200 to 500 the average daily number of calls for each subscriber was ten and one-half. In cities having 1,500 subscribers to the telephone company's service the average daily number of connections made for each subscriber was fourteen and three-quarters.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by commending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventative of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mike Stotky was arrested last night, charged with the larceny of a sack of potatoes from G. W. Isken & Co., 1019 Howard street.

Samuel Colisky, a smooth sneak thief, was found guilty this morning in police court of the larceny of $1 from the store of N. H. Nathan, at Sixteenth and Davenport streets. He was sent to the county jail for thirty days.

An old patent for the southeast quarter of section 27, township 16, range 9, Douglas county, has been filed for record in the office of the register of deeds. The document bears date, June 15, 1864, and is signed by Abraham Lincoln, then president of the United States.

S. F. Ingraham pleaded guilty in police court to being an inmate of a disreputable house and contributing to the support thereof. He was arraigned on a charge of the larceny of $11 from May Snow of 903 Capitol avenue, to which he pleaded not guilty. Sentence on the former complaint was suspended pending the disposition of the larceny case.

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