

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Save Street Print. S. J. Oreskos & Sons—Coal. Take Your Printing to the Times. Gas, electric fixtures, Burgess-Granden. F. J. Oulp of Culp-Langworthy com- pany has come east on buying trip. Colorado Apples—Phone Armour cold storage, South Omaha, Box 118. H. C. C. Co., Olney, Colo. Story Tellers Postpone Meeting—The meeting of the Story Tellers league has been postponed until Friday evening January 12.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

School Board's Bookkeeping Criti- cised by Charter Committee. MURPHY SAYS IS POOR SORT Declares It Impossible to Find Any System in Use by Officer of Body—Packers Harvest- ing Ice. Sharp criticism was passed by City Attorney Henry Murphy at the meeting of the charter revision committee last upon the administration of the affairs of the school board and Secretary Zachary was directed to write the secretary of the board for a statement of its receipts and disbursements during the last year. Attorney Murphy made the statement that the board handled over \$200,000 during the year and yet the public had no information as to how the money was expended. He contrasted what was being done now with the record of the past and said that when the schools opened last September there was not a cent in the school fund. "There is something radically wrong," he declared, "in the situation. It may be mal-administration or incompetent admin- istration, but we, the taxpayers of the city should know what is going on. We pay largely; we submit our property for the purpose of taxation by the school board; this money is paid in and we have a right to know where it goes. I am not ac- cusing any person of doing anything that is wrong, but we have a right to have this information."

FAVOR PIPE LINE PROJECT

Commercial Club Committee Writes to Wyoming Executive. PLEDGES OMAHA'S ASSISTANCE G. W. Wattles, E. A. Benson, J. L. Mc- Gague and F. D. Weed Sign Letter to Governor Brooks Sanc- tioning Plan. An expression of high favor for the pro- posed construction of a pipe line from the oil fields of Wyoming to the city of Omaha was written yesterday by a com- mittee of the Commercial club to Governor Bryant B. Brooks of Wyoming. The committee, which was composed of G. W. Wattles, E. A. Benson and F. D. Weed, had been chosen by the executive com- mittee of the local club to make the com- munication on behalf of Omaha. Following is the text of the letter: "Governor Bryant B. Brooks, Cheyenne, Wyo. Dear Sir:—The attention of the Commercial club of Omaha was recently called to the proceedings of the Wyoming Oil Producers' association of which you are the president. The statement of this association regarding the wonderful oil fields of Wyoming, extending for 300 miles in length and 150 miles in width, with wells already flowing, challenges the at- tention of the world to the future possi- bilities of commerce and wealth in the development of this great natural resource which now lies dormant. "The many tributaries of the North Platte river, which penetrate the greater part of the area of the rich oil fields of Wyoming, flow with a gradual fall of 7,000 feet down the Platte river valley into the Missouri river near the city of Omaha. The proposition to build a pipe line from the center of the Wyoming oil fields down this natural water course to this city is one in which all our citizens, represented by our Commercial club, are greatly in- terested. "At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Commercial club the undersigned committee was appointed to confer with you and express to you and your association the great interest we feel in this proposition. We are authorized to say that the city of Omaha is greatly in- terested in your plans and will assist your association in carrying forward its plans, to the end that one of your great natural resources may be speedily developed, and in its development our city may receive the natural impulse and growth which come with the prosperity of the territory tributary to her markets. "Very respectfully, "G. W. WATTLES, "E. A. BENSON, "JOHN L. MCGAGUE, "F. D. WEED."

CUMMINS TALKS TO SHORT COURSE STUDENTS AT AMES

Senator's Address is a Plea for Wider Distribution of Agricultural Education. AMES, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Senator Cummins spoke to an audience of about 500 short course students here last night. He touched on politics only enough to empha- size the need of governmental regulation of great corporations, devoting the greater part of his speech to a plea for the wider distribution of agricultural education. He advocated an appropriation of \$100,000 for extension work in Iowa. He spoke of the need of good roads as a means of improv- ing rural life, but he did not advance any particular plan for securing them. "There are three questions," the senator said, "upon which depend the safety, wel- fare and perpetuity of free institutions. These are first: How can we increase the quantity and improve the quality of agri- cultural products, lessening the cost to the consumer without reducing the profits of the producer? Second, how can we inter- rupt the tendency of the people to gather in great cities? Third, how can we regu- late and control great wealth, so that with its power and selfishness it shall not take more than its just share of the profits of toil? "To educate farmers from moving to town to educate their children," he said, "count- ry educational facilities must be made equal to those of the city. To accomplish this consolidation is necessary. Boys and girls should be educated with special reference to the work that they will have to do. The common schools of Iowa should be miniatures of Iowa State college. The influence of this college is greatly multi- plied by the extension work. The legisla- ture should appropriate at least \$100,000 for this work. No other appropriation would give such returns. "It is common nowadays to sneer at politics. Politics is only the associated ef- forts of the people. In no other way can needed reforms be obtained. The greatest duty of the citizen is to see to it that public affairs are so conducted as to do for the individual those things that he can- not do for himself. The aggregate wealth of the American people is about \$200,000,000. This has become concentrated in the hands of the few. If the hand of the people as a whole is not laid upon these aggregations of wealth we will eventually be forced to take just what they are will- ing we should have. Regulation is not ad- vancing one-tenth as fast as combination. I believe that the only way regulation can be accomplished is by preventing fair competition. The work of regulating com- petition can be done by no agency, but the government itself."

WILSON SAYS WOOL MEN ONLY WANT SQUARE DEAL

Omaha Delegation Making Strong Fight for Next Convention of National Association. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 5.—Following the opening of the convention of the National Wool growers here today, former President Wilson of Iowa, who was given an ovation when he declared, referring to the tariff: "All we want is that the cards be dealt from the top of the table with no hands hidden, a square deal." Mr. Wilson said the materials of the suit of clothes which he wore, for which he paid \$20, cost \$1. President Gooding of Idaho in his annual address, endorsed the movement for laws requiring more humane treatment of live- stock in transit. To promote such legisla- tion, President Gooding recommended that a committee of ten or twelve shippers be sent to Washington to co-operate with the National Humane society. President Gooding called attention to al- leged exorbitant freight rates. "Wool," he said, paid the greatest commodity rate on long hauls of any industry in the coun- try. The Omaha, Neb., delegation is on the ground and is making a strong fight for the next meeting. VESSEY WILL ADVISE SOLDIERS' HOME PROBE Legislature to Be Asked to Investi- gate Conditions at State Institution. PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 5.—(Special Tele- gram.)—Governor Vessey tomorrow will take cognizance of chronic trouble at the soldiers' home of this state and will send to both houses of the legislature a mes- sage advising the appointment of a joint committee to make a proper investigation. While the house committee is strong proba- bly for a day or two, it will not be able to secure chairmanships are Heigerson, ap- propriation; Whiting, judiciary; McMas- ters, state affairs; Peterson, railroads; Rowan, engaged and enrolled bills; Tschamer, rules; Quale, capitol building and grounds. GENERAL THOMAS RETIRES Commander of Department of Colo- rado Will Be Succeeded by Col. W. S. Schuyler. (From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—(Special Tele- gram.)—Brigadier General Earl D. Thomas, commanding the Department of Colorado, has announced that he will resign his active career in the army to- morrow by reason of reaching the retiring age of 64 years. General Thomas was born in Illinois, January 4, 1847, and is a veteran of the civil war and several Indian campaigns. He was appointed to West Point in July, 1865, he had served as a private and corporal in Company H and sergeant major of the Eighth Illinois cavalry from April 1, 1862, to April 23, 1865. After graduating from the military academy June 16, 1865, he was appointed second lieutenant of the Fifth cavalry, in which he served until promoted major of the Eighth cavalry, February 14, 1866. In April, 1867, he was appointed brigadier general and since then has commanded various military departments. Colonel Walter S. Schuyler, Fifth United States cavalry, will be appointed brigadier general to succeed General Thomas. Like his officer, he is one of the old Indian fighters of the seventies. Colonel Schuyler, who is a graduate of the class of 1873, United States Military academy, was born in New York, April 2, 1848. He was in command of the Forty-sixth infantry during the Philippine insurrection. Colonel Schuyler's subsequent service in- cluded a tour of duty in Cuba and as mil- itary attaché and observer with the Russian army in Manchuria. He was promoted to a colonelcy August 20, 1896, and is now in command of the large military post at Fort Riley, Kan. Hippodrome Seat Sale at Auditorium. The regular sale of advance seats for the New York Hippodrome show will open tomorrow morning at Auditorium box of- fice. The temporary sale at the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad ticket of- fice will be discontinued tonight and all the unsold seats will be transferred to the Auditorium, where they may be secured in advance for any performance. This great amusement enterprise will give its first performance Monday evening, January 9, and will continue through the week, with matinee every day. It is hard for those not actually familiar with this gigantic show to realize its mag- nitude. It takes a special train of twelve cars to transport it from city to city. Automobile Dir. of Cold. MULLEN, Neb., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The thermometer registered 28 degrees below zero Monday. This is the coldest weather they have had registered at this place in seven years. Farmers report that they have a great number of birds frozen to death around the barns and sheds. They also report the loss of many hogs. It was so cold that the hogs piled up together, and as a result of this was smothered.

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Highwaymen Rob Mail Car and Shoot Clerk in the Mouth Two Masked Men Lock Clark and Reid in Closet and Escape from Moving Train. AUBURN, Wash., Jan. 5.—Two masked highwaymen entered the mail car of North Coast Limited, train No. 2, on the Northern Pacific at 7 o'clock this evening, just as the train was leaving the King street depot, Seattle. As soon as the first robber got in the door he leveled his gun at Mall Clerk Harry O. Clark, ordered him to throw up his hands, and then fired before Clark could obey the command. The bullet struck Clark in the mouth, ripping out the teeth on one side. As soon as Clark felt the two robbers turned their attention to the other clerk, C. E. Reid, and covered him. Both Clark and Reid were then locked up in a closet in the end of the car and were not discovered until the train reached Auburn. A large consignment of Tacoma and south mail is transferred to this train at Auburn, and when the doors were opened to make the transfer, the mail clerks could not be found, but the blood stains on the floor led to the closet. The door of this room was broken open and the men found. Two physicians were called and the wounded man was attended and sent back to Seattle. Train No. 2 does not stop between Seattle and Auburn, but the robbers got off at Kent where the train stops up for the city limits. The mail pouches and registered mail were scattered in the car, but it could not be learned what has been taken. The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger from pneumonia and other serious diseases. Mr. B. W. L. Hall of Waverly, Va., says: "I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be absolutely the best preparation on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends and they all agree with me." For sale by all dealers. NO GOODS CHARGED. HOWELL DRUG CO. 16th and Capitol Ave., Hotel Loyal Bldg.

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Earthquake Causes Big Death List and Many Homeless

Entire Town in Asiatic Russia Reported to Have Been Devastated by Shock. TASHKEND, Asiatic Russia, Jan. 5.—Violent earthquakes continued at intervals this afternoon at Kokand, Vyerny, and places in the government of Somlyretchenak, but they were not so destructive as those of the early morning hours, when many buildings were destroyed. Unofficial reports say that hundreds of persons have been killed or wounded and that the distress of the refugees is terri- ble, owing to the destruction of the heating apparatus in the houses and the cold which prevails. Governor General Pokotloff reports that 1,000 families are with- out shelter. Many soldiers have been injured and nearly every house in and around the town, including the public schools and the gov- ernor's residence, has been damaged. The loss, however, is less serious than that occasioned by the earthquake in 1887, because many of the stone buildings were re- placed by buildings of wood. A violent earthquake was felt at various points of Russian Turkestan from 4 to 4:30 o'clock this morning. Great flurries opened in the ground. Practically all of the stores and residences at Vyerny, the capital of the territory of Somlyretchenak, were destroyed. The city has a population of 25,000. Communication in the disturbed district is interrupted. HOLIDAY CONDITIONS PUT QUIETUS ON HOG MARKET Considerable Decrease in Week, but Total is Little Short of Time Last Year. CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 5.—(Special Tele- gram.)—Price Current says: Marketing of hogs for the week has been hindered by holiday conditions and to some extent from other influences so that the total reflects a considerable decrease, although but little short of the corresponding time last year. Total western slaughtering reached 480,000 hogs, compared with 480,000 the preceding week, and 580,000 two weeks ago. For the corresponding time last year the number was 458,000, and two years ago 600,000. From November 1 the total is 4,700,000, against 4,925,000 a year ago—a decrease of 455,000 hogs. Prominent places compare as follows: November 1 to January 4, 1911. 1909-10. Chicago..... 1,065,000 1,112,000 Kansas City..... 440,000 375,000 South Omaha..... 250,000 225,000 St. Louis..... 385,000 400,000 St. Joseph, Mo..... 200,000 200,000 Indianapolis..... 238,500 200,000 Milwaukee, Wis..... 185,000 182,000 Cincinnati, O..... 114,000 114,000 Ottumwa, Ia..... 87,000 97,000 Cedar Rapids, Ia..... 95,000 95,000 Sioux City, Ia..... 122,000 120,000 St. Paul, Minn..... 115,000 145,000 Cleveland, O..... 125,000 140,000

Charles E. Johnson to Succeed Senator Hale

Maine Democrats Nominate Water- ville Attorney for United States Senator on First Ballot. AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 5.—Charles E. Johnson of Waterville, democratic candi- date for governor of Maine in 1902, and again in 1904, a member of the state board of legal examiners, and a leading lawyer, was nominated on the first ballot tonight at the democratic caucus to succeed United States Senator Eugene Hale, on the ex- piration of the latter's term, March 4, next. As the Maine legislature is safely democratic, his nomination tonight is re- garded as equivalent to an election. He will be the first democrat to represent the state of Maine in the senate since 1847. Besides Mr. Johnson, the candidates were Obadiah Gardner of Rockland, who two years ago lacked only 7,600 votes of being elected governor of Maine, and former Sheriff William M. Pennell of Portland, who at the September election was de- feated for congress by Asher C. Hinds, the national parliamentarian, in the first dis- trict. The result of the ballot was as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 106; neces- sary for choice, 53. Johnson had 57; Gar- dner, 21; Pennell, 12. TWELVE YEARS FOR GALLAGHER Man Who Shot Mayor Gaylor Found Guilty of Assaulting Comma- dant Edwards. JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 5.—James J. Gallagher, who attempted to kill Mayor Gaylor, as he was about to sail for Europe last August, was found guilty of atrocious assault with intent to kill Street Cleaning Commissioner Edwards of New York was shot while attempting to aid Mr. Gaylor. Justice Swavese sentenced Gallagher to twelve years in the state's prison at Trenton. Foley's Kidney Pills A tonic in action, quick in results. A special medicine for all kidney and blad- der disorders. Mary C. Abbott, Wolfe- bofo, N. H., says: "I was afflicted with a bad case of rheumatism, due to uric acid, and my kidneys failed to clear out of my blood. I was so lame in my feet, joints, and back that it was agony for me to step. I used Foley Kidney Pills for three days when I was able to get up and move about and the pains were all gone. I used Foley Kidney Pills and recommend them to anyone suffering as I have." Sold by all druggists.

INSURANCE FIRMS BARRED

Farmers and Merchants Company of Lincoln Forbidden to Write New Business in Ohio. COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 5.—The Aetna In- demnity company of Hartford, Conn., and the Farmers and Merchants Insurance company of Lincoln, Neb., have been barred from writing new business in Ohio, on orders from Superintendent C. Lem- bert of the insurance department, under penalty of revocation of their licenses. The action was taken as a result of re- ports received reflecting upon the finan- cial condition of the companies. FOLEY'S KIDNEY PILLS REST AND HEALTH TO MOTHER AND CHILD. Mrs. W. Webster's Scouring Syrup has been used for over SIXTY YEARS by MILLIONS of MOTHERS for their CHILDREN WHILE YETTING, WITH PERFECT SUCCESS. IT SOOTHES THE CHILD, SOFTENS THE GUMS, ALLAYS ALL PAIN, CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remedy for DIARRHEA. It is ab- solutely harmless. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Webster's Scouring Syrup," and take no other kind. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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