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IN A FIERCE BATTLE

TWO GUARDS AND A CONVICT KILLED AT JEFFERSON CITY.

Four Convicts, Armed with Guns and Nitroglycerin, Make a Break for Liberty-Running Fight in the Street-Presence of Guns a Mystery

A Jefferson City, Mo., special says: A desperate attempt to escape from the state penitentiary was made by four convicts at 3:15 Friday, resulting in a terrific battle with weapons and nitroglycerin a the prison gate, a running fight through the streets of Jefferson City and the final capture of the four convicts, two of whom were shot, one being killed. Two prison officers were shot dead and a third was severely wounded.

The dead are John Clay, a gatekeeper A. Allison, officer of the commissary department, and Convict Hiram Blake.

The wounded are Deputy Warden R E. See, shot in the arm and hip, and Harry Vaughn, convict, St. Louis, shot in arm.

Mutineers captured unhurt: George Ryan, from St. Louis and Charles Raymond.

Warden Matt Hall, Yardmaster Porter Gilvin and five prison guards departed Friday morning for Fort Leavenworth, Kan., on a special train conveying seventy-one federal prisoners, who were being transferred from the Missouri state penitiary to the government prison at Fort Leavenworth. It is believed that this fact had much to do with the outbreak Friday, as it is asserted that the convicts had counted on Warden Hall's absence in their premeditated attempt to escape.

There was not the slightest premonition of any trouble within the prison walls, Suddenly Convicts Harry Vaughn, Charles Raymond, Hiram Blake, George Ryan and Eli Zeigler, who were working in close proximity to the prison gate, inside the inclosure, as if by given signal, made a rush for the gate. From their pockets they drew pistols and it is presumed that at least one of them carried a bottle of nitroglycerin. Where these weapons and explosive were obtained has not yet been ascertained.

Rushing past the gate they entered Deputy Warden See's office and shot him as he sat in his chair. The shooting of Gateman Clay and Guard Allison followed.

Placing the nitroglycerin under the gate they blew an opening through the massive doors and before the smoke cleared away they had dashed past a number of "trusty" convicts working in the street and ran madly for twelve blocks. Jumping into a wagon they seized the

driver, Orville Lane, and held him to act as a shield from the bullets of their pursuers. One of the convicts lashed the horse into a run.

Then followed one of the most desperate street battles that ever took place in the annals of escaping convicts in Jefferson City. The policemen jumped behind trees and shot with telling effect, splintering the wagon and finally putting a bullet through one of the convicts, who fell to the ground. Thereupon, seeing that death was inevitable and further resistance useless, the convicts surrendered.

BODY FOUND IN TRUNK.

Horrible Murder Discovered at

Albany, N. Y. What appears to be a murder committed nearly two weeks ago, and peculiarly ghastly in its details, was discovered at Albany, N. Y., when the badly decomposed body of Mrs. John Hammon was found wedged in a trunk in a second story room of her home. The trunk stood in the fireplace and the body within was covered with quicklime, which was scattered about the three rooms comprising the flat, and the cover of the trunk was propped open with the evident idea of having the pdors of decomposition escape up the

John Hammon, the woman's husband. has not been seen for nearly two weeks. He is 25 years of age and a cabinetmaker. The dead woman was 57 years old.

Explosion in Tunnel.

Seventeen men at work in the tunnel which the Long Island road is excavating from Long Island City to the foot of Forty-second Street, New York, were injured Friday morning by the explosion of a stick of dynamite at the foot of a seventyfoot shaft. Six of the men were removed to a hospital.

Cabinet Will Not Resign. It is understood the result of Friday's cabinet council at London, which was in session two hours, was the rejection of proposal for the collective resignation of the cabinet. It was decided to be the best to dissolve parliament and themselves appeal to the electorate.

Sioux City Stock Market. Friday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Stockers and feeders. \$2.85@3.00. Top hogs, \$4.70.

Fights Anti-Cigarette Law. Judge W. D. McHugh, of Omaha, has announced that he will assail the anticigarette law in the supreme court. He will appeal the case of "Pat" Raymond. of Lincoln, recently fined \$50. The law was recently pronounced valid by the supreme court judges.

Attack Japanese Government. At Tokio the agitation against the gov ernment for its non-abrogation of martial law and its suppression of the liberties of the press is gaining strength.

BALFOUR TO QUIT.

Early Resignation Now Considered Received Commissions on His Own Certain.

Tremendous activity developed in political circles in London Thursday consequent on the circulation of a well founded report that Premier Balfour had decided to bring his ministry to a close and to directly or indirectly appeal to the country. Rumors regarding the resignation of the cabinet and the dissolution of parliament have been thick for three months past, but when two of the leading government organs Thursday, almost in the same terms, suggested the immediate resignation of the premier on account of the unmendable breach in the unionist party over the fiscal question, the "suggestion" was looked upon as having been instigated by Mr. Balfour himself.

This was strengthened by the knowleage that prior to the publication of the editorials Mr. Balfour met certain influential persons at his official residence in Downing Street. These two facts when coupled led to the belief that the premier had intimated at the conference his intention to resign, and as he had just re- ting business. turned from a visit to King Edward at Windsor castle it was believed that his majesty had been informed of Mr. Balfour's intentions.

Beyond this there is not the slightest official confirmation of the report. All political interest now centers in the next cabinet meeting, at which it is understood the situation will be discussed.

Should Mr. Balfour resign, the liberals will be invited to form a government, parliament will meet for a few days' session, and a general election will occur early in the new year. The political situation was so radically altered during the porters no longer argue that Mr. Balfour has a sufficiently united party at his back to again meet parliament with the object of initiating any legislation to the public

On the stock exchange a definite announcement of the resignation of the cabinet is expected at any time, and the whole market Thursday was flat in con-

The liberals are inclined to resent Mr. Balfour's resignation at the present mo- entitled to it. ment. They contend that the premier should remain in office a few weeks longer and himself dissolve parliament and appeal to the country. The liberals see no reason why the present opposition should but themselves to the inconvenience of forming a government in the

BATTLE IN A SALOON.

New York Election Frauds Cause of a Tragedy.

Election frauds are believed by the police to have caused the murder at New York Wednesday night of W. F. Harrington in the Little Naples dance hall, and also the probably fatal injuries of Abraham Juckerman.

From paper found on the dead man, and from information obtained from nine prisoners, the police learned the quarrel started over election matters. One of the prisoners had a marked ballot

of the last election in his pocket. Harrington was killed in the bar-room of the Little Naples during a revolver battle, which left the floors spotted with blood and riddled the pictures on the

SULTAN WARNS THE POWERS Danger of Uprising Against Chris-

tians if Warships Appear. A Paris special says: Turkey's note in reply to the ultimatum of the powers contains a warning that the action of the powers in resorting to a naval demonstration may precipitate an internal uprising of Mussulmans against the Christian population of Turkey.

This is considered to be a threat, as it is known no demonstration of Mussulmans against the Christians can occur unless it has the silent acquiescence of the Turkish authorities. The Turkish reply gives a serious turn to the negotia-

Report of the Devlin Estate.

The report of the C. J. Devlin receivers appointed by the United States district court in the bankruptcy proceedings of the Kansas coal magnate was made at Topeka, Kan., Wednesday, and showed: Total assets, \$4,956,948; total liabilities, \$4,592,208. The contingent liabilities were estimated at \$674,639.

Stone is Thrown at Ito.

A delayed message from Seoul says While the Marquis Ito was in his train Tuesday evening returning from a shooting trip with Minister Hayashi and the members of their suites, the window of the car in which he was riding was smashed by a stone, and he sustained three slight scratches from broken glass.

Young Field May Live.

The condition of Marshall Field, Jr., of Chicago, who was accidentally shot Wednesday night while cleaning a gun. was reported Thursday morning as somewhat improved. His chances for recovery are slightly better.

California Bank Robbed. Robbers broke into a Japanese bank at Los Anegeles, Cal., Wednesday night and took cash amounting to \$15,000.

A New Japanese Loan. A new Japanese loan of \$125,000,000 will, it is officially announced at London, be issued Nov. 28.

Murderer Ends Lite.

The body of William H. Jones, who Wednesday night shot and killed Harry Britton and wounded Frank Britton at Nyack, N. Y., was found Thursday morning near the scene of the murder. He had shot himself.

Trains Collide in a Fog.

Near Albion, Ind., five men were killed and one fatally injured Thursday in a head-on collision between work and grav el trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Rail boad. The trains collided in a dense fog. injured, somefatally.

TARBELL TOOK ALL.

Insurance.

After being on the witness stand before the Armstrong legislative committee on insurance investigation for the greater part of three days at New York, Gage E. Tarbell, second vice president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, finished his testimony Wednesday and just before adjournment submitted a list of suggestions for the remedy of existing abuses in the management of insurance companies and for legislation designed to give the state proper control over the companies and to insure the confidence of the policyholders. Prominent among these suggestions was absolute publicity.

While admitting that wrong had been done by life insurance officials Mr. Tarbell said he had no apologies to make for any of them and that he hoped they would be punished.

Mr. Tarbell was on the stand the entire day and was questioned as to the system of agencies and the commissions and oth er comensations allowed them for get

Just before the recess the fact was brought out that Mr. Tarbell had taken out insurance on his life and on members of his family and had received the agent's commission on the premiums as well as renewal commissions. He said that since he became an officer he had taken out \$200,000 on his own life in the Equitable. Besides his policies in the Equitable he had taken insurance in the New York Life, the arrangement being made with George W. Perkins, and on this, too, he had received the commission on the premiums. He had also a policy in the Actna and in the Travelers, on which he collast week that even the government sup- lected the commissions. He said he carried \$400,000 on his own life and \$100,-000 on members of his family.

Mr. Tarbell was emphatic in denouncing the system of rebating by agents and stated that any agent of the Equitable who rebates to get business was dis-

When he told of getting the commissions, Assemblyman Cox asked if that was not rebating, and Mr. Tarbell said it was not and that he thought he was

Later when Mr. Hughes took up this same subject the witness justified the taking of commissions as being similar to a merchant who purchased goods of a fellow merchant in the same line perhaps to fill an order and got those goods at cost, or of a professional man treating another and charging less than the regular fees. Mr. Tarbell further said that if he had done wrong he was sorry, but that he had acted in good faith.

A PERILOUS TRIP.

Explorer Wallace is Successful in Crossing Labrador.

A St. Johns, N. F., dispatch says: Letters Wednesday from Dillon Wallace, the Labrador explorer and New York lawyer, contained the news that he had successfully crossed Labrador.

Wallace is the first white man who ever crossed Labrador without either guides or Indian assistants. With Wallace was a companion named Easton. The letters said both were well and had plenty of provisions when they reached

the province of Ungava, Oct. 16. In 1904 Wallace went with Leonidas Hubbard's ill-fated expedition. Hubbard. whose purpose was to cross Labrador, lost his life from starvation, and Wallace was found by a rescuing party after he had fallen exhausted in the snow.

Although the most perilous part of Wallace's trip has been completed, he still has before him winter travel by snow shoes before he reaches civilization.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Partner of the Late C. J. Devlin Swallowed Poison.

W. E. Thomas, associate of the late C. J. Devlin at Leavenworth, Kan., swallowed carbolic acid Tuesday night. He has a fair chance for recovery.

Thomas, besides being associated with C. J. Devlin in coal mine operations, was one of the principal stockholders in the defunct First National bank, of Topeka. Mr. Thomas had been in ill health since the failure of the Topeka bank and the failure of Devlin interests, as he was heavily involved, his liabilities being about \$480,000 and his assets about \$175,000.

Courtmartial Begun.

The courtmartial proceedings in the trial of Midshipman Miner Meriwether, Jr., on three charges connected with the death of Midshipman James R. Branch, with whom he engaged in a fist fight at Annapolis, Md., began Wednesday morning at the naval academy.

Lynching in Mississippi. Dave Sims, a negro, who shot and killed R. E. Jones Sunday night at Coahoma. Miss., was lynched by an armed mob at the scene of the crime shortly after mid-

night. Sims confessed the crime. May be Miss Reese's Slayer.

Frank Vochla was arrested at Chicago Wednesday morning on suspicion of being the murderer of Miss Maude Reese, the stenographer who was killed Tuesday night by a burglar.

Cresceus Sold for \$21,000.

Cresceus, the world's champion trotting stallion, with a record of 2:021/4, was sold at auction at New York Wednesday for \$21,000 to M. W. Savage, of Minne apolis.

School Girls Have Narrow Escape At Lawrence, Mass., four hundred school girls had a narrow escape Wednes-day from fire which broke out in the French parochial school. Twenty-five girls dropped from the third story and all but one were caught without injury.

Ammonia Pipe Explodes. An ammonia pipe at the plant of the Houston Packing Company, near Houston, Tex., exploded Wednesday morning. One negro was killed and seven others

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

Buys Poison and Disappears-Old Resident of Long Pine Believed to Have Taken His Life-Thought to be Mentally Unbalanced.

Utterly disheartened over a little do mestic quarrel John Kurtz, night foreman at the Northwestern shops and an old resident of Long Pine, Saturday night disappeared from home and had in his possession twenty grains of strychnine capsules purchased previous to his disappearance. With these, it is thought, he has ere this ended his life.

Saturday afternoon Kurtz returned home completely exhausted from overwork and the loss of two nights' sleep. Finding that one of his sons had failed during his absence from home to carry out some instructions with reference to some chores about the house, Kurtz undertook to punish the boy and met with resistance. Seizing a stick from a nearby woodpile Kurtz was on the verge of striking when the mother intervened. Kurtz then turned upon his wife and might have dealt summarily with her only for the arrival and intervention of some neighbors. Kurtz then went up town, purchased the strychnine and no clew to his whereabouts has since ben learned. Business men and many others have formed search parties and the town has been almost devoid of male inhabitants. A large party was formed, and, with the assistance of bloodhounds, the entire county was searched. It is thought the missing man has hidden himself in some remote place prior to ending his career. Others believe he has lost his mind and is aimlessly wandering about the country. He is 47 years old, sober and industrious and the father of five children. The Kurtz family is prostrated with grief.

NEWS AT DAKOTA CITY.

Work Has Been Commenced on the Great Northern Depot.

Work has been commenced on the Great Northern depot on the Sionx City Ashland connection at Dakota City. C. W. Kerrick & Co., of Minneapolis, are the contractors for depot buildings, as well as the fence along the right of way. A gang of nineteen arrived Wednesday from Minneapolis, and work on the depot building was commenced at once. The depot at Dakota City will be the first to be constructed along the new line. The fencing gang is now within two miles of Homer, and has removed its

headquarters to that point. GAGE ACCEPTS PART PAYMENT

County Attorney Takes Issue with Attorney General Brown.

R. J. Clancy of Omaha, tax commissioner for the Union Pacific road, paid in to the Gage County treasury \$6,381.50 as part payment of the taxes due the county from the company. The total amount due

is \$9,876.20. Although the attorney general made a ruling to the effect that to accept a part of the taxes will jeopardize the interests of the county in collecting the rmainder due, County Attorney Killen advised the treasurer to accept the amount tendered by Mr. Clancy.

A Costly Cigarette.

"Pat" Raymond, a Lincoln youth searcely more than 18 years of age, was fined \$50 on the charge of rolling a cigarette. Police Judge Cosgrove, who assessrecent decision of the supreme court sustaining the law, no lesser penalty could be assessed for a violation of the statute. Raymond did not have the money to pay the fine and the costs of the prosecution and he was committed to the county jail.

Gets a New Trial.

The life sentence of John R. Lucas, of Phelps County, is reversed by the supreme court and the case remanded for a new trial on the ground that there was employ, in a dispute over wages,

Randolph Bond Plan Lost.

At the special election held in Randolph to vote \$9,000 lighting bonds the proposition was lost. The vote was 114 for and 29 against, failing to carry by the necessary two-thirds majority of the electors. On July 11 the proposition carried, but some changes made it necessary to hold another election. Indecision as to the kind of a plant caused apathy in the

Indian Accidentally Shot.

While in a drunken condition near the Omaha agency Samuel White, 19 years old, accidentally shot William Walker, an aged Indian, with a revolver, the ball penetrating below the collar bone and coming out on the opposite side between the second and third ribs. Walker is in a brought to Beatrice from Wymore by critical condition.

Good Yield of Corn.

Corn husking in Cedar County is progressing rapidly, and ten days more of fine weather will see most of the corn in the cribs, and the yield will come up to expectations. The acreage for Cedar County is something over 118,000, and the average yield will be fully 40 bushels to the acre.

Paid \$160 an Acre. Geo. Carmack bought the Shafenberg

wenty acres of land adjoining Hartington, paying \$3,200, of \$160 per acer. This paid for land in that part of the county. | church at once.

Founder of Fremont Dying. Edwin H. Barnard, one of the men who aid out the town of Fremont and made the first settlement there in August, 1856,

is very low with paralysis of the brain

and his recovery is doubtful. He has al-

ways been prominent in business affairs. The Minister Was Egged. Sunday Rev. J. B. Wilson, a Methodist minister at Bladf, scored several of his congregation who became intoxicated at a wedding. Tuesday night he was "rotten egged" while returning home. His assailants are unknown.

SUICIDE AT PAPILLION.

John P. Rademan Sends Bullet Through His Head and Heart,

John P. Rademan, business manager of the Papillion Times, took his life in a room at the Arcade Hotel at Omaha some time between 8 o'clock Tuesday morning and the same hour Wednesday morning by shooting himself twice with a 32-caliber revolver. The indications are the man killed himself Tuesday, as when the door of the man's room was broken open the body was quite rigid. Letters left by Rademan indicated ill health prompted his action.

Rademan made careful preparations for the fatal moment by writing letters, one to the public, one to his wife at Papillion and a third to George P. Miller, one of the proprietors of the Papillion Times.

Rademan left his home Monday to visit his sick mother at Manning, Ia., returning by way of Omaha Tuesday morning. Rademan was 23 years old, and had been married one year to Miss Accia Whitted, of Papillion.

NEBRASKANS IN TROUBLE.

Mr. and Mrs George Schmidt, of Lincoln, Detrined in Russia.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schmidt, two wealthy citizens of Lincoln, are detained in Russia and the authorities refuse to allow them to return or even live together. They went to Russia to visit. As soon as they landed their papers were seized, their marriage certificate destroyed and Schmidt was sent to one colony and his wife to another.

They are both naturalized. They have three children at McCook. The friends of the couple have requested Senator Burkett to acquaint the Russian embassy at Washington with the facts.

FOUND TO BE INSANE.

Man Who Attacked Pierce Marshai Will be Sent to Hospital.

Authorities at the Nebraska insane hospital at Norfolk have received word from Pierce that Carl Liesaer, the man who pierced the body of Town Marshal Crippen, at Plainview a couple of weeks ago, to a depth of ten inches with an old German saber, and from the effects of which it was expected for a time that the officer come not recover, has been declared insane and will be taken to Norfolk as an inmate of the hospital. He is said to have gone insane over religion.

Crippen, the marshal, is getting along in fine shape and will recover.

SHOT DIVORCED WIFE. Nebraskan Then Fled and Killed

Himself When Cornered. At Aurora "Tobe" Dance the other night, after a quarrel with his divorced wife, shot her three times and left her supposedly dying at the home of her parents. He fled to the country and Sheriff Keumb later discovered him hiding in a corn field. Dance, when the sheriff approached, shot himself twice, dying in a

few moments. Doctors have succeeded in removing two of the bullets received by Mrs. Dance and it is said she may recover.

Alda Postoffice Robbed.

An Alda special says: Thursday night the postoffice and store of J. W. Modesitt were robbed. The robbers entered the store through a back window and broke the safe open, securing about \$300. Stamps to the value of \$29 were dropped near a back window in the hurry to get away. About \$650 in notes were found in a corn crib belonging to the Omaha Elevator Company in the morning. There is no clue to the robbers.

Beet Growers Dissatisfied.

A McCook special says: The dissatisfaction among raisers of beets in this section is such as to make it quite probaed the penalty, declared that under the ble that the industry will receive an ugly setback another year, unless better terms in several respects are secured from the factories, especially more liberality in the matter of receiving beets at the factory. Delay in taking them at the factory at present is a great annoyance, inconven-

ience and loss to the producers.

Tragic Death of a Child. The tragic killing of a happy little boy, playing with his father and mother in a corn field near Dorsey, is reported. Rosuch prejudice in the minds of certain land Dean Pickering was his name. His jurors that he should have been granted father and mother, because of the scarcithe change of venue for which he asked. Ity of corn huskers, were plucking corn. About a year ago Lucas shot and killed The little fellow hid under the wagon Clyde Lester, a man who had been in his and was caught by the wheel and mashed to death.

> Sad News for Tecumseh People. Robert Smiley and Mrs. Frank Lawrence, living near Tecumseh, have received word that their brother, George Smiley, and his wife were instantly killed and their daughter terribly injured in a railroad accident at a little town near Detroit, Mich.

Fell from His Wagon.

A workman in the quarries at Holmes ville fell from his wagon seven miles east of Beatrice and was found by Dr. Doran in an unconscious condition as he was being dragged along the road by his mule. The lines had become tangled in such a manner as to bind his feet.

Charged with Assault.

Marion Van Camp, 14 years old, was an officer, charged with assaulting an 8year-old girl named Trowning. He was ledged in jail and a complaint charging him with criminal asault was filed.

Lincoln Woman Found Dead. ella E. Duffy, a laundress 28 years old in the employ of Yule Bros., was found dead in her room at Lincoln. She was sitting in a chair when found. There was no evidence of the use of poison.

New Methodist Church.

A new Methodist church society has been organized at Crofton, with a membership of forty-three, and preparations is the highest price known to have been are being made for the building of a new

Artesian Flow Near Huron.

At the new Great Northern town of Winnebago, eight miles south of Homer. contractors who are boring a well for the railroad struck what apparently is a strong flow of artesian water at a depth of 305 feet. The water is now flowing to the surface at the rate of twenty gallons a minute.

Brakemaa Killed.

H. H. Peffer, a railway brakeman on the Northwestern, was killed by the cars near Crawford. His people live at Mankato, Minn., and have been notifie'



The problem of safekeeping public funds in Lincoln has reached an acute stage through the introduction in the city council of a resolution calling upon the treasurer to designate the banks in which he keeps the \$75,000 of city funds. So far he has failed to take any action in response to the resolution, but a consider able element among the taxpayers is demanding that he follow in the footsteps of Treasurer Mortensen by publishing monthly statement of the depositor banks with the balance in each. The city treasurer says that he is personalyy responsible for the public funds, because the absence of any law authorizing the use of depositories, and he does not be lieve it incumbent to disclose the where abouts of the funds, because his personal bond protects the city against loss. also turns over the interest, about \$2,000 having been ordered into the treasury of that account during the current year. It is claimed that the designation of depositories and the requirement of a bend would cause the banks to refuse to pay interest. In answer to this reply is made that the several banks in Lincoln are furnishing big bonds to the state, and, at present, have an average of less than \$10,000 state money, while they pay 2 per cent on monthly balances.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. H. W. Orr, of the new State Orthopedic hospital stated Saturday that there are now, twelve inmates, with many applications to be passed upon. A large amount of apparatus has been secured and two of the rooms in the east building at the home for the friendless have been fitted ut as wards. Several nurses are employed One day each week is devoted to operate tions. Two of the patients are children under the age of 2 years, each of whom is being treated for club feet. They are attended by their mothers, who are required to accompany children under the age of 2 years. One of the patients is 17-year-old girl. The age limit is 18 years, because of the impracticability of treating older persons for deformities! Three applicants for admission were from one family and their ages were well above 30 years.

Gov. Mickey has sent the following dispatch to Sampel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, at Pittsburg, Pa.:

"I cordially invite the American Federation of Labor to hold its next annual convention in Lincoln, Neb. The state and city will extend a hearty greeting and do all possible to make the meeting here both pleasant and profitable.'

The Lincoln boomers are hopeful they may be able to land several national conventions next year. Among other gatherings which are being sought for is the National Guard Association. It is urged that Lincoln could secure the latter meeting if it had a suitable armory in which to hold the session.

A mild kind of oil boom is stirring the circles of business men, who are planning to bore in the neighborhood of the insane hospital, southwest of the city. S. W. Burnham, of Yankee Hill, a suburb of Lincoln, has organized the Yankee Hill Development Company, which is now seeking to induce land owners to grant options on small tracts. If this is done, Mr. Burnham promises to have maching ery on the ground within sixty days to out down a 4,000-foot well.

A gang of convicts in charge of a civilian foreman from the state penitentiary is employed in constructing a cement driveway at the executive mansion. There are six men in the gang and they work with the material as though accustomed to it. The old driveway was badly worn and Gov. Mickey was determined to have a new one without paying the price demanded by private contractors.

The vacancy on the supreme court commission which will occur when Judge Let: ton assumes the place of Chief Justice Holcomb on the supreme bench is now being sought for by several candidates, the chief of whom are Representative E. B. Perry of Cambridge, and Judge Epperson, of Clay Center, both of the Fifth congressional district, which is insisting that the appointment ought to go to that

The authorities of the Lincoln hospital for the insane have made arrangements to transfer at an early date sixty patients to the Hastings asylum. This will relieve the congestion, which has been a serious factor in the proper management of the Lincoln institution, and will make it possible to give the remaining patients the proper care. Of those removed twens ty of the twenty-five will be women.

section.

The state board of education will meet at York Thursday evening, Nov. 23, The board will then accept the new western normal building at Kearney, the new chapel at the Peru normal and will probably turn over to the contractors the warrants for the balance of the work. The warrants had been held up by the auditos until the buildings could be completed.

Gov. Mickey, who inspected the institution for deaf and dumb at Omaha, said that he found it in good condition. He will make a tour of other state institutions during the fall. It is his policy to visit them at intervals in order to confer with their officials and see that they are properly conducted.

The friends of James Dillon, a Sarpf County man convicted of burglary in October, 1904, and sent to the penitentiary for three years, have applied to Gov. Mickey for a pardon. It is asserted that Dillon has conducted himself properly and has earned a pardon.

Members of the state board of public lands and buildings say that the inmates of most of the state institutions will have turkey and cranberry cause on Thanks. giving day, despite the high price demanded for the fowl. At some of the institutions the whole, or at least a partial supply of turkeys is produced. The purchases are made under special permits for fresh meat and do not specify the kind to be bought. Warden Beemer, of the state penitentiary has already entered into a tentative contract for enough geese to supply the 300 prisoners in his charge with Thanksgiving provender,