HECHT IS STILL IN HIDING

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President of the Defunct Plainview State Bank Badly Wanted.

MANY DETAILS TO BE EXPLAINED

Berious Charges Made in Connection with the Manner in Which the Funds of the Institution Were Extracted.

LINCOLN, March 14 .- (Special to The Bee.)-President Hecht of the defunct Plainview State bank was a very much wanted man at the state house today, but he failed to put in an appearance. His absence was not altogether unexpected, however, for the officers of the court, together with the members of the State Banking Board, who are interested in the matter, had but little hope that the Plainview financier would pay any attention to the orders of the court. President Hecht's bank closed its doors last July with the announcement that all the cash in the safe had been stolen. Chief Clerk Townley of the State Banking Board at once visited Plainview and made an examination of the bank. In his report he stated that he had carefully investigated the alleged robbery and falled to find any facts to convince himself that the robbery had actually taken place. The cash was missing. There

taken place. The cash was missing. There was no doubt upon that score.

Then a receiver was appointed by the supreme court. Last January Receiver Lamb filed with the supreme court a petition set-ting forth some rather startling facts. Among other things he alleged that not only the cash, but a large amount of the bills re-celvable of the bank had been stolen. He alleged that the Norfolk National bank, George Chency and others held the assets which were missing and were collecting them for the benefit of the president of the de-funct bank. He also alleged that on the morning of the bank's failure George R. Cheney was seen coming out of the bank with a satchel that looked as if it might con-tain the missing cash and notes. The supreme court ordered all the parties impli-cated to come into court and make a showing. They all did so except President Hecht. All made affidavit that they did not hold nor had they held in their possession at any time any of the money or other assets belonging

to the bank. Then the court issued another order citing President Hecht to appear today at 10 o'clock to make a full and complete showing of his connection with the bank. Hecht did not show up. It is not known whether the receiver succeeded in serving a copy of the order of the court upon Hecht or not. The latter has been eluding service for some

SENSATIONAL TESTIMONY. The trial of Mrs. Ella Birney on the charge of perjury, preferred by Mrs. Reid, took on a sensational aspect today. The defense had its innings. Mrs. Layne, mother of the de-fendant, swore that the portion of the bed found at her place had never been in the house, and that she had never seen it there. Her testimony was corroborated by her two daughters and her son, W. H. Nelson, the hero of the breach of promise suit. He testified that in December he sent to Mrs. Reid for the bed, and she replied in a note, dated December 16, that she had sent it to him a week before. Later he went to see her about it and she told him she would buy him another bed as soon as she could get down town. He also testified that on one occasion Mrs. Birney had brought to him at the depot a boquet of flowers from Mrs. Reid, which he declined to accept.

Mrs. Hodges stated that Mrs. Reid had old her of burning the bed, and that she had told her also that she would send Mrs. Birney to the penitentiary, or if she could not do that she would kill her and then her-

Mrs. Birney, in her own behalf, testified at length to all the details concerning the charges she had made against Mrs. Reid. A. M. Hickman from Newton, Ia., swore to lending the overcoat to Mrs. Reid and pro-duced it in court. She had a dress on when she borrowed the overcoat and he didn't know whether she had on a pair of men's pants under the dress or not.

Miss Minnle Rawlings jestified that at some one dressed in male attire and wearing a fur cap and overcoat very similar to the one shown in court by the witness, Hickman, had called at her house and asked for Nelson, saying that she had some papers belonging to him. After the visitor went away witness remembered that the face and voice

were those of a woman. Justice Spencer and the county attorney were taken to the residence of Mrs Reid, where they were shown the burned carpet as

described by Brs. Birney.
At this point in the case Attorney Strode. who was assisting County Attorney Wood-ward in the prosecution of the charge against Mrs. Birney, arose and stated that in view of the convincing nature of the testimony given for the defendant, he desired to have the charge of perjury dismissed. It

is done.
It is hinted that more developments will follow. It is even stated that a complaint is being prepared charging Mrs. Reid with SENTENCED TO THE PEN.

This was sentence day in the criminal ourt. Judge Hall called a unmber of convicted malefactors before him and adminis-tered the punishment prescribed by law. James Henderson pleaded guilty to holding up Elmer Baker and received a sentence to the penitentiary for two years at hard labor Edward Perrion was given one year in the enitentiary at hard labor. He was conpenitentiary at hard labor. He was co victed of climbing into a saloon over

transom and stealing a number of valuable Dudley Curtis escaped with a jail sentence of but thirty days. He made an in-sulting proposal to a servant girl in the employ of D. G. Courtney and assaulted her

viciously.

Floyd Hartzell went to the state reform school for stealing.

The city of Lincoln today confessed judgment in the district court for \$6,054 in favor of the Lincoln Savings bank. The amount was due the bank on two storm water sewer

warrants, which the city refused to pay be cause it had no funds. S. McConiga today was awarded a verdict against the North Lincoln Street Rallway company for \$635.83. The parties affected are Messrs. Bigelow, Bush, Brace, Brown and

Judge Tibbetts today decided that the exe cutors of the Lowrey estate could not construct a vault in Wyuka cemetery. The exe cutors had planned a vault not permitted by the rules of the cemetery and the cemetery people went into court to prevent the in-

fraction of the rules. Charles Orth, charged with burglary, will go to the pen, although his sentence has not yet been passed. The jury brought in a yerdict of guilty against him late last night. REPUBLICAN CITY CONVENTION.

The city republican convention met in Bohannan's hall at 2 o'clock this afternoon and nominated the ticket predicted in The Bee this morning. The convention formed a permanent organization by making L. W. Billingsley chairman and H. W. Palmer and J. S. Bishop secretaries. After some little friction it was decided to limit nominating

speeches to five minutes each.

The first man to be nominated was a The first man to be nominated was a candidate for city attorney. D. G. Courtney placed in nomination N. C. Abbott, the pasent incumbent. There was no opposition and Mr. Abbott was nominated unanimously by acclamation.

Two candidates were placed in nomination for police index. F. R. Waters was named.

for police judge. F. R. Waters was named by W. E. Stewart, while J. C. Johnstone named J. T. Cochran. Waters, who is the present incumbent, received the nomination on the first ballot, the vote standing 172

There was something more of a contest over the selection of a candidate for water commissioner. The names offered the con-vention were: J. W. Percival, present in-cumbent; G. W. Davenport, F. H. Davis, W. C. Austin and C. H. Gould, But one ballot was necessary, the vote standing: Percival, 152; Davenport, 45; Davis, 11; Aus-tin, 2; Gould, 4. Mr. Percival made the

usual acknowledgement.

Adna Dobson, the present city engineer, was offered for renomination by T. C. Munger, while S. E. Low presented the name of B. G. Dawes. The balloting commenced, but before it proceeded very far it was

clearly seen that Dobson was walking away from his opponent. Consequently Dawes withdrew from the race and Dobson was nominated by acclamation.

Messers, Ludden, Hackney and Stires were

nominated for the vacancies on the Board of Education on the first ballot. The following candidates for the city cou cil were nominated: First ward, G. W. Den-ham; Second, William Lawlor; Third, F. A. Graham; Fourth, O. W. Webster; Fifth, Barr Parker; Sixth, H. B. Sawyer; Seventh, H. H.

A. M. Davis and J. W. Fawell were nominated for cemetery trustees.

Considerable difficulty was experienced in the selection of a chairman of the city cen-tral committee. Most of the men presented declined, but finally the office was fastened

on to A. W. Scott.
Resolutions were adopted congratulating Governor McKinley, Hon. Thomas Reed and the republican minority in congress, denounce ing the democratic pension policy and the Wilson bill, and demanding the defeat of the latter. The following resolutions affecting local interests were made a part of the

platform:

Resolved, That we favor an honest and economical administration of public affairs and the restricting of expenditures to the annual estimates and levy, both in the city council and the school board.

Resolved, That we favor the city ownership of garbage, crematory and lighting plant and are opposed to an extension of the present lighting contract.

Resolved, That we favor the employment of home labor upon all public contracts.

Resolved, That the councilmen are instructed to carry out our wishes as expressed in the above resolution.

Resolved, That we call upon the councilmen and the city officials to use their best endeavors to secure at the hands of the next legislature the adoption of amendments to the charter as above outlined.

The resolutions were adopted without a dissenting voice and the convention then adjourned.

APPOINTED A. J. SAWYER.

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The attorney general of the United States has given the depositors of the Capital National bank something more to talk about In response to the telegraphic protests sent from this city, asking him to appoint an attorney for the receiver who would expedite matters and give the business a little more matters and give the business a little more attention than the present attorneys, Messrs. Cobb & Hervey, the attorney general sends back a telegram to A. J. Sawyer of this city instructing him to act as special attorney to investigate the sale of the Outcalt property about which so much contention has arisen Mr. Sawyer commenced today to examine all the papers in the case, and he states that he will give the matter his prompt and carnest attention.

Mr. Sawyer's appointment for this special

work has encouraged his friends in this city to believe that his chances for the appointment of United States district attorney are improving. On the other hand, it has been pointed out that the attorney general has been friendly to Sawyer all along and that the mark of especial favor at this time comes simply as another endorsement from the attorney general.

RETAIL JEWELERS ORGANIZE.

Many Merchants of Nebraska Assemble at Lincoln for Business.

LINCOLN, March 14.-(Special Telegram to The Bee.)-Nearly 100 retail jewelers were present at Masonic hall this afternoon to participate in the organization of the State Retail Jewelers association. Many of the prominent jewelers of the state were present, including Julius Meyer, John Baumer, S. Jonasen and J. Bergman of Omaha. The meeting was called to order shortly after 2 o'clock. Fritz Hoeffer of Aurora was made temporary chairman and F. A. Harmis of York secretary. Richard O'Neill of Lincoln then made a brief address, welcoming the jewelers to Lincoln, to which John Baumer of Omaha made a neat and fitting response. A resolution was adopted admitting all parties engaged in the retail business exclusively to the convention, after which the following committee was appointed to prepare and print resolutions for the proposed new organiza-tion: C. L. Hayes of Norfolk, John Baumer of Omaha, E. A. Polley of Seward, M. M. Huck of Schuyler and George Arkwright of Beatrice. A resolution was also adopted in-viting Newton Dexter, secretary of the New York State Business Men's association, who is present in the city, to address the conven-

Bryan at McCook M'COOK, Neb., March 14 .- (Special Tele-

gram to The Bee.)-Hon. W. J. Bryan received an ovation here tonight from the democracy. He spoke for about twenty minutes on the policy of the administration and what it was hoped would be accomplished. Congressman Bryan said he was doing everything to secure the passage of the Manderson-Hainer bill to place the official papers of fraternal societies in the same class with other newspapers as regards mail facilities, and said he would appear before the committee which has the bill in charge on his return to Washington.

Fairbury's Reform Ticket.

FAIRBURY, Neb., March 14 .- (Special to The Bee.)-A 'reform' ticket for city officers was nominated last night at a largely attended caucus held at the city hall. H. M. Berry, mayor; G. H. Turner and N. B. Chambers, aldermen; L. W. Goodrich, treasurer, and C. H. Denny, clerk, constitute the ticket. The high license caucus will be held tonight. ROGERS, Neb., March 14.—(Special to The Bee.)—The citizens caucus made the follow-ing nominations for village council: M. J. Conboy, John Murphy, Pete Vetter, S. C.

Allen and J. C. Bender. Pleading for Sinners. WABASH, Neb., March 14 .- (Special to The Bee.)-Rev. Charles W. Savidge of Omaha has been holding a series of meetings in this city, and has aroused a deep feeling of religious interest. He has preached five times in two days here. Yesterlay at Elmwood he preached on the street Large and attentive congregations listen to Rev. Mr. Savidge, and numbers have pro-fessed conversion. Mr. Savidge, like the prophets of old, charges sin home on the

people, and convicts them of their iniquities. Geneva's Municipal Fight. GENEVA, Neb., March 14 .- (Special Telegram to The Bee.)-The license question is the issue in the approaching municipal contest in this city. The temperance element caucused last night and put out a ticket headed by the present mayor, J. G. Burrus. The license element met in convention tonight and nominated a ticket, headed by County Treasurer E. Sandrock. "No license" pre-

vailed a year ago. Financial Trouble Causes Suicide. NEWPORT, Neb., March 14 .- (Special Telegram to The Bee.)-Enos W. Trout committed suicide early this morning five miles outheast of here. He was found by his wife langing in the barn, with both hands tied behind him. This was his second attempt It is supposed to have been caused by insan ity, the result of financial trouble. He leaves

a wife and four children. Ginn Given More Time. GANDY, Neb., March 14.-(Special to The Bee.)-The commissioners of Logar county met again today, and Mr. Ginn, the treasurer, was given two weeks to file a new bond, the one given by him at the January settlement being repudiated. The accounts were made satisfactory to the commissioners. No one ever doubted the honesty of Willard

Funeral of Mrs. Robert Kittle. FREMONT, March 14 .- (Special to The Bee.)-The funeral of Mrs. Robert Kittle one of the oldest settlers and most esteemed of Dodge county's women, occurred today The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Hewett of Lincoln and were largely attended.

Pleased the People. NEBRASKA CITY, March 14 .- (Special Telegram to The Bee.)-News of the appointment of Volney Street as postmaster at this city was received here this afternoon. The appointment is regarded as a good one.

Farmers Getting to Work. CLAY CENTER, Nob., March 14 .- (Special to The Bee.)-Farming has commenced in earnest in this vicinity. Many farmers are owing oats, the ground being in splendid

Although many remedies are pushed into market by spicy advertisements, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup still takes the lead.

COUNTY DRAINAGE

Various Systems Discussed by the Citizens at Fremont for this Purpose.

MANY ACRES OF LAND CAN BE RECLAIMED

Several Theories Advanced as to the Best Manner to Accomplish the Desired Result - Supervisors Hear Arguments on the Subject.

FREMONT, March 14 .- (Special to The Bee.)-At 10 a. m. the Board of Supervisors of Dodge county resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the ditch question, and on motion of Supervisor Goff the advocates of the cut-off or diagonal ditches were given two hours to present their case, the opposition two hours to reply, and the plaintiffs half an hour to rebut.

Mr. Hanson, secretary of the Board of Trade, opened the discussion. He declared that the land holders that he represented had only one object in view, and that was the thorough drainage of the Platte valley. This could, judging from former precedents, be most easily and effectually attained by the system of cut-offs from which they have already experienced such satisfactory re-sults. To get the water into the Platte river the most direct system is the most desirable. and for that object the cut-offs are indispensable.

"It is useless," said he, "to place before this board the absolute necessity of the thor-ough drainage of the Platte valley. Not only the material interests are affected, but the health and well-being of the citizens are involved.'

Their petition was signed by 1,200 inter-ested citizens. He eulogized the efforts of the Standard Cattle company in proving the adaptation of the soil of the Platte valley to the sugar beet, and he asked a careful hear-ing for his colleague, R. M. Allen, of that enterprising company.

Mr. Allen, in his advocacy of the diagonal ditches, said that it was unfortunate that on this ditch question there should be a difference of opinion. From his experience he was sanguine that the great Platte valley that had heretofore been an eyesore to the people could be converted into the most productive of Nebraska lands. He thought that unless a thorough system of drainage could be agreed upon it was useless to expend any money upon it. Let it lay as it is until a generation arises that could agree upon a system that would be satisfactory and effectual. Too much could not be said on the benefits that could be derived from this drainage. He thought there was not an acre of land in the Platte valley that would not be benefited by the drainage. Farmers who have raised from fifteen to twenty-five bushels of corn to the acre could just as well raise from fifty to seventy-five bushels to the acre.
The speaker claimed that the members of

his company were the original advocates of the cut-off ditches. Most of them had been built on the Standard's land, and the company agents know full well how to appre-ciate them. He had nothing against east and west ditches, but those who advocate them as the only system were without any them as the only system were without any system at all. The water must be disposed of, and te provide against disastrous accumulation of water it must inevitably be done by running it into the river. He protested against using the Fremont cut-off that now runs across the Standard company's lands as a basis of the drainage of the really for it could not possibly be made. the valley, for it could not possibly be made available. The volume of water coming down from the west through the ditches down from the west through the ditenes would be too great to be discharged through it, however large it might be made. He thought there must be other cut-off ditches. East and west ditches could never be made available without diagonal ditches running into them. The diagonal disches cut all the law places and hence onal ditches cut all the low places and hence cut all the natural roadways that the ditches parallel with the bottom could never reach. Ernest Kem of North Bend was then called and gave his experience as a settler on the low lands of the county, and earnestly

on the low lands of the country in the low lands of the diagonal ditches as opposed to the east and west ditches. B. W. Reynolds, manager of the hemp and twine factory, who represents a large body of Platte valley land, reviewed the history of drainage of the valley, and he saw in the system contemplated by the cut-offs the realization of his fondest hopes that the great Platte valley, that had been the abode of water fowls and reptiles, would me the most fertile and productive lands of the country. He presented a resolution from the Board of Trade in advocacy of the cut-off ditches, and expressed a hope for fa-

vorable action. C. Cusach of North Bend gave some of his personal experience. Mr. Cusach has been one of the most earnest advocates of an effective system of drainage and has been at the head of every enterprise to that end in western Dodge county. He stated that there could not be found a man in the county who could say honestly that the cut-off ditches so far had not been entirely satisfactory for the purposes designed. The cut-off near the Colfax line was an experiment, but it had proven a grand success. The overflow of Shell creek in Colfax county had for years submerged the Platte valley of Dodge county and that ditch was the first

"Give us more of them," said he "and follow up the advantage and the question of efficient drainage is solved." Mr. Cusach favored the appointment of two members of the board to assist the ngineers in making the assessment on the ands benefited. He was in favor of liberal damages to those who were injured by the ditches. N. Pascoe of Ames stated his ex-perience, which was greatly in favor of the ent-off ditches. He could not appreciate the efforts of the few who had thrown them-selves in the way of this greatest of all enterprises. He had a ditch through his land and he considered it no damage. The land that he used to rent at 25 cents per acre he now rents for \$3 per acre and he has 600 acres on the bottom. He told the board that the people demanded favorable action and if they did not give it the members would be replaced at the next election by men who would favor the plan.

George Davis of Mapleville also favored the cut-off ditches, and he was sustained by H. W. Goff of the same locality. Mr. Hanson then reviewed the position. They wanted the two cut-off ditches, one west of North Bend and one between North Bend

and Ames, and no ditches leading into the Fremont cut-off ditch as a basis. Mr. Fitch then gave the legal status of the matter and the case was submited.

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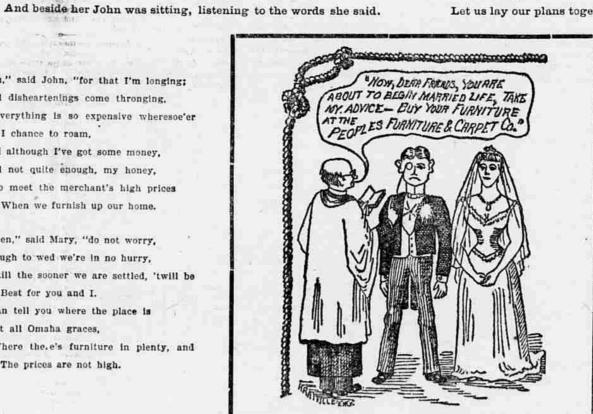
Everything is so expensive wheresoe'er I chance to roam And although I've got some money, Still not quite enough, my honey,

To meet the merchant's high prices When we furnish up our home. "Then," said Mary, "do not worry,

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