

COMMISSIONERS TO SELECT SITE FOR NORMAL FOR EAST KENTUCKY ON TOUR

Go To Paintsville, Louisa
—Here Tomorrow For
Inspection

The eight members of the Kentucky state normal school commission, which will select sites for two new normal schools—one in the eastern and one in the western part of the state—arrived in Ashland from Louisville at 3:15 p. m. this afternoon on their way to Paintsville and Louisa.

The week will be spent in inspecting sites offered by applicant cities in Eastern Kentucky. Two weeks ago the commission visited all applicant cities in Western Kentucky but up to this time have not yet made public a decision.

The commission is composed of five members named by Speaker James W. Thompson of the Kentucky house of representatives and three named by Lieutenant-Governor S. Thurston Ballard, president of the state senate. They are: Judge Ed C. O'Bear, Frankfort chairman; W. A. Wallen, Freetownburg secretary; Sherman Goodpaster, Frankfort; Thomas A. Coombe Lexington; and Judge Earl W. Seiff of Mt. Sterling, all appointed by Mr. Thompson; and Judge Arthur Peter, Louisville; J. L. Harman, Bowling Green, and Alex G. Barrett, Louisville, all named by Governor Ballard.

Go to Sandy Valley

The commissioners were to leave this afternoon on the Big Sandy division of the C. & O. for Paintsville, where they will inspect the site offered by the Johnson county capital. They will spend the night in Paintsville and view the proffered property, buildings and the city and territory surrounding until 9 a. m. tomorrow when they will leave for Louisa. They will be met in Paintsville by a reception committee and will be entertained with a dinner tonight. Tomorrow a number of automobiles will show the commissioners throughout the city.

At Louisa, which will be reached at 9:55 o'clock, there will be an automobile drive and an inspection of the site the Lawrence county seat is offering. The Louisa committee reports that plans are made for a brief meeting tomorrow and short talks by some of the leading citizens and school men. The delegation will leave Fort Gay over the N. & W. at 12:10 p. m. A large number of automobiles will meet the commissioners there and drive them to Ashland.

Tour of Twin Cities

The tour of Ashland and Catlettsburg will take the normal school men to the Gartrell site at Normal where E. H. Gartrell has offered ten acres for the location of the new state school. After they have seen the proposed site the men will then drive over Ashland's streets to see the residential districts and the industrial sections. The tour will take the commissioners to various points on the hills overlooking the central portion of the city so that a panoramic view can be obtained of the great industrial section of the Ohio and Big Sandy valleys here.

The commissioners will leave Ashland at 4:50 a. m. Thursday for West Liberty and Morehead which have applied for the schools, also.

The local committee is composed of E. H. Gartrell, chairman; J. W. M. Stewart, B. F. Forgey, Robert T. Caldwell, Lou Rogers, L. N. Davis, John W. Woods, T. A. Field and G. A. Nash, secretary.

The Independent will have a staff correspondent on the entire tour of Eastern Kentucky cities.