In a year Uncle Sam, smoked just 7,707,000,000 cigars and 14,000,000,000 cigarettes, CONDENSATIONS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE. Directors of the National Carbon company of Cleveland, mailed let-

There are 483 iron mines in this

country, employing 65,176 persons. . .

ters to the stockholders recently ask

ing approval of a plan for sharing

An amendment to the marriage laws

which would require the publishing

of engagements two weeks before the

issuance of licenses, will be sought

by Chicagoans prominent in juvenile

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Fire loss in the United States wall

lower in 1913 than the year before,

according to the total of figures is-

sued by insurance interests. The to-

tal property loss was \$203,408,250, as

The census of 1911 shows the total

population of the Union South Africa

on May 7 of that year to have been

ans and 4,697,152 of native or other

The Iola Portland Cement company

tition of creditors with claims aggre-

Governor Glynn finally refused to

pardon D. H. Tolman, the convigted

New York money lender. District At-

torney Whitman refused to say that

he favored an absolute pardon for

Tolman. The governor requires the

indorsement of the trial judge and the

prosecutor in every case where he

. . .

Kinley sold at auction here by the es-

tate of his niece, Mrs. Ida McKinley

Morse Cooper, brought \$990, it was

announced recently. A gold plate

cal iron works as a memento of the

The first shipment of wool from

Omaha to the east sent out this sea-"

son was made going over the Great

Western. The shipment consisted of

300,000 pounds from the Omaba wool

warehouse. It is about one-half that

has been in storage since early in the

winter. Right now the Wyoming

wool is coming in pretty freely and

for the next three months it is ex

pected that the shipments east will be

. . .

A petition asking that the fran-

chise be given to women and that

they be allowed to vote at the elec-

tions for the imperial parliament and

also to sit as deputies was introduced

into the imperial parliament by the

German woman's suffrage union. It

was referred to the consideration of

the government without any recom-

. . .

\$25,000 to provide capital for the ven-

ture has been placed in the city's an-

nual appropriation bill by the finance

FOREIGN.

Munich police have forbidden the

Three titled women flew with Avia-

tor Grahame-White at Hendon aero-

Default of Mexican interest pay,

Refugee General Mercado says he

will abide by whatever disposition the

The Italian government has made

denial of the rumor that negotiations

were in progress for the sale of

More than sixty women-wives and

mothers of coal miners imprisoned

for strike riots-from Wellington,

Ladysmith and Nanaimo, B. C., ap-

vincial government building at Vic-

The duke and duchess of Orleans,

desiring to avoid scandal and the cost

of the proceedings, agreed to with-

draw from the courts the suit started

mony and the restitution of large

sums she had advanced her hus.

It cost Italy \$191,400,000 to acquire

Tripoli, a country which, according to

all acounts, is, with the exception of

the desert of Sahara, the least desir

Imogene Van Dyke, once a famous

actress and known in private life as

Mrs. Albert Henriquies, died in New

York recently. Mrs. Henriques

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ments is interpreted by some as a bid

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United States sees fit to make.

by Huerta for intervention.

Italian warships to Turkey.

large.

committee.

dome.

band.

tango dance in public.

launching of the battleship

. . .

brought \$325. It cost \$1,500.

Relics of the late President Mc-

. . .

. . .

compared with \$207,453,900 in 1912.

profits with "their employes. 1 . . .

protection work.

mixed races.

gating \$3,000.

exercises clemency.

BUSY

CONGRESS HAS MUCH TO DO BE

FORE TACKLING TRUSTS.

WILL TRY TO SHORTEN SESSION

cluded by July.

the session as much-as possible.

every man can be in his district to

fight for retention of a democratic

majority in both houses of the next

The fact that senatorial contests,

under the direct elections amendment

to the constitution, are pending in

many states, makes the situation

more urgent from a campaign stand-

All Eager to Limit Session.

chieftains in congress to limit the

session as much as possible and all

are pulling together to expedite legis-

lative matters. Conferences on a

legislative program will be held in

Among the most important meas-

ures pending are the Alaskan railroad

bill, rural credit legislation, regula-

tion of stock exchanges, and the Pa-

All proposed legislation, it is now

practically agreed, cannot be crowd-

ed through at this time, but what

bills are to be sidetracked has not

The Alaskan bill, which was urged

by the president in his last message.

and which would provide for a gov-

ernment built and operated railroad

into the interior of the territory, is

certain to pass. Senator Chamberlain

procured unanimous consent for a

vote at an early date. The house al-

ready has the same subject under

Fire at Sioux City.

Sloux City, Ia .- Great quantities of

hanis and bacon were destroyed by a

spectacular blaze in the four-story

ham and storage house of the Armour

Packing plant. The loss to the

building and contents is estimated at

nama canal tolls question.

President Wilson is as eager as the

congress.

point.

Ohio

the near future.

been determined.

consideration.

\$75,000.

A BOILING DOWN OF EVENTS

NEWS OF THE WEEK

National, Political, Personal and Other Matters in Brief Form for All Classes of Readers.

WASHINGTON.

Independent telephone people would have the government operate the long-distance lines. . . .

President Wilson will veto the postoffice bill if congress insists on a re turn to the spoils system. . . .

Federal appropriation of \$25,000,000 for good roads was proposed by Rep- 5,973,394, comprising 1,276,242 Europeresentative Moon of Tennessee. . . .

President Wilson commuted to expire July 21, life sentence imposed on Turner W. Barnes and Fred Robinson, of Iola, Kan., with a copital of \$1,500, inmates of the Leavenworth pentiten- 000, was thrown into involuntary tlary, who took part in a mutiny bankruptcy recently in the federal among the prisoners in 1901, when a court at Fort Scott, Kan., on the peguard was killed. . . .

Resolutions asking that a congres-Bional committee be appointed to investigate conditions in operations of grain exchanges in the country before any laws regulating the exchanges are passed were adopted at Chicago recently by the council of Grain Exchanges of America, in annual session.

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Any alien laborer who within the rear pravious to his admission to the United States had not earned 30 per cent of the wages paid in this country for the same work, would be excluded from the United States by a presented by the employes of a lobill introduced by Representative Gillette of Massachusetts. It is desigrad to bar cheap foreign labor.

President Wilson has practically selected Colonel William C. Gorgas of the Panama Canal commission for surgeon general of the army. The colonel's friends expect his nomination to go to the senate very soon Colonel Gorgas practically made the building of the aPnama canal a possibility by sanitating the isthmus.

. . . Exemption of all assistant postmasters from the civil service, and an appropriation of \$200,000 for experiments in government ownership of railway mail cars were two proposals that attracted much attention when the annual postoffice appropriation bill was submitted to the house. The bill carries a total of \$305,247,757. Last year before the parcel post system was inaugurated the total was \$283,444,171.

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A fleet of government-owned freight mendation. Members of all parties and passenger vessels to operate from

THE NORTH PLATTE SEMI-WEEKLY TRIBUNE.

Burglars and petty thieves are making life a burden to the inhabitants of TIMES AHEAD Ing life a burden to the inhabitants of Fairbury.

Plymouth Congregational church at Lincoln will build a new thirty-thous and dollar church. Sterling, in the northwest part of

Johnson county, is likely to have an electric lighting plant. A number of boys have been arrest-

ed at Kearney for stealing coal from railroad cars in transit. Omaha is soon to have a public

school room devoted entirely to Italian James Podany of Clarkson was badly cut and bruised when he got caught in the flywheel of a corn-

The next meeting of the Southwestern Nebraska Checker Players' association will be held at McCook, January 20

The Fremont Commercial club, mer moving there in better fashion than at chants' association and ad club will any time in the past. Improvements hold a fair in that city, opening Febru made in the medical division have enabled many permanent cures to be ary 23.

Over \$713,000 worth of farm mort made. At the present time the Instituand progressives already active, the gages were filed in Adams county durtion has 373 female and 700 male majority leaders are insistent that all patients. In addition, there are fiftying 1913, while only \$600,000 worth legislative business be disposed of bewere released. fore July 1 at the latest, in order that parole from the hospital. Female at-

corporate and has filed a petition with tendants number sixty-eight and male the county board asking that the town attendants seventy-seven. The state, be allowed to do so. in the opinion of Superintendent Baxter, should look at once to providing The new high school building at the institution with more adequate fire

protection. At present the system is interesting program being given dur in decidedly poor shape, and in case of ing the day and evening. fire it would not prove at all efficient. Little Emil Johnson, 17 months old. The hospital head suggests that this

der at Wahoo, has been adopted by Rev. R. B. Hall of Neligh.

found hanging from a ladder propped against a hay stack on the farm of E

does not belong to the "vets" exclusively, because of their professional training, were assertions made to Gov farm paper editors and agricultural Clark Welliver of Dawson county experts who called to protest agains!

A kitchen cabinet factory of Denver

been let out of office on account of was also a county commissioner.

started by the Rt. Rev. George Allen Beecher, bishop of western Nebras ka, in connection with the Kearney Military academy, of which he is head.

July 7, 1913. This sum was spent in educating 284,766 pupils between the ages of 5 and 21, or a total of \$32.38 spent on each pupil enrolled in the public schools. More than half of this outlay of money went for teachers'



Eight candidates for the headship of the Kearney state normal recently vacated through the resignation of Dr. A. O. Thomas, have made application thus far. All of the applicants are out-of-the-state men.

Briefs and exhibits of various kinds boosting Table Rock as the town for the location of the state intermediate reformatory to be established in the unknown future by the board of control, have been received by that body.

The Superior National bank has brought suit in district court against the National Bank of Commerce of Lincoln, asking judgment for \$10,-856.07 on a draft drawn by the now defunct First National bank of Superior on the defendant, together with \$2.25 protest fees.

Efforts to make the state prison authorities give discharged convicts \$10 in cash when they leave the institution will be made by the state prison association in a court action soon to be started. Heretofore the convicts three females and forty-one males on have been receiving \$5 because of the scarcity of state funds.

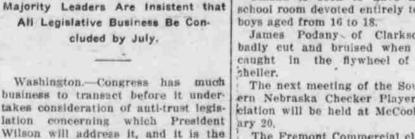
> The scientific management of Nebraska farms, homes and ranches will be discussed at the meetings of about twenty-five societies included in Organized Agriculture at Lincoln, January 19-23. All the equipment of the university farm and a talented array of professors will be at the disposal of the visitors.

> It cost the state of Nebraska an average of \$106.36 for the support of each inmate in its public institutions during the six months from June 1 to December 1, 1913. The average number of inmates in the fourteen institutions under the board of control during that period was 4,425, and the total cost of operating them was \$470,650.

The monthly report of Warden Fenton shows that the number of convicts in the penitentiary increased 332 to 336 during the month of December. Twenty-four were received by commitment, one who escaped was returned and two returned from furlough, three were discharged, nineteen were paroled and one remanded by order of court.

Fees received by the state food, drug, dairy, oil and weights and measures commission totaled \$6.848 for the month of December. Of that huge amount \$6,376 represented collections for oil_inspections. During the month 140 cream stations, 137 hotels and cafes and 373 |grocery stores and merchandise establishments were inspected.

Where grade crossings are not adequate for the protection of life the railway commission may order railroads to construct overhead crossings. Such is the attitude assumed by the commission in an order requiring the Burlington to change a grade crossing on the Postle property near Chalco to an overhead crossing. The change must be effected within four months. The salaries of nine state bank examiners totaled \$8,434 for the six months ending November 20, 1913, and traveling expenses of the same officials amounted to \$2,713, according to the state banking board report made to Governor Morehead. Charter fees amounting to \$590 were received during the half year period, from twenty-three banks, which organized in that time. The right of farmers to use hog cholera serum on their own herds is to be discussed at a meeting of the state sanitary livestock commission. The state veterinarians' association, which met recently in Lincoln, has suggested to the commission that it adopt a rule to prevent any except veterinarians from administering the sorum. The commission has taken no action pending counter statements.



aim of democratic leaders to shorten With the congressional campaign coming next fall, and the republicans

The village of Thayer wants to in-

Neligh was dedicated last week, at

whose mother was convicted of mur-

The body of an unknown man wa

Etchison, near North Bend. James Byrne, an elderly man, was

asphyxiated when he inadvertently turned on a gas jet in his room at the home of a friend in Lincoln.

who hunts coyotes with dogs, has chased 28 this season, so far, and out of that number captured 24.

employing forty men, will be moved to Hastings at an early date if local business men can be interested. Postmaster Springer of Brady has

holding two offices at one time. He

A "boy farm" project is about to be

Plans have been perfected by the Kearney canning factory directors to open the factory again next year. Last summer was a bad one for the factory the report prepared by State Superinand the plant only ran one-half of the time.

The poultry show held by the Nemaha County Poultry association at Auburn was one of the most success ful shows held in that part of the state for some years. There were 410 birds exhibited.

Armour plant. Besides a storage salaries, there being 11,757 employed, Members of the Lincoln fire departhouse for smoked meats it was used at an average wage of \$61.21 a month. ment are proudly driving a horse lent The female teachers, outnumbering as a box factory, laundry and canned to them by Secretary of State Bryan. the male nearly seven to one, received The animal is being trained and will take the place of a horse which has become lame.



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CLAIM THE EXISTENCE OF VET

Readers.

Despite a \$45,000 deficiency and the

almost complete depletion of stores of

the institution, Superintendent Baxter

of the Hastings state hospital reports

to Governor Morehead that affairs are

be given immediate attention.

Think a Trust Exists.

in the state and that farmers resent

its encroachments into domain that

ernor Morehead by a delegation of

adoption of stringent rules by the

live stock sanitary board. In the dele

gation were Dean Burnett of the agri-

cultural college, Editor L. A. Herror

of the Nebraska Farmer, Editor Oak

Davis of the Independent Farmer and

F. C. Crooker of Filler, former mem-

ber of the board in question. The ef

fort is the result of the hog cholers

serum war in this state. Veterinar

lans contend, and their state associa

tion so recommended, that only mer

of their profession can administer the

Cost of Running Public Schools.

There was spent last year for the

running of the public schools of Ne-

braska, the grades and high schools,

the sum of \$9,220,977.51, according to

tendent Delzell for the year ending

serum with certainty.

That a veterinarians' trust exists

Alaska to North and South American ports has been proposed by Senator Norris as an amendment to the railroad bill. Ten to twenty vessels would be constructed for use as army or nevy transports. The government would be authorized to lease the ships still have some small savings will be for operation to the Panama Railroad started in a short time. City and company now owned by the governcounty officials and labor unions are back of the movement. An item of ment.

President Wilson will give a public hearing on the immigration bill when it gets out of congress and comes before him for signature. Presidents Cleveland and Taft gave such hearings and it was after one of these that Mr. Taft vetoed the last immigration bill, proposing among other things, a literacy test. Many provisions of the pending measure are being hotly contested.

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DOMESTIC.

Congressman Curley who served a two months' jall sentence was elected #s mayor of Bosto

Liability of the Oceanic Steam Navigation company for the Titanic disaster will be agued in the supreme court.

Job hunters and beggers who had heard of his millions chased Henry Ford of Dertoit all around New York City the other day, forcing him to flee from public places.

Mrs. Nora Sullivan died here, aged 110. She was born in County Kerry, peared before ex-Promier McBride in Ireland, and was employed in the the executive chamber of the prohousehold of Daniel O'Connell, the Irish barrister, before coming to toria, to appeal for elemency for the America, seventy-five years ago. She prisoners. had used tobacco for the last eighty years.

. . . More than half of the people who live in Connecticut have deposits in the savings banks, according to the by the duchess for seperation, allannual report of the state bank commissioner. The 622,000 depositors have \$307,500,000 to their credit.

The final crop estimates for 1913, issued by the statistical office of the Dominion government, shows that Canadas prinicipal field crops in that year covered 35,375,000 acres, as 35,575,000 acres in 1912, and their able part of Africa. value was \$552,771,500, as compared with \$557,344,400 in preceding year.

James M. Lynch, recently appointed New York state commissioner of lamade her first appearance on the bor, left Albany for Indianapolis, to sever his connection with the Interna- stage with John McCullough and was tional Typographical union as its afterwards leading lady with Lester president. Wallack

pok part in the debate on the ments warehouse. tion.

Twelve streams of water were thrown on the building and after an A chain of retail groceries and coal bour's fighting the blaze was under markets, financed by the city of Chicontrol, although at times other cago and operated for the benefit of packing house buildings seemed in those who are out of work but who Ganger.

> Rall Strike Practically Ends. Cape Town .- The railway strike practically ended with the decision of the operating force to resume work immediately. The strike of the miners also is rapidly nearly its end. It is estimated that the mobilization of the burghers will cost the government between \$1,250,000 and \$2,000,000. A proclamation was issued at Pre-

> toria demobilizing all the command. ers and regiments except those in the Rand and the Preteria and Fauresmith districts. This means that 30,000 men will be retained in the field.

Radio Station.

Washington, D. C .- A special board of naval officers has salected as a site for a high-power radio station on the California coast a location on La Chollas' Heights, about four miles east of San Francisco and eleven miles from the seacoast. It is expected that a tract of land comprising 722 acres, with an elevation of 450 feet above the sea level, soon will be acquired by the government for about \$15,000.

Volcanos Are Subsiding.

Tokio .- Late advices from Kakoshima say the volcanoes are subsiding. There is great suffering in the entire section for it has been found impossible to give shelter or food to the thousands who lost their homes.

Has Tiny Piece of Radium.

Washington, D. C .- A tiny particle of radium, 20 milligrams, worth \$14,-500, was received from Paris for experimental purposes, in an effort to standarize the supply here.

Recommends Eugenic Marriages. Richmond, Va .- A eugenic marriage law, a state working colony for drunkards and drug fiendsd, a bible school, a circulating library and an academic night school in the state penitentiary were recommended in Gov. Mann's message.

Inventor Kills Self.

Freeport, Ill .- Naaman Spencer, 90 years old, who claimed to be the inventor of the gang plow, committed suicide at his home in Eagle Point by shooting himself with a rifle.

Four members of the senior class of the Stanton high school-Byron Baer, Max DeWitt, Walter Fechner and George McLeod-have been presented with sweaters in appreciation of their good work on the football field last fall.

Coyotes or small wolves are so plentiful in southern Lancaster and western Otoe counties and so destructive to poultry that hunters of Bennet. Palmyra, Panama and Douglas will attempt to exterminate them by a big

hunt. R. F. Osborn, an Alnsworth man, came near losing his life when his auto turned over, pinning him underneath. He was rescued by his two boys, aged eight and ten years, who finally succeeded in raising the machine.

A subscription paper in an effort to raise \$100,000 for a new hotel build

Mrs. Caroline McMicken, aged 79 years, and for many years a resident of Brock, died Monday morning from injuries received Sunday while attempting to start a fire in the kitchen

judging pavilion at the state farm.

president of the state league. McCook .- The Burlington has its

great ice houses at McCook now ir readiness to receive this year's sup ply of ice, and the work of filling them will begin at once. About 15,006

the unwary of several Nebraska towns by taking fake orders for glove-fitting shoes, demanding cash with the orders, which so far have not been filled. Since the school bond question failed at Ohiowa those favoring the proposition are stirring up interest in the issue and expect finally to wir out.

A number of fires of mysterious origin have occurred in Beatrice dur ing the past few weeks and local au thorities are of the opinion that a fire bug is at work. It is probable that state officials will investigate.

in wages the immense sum of \$4,578,-453.21. The male teachers, numbering but 1,663, received \$865,917.06. The female teachers numbered 10,094 The average monthly wage of the women was \$58.62; of the men, \$80.51, Other expenses ran as follows: Buildings and sites, \$1,134,633.77; repairs, \$404,482.42; fuel, \$403,495.41; reference books, etc., \$20,214.19; text books and pupils' supplies, \$389.915.93; furniture, \$156,542.58; all other purposes, \$1,267,322.94.

Marked Interest in Agriculture. So interesting is becoming the study

of agriculture in the state that Charles Epperson of Fairfield writes to the state board of agriculture as follows: "This teacher, Boehr, is a corker. He uses most everything for text books in his school work. He uses implement manufacturers' catalogues, almanacs, seeds, seed catalogues, pictures of horses, the state fair premium list and many other things which many of us throw into the waste basket. He has got my boy, who is taking work under him, making collections of worms and moths and birds' nests. I can't lean up against a radiator in the house anywhere without disturbing an agricultural experiment. The boy has planted seeds in cotton on plates and in boxes containing dirt, in old pans and other places. These are distributed all over the house on the various radiators where the heat will cause them to sprout."

Fires to the number of 1,265, involving a loss of \$1,715,676, were reported to the state fire commission during the year 1913, according to the report handed to Governor Morehead by Commissioner W. S. Ridgell. During the year 1912 there were 1.355 fires, with a loss of \$2,251,174. The loss of the year just past has been lower than at any time since the creation of the fire commission, hence Judge Ridgell is happy in the belief that the people of the state have been taking some of his prevention doctrine to heart.

Wants Law Amended.

State Treasurer George has at tempted without success to get the legislature to amend the law so as to require county treasurers to remit at short intervalts all collections due the state. The counties are required to charged that county treasurers benefit by retaining state funds in their possession, but it is alleged that the counties benefit by drawing 2 per cent

Farmers, stockmen and men representing farm publications met at a local hotel for the purpose of recommending certain sanitary improvements along the lines of stock yard sunitation stock in transit and the control of hog cholera and other infectious and contagious diseases of live stock. One of the subjects discussed led to a vigorous attack on certain recommendations made by the veterinarians at their meeting a month ago.

Executive committeemen of the governors' conference of the United States have asked Governor Morehead to vote on the question of holding the 1914 gathering the middle of June or the first week in December. The conference will be held at Madison, Wis., and the subjects to be discussed will center around the "Uniformity of State Laws." Governor Morehead is give the conference his views on the Nebraska crusade to reduce the number of boards and commissions in the state and to have an efficiently operated, uniform state government.

Fifty-nine horses and mules found to be suffering with glanders have been killed in Nebraska during the year 1913 by order of the state veterinarian, and the owners of these animals have been reimbursed in the gross amount of \$4,774. This is at the make annual settlement and they let rate of about \$80 for each animal it go at that, most of them. It is not slain. The number disposed of is about half as many as in 1912.

State Superintendent Delzell has issued a letter to superintendents and interest on all state funds deposited ary 26, be observed as Child Labor principals urging that Monday, Januday in Nebraska.

tons are annually stored here. A smooth couple have been working

ing in Fremont is being circulated.

range with coal oil. One of the interesting features of organized agriculture week at Lincoln will be the program to be held Tuesday, January 20, by the Nebraska Horse Breeders' association, at the

An effort is being made by the Kearney school board to open a nongraded room in the city schools to provide for backward and deficient pupils.

Ex-Mayor C. J. Miles resigned his position as president of the Hastings baseball team as soon as it was announced that he had been elected