

NORMAL BODY MET AT KENOVA IN CARS BY ASHLAND MEN; HOLD BANQUET 6:15

Day Spent Looking Over Sandy Valley Cities; Leave Tonight

Kentucky's state normal school commission arrived in Ashland late this afternoon after a rip up the Big Sandy valley viewing prospective sites for the location of the new state normal school, authorized at the last legislature. The commission was met in Kenova, where it alighted from an N. & W. train from Fort Gay, across the river from Louisa, and was taken to the residence of E. H. Gartrell, chairman of the local committee.

After resting for an hour the commission, consisting of eight members, walked to the Ashland-Catlettsburg site for the school, donated by Mr. Gartrell, and situated just a square below on his home on Winchester avenue.

Following an inspection of the site, the eight members were taken on an automobile tour of the city's commercial, manufacturing and residential districts. They were taken to the outlying hills where they obtained a panoramic view of the metropolis of Eastern Kentucky.

The school men will be guests of the local normal school committee at the Hotel Ventura at 6:15 o'clock this evening. This will be a quiet affair with the state commission and the local normal school committee in attendance.

The visitors will leave Ashland tonight, it is understood.

They were met at Kenova this afternoon by E. H. Bartrel, chairman, J. W. M. Stewart, B. F. Forgey, Robert Caldwell, Lon Rogers, L. N. Davis, John W. Woods, T. A. Field and G. A. Nash, secretary.

The commission consists of Judge Ed C. O'Rear, Frankfort, chairman; W. A. Wallen, Prestonsburg, secretary; Sherman Goodaster, Frankfort; Thomas A. Combs, Lexington; Judge Earl W. Senff, Mt. Sterling; Judge Arthur Peter, Louisville, J. L. Harman, Bowling Green, and Alex G. Barrett, Louisville.

The first four named were appointed by Speaker James H. Thompson, of the Kentucky house of representatives, and the last three were named by Lieutenant-Governor S. Thurston Ballard, president of the state senate.

The commission was appointed to investigate all cities in Eastern and Western Kentucky who had applied to have the two schools located there. They have visited the Western Kentucky cities and are now in the midst of the Eastern Kentucky cities.

They will make a decision relative to the location of the two schools until they have visited all the applying cities in Eastern Kentucky. Their decision is not expected to be made

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public for some time.

Ashland and Catlettsburg combined some time ago to apply for the location of the Eastern Kentucky State Normal School to be placed somewhere in the two cities. A site was donated by E. H. Gartrell of Ashland and another site was offered by a Catlettsburg woman.

The Ashland-Catlettsburg delegation withdrew from the race shortly after that but the commission wanted to know, that if the school was awarded to this section, if they would accept it. The delegation said it would and agreed to go through with its promises, the donation of a site and \$1000,000.
