

BIG STRIKE BROKEN

TROUBLE ON NEW YORK IETTER-URBAN ABOUT OVER.

Men Seek Their Old Places—Motor-men, as a Rule, Are Supplanted—Strikebreakers from Other Cities Have Largely Been Successful.

New York: Although the local leaders are continuing the fight, despite the fact that national leaders have repudiated their action in calling the men out, the strike outsideway and elevated railway systems has passed the acute stage, and trains were run Friday with little delay.

There was no general rush back of the old employes, but the men slowly weakened and there was a steady stream passing into the company's office all day.

The officials were most discriminating, and while many of the conductors and ticket sellers were taken back, few positions were found for motormen, it being feared that some damage might be done to the company's property.

Discouragement, discontent and upbraiding of their leaders characterized the slyly attended meetings of the strikers.

BIG FIRE AT NORFOLK.

Davenport's Cold Storage Plant Totally Destroyed.

Norfolk, Neb.: The cold storage plant here owned by the Davenport Bros., of Sioux City, Ia., was completely destroyed by fire Friday afternoon.

The fire started in one of the rooms on the second floor, where there was a stove. There was no one in the building during the noon hour, at which time the fire started.

Five hours after the fire started the walls collapsed in a heap. A terrific wind fanned the flames, scattering firebrands in the air, and so endangered the Norfolk foundry, owned by E. A. Bullock, that another alarm was sent in.

It was the most spectacular fire seen in Norfolk since the insane hospital burned. The building contained 10,000 egg cases, 300 tons of ice and hundreds of barrels of apples, all of which were burned.

ASSASSINATION AT WICHITA.

J. C. Casey Shot and Killed by J. Oliver, a Creditor.

Wichita, Kan.: J. C. Casey, head of the Casey Wholesale Mercantile Company, was shot through the head and instantly killed by James Oliver Friday.

Oliver lost \$23,000 in the failure of the Casey & Garst Mercantile Company a few months since, and the misfortune preyed on his mind. He demanded his money when the firm was reorganized, and had several arguments with Casey over the loss.

Oliver slipped up behind him and fired three times without warning. Oliver walked to police headquarters and gave himself up. Casey was prominent in church circles and society.

EXPLOSION OF A BOMB.

Four Men and Four Women Are Killed in St. Petersburg.

London: The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphs as follows: At 4 o'clock Saturday morning an explosion in the center of the city at Vosnasky Prospect and Bolshoiarskai-hair, facing the Isaac cathedral, blew out the interior of an apartment house, killing four men and four women.

It undoubtedly was the accidental explosion of an anarchist bomb, killing those who intended to use it.

LIABILITIES, \$354,500; ASSETS, \$50

Springfield, Ill.: A petition in bankruptcy was filed Friday with the clerk of the United States district court by Tere A. Clark, a mining promoter of Quincy. He scheduled his liabilities at \$354,500 and assets at \$50.

The failure was due to mining ventures in Alabama, and his principal creditors were his partners.

FLOODS IN THE SOUTHWEST.

Albuquerque, N. M.: Santa Fe trains for the west are held at this point indefinitely. Heavy rains to the east and south have swollen all streams.

SIoux CITY STOCK MARKET.

Sioux City, Friday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Butcher steers, \$4.00@5.00. Top hogs, \$4.92 1/2.

Rudolph Granted a Respite.

Jefferson City, Mo.: Following the decision of the supreme court refusing to grant a rehearing to William Rudolph, convicted of the murder of Detective Charles Schumacher at Union, Mo., Gov. Folk Friday granted a respite of thirty days. Rudolph was sentenced to be hanged on March 17.

BUTCHERED BY SOMALIS.

Mombasa, British East Africa: It is reported that 9,000 Somalis attacked the town of Merka, on the Beidra coast, and annihilated the inhabitants.

THE CHADWICK CASE.

Trial of Noted Swindler is Drawing to a Close at Cleveland.

Cleveland, O.: Andrew Carnegie is now definitely out of the trial of Mrs. Chadwick. If she should be acquitted this time, Mr. Carnegie might appear at a subsequent trial, but as far as the existing case is concerned his pay is waiting for him and he is at liberty to go home.

United States Marshal Chandler Thursday made out a check for \$61.40 to Mr. Carnegie's order, and it is held in the marshal's office pending Mr. Carnegie's call for it. If he does not call it will be mailed to him.

The defense Thursday made a desperate effort to have the case taken from the jury and a verdict of acquittal rendered by the court. After arguments lasting through the greater part of the day Judge Taylor, just prior to the afternoon adjournment, overruled the motion.

The defense also attacked two counts of the indictment and asked that certain parts of the testimony offered by the government be stricken out. An admission from the judge that he did not regard the two counts as "good" was the extent of the satisfaction secured by the defense.

The acquittal of the defendant was asked on the ground that the indictment charged her with conspiring to commit an offense against the United States in that she conspired with Beckwith and Spear to certify illegally checks of the Oberlin bank.

THE STANFORD MYSTERY.

Coroner's Inquest Not Likely to Throw Light on It.

Honolulu: The fact that Bertha Berner and May Hunt, secretary and maid respectively of the late Mrs. Stanford, will not leave Honolulu on the Pacific Mail Company's steamer China, but will remain until the sailing of the Oceanic Steamship Company's vessel Alameda, is due to police instructions to the two women.

High Sheriff Henry continues to hold out positively against the theory of suicide.

The inquest will be resumed, but the testimony to be given will probably be unimportant. It is possible that the verdict will be delayed to allow of other hearings, and it is considered possible that the death of Mrs. Stanford was the result of strychnine poisoning, "taken in some manner to the jury unknown."

NEW BLOW FOR OIL MEN.

Trust Order Regarding Purchase of Kansas Product.

Independence, Kan.: The Prairie Oil and Gas Company, the Kansas branch of the Standard Oil Company, has issued an order to the effect that hereafter no Kansas oil testing below 30 degrees gravity will be bought by the company.

This affects nearly two-thirds of the Kansas product. The order is characterized as the hardest blow yet struck by the Prairie company at the Kansas oil producers.

John O'Brien, vice president of the Prairie company, in explaining the order, said: "Oil below 30 degrees gravity is undesirable. It has no value for refining purposes and it is impossible to find a market for fuel."

SENATOR BATE IS DEAD.

Noted Tennessean's Death Due to Exposure.

Washington: Senator Bate, of Tennessee, died at his apartments at the Elbit House at 6 o'clock Thursday morning. Pneumonia and a defective heart were the cause. He was aged 78 years.

Bate attended the inauguration ceremonies on the 4th. His death is believed to be due primarily to exposure on that occasion. He suffered a slight chill on that day, but continued his official duties and occupied his seat in the senate last Tuesday. He became suddenly ill at the dinner table that evening and was put to bed. His condition became steadily worse, and all hope for his recovery was given up.

HAD A GOOD GRAFT.

San Francisco, Cal.: Albert Beverly, Mrs. Stanford's former butler, has made a statement to the police, it is said, to the effect that in all, by means of "rake downs" and commissions, he had "grafted" about \$2,100. He reiterates his story that he divided his "rake down" with Miss Berner, Mrs. Stanford's secretary, and that her share amounted to between \$1,000 and \$1,100. The police are working on the theory that these stories may disclose a motive for killing Mrs. Stanford.

TO INVESTIGATE BOODLING.

Jefferson City, Mo.: Judge Martin, of the Cole County court, Friday made an order for a special grand jury to convene here on next Tuesday for the purpose of investigating charges of boodling in connection with the breeders' law repeal bill, which passed the senate Thursday, and for other legislative boodling charges.

ONE WORD CAUSES A STRIKE.

Terre Haute, Ind.: Because they differed with their employers as to the meaning of the word "persistent," 175 miners in the Jackson hill district struck Thursday. "Persistent" loading of dirty coal is prohibited by contract. The operators contend the loading of three cars a week is "persistent." The same trouble is being experienced at other mines and more men may be called out.

GEOGRAPHERS WANT DEAD MAN.

Philadelphia, Pa.: Stephen Girard has been invited to become a member of the National Geographical Society. The invitation was received Thursday at a meeting of the board of directors of the city trusts. Mr. Girard died 74 years ago.

ARRESTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT.

St. Louis: On the charge of having embezzled \$400 of money order and postal funds, Wright A. Salter, postal clerk at the Planters Hotel sub-station, was arrested following an investigation of his accounts. According to the police Salter made a confession, stating that he had lost the money pool room betting.

HAS CANCER; KILLS HIMSELF.

Racine, Wis.: Joseph Lindemann, a retired capitalist, committed suicide here Thursday because he was suffering from cancer.

MEETING HOUSE WRECKED.

One Person Killed and Twenty-Six Injured.

Salt Lake City, Utah: An explosion of illuminating gas in the cellar of the Mormon meeting house at Granger, fourteen miles southwest of Salt Lake City, caused the death of one young woman, seriously injured twenty-six other persons, mostly young women and children. The meeting house was wrecked.

While the Granger Mutual Improvement Association was in session the lights went out. A boy went into the cellar with a lamp to see what was wrong and the explosion followed. Miss Nellie MacKay, the church organist, who was standing directly over the gas tank, received the full force of the explosion and was killed. A panic ensued among the audience, and in their efforts to escape many who had not been injured by the explosion were trampled upon.

HUNDREDS PERISH IN FLAMES.

In Native Craft Packed Together at Celebration of New Year.

Hongkong: Three hundred persons perished in a fire some time ago among the native craft of Wanchow, in the province of Kwangsee, 180 miles above Canton, where thousands had congregated to celebrate the new year.

An immense number of celebrants were living aboard sampans and junks, which were packed on the river. Fire that was used for cooking ignited a boat and the flames spread to the vessels on all sides. The blazing craft drifted from their moorings and set fire to the bamboo piers. Thousands fought the fires, but they were helpless. The exact number of persons burned to death or drowned may never be known.

DEADLOCK IS INDICATED.

Solution of Colorado gubernatorial Contest Not in Sight.

Denver: Proceedings of the joint convention of the general assembly Wednesday indicate a deadlock in the gubernatorial contest.

Twenty-two Republican members joined forces with the Democrats on a test vote, and three Republicans, it is said, have agreed to stand together in favor of seating Lieut. Gov. Jesse McDonald as governor. There are forty-four other Republican members who can be depended upon, it is said, to vote for James H. Peabody, the testor.

This is five less than a majority. The Democratic vote of 31 on joint ballot will be cast solidly for Gov. Adams.

DEPORTED FOR THEFT AT SEA.

Liverpool Cattlemen, Who Rob Chicago Man on Steamer, Sent Back.

Boston, Mass.: Five cattle men were deported on the steamer Sackhen for Liverpool Wednesday charged with being thieves. They came over on the steamer Sardinian, and with them was Christopher W. Scott, traveling under the guise of a cattleman, but claiming to be a contractor of Chicago, returning thus because he had run short of funds. Scott was asleep one night when he heard some one going through his pockets.

The cattlemen were put in irons by the captain on the arrival of the steamer in Liverpool, and the prisoners will be turned over to the police.

DREW CHECKS; HAD NO MONEY.

Oberlin Bank Receiver Tells of Mrs. Chadwick's Operations.

Cleveland, O.: Another large crowd was present when the Chadwick trial was resumed Wednesday. Received Lyons, of the Oberlin bank, was again on the stand.

He was shown a number of checks drawn by Mrs. Chadwick and said the bank books did not show the woman had money to her credit on the dates the checks were drawn. He also testified Mrs. Chadwick had no credit on the books when two drafts for \$80,000 were drawn in her favor Aug. 24, 1903.

Flags Train; Will Get Medal.

Pittsburg, Pa.: As a recognition of his services for flagging a Baltimore and Ohio inaugural train on Sunday and preventing a terrible catastrophe, Thomas Bain, a coal digger of Shauer, will receive a medal of honor from the government. He was notified Wednesday that President Roosevelt would bestow the medal soon. The railroad will also recognize Bain's services.

Engineer Blamed for Wreck.

Pittsburg, Pa.: The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has placed the blame for the wreck at Clifton the other night, in which seven men were killed and thirty-two injured. In a statement Wednesday it declares the engineer of the second train ran past a signal. He testified smoke from a passing train obscured the light.

Record by Woman Bowler.

Omaha, Neb.: Mrs. S. Hunter, using the full weight, sixteen and one-half pound ball, has broken the women's western record by bowling the remarkable game of 256. The score was made in the last four successive games in the competition. She bowls a strong ball, and has more speed than most women bowlers.

QUADRUPLE MURDERER CONFESSES.

Danville, Ark.: James Ince, confessing that he is a quadruple murderer, was brought back to jail here Wednesday after a visit to the scene of the crime, near Whitley, fifteen miles southwest of here, where, confronted with the bodies of his wife and three children, he confessed his guilt.

WOMAN ILL FROM POISONED CANDY.

Pittsburg, Pa.: Postal authorities have been asked to trace the source of a box of lemon buns that had been widely poisoned and caused the death of a Mrs. Helen White, the wife of a prominent attorney. The box of candy was sent through the mails, and the package bore the postmark of New York.

NEGRO'S SENTENCE COMMUTED.

St. Louis: Gov. Folk Wednesday commuted the sentence of Fred Williams, a negro, sentenced to be hanged here on Friday, to life imprisonment. Williams was convicted of killing Luther Lewis in August, 1903.

TWO KILLED IN RAILROAD WRECK.

Herrin, Ill.: George Raymond, of White Ash, was killed and Conductor Wm. Bastine was fatally injured, when a switch on the "Frisco" line flew open while a freight train was passing over it, causing a wreck.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Sensational Suicide at Omaha—Mrs. Chandler, Wife of Lieut. Chandler, U. S. A., Shoots Herself—Husband Had Refused to Live with Her.

It was discovered that the reason for the suicide of Mrs. Bessie Chandler at Omaha Friday night was because her husband, Lieut. T. B. Chandler, had sued for divorce. Mrs. Chandler was a niece of the governor of Maryland. According to testimony given before the inquest Mrs. Chandler said her life had been ruined by an officer of the army, a Capt. Kirkman, and that her husband refused to take her back again.

Lieut. Chandler, as well as Capt. Kirkman, are stationed at Fort Niobrara, Neb., where the latter is on trial before a court-martial on several charges. Mrs. Chandler had been at Fort Niobrara to testify before this court, and was returning to her parents at Baltimore, when she stopped at Omaha and committed suicide.

Mrs. Chandler visited a hardware store, purchased a revolver, and asked the salesman how to use the weapon. This was shown her and she returned to the hotel. Late in the evening she clipped a curl from her little boy's head and, after placing it in an envelope, which she addressed to her husband, she sent the boy from the room on a pretext. A few minutes later she fired the shot which ended her life.

A dispatch from Fort Niobrara says that Capt. G. W. Kirkman, who is involved in the suicide of Mrs. Chandler in Omaha, made two unsuccessful attempts at suicide. He cut the arteries in one arm with a pocket knife. He is closely guarded.

YOUNG COUPLE ELOPE.

Farmer's Daughter Runs Away with the Hired Man.

Miss Cora Ruger, the 15-year-old daughter of Jacob Ruger, a prosperous farmer east of Coleridge, eloped last Friday night with the son of a neighbor, John Reynolds, aged 23. Young Reynolds had been staying at the Ruger home working for his board, and Friday night he and the girl started ostensibly for a dance at a neighboring farmer's. Not returning by the next morning, the anxious and irate father began seeking their whereabouts. He found they had not attended the dance at all, and now, much alive to the serious condition facing him, began a search for the runaway couple.

The county sheriff at Hartington was notified and the information given out that \$100 would be spent in discovering the elopers. In his anxiety to follow the lost one the father left home Saturday, and Monday Mrs. Ruger was in Coleridge hunting for him.

Vandals Shoot at Railroad Trains.

The Burlington officials have for some time been endeavoring to locate parties in the vicinity of Humboldt who have recently fired shots at their trains, but so far apparently without success. On three different occasions doors and window panes have been shattered by this means. The trouble started last fall when a stone was thrown through a vestibule door on the famous speed corn special at the east end of the yards at Humboldt. This occurred in broad daylight, but the offender was never found.

Fish Froze to Death.

Since the ice has broken up in Gibson's lake east of Nebraska City, thousands of dead fish have floated to the shore. Among the dead fish are hundreds of fine bass and crappie. Many of the bass weigh from four to six pounds each. For over one mile along the east shore of the lake are dead fish extending from six to ten feet out on the frozen ice. It is claimed that the fish were frozen to death during the cold weather this winter.

Quail Sent as Sauer Kraut.

Game Warden Carter intercepted two barrels of "samerkraut" in Greeley County, and discovered that the heads and bottoms were false, and the interior space was packed with quail. The commission was made to St. Louis commission firm. The shippers will be arrested, but their names have not been divulged.

Brakeman Killed.

W. P. Threndkell, of Lincoln, was run over and instantly killed in the Burlington yards there at 8 o'clock Tuesday night by a freight train. Threndkell was employed as a brakeman and in making a coupling it is supposed he caught his foot in a frog and fell under the wheels. His body was badly mangled. The dead man was about 30 years of age.

Fine Church Dedicated.

The new Methodist church bell at MeCook Sunday night pealed out the fact that the entire debt of the church, \$4,000, had been subscribed and that the splendid place of worship had been formally dedicated. The church is the handsomest in Southwestern Nebraska and cost \$12,000.

Money for River Improvements.

A Washington special says that the river and harbor bill passed by congress appropriates \$175,000 for the Missouri River, of which \$90,000 is to be expended between the mouth and Sioux City, and \$85,000 above Sioux City.

Buffalo Bill is Heard.

The taking of depositions on behalf of Wm. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) in his petition for a divorce was begun at Omaha Monday. Cody himself gave testimony. The hearings are not open to the public.

Recovery is Expected.

Howard Beymer, the brakeman who was run over by a car two weeks ago at West Point, and who was at first reported to be so badly hurt that he would lose his life, is getting along as well as could be expected, and conditions seem to point to his ultimate recovery.

Frank Henry is Pardon.

Gov. Mickey has commuted the six-year sentence of Frank Henry, of Antelope County, and he will be released March 15. The prisoner has served two years and has contracted tuberculosis.

LUCAS ON TRIAL FOR LIFE.

Charged with the Murder of Clyde Lester Last December.

The trial of John R. Lucas, who shot Clyde Lester last December, is now in full blast at Holdrege.

The story brought out by the testimony was to the effect that Lester on the morning of Dec. 6 came across the field from a neighbor's, where he had been staying, to the Lucas place. The Lucas residence and barn are on opposite sides of a road or lane, with a fence on both sides of the road. Lucas was on the road and Lester came from the east. Lucas ordered Lester to halt while he was still in the east field. He came on in spite of the warning, and while in the roadway Lucas fired and Lester fell forward. All this time Lucas remained in the west field several feet from the fence. Lester was unarmed and had done nothing except to walk toward Lucas.

The defense admits the shooting, but it was claimed it was done in self-defense. Several witnesses told of conversations with Lester in which Lester made threats against Lucas on account of the failure to pay wages which Lucas owed Lester for work.

NERVY ROBBERS.

Officers Had No Warrant, So Bandits Quietly Walked Away.

The Beatrice bloodhounds, it has developed, traced the Doniphan robbers to the wrong rendezvous. Instead of the robbers having gone six miles east to the home of Mr. Nichols, the goods were discovered in an abandoned barn several miles in another direction from Doniphan by two men, who had stored some hay there and went to get it.

A watch was set and in the night two men approached the barn. The watchmen demanded the men to stop and stated that they were wanted. "Have you a warrant?" asked one of the men. A reply was made by one of the watchmen and it was in the negative. Thereupon the men leisurely walked off and have made their "getaway."

SERIOUS TROUBLE FEARED.

Melting Snow Causes the Loup River to Rise Rapidly.

Reports from railroad offices in Lincoln on Thursday say the Loup River is on the rampage and serious trouble is feared if the warm weather continues. The ice has begun to go out without melting perceptibly, and a great gorge has formed at Ravenna, which threatens to cause a flood. Pleasanton and Pool Siding are both under water. One bridge has gone out and railroad men are looking for trouble.

Gorges are forming in the Platte River at Grand Island and Plattsmouth. The fast melting snow is pouring a great volume of water in the streams.

FATAL SHOOTING.

William Quackenbush Accidentally Killed by William Pluckrett.

William Quackenbush, son of David Quackenbush, was killed Sunday afternoon near his home eight miles northwest of Beatrice by the accidental discharge of a shotgun. He was standing near William Pluckrett, who had just finished reloading his gun, when the weapon was discharged, blowing the top of his head off.

Quackenbush was 29 years old and leaves a widow and one child. He was a brother of Ed Quackenbush, county attorney of Nemaha County.

A Peculiar Accident.

A peculiar accident was the explosion Saturday of a gun carried by David Hurt, who was hunting in company with Edward Linscum along the Nemaha bottoms, near Humboldt. Both took a shot at a flock of ducks and their positions caused the guns to cross, the charge from Linscum's striking the barrel of Hurt's gun about midway just as the latter pulled the trigger. The damaged weapon exploded, scattering steel in all directions, but fortunately neither of the boys was hurt.

Trapping Not Played Out.

For several years past it has been the general impression that trapping in Nebraska, and especially along the Missouri River, had played out, but a bill of sale from a large fur house in the east to Ralph J. White for his catch for one week seems to tell a different story. During the second week in February, he says, he averaged over 85 per day, and among the furs taken were six mink, which netted him something over \$3,500 each, the entire shipment amounting to \$25,450.

Kirkman Attempts Suicide.

Capt. G. W. Kirkman, who is under arrest at Valentine, being tried on charges that may result in his dismissal from the army, tried to commit suicide after he was informed of the suicide of Mrs. Bessie Chandler in Omaha. He took morphine and also opened the arteries in his wrist, but was thwarted in his intentions.

Fire at Lynch.

Fire started in the Nebraska Hotel at Lynch at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning, completely destroying a block of buildings, including the Walters Hotel, Thompson's barber shop and Dr. Jellig's office. The Walters Hotel guests escaped. The fire is thought to have been of incendiary origin. The loss is about \$8,000, partially insured.

Farmer Dies in the Field.

Mr. Vasek, an aged Bohemian farmer, who resided twelve miles southeast of Leigh, was found dead in a pasture near his home Saturday morning. He was near a little stream in a sitting posture. The cause of his death was given as heart failure. Deceased carried \$7,000 life insurance.

Boyd County to Issue Bonds.

A Butte special says that the proposition to bond Boyd County for \$60,000 was carried by a safe majority.

Died from Measles.

Mrs. James Gish died at her home near Holmestown, aged 39 years. Her death was caused from measles, seven children of the family having just recovered from the disease. This is the first fatality in that locality from measles.

Brothers-in-Law Quarrel.

Goin Schnorr and Louis Trout, brothers-in-law, became involved in a quarrel at Grand Island. Trout first struck Schnorr and the latter retaliated by an attack with a pocketknife, inflicting several wounds on his relative.



One of the notable events of this week in the house will be the inevitable fight on H. R. 255, the committee bridge bill. This measure is held up as the embodiment of all the best features of every bridge bill yet introduced, comprising the Kyd bill, which was killed in its entirety. The farmers of the legislature have formed a sort of organization with the pledge to co-operate for legislation calculated to benefit their interests and the passage of this bill is one of their chief objects. But like other such organizations, this one has its weak spots and it looks extremely doubtful if the unanimity of sentiment manifested at the meetings of this society will develop into tangible action when the issue comes. A bitter fight is being made by those opposed as well as those in favor of this bill. Each side insists it has good grounds for its position. The friends of the bill say if passed it will result in the abolition of the bridge contractors' graft, and the bridge men say it will simply make it impossible for them to do business to a certain extent.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars annually saved to the state and state warrants taken out of the hands of speculators is the object sought and which State Treasurer Mortenson believes will be accomplished if the legislature passes a bill introduced by the revenue and taxation committee. The measure had its origin with Mr. Mortenson and all those who have studied it carefully believe in its mission. Briefly, the bill provides that no warrant drawn upon the auditor of state shall be entitled to registration until the owner shall have paid a registration fee to the state treasurer, the fee to amount to 1 per cent. For instance, the bill stipulates that the fees on warrants of \$50 or less shall be 50 cents, and 50 cents for each additional \$50 or fraction thereof. These fees shall be applied to the general fund. The bill, however, provides that no fee shall be charged for warrants bought by order of the board of educational lands and funds from the educational trust funds of the state.

Although the law against enlarging the supreme court commission from three to six members has passed the legislature and been signed by the governor, there does not seem to be much of a scramble among lawyers to nail one or more of the \$2,500 a year positions. The terms of the three commissioners now on the bench, Oldham, Letton and Ames, expire April 1, but it is thought that they will all be reappointed by the three judges of the supreme court. Inasmuch as the unanimous consent of the three supreme court judges is necessary for the appointment of commissioners, it is expected that two of the three new judges will be Republicans and the other either a Democrat or a Populist, as Supreme Judge Holcomb may decide. It is expected that appointments will be made this month, but the new jobs will hardly be filled actually before April 1, when the salary begins.

Deputy Game Warden Hunger Saturday succeeded in capturing two barrels of birds which were being shipped out of the state illegally. The barrels were labeled "sauer kraut," and as soon as the German representative of Game Warden Carter got sight of those barrels he began to sniff and sniff just because he liked the smell. But the odor was not there and the deputy began an investigation. The barrels contained 207 chickens and fourteen quail, which he promptly confiscated. The game was shipped in from Greeley County, but so far the offenders have not been located.

Among the last official acts of Postmaster General Wynne, which will endure to the people of Nebraska, was his official signature to the order re-establishing a headquarters of the rural free delivery service at Omaha. When it