

**BRIEF TELEGRAMS.**

Savings deposits in Chicago banks have passed the \$100,000,000 mark. In the past year they have increased more than \$22,000,000.

President Stryke of Hamilton college, announces that among his recent donations to the college was \$100,000 from Andrew Carnegie.

Upon the departure of America's European squadron from England, about the middle of July, it will proceed to Lisbon for a friendly call at that port.

The watermelon crop of Kansas will be exceedingly short this season. Watermelons are mostly raised along the rivers and the floods destroyed the crop.

Former President Cleveland and his family left Princeton for Gray Gables, Buzzard's Bay, where they will spend the summer. They will return to Princeton October 1.

M. W. Savage, owner of Dan Patch and Directum, the two famous horses recently purchased by him, refused an offer of \$92,000 for the two horses. W. W. Gentry made the offer.

The Crown Princess of Denmark, who is now in Paris with her husband, is not celebrated for her good looks, but she has the more permanent distinction of being the richest royal princess in Europe.

The annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of the diocese of Oregon adopted resolutions favoring a change of names. The resolutions favor some name incorporating the word Catholic.

George Madison Randolph, a lineal descendant of Pocahontas and the Randolphs, lives in St. Louis. He claims to be seventh in descent from the famous Indian maiden by her marriage with John Rolfe.

St. Louis is to have a statue of Pierre Laclède, its founder. He will be represented not as a typical frontiersman, but as a captain in the French army, which rank he held in the militia at New Orleans.

The crown prince of Sweden, presumably under financial pressure, wants to sell his ancestral palace at Stockholm. He has applied to the king to submit a bill to the riksdag authorizing him to dispose of it.

President Diaz accepted an invitation to attend the celebration of Fourth of July to be given by the American colony in Mexico City. A feature of the day was a special luncheon given to President Diaz.

On the morning of the Fourth of July President Roosevelt sent from his Sagamore Hill home at Oyster Bay a message formally opening the Pacific cable to the Philippine Islands. The message was one of greeting and congratulation to Governor Taft. A return message was sent by Governor Taft.

Leslie Comb, United States minister to Guatemala, has transmitted to the state department, as likely to interest the people of the localities named, a letter of condolence from Juan Barrios, the Guatemalan minister of foreign affairs, upon the recent disasters at Topeka and Gainesville.

Statistics show that Holland consumes more smoking tobacco than any other country in the world. Her quota per head approximates nine pounds. The United States comes second, with about four pounds. Belgium and Germany are next, then Austria, with about two pounds and a half.

Senator William A. Clark of Montana is preparing to build the finest house in Washington. He will not break ground on the site of the old "Stewart castle," facing Dupont circle, until the Massachusetts avenue residence of the Colorado millionaire, Thomas F. Walsh, is finished.

Hazard's pavilion, with a seating capacity of 5,000, has been leased by the committee in charge of the preliminary arrangements of the national general conference of the Methodist church, which will convene in Los Angeles in May, 1904. The entire building will be devoted to the needs of the conference meeting.

A new departure in the navy is marked by the issue of a circular from the navigation bureau calling for the enlistment of electricians for the wireless telegraph, who are expected to be secured for \$30 per month to begin, although promotions are promised to the grade of chief electrician at \$60.

Herr Felix Ottl, conductor of the opera at Karlsruhe and Baireuth, has been engaged by Manager Conreid to lead the Wagner operas at the Metropolitan opera house, New York. The grand duke of Baden has granted Herr Ottl six months' leave of absence.

A dispatch from Seoul, capital of Corea, reports that a Korean military officer has reached the Yalu river, states that 150 Russian soldiers have crossed the river, and are now stationed at two points on the Korean side.



And You Bet He Had a Good Time.

**TREATIES SIGNED**

**CUBA GIVEN SOVEREIGNTY OVER ISLE OF PINES.**

**U. S. GETS COALING STATION**

Palma Believes Senate Will Ratify All Outstanding Agreements Before Adjourning and Cement the Two Countries Solidly Together.

HAVANA.—The treaty covering the naval and coaling station bases and the treaty placing the Isle of Pines wholly under Cuban sovereignty were signed Thursday at noon.

The two treaties, which are the last of the six between the United States and Cuba, were subscribed in duplicate at the secretary of state's office. Minister Squires, Senor Garcia Montes, secretary of the treasury and secretary of state in Senor Zaldo's absence, signing for their respective countries.

The Isle of Pines Treaty, while turning over the island to the absolute sovereignty of Cuba, safeguards the rights and privileges of the American residents in the island as though they were on American territory. Property, judicial and educational rights are especially guaranteed. It is pointed out that the American land holders are better off in respect to taxation than they would be under United States sovereignty.

The occupation of the naval and coaling stations will be perpetual, the rental price being purely nominal and based on the cost of acquiring the stations and sites by the Cuban government, the United States advancing any money necessary for the purchase of private lands at Guantanamo and Bahia Honda.

The senate committee on foreign relations is delaying the ratification by postponing action on the treaty signed February 16, conceding the two naval stations to the United States. The reason the committee gives is that it is desirable to await the report of the joint commission of United States and Cuban engineers, which is now marking out the site for the largest station at Guantanamo.

President Palma and the leading administration senators maintain that all the treaties will be ratified before the adjournment of congress.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Moody expressed great satisfaction on hearing that the coal stations treaty had been signed. It is earnestly hoped the Cuban senate, before its adjournment, will ratify the treaty, as the navy department is anxious to proceed at once with work on the stations.

Preliminary surveys of the land already have been made at Guantanamo and Olympia has been retained in Caribbean waters to be ready to land material and begin work as soon as authorization comes from Washington. About \$100,000 is immediately available for beginning the work at Guantanamo and will be used probably in the construction of a wharf and small hospital.

**They Are Asked to Explain.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C.—The treasury department called upon the two United States customs officials who are said to be connected with the Columbia Gold Mining company for a statement of their relations with the company and a statement of their conduct in permitting their official positions to be used to further the interests of the company. An answer is expected within two or three days.

**GOV. CUMMINS RENOMINATED.**

Only One Contest for Place in Iowa Republican Convention.

Governor... A. B. CUMMINS of Polk Lieutenant Governor ..... JOHN HERRIOTT of Adair Railroad Commissioner .....

..... D. J. PALMER of Washington Judge Supreme Court .....

..... CHARLES A. BISHOP of Polk Supt. of Public Instruction .....

..... J. F. RIGGS of Sigourney

DES MOINES.—The republican state convention nominated the foregoing ticket and adopted the platform of principles. All the candidates were renominated by acclamation with the exception of the state superintendent, for which office Mr. Riggs was nominated on the third ballot, his opponents being the present superintendent, R. C. Barrett of Osage, and H. L. Adams of West Union.

Harmony marked the proceedings of the convention, all of its actions being by unanimous vote, with the exception of the nomination of state superintendent, but after the ticket had been completed and the platform adopted, speeches were made which indicated that the republican leaders of the state are not entirely agreed as to the details of the tariff policy.

The tariff plank adopted was one prepared by Senator Allison, after conferences with representative republicans of the state. No objection was made to it in the committee of resolutions nor in its presentation to the convention. Governor Cummins in his speech accepting renomination approved the platform in its entirety, but announced that he would continue to hold to all the views expressed in his speeches within the past two years.

**DRAWN JAPAN TOWARD RUSSIA.**

Visit of Kropatkin to Japan Seems to Pave Way to Peace.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The visit of the Russian war minister, General Kropatkin, to Japan, has, according to the Japanese newspapers, had a very satisfactory effect on the relations between Russia and Japan and has paved the way for a rapprochement.

The newspapers of Japan, in expressing satisfaction at this state of affairs, allude to General Kropatkin as the harbinger of peace and point out that he has been the mikado's guest at the Shiba palace, where no foreigner, except princes of the royal blood, had ever before resided.

**Government Sues for \$2,000,000.**

BUTTE, Mont.—The United States government has instituted suit in the federal court against the Anaconda Copper company, the Bitter Root Development company and the Marcus Daly estate, William Scallon and others for \$2,000,000, being the value of timber alleged to have been unlawfully cut from the public domain in western Montana. F. A. Mavnard, special United States attorney, was sent from Washington to bring this suit and prosecute similar cases.

**Russia Still Opposes Pact.**

PEKIN.—Prince Ching, president of the foreign office, returned from the summer palace in order to hold a conference with Minister Conger on the commercial treaty between China and the United States. It is understood the Russian opposition, which the Chinese foreign office insists prevents its signature, is unchanged, though friends of the treaty profess the belief that the protocol will remove opposition.

**General Nebraska News.**

**THE STATE IN BRIEF.**

Judge B. S. Baker, formerly of Omaha, has been elected president of the Commercial club of Albuquerque, N. M. This action was taken at the recent annual meeting of the club, which is one of the strongest organizations in the southwest, with 200 members and a \$100,000 club building.

Rex, the 4-year-old son of Ed Green, was killed at Hartington by being run over by a lumber wagon. The hired man had the team hitched to the wagon standing by the house when Rex climbed onto the wheel, the team started and the wheel passed over him just above the heart. He gasped twice and died.

The Lancaster county assessment has just been finished and the assessment rolls closed for the year. The total valuation of property listed is \$8,603,077.90, an increase of \$306,903.43. This sum was fattened by \$10,000 added to the Lincoln Gas company's valuation by the county board of equalization.

Mrs. D. S. Guild and her son George have returned to their home in Plattsmouth from West Point, N. Y., where the latter graduated from the United States military academy. George will remain at home until the latter part of September, when he will go to San Francisco, Cal., and report for duty in the Philippines.

Details of a tragedy which happened near Lomax, Custer county, have reached Broken Bow, wherein Della, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brandt, was shot and instantly killed by Jacob, the 11-year-old son of D. C. Reynolds. The shooting was accidental, the children being allowed to play with firearms.

John Hill, who for several years has been in the employ of the F. E. & M. V. railroad at Fremont, died in the hospital at Omaha and was buried at Clay Center by the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, a large delegation of whom came in from Fremont. The citizens of the town, his former home, joined with the trainmen in the services, and turned out in large numbers.

Chief Deputy Game and Fish Commissioner George L. Carter assumed the duties of his office July 1st. He has finished the appointment of 200 special deputies throughout the state, who will see to the enforcement of the game and fish laws. These men serve without fixed compensation, save for the fees for arrests made. Commissioners are being sent to them by the secretary of the commission.

The B. & M. crop reports says there has been rains all along the lines and in the eastern section, where the rains were heaviest, the soil is in fine condition, while it is not quite so good further west. There was plenty of rain along the Alliance and Sheridan branches and the range is in good condition. Corn is doing well and the farmers have not been deterred from cultivating it because of the rains.

The June treasury statement just issued by Treasurer Mortensen shows that the state has on hand in the various funds \$294,882.99, of which \$293,475.15 is on deposit in several banks of the state. A substantial increase has been made in the general fund since the last statement, which showed but a balance of \$4.95. Nearly all of the agricultural college endowment fund, amounting to over \$22,000, has been invested during the past month in state warrants.

The chief of police of Omaha has decreed that street preaching will not be allowed. This order does not interfere with Salvation army work.

Lemuel Goldsberry, Jr., was drowned in the Nemaha river at Auburn. He and another lad by the name of Hays were out for a swim. They had begun to slide into shallow water. The bank was steep and slippery and just beyond the shallow water the river was twenty feet deep. Goldsberry slid into the deep water, and not being much of a swimmer, failed to rise.

The work of tearing down and removing the false work under the new massive steel Burlington railroad bridge at Plattsmouth, which spans the Missouri river, has been accomplished. The false work alone, it is said, represented 300 carloads of timber. The work of removing the old bridge and putting in its place a new one strong enough to carry twice the burden of the former one was accomplished without the stopping of a single regular train on the road.

Notice has just been received in the office of the board of irrigation that the government has withdrawn a large tract of land in the extreme western part of the state under the provisions made by the reclamation act of the last congress.

Chief Deputy Oil Inspector Church has received a telegram from the Standard Oil company, announcing the shipment to Omaha of four cars of oil from the refineries of the company at Noedasha, Kan. This is the first Kansas oil shipped into Nebraska.

**FORFEITING SCHOOL LEASES.**

Interest Delinquent on About One Hundred Thousand Acres.

LINCOLN.—Two thousand notices of forfeiture of school land leases have been sent out by Land Commissioner Follmer. Nearly 100,000 acres of land will be affected and the defaulted interest will run up into the thousands. The exact amount is not attainable now, and will not be known until the balancing of the books takes place. It is estimated that it will not fall below \$25,000. This represents six months default, and under the law the lessees have ninety days in which to pay up. If they do not do so they can only get the lease renewed by paying up and in addition a lease fee of 50 cents for each forty acres.

The usual practice heretofore has been to wait until actual delinquency occurs before starting in on the preparation of the notices. Deputy Eaton has changed this and had the notices prepared in advance so that the state will lose no interest. Mr. Follmer has been pushing collections vigorously. In the old days delinquents were given all the time they desired, and in the end a good many to them duped the state. In one case, when Mr. Follmer took hold, the delinquency covered a period of thirteen years. His practice has been to forfeit all leases just as soon as the law will permit, where the holders do not comply with the terms of their agreement.

**NORFOLK MAN KILLS HIMSELF.**

Goes to Room in Hotel at Wayne and Suicides.

WAYNE.—A man registered at the Boyd hotel by the name of George E. Weiseman, Norfolk, Neb. He asked for a room and was at once shown to one. Shortly afterward a report was heard, but nothing was thought of it, as the reports of firecrackers are heard frequently. At 6:15 the clerk went to his room and called Weiseman, but received no response. On pushing the door open he discovered the man lying on the bed with a revolver in his hand. Coroner Williams was summoned and it was found that the man had been dead some time and that death must have been instantaneous, as there was no evidence of a struggle and his hand grasped the revolver by his side as he lay on the bed.

**York Wants a New Depot.**

YORK.—York business men are agitating the building of the Burlington depot. From time to time they thought they received some encouragement from the Burlington officials. If there is any city in Nebraska needing a depot it is York. The present frame structure is one of the oldest depots in the state and is not large enough to accommodate the business and the public.

**Affirms the Sentence.**

The supreme court at its recent sitting affirmed the conviction of Fred Reno, found guilty in Sheridan county on a charge of having sent threatening letters through the mails. Reno had left the country, and the action of the court was kept secret until he could be located. The man was found in Montana and the documents were therefore given to the public.

**Members of Embalming Board.**

The state board of health met and appointed as member of the embalming board, to serve three years, E. Ratenour of Weeping Water. The other members of the board are William Hill of Hebron and Brewer of South Omaha. The appointment is made every year from a list of three names recommended by the State Embalmers' association.

**Names a New Member.**

E. Ratnour of Weeping Water has been named as a member of the board of secretaries of the state board of health, which has charge of the issuance of certificates to embalmers of the dead. The appointment was made from three names suggested by the state association.

**Considers Oil Prospect Good.**

LOUISVILLE.—John Joseph of Wahoo, Neb., was in town, and after looking over the prospects states that indications for oil are excellent.

**Big Land Sale Near Sidney.**

SIDNEY.—One of the largest land sales that has taken place in some time occurred here. Zadock H. Clark and Henry F. Hamilton of South Omaha sold to Henry Armstrong of Giddens, Ia., 4,640 acres of land twelve miles north of the city. This land will be highly improved and stocked with the finest grades of cattle and horses obtainable in Iowa. Several other large sales are now on tap and many farmers are buying.

Iowa Farms \$4 Per Acre Cash, balance 1/4 crop till paid. MULHALL, Sioux City, Ia.

**Crown Prince Comes of Age.**

On May 6 the Crown Prince of Prussia and future German emperor became of age. The second son of the German emperor, Prince Eitel Frederick, will celebrate his 21st birthday on July 7, 1904, and the third son, Prince Adelbert, on July 14, 1905. The fourth son, Prince Auguste William, will be 16 years old next January. Oscar is a year younger, while the sixth son will be 13 next December. The kaiser's only daughter is the youngest child, being 11 years old.

**Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold**  
Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25c.

**Calvert Estate Changes Hands.**  
Mount Airy, the famous Calvert estate near Washington, founded by the first Lord Baltimore and held by the family for more than 200 years, has just passed into alien hands. The estate of 800 acres has been purchased by Mrs. Frances Gibson of Ohio for \$11,000. Among the bidders for the property was Secretary Hay.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

**A Gargantuan Feast.**

A monster banquet has just been given by a wealthy land owner at Quimperle, in Normandy, to celebrate the simultaneous wedding of his four children, two sons and two daughters. No fewer than 1,600 guests sat down to the feast, which took place in the open air. The bill of fare included five cattle and sixteen lambs. So lavish was the scale of ordering that, though the 1,600 guests are reported to have had magnificent appetites, there was more than enough for all. Nor was their thirst neglected, for the guests emptied ten large barrels of wine and fifteen of cider, besides disposing of much else of a liquid character.

**Yet to be Acquainted with the New Things of Everyday Use in the Market**

and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 10c package contains 16 ozs., while all the other kinds contain but 12 ozs. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

**A Dreadful Change.**

The New York Rialto is laughing over a story told on Will Carleton, the poet, who is also a publisher. The other day he appeared at his office in a new coat, which he hung up. It fell to the dusty floor. The office boy picked the garment up without brushing it and helped Mr. Carleton put it on. Catching a glimpse of his own disreputable appearance in a mirror the poet thundered: "Boy! What do you mean by this? I come in here looking like a publisher and you send me out looking like an author!"

**Seventeen-Cent Rations.**

It is pointed out that the cost of feeding the militia which went to St. Louis was 60 cents per man per day. The cost of feeding the regulars was 17 cents. Here is a typical program for one day: Breakfast—Oatmeal and milk, pork sausage, potatoes, bread and coffee. Dinner—Bread and coffee, baked beans, pork, catsup. Supper—Bean soup, cold corned beef, potatoes, bread and coffee. This was varied from day to day in the way of bacon, ham, fresh beef, canned beef, peas, onions and other vegetables. The regulars were better fed at 17 cents per day than the militia at 60 cents.

**The Oldest Public Building.**

If we seek the oldest civic building in the United States we shall find ourselves in the quaint old adobe palace of the governors in Santa Fe, N. M. This long, low structure in the second oldest city of the United States has been the seat of government under the Spanish, Mexican and American regimes for nearly 300 years. It now contains the museum of the New Mexico Historical society, of which L. Bradford Prince, a native New Yorker and former governor of New Mexico, is president. Governor Prince considers this "the most historic building in the United States."

If a man has a poor memory it is up to him to stick to the truth.

**For Aged People.**

Bellflower, Mo., July 6th.—Mr. G. V. Bohrer of this place has written an open letter to the old men and women of the country, advising them to use Dodd's Kidney Pills as a remedy for those forms of Kidney Trouble so common among the aged. Mr. Bohrer says:

"I suffered myself for years with my kidneys and urinary organs. I was obliged to get up as many as seven or eight times during the night.

"I tried many things with no success, till I saw one of Dodd's Almanacs, and read of what Dodd's Kidney Pills were doing for old people.

"I bought two boxes from our druggist and began to use them at once. In a very short time I was well. This is over a year ago, and my trouble has not returned, so that I know my cure was a good, genuine, permanent one.

"I believe Dodd's Kidney Pills are a splendid medicine for old people or anyone suffering with kidney and urinary troubles, for although I am 84 years of age, they have made me well."

There is something sad about a pipe dream when the pipe goes out.

It takes a woman to show a man how silly he can make himself.