### LEGION POSTS HEED AID CALL

Wayne Man, Member of State Committee, Receives Funds Tornado Sufferers

(Special) Wayne, Neb., -Many responses have been received by H. A. Welch from the 50 American Legion posts of this district to whom requests for aid of the World war veterans, who suffered losses in the tornado, September 13, were mailed a short time ago, and several others have in-

dicated intentions of responding. Several hundred dollars have already come in, according to Mr Welch, member of the state executive committee in charge of the relief work, and more is coming every day and it is believed the total raised will amount to a considerable sum.

This money will go directly to the veterans of the World war, about 15 of whom lost all their worldly possessions in the storm, according to Mr. Welch, and will be spent as soon as all responses have been received.

HAINOIS MAN KILLED

IN OMAHA AUTO ACCIDENT (UP)-Charles A. Sheppard, 50 years old, of Alton. Ill., was killed here today when his automobile collided with a milk truck driven by Edward Lund. The accident occurred on the Lincoln highway on the outskirts of the city. Sheppard was almost instantly killed. Lund also was believed seriously injured.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE DONE CORN BY WIND AND RAIN

(Special) Wayne, Neb., -Considerable damage was caused by the rainstorms here with more than five inches falling during the week. The greatest loss was suffered by the farmers who still have their corn in the fields.

More than half of the ears were blown off the stalks during the hot, dry and windy weather of the last few weeks, and much of this is now buried in mud which was washed over the corn by the rains which flooded the fields.

The yield is light and according to those who have begun husking will yield from 15 to 25 bushels, with only a few fields yielding more than 30 bushels per acre.

ARE PAYING THEIR TAXES FAR IN ADVANCE

Hartington, Neb., (Special)-Although personal taxes are not due until November 1, and real estate taxes until May, 1929, two men in the county have already given the money due on personal taxes to Louis Riipe, county treasurer, and one woman has turned over to him the money for real estate tax not due until next May.

EXTENSIVE HOG VACCINATION HOLDS CHOLERA IN CHECK

(Special) Norfolk, Neb., -Hog cholera is in evidence in certain sections of Madison county and other parts of northeast Nebraska, reports of veterinarians state.

While the disease is far from the epidemic stage at this time, there is a possibility that it may spread to other herds that have not been immunized by vaccination, the veterinarians declare. Losses from the disease so far have been small in this county.

More than 50 per cent. of Madison county's hogs have been vaccinated against cholera, this percentage being higher than it usually is at this time of the year, according to the veterinarians. Because of the slight outbreak of the disease, a number of hog breeders are taking precautions and are immunizing their stock.

Veterinarians are advising stockmen to vaccinate their stock to make certain the disease, which is so often easily transmitted from one farm to another, does not make inroads on the hogs.

It was two years that hundreds of northeast Nebraska hogs died of cholera. Last year another epidemic was predicted, but because of extensive vaccination the disease did not reach serious proportions.

TROUBLE STARTED WHEN WIFE WENT TO CHURCH

Nebraska City, Neb., (UP)-Disobedient wives in Nebraska City are sometimes treated rather harshly, it was brought out when a family quarrel was recently aired

Mrs. Robert McCain did not come home from Sunday School immediately after its dismissal as she had promised, but went to church instead. McClain, allegedly, assailed her when she returned.

Mrs. McClain said that words led to blows and that her husband choked and struck her. She admitted also that she had thrown parts of the radio set at him.

The court dismissed the case for lack of evidence.

HOSPITAL ATTENDANT ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

(UP)-The Hastings, Neb. trial of Waldo Cruce, former Ingleside State hospital attendant, for the murder of Leonard Dean, 50year-old patient, was resumed in district court today with Dr. O. H. Hahn, who assisted at the autopsy, and Chief of Police Bob Carter testi-

Dean was killed during a fight in the ward after Cruce is said to have ordered all patients out of the wastroom, an order which Dean, who was deaf, failed to follow.

POTATO GROWERS PLAN HOLDING CORPORATION

ing the position of potato growers "100 degrees below zero," a group of western Nebraska farmers has advanced a plan which they believe wil remedy "the low prices now in effect." They propose to organize a potato holding corporation to take over all surplus stock and have asked farm bureaus and co-operatives in Minnesota, Wisconsin and other states to join them.

## BANK CASHIER **GIVEN PAROLE**

Platte County Man Had Served Nearly a Year of Term in Penitentiary

Lincoln, Neb., (UP)—The board of pardons and paroles today announced that John B. Hoeschen, former cashier of the Cornela State bank of Cornela, Platte county, had been given a parole. Hoeschen had served approximately a year of a one to seven year term for making false bank reports.

Hoeschen has a wife and nine minor children and his friends urged his parole on the grounds that they believed he would be a good citizen and that he did not intend to commit a crime. They said he had become deeply involved in money matters and sought to recoup his losses by investing in a manufacturing company.

The sentence of Fred L. Johnson, of Polk county, who was sentenced to 10 years for manslaughter was commuted. Johnson, a former special officer, was convicted of kiling Herbert Cochran of Columbus who was said to have been participating in a gambling game. Johnson broke up a crap game on the street of Osceola, Neb., and as the boys scattered he shot three times. Johnson had served two and one-half years of a 10-year sen-

Former County Clerk George Bender of Platte county was also given a parole. He was serving a sentence of one to seven years for forgery of county claims upon which he obtained wararnts and applied the money to his personal accounts. Bender was reported insolvent and with a wife and eight children. He is 40 years old and had been clerk for more than 12 years. Several leading citizens of Platte county sought his release.

NEBRASKA ODD FELLOWS

ASSEMBLE AT LINCOLN Lincoln, Neb., More than 2,000 delegates had registered here today for the annual convention of the I. O. O. F. and the

Rebekahs of Nebraska. The election of officers of the Grand lodge will be held tomorrow when a meeting place for 1929 also will be chosen. Beatrice, Fremont and Omaha were most favorably considered today.

MYSTERY STILL SHROUDS

EXPLOSION IN SCHOOL Verdigre, Neb., (Special) -Mystery shrouds the placing of dynamite in the stove of the district school here which exploded when the teacher ignited the stove. The two children who were injured are recovering. School has been dismissed for a week and the authorities continue investigating.

EMPLOYMENT IN NEBRASKA

CONSIDERED GOOD Lincoln, Neb., The completion of harvest activities in Nebraska caused a decided increase in employment in a number of major industries, according to the September report received today from the department of labor. Additional workers were employed in flour mills, railroad shops, canning factories and meat packing houses.

Demand for building-trades men was strong, during the month the report said, and there was plenty of men available. A good demand for general farm labor was also noted. The only classes of labor in which the surplus was outstanding was in the factory and clerical di-

Farm labor requirements continued to be the leading factor in furnishing employment for unskilled men in the territory around Omaha, it was said. Although road construction and municipal improvements also utilized many of this class. Highway projects and municipal improvements would continue to utilize a large number of workers as long as weather conditions permit, the report said building operations in Omaha were not sufficiently active to employ all availble building-tradesmen, but other 'eading lines employed normal 'orces for this time of year.

PLANTING PHEASANTS IN

INMAN GAME REFUGE Inman, Neb., (Special)-The Inman game refuge, accepted by the state and consisting of 6,840 eres is now being posted. The local hapter of the Izaak Walton league receiving Hungarian partridges or this reserve.

IONS CLUB SPONSORS

TROOP OF BOY SCOUTS Lyons, Neb., (Special)e Lions club here is sponsoring Boy Scout troop. It starts with a nembership of about 25. T'ey will e under the leadership of John Inigham, high school teacher and thletic coach.

VAKEFIELD TERRITORY HAD HEAVY FALL OF RAIN

Wakefield, Neb., -There vas 3.60 inches of rain Icil here Monday night and Tuesday, causing ome damage to corn, which was already lying on the ground in some cases, washing out some bridges, etc Many basements here were filled with water, in some instancer it being necessary to use fire engines to nump out the water. No serious damage, however, was reported This is the first rain of ar account that has fallen at this point since the night of Ju 3.

#### TWO CHILDREN **HURT BY BLAST**

Mystery Surrounds Explos ion Which Wrecks Stove and Nebraska School

Verdigre, Neb., (Special) -Two school children were painfully injured, but not seriously when a stick of dynamite that had been planted in the stove of the school building exploded, and badly damaged the structure 20 miles northwest of here.

When the temperature dropped, Miss Agnes Moticka, the teacher, decided to start a fire in the stove in which there was considerable paper. Being unaware of the stick of dynamite, she lighted the paper and then left the building in which there were three pupils. She had barely reached the outside when the explosion occurred tearing the stove to pieces, blowing a big hole in the floor and shattering every window in the building.

It is believed that the dynamite was planted during the weekend. An investigation is being conducted to ascertain the identity of the person who concealed the dynamite in the

ALL GRAIN IN ELEVATORS NOT LIABLE FOR STORAGE

Lincoln, Neb., Nebraska supreme court decided today that wheat placed in an elevator is not necessarily subject to storage charges after 10 days have

The court interpreted the lawwhich holds wheat that has been in an elevator more than 10 days shall be "deemed" in storage- as presuming the grain to be in storage but not "conclusively determin-

ing" it as such. The decision was handed down in holding the Crete mills liable to Charles G. Johnston, farmer, for \$4,589. The technicality arose because Johnston put the wheat in the elevator in 1922, contracting simultaneously to sell to the mills when the market price suited him. The sale was not consumated until 1927 and the mills tried to collect storage charges.

TO SELECT LOCATION FOR VET HOSPITAL

(UP)—The Ne-Omaha. braska Veterans nospital will be located as close as possible to the peak load of hospital cases, General Frank T. Hines, director of the Federal War Veterans bureau, said here today before beginning his tour of inspection of proposed sites for the new hospital.

Hines was acompanied by Charles H. Burke, commissioner of Indian affairs, who together with General Wood, president of the Soldiers' Home Board at Dayton, Ohio, were appointed by President Coolidge a committee to decide the most feasible site. General Wood was unable

to come to Nebraska. "It would be manifestly unfair not only to the veterans but to their relatives as well to locate the hospital far from the homes of the majority of those who will occupy it," General Hines said. "It would be an unnecessary hardship on relatives especially to have to journey far distances to see their loved ones."

General Hines refused to indicate further possible location of the hospital.

All of the proposed sites have been visited by L. A. Warren, a department engineer, who has eliminated those which he believed would not fill the requirements as to accessibility, water, transportation and other things which will be demand-

SELECT SITE FOR THE CORN HUSKING CONTEST

Walthill, Neb., -A suitable field of corn has been found two miles east of Walthill and plans are now about completed for the second annual corn husking contest for Thurston county. Entries are to be made to the Farm Bureau office and rules for the contest will be sent to any one applying for them. The date set for the contest is October 30th.

OMAHA GAS USERS TO

GET 10-CENT REDUCTION (UP)-A reduc-Omaha. tion of 10 cents per 1,000 cubic feet in the rate of gas here was agreed upon by a subcommittee of the Metropolitan Utilities district here today. The cut will go into effect about January. It will apply to all consumers except those using less than 500 cubic feet. While the maximum rate will continue at \$1, minus 10 per cent, for prompt payment of bills, the real maximum rate will be 90 cents with a 10 per cent, cut for prompt payment, as only a small number use the minimum allotment. It is estimated the cut will save consumers \$150,000 per year. It will be the sixth reduction given since the city took over the gas plant in 1920.

NORFOLK'S POPULATION

IS SAID TO BE 10,861 (Special)-Norfolk, Neb., Norfolk's population is now 10,861, according to an actual count made by a local worker who sought detailed information which went into the local community directory. This count was made by an actual house to house canvas and is believed to be accurate.

ADMINISTRATOR OF MADISON COUNTY ESTATE REMOVED

Lincoln, Neb., preme court has affirmed the action of the district court of Madison county in removing Albert M. Standlund as administrator of the estate of George William, whose heirs had complained that Standlund was dissipating the estate in needless and useless litigation, was needlessly expending money for attorney fees and had not made reports required by law. The court said the contentions had been satisfactorily proved.

RECORD SHOWS GRADUAL INCREASES IN LAND VALUES

Wayne, Neb., (Special)— The first farm sold in Wayne coun-Wayne, Neb., ty brought less than one dollar an acre, according to old records recently discovered by William Assenheimer, county assessor, which show that the first land transaction was consumated 58 years ago when 320 acres were sold for \$300. The deed was recorded, December 20, 1870, and represented a farm just west of Wayne.

The first mortgage recorded was given November 25 of the same year, according to which \$400 was loaned on a half section at 10 per cent. interest.

C. E. Huter, who for many years was postmaster at Wakefield, was recorder of the transactions.

The value of Wayne county real estate was placed at \$151.41 an acre for 1927, by the federal government, and it was assessed at \$110.60 per acre, indicating that Wayne county land has increased in value at the rate of about \$3 annually.

Only 39 per cent. of the county's farms are operated by their owners, according to the federal bulletin, 61 per cent. being farmed by rent-

#### **OMAHA STAGES CHARITY DRIVE**

1.500 Volunteer Workers Start Task With Goal of \$446,649

Omaha, Neb., \_ (UP)-The sixth annual drive of the Community Chest for funds for Omaha charitable organizations got underway here today with 1,500 volunteer workers making personal canvasses of homes and business houses. Their goal this year is \$446,649. This money, when collected, will be di-vided among 31 charitable organizations. The campaign will continue until October 26 unless the quota is reached before that date.

Of the 1,500 workers, 1,000 are women who will canvass the residential districts. They will be in charge of Miss Belle Ryan, assistant superintendent of schools. A. H. Richarsdon, head of the Standard Oil company of Nebraska is general

chairman for the drive. Rishardson pointed out that in a list of 24 cities which compare with Omaha in size this city stands next to last in per capita contribution to Community Chest charity. Per capital asked this year is \$2.08. Other cities in the same classification collect in excess of \$4 per capita, he said.

CLOTHING THEIVES STILL ACTIVE IN NEBRASKA

Lincoln, Neb., State Sheriff Condit was notified here today that a store in Bancroft, Neb., was robbed last night of more than \$5,000 worth of merchandise. The robbery was similar to several that have been carried out in eastern Nebraska within the last Approximately \$25,000, month. mostly in women's ready-to-wear, has been stolen.

ODD FELLOW MEETING GETS UNDER WAY AT LINCOLN

Lincoln, Neb., . (UP)-The first business meetings of the 71st annual convention of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows were held here today with J. T. Fletcher of Orchard, grand master; George R. Jackson of Fremont, grand patriarch. and Gen. Benjamin St. C. Don Neaud, of the Pairiarch Militant of Omaha, in charge.

A fellowship banquet was held Sunday night followed by another banquet last night. The meetings today were the first having to do with the business of the convention. The 45th annual meeting of the Rebekah assembly is being held at the same time under the leadership of Mrs. Josephine Bass, of Lincoln, president of the assembly.

Today's program included degree work, business meetings, and a public reception. Tomorrow will be taken up with sessions of the various departments.

NEBRASKA BANKERS TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Omaha, Neb., (UP)-Fifteen hundred Nebraska bankers and their wives are expected here tomorrow for the 31st annual convention of the Nebraska Bankers' association to be held Wednesday and

THIEF GETS CASH FROM

CHURCH COLLECTION BOX Falls City, Neb., The collection box of the Catholic church here was pilfered of \$18 recently while the organist of the hurch looked on. When she comprehended that a robbery was in progress she started after the thief but he escaped.

TILE IS USED TO PREVENT

EROSION OF THURSTON SOIL Walthill, Neb., (Special)-A carload of tile has been ordered to be used in the erection of soil saving dams in Thurston county. I. D. Wood, extension engineer of the college of agriculture will be in the county all of next week to supervise the construction of these soil savers. During the week he also will consult with victms of the tornado and assist them in laying out farmsteads and planning buildings.

WAYNE'S POSTMASTER ABLE TO HANDLE DUTIES AGAIN

(Special) -Grant S. Mears, local postmaster, who for two months was confined to his home because of injuries suffered when he fell from an apple tree to the ground 13 feet below, s again able to be on duty.

Mr. Mears suffered several broken bones and painful injuries while gathering apples for his son who is employed by a Sioux Falls commission company, and who with his family was visiting with his parents when the accident happened.

# SUPREME COURT **OPENS SESSIONS**

Two Persons Convicted of Murders Are Asking for New Trials

Lincoln, Neb., (Special) -The Nebraska court opened its sitting this morning with 37 cases on the docket. Two of these are murder cases, where each defendant got 30 years in prison. Robert Garrett was convicted in Dawes county of having driven out at night to the country home of William Kinsey, where Garrett's divorced wife was housekeeper, and shooting Kinsey through the window. Mrs. Garrett was captured by the murderer and his companion, and driven some distance, being mistreated before being turned loose. She testified that it was Garrett, but he maintains that the evidence sustains his claim that he was elsewhere. The other case is from Sheridan

county, in which Mrs. Mona Wilson pleaded guilty to poisoning her mother. She was denied a new trial after doctors who examined her thought she is an epileptic and did not know what she was doing. The district court refused, and her friends took the matter to the high court. The young woman is herself apathetic about it. The state claims that her purchase of the poison some days before showed intent.

Another case to be heard is one where Helen Johnson, wife of a Gosper county farmer, seeks a part of the estate left by Minnie Kern, once a keeper of a house of ill fame in Sioux City. The claimant was the child of an inmate of the house and the claim is that the madame fell in love with the child and took her for adoption. The legal papers were never made out, and after the girl came of age she sued Minnie Kern's father for her share of the estate. Kern has since died, and the suit is between her and Kern's children.

The court overruled a motion for a rehearing in Koch vs. Baumann, aeal estate transaction, from Dixon county, lost by the latter.

WAYNE WOMAN 96 YEARS

OLD GIVEN TO GRAVE (Special)-Wayne, Neb Almeria Merriman, Wayne's oldest woman who had been a Methodist for more than 80 years, was buried in the local cemetery here, with Rev. Mr. Whitman, pastor of the local methodist church of which she had been a member for more than 40 years in charge of the final rites. Mrs. Merriman passed her 96th birthday July 13, when friends and relatives spent the day

at her bedside, where she had been confined for nearly two years as the result of injuries suffered in a fall. Although she had practically lost her sight her mind was alert until just before she passed and enjoyed the calls from friends who never forgot to pay her regular vis-

Her husband and an only daughter, who for many years was deputy county clerk here, died several years

Frank Merriman, a nephew who had lived with her since he was three weeks old, and a sister, Mrs. Henry Merriman, who had been with her since the death of her husband a few years ago are the only surviving relatives here. A brother lives in Iowa, but was too feeble to attend the last rites of his sister. A sister, Mrs. Mary Hunter, lives in Wakefield.

PLEADS GUILTY TO AIDING

ESCAPING PRISONERS Wayne, Neb., (Special)-John "Mollie" Ulrich, who had been held in the county jail here for several weeks, charged with assisting in the escape of prisoners plead guilty here Saturday and was parolled during good behavior. "He was charged with aiding in the escape of John Ulrich, a nephew and Henry J. Wehde, both of Sioux City, who escaped from the state reformatory at Lincoln, August 5, and who were admitted to have been sheltered in his home here the following day.

Leaving a trail of stolen cars that led from Lincoln to Wayne, South Sioux City, back to Emerson and Sioux Falls, the two fugitives were finally arrested in a thrilling police chase near Sioux City a few weeks ago.

FARMER'S FALSE TEETH ARE STOLEN BY CROW

(Special) Ashland, Neb., John Hauser, farmer near here, had to invest in a new lower set of false teeth. He told the dentist with whom he placed the order that the old set didn't fit him very well, and he was afraid that if he put them in his pocket he would knock out some of the teeth. While he was plowing the other day he took them out and laid them on a fence post. A few minutes later his attention was attracted by a crow that was flying wildly around the post on which the teeth had been laid. He rushed forward to reclaim them, but the crow made a swoop, grabbed the teeth and flew away out of sight.

SORENSON EXPLAINS HIS ATTITUDE TOWARD MAN

(UP)-In Omaha, Neb., an address here last night before the Omaha Philosophical society, C. A. Sorenson, republican candidate for attorney general, presented his views on war. Sorenson was attacked at the state convention of the American Legion because of his

alleged pacifism. Sorenson said he favors a referendum vote of all the people before this country becomes involved in a war which would take troops out of this country.

NEBRASKA BAPTISTS IN

SESSION AT LINCOLN (UP)-R Fremont, Neb., B. Elrod, of Lincoln, today was elected president of the Nebraska Baptists at the 61st annual conven-

The election of officers was held this morning after a report of the nominating committee. Following the election a conference was held under the direction of Rev. Fred A. Agar, D. D., of New York City.

Other officers elected are: vice president, J. M. Sorenson, of Fremont; secretary, Rev. William Park, of Fairbury; treasurer, E. H. Palmquist, of Omaha; historian, H. F. Rhoades, of Omaha; board of managers, Mrs. D. E. Bennett, of Lincoln; Paul Goodwin, of Wymore; Rev. J. M. Wells, of Grand Island; Rev. C. J. Pope, of Lincoln-

## **HEART DISEASE** CLAIMS MANY

Next Largest Number of Nebraska Deaths Caused by Cancer

Lincoln, Neb., (UP)-Out of 6,785 deaths in Nebraska in the first six months of 1928, 1,240 were caused by some disease of the heart, it was made known yesterday by the bureau of vital statistics. During the same period last year there were 6,453 deaths and of this number 1,-

102 were caused by heart diseases. Cancer caused the next largest number of deaths in the six months period this year-615 were attributed to it. In the same period last year cancer caused 645 deaths and was third, with apoplexy second with 664 deaths. Apopolexy runked third in the list this year with 643

In July of this year, the seventh month, there were 81 deaths caused by apoplexy and three caused by

Automobile accidents accounted for only a small part of the total accidental deaths for both years during the six months period. In 1927 there were 281 accidental deaths and 75 of them were due to automobile accidents. In 1928, 80 deaths were caused by automobile accidents out of 331 total accidental deaths.

Alcohol played a small part in the mortality rate both years, with this year's figure at 16 and last year's at 11. Small pox, a once dreaded disease, caused one death during the first six months of 1927 and no deaths during the first six months

of 1928. Other diseases that ranked high in the mortality list were penumonia, 615 in 1928 and 462 in 1927; nephritis, 359 in 1928 and 351 in 1927; influenza, 323 in 1928 and 233 in 1927; tuberculosis 195 in 1928 and 220 in 1927; deaths in early infancy was the same for the six months period in both years-60.

MANY BLACKBIRDS D'E

FROM UNKNOWN CAUSE Hastings, Neb., (UP)-Deaths of hundreds of migratory purple grackles-a bluckbi ! species-has led city officials and bird lovers to seculate on whether the birds were poisoned or died from a

During the last few days, great flocks of birds passed over the city and at night they roosted in Prospect park and drank from a small pond in the center of the park-Each morning the park caretaker found hundreds of dead birds around the pond. Altogether the caretaker said, more than 1,000 birds were found dead.

Many persons contended the birds were poisoned and died when they drank. Others believed the water in the pool had been poisoned, but this theory was disapproved when it was learned that all of the birds that drank there did not die. And still others were of the opinion that an epidemic was ravaging the flocks and causing the large numbers of deaths.

Just what the exact cause was, may never be known. Many of them were taken to A. M. Brooking, orinthologist, taxidermist, and curator of the city museum who attempted to find what had caused the deaths. His efforts were una .:iling, howevthing unusual could be found in the birds.

OROWN KING AND QUEEN

OF AK-SAR-BEN SHOW Omaha, (UP)-While the largest crowd ever to view the spectacle looked on, Miss Emma Nash was crowned queen and Walter W Head, king of Ar-Sar-Ben here lass night.

The coronation ceremony was held at the new Ak-Sar-Ben livestock pavilion. It was estimated nearly 10,000 persons attended.

EMERSON, NED., PIONEER HAD SUDDEN DEATH Emerson, Neb.,

(Special) -P. A. Severson, pioneer resident of Thurston county, died suddenly at his home east of Emerson. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at St. Luke's Lutheran church, Rev. R. E. Rorgler officiating. Burial was in the Rose Hill cemetery.

EMPLOYE GETS COMPENSATION Lincoln, Neb., (Special)-

The Roberts Construction company has been adjudged to pay \$14.33 a week, together with all necessary medical and hospital expense, for 221/2 weeks more, to C. A Kyriss of Creighton, injured in its employ. Kyriss has been drawing this money for a number of weeks, and the present action was to determine the extent of the permanent disability occasioned by the accident. The compensation commissioner finds that he has sustained 15 per cent, loss of the use of his left foo!