### BLOWUPS' ARE NOT AVOIDABLE

Nebraska Engineer Says Paving Defects Due to Temperature Changes

Lincoln, Neb. — Roy Cochran state engineer, says no state which has rapid temperature changes has yet found a way of constructing concrete pavement so as to avoid " He was commenting on criticism voiced in Omaha on blowups in state paving near Fort Crook.

We have had far fewer blowups this year than we had expected," Mr. Cochran said. The rapid increases in temperatures in April he felt, were such as likely to produce much cracking of the pave-

Blowups have been reported to the state department this year from only three projects, he said. There were several blowups on No. 75, near Fort Crook; a couple on U. S. No. 38 north of Gretna and a few south of Grand Island on the road to Hastings.

"In the spring of 1924, with only about 100 miles of paving, we had three times as many blowups as this year with the 365 miles of paving that had been laid when spring opened," Cochran said.

Expansion joints are being used in all state paving projects this year, according to Cochran and in some of last year's work. He said, however, that there is much disagreement as to which paving method is the best, some states still using javing without expansion Federal aid is granted on both

Substantial reduction in proportion of blowouts in the state, Mr. Cochran feels is due to improved construction plans.

Use of rock instead of sand and gravel for paving would reduce the number of blowups in the state, according to the state engineer, but substantially increase the Sand and gravel are available in Nebraska, making possible the relatively low paving cost which the state department has se-cured on its contracts.

# MAKE REPORT **CROP SURVEY**

#### Nebraska Bankers Say Enough Grain in State to Care for Shortage

Lincoln, Neb. - (Special) - The mid-month crop report of bankers to the state department of agriculture indicates that some corn will be produced in the northeastern part of Nebraska, although the crop in the north central part of the state is practically a failure as far as grain production is concerned. The supply of moisture is short throughout the entire state.

The condition of corn is reported to have dropped 34 per cent in 30 days and farm prices are slightly higher, as are prices for farm commodities. An upward trend is shown in what, alfalfa, corn fed cattle and hogs while corn shows a drop of from 40 to 38 cents a bushel over a month ago and the price of oats remained the same.

Some sections of the state will have a surplus, the report states and there is enough grain in the state to take car of the shortages in grasshopper infested and drought stricken regions if it is properly

Governor Bryan and Representative O'Gara of Hartington conferred Tuesday on enlistment of state services to secure federal loans for seed and stock feed grain to aid farmers in the northern portion of Cedar county who suffered losses from drought and grasshoppers.

LOSES HIS LIFE IN

SAVING OTHER PERSONS Falls City, Neb.-Raymond Conover, 19 years old, was burned to death Sunday after he had awakened 16 other persons who escaped from a blazing combination home and dance hall, 13 miles north of here, by jumping from second story

His body was recovered from the ruins later. His father, C. M. Conover, had been forcefully restrained from entering the burning buildin search of the boy during

Raymond, those who escaped related was awakened about 4 a. m. He quickly roused the others, all sleeping on the second floor.

Reconstructing the tragedy, they believed the youth attempted to go down the stairs to the first floor to awaken his parents when he col-

Earlier Saturday night, it was reported, a blaze was started in the saw dust on the dance floor, but this was soon extinguished. It was believed that smouldering sparks flamed anew to start the second

flames spread across the street and burned a schoolhouse. loss of the Conover building was fixed at \$6.000, no estimate was made of the school loss.

One of the new honorary colonels on the staff of Gov. W. H. Murray of Oklahoma is R. M. McClintock, a newspaper correspondent.

### TO OPEN WORK ON

### KNOX COUNTY ROAD

Bloomfield, Neb. - (Special) -Due to the work of State Representative Mark Lukens and Dr. P. B. Lonergan, president of the Community club a petition was presented to Gov. Charles Bryan with more than 1,206 attached asking him to open work at once on the 14 miles of road connecting Bloomfield with Center, the county seat. This work will be done entirely by farmers with teams and scrapers and no farmer can earn more than \$100 during the time.

### **LEGION IDEALS** ARE AMERICAN

National Adjutant Tells Nebraska Department of Organization's Aims

Frement, Neb. —(UP)—Declaring his belief that the ideals of the American Legion are today the ideals of the nation, and expressing the opposition of the Legion to "any policy that would leave America defenseless in the house of nations," James F. Barton, national adjutant, Tuesday addressed the Nebraska department convention.

"The American Legion is no longer a doubtful or an uncertain force. It was passed the formative stage. It now stands before the world safe and secure," Barton said.

"The ideals of the Legion are the ideals of America and no one can justly doubt the right of the Legion to speak when the welfare of our country is at stake, for no one can be more jealous of that welfare than the man who offered his life that America might live."

"Attitude of the American Legion relative to adequate national defense has brought about the accusation that it is a militaristic organization. Nothing is farther from the truth. The Legion, composed of men who know the horrors and brutalities of war, want no more of it.

"They are, however, forever committed against any policy that would leave America defenseless in the house of nations," Barton said

of the legionnaires. The Legion, Barton said, will be happy if the time will ever come when, throughout the world, armies may be demobilized and navies done away with. Until that time does come, the speaker emphasized, the Legion will staunchly support every effort to build up our national defense on a high plane of preparedness in keeping with our national security and our prestige as a world

"These are days of economic depression and serious business conditions," Barton said, "But these are problems that will not be cured by threats of radicals, the ravings of the pacifists and the doctrines of misguided international-

"There is nothing radically wrong with America," Barton said. "Its government is sound. Its institutions have been proved worthy. The patriotism of its people cannot be questioned. When you think of over 1,000,000 men joined together by the ties of a friendship and comradeship established by fighting side by side in defense of a common cause and now united to uphold and defend the constitution of the United States, there you have the greatest assurance that America shall forever remain secure.

HIGHWAY WORK BEING RUSHED TO COMPLETIC

Norfolk, Neb .- (UP) - Highway construction projects in northeastern Nebraska are being pushed through to completion rapidly in preparation for fall and winter.

District Engineer J. B. Martin, of Norfolk, has announced closure of U. S. highway No. 20 from Allen east through Jackson to the intersection of U.S. No. 77. Through traffic on No. 20 is now being shunted south from Allen on No. 9 to Wakefield, northeast on No. 35 to the intersection with No. 77. Paving work and graveling have caused the changes in the routing

From Randolph west to U.S. No. 81, a highway grading project has been finished and will be graveled about the first of this coming month. Work on the paving on roads at Plainview and between Wisner and West Point, will be finished the first week in September, it was said by Martin.

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETE

of the highways.

Lincoln, Neb. - (UP)-Management of Nebraska's 1931 state fair -predicted to be the largest in the history of the fairs-will require an army of superintendents and assistants to handle exhibits and the various departments of the fair. Secretary George Jackson, of the

fair, is making some of the final arrangements for the exposition— September 4-11. Livestock shows, agricultural. exhibits and attractions are slated to surpass this vear all other fairs.

Dedicated to better 4-H club work and members of this state, the new 4-H club building will be open for the fair this year. Formal dedication is set for Sunday, September 6. The new building, with 132,000 feet of exhibit space, is the largest and most convenient exclusive 4-H club building in the United States.

NO APPROPRIATION FOR FARM BUREAU WORK

Howard, S. D. - (Special) -The Miner county commissioners in their final adoption of the budge for 1932 have reduced the tax levy from \$73,-401 to \$64,250, a saving to the taxpayers of the county of \$9,151. No appropriations were made by the commissioners for county fair, agricultural extention work, or for

### FOUND NOT GUILTY

### BANK ROBBERY CHARGE

Falls City, Neb.-George Bailey 28 years old, was acquitted by a district court jury Monday night of a charge of robbing the Bank of Salem, near here.

Bailey testified he was employed near Wauthena, Kan., in August. 1928, when the bank was robbed of \$125 by '-o armed men. Several witnesses substantiated his alibi al-though bank employes identified him as one of the holdup men. He was arrested last June in Wvoming.

Tales of Real Dogs

By Albert Payson Terhune



"Shep was crossing the fiel d on his hind legs."

Shep was a collie, given in earliest puppyhood to John Rattigan, a farmer living near Council Bluffs, Ia. And Shep is the hero of one of the strangest of dog stories.

From the time he could canter

around the farm at his owner's heels, the collie pup was the loved and loving pal of Mr. and Mrs. Rattigan. He was their housemate and farm-helper and guard. Quickly he learned the duties of shepherd and cattle-dog and of watcher. He was worth the hire of any farm laborer.

Not only did he drive the cows to and from pasture, but again and again he saved the farm's calves and lambs and chickens from prowling marauders, human and other-

One afternoon, Shep set off as usual toward a distant pasture, to round up the cows and guide them home to the barnyard. He needed no command to do this. It was part of his regular daily work and he knew, to the minute, when to go after the cattle.

Rattigan went to the barnyard presently, to make ready for the evening milking. But the cows were not there as usual. He looked out toward the distant pasture. There was no sign of them coming slowly homeward with Shep steering them.

Rattigan was worried. Never before had this happened. Shep had always been as reliable as the best hired man. His master went to the pasture to find what had happened, The cows were gathered near the bars as if wondering at the dog's delay in fetching them. But no Shep was to be seen.

As soon as the cows had been driven home and milked, and the other evening chores were finished Rattigan lighted a lantern and went to look for his dog. He hunted high and low, whistling and shouting. Then he visited the neighboring farms, on the chance that someone there had seen the missing collie.

Next day, Rattigan neglected his work to continue his search for the dog that was so dear to his wife and himself. But the quest was in vain. Shep seemed to have vanished from the face of the earth leaving no trace.

The Rattigans grieved bitterly for the canine chum they loved. They went on with the fruitless hunt, offering rewards and making inquiries everywhere. Then they gave up hope, deciding he had been killed by some reckless motorist and his body tossed into the river.

One morning, many days later Mrs. Rattigan happened to glance across a stretch of rolling ground which lay between the house and the woods far beyond. Her eye was caught by something moving, out there in the long grass. Ever on the lookout for Shep, she ran to the front porch and peered more close-

Then her eyes widened and her mouth fell open in sheer wonder. Across the field toward her a dog was advancing. And the dog was Shep. But surely never outside of a show did any dog move as this dog was moving.

Shep was crossing the field, on his hind legs, awkwardly, waveringly, very slowly; now and then losing his balance and falling; but always managing to lift himself clumsily on his hind legs again and continue his snail-like and painful progress.

Mrs. Rattigan called excitedly to her husband, who came hurrying up from the barn and who stared unbelievingly in the direction of her pointing finger, hen the man broke into a run, dashing across the field

to meet his lost pal. He reached Shep, just as the collie slumped once more to the ground spent and weak. Rattigan saw then why Shep had been walking on his hind legs. Both his front paws were gone. Rattigan gathered the wornout and suffering dog into his arms

and carried him home. There Shep was nursed back to health. There, too, the ragged stumos of his forelegs healed, And, by the time they were healed, the collie had learned to walk on his hind legs as expertly and painlessly as any trick dog.

Rattigan guessed what had befallen him. Somewhere back in the farther woods-probably as the collie was seeking for a strayed cow-

For Lawyers to Consider. From New York World-Telegram. Where, we wonder, would lawyers be if all of them scrupulously observed the strenuous dictum of Federal Judge Hopkins of Kansas. who recently discoursed upon the ethics of his profession at the federal building, where he is sitting

A young man had been convicted on the charge of attempting to pass a counterfeit bill, and Judge Hopkins excoriated the defense lawyer because the defendant, after practically admiting his guilt to the judge, later took the stand and per-

Said the urist from Kansas: "If

this summer.

he had stepped with both front feet upon the pan of a hidden wolf-trap. His paws were caught between the merciless steel jaws of the trap. He was a prisoner, a seemingly doomed prisoners at that!

A lesser dog might well have thrasned about there in panic helplessness. But Shep had used his brains. Bracing himself against the awful pain he had gnawed off one of his forepaws after the other, until he had freed himself. (Later, Rattigan found the trap and the severed paws, in a hollow of the woods, to prove what had occurred out there during Shep's long and agonizing vigil.)

Then, having liberated himself from the steel jaws, Shep had been faced with the problem of getting home. He could not walk on the tortured stumps of his front legs The only way of getting home was to rear himself upon his hind legs and to walk in that unaccustomed

It was well nigh impossible, for the stricken dog, but Shep taught himself to do it. His progress was distressingly slow, and his increasing weakness made it almost impossible for him to continue his journey. But his brave heart and his love for his master and mistress scourged him on, until at last he was seen and carried indoors and nursed to health again.

Before long, Shep was able to accompany Rattigan again on the rounds of the farm, striding and hopping on his hind legs. The man always accommodated his own pace to his crippled dog's. Shep's career as a fast-galloping cattle-herder was ended, but he was well and happy and was more loved than ever by the Rattigans.

The story spread. Many people came to see him. Word of the dog "that walked like a man" reached a nearby humane society, whose officials declared Shep must be killed to put him out of his misery. But Shey had no misery to be put out

When the society's agents threatened to come out to the farm and kill him, Rattigan lost his temper. He and his wife vowed their chum should not be allowed to die. Said the Baltimore American, in recounting the story:

"There is a glint in the young farmer's eyes that bodes no good for the agents of the humane society and a shotgun standing beside the kitchen door is loaded with two very potent reasons why they should not enforce their threat John Rattigan swears he will be anything but 'humane' to anyone who tried to take Shep from him."

Lose Respect For White Man

From the Miami Herald. American women are again blamed for a nation's trouble. Lord Irwin has recently returned to England from India and has been telling what has caused the troubles of Great Britian dealing with Asiatic possessions. He says the difficulties can be traced to the fact that "the prestige of the white man in India has been lost and probably cannot be recovered."

The natives of India have no respect for a man, white or brown who does not show that he is master of his wife, boss of his house and lord of his domicile. The East Indian forms his ideas of the Englishman by moving pictures he sees Most of these films are made in the United States and to the simple Indian mind the Englishman and the American are identical. They are

bossed by the women. Perhaps this accounts for the fact that British writers and lecturer are continually criticizing the manner in which American husbands spoil their wives. Giving the women the freedom they have in this country gives the Indian the idea that the Caucasian man is of little importance. As a matter of facthat is the case, but spreading the knowledge makes it more difficult for the British to govern Gandhi and his followers. There is little chance that the system in vogue in the United States will be changed. If it should result in India gaining its independence that will be the Britisher's good luck or bad luck, as the case may be

a lawyer knows absolutely that his client is guilty, it is his duty to advise him to enter a plea of guilty."

That no doubt sounds very strange to defense lawyers, especially to those who get the biggest fees. For the man who is in the worst trouble and the most guilty is the one who digs up the most for lawyers. Usually, in fact, it is guilty men who are being tried. If all lawyers for all guilty defendants advised their clients to plead guilty the profession of criminal law would be on the rocks temorrow.

A truck marketing association with a membership of 500 growers has been formed at Humboldt Tenn.

# INDIAN GROUP OFF TO EUROPE

Thirty Members of Sioux Tribe from Pine Ridge Reservation Join Circus

Rushville, Neb .- (Special) - Amid foud wailing and cries, that to a white man's ear sounded like a lament from the dead, but to an Indian meant good luck and a happy journey, 30 Sioux Indians from the Pine Ridge reservation, left here on a trip to Germany. There they will join the Ciressni circus for a tour of Europe and expect to be gone nine months. Chief White Buffalo was elected leader of the

### WRIT OF ERROR IN BOOZE CASE

Attorney General Asserts Can Be No "Legal Possession" in Nebraska

Lincoln, Neb.—(Special)—A writ of error has been filed with the supreme court by Attorney General Sorensen and Fred H. Richards, Jr., Dodge county attorney, who contend that there can be no legal possession of liquor manufactured after May 1, 1917.

A verdict rendered in the Dodge county district court was to the effect that W. L. Bishop was not guilty of liquor possession after officers had confiscated 33 quarts of beer at his home. The trial judge instructed the jury to pronounce Bishop not guilty if they found that the quantity of liquor was "a reasonable quantity for Bishop's personal use." Sorensen and Richards claim there is no provision in the state laws legalizing possession of intoxicating liquor manufactured after the state dry law went into effect and ask that the court reaffirm the correct rules of law governing this class of liquor cases.

LAUDS LEGION IN

NEBRASKA FOR ACTIVITY Fremont, Neb .- (UP) -Calling Nebraska Legionnaires to be alert to the needs of their communities, state and nation and emphasizing the role of the Legionnaire in public affairs. Marcus L. Poteet, state department commander, addressed the annual department convention here, Mon-

Poteet lauded the state Legionnaires for their work in building parks, playgrounds and recreational facilities. He stressed the importance of the organization of Scout troops among boys, and the attention given disabled veterans, veterans' widows and orphans. He mapped out a program for improvement of the Legion's internal organization.

NEW RECEIVERS IN CHARGE OF CLOSED BANKS

Lincoln, Neb.—Stating that it is the policy of the state department of trade and commerce to use the most efficient receivers on the staff rather than to make local political appointments, Governor Bryan has announced appointment of assistant receivers for nine state banks that were recently taken over by the department. The governor said that all these assistants now are in charge of banks and have shown efficiency in liquidating assets for the benefits of depositors. Included in the list are: L. H. Reif of Bloomfield, Leigh State bank; A. J. Barak of Petersburg, South Omaha State bank; J. E. Haase of Norfolk, Farmers and Merchants bank of Benson; E. E. Ruzicka of Schuyler, Dwight State bank.

RANGE OF PRICES IN FARM SALES IS LARGE

Lincoln, Neb .- (Special) -A list of and sales in Nebraska during the last month shows a low price of \$42.50 an acre paid for two tracts in Holt county and a high of \$267 an acre in Dodge county. The list includes:

Colfax county-80 acres near Clarkson, James Hajek to Frank Malena, \$160 an acre; 160 acres near Clarkson, James A. Drahota to N. B. Balzer, \$150 an acre; 160 acres near Heun, Vaclav Jonas to Theofil Cech, \$150 an acre.

Dodge county-120 acres southwest of Scribner, Henry J. Benner to Gerhard Hilgen, \$267 an acre; 80 acres southeast of Scribner, Gerhard Hilgen to Henry J. Benner, \$200 an acre; 140 acres north of Schuyler. William Hall to Mrs. Agnes Ortmeier, \$155 an acre.

Pierce county-80 acres south of Pragye, bought at sheriff's sale by Oscar Heckman, \$120 an acre. Holt county - 320 acres near

D'Neill, to Mrs. Luella Parker, \$42.50 in acre; 160 acres near O'Neill. bought by Henry Cook, \$42.50 an

Bracelets Match Complexion A novel idea in jewelry is to natch your bracelet to your complexion. Thus the blond with fair skin wears platinum or silver, while the brunet chooses dull gold.

### TO DISCONTINUE AGENTS

AT THREE STATIONS

Lincoln, Neb .- (Special) -- Application has been filed with the state railway commission by the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway company for autherity to substitute caretakers for its agents at Magnet, Obert and Sholes. The company also asks authority to establish emergency rates on grain, livestock and poultry feed, hay, including alfalfa and straw, to points in Cedar and Knox counties.

# **CUT RATES ON** FEED SUPPLIES

Lincoln, Neb .- (Special) -- Permission has been given the Milwaukee and Omaha railroad by the state railway commission to grant emergency rates on feed grains shipped from towns along the line in Nebraska to stations on the road in Knox and Cedar counties.

A reduction of one-third of the current local rate is allowed on wheat, corn, rye, oats, barley, livestock and poultry feed; one-half the current local rate on carlot shipments of hay, alfalfa and straw, and no switching charges are to be absorbed by the railroad and transit

privileges accorded. The reduction was requested because the hot, dry weather necessitated shipping livestock feed grains from outside the counties and the rates affect shipments to Crofton, Bloomfield, Wausa and Magnet and Knox county and to Laurel, Coleridge, Hartington, Fordyce, Obert, Wynot and Randolph in Cedar county.

### DIG FOR GOLD **NEAR MADISON**

Madison, Neb. - Search for gold In Madison county is under way on the J. F. Maurer farm in Green

Garden precinct near Madison. Under direction of Dr. T. A Leach, dentist; John Dyck, attorney; M. A. Aelmore and Hugh Conner, all of Hutchinson, Kan., a well is being sunk with the expectation of finding gold mining operations. T. H. Chevaleer is in charge of

the digging. Reports are the Kansans have leased seven acres of land on the

Maurer farm near the well. Dr. Leach in 1898 taught a coun-At that time, the late John Maurer, father of the present owner, started to dig a well. After boring down about 300 feet he stuck a rock formation. Some of which was sent to an assayer who reported that it would yield gold at the rate of \$21 a ton.

ANTHRAX APPEARS IN

HERDS NEAR WAKEFIELD Lincoln, Neb .- (Special) -- Secretary of Agriculture Felton has announced the appearance of anthrax infection near Wakefield, where several head of stock died, and C. E. Parrish of Spencer, in the employ of the state department of agriculture, has been sent there to enforce the quarantine laws and aid in diagnosis and prevention. Governor Bryan has deputized a number of veterinarians to patrol the border line between Nebraska and South Dakota as a step in preventing importation of infected stock in violation of the state laws. Mr. Felton said he was informed that the outbreak at Wakefield followed shipment of cattle from near Lynch, which is near the Dakota line.

ANNOUNCES LOW BIDS

ON HIGHWAY WORK Lincoln, Neb .- (Special) -- Secretary Cochran of the state department of public works has announced a list of low bids on \$350,000 worth of highway work, and expressed satisfaction in view of the fact that prices are a little lower and more contractors were bidding. The list

includes: Orchard west, Antelope-Holt, 6 miles, Western Bridge company, gravel, \$4,109.

Fullerton-Albion, Nance-Boone, 13 miles gravel, A. T. Cram, .055, total, \$9,759; culverts, Dan Quinton,

Neligh-Brunswick, Antelope, 10

miles grading, J. E . Tift, .14, total, \$7,554; culverts, Dan Quinton, \$470. Wisner-Bancroft and Beemer north, Cuming, 16.3 miles, Weidner and King, grading 14 cents, \$11,135; Western Bridge company, .0645, \$14,-325; Keim Construction company, culverts, \$2,334; Nebraska Culvert and Manufacturing company, culvert pipe, \$2,326; A. N. Eaton, driveway culvert pipe, \$187.

Deverre-Atkinson, Holt, 6.4 miles, Western Bridge company, gravel, 06925, \$5,491, Clarkson-Creston, Colfax-Platte,

14.1 miles, Koehler Construction company, gravel, \$14,170. Howell-Dodge, Colfax, 5.4 miles, Koehler Construction company, gravel, .0687, \$4,589; E. W. Nichols, culverts, \$631; Superior Road Supply company, roadway pipe, \$290; A. N. Eaton, driveway pipe, \$265.

Creighton-Wausa, Knox, 18 miles, Western Bridge company, gravel, .525, \$12,883. Pierce-Wausa, 11.5 miles, C. W. Smith, .017, \$2,209, gravel % inch,

.02 7-12, \$318. Tekamah-Decatur, 10.4 miles, Murphy Gravel company, .03237, \$2,392, % inch gravel, .04854, \$2,-

Spencer-Butte, 7.1 miles, Carstensen Sand company, \$2,654. Since that time Dr. Leach has had it in mind some day to return to Madison county to hunt for gold. His purpose in drilling a well now is to determine the magnitude of the formation, and if it is found to be large enough to assure

profitable mining operations he will

#### open up. MANY PIONEERS DIE

IN LAST 12 MONTHS

Allen, Neb. - (Special) - The historian's report for Dixon county. as presented by George F. Smith historian for the Dixon Councy Old Settlers association, shows that during the last year 30 pioneers died. Of these one came from Norway one from New Brunswick, two from Ireland, two from Denmark and two from Germany, six of them were porn in Dixon county and the balance migrated here with their parents from points east of the Mis-Louri river.