ecounts and expenditures ......

Cities and towns 11
Claims and deficiencies (combined) 11
Claims and deficiencies (combined) 11
Corporations 5
Education (includes university and program schools public schools

11 33

Labor
Live stock and grazing......
Manufactures, retail and commerce

(combined)
Medical societies
Miscellaneous subjects
Privileges and elections

Railroads
Revenue and taxation.....

Note: In the above list of house com-

Immigration ......

Militia
Mines and minerals
Public printing

3. Committee work and roll calls.

secretary of state at the session's close,

1. List of employes.

sary to conform to the rules;

Secretary Vit....

Sergeant-at-arms
Assistant sergeant-at-arms
Clerk of enrolling and engrossing

Messenger (jointly with house)...

Proof readers and copy holders ...

anitor (to care for all rooms)....

Finance committee (jointly with house)
Claims committe (jointly with house)
Subject to call 1

Mimeograph or amendment clerk. 1 Doorkeeper Watchman

ote: Extra help in thirty-third session was rendered by six different persons, aggregate of 161 days, equal to two regular

Officers and Employes of the House-

Chief clerk
First assistant
Second assistant, third and fourth

Assistant sergeant-ai-arms

Enrolling and engrossing room 1 Bill room .....

Bill room 4
Judiciary committee 1
Finance committee and claims
committee 1
Mimeographer 1
Subject to call 2

room 2
Subject to call 4
Timekeeper and bookkeeper
Mall carrier (jointly with senate).
Custodians

ssenger (jointly with senate) ... 1/2

Pages .....

Porter
Day and night watch
Notary
Door and gate keepers

Note: Extra help in thirty-third session was rendered by 14 dif-ferent persons, aggregate of 2331/2 days, equal to 3 regular

A comparison of the cost of the necessary help to run the legislature with the cost of legislative help in the thirty-third session has been made upon the basis of full time for 90 days for each regular employe as follows:

Cost of employes as per this commit-

- Estimated

\$15,210

Estimated saving to the state by adoption of the committee's report of \$36,653.

2. Employes' wages.

ploye, as follows

3. Overtime.

4. Selection of employes.

tee report:

Chief clerk

Clerks-

Sergeant-at-arms

Stenographers-

25 71

31 71

Actual Cost of 33d Session \$30,358 21,565

\$51,863

Officers and Employes of the Senate-

Pages .

E. Employes.

The rules shall provide for the follow-

other committees:

2. Meetings.

# EPITOME OF EVENTS

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

Brief Mention of What is Transpiring sheriff, were wounded. In Various Sections of Our Own and Foreign Countries

### WASHINGTON.

Federal regulation of elections of mand of citizens was sought in two bills introduced by Senator Sherman.

Representative Underwood, candidate for the democrat senatorial nomination has filed his campaign contribution and expense showing expenditures of \$3,477.18, with contributions from private sources amounting to \$2,136,63

Serious depletion of railway revenues through the allowance of lumber "tap lines" of a part of through rates, was alleged in an argument filed with the supreme court by Chief Counse! Joseph Folk and Charles W. Needham for the interstate commmerce

. . .

Opposition, led by Representative Buchanan, defeated a motion to agree to the conference report on the urgent deficiency bill which would have cut the appropriation for the new department of labor from \$30,000 to \$8,000. eliminating an appropriation of \$5,000 for the bureau of labor statistics. The bill was then sent back to conference,

Secretary Lane of the interior department announced that he had autherized the construction of a railroad twenty miles long, south of Yuma, Ariz, to provide transportation facilities for the farmers and settlers on the Yuma irrigation project. The road will be built along the levee running south from Yuma and will be of standard gauge. It is expected to be completed and ready for operation within sixty days.

Debate on the Smith cotton exchange regulation bill in the senate indicated that the measure would be radically amended before it passed. Senate leaders said that, while prohibition of use of the mail to members of exchanges dealing in futures for other than actual delivery would be retained in the bill, the section probably would be changed to make it apply only to questions directly relat-

With a view to developing communi-tation between the United States and South America. Senator Weeks, re-publican of Massachusetts, has intro-duced a resolution requesting the sec-retars of the navy ta prepare a plan Minneapolis, and the scout cruisers provisions of the old law. Salem, Chester and Birmingham,

## DOMESTIC.

Unit of States. With them were Dr. receipts, Marshal Guthrie, chief quarantine officer, and W. H. May, the newly appointed marshal of the Canal zone.

tors of San Francisco agreed in an will be delivered for their benefit. executive session of their association not to raise their charges above the

increase on freight rates on cement ranging from 1 to 2 cents a hundred pounds, proposed by railroads operating throughout the middle west and per cant.

Under a silken black banner, bear- to be favorably impressed. ing in blood-red letters the inscription, "demolitions," 1,000 men and women-anarchists, the unemployed and increased so enormously that the govmembers of the industrial workers of ernment has decided it ought to get the world-marched up Fifth avenue a greater share of the profits. Under in New York for miles without wait- an act passed in 1907 the state has ing to ask the city authorities the been getting 15 per cent of the gross permit required by ordinance.

which arrived at Halifax.

Chicago's registr: tion list was rethese notices were mailed, 1,655 in north of Torreon. the First ward where there are a large number of cheap lodging houses.

has been received at New York by ter. Just what the result of his mathe board of foreign missions of the jestey's conciliatory move will be is Methodist Episcopal church, to be a matter of conjecture, but it is added to the permanent fund for the known that the king is using every care of retired missionaries.

The gover-ment's regulations rearding the magufacture and sale of rid, Spain, of Adolph Francis A. Bandeelemargarine are so strict that the lier, one of the foremost authorities John F. Jelke and others were im- contained in a cable message. He sossible, it was argued at their trial was 74 years old. n the Chicago federal court by their attorney, John Barton Payne.

Bluffs, Iowa, returned an indictment ings, is handed in by the governor of egginst Harry H. Woodling, proprietor German East Africa, Dr. Schnee, in of a Council Bluffs mail order house, response to a resolution passed by the charging misuse of the mails by eir- reichstag last year, calling for the evisting misleading advertisements. termination of household slavery.

Kansas last year produced 5,000,000 bushels of potatoes.

Gold filled teeth have been found in the jaws of skeletons exhumed in Pompeii.

In a battle with a sheriff's posse near Shawnee, Okl., Joseph Patterson, who, it is charged, robbed the State bank of Newella, Oki., recently of \$1,-200, was shot and killed and Clarence Hawk, chief of police of Shawnee, and Frank Timmons, a deputy

It would be better to leave the present anti-trust statute unchanged than to risk losing the advantage gained through years of judicial interpretation, in the opinion of William H. senators and representatives on de. Taft, as expressed in his closing lecture before the law school of the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis.

> A plea for half a million dollars more to provide for retired Methodist ministers and their families was made by Rev. Dr. L. C. Clemens of Des Moines at the formal opening of the seventy-fourth annual session of the New England southern conference of the Methodist Episcopal church at Williamantic, Conn.

A strong stand for prohibition was taken at Bangor by Maine progressives at their first state convention to nominate candidates. Their platform use in those provinces. advocated the submission of the question of national prohibition to the people of every state and pledged the party to a strict state-wide enforce ment of the prohibition liquor law.

Indictments growing out of the recent street car rioting at Terre Haute, Ind., have been returned against Chief of Police Edward Holler, Edgar L. Brown, a labor leader, and Hilton Redman, an attorney and politican, who are charged jointly in one indictment with conspiracy to cause the riots for the purpose of causing injury to the property of the traction company.

William B. McKinley, former member of congress and manager of President Taft's campaign for re-election, has returned to Chicago from a seven months' trip around the world and announled himself as a candidate for re-election to congress as a republican from the Nineteenth Illinois district. He expressed a belief in a union of the republicans and progressives within a short time.

Returns received at Little Rock from the democratic state primary election in Arkansas had not indicated a probable result in the contest be tyeen United States Senator James P Clark, seeking renominations, and his opponent, Willam F. Kirby, associate justice of the state supreme court, Contests in several districts in which

been declared unconstituional by the Michigan supreme court of Lansing. It was said at the secretary of state's office that approximately \$226,000 has been collected under the new law and this money will now be returned to committees and upon the floor. automobile owners with the exception service the cruisers Columbia and of \$3, which was the tax under the

## FOREIGN.

British municipally owned street Colonel George W. Goethals and his railway last year carried 8,920,120 wife have arrived at Colon from the pasengers and averaged \$1,714 in daily

The Turkish government has decided to admit women to the university, where special lectures in hygiene, Two bundred and fifty hotel proprie domestic science and women's rights

Madame Caillaux, in her preliminrates now prevailing during the year ary examination before Magistrate of the Panama-Pacific International Henri Bouchard at Paris, recounted the motives which induced her to kill Gaston Calmette, editor of Figaro. She was taken from Saint Lazare.

John Lind, President Wilson's envoy, may make a trip of observation over that portion of the Mexican renorthwest have been suspended by public controlled by the federals, as the Interstate Commerce commission a result of the conference at Vera at Washington until July 39. The Cruz with the Mexican foreign minisproposed advances average about 15 ter, Jose Popez Portillo y Rojas. The recommendation was made by the minister, who said Mr. Lind appeared

Legalized gambling in France has receipts. A parliamentary commission has brought in a recommendation Charged with obtaining money un- that from the gross incomes of gambfor false pretences from the Fidelity ling casine the state should have 3 Trust company of Tacoma, Wash, per cent on incomes less than \$2,000 O. H. Tonder, formerly of that city, up to 45 per cent on incomes exceedwas arrested on the steamer Alastian, ing \$1,000,000, according to a graduated scale.

The rebel net about Torreon and duced to below 670,000 by striking off vicinity was drawn closer and General the names of approximately 20,000 Hererra fought the most important enpersons who falled to respond to "sus- gagement of the advance near Hapec:" notices. More than 25,000 of clenda Santa Clara, twenty-two miles

King George of England has assumed the role of peacemaker in an effort An anonymous cash gift of \$50,000 to prevent threatened trouble in Ulsinfluence to avert the bloodshed.

Announcement of the death in Madplations of the law charged against on archeology in the United States, is

A brief, defending slavery for the colonies, declaring that its immediate The federal grand jury at Council abolition would deal to native upris-

# MAKES REPORT ON PROCEDURE AND BUDGET

LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE COM-MITTEE FINISHES ITS WORK.

# WIDE REFORMS ASKED FOR

Preliminary Draft of Report of Senate and House Committee on Legislative Procedure and Budget.

Following is the report of the joint senate and house committee on reform in legislative procedure and budget which has been at work since the adjournment of the last session of the Nebraska legislature. The investigation was conducted by correspondence for a period of nine months with persons familiar with legislative practice in the various states of the ution and other countries. Several hundred letters were written and answers secured.

Great interest was manifested in the investigation by governors, legislators and students of political science in other states. In addition to the correspondence a member of the committee visited in per-son the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatche-wan. Alberta and British Columbia, in western Canada and made a first-hand study of the methods of government in use in those provinces.

To Honorable John H. Morehead and Members of the Thirty-fourth Session of the Nebraska Legislature:

The joint committee of the senate and The joi

The joint committee of the senate and the house, appointed under a resolution of the thirty-third session of the Nebraska legislature to make a careful study of methods of legislative procedure in other states and countries, including the preparation of the budget and appropriation of money for public expenses, and to formulate a report and recommendations upon these subjects, herewith submits its findings. We recommend the following schedule:

## A. Bills.

Size, style, type, margin, etc. Paper—Same quality as that used for hirty-third session Nebraska legislature. Size—7½x11 inches, the same as used

In Wisconsin.

Type—10 point, with nonpareil (6-point) slugs between lines.

Size of type pages—5x8½ inches.

Display headings—not more than 1½ inches at too of bill, using the same words for heading as in the thirty-third session Nebraska legislature.

2. Amendatory bills. Use the same form as that used in Wisconsin, viz.: New matter in italics. Old matter to be omitted with horizontal black line across face (canceled letters).

Enrolling and engrossing bills. Use Wisconsin plan, viz.: Engrossed bills typewritten, enrolled bill printed with different headings, with different type and upon different sized paper from that used in printing for regular bill files. Sufficient copies of enrolled bills shall be printed to supply members and furnish secretary of state's office for use in making certified copies of laws.

4. Bill drafting. The establishment of a bill drafting division of the legislative reference bureau on lines similar to the one now in service in Wisconsin. Service by this division shall be rendered to members of the legislature upon signed requisition from members and without charge.

B. Legislative Publications.

A printed daily journal of the day's proceedings shall be placed upon the desk of each member upon the next following legislative day. The presiding officer at the proper time each day shall call for corrections of the printed journal. When all corrections are agreed to the corrected record shall at once be transmitted by the chief clerk or secretary to the official printer, who shall proceed to print from the corrected type forms the full number of impressions required for the bound volumes of the house and senate journals. This process shall be repeated from day to day so that at the close of the session the full edition of both journals shall be printed and require only indexing and binding to be ready for public distribution. 1. Journals.

2. Other publications. That printed calendars of committee meetings, subject indexes of bills introduced and their order of hearing before committees and in each house be prepared and printed daily during the session in such form and manner as will secure the most adequate knowledge by the public interested in the progress of legislation.

C. Legislative Printing.

1. Letting of contracts. 1. Letting of contracts.

For the legislative printing of the 34th session of the Nebraska legislature the state commissioner of printing is requested to prepare specifications, invite bids and let contracts in accordance with the foregoing recommendations and pursuant to the resolution of the senate and house of the thirty-third session of the Nebraska legislature. To that end he is requested to confer and co-operate with the chairman and secretary of the joint committee presenting this report.

D. Committees. Names and membership. The rules shall provide for the following commit-tees with membership annexed:

Senate-Accounts and expenditures ..... Banks and currency
Constitutional amendments and
federal relations
Drainage. irrigation and water
power (combined)
Educacion (including university
and normal schools and library).
Enrolled and engrossed bills.
Finance, ways and means.
Claims and deficiencies
Fish and game
Highways, bridges and ferries.
Insurance Judiciary Labor
Live stock and grazing
Manufactures, retail and commerce
(combined)
Medical societies

Miscellaneous corporations
Miscellaneous subjects
Miscellaneous affairs
Municipal affairs
Privileges and elections Public institutions (including in-sane hospitals, reform sensols, and other asylums, soldiers' homes, state penitentiary, deaf, dumb and blind institutes, pub-lic lands and buildings). Rules and resolutions (combined) Standing committees

In order to abolish the abuse of over-time and the absence of employes from their duties during the legislative session, a rule shall be made requiring all em-ployes to check their time in and their time out each day of service during the session. Note: In the above list of senate committees are 27 committees with a total membership of 139, compared with 42 committees with 255 members at the thirty-third session. In addition to the committees consolidated with other committees the following hitherto existing senate committees are omitted, their work, where any existed, devolving upon other committees: A rule shall be adopted providing the election by ballot of the members the following officers in each house: Senate-Secretary, chaplain, sergeant-at-arms, postmaster.

House — Chief clerk, first assistant clerk, second assistant clerk, chaplain, sergeant-at-arms, assistant sergeant-at-arms, postmaster. Other employes of the senate shall be chosen by the president pro tempore and secretary; in the house by the speaker and chief cierk. Any appointed employe shall be subject to removal by the appointing power or by a two-thirds vote of the house which he serves.

WINS INITIAL SKIRMISH TOLLS BATTLE.

## UNDERWOOD'S PLEA IS IN VAIN

Twelve Republicans Side With Administration and Bull Moosers Stand Solid Against.

Washington.-President Wilson won the opening skirmish of the greatest legislative battle of his administration when the house, over bitter protests from the recognized democratic Revenue and taxation 11 11
Roads and bridges 11 15
Rules and resolutions (resolutions added) 5 7
School lands and funds 7 11
State institutions (includes intental the hospitals, other asylums, public lands and buildings, soldiers' homes, state peaitentiary) 11 49
Telegraph, telephone and electric companies 9 15 leaders, and almost solid minority opposition, adopted a special rule for the consideration of the bill repealing the provision of the Panama canal act exempting coastwise American ships from tolls.

9 15 Speaker Clark, Democratic Leader Mann and Progressive Leader Murmittees are 28 committees with a total membership of 238, compared with 47 dock were at the head of those lined up against the administration, but the committees with 496 members at the thirty-third session. In addition to the committees consolidated with other comhouse responded to the presidnt's perhouse responded to the president's permittees, the following hitherto existing of the repeal bill as a means of suphouse committees are omitted, their work, where any existed, devolving upon porting the administration's foreign policy.

Two votes demonstrated the presi dent's commanding influence with his party in congress. On the first test, a motion to end the debate and preclude amendments on the rule, carried by a vote of 207 to 116; the rule itself was adopted 200 to 172. .

2. Meetings.

The rules shall provide that regular meetings of committees shall be held from 9 until 12 o'clock a. m. daily, after the session has advanced to the stage of committee work upon bills; that a schedule exhibiting the time and place for meetings of each committee each week during the period of active committee work shall be prepared and printed; that the schedule shall be so arranged for different days and hours as to secure full membership of each committee at meetings without interfering with meetings of other committees. The rules shall provide for joint meetings of the senate and house committees on finance, ways and meians, claims and such others as may seem advisable.

3. Committee work and roll calls. Underwood's Plea in Vain. Nothing to compare with the scene had occurred in the house since the famous Cannon rules fight four years ago. In vain Representative Underwood took the floor of the house and urged his colleagues to vote against the rule. The rank and file democrats, after listening to three hours of passionate argument, swung into the president's columns, 199 of them voting to prevent the amendment of the special rule, while but fifty-five followed the leaders in joining with the minority in opposition.

The rules shall provide that final action in reporting bills from committees shall be taken only in the regular daylight hours of committee meetings and that a bill shall be reported for the general file of the house of senate only when a majority of all the members of the committee declare themselves in favor of the bill and willing to defend and promote it upon the floor in committee of the whole.

The rules shall provide that a record of The administration supporters consider the crucial point passed, and jubilantly predicted the passage of the repeal bill itself by a majority of more than 100.

Given Year in Prison.

The rules shall provide that a record of the vote in standing committees, where a division occurs in the committee, shall be kept, accessible to the public during the session and shall be filed with the New York.-Frank Tannenbaum, a leader of the unemployed, who has been on trial for several days on a charge of participating in an unlawful assemblage, was convicted. Tannenbaum was sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary and fined ng schedule of regular employes for the house and senate, and no more. The statute shall be amended, where neces-\$500, a default of payment meaning an additional day's imprisonment for each dollar unpaid.

Sacramento, Cal.-Edward Teesdale, one of the leaders in "General" Kelley's army of unemployed, was sentenced to six months in the county jail for vagrancy, of which he was convicted by a jury. The judge remarked that if his authority permitted he would consign Teesdale to Africa, where he "would find more congenial companions among the gorillas."

Bering River Coal Unfit. Washington.-Secretary Daniels has reported to congress that coal from the Bering river fields in Alaska was unsuitable for use by the navy. Tests by the geological survey, by officials at Annapolis and aboard the naval cruiser Maryland, he said, all were unfavorable, except that the Alaskan coal made less smoke. The report stated that the Bering coal was incapable of generating sufficient steam and could produce only 50 per cent efficiency of power. Dr. J. A. Holmes. director of the bureau of mines, said in the report that Bering coal could be mined only at great cost, was full of faults and was chiefly valuable if turned into coke and shipped.

Combine Against the Socialists. Milwaukee, Wis .- David S. Rose and

Theobald Otjen, defeated candidates for mayor in Milwaukee primaries, have announced they would unite their forces with those of Mayor Gerhard A. Bading, the successful candidate on the nonpartisan ticket, in an endeavor to defeat the socialist candidate, Emil Seidel, in the election to be held April 7.

Patron Shoots Waiter. Fort Wayne, Ind.-Anthony Trent man, a wealthy brewer, is held in jail on a charge of having shot H. J. Bruce, a negro waiter at a local hotel. Trentman told the police that he shot

the negro because the waiter had

treated his request for his overcoat in an indifferent manner. Over Thousand Suspended. Altoona, Pa.-The retrenchment policy of the Pennsylvania railroad company has brought about the suspension of 1,250 men from the Altoona

and Juniata shops. Suffragists Win Victory, Boston.-Woman suffrage won victory here when the house concurred with the senate in proposing an amendment to the sonstitution which the word "male" would stricken from the provision describ-

Rivers and Harbors Bill Passed. Washington, D. C .- After many days of debate, the rivers and harbors appropriation bill, carrying an aggregate of \$43,400,000, was passed by the house without substantial amendment. a short time ago.

ing the qualifications of a voter.

Will Try For Congress. Lincoln, Neb.-Governor Morebeau has announced that he will soon issue formal statement declaring he is not a candidate for a second term as governor, but will make the race for the democratic nomination for congress in the First Nebraska district.

Indian Guilty of Murder. Stillwell, Okla.-Tandy Folsom, Cherokee Indian, was found guilty here of the murder of Patrick Dore, an Oklahoma politician, at Westville. He was given a life sentence.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

The Nebraska D. A. R. will meet in Gmaha next year.

York county has organized a "good roads" association. The state Sunday school convention will be held at Aurora in June.

Saunders county schools will visit the state farm at Lincoln next week. Blair is making streamous efforts to rid itself of dives and gambling dens.

address at Seward on Decoration day. Elder L. E. Snapp has been secured as paster of the Christian church at Stella The Wahoo Commercial club cele-

brated its twelfth anniversary with a banquet. Fremont will get the next meeting

of the Nebraska Roya! Neighbors of America. Walter Warwick of Scribner fell tured skull.

Monday was the anniversary of the towns in ruins.

ably will be held in Havelock during July and August. The Fairbury district of the Metho-April 21 and 22.

Plattsmouth public schools are overbecome a necessity.

Lumber company at Leshara. A syndicate of farmers has purchased the Snyder roller mills and rests. elevator at the village of Snyder.

There was not a single Indian or negro born in Richardson county in 1913. There were 453 white births. The Sisters' school of St. Mary's parish in David City has been closed

temporarily on account of scarlet fever. Fire starting from a defective flue completely destroyed the home of Herman Brandt in Glenover, near Beatrice.

Dawes county farmers have engaged George Schaefer, a graduate of the Colorado agricultural school, as farm demonstrator. The Southeastern Nebraska Educa-

tional association will hold its twenty first annual meeting in Lincoln on April 1, 2 and 3. W. W. Perrin, a Lincoln man, was

change on a downtown street at eight o'clock in the evening. There are 5,210 communicants of the Protestant Episcopal church in the Nebraska diocese, according to the

church annual just issued. Plans are being drawn for the erec tion of a \$50,000 library building at Burwell and a \$16,000 high school building may be erected. The city of Hebron will vote this

spring by direct vote upon three ques tions, viz: Sunday baseball, licensed pool halls, and the saloons. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Ireland of Brock celebrated their sixty-third wed ding anniversary last week. Mr. Ire-

land is 88 and Mrs. Ireland is 78 years The Central Nebraska Agricultural acre tract west of Grand Island for a fair ground. The land may be pur-

chased later. A little son of John Bath, jr., of Auburn, was playing with a cartridge hit it with a hammer and was struck in the eye by a piece of the shell and onite hadly hurt.

The Bridgeport Commercial club is urging a \$15,000 sewer bond issue The club is also taking steps to aid the management of the Morrill County Fair association. In bonor of the thirty-five year

record of service held by Chief Clerk John-M. Butler, an informal reception was given by the railway mail clerks of the Lincoln division. Local chapters of the Sons of the

American Revolution are to be estab lished in Fairbury, Lincoln and Frement. Heretofore the organization has existed only as a state society. Church members at Hastings

threaten a boycott if the Sunday base ball election carries in that place. Walter Dye, aged 30, a well known young business man of Kearney, dropped dead in the billiard room of the Midway hotel at that place.

A large upper molar of the Columbian mammoth was found recently by George Goodman of Alexandria. It has been donated to the state museum.

The Stanton county fair will be held September 1 to 5. The premium list is about ready and the different amusements that will be secured for the fair are engaged.

The women's park association at Grand Island has decided to include all school grounds in their campaign for a beautiful Grand Island. At an enthusiastic meeting of Fairbury Presbyterians it was decided to erect a new church at the cost of

\$15,000. A committee was appointed to secure funds for the new building. The civic center proposal, to use the present high school building and site at Hastings for a city hall is being advanced. It is suggested that a new high school building be erected on a site farther from the business

district. The remodeled German Lutheran church at Kearney was dedicated on March 15. Three services were held and luncheon and dinner were served at the church.

Arthur Wilmes, 13 years old, at Roseland, will probably lose the sight of one eye as a result of the accidental discharge of an air rifle in the hands of a playmate. Little Eunice West, the 2-year-old

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. West of Grand Island, captured a prize in a baby show at Corpus Christi, Texas. while the family were sojourning there

The body of John M. Johnson, who disappeared from Plattsmouth. December 13, 1913, was found in the river at Nebraska City by two fishermen.

. The shed of the Farmers' Elevato company at Beatrice, together with 100 tens of coal, were destroyed by fire, spontaneous combustion supposedly being the cause. Miss Jessie Taylor, alias Jessie Wil-

son, arrested at Omaha for forgery through elever detective work by Miss Mary P. Doyle, confessed to the police that she is wanted in a number of middle western cities on the same

# PENALTY FOR GAME LAW VIOLATION

COSTS FROM \$1 TO \$300 FOR SHOOTING DUCKS.

### T. J. Majors of Peru will deliver an GOSSIP FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources and Presented in Condensed Form to Our Readers.

### Western Newspaper Union News Service. Game Law Penalty.

In most of the statements issued by from a hay loft and sustained a frac- the government no mention is made of the penalty for killing water fowl during the closed season prescribed tornado that left several Nebraska by regulations of the department of agriculture. Mr. Lane, United States A summer chautauqua course prob- district attorney for Nebraska, has received details of the regulations which show that the penalty for spring shooting is a fine of from \$1 to \$300. dist conference will meet at Tobias. The penalty is not based on a certain amount for each bird killed, but is left to the discretion of the judge of the crowded, and additional buildings have | federal court who imposes the fine. It is reported that ducks are being Fire of unknown origin destroyed shot in Nebraska, but thus far no arthe buildings and stock of the Zaugg rests have been made by the United States marshal or his deputy. No other persons have power to make ar-

### Lack of Crops Cause of Deficit.

The principal cause of the maintenance fund at the state penitentiary is due to the lack of crops on the prison farm last year, and the large amount of coal required to operate the power plant at the institution, according to a statement made by Warden Fenton This plant furnishes power and light for the prison and the shops and also for the state house, orthopedic hospit al, and the governor's mansion. The coal bill amounted to \$1,700 a month As there were no crops on the prison farm last year feed for stock had to be bought. Also, most of the meat fed to the prisoners is now bought and the price is higher than it was a few years ago. The last legislature appropriated a total of \$130,000 for mainten held up and relieved of his spare ance, not including \$17,900 for the salaries of officers. At this time 73 per cent of the maintenance fund has beer expended.

### To Limit Number of Entries.

Plans for the next better babies con test at the Nebraska state fair are being evolved and Mrs. M. E. Vance and her advisers are considering methods of handling the situation. It has been suggested that the number of entries be limited to about 200. In order to bring this about two plans have been suggested. The first scheme is a ser ies of county drawings. By means of these the number of entries are reduced and the lucky ones allowed to compete at the state fair. Another plan includes the services of a commit tee in each county to eliminate a num of the contestants and reduce them in proportion to the number of entries.

## Health Train for Nebraska.

A health train, to traverse the state and spread knowledge of sanitary conditions and initiate health campaigns in all towns and villages where board of health laws have been dead letters since time immemorial, may be ar activity soon to be indulged in by the board of secretaries of the state board of health. In discussing the problem President Carr of that body said that the railroads are willing to meet the board more than half way in the mat ter and the railway commission has given permission for the necessary staff to go along free of charge with out violating the anti-pass law.

## Fire Commissioner is Worked Up.

The convict night school classes at the state penitentiary are meeting with great success, according to offi cials at the prison. The enrollment has increased since the school re sumed its sessions and the plan of dividing the pupils into classes in con sideration of their preparation has proved a factor in stimulating interest and progress. The men who could not read when classes were organized are now able to read simple lessons and take great interest in improving their writing. The large class of slightly advanced students is reaching for more difficult work.

Recount of Votes for Women:

An error was discovered in the number of petitioners for votes for the submission of equal suffrage from Douglas county and two members of the state suffrage association made a recount of the names on file with the secretary of state. They found there were really 11,315 names from Doug las county, while the number listed by the association from that county was only 10.315. Without this extra 1.000 the petitioners were sufficient in number to require submission of the ques tion to a vote of the electors this fall Secretary of State Wait will have an official count made before the proposition is placed on the ballot.

State Treasurer George has invested the last of the \$100,000 raised by a levy for university buildings. The money is derived from a levy the proceeds of which is to be expended re gardless of university removal. The people will vote this fall on the question of whether or not it shall be expended on the city campus or at the state farm. As the money is not needed at this time the state treasurer proposed to invest

Because Lew Richey, convicted at Walthill for setting fire to a hotel and pool hall at that place, was paroled from the penitentiary after serving a year, Fire Commissioner Ridgell, who assisted in convicting the man, is incensed at the action of the state parole board. Chairman Maggi is said to have promised to let the fire commissioner tnow when the matter came up, but neglected to do so, and the department was given no chance to disclose the details of the attir. Richey was sentenced from one to twenty years for