MILK AND BUTTER INDUSTRY

Nebraska Dairymen Meet at Lincoln in Annual Convention.

GREAT GROWTH IS REPORTED BY EXPERTS

State Puts Out Over 15,000,000 Pounds of Butter for the Year and the Interest Spreads to the Ranges.

LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Nebraska dairymen and buttermakers began to assemble in Lincoln today for their annual convention and dairy exhibit. A big delegation came in from the western counties this afternoon, and all indications point to the largest attendance in the history of the association, which, during the last few years has enjoyed a remarkable growth.

The association assembled at the Lindell hotel tonight for a preliminary meeting. The session was devoted almost entirely to the reading of officers' reports, discussions of questions relative to the business of the organization and the appointment of committees. Frank E. Hibbard of Omaha read a paper on the "Merits and Demerits of the Food Commission."

C. S. Bassett of Gibbon, secretary of the association, presented some statistical information relative to the growth of the dairy industry in Nebraska and laid particular emphasis upon the need of more effective legislation for protection against the manufacture of imitations of dairy products.

Butter Product of the State.

"Returns from the creameries of the state show that 9,093,706 pounds of creamery butter were manufactured in Nebraska in the year 1900, the greater per cent of which found a market outside the borders of our state," said Secretary Bassett. "It is estimated that 6,000,000 pounds of dairy or farm butter produced in this state has, under the commercial term of ladle butter, been shipped to markets outside the state, making the exported butter product of the state for the year approximately 15,000,000 pounds. This amount is but a small percentage of the butter which might be produced for export from the state or that would be produced if fraudulent imitation products were compelled to be sold on their merits and honest butter had only fair and legitimate competition in the open market.

"Until within the last three years it was thought that dairying could only be pursued in a commercial way in the agricultural portion of the state, but it has already been demonstrated that even in the range portions, devoted almost entirely to live stock, that dairying can be successfully and profitably pursued.

"Since the introduction of dairying into this portion of the state it has been found that on the range are many conditions favorable to the industry. The owner of a herd of cattle has the cows and as he does little or no farming he has time to milk, to feed the calves and to haul the milk to the skimming station. In some instances they do not feed the calves, so to speak, but at night separate the calves from the cows, in the morning milk the cows and during the day allow the calf to follow its mother."

Growth of the Industry.

E. Suddendorf of Elgin, Ill., secretary of the National Buttermakers' association, and one of the best known creamery men in the country, arrived this morning and will remain here until the state association adjourns. Mr. Suddendorf devotes the major portion of his time to the work of his office in the national organization and during the last few months has personally investigated the dairy interests in many of the western states. He said today that the buttermaking industry was enjoying an unprecedented condition of prosperity, that creameries and dairies were expanding, employing more help, adopting improved methods and machinery and increasing their output. He attributed the increase in Nebraska and other adjoining states largely to the interest which was aroused in this section by the last national buttermakers' convention, held in this city in February, this year.

"The average product of butter has been increased 25 per cent in volume and almost as much in quality since the national convention," said Secretary Suddendorf. "The buttermaking industry is expanding and developing and what is still more encouraging, those engaged in it are beginning to pursue scientific methods, by which they not only improve the quality of the product, but increase its volume. I am firmly convinced that the last national convention was a big thing for the dairy interests of the west, and particularly in Nebraska. It aroused interest in the work and acquainted dairymen and creamerymen with the very latest methods and most improved machinery.

"We are looking forward to a record-breaking attendance at the next national convention, which will be held in St. Paul from February 18 to 27. The railroads have granted a one-fare rate from all points, and this will bring a large attendance from the east. For the last convention the rates offered by the railroads extended only over the jurisdiction of the Western Passenger association and did not include points east of Chicago, consequently the representation from the eastern states was light. The Lincoln convention broke all records up to that time, but we look for an even more successful affair at St. Paul. The prizes offered will amount to over $5,000."

Program for Today.

Tomorrow the dairymen will hold morning and afternoon meetings at the dairy school on the state farm. Chancellor Andrews will speak on the "Social Importance of Rural Interests," and Governor Poynter will open the afternoon meeting with a general discussion of dairying. Prof. T. L. Lyon, director of the Nebraska Dairy school, will submit a paper on "Awnless Grass for Dairymen;" Prof. W. L. Hunter will discuss methods of suplying milk to city customers and Director G. L. McKay of the dairy department of the Iowa Agricultural school will speak on "Buttermaking."

Prof. McKay will act as judge of the dairy exhibit and the award of prizes will be announced by him in the evening.

SOUNDS WAY FOR THURSTON

Federal Officer From Alliance at Lincoln to Test Sentiment of Incoming Legislators.

LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—F. M. Dorrington of the United States land office at Alliance arrived here tonight and it is quietly rumored that his visit is for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is any sentiment among newly-elected members of the legislature favorable to the re-election of Senator John M. Thurston. Mr. Dorrington tonight refused to discuss the object of his visit, but said that he might remain here several days.

Fear Stevens' Body is Under Ice.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The searching party which went to the Loup river, in the extreme northwestern part of this county, Sunday has not been able to find a trace of Stevens, the missing young farmer. However, enough has been ascertained to dispense with the theory of foul play. Traces of the horse's hoofs show where the animal had entered the river from one bank, after first refusing to do so, and that it came out on the same side down the stream with the bridal disarranged, as if it had been held to by the man off the horse, and it is presumed that in the deep water the rider was thrown and probably kicked by the animal. A farmer residing near the place where the accident occurred saw Stevens approach this point in the river. The horse was later seen riderless, but with saddle and bridle on and sent toward home. Later some one removed the saddle. The relatives are convinced that the man is under the ice of the river. The father-in-law still offers $500 reward for the recovery of the body.

Smallpox at Blair.

BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A case of smallpox was reported in the family of James Rhodes yesterday evening. City Physician B. F. Munroe investigated and, being in doubt, summoned Dr. Crummer from Omaha and this morning the case was decided to be smallpox, but of a very mild form. The city schools were closed at 10 o'clock until January 2. Tonight the Board of Health issued a notice forbidding all public meetings of any kind until further orders from the board. Owing to the case being so mild, the measures taken by the authorities are considered rather strong. The patient was on the street last night and out of doors this morning and is not sick beyond a breaking out on the face.

Hounds Hot on Thieves' Trail.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff Waddington received a telephone message this morning from Liberty, this county, notifying him that the general merchandise store of Bell & Son at that point had been broken into last night and the entire stock of silks and satins stolen. The thieves loaded the goods into a wagon and traveled north after leaving Liberty. Sheriff Waddington left for Liberty at once, accompanied by the Fulton bloodhounds in charge of their trainer. The goods were recovered at Rulo by the town marshal at that place and the officers are hot on the trail of the thieves.

Lodge Elections.

TRENTON, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Trenton camp, No. 5327, Modern Woodmen of America, elected these officers: W. L. Washburn, V. C.; F. Hagen, W. A.; C. Seeley, E. B.; J. D. Filbert, clerk; M. Benjamin, S.; E. Stoddard, W.

Trenton camp, No. 1867, Royal Neighbors of America: Mrs. E. Sprout, O.; Mrs. M. Washburn, V. O.; Laura Coffelt, recorder; Carrie Burton, receiver; Mrs. Stella Smith, chancellor; Nora Coffelt, marshal; Mrs. E. Holston, sentinel.

Students Try Dramatics.

BELLEVUE, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The freshman class of Bellevue college gave a very successful presentation of the play, "Our Regiment," last evening at the college auditorium before a large audience. Those taking part were: Misses Belle Ayres, Persis E. Pryse, Florence E. Waugh and Eva Stutsman; Messrs. T. R. Cooper, W. E. Nichell, P. McD. Wheeler, S. Q. Elmore, J. F. Kerr and M. Chapman. Miss Smith of Plattsmouth furnished the music for the occasion.

Webb Case Adjourned Until Friday.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The hearing of the case of Mrs. Louisa Webb, who is charged by her husband with being insane, has been adjourned until Friday. The insanity case is the outgrowth of the recent divorce proceedings filed by Mrs. Webb against her husband, Dr. J. L. Webb.

DAKOTA TOWN IS HARD HIT

Fire Destroys the Entire Business Portion of Elk Point, South Dakota.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 18.—Fire at Elk Point, S. D., today destroyed the entire business portion of the town, involving a loss of about $150,000. No casualties are reported.

Livery Barn at Plainview.

PLAINVIEW, Neb., Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—A fire broke out in Friend & Sons' livery barn here shortly before midnight and soon destroyed that building, together with the Merchants' hotel adjoining. In the livery barn about twenty head of horses were burned, together with a number of buggies and harness. The guests at the Merchants' escaped easily and succeeded in saving their effects. By hard work Cerell Bros'. lumber yard was saved and, although the fire is still raging, it is believed that it is under control. The loss cannot be determined at this hour.

KNEW HIS BUSINESS.

Knew Something Besides What He Read in Books.

The wise, up-to-date, modern doctor is no longer tied down to the hard and fast rules of what his medical books say he shall use and what he may withhold in treating his patient.

The successful doctor nowadays is the one who is quick to avail himself of any remedy, new or old which holds out a chance of cure no matter whether it is Allopathic, Homeopathic or neither one.

Dr. Jennison, in an interesting article on indigestion and dyspepsia says: "Nine-tenths of all people, who apply to me for advice and treatment think they have this ailment or that ailment, but I find on close examination that their whole trouble arises from poor digestion.

They have little appetite and if they do have an appetite the food they eat does them no good. Why? Because it is but half digested, causing thin blood, weak nerves, sleeplessness, aching bones, pains in chest, formation of gases, belching, etc. They tell me they believe they have consumption, or heart disease, rheumatism, nervous prostration, in fact most every disease but the right one.

In reality the whole trouble is in the stomach and nowhere else. Now what I do with such people? I don't feed them on pre-digested foods like babies, nor "stomach bitters" nor patent nostrums which I know nothing about. No honorable physician will prescribe a remedy unless he knows what it contains and its probable effects.

For all such patients I have but one prescription, I advise them to go to the nearest drug store and get a 50 cent box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. I use them with remarkable success in all cases of indigestion and stomach trouble, because I know what Stewart's Dyspepsia Tablets consist of and what they will do. They contain the vegetable essences, diastase and government test pepsin which are the things every weak stomach lacks to restore natural digestive vigor and if I had dyspepsia myself it is the one remedy I should take.

When a patient comes to me complaining of dull headaches, sour stomach, bad taste, nervousness, belching of gas, or heart trouble which is generally caused from indigestion I tell him to take one or two of Stuart's Tablets after each meal and as often during the day as he has any trouble and I feel confident I have given that patient the best advice I could give."

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are large, pleasant tasting lozenges, containing diastase and pepsin combined with fruit and vegetable essences. They are not cathartic and do not act on any particular organ like ordinary drugs, but simply act entirely on the food eaten. They are a natural digestive, pure and simple.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are sold by druggists at 50 cents per package throughout the United States, Canada and Great Britain.

GERMAN SAVINGS BANK CASE

Supreme Court Makes Its Final Order in Long-Pending Litigation.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE IS CONFIRMED

Legal Rights of a Defendant Inquired Into and Debated at Some Length in the Opinion Handed Down.

LINCOLN, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The supreme court this afternoon handed down an opinion in which it affirmed the order of the district court of Douglas county, affirming the sale of real estate belonging to the German Savings bank. The case has been dragging along in the courts for several years and reference is made to this fact in the opinion, which says, "the litigation has been tedious and exacting almost beyond the limits of patience."

The opinion was written by Chief Justice Norval. The syllabus follows:

Objections to the confirmation of a judicial sale, not argued in the briefs, are waived. The motive which induces a party to defend a suit brought against him will not be inquired into, but rather his legal rights in the premises. To obtain a reversal of an order of the trial court prejudicial error must be shown.

Rights of Litigants.

In closing the opinion says:

The only complaint urged by counsel in the brief is the order of the court sustaining the motion to strike from the files his objections to the sale and the evidence filed in support thereof. It is insisted that the ruling assailed was, in effect, a denial of its right to appear and defend. The court below doubtless erred in sustaining the motion, for the evidence offered in its support went as much to the motives of the bank in continuing this litigation, which has been tedious and exacting almost beyond the limits of patience, as to its right to do so, and, of course, its motive, or that of those who perhaps have encouraged it in this court, is not to be inquired into, provided it has the right to resist every step in the cause, and doubtless that right is accorded it under the law. Moreover, the citation was served upon Mr. West, as attorney for the bank, which was a recognition of his authority to appear and represent it in the sale. That part of the order of the court whereby the motion to strike out said objections and the evidence offered to sustain them is therefore reversed. But as before this motion to strike was heard and sustained the appellant had a hearing, from which the court found that said objections had not been sustained and all the evidence produced by the parties on that question is before us we do not deem it necessary to remand the case for a new hearing in regard to such objections, as from an examination of the record and evidence we are satisfied that the lower court was right in overruling said objections and in entering its order confirming said sale and its order in that respect is affirmed.

Qualifications for Admission to Bar.

The court issued the following decision relative to admission to the bar:

Since the passage of the act of 1895, chapter vi, the power to license to practice in the courts of Nebraska has been taken from the district courts and lodged exclusively in the supreme court.

No one but a citizen of the United States and a resident of the state of Nebraska can be admitted to practice generally in the courts of said state.

A practicing attorney in good standing in the courts of record in a sister state, a territory or a foreign country and having an interest in a cause pending in any of the courts of this state may, in the discretion of such courts and as a matter of courtesy, be permitted to appear in said court for some of the purposes of such cause.

To entitle a person to apply for admission to the bar of this court under the provisions of section 2, chapter vii of the Compiled Statutes, he must at the time of making his application have attained to the age of 21 years.

Under the provisions of said section 2 attentive study of the law in the office of a practicing attorney for the full period of two years, or regular graduation from the college of law of the University of Nebraska, is absolutely required, and study in any other law school, or otherwise than in such office, will not be considered.

The practicing attorney, in whose office the statute requires the studies of the applicant to be duly pursued, is one who resides and practices in this state.

Calendar of the Court.

The following decisions were announced at the close of the sitting:

9284, Plummer, Perry & Co. against Rohman, affirmed; 9239, Schuyler Building and Loan Association against Fulmer, reversed; 9329, Buck against Stuben, affirmed; 9331, Ross against McManigal, affirmed; 9335, Bantley against Baker, reversed, Holcomb, J., taking no part in the opinion; 9341, Parrotte against Omaha, affirmed; 9346, Johnston against Craig, affirmed, Norval, C. J., not sitting; 11259, Gerner against Yates, reversed; 11359, Ackerman against Ackerman, order reversed; 11416, Sioux City Bridge Company against Dakota County, part affirmance, part reversal; 11622, Ballard & Hoagland against Chaffee, affirmed; 11827, State against German Savings Bank, affirmed.

Orders on motions for rehearing:

9186, Hayden against Huff, rehearing allowed; 9226, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company against Hitchcock County, rehearing denied; 11219, State against Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company, rehearing denied; 11347, Wittenberg against Mollyneaux, rehearing denied; 11420, McDermott against Manley, rehearing denied; 11288, Barker against Wheeler, rehearing allowed; 11468, Commonwealth Mutual Fire Insurance Company against Hayden, rehearing allowed; 11491, State ex rel Irrigators' Bank against Whipple, rehearing denied.

The day's proceedings were as follows:

9799, First National Bank of Madison against Sprague, error from Madison county, dismissed; 9861, Doolittle against Iddings, error from Lincoln county, dismissed; 10745, Whalen against Kitchen, appeal from Douglas county, submitted on motion; 10946, Cuyler against Anderson, appeal from Dawson county, dismissed; 10997, Nebraska Loan and Trust Company against Palu, appeal from Sherman county, dismissed; 11276, Field against National Council Knights and Ladies of Security, error from Gage county, ten days given in which to file briefs; 11395, Dobish against Nebraska Loan and Trust Company, appeal from Howard county, dismissed; 11532, Beck against Skinner, appeal from Thayer county, dismissed; 10985, Dovey against McCullough, error from Cass county, submitted on motion to retax costs; 11749, Ashley against First National Bank of Sutton, error from Clay county, submitted on motion to vacate supersedeas; 11535, Merunde against Behunk, error from Box Butte county, suggestion of diminution and for order returning record to clerk of the district court for correction sustained; 11777, Laughlin against Keens, appeal from Phelps county, sustained; 10558, Porter against Trompen, appeal from Lancaster county, dismissed as per stipulation; 9369, Stein against Thompson, appeal from Douglas, dismissed as per stipulation; 11074, State against Standard Oil Company, time for report of referee extended to February 19; 9352, Ellis against Musselman, error from Gage county, submitted; 9354, Brown against Nelson, appeal from Sarpy county, submitted; 9355, Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company against Hunter, appeal from Jefferson, affirmed; 9356, Biddle against Jenkins, error from Clay county, affirmed; 9357, Home Fire Insurance Company against Collins, error from Adams county, affirmed; 11099, Shelbley against Dixon County, error from Dixon county, submitted; 11618, First National Bank of Sutton against Groshans, appeal from Clay county, affirmed; 11675, Stower against Stark, appeal from Hamilton county, continued to January 2; 11699, Conney against State, error from Dawson county, plaintiff to file briefs in ten days; 11749, Ashley against First National Bank of Sutton, petition in error dismissed, cause to stand for trial on appeal, motion to vacate supersedeas denied.

St. Louis Star Turned Down.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—In an opinion by Judge Sherwood the supreme court today denied the application of the St. Louis Star for a writ of mandamus against the Associated Press. This is an attempt to secure the service of the Associated Press.

Indiana Beer Will Cost More.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—The price of beer will be advanced in Indiana on February 1 unless congress makes a large reduction in the war tax on beer. This was the decision of the Indiana Brewers' association at a special meeting held here today. A. Hagen, president of the association, said the cost of making beer was 75 per cent more than last year.

Elks Give High Five Party.

The Elks lodge, No. 39, gave a high five party Tuesday night in their rooms at Fifteenth and Farnam streets. There were about fifty Elks and their ladies present and the contest for the prizes became very spirited. At the close of the games refreshments were served.

ASKS REINSTATEMENT ONLY

Vice President Barr of Santa Fe Tells Object of Today's Visit of Trainmen's Committee.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—According to a statement issued tonight by J. M. Barr, third vice president of the Santa Fe railway, the committee composed of representatives of the different railway organizations, who have taken up the grievances of the striking telegraphers, consider the strike a mistake, and at tomorrow's conference to be held here with the officials of the Santa Fe, nothing but the re-employment of the telegraphers will be requested from the company. Mr. Barr's statement follows:

A committee, consisting of the system chairmen of the engineers and firemen, conductors and brakemen, has asked for a meeting with me in order to urge that the utmost consideration be shown by the company toward the telegraph operators who recently quit work on our system under strike order in the matter of re-employment. The men composing this committee, as representing the employes named, do not sympathize with or support the telegraphers' strike, but consider it a mistake. Their sympathy for the men who have lost their places has induced them to take action as here named.

We have a full force of telegraph operators employed on all our lines. Our business is moving under normal conditions. Our earnings for the first two weeks of December were the largest for a like period in the history of the road.

The purpose of the meeting is differently regarded by the striking telegraphers. The latter declare that it is ridiculous to suppose that men representing other unions working on the system called for the conference to intercede with the officials to reinstate the striking operators, as the strike has not been declared off and the operators do not desire to return to work.

J. R. T. Austin, vice president of the Brotherhood of Commercial Telegraphers and a member of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, said:

"From information received it appears the committee will endeavor to induce the officials to adjust the differences which caused the strike. So far as the strike being over, it has only begun and those who are out are not at all worried over the ultimate result. There have been few desertions and evidence in hand is indicative that the better class of telegraphers who are out of work have not shown any disposition to take the places left vacant by the union men."

The strikers refused to talk on the probability of a sympathetic strike of the other employes of the road, saying that in the absence of President Dolphin, who was expected here late tonight, they lacked information. The committee which will confer with the railroad officials consists of James Roddy, chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; Thomas Burk, chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen; William W. Hutton, chairman of the Order of Railway Conductors, and R. C. Scott, chairman of the Order of Railway Trainmen.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 18.—Santa Fe switchmen and brakemen here say they will strike if the demands of the telegraphers are not granted by Third Vice President Barr. The conductors announce that they will stay by the road, but it is asserted that they will be induced to join in the strike if one is ordered. The engineers and firemen have not yet said whether or not they would strike. Considerable pressure has been brought to bear on them and they show much sympathy with the strikers.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 18.—Superintendent A. C. Tice of the Oklahoma division of the Santa Fe says petitions are coming in signed by residents of the smaller towns urging the reinstatement of striking operators. A minister from Sedgwick, Kan., presented such a petition today.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 18.—There is no change today in the Santa Fe railroad operators' strike in Texas. The men are standing firm and the railroad doing very little freight or passenger business. Both sides are waiting eagerly to hear the outcome of the trainmen's and railroad officials' conference at Chicago today.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 18.—The Northern Pacific telegraphers' committee expect to come to an understanding with five other organized bodies of employes within a day or two whereby the latter are to lend moral support as may be required. It is admitted by the telegraphers that the fight is chiefly for the recognition of their organization. Yesterday they submitted a proposition to the officials and are expecting an answer this afternoon.

DEATH RECORD.

Colonel E. W. Lucas of Iowa.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Colonel E. W. Lucas passed away early yesterday morning, after several weeks' illness. He was the son of the first territorial governor of Iowa, was born in 1825, in Ohio, and came at an early age with his parents to Iowa. He was connected at different times with the location of government lands about Fort Dodge and Des Moines, as well as this city. At the outbreak of the rebellion he was made lieutenant colonel of the Fourteenth Iowa infantry, was taken prisoner at the battle of Shiloh and after six months paroled, when he again entered the service.

He was postmaster at Iowa City under Johnson's administration and member of the legislature from Johnson county to the nineteenth and twentieth general assemblies of 1881 and was re-elected.

Dr. Charles Taft.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Dr. Charles Taft of Mount Vernon, N. Y., died today at his residence, aged 65 years, of cancer of the throat. Dr. Taft during the civil war was connected with the union army medical corps. On the night that Booth shot President Lincoln Dr. Taft was in the seat in the theater directly under the president's box. He did what he could for Mr. Lincoln and remained with the dying president during his removal from the theater and was in constant attendance with the other physicians until the end came.

William Halley.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 18.—William Halley, better known to border fame as "Bill" Halley, chief lieutenant of the noted guerilla, Quantrell, who during the early part of the civil war burned and sacked Lawrence, Kan., died in the state insane asylum here today, aged 59. Halley was born in Louisville, Ky. He had been a resident of this city twenty-five years and had been a member of the police force.

Mrs. Fessenden of Onawa.

ONAWA, Ia., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Harriet Becker Fessenden, wife of A. T. Fessenden, died Sunday, aged 64 years. She had lived in Onawa since 1867, and was the mother of four children: Martin A., H. B., Ralph Fessenden, county surveyor, and Mrs. Allie Willey, wife of C. W. Willey, deputy county treasurer.

Founder of Republican Party.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Ephraim Ingalls, who was one of the founders of the republican party and during the early days of that political organization a leader in its councils, died at his home in this city today, aged 78. Dr. Ingalls was a prominent member of the American Medical and State Medical associations.

Colonel E. W. Lucas.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 18.—Colonel E. W. Lucas died early this morning after a long illness. He was the son of ex-Governor Lucas, the first territorial governor of Iowa.

Ex-Governor George C. Ludlow.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Assistant Supreme Court Justice George C. Ludlow, ex-governor of the state of New Jersey, died today at his residence in New Brunswick, N. J.

CLARENCE THURSTON'S JOB

Son of Senator Goes to Legation at Buenos Ayres.

LINING UP AGAINST THE HOPKINS BILL

Opponents to the Committee's Idea of Ratio of Representation Gather Force and Seem Strong Enough to Defeat the Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Clarence L. Thurston, son of Senator Thurston, who was today nominated for secretary of the legation at Buenos Ayres, succeeds Francois Jones of Louisiana, who was transferred from a clerkship in the State department to the secretaryship of the legation about two years ago. Jones, who had resided for many years in Washington, came back to the United States on leave of absence some months ago and shortly after his arrival he went to Virginia to visit relatives. In crossing the Rappahannock river during a flood he fell into the stream and has never been seen since. The supposition is that his body was carried out to sea and the State department, not being able to learn of his whereabouts, regarded the office as vacant and filled it today by nominating Senator Thurston's son, who for some time past has had a desire to enter the diplomatic service.

Room for More Representatives.

According to plans submitted to the sergeant-at-arms of the house the present representative hall in the south wing of the capitol can easily be arranged to seat forty more representatives than at present. The rearrangement contemplates narrower desks than are now in use and as the house has for a long time contemplated new furniture for the lower body of congress any addition to the present representation is not looked upon by a great many congressmen as being at all undesirable. Antagonists of the Hopkins bill have strengthened their lines by enlisting some members of the Iowa delegation, who are anxious to increase their vote in the electoral college by the addition of one or two representatives, and the fight on the Hopkins measure becomes considerably more involved than was at first thought.

Vacation for Rural Carriers.

Superintendent A. W. Machen of the rural free delivery has recommended that rural free delivery carriers be granted fifteen days' leave with pay, the same as is granted carriers of free delivery offices.

On January 2 rural free delivery will be established at Macedonia, Pottawattamie county, Ia., with two carriers, O. O. Taylor and S. J. Gouser. They will serve a population of 1,155, scattered over an area of fifty miles.

Work of Two Westerners.

Congressman Walter I. Smith of Council Bluffs introduced seven private pension bills for constituents of his today.

Congressman Burke was at the Interior department today concerning affairs of the Lower Brule Indians of South Dakota. These Indians have a tract of about 48,000 acres of land, which they desire to sell to the government. Mr. Burke will introduce a bill authorizing its purchase.

New Nebraska Postmasters.

Nebraska Postmasters Appointed—Robert A. Hoback, at Barada, Richardson county, vice J. T. Sailors, resigned; Fidelia Conley at Cropey, Gage county, vice B. F. Moore, resigned; F. Huenefeld, at Over, Custer county, vice E. Kasper, resigned; Wayne P. Carner, at Talcott, Clark county, S. D.

Postoffices at Wheeler and Kemmling are to be discontinued.

Postoffices at Eplinger and Valley Junction and Faulkton, S. D., will become international money order offices January 2.

Bids on Sewer and Water.

The Indian office today opened bids for sewer and water system for Asylum for Insane Indians at Canton, S. D. Bidders were: Korsmeyer & Co., Lincoln, $1,490; Fairbanks, Morse & Co., St. Paul, $4,021; E. C. Dudley, Yankton, S. D., $3,418, and W. D. Lovell, Des Moines, $3,200.

COUNT IN NEBRASKA TOWNS

Special from Washington Announces Census Returns from Incorporated Places Throughout This State.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Incorporated places in Nebraska having a population of more than 2,000, but less than 25,000, in 1900, are as follows:

Alliance	2,535	Kearney	5,634
Auburn	2,624	McCook	2,445
Beatrice	7,875	Nebraska City	7,380
Blair	2,976	Norfolk	2,883
Columbus	3,522	North Platte	3,640
Crete	2,199	Plattsmouth	4,964
Fairbury	3,140	Schuyler	2,157
Falls City	5,022	Tecumseh	2,005
Fremont	7,241	Wahoo	2,160
Grand Island	9,564	Wayne	2,119
Hastings	7,188	Wymore	2,626
Holdrege	3,907	York	5,132

HYMENEAL.

Sullivan-Atkins.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—United States Senator William V. Sullivan of Mississippi and Mrs. Maris Atkins of this city were united in marriage this afternoon at the parsonage of St. Stephens church, Rev. W. S. Caughy, the pastor, performing the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of the late Dr. Newman of this city, who was a well-known physician. She has a graceful figure and is of attractive personality, is a graduate of the Georgetown convent and an accomplished musician. The engagement is one of a year's standing. The marriage was to have taken place last summer, but the serious illness of Senator Sullivan caused a postponement. Only the nearest relatives of the contracting parties were present at the ceremony and after it the couple left for the senator's home in Mississippi, this visit to be followed by a protracted wedding trip through the west and south. Senator and Mrs. Sullivan expected to return to Washington about the middle of January.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Wednesday and Thursday Likely to Be Fair with Prevailing Westerly Winds.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday:

For Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; westerly winds.

For Iowa—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; fresh westerly winds.

For Colorado and Wyoming—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; variable winds.

For Montana—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; west to south winds.

For Indiana and Illinois—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; fresh westerly winds.

For Missouri and Kansas—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; west to north winds.

For Western Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Indian Territory—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; northerly winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Dec. 18.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.
Maximum temperature	51	33	34	9
Minimum temperature	31	18	22	-12
Mean temperature	41	26	28	-2
Precipitation	.00	.00	.00	.00

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1900:

Normal temperature	37
Excess for the day	14
Total excess since March 1	10.54
Normal precipitation	.03 inch
Deficiency for the day	.03 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	29.78 inches
Excess since March 1	.34 inch
Deficiency for cor. period, 1899	3.94 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	3.44 inches

Reports from Stations at 8 P. M.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 p. m.	Maximum temperature	Precipitation
Omaha, clear	45	51	.00
North Platte, clear	40	52	.00
Cheyenne, clear	28	38	.00
Salt Lake City, clear	44	48	.00
Rapid City, clear	38	48	.00
Huron, clear	34	46	.00
Williston, clear	28	34	.00
Chicago, clear	36	44	.00
St. Louis, clear	50	54	.00
St. Paul, clear	34	42	.00
Davenport, clear	40	44	.00
Kansas City, clear	44	50	.00
Helena, clear	34	42	.00
Havre, clear	28	46	.00
Bismarck, clear	32	38	.00
Galveston, cloudy	64	66	.02

— Zero.
T Indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH,
Local Forecast Official.

MRS. BREWER RECOMMENDS PERUNA FOR GRIP AND FEMALE CATARRH

The Home of Mrs. Lizzie M. Brewer at Westerly, R. I.

In a letter to Dr. Hartman concerning the merits of Pe-ru-na, Mrs. Brewer writes, among other things:

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