

News from Over the State

Big Dinners Come High.

The Christmas and Thanksgiving dinners given at the various state institutions, as shown by the bills filed with the secretary of state, were rather expensive. At Hastings 3,002 pounds of turkey at 18½ cents a pound and 344 pounds of chicken at 13 cents a pound, making a total of \$691.33, was used to make the spread for the officers, employees and chronic insane who are quartered there. A citizen from Hastings was at the office of the secretary securing information on the prices paid for turkeys and chickens at the asylum. He stated that a dealer had agreed to furnish the institution with turkeys at 13 cents a pound, which was the wholesale price, while the retail price was 17 cents, or 1½ cent less than was paid by the state. Chickens, he said, had been offered the institution at 10 cents a pound, which was the market price, being three cents less than was paid. The Lincoln asylum used 231 pounds of turkeys Thanksgiving for which the state paid 20 cents a pound, amounting to \$46.20. The Beatrice institution used 371 pounds of chickens at 11 cents a pound, and the Kearney industrial school used 156 pounds of turkey at 17 cents a pound, amounting to \$26.52. And in the meantime the home for the friendless came to the front with two turkeys for the use of its inmates, and these were presented by a local physician.

Testing a Homestead Decision.

A bill in equity was filed in the supreme court of the District of Columbia on behalf of Mrs. Anna Bower and the Standard Cattle company, of Nebraska, to enjoin the secretary of the interior and the commissioner of the general land office from canceling Mrs. Bower's homestead entry, made two years ago at Broken Bow. This is the test case which was recently decided by the secretary of the interior wherein the secretary held that the widows of union soldiers must actually reside on the land entered. The bill filed contends that the act, though passed solely for the benefit of soldiers' widows and orphans, is completely nullified by the ruling of the secretary, as it would be impossible for the persons sought to be benefited by the act to take up a permanent residence on the land located.

Big Price for Beets.

Farmers who raise beets in and about the territory of Norfolk during the season of 1904 will receive for their crops the highest price per ton that has ever been paid by the American Sugar company. Contracts were issued recently for the new year and offer \$4.50 per ton flat. Last year the guaranteed price was \$4 per ton and more was paid in accordance with the amount of sugar in the beet. This year, regardless of the sugar percentage, the farmers will receive \$4.50 per ton.

Co-Operative Concern Profitable.

The Farmers' Commercial association, composed of 100 farmers, held its first annual meeting recently at Edgar. The association was incorporated nearly a year ago. About 125,000 bushels of wheat had been bought and 50,000 bushels of corn, besides some other grain. In addition the association had enjoyed a liberal coal trade. Satisfactory prices had been paid and the balance sheet showed about \$2,000 on the credit side of the ledger.

Busy Week in Lincoln.

The past week in Lincoln was one of the busiest that the town has seen since the days of the last legislature. The week started in with the Bryan banquet Monday night, and this set the hot-time pace. Then came the beginning of the 14 meetings of the agriculturists, the meeting of the republican committee, the meeting of the Roosevelt club representatives, Association of Labor and Industry and the county assessors.

Was it Accidental?

In a friendly scuffle at Ainsworth between Ralph Williams and Sid Chesnut, the 17-year-old son of a prominent local business man, the latter was stabbed in the throat just above the apple. The victim died in spite of the efforts of the surgeons. The two boys were both companions and the stabbing was purely accidental.

Not Mrs. Block.

As the result of a scandal in Antelope county, William H. Block, a prominent farmer near Oakdale, was arrested on the charge of adultery. The complainant is William M. Martindale, also of Oakdale, whose wife is alleged to have represented herself as Mrs. Block during a recent Norfolk visit.

Death Won the Race.

Death won in a race against a train which sped a distance of 130 miles in 100 minutes. Mrs. D. B. Flagg, of Sioux City, Ia., received word that her husband was dying in Fremont, Neb., where he had been ill for some time. She chartered a special train, but arrived too late.

Shot a "Peeping Tom."

J. R. Day, a grocer of Lincoln, took two shots at a "Peeping Tom," and it is believed that one took effect, though the man has not been located. His hat, with a bullet hole in it, was found. For a year and a half residents of Lincoln have been troubled with a "Peeping Tom" and during the last three weeks he has been extremely active. For three nights Day and his neighbors have kept a watch and Friday saw the man lying on top of a fence peeping into Day's windows. He was commanded to throw up his hands and responded by drawing a revolver. Day fired and the man yelled and ran. He fell and regained his feet and Day fired again. This time the man again fell and groaned, but he could not be found. The hat was found near where the man stood when the first shot was fired.

Threw Lighted Lamp at Wife.

George Carter, of Omaha, went home drunk Tuesday night, his wife alleged in police court, and threw a lamp at her head. She testified that the lamp was lighted at the time and that she barely escaped being hit by it. The flaming missile hit the wall and was broken into a thousand pieces, testimony showed, and a fire was averted by the prompt action of a small girl, who smothered the flames with a blanket. Carter got 20 days in the county jail.

Bank Robbers Get Scared.

From Wabash comes the report of an unsuccessful attempt to rob the Farmers' state bank of that place. The tool chest at the railroad section house was broken open and a spike, maul and pinch bar taken, and at the blacksmith shop a sledge hammer and a shoeing hammer were stolen. Soon after the burglars went to the bank and pried open one of the windows and then, for some unknown cause, hurriedly took their departure.

Opposition to Webster.

That the republicans of Lancaster county are not for John L. Webster for vice president was shown at the meeting of the Roosevelt club held at the courthouse in Lincoln. When Dr. Greene, superintendent of the Lincoln asylum, in his speech said he was in favor of a delegation to the national convention instructed for Roosevelt and Webster, the audience almost en masse cried "No."

Enos Couldn't Explain.

Enos Perkins, a farmer near Cambridge, is an occupant of the Douglas county jail, pursuant to the instructions of United States Commissioner Beghtol, at Holdrege, in default of \$2,000 bail, because of his inability to satisfactorily explain how he happened to be in possession of certain \$10 gold pieces in imitation of the coin of the realm.

Raise Superintendent's Salary.

At a meeting of the Cass county commissioners at Plattsmouth the salary of C. S. Wortman, county superintendent of education, was raised from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per year. The appointment of assistant assessors for this county was also made giving one for each precinct and village and three for this city.

Several Bank Changes.

A second bank, the Farmers' state, with \$30,000 capital, has been started at Rising City. Diller is to have a new bank with a capital stock of \$50,000. At Prague the bank has increased its capital stock from \$7,200 to \$10,000 and at Hebron the Bank of Thayer has increased its capital stock from \$25,000 to \$30,000.

Poisoned by Colored Sox.

J. H. Davidson, a cook at Norfolk, is suffering from a pair of badly poisoned feet as man has ever ventured to walk about upon. They may have to be amputated because he wore blue hosiery. The coloring of the sox was absorbed from the cotton and as a result Mr. Davidson is a cripple.

Summers Looking Up Records.

W. S. Summers, United States district attorney, was at Lincoln looking up the records in the ex-Adjt. Gen. Colby case and incidentally he was investigating the charge against the postmaster at Alma for selling stamps around the statehouse.

Oil Inspection Pays.

The monthly report of Oil Inspector Church shows that for the month of December the gross income of the office was \$1,673.70; expenses, \$958.02; paid into the treasury, \$715.68.

Church to Cost \$42,000.

The cornerstone of the First Baptist church at Omaha was laid Friday, all Protestant denominations in the city participating. The church will cost \$42,000 when completed.

Jenson's Mill Destroyed.

Jenson Bros.' flour mill at Nelson was destroyed by fire, including grain and mill products on hand. Loss, \$15,000.

FLOUR MILL IN FAR NORTH.

Fertile Fields of Peace River Country Produce Wheat to Be Ground in That Region.

Instructions were lately given from the office of the Hudson Bay company at Winnipeg for the building of a flour mill near the mouth of the Peace river, where its waters unite with those of Lake Athabasca. Hudson Bay company posts have been raising a little wheat for some years not only in this region, but also further north at Fort Resolution, on the shores of Great Slave lake, says the New York Sun.

It is not unusual nowadays to hear of wheat raising in the far north, especially in Siberia. A few weeks ago N. L. Skoosbof, addressing an agricultural convention at St. Petersburg, cited many facts to disprove the popular idea that wheat will not ripen north of 53 degrees north latitude.

A clergyman at Wugansk, for example, in 61 degrees north latitude, is building a mill propelled by wind power to turn his spring wheat into flour. At Mesau, on the Pelyn river, in the same latitude, a farmer has extended his area under tillage and now has a surplus of wheat to sell. The speaker mentioned many other examples.

The fact that wheat is now grown successfully in the Peace river region, in the central part of this continent between 59 and 62 degrees north latitude, is chiefly due to the Chinook winds, the warm, dry winds which blow northward to the east of the Canadian Rockies. They temper the climate of the Peace river country in a remarkable manner, so that the spring opens as early on the upper Peace river in latitude 56 degrees as at Montreal, and the seeding time is actually earlier.

The influence of these remarkable winds is felt as far east as Regina, in Assiniboia, and extends far to the northwest, east of the mountains, through 15 degrees of latitude.

Many thousands of square miles along the Peace river valley in Athabasca are very fertile, growing luxuriant grass and excellent wheat. But no settlers as yet are found in that far northern region; and the only purpose of the Hudson Bay company is to turn the local wheat into flour for its agents scattered through that region and thus save the high cost of importing flour.

Even if that country should be developed its wheat is more likely to go to feed the mining camps in the mountains than to join the stream of Canadian wheat flowing to Great Britain. Alberta, further south, is raising much wheat, but not a bushel of it is crossing the Atlantic, because wheat, being cheap and heavy, cannot pay high freight rates. Alberta wheat cannot now be moved to the east at a profit. It all goes to feed the local population and the neighboring mining camps of the west.

Taking Golf Seriously.

Golf players complain that their favorite game is not taken seriously enough by the people, and they protest against the tone of levity in which newspaper paragraphs discuss the game. There was a time when golf was taken seriously enough, as this excerpt from an ancient law document attests: "On September 9, 1637, Francis Broune, son of John Broune, wabster in Banff, was convicted by the borrow or justice court of the burgh of breaking into the bulthe of Patrick Shand and stealing therefrom 'some golf ballis,' and the judges ordainit, the said Francis to be presentlie taken and carrit to the gallowshill of this burgh and hargit on the gallows thereof to the death, whereof William Wat, dempster of the said assyis, galve domme."

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

Kansas City, Jan. 19.	
CATTLE—Beef steers	3.90 @ 4.85
Native heifers	2.90 @ 3.80
Western steers	3.70 @ 4.45
HOGS	4.20 @ 4.95
SHEEP	2.50 @ 4.50
WHEAT—No. 2 hard	74½ @ 77
No. 2 red	91 @ 93
CORN—No. 2 mixed	40 @ 41
OATS—No. 2 mixed	38 @ 40
RYE	49½ @ 50
FLOUR—Hard winter pat.	3.50 @ 3.75
Soft winter patents	3.70 @ 4.00
HAY—Timothy	6.00 @ 9.75
Prairie	4.00 @ 7.50
BRAN	1.00 @ 1.75
BUTTER—Fancy to extra	18 @ 21
EGGS	22 @ 22
CHEESE—Full cream	9 @ 11½
POTATOES—Home grown	50 @ 70

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Texas steers	2.35 @ 4.25
HOGS—Packers	4.50 @ 4.80
SHEEP—Natives	3.70 @ 4.00
WHEAT—No. 2 red	92 @ 95½
CORN—No. 2	44
OATS—No. 2	39½
FLOUR—Red winter pat.	4.35 @ 4.50
BUTTER—Creamery	16 @ 25
EGGS	22
LARD	6.65
BACON	7.50 @ 7.75

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Steers	3.50 @ 5.75
HOGS—Mixed and butchers	4.75 @ 5.95
SHEEP—Western	3.75 @ 4.40
WHEAT—No. 2 red	90 @ 96½
CORN—No. 2	41½ @ 45
OATS—No. 2	38½
RYE—May	58
EGGS	24 @ 26½
LARD—January	6.85
PORK—January	12.90

NEW YORK.

CATTLE—Steers	4.15 @ 5.30
HOGS	5.25 @ 5.40
SHEEP	3.00 @ 4.25
WHEAT—No. 2	94 @ 95
CORN—No. 2	53½ @ 54½
OATS—No. 2	44 @ 44½



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