

State Historical Society

DAKOTA COUNTY HERALD.

VOLUME XVIII

DAKOTA CITY, NEB., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1906.

NUMBER 4.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

TO OUST OIL TRUST

TEXAS BEGINS WAR ON WATERS-PIERCE CONCERN.

State Seeks to Recover \$5,228,400 for Violation of Law—Company Alleged to Be Part of Standard Oil Company.

The long expected suit by the state of Texas against the Water-Pierce Oil company was filed Thursday evening in the Twenty-sixth district court by Assistant Attorney General Lightfoot. The suit is for ouster from the state and cancellation of permit to do business in Texas for violation of the anti-trust laws and for penalties aggregating \$5,228,400. The penalties cover a period since 1900, the year in which the company was readmitted to the state.

The state alleges in its petition that the Water-Pierce Oil company has been affiliated with and a part of the Standard Oil company since its organization. The state also prays for an injunction restraining the defendant company from doing business other than an interstate business within the state of Texas. The petition alleges that the reorganization of the Water-Pierce Oil company in 1900 is fraudulent and that the conduct of the business of the company was in no sense changed by or after the nominal reorganization. The state also includes copies of the trust agreement of the several oil corporations and the affidavit of H. C. Pierce denying and swearing that the Water-Pierce Oil company was a member or party to a trust.

The state alleges that the Standard Oil company not only dominates the Water-Pierce Oil company, but the Corsicana Refining company at Corsicana and the Security Oil company, of Beaumont, and also oil companies and refineries of Texas.

ACCUSED OF BLACKMAIL.

Former Member of the St. Louis House of Delegates.

Wm. H. Ritter, of Denver, former member of the St. Louis house of delegates, who wrote Gov. Folk last week volunteering to come to St. Louis and testify regarding the handling of boodle money when he was a lawmaker, is in jail at the latter place. He was arrested at Hannibal, Mo., Wednesday night while en route back to Denver.

The arrest was made at the instigation of Circuit Attorney Sager, who charges Ritter attempted to extort money from R. H. Snyder, of Kansas City, by threatening to testify that Snyder gave him boodle money to distribute when the Central Traction bill franchise was voted upon.

YOUNG OFFICERS FOR SERVICE.

Washington Picking Men for Possible Work in Cuba.

Young officers for command in Cuba in case the army is sent there is the plan practically decided upon by the war department. Gen. Frederick Funston probably will be in command, and his chief lieutenants are likely to be Brig. Gen. Thomas H. Barry and William P. Duval. These two officers have recently completed an inspection of the German maneuvers in Europe and have notified the war department that they intend to sail for this country on Sept. 29, but owing to the acute situation in Cuba they have been advised that their presence in this country at an earlier date will be desirable.

Zion Election "Square."

Judge Landis, of the federal court, decided Thursday there were no irregularities in the election of Wilbur C. Voliva as general overseer of Zion church. The court declared he will hereafter recognize Voliva as the head of the church and directed that the receiver appointed by the court do likewise.

Hotel is Sued for \$5,000.

Because he was injured on the head in a fight in the barroom of the Mondamin hotel at Sioux City, Ia., last spring, C. E. Fortman, of Milwaukee, Wis., has instituted a \$5,000 damage suit against the proprietors of the hotel.

Robbers Loot a Bank.

Eight masked and heavily armed burglars held the people of White Cloud, Minnesota, at bay early Thursday, rifled the Newaygo County bank and secured about \$3,000.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Thursday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Stockers and feeders, \$2.80. Top hogs, \$6.05.

Passengers Are Rescued.

The steamer State of Ohio went aground on Rattlesnake island, at the foot of Put-In-Bay, near Cleveland, O., early Thursday. All the passengers were taken off safely.

Buys 200,000 Ounces of Silver.

The director of the mint Wednesday purchased 200,000 ounces of fine silver, one-half for the Denver and one-half for the New Orleans mint, at 68.35 cents per ounce.

IN NEED ON MIDWAY ISLAND.

Few Supplies for Mongolia's Marooned Passengers.

The plight of the 500 passengers of the Pacific Mail steamship Mongolia, which recently went ashore near Midway island, was made known to government officers at Washington Wednesday through a cablegram received by the manager in that city of the Commercial Cable company. The necessity for the immediate sending of supplies was made apparent, and the question was raised if it would be in contravention of the coastwise navigation laws to send a relief ship under foreign register. The matter first was brought to the attention of the department of commerce and labor, and in turn the treasury department officials were consulted, and the decision was reached that there would be no objection to sending the foreign built cableship Restorer, now at Honolulu, to Midway at once, carrying useful provisions, supplies and wrecking apparatus for the relief of the Mongolia and passengers. There are ordinarily less than forty people on Midway island, and the influx of 500 additional population would mean a serious drain on the resources of the island unless immediate relief were given.

YALE GRADUATE TO PRISON.

Scion of Rich Family Gets Three-Year Sentence.

Charles F. Bronson, son of the late Deacon L. I. Bronson, president of the Benedict & Durham Manufacturing company, of Waterbury, Conn., and one of the wealthiest manufacturers in Connecticut, has been sentenced to three years in prison for the wholesale theft of brass and copper from Springfield factories. He received his sentence with a laugh, remarking: "Well, my friends won't worry about me for a while now, anyway."

A graduate of Yale, livish with his money and enjoying a prominent social position, Bronson operated for years in this and other cities along the lines made famous by Raffles. His first exploit was the rifling of a clothesline at a school for young women. Afterward he picked the pockets of the inmates and then made a specialty of stealing jewels from women he met at dances.

NO LOOPHOLE IN LABEL.

Pure Food Regulations Provide that It Must Not Be Misleading.

At Tuesday's session of the special commission on rules and regulations for the enforcement of the pure food and drug act Commissioner Gerry read the tentative regulations prepared by the commission regarding the use of the label. The regulations provide the principal label shall be printed in English with or without the foreign label in addition. The general character and appearance of the label is left to the manufacturer. The substance, manufacturer and place of production shall be conspicuously stated. The label must not be misleading with regard to the contents or origin. No statement by an expert shall be excused for any false or misleading statement, design or device.

Scalpers Are Hard Hit.

Members of four ticket brokers' associations, controlling the greater part of that business in the United States, by a decision of the federal court at Chicago were perpetually enjoined from "scalping" tickets of the Pennsylvania railroad and other transportation companies. The case originated in St. Louis during the recent exposition.

Editor's Widow Killed by Trolley.

Mrs. Nancy Jane Starbuck, of Hamlet, O., widow of the founder of the Cincinnati Times and mother of Frank W. Starbuck, editor of the Racine (Wis.) Daily Journal, was instantly killed by being struck by an interurban traction car.

Horses for Cuban Government.

A horse buyer of Junction City, Kan., received an order for several carloads of small horses which are to be shipped as soon as possible to Kansas City. He says the order comes from the Cuban government.

Tartars Slain by Armenians.

Four Tartar villages in the district of Samsangeur have been reduced to ashes by Armenians. The Tartar residents of the devastated district who escaped massacre fled. The bodies of the slain lie unburied among the ruins.

Strike Riots in France.

There are continual collisions at Grenoble, France, between the troops and strikers, and several on both sides have been wounded. The strike movement is extending.

Great Gold Shipment.

The steamer Germania arrived in New York Wednesday with over \$15,000,000 in gold, said to be the largest shipment ever brought to this country.

Appalling Loss of Life.

It is now estimated that 5,000 Chinese lost their lives in the recent typhoon at Hongkong.

Steelamine Funds.

The claims made by a Yokohama paper, according to advices from the orient, that a portion of the funds for the Japanese famine fund have been embezzled. Three prefects in north Japan are in prison for embezzlement of funds.

Batesville Murderer Captured.

Mike Dolench has been captured at Batesville, O., and recognized as the man who hacked one of his countrymen to death at Batesville, Ind.

EIGHT DIE IN RIVER.

Rock Island Train Plunges Into Racing Stream.

Eight people are dead, twenty more or less injured and as many more are missing as the result of the wrecking of a Rock Island passenger train three miles from Dover, Okla., at 8:30 o'clock Tuesday morning. The engine, tender, baggage and mail cars, smoker and day coach of passenger train No. 13, northbound, left the high bridge that spans the Cimarron river and plunged into the current flanked by treacherous quicksands. The locomotive disappeared from sight almost instantly. The mail and baggage clerks escaped from their coaches and swam to the shore.

The accident was due to the defective condition of the bridge, which was swerved out of line by the pressure of driftwood carried down by the swollen stream. The train was an hour late and was running at high speed to make up time. The engine driver did not see the condition of the bridge until it was within a few yards, when it was too late to stop. He shouted to his fireman, threw on the air brakes and jumped. He landed on the very verge of the river bank and escaped unhurt. The fireman was less fortunate and sustained severe injuries.

When the engine struck the bridge the whole structure suddenly collapsed, precipitating the engine, smoker and day coach into the water. The two heavy Pullmans were not pulled in, but remained on the track. The scene was one of indescribable confusion. The shrieks of those imprisoned in the partly submerged coaches were added to the shouts of those on the bank.

It will be impossible to ascertain the exact number of dead for several days. Many of those reported missing may show up safe at some point down the Cimarron.

PLATT FAMILY TROUBLE.

Senator's Stepdaughter, Mrs. F. J. Carmody, Wants a Divorce.

After only a few months of married life, months that have been very unhappy, Mrs. Francis J. Carmody, wife of the assistant United States district attorney for the southern district of New York, and stepdaughter of Senator Thomas C. Platt, soon will seek a divorce.

The marriage of Col. Carmody and Miss Louise Snow was last December. It was one of the smartest weddings of the season. The bridal couple was showered with gifts and congratulations from the hosts of friends of Senator Platt, Mrs. Platt and the family. The honeymoon was hardly over before differences arose that caused great antagonism. Last April, by mutual consent, they parted, and Mrs. Carmody returned to her mother, with whom she has passed the summer quietly at the beautiful country estate of Senator Platt at Highland Mills, New York. The separation has been kept quiet and few knew of it.

LAWSON GETTING WELL.

Son of "System's" Enemy Says Father Will Soon Be at Work.

Thomas W. Lawson is recovering from his nervous illness, according to his son, Arnold Lawson. "Father is now convalescing after a critical month of worry and illness following the death of my mother," said Arnold Lawson. "Though already much improved, his condition is not such that he can attend to his business, and he remains in quiet at DREAMWOOD, his estate near Egypt, Mass. The physicians assure us he will take up his personal business affairs within six weeks, and there is no reason to believe that he will not entirely recover. Father's mind has not been impaired by his prostration."

Locomotive Firemen.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, in session at Milwaukee, has practically decided to change the name to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers. The reasons leading up to this are that fully 25 per cent of the members of the order are engineers, having been advanced from the time they first entered the order as firemen to that of engineers.

Seeks to Recover Million.

The case of Oberlin M. Carter, formerly captain of a corps of engineers in the United States army, was reopened in the federal court at Chicago Tuesday. The issue at the present hearing is an attempt by the plaintiff to recover from Carter \$1,000,000, which it is claimed he stole while in charge of work at Savannah, Ga.

West Virginia Legislator Murdered.

R. H. Baker, aged 76 years, was found murdered in his store at Barboursville, W. Va., Monday morning, his skull having been crushed with a brick. There is no clue to the murderer. Baker was a member of the legislature.

Kansas Banker Flees.

O. B. Stollard, cashier of the People's State bank of Sedan, Kan., with deposits of \$75,000, disappeared Wednesday, leaving a note saying he was a defaulter and had fled.

Banking Scandal in Holland.

Suspected of embezzlement at \$294,000, Bland Van Den Berg, a notary and director of the South Holland bank, has been taken into custody. The shares of the bank dropped 100 per cent on the bourse Tuesday.

Famous Southern War Nurse Dead.

Mrs. Marion Wallace Vail, of St. Louis, Mo., daughter of the confederacy, who was conspicuous during the civil war as a nurse, is dead.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Rains Stop Trains Service—Storm Does Great Damage Throughout the State One Fatality Reported from Pender—Other State News.

With roads under from one to ten feet of water, several bridges gone and tracks washed from the grade by the cloudburst of Saturday night and Sunday, train service between Sioux City and Nebraska was temporarily suspended. In front of the station at Jackson the track was under two feet of water. It was out in several places between Jackson and Dixon. The track was not broken, but silted from the right of way, and in some places was under six feet of water. On the Great Northern road some difficulty was experienced in getting men to work in the worst places, where the water was up to their waists.

The Logan valley is entirely covered with water and at 6 o'clock Monday morning the water was 2 1/2 inches higher than has ever been known before in the Logan creek. All of the houses on the Logan bottom have washed in them and a great many people have had to move to higher ground. One family was moving out about 4 o'clock Monday morning when the wagon tipped over, drowning a boy about 8 years old by the name of Guy Warren.

The damage in Pender in the way of bridges, buildings, bridges, bridges, etc., will be about \$5,000. A Wayne special says: The worst and most destructive rain storm ever known in this section of the state occurred Saturday night, rain falling nearly all night. Dogtown, Deer and Logan creeks were out of their banks Sunday morning and the valleys were flooded for miles, entailing a loss of thousands of dollars to the farmers and other property owners.

An immense amount of hay is destroyed and considerable small grain, cattle and hogs were lost, fence washed away and destruction wrought on every hand. Roe & Fortner lost many hogs and Kerwin Bros. cattle. In the brick yards of J. F. Sheehy many thousands brick ready to burn were ruined, besides other damage to the plant.

NIORRARA MAN DISAPPEARS.

Goes to Omaha to Enter Hospital and All Trace of Him is Lost.

A telephone message to the Omaha police Monday night from Frank Nelson at Niobrara, Neb., asked the aid of the local authorities in finding Charles Karlstrom, a Swede, 75 years old, who came to Omaha three weeks ago for the purpose of securing medical treatment and entering a hospital. Karlstrom is a person of some prominence in Niobrara and no word having been received from him by his friends there since he came to Omaha, has caused considerable anxiety.

STOCK TRAINS IN COLLISION.

Three Men Injured in Smashup on Burlington Near Whitman.

A rear end collision between two stock trains on the Burlington road occurred at the best of Whitman, Sunday, resulting in the serious injury of a brakeman and two stockmen, together with the piling up of a number of cars containing stock. As the means of securing information are limited the names of the injured and the cause of the wreck cannot be obtained at this hour.

Strange Disease Attacks Hogs.

A disease has been devastating the swine herds for the last two or three weeks near Wood River, and continues to rage in unabated fury, with the result that the stockmen are suffering severe losses. The disease is spreading rapidly and many of the farmers are disposing of their herds, fearing that the disease will attack them. All kinds of hog cholera medicine and preparations have been used, but with very little success. The disease is altogether different from the ordinary hog cholera, but is equally as disastrous, and unless something is done at once the check up spread there will be very few hogs in this community to eat the few corn crop now ripening.

State Must Not Interfere.

The state game and fish laws are not binding on military reservations. Chief Game Warden Carter has a letter from Secretary of War Taft, stating that he must not interfere with hunting on the Fort Niobrara reservation. Recently the warden's deputies were escorted off the reservation by a squad of soldiers and the warden appealed to the war department.

Grand Jury Proves Into Asylum.

The Madison county grand jury convened at Madison Monday to probe charges against the insane hospital attendants. Joe Wray, one of the attendants, returned from Maine voluntarily to be present in case he is wanted.

David City Man Disappears.

E. Carson, who came to David City early in the spring, as a painter, and was a good one, and worked up a nice business, keeping three or four men busy most of the time, came up missing last week, leaving no word where he was going.

Hunter Accidentally Shot.

While out hunting with some friends thirty miles southeast of Bassett Tuesday afternoon Noah Crandall was accidentally shot and killed.

Attempt to Rob Bank Fails.

An attempt was made Sunday night to rob the Farmers' and Merchants' bank at Hay Springs. The safe of the bank was ruined by dynamite, but the funds were not reached. Officers are on the track of the burglars.

Woman Fatally Burned.

Mrs. Elmer J. Miller, of Grand Island, was fatally burned Monday morning by the explosion of a can of kerosene, from which she had poured a quantity in the stove to start the breakfast fire.

Slight Frost at Broken Bow.

A slight frost prevailed in the country around Broken Bow Thursday night. Little damage was done.

NEW HOSPITAL FINISHED.

State Board Accepts Building for the Norfolk Asylum.

The new cottage at the Nebraska state insane hospital at Norfolk has been completed and accepted by the state board of public lands and buildings, who were in Norfolk Thursday. The board express themselves as very much pleased with the new building and say that it is the best cottage on the ground. The capacity of the other three cottages of the hospital is 150, but 214 are now being taken care of, showing that added room is much needed. There are 69 rooms in the building. A new feature, unknown to any other insane hospital, is an out of doors porch, enclosed for winter use. This porch is on all three floors and will give exercise and air to the patients all winter long.

EXERCISES AT BELLEVUE.

Superintendent Davidson of Omaha Delivers Address.

Following out the idea that a good start is half the race, Dr. Wadsworth secured the presence of Dr. Davidson, superintendent of the Omaha school, to give an address to the students at Bellevue Tuesday. That Dr. Davidson's address was an excellent force to start the work of the year no one who heard it can doubt. Dr. Davidson said as his subject for the morning, "The Great Problem of the American School and College." Under this title he made a magnificent appeal to the students for a "good citizen." He summed up the substance of his address in the motto he gave for the Hampton Institute, "read and country first, ourselves afterward."

FAMINE IN SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Prospect of Continuous Holiday for Some Youngsters in Nebraska.

A shortage of school teachers is reported by Superintendent Stahl, at West Point, who is unable to find a sufficient number to supply the schools of Conway county.

Superintendent Stahl recently made a trip to Dodge county and he finds the same state of affairs exists there, no unemployed teachers being available.

Several schools in Hall county are also without teachers. Miss Brown, county superintendent, has been endeavoring to place good ones in them, but she has so far failed in getting anyone to take them. Salaries of \$30 and \$25 are offered.

LINCOLN MAN KILLED.

Thought to Be Suicide, the Result of Domestic Trouble.

The body of a harvest hand, Jack Foster, formerly of Lincoln, was found on the Milwaukee track near Mellette, S. D., Thursday, three trains having passed over him before he was discovered. It is believed he threw himself in front of one of the trains with suicidal intent, the result of domestic troubles. It is not known just when he committed the deed.

STOCK TRAINS IN COLLISION.

Three Men Injured in Smashup on Burlington Near Whitman.

A rear end collision between two stock trains on the Burlington road occurred at the best of Whitman, Sunday, resulting in the serious injury of a brakeman and two stockmen, together with the piling up of a number of cars containing stock. As the means of securing information are limited the names of the injured and the cause of the wreck cannot be obtained at this hour.

Strange Disease Attacks Hogs.

A disease has been devastating the swine herds for the last two or three weeks near Wood River, and continues to rage in unabated fury, with the result that the stockmen are suffering severe losses. The disease is spreading rapidly and many of the farmers are disposing of their herds, fearing that the disease will attack them. All kinds of hog cholera medicine and preparations have been used, but with very little success. The disease is altogether different from the ordinary hog cholera, but is equally as disastrous, and unless something is done at once the check up spread there will be very few hogs in this community to eat the few corn crop now ripening.

State Must Not Interfere.

The state game and fish laws are not binding on military reservations. Chief Game Warden Carter has a letter from Secretary of War Taft, stating that he must not interfere with hunting on the Fort Niobrara reservation. Recently the warden's deputies were escorted off the reservation by a squad of soldiers and the warden appealed to the war department.

Grand Jury Proves Into Asylum.

The Madison county grand jury convened at Madison Monday to probe charges against the insane hospital attendants. Joe Wray, one of the attendants, returned from Maine voluntarily to be present in case he is wanted.

David City Man Disappears.

E. Carson, who came to David City early in the spring, as a painter, and was a good one, and worked up a nice business, keeping three or four men busy most of the time, came up missing last week, leaving no word where he was going.

Hunter Accidentally Shot.

While out hunting with some friends thirty miles southeast of Bassett Tuesday afternoon Noah Crandall was accidentally shot and killed.

Attempt to Rob Bank Fails.

An attempt was made Sunday night to rob the Farmers' and Merchants' bank at Hay Springs. The safe of the bank was ruined by dynamite, but the funds were not reached. Officers are on the track of the burglars.

Woman Fatally Burned.

Mrs. Elmer J. Miller, of Grand Island, was fatally burned Monday morning by the explosion of a can of kerosene, from which she had poured a quantity in the stove to start the breakfast fire.

Slight Frost at Broken Bow.

A slight frost prevailed in the country around Broken Bow Thursday night. Little damage was done.

STATE CAPITAL

THE ERECTION OF A LIBRARY AND SUPREME COURT BUILDING ON THE CAPITOL GROUNDS WILL BE ASKED OF THE LEGISLATURE AND A WARM CONTEST IS LIKELY TO FOLLOW.

The friends of the movement urge that the state capital building is now too small, that it is greatly overcrowded during the sessions of the legislature, and that more room is necessary for the holding of court by the judges and commissioners. It is also urged that the state library should be housed in a fireproof building for safety. The plans have not matured, but it is believed that a rather small building, as near fire proof as possible, will be asked for in which to house the court and the library and the office of the attorney general. Although a comparatively small building will answer the purpose, the fire proofing will add to the cost. Not less than \$100,000 may be asked for and possibly more. Many opponents of the plan have already been heard from. They say the present quarters will serve for many years. The most serious objection is in the matter of the erection of other buildings on the capitol grounds. The capitol occupies the center of a space two blocks square and the grounds are becoming more beautiful each year. It is said that what may be made an exceedingly beautiful picture will be spoiled if buildings are to be stuck about the corners of the lawn.

To Plead with Gov. Mickey for the Release of Her Husband from the Penitentiary.

Mrs. W. F. Dunn, of Decatur, called at the state house, accompanied by Chaplain P. C. Johnson, of the penal institution, who reinforced her request with his personal recommendation. Dunn was sentenced from Hurt county to one year in the penitentiary under the name of M. T. Hunter for securing \$300 from a Decatur bank by mortgaging property which he did not own. He has served six months and has four more to go. It is set forth in his behalf that he was never before convicted of wrongdoing and that his health is failing now. He is almost 70 years of age and is the only veteran of the civil war now incarcerated at the penitentiary.

Superintendent E. C. Bishop, of the Educational Department at the State Fair, has announced that in the county collective exhibit, Nemaha and Fillmore counties were most nearly equal, the judges coming out in favor of which won first place. Since the five counties ranking best were awarded five premiums, Fillmore and Nemaha were decided as a tie for first place. Fillmore county was first in the number of premiums awarded, being awarded 572 cash. The other four winning counties in collective exhibits were: Dodge, Lancaster, Johnson, Hall, Pawnee, Franklin, Chase and Gage. In the city collective exhibits Geneva was given first place and Auburn second. Columbus was given first place in manual training.

When horses, cows, hogs or other domestic animals are condemned by the state veterinarian because of disease, they must be killed and disposed of in the best way possible by the owners. There is no provision in the statutes which requires the veterinarian himself to slaughter the beasts or destroy their carcasses. Furthermore, the state will not compensate the owners for the loss of their property, and if the sheriff or other local officials are called upon to help get rid of the bodies they must look to the counties for their pay. These rules are laid down by Deputy Attorney General W. T. Thompson in answer to inquiries.

A scare was started at the state house by the report that the legislature would not convene until after the state officers have gone out of office, which would prevent the secretary of state from calling the house of representatives to order and the outgoing governor from delivering his message. The constitution provides against such a contingency. The legislature must convene at noon, the first Tuesday in January, which, this year will be New Year's day. The term of state officers expires the first Thursday after the first Tuesday.

Attorney General Norris Brown has given Secretary Roys, of the state banking board, an opinion in which he says national banks may conduct savings departments without supervision of the state banking board. As Mr. Brown has found no authority conferred by the national law upon national banks to conduct a savings bank, his opinion that they may do so without regard to the state law is not accepted without question by many attorneys.

A proposed building that will meet with opposition in the minds of the soldiers' home at Grand Island. The need of more room is said to be urgent, but owing to the fact that the Grand Island institution lies in a low flat valley, the further improvement of the home has always met with opposition. Often this opposition takes the form of a movement to consolidate the Grand Island home with the soldiers' home at Milford.

Secretary Roys has compiled a report of the sixty-one building and loan associations of Nebraska for the year ending June 30. He finds the reports of such associations to be favorable.

The members of the board of public lands and buildings have returned from a tour of the state institutions. It is reported that from \$30,000 to \$40,000 is needed for a new roof for the girls' industrial school at Geneva, \$30,000 for new walks and repairs at the soldiers' home at Grand Island, and additional boilers at the Norfolk asylum. The reconstruction of the west wing of the old building at Norfolk has been accepted by the board. It cost \$24,143. The roof of the Geneva institution was destroyed by fire.

RIXEY SEES MANY HOSPITALS.

Will Make Recommendations as to the Service in U. S.

Surgeon General Rixey of the navy in a trip around the world acquired considerable information concerning the hospital service of the navies of several countries, but more particularly the flag hospital service of the United States. At San Francisco he found much that could be improved at the hospital stations, and he will recommend that a detention house for enlisted men similar to that at Newport be constructed there. At Honolulu he found health conditions satisfactory. At Yokohama the United States has a large naval hospital, over which the medical corps exercises complete jurisdiction. This was found in good condition and work was in progress upon a new administration building. At Nagasaki and Shanghai the sanitary conditions of the hospitals where the sick sailors are taken were found in a fair condition, but not as satisfactory as the hospital at Yokohama. Surgeon General Rixey passed some time in the Philippines and not only visited the hospitals of the navy, but went through the hospitals in Manila, and especially studied the