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SUMMARY OF THE NEWS CP THE WHOLE WORLD.

LAND JURY CONVICTS

FOWR RICH NEBRASKANS HELD GUILTY OF FRAUD.

Conspiracy to Obtain Unlawfully Large Tracts of Land in Western Nebraska Was Charged-May Mean Long Prison Terms.

The trial in the federal district court at Omaha of Bartlett Richards, president; Will G. Comstock, vice president; C. C. Jameson, secretary and treasurer, and general manager of the Nebraska Land and Feeding company controlling the 400,000-acre "Spade" ranch, and Aquilla Triplett, their agent, ended Thursday afternoon by the conviction of the four defendants on thirty-six counts of an indictment which charged conspiracy to defraud the government of public lands and subornation of perjury. The jury took but two hours to consider the evidence.

This trial began Nov. 19, and the jury was completed two days later. The entire time of the court since then was devoted to hearing testimony for the government and the arguments of the attorneys, no witnesses being introduced for the defense.

The accusation against the officers of the Nebraska Land and Feeding company was that they attempted to secure title to vast tracts of land within the "Spade" ranch enclosure in Cherry, Sheridan and Box Butte counties, Neb., by means of fraudulent homestead entries under the Kinkaid law, which permitted the homesteaders to take up a section of land in the semi-arid districts. Scores of witnesses were introduced who swore that they filed on the lands at the solicitation of agents of the principal defendants with the understanding that they would be paid all the way from \$300 to \$1,000 for their claims when title was secured and that all necessary improvements should be made by the

COUNTRY FACES ANARCHY.

A Civil War Threatened in Venezuela When President Castro Expires.

President Castro is much worse and it is even claimed he cannot live more than a week longer. Should he die First Vice President Gomez will immediately assume the presidency, and be supported by a large section of the army. A very large element of the country, including Andinos, or mountaineer supporters of Castro, however, will be opposed to Gomez. Castro has been making strenuous efforts to compose the differences between the Gomez party and the party had by Gen Alcantra, president of the state of Aragua. but the endeavor has been a failure. Alcantra has a large army and considerable war material and is determined not to recognize Gomez, but raise a revolution for the purpose of

Meanwhile the rebel forces headed by Gen. Rafel Montilla, which recently captured Barquesmito, 120 miles from Caracas, are dally increasing in

obtaining the presidency.

MONSTER CAR ORDER.

Pennsylvania to Add Five Thousann to Its Equipment,

The purchasing agent of the Pennsylvania railroad has invited bids for the construction of 5,000 box cars. Their estimated cost is \$6,000,000. It is not expected the cars well be delivered before the latter part of next year. With the placing of this order the company will have ordered within the last two years nearly 60,000 additional freight cars of various types.

Curtis Jett Admits Guilt. Curtis Jett, of Cynthlana, Ky ..

Thursday surprised the commonwealth by confessing that he alone committed the murder of Town Marshal Cockrill, in Jackson, four years ago, for which he is now on trial. Jett had made a previous confession, implicating Judge Hargis and Sheriff Ed

Strike Settled.

The strike at the General Electric works at Schenectady, N. Y., has been settled and the men returned to work Friday. The men waived the issue which caused the strike, namely: Reinstatement of thee discharged drafts.

Sioux City Live Stock Market. Thursday's quotations on the Sloux City live stock market follow: Top beeves, \$5.05. Top hogs, \$6.20.

Jeffries to Act as Rerefee.

It has been decided that James J Jeffries shall referee the Gans-Herman fight at Tonopah, Nev. The articles of agreement gave the Casino Athletic club the right of selection if the principals cannot agree.

Big Woolen Merger.

A merger of the leading woolen mills of the south, involving a capitalization of \$1,250,000, has been effected. The combine will be known as the American Textile Woolens company.

SPRECKELS IS HEARD.

Startling Story of Ruei's Methods in

Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz, of San Francisco, announced in court Tuesday that he was through with delays ment came apparently as a surprise to Abraham Ruef.

Rudolph Spreckels was again on the stand Tuesday. Attorney Ach questioned him at length concerning a street car system that Mr. Spreckels and his father contemplated building. The witness stated that he considered building a road because, as a citizen of San Francisco, he objected to seeing the streets of the city turned over to the United railroads or any other corporation or person.

"I wanted to prevent the city giving away a valuable franchise," said he; we planned to build an opposition to block the scheme."

Ach attempted to get Spreckels to admit that he and his father were interested in a water project, but Spreckels said they had no thought of asking for a water franchise.

He testified during his examination that Abraham Ruef had called on him at the time of the big municipal bond issue and asked him to form a syndicate to take all the bonds thus author-Ized. Spreckels was unable to see what guarantee there was that if a syndicate were formed it could secure the bonds, as under the law they must be put up at public auction and sold to the highest bidder.

Ruef informed Spreckels, according to his testimony on the stand, that this could be easily arranged, for he would have a general strike declared on the street railways and tie up the different lines. With San Francisco in this condition, relative to its passenger transportation, he calculated, so Spreckels says, that no outside capital would bid on the city's bonds and the syndicate would have a clear field.

GIRL'S BODY IN BARREL.

Mystery in Murder Discovered Near Hazelton, Pa.

The charred body of a young wom an was found Tuesday on the montain between Hazelton and Ebervale, Pa. A slipper, combs and the frame of a woman's hat were picked up near the spot where the body lay. Under the body were three wire hoops such as are used on barrels. It is the belief of the police that the woman was murdered and then placed in the barrel and burned. This theory is strengthened by the odor of kerosene near the place. The identity of the woman has not been established.

County Detective Jones said that,it s not that of a Hazelton woman, but church. that the girl was murdered elsewhere. Oct. 11, 1836. the body placed in a barrel, sent here and then burned.

WORSE CURSE THAN SLAVERY.

Wife of Senator Dubois Makes Attack

on Mormonism. "Mormonism is a greater curse to the country than was slavery," declared Mrs. Fred T. Dubois, wife of the Idaho senator, in an address at the Waugh Methodist Episcopal church in Washington on "The Effect of Mormonism on Education." She said should President Roosevelt make a trlp through southeastern Idaho he would no longer be willing to declare there is nothing to the Mormon question. Six United States senators, she said, owe their election to the influence of the Mormon church. She criticised the attitude of Senator Proctor of Vermont and Senator Hopkins, of Illinois, in the Smoot case. In closing her address the speaker said: "Mormon children in Utah and Idaho spit upon the American flag."

USED COUNTERFEIT LABELS.

New York Preparer of Meat Extracts is Arrested.

John T. Walker, of New York, a preparer of meat extracts, was arrested Monday by a secret service agent on the charge of having used counterfelt United States meat inspection iabels on his beef extract.

The arrest was the first of the kind since the act providing that all meat or meat products must bear a label showing they have been inspected by government inspectors went into effeet, July 1.

Harry Thaw's Trial Near.

Harry K. Thaw will be tried before Justice Fitzgerald, of New York, Jan 21 on the charge of murdering Stanford White, according to an order signed by Justice Newburger Tues-

Murderer of Five to Be Hanged. Joda Hamilton, the young Missouri farmer who killed the Parsons family of five in Texas county last fall, will be hanged next Friday, Gov. Folk having refused a respite.

Rupture Not Feared.

The Russo-Japanese negotiations, status which last week was highly unsatisfactory, have entered upon a favorable stage and a rupture is no longer anticipated.

Eleven more female suffragists of London Tuesday elected to spend Christmas in jail rather than pay small fines for creating disturbances within the precincts of the house of commons Monday night.

Ex-Congressman Cochran Dead. Charles Fremont Cochran, of St. Joseph, Mo., who represented the Fourth district of Missouri in congress from 1896 to 1902, died at an early hour Tuesday morning.

"DUMMY" WITHDRAWN.

Publicity Ends Usefulness of Republic

Company. Testifying Wednesday in the suit brought by the state of Missouri against the Standard Oil company, the and was ready for trial. This state- Waters-Pierce Oil company and the Republic Oil company to stop them from doing business in Missouri C. L. Nichols, president of the Republic Oil company, declared that as a result of the disclosures made in the proceedings the usefulness of the Republic Oil company as a supposed competitor of the Standard Oil company had ended. The entire business of the company outside of Missouri, he said, had been turned over to the Standard Oh company of New Jersey. That portion in Missouri would also have been turned over, he added, had it not been for injunctions which prevented such ac-

Three witnesses were examined Wednesday at the continuation of the hearing which was begun Tuesday. Besides Mr. Nichols, Walter C. Teagle. of the export department of the Standard Oil company, who was on the stand Tuesday, and William S. Heyer, of Baltimore, formerly manager at St. Louis of the Republic Oil company, gave testimony.

SOME RIOTING IN FRANCE.

Troops Forced to Aid the Police at Nantes.

Considerable rioting attended the evacuation of the episcopal palace and seminary in Paris Wednesday. Crowds of Catholic manifestants overcame the police, who were compelled to draw revolvers to keep back the mob until rescued by troops. Several women were arrested for striking and biting soldiers.

Reports received in Paris Wednesday by the minister of the interior show thirty-four ecclesiastical residences, occupied by archbishops or bishops, thus far to have been evacuated under the provisions of the church and state separation law.

BISHOP M'CABE PASSES AWAY.

Noted Methodist Divine Succumbs to Apoplexy.

Bishop Chas. C. McCabe, of the Methodist Episcopal church, died in a New York hospital early Wednesday. Death was due to apoplexy, with which the bishop was stricken several days ago while passing through the city on his way to his home in Philadelphia. Mrs. McCabe and the bishop's niece were at his bedside when the clergyman passed away.

Bishop McCabe was a distinguished was his opinion that the body found member of the Methodist Episcopal He was born at Athens, O.

NEW AMERICAN PEERESS.

Daughter of Pittsburg Millionaire Weds Lord Ellenborough.

The newest American peeress is Hermione, daughter of the late E. W. H. Schenley, of Pittsburg, Pa., who was married in London Wednesday afternoon to Lord Ellenborough, a retired commodore of the royal navy. The bride wore a robe of white velvet draped with gold lace and a white velvet toque. The bridegroom, who had long been regarded as a confirmed bachelor, participated in naval operations in the Baltic so long ago as the Russian war of 1855.

Conl for Kansas.

The operating officials of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific announced in Topeka Wednesday that the people along the line in the southwestern part of the state would not suffer on account of a coal famine, as the road had prepared for the emer-

Bank Robber Sentenced.

Joseph S. Kerns, captured at Great Bend, Kan., recently after holding up a local bank in daylight, was arraigned Wednesday, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to the state penitentiary for a term of twenty-one

Gold Find in Australia.

Several big gold nuggets were discovered recently near Tarnagulla, Australia, and two were found Wednesday weighing respectively 967 and 373 ounces, the largest seen in Australia in forty years.

To Teach Journalism.

At a meeting of the board of curators of Missouri university it was voted to establish a chair of journalism in the university. The chair will be filled next September.

New Harriman Express Company. The Pacific Fruit Express, a corporation with a capitalization of \$12, 606,600, is to be formed by the Harriman lines for the purpose of handling their refrigerator car business.

Big Planing Mill Burns. The planing mill of the Chicago and Alton railroad shops at Bloomington, Ill., were destroyed by fire Monday

night. Loss, \$150,000.

N. Dereylan, who came to Phoenix, Ariz, two months ago from Chicago of consumption. At the undertaking parlors it was discovered the deceased

no knowledge of this before, Famous Editor Dead.

John Armoy Knox, at one time widely known as the editor and proprietor of the Texas Siftings., died at

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CON-DENSED FORM.

S. Woodruff, near Calloway, Loses Carcasses Also Die.

E. S. Woodruff, one of the most substantial farmers and stockmen residing southwest of Calloway, has had the misfortune to lose about 150 head of hogs the last few weeks from a peculiar disease. A few weeks ago the animais commenced dying off, and atthough everything was done that could be thought of to keep them from dying, about 159 head of them were hauled out and buried before the disease was gotten under control. During the cold snap of a few weeks ago some of the dead animals were hauled out and left lying on the prairie until the weather moderated so that they could be buried. After the weather warmed up Mr. Woodruff went out to bury the dead, and upon reaching the place was surprised to find fifteen dead skunks lying within a few feet from where they had been eating the carcasses of the dead hogs, and the queswith that the flesh should be so poionous to the skunks?

Mr. Woodruff states that he was sure at all times that the hogs did not die from the effects of cholera, but that it had the appearance of being a kind of lung trouble, and was pronounced by him as being jung fever. Anyway, it seems strange that flesh of the dead animals should be so poisonous as to kill a skunk so suddenly that it would not be able to get farther than a few feet after partaking of the flesh of the dead hog.

PLATTE RIVER ON RAMPAGE.

Hall County Farmers Driven Out of

House by High Water. ThePlatte river was extraordinarily high for the last few days at and near Grand Island, and Tuesday morning had reached such a stage that farmers along the same are moving out of their homes, the stream being out of its banks. For several days they have been diligently at work moving their of water at this season of the year.

The high water is caused by a gorge banks for long stretches.

THREE TAKE JEWELS.

Omaha Pawnbroker Robbed by Three Men of \$8,000 Worth of Gems.

Three men entered the pawn shop of Joseph Sonnenberg at Omaha, bound and gagged the proprietor. Mike Morrisey, his clerk, and a customer named Frank Swan, and filling a suit case with diamonds and jewelry,

As they went out of the alley their actions excited the suspicion of Samuel Cross, a fireman, who tried to stop them, and an exchange of shots followed. Later one of the robbers, giving his name as Ed Elliott, of Denver was captured by the police and part of the plunder recovered. The pawnbroker reports his loss at about

LOGAN LAMBERT CONVICTED.

Former Illegal Liquor Dealer Found Guilty of Aassault.

Logan Lambert, the ex-Homer sa oonkeeper and who only last summer was released from the Sloux Falls penitentiary from serving a term therein for introducing liquor on the Winnebago Indian reservation, again has the penitentiary staring him in the face. for the jury returned a verdict finding him guilty of assault with intent to commit great bodily injury upon the person of Rev. Joseph Schell in Dakota City in April, 1905. The penalty is from one to five years in the penitentiary.

Laborers Strike and Fight.

A strike and an attempted murder among railroad laborers at work on pronounced yet. the Northwestern extension out from Bonesteel on the Rosebud reservation, have livened things up. Alic Gustassen, a union man from Chicago, was cut in the throat with a razor and will probably die. He made an affidavit accusing a stranger in the gang, but some of his comrades profess to believe it was suicide. Nine hours instead of ten have been put into effect at 20 cents per hour and ninety of the pockets, \$10 being overlooked.

Hendee Returned for Trial. Sheriff Greer returned to from Wahpeton, N. D., with ex-County Judge Hosmer H. Hendee, against whom has been made the charge of embezzling \$3.385 belonging to the estate of George Smith, deceased, under color of his office. Mr. Hendee readi-

ly gave a \$2,000 bond, with half a dozen old friends as sureties for his appearance for preliminary examination Omaha Murderer Appeals An appeal brief for Jay O'Hearn. the Omaha boy murderer under sentence of death for killing Nels Lausten, has been filed in the supreme

court by his attorney.

New Catholic Parsonage Work has started on the new Catho

lie parsonage and club house at Beatrice. The congregation will also erect a new church the coming spring. The was a woman. Rowe declares he had in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

Wants \$5,000 for Husband's Life Mrs. Alice Sullivan, of Platte Center sues Louis Stone for \$5,000 damages for the death of her husband, Dennis, alleging that Stone sold him liquor

CONVENTION OF SUPERVISORS.

Votes to Hold Next Session in South Omaha.

The most enthusiastic opening ses sion ever held was the meeting of the State Association of County Supervisors and County Commissioners held at the city ball in Kearney Tuesday even

There were three cities contesting Farmer's Hogs Mysteriously Die-E. for the honor of entertaining the association next December, invitations being extended by Norfolk, Broken 150 Head-Skunks Who Eat of the Bow and South Omaha. On counting the ballots it was found that 9 votes had been cast for Norfolk, 18 for Broken Bow and 30 for South Omaha. On motion the vote was made unanimous and South Omaha designated as the next place of meeting.

The officers were all elected by ac clamation, the rules being suspended and the votes unanimous in each case. P. J. Kennedy, of York was re-elected president. The other officers were: J. H. Harding, Meadow Grove, secretary; P. J. Trainor, South Omaha,

MAN PROZEN TO DEATH.

Nebraskan Wandered Away from His Home While Demented.

Scott Ferguson, a Scotchman, married about three years ago to a halfbreed Indian woman, was found in a canon east of Chadron frozen to death.

He had been acting queerly for ome time and Sheriff Mote had instructed his brother-in-law to watch him. Friday night he took Ferguson up to his home, saying he positively refused to enter his home, saying that he did not live there. He then started to go east from Chadron, and his brother-in-law, unable to control him. had to let him go, and came back to Chadron and reported it. A searching party was organized at once. They hunted all day for him Saturday but could find no trace of him. Early Sunday morning they found his hat in a slaughter house and Monday after-noon they found the body in the canon, partly covered with snow.

A HEAD END COLLISION.

An Accident on the Elkhorn Line Near

Ainsworth. There was a head end collision on the Fremont and Elkhorn line at 5 o'clock Thursday morning one mile west of Ainsworth.

Otto Rankin, of Cody, engineer on No. 1182, the second header, was badhay or stock. One of the farmers, ly scalded, and C. M. Hoffman, of Julius Peters, who have lived on the Chadron, fireman on No. 1323, head Platte for thirty years, states that he engine of the eastbound double headhas never seen the river as high and er, was badly cut on the head and cannot account for the unusual amount feet and otherwise badly bruised. Engineer Thompson, of the head

engine eastbound, stayed by his post of ice near the Donner farm, several until within about 100 feet of where miles down the river, which is backing the collision occurred, when he jumpup the water and sending it out of its ed and escaped with only a few scratches. The westbound train was in charge

of Conductor Williams, with Griffith. ngineer, and Mears, fireman.

All of the passengers escaped in

HL FATE FOLLOWS FAMILY. Young Nebraskan Falls Into Trance

and Dies in Sleep. Delbert Lockwood, the son of of the most prominent pioneer families in Dixon county, died Monday after falling into a trance Sunday. The young man, who was 17 years old. went to sleep Sunday night at 5 o'clock and did not recover conscious-

less before his death. He was the fourth in the family to meet either a strange or violent death. An elder brother was killed in a threshing machine accident, another died suddenly in Colorado and a third disappeared suddenly some time ago and has never been heard from Two other brothers have met with accidents which nearly proved fatal. There were thirteen children in the family.

SIXTEEN YEARS FOR MURDER. Fritz Clements Sentenced for Killing

Luke Goldie. Upon the convening of court in Papillion Wednesday Fritz Clements was sentenced to sixteen years in the penitentiary for the killing of Luke Goldie in August last, near the county line south of South Omaha, no part of said sixteen years to be a solitary con-finement. The indictment of the younger boys, Carl and Henry Clem-

ents was nolled. The sentence of Ernest Clements the oldest boy, found guilty of shooting with intent to wound, has not been

Railroad Fireman Held Up While on his way to go on his run, M. Skilles, of Lincoln, fireman on the Burlington road, was held up by, three men in South Omaha. One may confronted him while another with a revolver appreached from the side and advised Skiles to "hold on, you might have something that a fellow wants." Eleven dollars were taken from his

Like Runaway Match. A couple who were married by ounty Judge Stinson Monday afternoon at Frement, and who gave their ames as Jack Richards and Marjorie Morrison, of Omaha, are believed to have been Wells Abbott, a son of

Chauncey Abbott, of Schuyler, and

Maude Mathlessen, a Linwood girl,

Wife Sucs Liquor Dealers. Mrs. Leia Wilson has instituted suit for \$1,500 damages against H. L. Harper, a druggist, and J. V. Shackelton. salounkeeper of Poatrice, for the ale of liquor to her husband, William Wilson. Plaintiff alleges for that reason he has falled to provide and properly care for his family,

Baling Much Hay. Baling machines all over York coun-

ly are busily engaged in bailing alfaifa, timothy and clover and prairie hay. While the local market is good. contemplated improvements will cost nearly all of this hay is being shipped to Kansas City and Omaha.

Union Pacific Pays Part of Taxes A check for \$24,955.84 was received County Trensurer Troupe at Kearney from the Union Pacific Railroad his home in New York Wednesday of which indirectly caused his death by amount of the tax is \$37,112.25, leav- governor's term expires. ing a balance of \$12, 156.54 unpaid.

agriculture. University of Nebraska opens Jan. 2, and continues until March 1. The announcement just issued by the faculty says the course offers an opportunity to obtain a mastery of the principles of seed selection; Mexico of the fishing schooner Siles a thorough knowledge of the crops which can be most profitably grown in Nebraska; an acquaintance with the methods of adding to and conserving the fertility of our farms; a knowledge of how to deal successfully with the problem of soil moisture; the learning necessary to him who would succeed in making the proper choice of sires to head his herds, in the selection of profitable feeders, and who desires to know the principles of stock feeding and stock breeding; how to prevent the outbreak of contagious diseases among farm animals; a training in the principles of the economia production of milk, butter and cheese; a knowledge of the best methods of growing vegetables, small fruits, orchard products, and ornamental shrubs and grasses; a practical course in the adjustment, use and care of farm machinery; instruction in the care and management of poultry; practice in grading small grain and judging corn. A fee of \$2 is charged for the course,

trying persistently to stave off will be members of Congress, cabinet offiargued before the United States sur etc., when the legislative appropriation preme court at Washington Tuesday, bill, now under consideration, is reported Jan. 22. This date was agreed upon to the House from the committee of the between Attorney General Brown, representing the state, and on the Secretary of Commerce and Labor Chas. J. Greene, special attorney for to investigate the high prices of lumber, the Burlington, who was armed with and another calling upon the Secretary of written credentials authorizing him the Interior for a detailed description of written credentials authorizing him the coal lands withdrawn from public to act for John N. Baldwin, for the the coal lands withdrawn from public Union Pacific, as well. The day set—surry since July 1, 1906. After completing 122—is the date on which the leging 145 pages of the bill it was laid aside Jan. 22-is the date on which the legislature will ballot for United States senator, an election in which Norris Brown, as the candidate indorsed by the Republicans for that office, will be By a vote of 106 to 188 the House revery much interested. Mr. Brown will fused to increase from \$5,000 to \$7,500 be no longer attorney general at that the salaries of Senators, members and time, but it is all fixed for him to argue the case in conjunction with Attorney General Thompson and carry through as a volunteer the litigation the House and members of the President's through as a volunteer the litigation he has begun as attorney general, rather than give the railroads excuse for another delay. Mr. Brown agreed to be in Washington instead of at Lincoln on January 22, relying on the nomination.

Miss Cora Garber, of the state land a candidate for the position of private cognizance of the death of the late Seasecretary to Gov.-elect Sheldon. It ator William B. Bate of Tennessee. was asserted that she is conducting an active campaign to that end and has written to several men in Webster county asking for their indorsements. ment as private secretary to the new of the International Harvester Compa follow precedent in this regard. and no announcement of whom he has in view for the place is forthcoming Speaker Cannon announced the follow

Gov. Mickey's second term in office resulted in a reduction of the average per capita cost of maintaining inmates in the state institutions from \$94.84 during his first term to \$84.78 during his second term. An exhaustive re- sills from the calendar were passed withport, just completed by Clerk C. C. Husted, of the governor's office, shows for a child labor investigation by the the cost of maintaining the 3,655 in- Department of Commerce and Labor and mates of the state institutions. The one authorizing a loan of \$1,000,000 to total per capita cost of maintenance at the penitentiary was \$66.97, but as the convicts earned for the state A message from the President on the Jap-\$50.99 each, the actual cost to the state at that institution was \$15.98.

"I am against fake charity and in favor of the real thing," says Chancel. sage occupied the remainder of the see lor E, Benjamin Andrews, of the University of Nebraska in an open letter telling why he refuses to subscribe to recent public appeals made by the Salvation army officers in Lincoln for money and provisions to give a Christmas dinner to the poor. He says the so-called charity work of the Army in Lincoln is vicious and pauperizing, calculated to make the work a plague.

Gov. Mickey has written a letter to J. C. Stitt, of Norfolk, an architect, declaring that he meant no injustice to the architect and contractors on the west wing of the new Nebraska state insane hospital there. He said the tunnels were crumbling and other work was bad, but he admits that the west wing was well built. The tunnel was built several years ago by oth-

The receipts from oil inspection fees during the year, which ended Nov. 30. according to Mr. Church's report, were \$21,991.30, Expenditures for same period totaled \$12,539.49. The sum of \$8,899.42 was paid into the treasury and \$552.39 is left on hand. November receipts were \$2,530,40 and disbursements \$1,095.73. monthly balance of \$1,434.67.

Gov. Mickey has definitely refused to commute the death sentence of Jay O'Hearn, the Omaha boy murderer, to life imprisonment. O' dearn's mother, in company with Dr. F. M. Methodist clergyman from Omaha, called upon the executive to press the request for elemency, but Gov. Mickey told them that he would do nothing in the cose until the courts are through with it, as O'Hearn's appeal is now pending in the supreme court and cannot be reached before the present

WORK OF

In the Senate Wednesday resolutions were agreed to calling upon the President for information regarding the seigure by Stearnes, and directing the Secretary War to furnish information regarding alleged experience with cholera virus at Manila, resulting in ten or more deaths. Senator Rayner made a speech upholding states' rights doctrines, as involved in the Japanese question. The Senate in executive session ratified the Algericas trenty on Morocco after Democrats had compelled the adoption of a resolution disclaiming tesponsibility for the parcicipation of the United States in the program arranged by the conference as to the future of Norocco. The House took up the legislative, executive and judicial ap-propriation bill by paragraphs and comleted thirty-four pages of the bill before adjournment. An amendment was adopted instructing the public printer to use the orthography generally recognized by the standard dictionaries.

In the Senate Thursday Senator Dubois of Idaho spoke in favor of the unseating of Reed Smoot, A bill was passed providing regulations for fishing vessels to prevent collisions at sea. In the House a resolution favoring a recurs to the old standard of spelling The famous Nebraska railroad tax idopted. An agreement was reached for cases which the railroads have been a vote on an increase in the salaries of Norris whole. A resolution was adopted calling ıntil Friday.

> cabinet to \$12,000 each. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was passed.

The Senate was not in sess day. The House passed 350 invalid per-Republican members of the legislature to cast their votes for him in his absence according to the Republican printion bill carrying \$581,500 for the various departments of the government, including \$150,000 for mileage of army nd \$250,000 to carry pure food law, was passed. Sunday, Jan commissioner's office is reported to be 20, was set apart by the House to take

Messages from the President on Pausma, public lands and navy personnel were read in the Senate Monday. Resolutions Asked by a reporter whether or not were agreed to for a recess from Dec. she is seeking to obtain the appoint- 20 to Jan. 3, directing an investigation governor, Miss Garber said: "I am and ordering an inquiry by the judiciary governor of Nebraska within present to prevent interstate commerce in childremembrance has given the private made goods. Senators Whyte and Raysecretaryship post to a woman. It is aer presented resolutions to guard against thought that Gov.-elect Sheldon will infringement of States' rights. In the He House the Indian appropriation bill occuhas been in the south for three weeks, pied all the time not taken up with the and no announcement of whom he has reading of the President's messages. committee assignments: Knox of Illinois chairman, expenditures in the State De partment; Nelson of Wisconsia, Pa railroads and expenditures in the State

> In the Senate Tuesday many mi out objection, among them one providing the Jamestown exposition. deficiency appropriation bill was pe House. District of Columbia business and the reading of the President's mes-

National Capital Notes. The Senate ratified a patent treaty with Guatemala.

Representative Patterson, Governorelect of Tennessee, has resigned from Congress.

Representative Lacoy of Iowa introduced a bill to make \$12 the minimum monthly pension to be paid veteraus of the Civil War. Prof. Henry Fairfield Osborn of New York has declined the position of secre-

tary of the Smithsonian Institution because of pressing literary labors. The Louisiana and Texas delegations are backing a bill appropriating \$4,-000,000 for a canal from the Miss

river to the mouth of the Rio Grande, O. K. Paddock, who was indorsed by Paul Morton, was nominated for posts master at South Omaha, in spite of the fact that the entire Nebraska delegation in Congress had united on E. L. Howe for the place.

The Senate confirmed the nominations of John A. McIlhenny to be civil service commissioner, Messra. Harlan, Clark and Clements to be interstate commercial missioners, and William Barrett Ridgely to be comptroller of the currency.

Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, discussed with Secretary Root the atrocities in the Congo, intimating the possibility of some action by Great Britain.

The appeal of Albert T. Patrick, upder sentence of death for the murder of William March Rice in New York, was dismissed in the Supreme Court on motion of his counsel. Warships equal in all respects to the

built in private yards may be constru in government yards, says Rear Admirel W. L. Capps, chief of the construction bureau of the navy, in his annual report,