# SPECIAL RATE PERMITTED

## Burlington to Help Out in Section Where Corn Crop Failed.

## E PRESS COMPANIES TO REPORT

### Treasurer Files His Statement for December—Petition for Receiver for Mercantile Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The railway commission this afternoon gave the Burlington road permission to put in force emergency rates on corn in the Republican valley for the benefit of regions where the corn crop was almost a failure. The reduction is from 13 to 14 per cent.

The commission gave the express companies until tomorrow to file complete annual reports. Unless this is done the commission will instruct the attorney general to bring suit against all express companies that are delinquent.

The Union Pacific road was given permission to publish tariff rates from Omaha and other jobbing points in the state to stations on the newly completed North Platte line.

A new depot at the town of Pool has been completed and the citizens who asked the railway commission to help them get this needed facility have written to thank the commission.

**Wymore Battery Mustered Out.**

Adjutant General Charles F. Schwarz today issued an order mustering out Battery A, at Wymore, and providing for its reorganization as an infantry company, to be designated First separate infantry company and assigned to the Second battalion of the First regiment, Nebraska National Guard. First Lieutenant John B. Jackson of the battery has resigned. The Wymore battery is the oldest military organization in Nebraska. It was organized in 1875 by Captain C. M. Murdock, who was a veteran of the civil war. Captain Murdock remained at the head of the battery for twenty-seven years. The present captain is C. E. Yoder. The battery has two three-inch Rodman rifles. Its equipment is not up to the standard required by either government or stae inspectors. A new equipment would be very expensive and as the funds due the state from the government are running short, the adjutant general's office did not feel able to furnish the needed equipment.

**Board of Health Reports.**

The report of the Board of Secretaries of the State Board of Health was filed with the governor this morning by Secretary Sward. It shows the births and deaths, by counties, for the year; the diseases which caused deaths, a financial statement and recommendations for a tuberculosis hospital and a larger appropriation for use in gathering vital statistics and for a central disease germ testing station. The net income of the Board of Secretaries for the year amounted to $2,559.50, which was divided among the members at the rate of $639.87 each, except Dr. Bailey, who received $444.37, and Dr. Ashby, who succeeded Dr. Bailey, $195.50. The report on the examination of applicants for a license to practice resulted as follows: Total examined, 84; passed, 69; failed, 15. The applicants were from the following states: Nebraska, 61; Maryland, 1; Illinois, 9; Missouri, 7; Ohio, 2; Iowa, 1; Ontario, 3. Of the Nebraskans who were examined fifty passed and eleven failed to pass. The total certificates issued during the year was 133, of which forty-nine were by reciprocity and eighty-four by examination. Seven duplicate Nebraska certificates were issued, while thirty-five certificates were endorsed for issued by other states.

Following is a recapitulation of the financial statement for the year, beginning December, 1, 1906:

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| Expenses— | |
| Extra help | $ 412.35 |
| Postage | 399.50 |
| Office expenses | 66.22 |
| Express | 32.60 |
| Rent | 100.00 |
| G. H. Brash | 400.00 |
| Stenographer | 841.25 |
| Telephone | 178.44 |
| Printing and binding | 352.50 |
| Salary inspector | 1,960.00 |
| Expense inspector | 678.84 |
| Special inspection and expenses | 115.18 |
| Total | $ 5,347.88 |
| Funds available | $12,357.23 |
| Balance | 9,009.35 |

The report contains a detailed statement of the work of the former health inspector, Dr. S. K. Spalding, and Dr. W. H. Wilson, the present inspector, showing the localities visited as well as the disease which occasioned the visits.

Following the report of birth: Number of births reported for the year, 19,770; number of males, 10,314; number of females, 9,456; whites, 19,712; colored, 58; white males, 10,283; white females, 8,329; colored males, 31; colored females, 27; twin births (pair), 144; white twin births, 143; colored twins, 1; white males in twin births, 140; white females, 146; colored males, 0; colored females, 2; tripletts (all white), 4; males in triplett births, 6; females, 6; two sets of the tripletts, male, 2; female, 1; two sets of the tripletts, male, 1; females, 2. Since October Secretary Sward has been keeping the birth record by counties as well as months and his next report will show not only the number and color, but also the nationality of the parents. The death record is also being kept in the same way and the report shows by counties just what diseases have caused deaths. This part of the report has already been made public. The office of the secretary was formerly located at Beatrice, but since the legislature it has been moved to Lincoln. The report is the work of Dr. Brash, former secretary, and Dr. Sward, the present secretary.

**Richardson Man for Taft.**

Representative Shubert of Richardson county was at the state house this morning filing corporation papers for a new bank in his town and incidentally paying his respects to the governor. Mr. Srubert is outspoken for the nomination of Secretary Taft and said he beleved the secretary should get the vote of the Nebraska delegation.

"I would like to see the president reelected," said Mr. Shubert, "but as there is no chance of that, inasmuch as he has declined the use of his name as a candidate, I believe the republicans of Nebraska are for Secretary Taft. He is a progressive republican with plenty of ability to keep up the policies now being carried out. I believe Richardson county is for Taft."

**Receiver for Insurance Company.**

After all sorts of negotiations had been made by the Nebraska Mercantile Mutual Fire Insurance company of Lincoln, Auditor Searle this evening filed a petition in the district court asking for a receiver. His petition alleges that the company is insolvent. An examination made December 26 shows that its liabilities amount to $44,741.24 and the assets to $27,859.81.

**Woman Burned to Death.**

Mrs a Mosher, 224 South Nineteenth street, while smoking a pipe in bed this afternoon, set he coverlet afire and was burned to death.

**Capital City Briefs.**

Governor Sheldon issued a proclamation this afternoon offering a reward of $200 for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer of Mrs. Lucinda Smith, who was killed in her home near Milford, recently.

State Treasurer Brian has received $10,000 Kearney county bonds which pay 4 per cent and are twenty-year optional. This is the last batch of an issue of $80,000. The bonds have been on file with the state auditor and when th county needs money it has a bond transferred to the treasurer. Since the issue seven bonds have been paid off.

Under the provisions of the law the arious state institutions and departments have made their semi-annual reports to the governor with the exception of the following: Joe Johnson, deputy food commissioner; board of horticulture; dairymen, and geological survey.

Thomas McGuigan of Omaha, who stabbed to death a railroad workman and was sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years, in April, 1903, is anxious to be released. He has applied to the governor for a pardon and the hearing has been set for January 30.



## BLAIR MEN ARE NEATLY WORKED

### Old Army Comrade Story Brings Reward to One Man.

BLAIR, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—A $30,000 real estate deal was to have been closed up here on last Friday evening. M. J. St. Clair, purporting to be from Bloomington, Ind., dropped into this city the first of the week and renewed his acquaintanceship of over forty years ago with Abe Sutherland, who was an army comrade of the same regiment with St. Clair. Mr. Sutherland is a substantial retired farmer of this city and immediately began negotiations for a large tract of land, known as the Kline and Herb Noble farms, for his old friend, who wanted to put his two sons on the farm and himself and wife live in town. Real estate men fell over each other in their endeavors to share the commission which Sutherland was to make on the deal. St. Clair was entertained for several days at the Sutherland home, wined and dined by the real estate men, driven in a carriage over the land and royally entertained at the club rooms, where his old army friend is a member, who advanced him some money to pay freight on some apples and maple syrup to be sent from his old Indiana home as a gift.

St. Clair has gone. Blair men are busy trying to figure up the profits and losses and commissions on the land deal—that did not deal.

## FALSE CLUE IN THE OLSON CASE

### Child Discovered Near Adams Not the Missing Rosalin Girl.

ADAMS Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Monday a traveling band, composed of one man, two women and three children, was detained here because one of the children seemed to resemble the published pictures of Lillie Olson. The party proved to be of French and Indian blood and it was shown to the satisfaction of people here that the girl was not the Olson child.

The story was scattered over the county and in neighboring counties and many inquiries were made here whether the girl was the Olson child. Sheriff Trude made a personal investigation.

BANCROFT, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—There is no truth in the report current in the state that the body of Lillie Olson had been found buried near the scene of her disappearance.

**Beatrice Man Commits Suicide.**

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Dewitt C. Goodwin, representative for the Sawyer Biscuit company, committed suicide tonight at 8:30 o'clock in the bath room at his home, 615 Ella street, by cutting his throat with a razor. Mr. Goodwin located in Beatrice about twenty years ago and was engaged in the grocery business here for many years. For the last ten days he has been confined to his home by sickness. The body was found by Mrs. Goodwin after the deed was committed. Mr. Goodwin was 48 years of age and owned considerable property here. Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Mrs. M. L. Powers, and a son, Clinton Goodwin, both of this city.

**Nebraska News Notes.**

BEATRICE—Kurt Penner, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Penner, died yesterday after a brief illness.

LEIGH—Leigh business men have enjoyed an immense holiday trade, surpassing that of all previous years.

BEATRICE—Ora W. Irvin and Miss Theresa Burger, both of this city, were married yesterday by Judge Spafford.

LEIGH—A family reunion was held at the home of Thomas Hyland on Christmas day at which all the married sons and daughters and families were present.

LEIGH—The 3-weeks-old infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Shilson died last Thursday. The funeral was under Catholic auspices, with interment in Leigh cemetery.

NEBRASKA CITY—John Wale, an employe of Stoots Signal works, had one of his fingers mashed off yesterday while at work.

NEBRASKA CITY—Herman Koch, who lives near Unadilla, claims to be the champion corn raiser of the state. He had 150 acres in corn and claims to have cribbed 7,000 bushels from it.

NEBRASKA CITY—The Missouri Pacific has been unloading the new heavy steel for its track between here and Lincoln and Omaha. It will be placed in position as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

OSCEOLA—Friends of Dr. and Mrs. John E. Pulver, who recently came to Oscela after their marriage in Omaha, assembled at their home on Saturday evening and remained a couple of hours at a nicely planned "at home" affair.

NEBRASKA CITY—Eb Northcutt, who was the oldest in rank of the mail carriers in this city, has gone to Portland, Ore., where, if he likes the country, he will make his home. He will ask for a transfer to that city. This will make the second transfer from here to Portland.

MINDEN—Judge Ed L. Adams held his final term of court here in a specially called term. No business of importance was transacted and the term was void of any special interest except that it was the last time Judge Adams held court, finishing his eight-year term.

MINDEN—At a special meeting of the Masonic lodge Saturday night the degrees were conferred. Between the conferring of degress Minden's popular caterers, Dasher & Atwater, had prepared a banquet at which forty plates were set. After the banquet some of the visitors eulogized the manner in which the work was done.

BEATRICE—The Ellis Farmers' Grain and Stock company has received its charter from the secretary of state and is now a corporation authorized to do business. P. J. Zimmerman, president of the company, will have active management of the affairs of the new company at present.

BEATRICE—Charles Delivuk, the Austrian wrestler, arrived in this city yesterday from Kansas, where he has won several important matches recently. He has issued a challenge to Oscar Wasem of Lincoln to wrestle for a purse of $100.

BEATRICE—C. J. Parker of this city, who was engaged in the grain business here over twenty-six years ago, has in his possession a bill which he circulated in October, 1881, which gives the prices of grain as follows: Shelled corn, 47 cents to 50 cents; wheat, $1.05 and $1.15 per bushel; flax seed, $1.05 and $1.15.

BEATRICE—The traveling men's team defeated the business men's team in a game of indoor base ball at the Young Men's Christian association building last evening by a score of 18 to 12.

BEATRICE—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian association last evening G. A. Funck resigned as physical director. He intends engaging in the grocery business here soon.

BEATRICE—Barbers' local union No. 209 met last night and elected these officers: A. L. Sherwood, president; E. W. Hackney, vice president; S. W. Johnson, corresponding and financial secretary; Charles Avey, treasurer; H. M. Hogeboom, guardian; George West, guide; H. D. Rodgers, chaplain.

BEATRICE—A family reunion was held at the home of Mrs. J. B. Mumford, northeast of the city, Sunday, her children and grandchildren to the number of thirty being present. Mrs. Mumford has lived on the old homestead for forty-three years.

CLAY CENTER—W. B. Smith, clerk of the district court elect, tendered his resignation to the county board yesterday as supervisor of the Fifth district. The vacancy was filled by the appointment of L. F. Fryar. This will leave the board republican for the coming year.

CLAY CENTER—The annual meeting of the Clay County Agricultural society held yesterday elected Ralph Searle as president and H. J. Swanson secretary and Hugh Campbell treasurer.

FAIRMONT—Yesterday Police Judge Bennett put Albert Zasey Wesley Kemp and Harry Carson, who were arrested for shooting airguns on the streets, on their good behaivor until February 1, this being the first case that has been brought up for violation of the ordinance in this city.

FAIRMONT—On Sunday the marshal of this city arrested Frank James and Clarence Chamberlain for breaking into a car and stealing beer. The boys were arraigned before Police Judge Bennett on Monday afternoon and, pleading guilty to othe charge, were sent to Geneva, not being able to furnish a bond of $300. The boys are about 16 years of age.

FAIRMONT—Last Saturday fire destroyed the old creamery building in the east part of this city, owned by James Dorrance. It was used for storing the pump tools of C. Christenson of Friend. About 100 bushels of oats were destroyed. This removes an old landmark of the Fairmont Creamery company.

NEBRASKA CITY—The members of the Otoe County Bar association have taken the preliminary steps toward giving a farewell banquet, January 9, to Judge Paul Jessen, who will retire from the bench after eight years' service and will be succeeded by Judge H. D. Travis of Plattsmouth. It is intended to have all the lawyers of both Otoe and Cass counties in attendance.

made NEBRASKA CITY—Charles Mack, who was clerk of Elm camp, No. 29, Woodmen of the World, and whose shortage was first made public in The Bee, has given notice that in a few hours he will make good his deficiency, which amounts to about $400, and will then leave for Iowa to make his home. His friends came to his rescue and made good the amount.

OSCEOLA—Many friends over Nebraska will regret to learn of the serious illness of Hon. George Horst. He was taken ill last October and has been confined to his home, seven miles north of Osceola, since that time. The doctors hold little encouragement for his recovery. He is suffering from a nervous breakdown. Mr. Horst served three sessions in the Nebraska legislature, was county superintendent of schools in Polk county for four years, and one year ago was nominated for railroad commissioner on the democratic and populist tickets.

BEATICE—Echoes of R. Mead Shumway's career show that he came direct from Kansas to Adams instead of from Idaho, as he testified on the witness stand, in his trial for the murder of Mrs. Sarah Martin. County Attorney Terry yesterday received a letter from Roy Johnson at Neodesha, Kan., stating that Shumway had been working for him, and on the night of August 18 he stole one of his horses and $10 in cash and rode to Cherryvale, Kan., where he left the horse at a livery stable. He went from there to Kansas City, stating that his uncle was sick at that place, arriving at Adams August 20, last.

NEBRASKA CITY—Superintendent J. W. Crabtree of the Normal school at Peru, was in the city Monday with his wife, who was here visiting his parents, and stated that he had no intention of leaving Nebraska. He admitted that he had received a flattering offer from Wisconsin, but said that Nebraska was good enough for him. "I could get more salary than I now do by going to Wisconsin, but salary is not all there is in this world. I have a large acquaintance in Nebraska and it is the best normal field in the country, and is so recognized by the outside world. It is a good state in which to stay and work, and, above all, I love the people here."

MINDEN—The county treasurer, Louis Andersen, has just sent for $3,000 additional of the court house bonds to be redeemed. This ordinarilly would not be of much interest, but in this case it is doubtful if there is a county in the state doing what Kearney county is doing. In 1906 the county voted $80,000 of bonds in addition to $20,000 surplus already on hand in the general fund, with which a beautiful new court house was built. One year ago $4,000 of the principal was paid and now $3,000 has been paid, making $7,000 of principal paid at the end of two years after the date of the issue. The county has no registered warrants outstanding and there are but three school districts which have any bonded tax in the county and there is but one township which has a small amount, less than $1,00 unpaid bonds.



## LAST BAR DOWN TO ESTATE

### Kinsler Overruled in Attempt to Obstruct Creighton Will.

### SISTERS HAD RIGHT TO WITHDRAW

#### Such is Decision of Judge Leslie in Removing Ultimate Obstacle to Settlement as Per Agreement.

County Judge Leslie Tuesday afternoon removed the last important obstacle to the winding up of the affairs of the Count Creighton estate by overruling the motion of Attorney J. C. Kinsler to strike the withdrawal of appearance filed Monday by the Little Sisters of the Poor. Judge Leslie held the order had a right to withdraw its petition of intervention and the fact its attorney claimed a lien on the bequest it renounced would not justify a continuance of the litigation when the litigants themselves did not wish it. He held that if Mr. Kinsler's attorney's lien is a valid one he can prosecute it in some other way than by continuing the litigation, which would tie up the whole estate.

Mr. Kinsler claims a lien for $2,500 on the $160,000, which was the share of the Little Sisters of the Poor under the will. Instead of holding up the entire $160,000 it will be necessary under the decision to hold out only enough to cover the lien.

**Two Attorneys in Case.**

The hearing on the motion developed the fact that the order had two attorneys looking after its interests. T. J. Mahoney on the witness stand testified he had been employed last March by the mother provincial of the western division of the order and it was through him the withdrawal was signed and filed.

Mr. Kinsler showed some feeling in his argument to the court. He said he had been employed by the mother provincial and had had correspondence with her. He knew nothing about the intention of the order to withdraw its protest until he received a letter Saturday notifying him the matter had been settled and telling him to look to the bishop of the diocese for his fees.

T. J. Mahoney in his testimony said he had been employed to look after the interests of the order and had never been discharged. He saw the mother provincial in Milwaukee, December 12, and discussed the case with her. It was decided she would write to the mother general in France stating the conditions of the bequest and await a cablegram from her before taking any further action. After a cable had been received authorizing the withdrawal of the petition, the mother provincial signed the document and forwarded it to him and he had it filed.

Mr. Kinsler contended he has a lien on the $160,000 which would go to the order under the terms of the will whether they accept the money or not, to cover his fees and the discussion on this point occupied a large part of the hearing.

## LIQUIDATION IN THE COURT

### Nebraska Mercantile Mutual Company Submits This Plan to Auditor.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—State Auditor Searle says the Nebraska Mercantile Mutual insurance company has proposed a plan to him whereby the company will be liquidated in court to save the appointment and expense of a receiver. The auditor has not decided what he will do. The old line companies are already fighting for the business of the mutual. The Brennan-Love insurance agency has guaranteed the company's policies for ten days.

## JAIL RECORD AS A BOOST

### Son of Rest Courts Arrest on Sunday to Use as Recommendation for Job.

"Would I be arrested if I worked on Sunday?" asked a tired-looking individual of Captain Mostyn.

"Well," replied the captain, looking the man over carefully, "from what I've known of your record for the last ten years I should say there is no immediate danger of you being arrested for working on Sunday or any other day in the week or year. To my certain knowledge you have not done a day's work in the last ten years, now have you?"

"Nope."

"They why are you worrying about being arrested for working on Sunday?"

"I'm not. You don't understand me, captain. You see I've been looking for a job for a long time and really want to go to work, but I am unable to convince anyone that I ever have worked and nobody will hire me. Now, I want to get arrested and fined for working on Sunday. Then I can get a certified copy of the court's proceedings and a receipt for my fine and they will serve as a sort of judicial endorsement of my industry. Armed with these documentary evidences that six days' work a week is all too small to satisfy my overweening ambition, I think i can certainly get a job. Now, what I'd like to get is a list of proscribed Sunday vocations, because I certainly do not want to take any chances on laboring all day Sunday and then not be arrested."

The captain referred him to City Prosecutor Daniel.

## DEATH RECORD.

**Jean F. E. Guyot-Dessaigne.**

PARIS, Dec. 31.—Jean Francois Edmond Guyot-Dessaigne, the French minister of justice, dropped dead of apoplexy during this morning's session of the senate. M. Guyot-Dessaigne was born in 1833. He entered the public service in 1863, in 1885 he was elected to the Chamber of Deputies and in 1889 was appointed minister of justice in the Floquet cabinet. His present tenure of office dates from October 23, 1906. He was a member of the Legion of Honor.

**Frank Ridgeway.**

PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.—Director Frank Ridgeway of the Department of Public Safety died today of typhoid pneumonia. He was formerly head of the weather bureau at Harrisburg. Several years ago he was granted an indefinite furlough by the government and was appointed by Mayor Guthrie to be director of the public safety department of Pittsburg.

**Thomas Fitzpatrick.**

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 31.—Thomas Fitzpatrick, a leading contractor and pioneer, died suddenly last night at the age of 75. Mr. Fitzpatrick came to St. Paul in 1858. Many of the principal buildings of the city were built by him, among them being the Merchants hotel, St. John's Episcopal church and the public library.

**Miss Kate Miles.**

Miss Kate Miles, for twenty years a teacher in the schools of Omaha, died in Flint, Mich. December 20. Miss Miles taught in the Kellom and Lathrop schools. She was away on a year's leave of absence on account of ill-health and died at her home. Interment was at Flint.



## LAST DRINK FOR GEORGIANS

### Liquor Traffic Ceases in Southern State with Year.

### EXTRA POLICE ARE ON DUTY

#### In Cities There Are No Signs of Excess—Possibility Injunction May Be Begun to Make Test of New Law.

**BULLETIN.**

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—A bill was filed in the United States circuit court tonight asking that the Georgia prohibition law be declared unconstiutional. Judge Norman has taken the matter under consideration and will render a decision probably tomorrow.

It was at first believed that a temporary injunction would be asked, but the lawyers handlin gthe case decided not to do this. Consequently Georgia will go dry tonight without interference from the courts.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—The last day of the year and the last day of the liquor traffic in the state of Georgia found conditions practically normal in the city, with no reports of excesses from outside points. At 10 o'clock tonight every saloon in the city will close its doors permanently or until the prohibition act is repealed, unless injunction proceedings, being considered in the United States court, restrain the enforcement of the state act.

There was some fear that the last day of liquor would find some excessive celebrating, but Chief of Police Jennings said today that reports from all sections of the city showed that conditions were now about normal. He has an extra force of police on duty, however. Conferences were held last night and today to consider possible court proceedings, but no announcement was made.

## WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

### Congressman Parker of Deadwood and His Wife Dine with Vice President.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Parker of Deadwood, S. D., and his wife were guests of Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks at dinner last night. Colonel Parker and his wife will attend the New Year reception at the White House tomorrow. With Representative Parker's party will be Mr. James W. Hose, superintendent of Indian schools at Rapid City, and Miss Blanche, daughter of ex-Judge Coleman of Deadwood.

Rural routes ordered established March 2: Nebraska—Walnut, Knox county, Route 1; population, 400; families, 105. South Dakota—Athol, Spink county, Route 1; population, 500; families, 86.

William O. Lyons has been appointed regular, and Nellie E. Lyons, substitute, rural carriers for Route 1 at Primrose, Neb.

**Experiments with Airships.**

SYDNEY, N. S. Dec. 31.—W. F. Bedwin, superintendent of Dr. Alexander Graham Bell's laboratories at Baddeck, will leave here Thursday for Hammondsport, N. Y., where he will assist Dr. Bell during the winter in his airship experiments. Experiments will be made with a flat aeroplane as well as with the Tetrahedral kite. Dr. Bell intends to establish an experimental station somewhere in the northern tier of states where he can experiment the year round. On returning to Baddeck next spring a tetrahedral kite with more than 5,000 cells will be constructed for experimenting, the signet with which former experiments have been made having 3,600 cells.