12 PEOPLE DROWNED

TOWN OF WATROUS, N. M., DE-STROYED BY FLOOD.

Property Loss Serious-Floods in the Rio Grande Valley, Above and Below Albuquerque, Made Several Hundred Families Homeless.

The town of Watrous, N. M., was destroyed by the flood, and at least twelve persons were drowned. Among these were the three children of J. E. Stevens, Felix Villirael, his wife, two sisters and several children and O. F. Porter. J. E. Stevens and wife escaped and have been taken to Las Vegas. They are in a critical condition.

Many persons were rescued from trees and house tops. The greatest damage was around the junction of Mora and Sapello Creeks. The rock crusher, the great iron bridge and much track at Watrous were washed away.

The Gallinas River formed a new channel at Las Vegas. In the Gallinas the dams of the Aqua Pura Company broke, bringing a terrific flood upon the city. The Montezuma, Hot Springs track went out in many places, Half a dozen bridges were destroyed and the Montezuma bath house was practically cleared away.

For two blocks on Bridge Street every business house was flooded. The big Ilfield brick store was ruined and the big bridge undermined. Gallinas Park is under water, and the trolley line cannot be repaired for two weeks.

The race meet next week has been declared off.

One hundred thousand dollars will not cover the loss to the town, and the railroad loss is equal to that of recent floods in Arizona.

From Santa Rosa comes a report of the loss of the great iron bridge of the Rock Island, and much track.

Reports from floods in the Rio Grande valley above and below Albuquerque are coming in. The towns of Valencia and Los Lentes were practically washed away, and several hundred families are homeless. The river swung to the east, cut a new channel, and poured a torrent through the two towns. No lives were

Ignacio Gutierrez, a commissioner of Sandoval County, telephoned that the damage at Los Cordales and Alameda above the city will amount to several hundred thousand dollars. There is one passenger train from southern California at Gallup and another from San Francisco at Winslow, while the other trains from California are held at Albuquerque.

The officials cannot say when the trains will arrive or depart, and the traffic situation is serious. Many feet of track is reported gone at Artiz, Cerrillos, wamo, Thornton and Bernalillo, and above and below Albuquerque at Rincon, Amarillo and Isleta.

MANY TRAMPLED UPON.

Floor Collapses at Cornerstone Lay ing at Adams, Mass.

While Rev. Thomas D. Beaven, Roman Catholic bishop of Springfield, was laying the corner stone of St. Stanishus church at Adams, Mass., Sunday afternoon a floor collapsed precipitating 150 persons into the basement. Thirty-sevinjuries of sixteen are serious and one case may prove fatal. The others sus-

ing him were slightly hurt, Some 7,000 persons attended the ceremony, and about 200 were seated or standing on the floor which covered the newly made basement. Just as the bishop was about to lay the stone a section of the flooring about forty feet square coilapsed, dropping twelve feet and earrying with it the bishop, the clergy and about 140 others.

In the confusion that followed many were trampled upon and half suffocated.

STREET CAR ACCIDENT.

One Killed, One Fatally and Thir-

teen Severely Injured. A San Francisco dispatch says: Frederick Fendsen, a bartender, was killed; Sergeant Barry Curren, of the Thirteenth United States infantry, fatally injured and thirteen other persons severely injured in a street car accident in the Kichmond district Sunday. A big electric car of the Eddy Street line was coming in from the park and chutes, crowded to its utmost capacity, many standing on the platforms. In coming down a grade the brakes of the car refused to work and the car acquired fearful momentum. Just as a curve was reached the motorman succeeded in throwing on all the brakes, and the car came to a stop with such suddenness that a large number of

persons were thrown off. Sioux City Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Stockers and feeders, \$2.55@3.00. Hogs, \$5:62\/2@ 5.75.

Fire at Chillicothe, Ill.

The town of Chillicothe, twenty-two miles north of Peoria, was partially destroyed by fire Sunday night. At midnight the fire was still raging, and it was feared the entire business portion of the place would be wiped out.

Four Miners Drowned. While crossing the Monongahela River in a skiff at Monongahela, Pa., four Italian miners were run down by the steamer Beauty pushing empty barges and were drowned. All the bodies were recovered. SERIOUS FLOOD AT TRINIDAD

Loss Will Reach the Million Dollar

Point. A terrific flood struck the city of Trinithe Las Animas River, devastating a wide section and causing a money loss which at present is estimated at \$1,000,-000. So far as known there was no loss and there were many narrow escapes.

Every bridge about Trinidad is out; the Santa Fe station is demolished; all the railroads are tied up, and telephone the senator's life six weeks ago, but such and telegraphic services are completely was the vitality exhibited by the distinsuspended. More than thirty city blocks | guished patient that even they were surin the residence and business portions are prised and the public was at times led to from two to four feet under water along | cherish a faith in an ultimate recovery.

the river bed at any point, and Commer- proved futile. cial Street was flooded for three blocks in the heart of the business district.

driven from their homes with shelter.

and the ringing of the fire alarm. follow- what to him appeared to be the right. ed by the blowing of all the locomotive and shop whistles in town. Citizens up- ate have sat so firmly in the seat of peron rafts made of sections of sidewalks sonal convictions of the right, even when paddled through the streets rescuing fam- overwhelmed by the majority, for it nevilies which were in danger. The New er troubled him to stand against the en-Bacca Hotel, a two-story structure just | tire body, in himself a minority of one, nearing completion at a cost of \$20,000, in following out the line of set principle. on the river bank, was destroyed. The For nearly thirty years he played conwater then ate its way through fifty feet spicuous parts in great events, chiefly as was carried away. The Cardinas Hotel, and a learned jurist, and through them adjoining, barely escaped a similar fate, all he kept himself unseiled by partisan an acre of ground being washed away politics, and rounded out his activeness near it.

FIRE CHIEF NEAR DEATH.

Falls Through Floor Which Had Been Weakened by Flames.

Nearly a quarter of a million dollars loss was caused by a fire in meat packing houses and refrigerating plants in Tenth Avenue, New York, which burned steadily throughout the night before it was brought under control.

The heaviest losers are the Cudahy Packing Company, the T. A. Wheeler Company, Conron Bros., and the Hammond Company.

Fire Chief Croker same near meeting death by falling through a floor weakbuilding. His hand was badly cut.

MASSACRE IN MOROCCO.

Governor of Arzila and Many Townspeople Are Murdered.

Tangier, Morocco, advices state: The governor of Arzila, who was the fatherbhi, has been murdered at Arzila by the people of the surrounding tribes.

venge for the action of the governor in imprisoning members of the tribes. The murderers released the prisoners at Arzila and killed many townspeople.

Great alarm prevails at Arzila. The sentative of the sultan at Tangier to send assistance.

authorities have appealed to the repre-

HANGING IN CHICAGO.

Frank Lewandowski, Who Murdered His Wife, is Executed.

Frank Lewandowski was hanged in the jail yard at Chicago Friday. Lewandowen people were so injured as to require ski in a drunken rage cut his wife's ton Medical library is bequeathed \$150,medical treatment. Of this number the throat and then his own because she would not compel her son (his stepson) to work. The slayer hovered between each of the following; Harvard Universitained minor cuts and bruises. Bishop life and death for weeks. Too poor to ty, Boston Home for Incurables, hos-Beaven and several of the priests assist-

> Telegrapher: Remains at Work "Our trouble with the telegraphers has been settled," said General Manager Ward, of the Great Northern Railway, at Spokane, Wash. "The road, after several conferences with the committee, has Indictments are Returned by Buffarefused to grant any demands made by the men, and all the men have kept on working, making no further complaint,"

Bride Killed by Fall.

ranging a lace curtain and lost her bal-

Did Not Sell Military Secrets.

Herr Barkmeyer, chief of the confidential bureau of the Germania shipbuilding from the United States submarine boat works at Kiel, has been arrested for ir- Pike, which has been experimenting in regularities in accounts. The directors San Pablo Bay under the direction of positively affirm Barkmeyer's arrest was Lieut. MacArthur. One has been recovnot made as a result of charges that he ered by Italian fishermen. The other jail to await his preliminary hearing in demolished, had sold military secrets.

Packers and Teamsters Agree. Differences between the packing house teamsters and the packing firms at Chicago, which refused to reinstate some of the drivers who went on strike in sympathy with the butcher workmen, were adjusted to the satisfaction of the committee representing the teamsters' union.

Population of British South Africa Capetown advices say that the census of British South Africa, including Cape Colony, the '1 ransvaal, Natal, Khodesia, Organia, Basutoland and Bechuanaland, gives the white population at 1,135,016 and the colored at 5,198,175.

Forest Fires Destroying Timber. Reports from the Bitter Root (Mont.) forest reserve say that fire is ravaging the timber of the reserve, with great de structiveness, despite the fact of the recent rainfall. No lives have been lost.

SENATOR HOAR DEAD.

Passing of Massachusetts' Grand Old Man.

George Frisbie Hoar, senior United dad, Colo., and the whole valley along States senator from Massachusetts, died at his home in Worcester, Mass., at 1.15 o'clock Friday morning.

The end followed a period of unconsciousness that had continued since early of life, but several are reported missing | Tuesday, and came so gently that only the attending physicians were aware of the exact moment of dissolution.

The attending physicians despaired of On Sunday last, however, all hope was The flood was caused by the heavy rain abandoned after a last unsuccessful atwhich had been falling for two days. tempt to administer medicine and nour-Thursday night the storm assumed a ishment. Brief lucid intervals were folcloudburst proportions, and at 2 o'clock lowed by longer durations of unconscious-Friday morning the Las Animas River ness until Tuesday morning, when the went over its banks. At 3:30 o'clock it | venerable senator sank into a state of cowas impossible to get within a block of ma from which all efforts to rouse him

George Frisbie Hoar, senior senator from Massachusetts, had long occupied Meantime the electric and gas plants a peculiar place in public estimation for had been flooded and the city was in his unique personality, his mental complete darkness. Hundreds of citi- strength, ripe culture, wit and incisivezens thronged the streets on the edge of ness of speech; for his subtlety and wisthe submerged district, carrying lanterns | dom and at times childish disingenuousand doing their best to provide those ness; for his slighting estimation of the methods of politicians; and for his su-Warning of the flood was given when preme courage in attacking wrongs and the river left its banks by revolver shots his stalwart pertinacity in his defense of

Few members of the United States senof ground to the Santa Fe depot, which a masterly debater, an erudite scholar as innocent of certain debasing influences which too often govern party leaders as though his entire years had been spent closeted with his beloved books, to which he has devoted much of his time

IMMENSE LAND FRAUDS.

Conditions in Indian Territory Hurt Statehood Fight.

senator from Nevada, is at Kansas City. Senator Stewart is chairman of the senate committee on Indian affairs, and in that capacity has been investigating the land allotments question in the Indian Territory. In speaking of what he had learned Senator Stewart said that land ened by flames into a cellar under the frauds in that territory had grown to such proportions that they would have a bad effect in the fight for statehood.

"The Indian Territory," he said, "is in a lamentable condition. There is no opportunity there for actual settlers. Speculators or land grabbers occupy the entire field. The wealthy half-breeds and the intermarried whites co-operate with in-law of former War Minister Elmen- the schemers from the outside who would appropriate everything in sight with a view of so complicating matters that The murder was committed out of re- they can prevent the restoration of any part of the territory either to the honest Indians or to the white settlers."

GIVES OVER A MILLION.

Generous Public Bequest in Will of Mrs. Sarah Potter.

Public bequests aggregating over \$1,-000,000, the largest being a gift of \$250,-000 to the city of New Bedford, Mass., Sarah Potter, of Boston, Mass., which has been filed for probate.

Mrs. Potter died last Friday at her summer home at Beverly. To the Bos-000; to the kindergarten for the blind at Jamaica Plains, \$100,000, and \$50,000 to hire a lawyer, he had one appointed by pital cottages for children at Baldwinthe court. Gov. Yates twice reprieved ville, Mass.; free hospital for women at Brookline, and the Massachusetts Collegt of Pharmacy.

There are numerous other public bequests in the document.

BOODLERS IN NET.

lo Grand Jury. As the result of District Attorney

Coatsworth's investigation of the charges of alleged "grafting" on the part of Buffalo, N. Y., city officials, Alderman J. Married to the secretary of the first Thomas Harp, Henry Moost and Orrin vice president of the Philadelphia Rail- F. Pierce and former Alderman Edward road three weeks ago, with their honey- | C. Beizer, Louis G. Roedel, Henry G. moon trip just ended, Mrs. Mary Landis | Schneider and John C. Buson have been met death by falling from the third story | indicted by the grand jury. All pleaded of her home at Philadelphia. She was ar- not guilty Thursday and were released on bail.

> Powerful Torpedo Menace to Ships Two torpedoes, according to San Francisco dispatches were lost last Friday is still at large and may be exploded by I default of \$500 bond. a passing vessel.

Cigar Stamp Problem.

After a number of consultations with the president, Acting Secretary of the Treasury Taylor, at Washington, D. C. has reached a conclusion in the matter of the customs stamp on boxes containing imported cigars. No definite information is obtainable.

For Commercial Congress.

The official call for the fifteenth session of the trans-Mississippi commercial congress, to meet in St. Louis Oct. 25-29. has been issued by Tom Richardson, of Portland, Ore., chairman of the executive committee.

Car Shops Close Down. The Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company has practically closed down its car and locomotive shops at Chicago. One hundred and fifty men were thrown outof work.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

Charge Divorce to Busybodies-Man and Wife at Fremont Seck to Have Court's Decree Set Aside-Interesting News Items.

William Schultz and Johanna Schultz, who were once husband and wife, filed their petition in the district court at Fremont Saturday asking to have the decree by which Johanna was divorced from William set aside. The petition alleges that they want to live together again and Johanna says she would not have begun suit against William if it had not been for the meddlesome acts of neighbors.

William says it was the interference of his neighbors which caused him to become intoxicated and treat his wife in a way which was not quite right and proper. Mrs. Schultz began her first suit about a year ago. Summons was served and a decree granted by default, when it appeared that the sheriff served the summons on the wrong William Schultz. The William who was notified to appear in the action was living peaceably with a got the wrong man,

she filed a motion to set aside the decree lived together since that time. which was granted, and then the summons was served on the right William, and at the June term of court another decree was rendered, which is the one both parties now unite in petitioning the court to set aside.

FUGITIVES FROM JUSTICE,

Thurston County Farmers Arrested | Drawback in Building of Sioux City, in Dakota County.

Wm. Stanage and Bud Peterson, two farmers of Thurston County, living about | Sioux City, Homer and Southern Railten miles south of Homer, were arrested way between Dakota City and South by Deputy Sheriff John Kloster on Sioux City. Rails have been laid to on complaint of C. J. O'Connor, bank- and when weather permits a large gang er, of Homer.

William M. Stewart, United States County, where they will answer to the Kansas City this week, charge of attempting to remove mortgaged property out of the state. The cattle were taken back to Homer in charge of O'Connor.

Divide the Reward.

The \$100 reward offered by Acting larger share, but Shaw and Cheeney each | the speed of the train, considered himself entitled to a third, and it was so divided. The reward offer- | picked up and taken to her home. She ed by the county will probably be dis- was conscious and was able to tell her tributed in the same proportions.

Killed Under Load of Straw.

Claude Fester, the 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Fester, living in Buckeye valley, near Kearney, was instantly killed Friday afternoon by the overturning of a load of straw which he and his brother, who is two years his senior, were hauling. The boys were coming down a hill with the load when it slipped forward, frightening one of the horses, which began to kick and run. The load was overturned, throwing the boys are contained in the will of the late Mrs. to the ground and breaking Claude's

> Newspaper Changes at Wayne. The Wayne Herald has been sold by E. W. Huse & Son to E. Cunningham et al. The Republican has been absorbed by the Herald and the Democrat, the publican will be discontinued in two or other point was discussed during several three weeks. Editor Gibson will take meetings without any final action being part of the plant and engage in business | taken. elsewhere. E. W. Huse will retain charge of the Herald for a few months.

Found Unconscious in the Road Elbert Ireland, a prominent horseman of Hay Springs, was found south of Hay side paralyzed. He was unconscious when on preparotory to going home, when he discovered, and it is surmised he was lost his balance and fell to the ground, driving and had got out of the buggy to receiving injuries from which he died close a gate, when the team started, and | immediately. he went after them attempting to get into

the buggy, when the accident occurred. \$1,000 for Husband's Affections In the district court at Nebraska City, against Margaret Trudeau, gave a verdict of \$1,000 in favor of the plaintiff, who had sued for \$5,000 damages for the alienation of her husband's affections. The parties interested in the suit are very wealthy Germans who reside in Ber-

lin precinct. Farmer Arrested for Burglary. John Edleman, a young farmer living ten miles southwest of Beatrice, was arrested, charged with robbing the hardware store of Edwards & Bradtord at Ellis, which was broken into recently. He pleaded not guilty and was landed in

Farm Hand Disappears.

A farm hand, 22 years of age, by the name of B. H. Petel, who has been working for Chris Zimmerman, near Papillion, has disappeared and his whereabouts are unknown. It is thought that he is mentally deranged. A reward has been offered for any information regarding him.

Two New Wells. Kilpatrick Bros, have just finished put-

ting down two large wells on their ranch west of Beatrice. One of the wells is 145 feet deep and flows a one and onesupposed to have been committed by lohalf-inch stream, while the other is 140 feet deep and flows a five-inch stream.

Connor Identifies Assailant. The preliminary examination of Chas Ward on the charge of stabbing Policeman Connor was held in police court at Fremont Saturday morning. Ward pleaded not guilty. Connor positively of the several thousands deemed neces identified him

TWENTY YEARS FOR ASSAULT Harold Bailey Pleads Guilty and

G ts Limit of Law. Harold Bailey pleaded guilty in the district court at Fremont to the charge of felonious assault upon Pearl Olson and was sentenced by Judge Hollenbeck to twenty years in the penitentiary.

Bailey was brought to Fremont from the penitentiary, where he has been kept since his arrest. Tuesday afternoon by Sheriff Bauman and driven at once to the court house. Prosecuting Attorney Stinson read the complaint and Bailey answered "Guilty."

Judge Hollenbeck then explained to him the effect of his plea of "Guilty," and asked him if he still wanted the plea to stand. "Yes," was his reply, "I want to be sentenced and taken to the penitentiary right off. I'm afraid to stay here." Judge Hollenbeck then sentenced him to the full limit of the law. He was taken over to Lincoln Tuesday afternoon.

The Olson girl is improving and has almost recovered.

ERRING WOMAN SUICIDES. Mrs. Krnek, of Ord, Shoots Herself

at Beatrice. Early Saturday morning Mrs. Mary Krnek, a Bohemian, 58 years of age, committed suicide by shooting herself through the right temple with a revolver, at Beatrice,

The dead woman left her home at wife whose name was not Johanna, and Hallam, Neb., four months ago, in comhe paid no attention to the summons, pany with Joe Hlavica, 21 years old, aside from telling the sheriff that he had and went to the home of her sister, Mrs. Josie Bureyrin, at Ord. July 19 last the When Johanna found out the situation | couple went to Beatrice, where they have

Saturday the woman's husband came to Beatrice at her request and had a controversy with Hlavica. Immediately Mrs. Krnek left the house and shot herself. Hlavica has fled and has not been seen since the shooting occurred.

BOLTS AND SPIKES DELAYED

Homer and Southern. Rain is now preventing work on the Thursday as being fugitives from justice, within a mile and a half of Dakota City of men is at work. Enough rails have When arrested Stanage and Peterson been received and unloaded to build the were in the act of driving thirty-five head | road five miles west. Five more cars of of fat cattle onto the bridge into Sioux ties are expected to arrive at any time. City to place them on the market. After | The greatest drawback to building of the spending the night in jail at Dakota City | road is in the securing of bolts and the men were taken to Emerson on Fri- | spikes, a carload of which are en route. day by Deputy Sheriff Kloster and turn- The combination gasoline baggage and ed over to the authorities of Thurston passenger car is expected to arrive from

NARROW ESCAPE.

Child at Talmage Struck by a Locomotive, but Not Injured.

The 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mayor Brooks of Fremont, for the arrest | Mrs. Charles Ritchie, who reside near and conviction of the assailant of Pearl | Taimage, was a ruck by a Missouri Pa-Olson has been divided between Bert cific passenger train the other night and Shuttlesworth, E. Shaw and Ralph Chee- escaped without serious injury. The child ney. The two former were the persons was playing on the track near her home who kept Bailey in the operator's office when the engine struck her, the pilot at East End while Cheeney, the opera- throwing her clear off the right of way tor, notified the authorities. Shuttles- into a heavy growth of weeds. The enworth thought he was entitled to the gineer saw the child in time to slacken

The train was stopped and the child name and where her parents resided.

Bloodhounds Lead to Neighbor.

the Coffer place. May Locate Seminary Elsewhere The Evangelical Lutheran synod of Nebraska has completed its session at Fremont, after transacting a large amount of business. The question of the removlatter getting its power press and the al of theological school of the denomiformer the subscription list, and the Re- nation from Atchison, Kan., to some

Falls from Wagon to Death.

William Keeshan, Sr., an old resident living on the ouskirts of Albion, met with a fatal accident upon the street there. He had untied his team and Spings with his head crushed and right | climbed upon the hayrack on the wag-

Burglars at Diller.

Burglars entered the hardware store of J. O. Blauser at Diller and carried away about \$40 worth of cutlery, includthe jury in the case of Elizabeth Trudeau ing a valuable shotgun. They also entered the lumber office of J. T. Briggs and the grain office of A. L. Tintsman, but secured little of value, bloodhounds were sent for to trail the thieves, who made their escape.

Storm Does Damage.

A severe wind and rain storm passed over Oakland and vicinity Wednesday afternoon, doing considerable damage. Hay and grain stacks were blown down and the drying sheds at the brick yard were unroofed. A fine new barn, which had recently been completed at a cost of \$2,500, belonging to H. A. Preston, was

Burned in Gasoline Explosion. Mrs. Barnes, wife of Dr. C. D.

Barnes, of Tecumseh, was considerably burned about the hands and face by the explosion of a gasoline stove. Her body was enveloped in flames and her clothing set afire, but she succeeded in extinguishing the blaze. The kitchen was set on fire but the neighbors put it out.

The grocery store of Emil Lan, at Beatrice was entered by burglars, who secured \$275, which had been left in the safe and cash register. The robbery is

Robbers Do Well.

cal talent. There is no clew. Starts Fund for Silver Service. Mrs. Ed Hostetter, of Maxwell, has started a fund for equipping the battleship Nebraska with the usual complimentary silver service, and the first dollar sary is now in the hands of the governor



The county engineer law was declared anconstitutional Friday in an opinion written by Commissioner Letton, of the supreme court. The suit originated in Lancaster County. At a former hearing of the court it was held that que warranto was not the proper remedy under the circumstances. At this hearing the question was whether or not the law of 1903, chapter 32, page 280, session laws of 1903, by which the county surveyor was made ex-officio engineer, is in violation of the constitution. The court says it is clear that the act is a violation of section 15, article 3, of the constitution, which prohibits the passage of local or special laws regulating county and township offices, and further provides that in all cases where a general law shall be made applicable no special law shall be enacted. The act of the legislature which regulates a county office and which by its terms limits its operation to counties having a population of 50,000 "according to the census of 1900," the court holds is local and special in its application, since it can never apply to any other counties than the two which were in the class at the time of the passage of the act. The act applied to Lancaster and Douglas Counties only. . . .

Chief Clerk Harnley, of the office of the state superintendent is at work compiling the reports of the county superintendents to be used in the biennial report to be issued from that office. Nearly all of the reports for the year ending July, 1904, have been received and will be ready for the printer by Nov.

1. The compilation of the report of the county superintendents for 1903 has been completed and is now ready for the printer. This report shows the expenditures for maintaining all the public schools in the state during the year amounted to \$5,360,136.73, less \$841,-907.17, which is still on hand. The great item of expense was \$2,313,469.19 paid to female teachers, while the male teachers were paid \$608,708.79. For buildings and sites there was paid out \$270,965.80; for text books and pupils' supplies, \$193,739.63. There were actually necessary 9,111 teachers and there were employed 1,490 men and 7,819 women teachers. The men received an average monthly salary of \$52.03 and the women \$40.84 or a general average of

The report of the condition of the state banks at the close of business Aug. 23, just compiled by Chief Clerk Dodson, of the banking board, is most gratifying. The increase of deposits over the amount reported May 14 is \$2,282,130.92 and the increase over the report of Sept. 5, 1903, is nearly \$1,750,000, Banks held on the date of the report a reserve of 37 1-5 per cent, which is 3 per cent higher than the reserve held May 13. The number of depositors has increased over the last report 5,344, there being a total of 127,-570 depositors. Eight banks failed to report this item. The number of banks reporting was 515, the greatest number since the organization of the banking board.

City Engineer Campen, of Lincoln, has been digging up a few figures for a Jim Malone's bloodhounds were taken government statistician. He finds that to the farm of William Jaeshke, seven on March 31, 1904, the city had a total miles north of Rayenna, to trail some of 585,775 square yards of paving. Of men who have been stealing and break- this there were 71,365 square yards of ing up Jaeshke's machinery. The hounds old cedar blocks, \$1,748 square yards of took the scent at once and went direct to asphalt, 421,329 square yards of brick the farm of Carl Coffer, who, with his and 12,310 square yards of stone blocks. farm hand, Tony Worzok, was arrested Since that date contracts have been let and taken to Loup City. Each denied for 36,000 square yards of paving, mostany knowledge of the theft, but several ly asphalt, and of this amount 13,000 of the stolen articles were located at square yards go in where old cedar blocks have been taken up.

It is due to an oversight on the part of counsel for the Rock Island Railroad Company at Plattsmouth that that company will not be permitted to fight a judgment for \$2,365 obtained against it for the death of Henry J. Hennings. Suit was brought against the company by William Spoler as representative and next of kin of the Hennings heirs and judgment for the amount stated was secured by a decree of the district court in Cass County of date Dec. 2, 1903.

Jas. Young, the colored race horse driver who shot and killed Sam Winters at the state fair at Lincoln, has been bound over to the district court without bond on a charge of murder in the first degree. Max Wagner, who was shot at the same time, testified that Young had discharged Winters and that the latter went to the stall in which Young was sleeping to settle up with him. When Winters made the request for the money due him, Wagner stated Young said: "I shoot you," and at once began to shoot.

Capt. Hungate, of the First regiment, stationed at Weeping Water, has made application and has been appointed to attend the military medical school at Washington, which begins Oct. 1. In all there were seven applicants to take advantage of the government's offer of a free tuition in this school, but Capt. Hungate is the only one who intends to take advantage of his appointment.

Reports received from Kearney by the state normal board are to the effect that work on the building is progressing nicely. Three-fourths of all the blocks have been made and are ready to be put in use. The building has gone to that height that it is now ready for the joists for the first floor. It is not probable, however, that it will be completed this fall.

The state board of public lands and buildings has awarded the contract for hadding the barn at the Hastings asylum to Richey Bros. for \$3,672, they being the lowest bidders.

The city of South Omaha secured a reversal in the case of Sarah McGavock, who sought in the lower courts to recover taxes paid under protest. The South Omaha charter of 1889 allows taxes to be paid before delinquency, under protest, and gives the right to recover the same back from the city if illegal. The court decides that a person seeking to take advantage of this provision must bring himself within the terms of the statutes by paying the taxes before the whole amount is delinquent, otherwise he cannot recover.