

City Officers.
 Mayor..... J. O. Caldwell
 Clerk..... E. H. Fort
 Treasurer..... J. O. Butler
 Councilmen, 1st ward..... Ed Amack
 Ed Publisher
 Councilmen 2nd ward..... J. A. McArthur
 Alf. McCall
 Supt. Light and Water..... Oscar Burroughs
 Marshal, day..... Al Slaby
 Marshal, night..... John Kinsel

County Officers.
 Clerk District Court..... Geo. W. Hatcher
 Judge..... J. W. Edson
 Sheriff..... E. W. Ross
 Assessor..... W. C. Frain
 Attorney..... L. B. Blackledge
 Sheriff..... O. D. Hedge
 Assessor..... H. C. Scott
 Supt. Public Instruction..... Nellie Oster
 Coroner..... Dr. R. Hall
 Surveyor..... Geo. Overing
 Commissioners..... Jas. G. Overman
 T. J. Chaplin
 Wm. Anderson
 Geo. W. Hummel
 Gerhardt Ohmstede

The spring election will soon be here and we ought to begin to make preparations for it. All factions and personal dislikes should be banished and men elected who will serve the city. We have plenty of men who possess the material for the making of efficient officers and every one should feel that it is a public duty if he should be the one selected to fill either the office of mayor or alderman. The time is here when every business man should get into the position where he feels that he ought to sacrifice a portion of his time for the common good and unless that feeling is universal the best interests of the city will suffer. We realize that it calls for loss of time and money but some one must do the work and the better it is done the less each one will be called upon to pay in the way of taxes and the lack of conveniences.

We wish that in some manner a definite organization of city utilities could be effected whereby each incoming council would be required to follow the prescribed plan. In this manner the city might hope to accomplish much in the way of improvements and the proper distribution of the finances. One plan carried out for a period of ten years would mean the saving of many dollars and a great improvement in the efficiency and appearance of our city.

Let every man with a grain of public spirit in his make up resolve that should the choice fall upon him he will cheerfully and faithfully resign himself to the will of the people. We should not desire to receive benefits unless we are willing to devote some of our time at some period of our lives to the public welfare.

The many words of approval which we have received on our position taken in regard to the public school problem encourages us to further efforts. We have no means of knowing the exact number of young people in this county who are attending business colleges but we venture to say that it is vastly larger than most people think. This ought not to be. Our public schools should provide for the education of all classes and we would very much like to see a business course provided in our own high school.

This would keep in school many who drop out before finishing the course. We have in mind one young man who is now in business in this city. His parents were anxious for him to be in school. He had no desire or aptitude for latin, chemistry or higher mathematics and it was asking too much that his teachers furnish him natural ability for those branches. Yet the course of study demanded that he take those subjects or quit school and the result was he quit. Now if this young man had been offered an elective in the studies which he wanted he would have fitted himself for what he had made up his mind to do and what he is actually doing at the present time. What he knows he was forced to learn outside of school. His experience is but the experience of many another in our community.

In one way the university recognizes the need of practical training along practical lines by establishing and encouraging the Agricultural college. Here men are trained to be farmers and we of the present generation have learned that to be a real farmer one must have training. Even the Japs are learning to make two blades of rice grow where one grew before.

If the financial condition of our school district will not warrant the addition of another teacher so that a thorough business course can be added to the system then by all means do away with enough university subjects to give us this practical course.

In this connection we wish to say that we have no fault to find with the teacher for she has her work planned for her and she must advance the pupils to the certain standard set or be in danger of giving up her place to one who will do the required work.

The leaders in Congress propose to mark the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln by the passage of legislation providing for a great monument in Washington. The bill has the approval of the leaders of both the House and Senate. It contemplates spending \$5,000,000 and the plan is to have the president sign the bill on Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12.

The monument itself is to cost \$1,000,000 and the remainder of the amount is for the purchase of a site. New Lincoln monuments are to be unveiled at Lowell, Mass., and Orange, New Jersey.

Perhaps the most satisfactory monument yet erected in honor of our president is the one in Lincoln, Ill. It is strikingly truthful as a portrait of the man at the most picturesque point in his career, and equally successful as an idealized type of pioneer.

Nearly every important city in the United States has erected a monument to this man whom the people love. Perhaps the first one erected was in 1868, in Union Square, N. Y. It is a life sized statue showing him in the act of addressing an audience and was erected by popular subscription.

In our state legislature both houses have recommended a bill to pass providing for an appropriation for \$150,000 with the proviso that the citizens contribute \$10,000 more, for a monument to Lincoln at our state capital.

The Volpp Bill.

Known as Senate File No. 106, although revised since our first criticism of the measure in these columns, is still a makeshift in so far as offering protection to depositors. We hope our legislature will carry out the demands of the voting public and give us a bill that will contain a "bank guaranty" feature that will mean something. The "Depositors Protective Fund" is by the terms of this bill authorized to exist—it is not compulsory upon any bank to subscribe. Private banks, partnership banks and firms doing a banking business are "prohibited" from membership. Incorporated banks that meet certain requirements are "allowed" to subscribe. Such banks must at least have five directors, and each one shall own at least ten shares of its stock. (The par value of the shares is immaterial.)

What the people demand is protection for the depositors in each and every bank that receives a charter from the state authorizing it to receive their deposits. The people want to know that when they deposit their earnings in a place called a "Bank," wherein is displayed a charter from the state of Nebraska, that their money is safe. When they know this, there will be plenty of money in the banks at all times. The bankers as well as depositors will profit by such a law.

It is not improbable that under a law such as Senate File No. 106, there would be no banks whatever willing to make the start toward building up a "Depositors Protective Fund." And even if they did subscribe they have the privilege of withdrawing their membership at any time. And if a bank which is a subscriber to "The Depositors Protective Fund" is a little shaky and the depositors in danger the state has authority to "demand" its withdrawal and what then?

We wonder if Nebraska, the home of the great Commoner who made his last great race upon this issue, will allow her neighboring republican states of Iowa and Kansas to put her to shame; to place upon their statutes laws in conformity with Democratic ideals, while she, Nebraska, stands idly by and contents herself with a make-believe!

We have not examined the Wilson "House" bill but understand a joint committee from the Senate and House are preparing a new bill embodying the good features of both the Volpp and Wilson bills, which will be constitutional and give us what the people demand. This bill will be introduced this week.

LINCOLN LETTER

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 9.—(Special Correspondence)—The date for the joint convention of the two houses of the legislature to be addressed by Hon. Wm. J. Bryan has been set for next Wednesday, Feb. 17th. Mr. Bryan has been absent from the state for several days past, and an earlier date could not be secured.

There have been several bank guarantee bills introduced in the two houses, but in order to get up one that will meet all the requirements a subcommittee has been appointed by the two committees on banking, and Judge I. L. Albert of Columbus has been employed to assist the committee in drawing a bill that will not only be satisfactory, but one that will stand the test of the courts as well. This is the procedure which it was expected would be followed after the various measures had been introduced by the individual members. Judge Albert, who has been employed to assist in the work, is a former member of the supreme court commission and stands high as a lawyer.

A bill has passed the lower house which, if it becomes a law, will give the assessors of the state the power

to inspect the books of banks and building and loan associations for the purpose of ascertaining who has money on deposit and how much they have. A comparatively small per cent of the money in banks is assessed under the present system, but with this proposed law in force there would not be much that would escape.

The committee on railroads in the senate has reported favorably on a bill to prevent drinking intoxicating liquors on trains. The bill, it seems, has a good show of becoming a law. Another measure which has been passed by the senate designates the governor as the official to have charge of the publication of constitutional amendments. It will be remembered that a few years ago quite a furor was created because it was believed the secretary of state had delayed the publication of amendments for the deliberate purpose of defeating them in the courts in the event the people should have adopted them. It will also be remembered that when that secretary of state came up for re-nomination he was defeated in the convention. Originally the governor had charge of the publication of these amendments but on one occasion when there was a fusion governor and a republican legislature the law was changed so that a republican secretary of state could throw them to his party newspapers. The legislator has now simply placed control over them back where it was originally.

The bill by Representative Sink of Hall county providing for nine foot sheets seems some what ridiculous to those who are not familiar with the conditions which were the cause for its introduction, but practically every man, or woman, who is in the habit of stopping at hotels is in favor of it. While the linen on beds in all the better hotels is usually changed daily, yet the quilts, comforts and blankets remain until they are practically worn out. By the use of the long sheet the top of it may be turned back over the ends of the quilt, etc., it is argued, that have been coming in coming in contact with humanity for the bed bugs only know how long—and as a result future guests protected from the germs with which the bedding may be infected. A similar bill was first adopted in Texas but it has been gradually working its way north, having been adopted in Oklahoma and Kansas since Texas first took action on it.

One of the most eloquent speakers in either branch of the legislature is the brilliant young Senator J. A. Donahoe of O'Neill. He isn't in the habit of speaking every time something is up, but when he does speak people throughout the corridors and committee rooms are attracted to the senate chamber by his eloquence, and he receives the closest attention throughout.

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Warren Kent.
 The funeral of the late Warren Kent was conducted yesterday from the Ash Creek church and a large number of friends and relatives gathered to pay the last tribute to his memory. The services were conducted by Rev. G. W. Hummel and the remains laid to rest in the Martin cemetery.

Warren Kent was 17 years of age at the time of his death Feb. 9, 1909. He was taken sick on January 8, 1909 and afflicted with a complication of diseases about ten days ago he appeared to be on the rapid road to recovery but took a back set which resulted in his death. He was the only son of Mrs. Ida Kent who is now left alone as her husband departed this life a few years ago.

Warren was a bright, industrious young man and the pride of his mother's heart. Exemplary in every particular he was a man of whom any mother might be proud. Besides his mother he leaves a sister, Mrs. Bertha Wiggins to mourn his untimely demise.

These two are the only members of the family remaining. God gave, He took. He will restore.

Real Estate Transfers.

Transfers reported by the Fort Abstract Co. for the week ending Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1909.

State of Nebraska to Fred Ohmstede, s2 nw, n2 sw, 36-1-10, D	1500
J. R. Stroder to Lester W. Squires, lots 9, 10, 11, 12, Blk. 8, Cowles, wd.....	1500
Violet Pugsley to Hugh B. Hunter, pt lot 2, Roberts add to G. R. wd.....	500
Henri Lomker to Henry Schutte ne 14-3-9, wd.....	9000
Joseph Hunter to Nathan M. Doudna, lots 11, 12, Blk. 8, Vances add to Guide Rock, wd	1500
Albert Lathrop to Emery A. Hendrickson, pt sec 4-1-9, wd	1500
Christine Beck to John W. Neville, sw4, 34 4-10, wd.....	8000
N. E. Harvey to Minnie Watson, nw 29-2-12, wd.....	6400
James A. Loebhart to John Hansen, nw 18-3-11, wd.....	4000
Ferdinand Schotter et al to S. Steinman, w2 nw4 5-3-9, wd.....	4900

Mortgages filed, \$17,420.
 Mortgages released \$8,920.

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 Children's jumpers made of a good grade of plain blue chevot at 50c.

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 We fit all our kid gloves. Have a new line in the two button at \$1.25 per pair.

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