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NEBRASKA

The skill and care of the motorman are a very considerable factor in the cost of operating an electric car. One way in which this fact is demonstrated is in making use of all possible op-portunities to "coast" on grades, and a new recording device has been introduced to determine to what extent motormen take advantage of such inclines. The device is connected both with electrical controller and with the air brakes and operates only when both the controlling apperatus and the brakes are in the "off" position. The record is made on a paper ribbon dryen by a clock. This record makes it possible to judge of the relative economy of different motormen operating on the same line, and encourages them to let the cars coast whenever it is possible to do so without falling behind their schedule.

The cocoa is a native of Venezuela. It is a pod bean the size of the first foint of the finger, six or eight of these beans to the pod. The wet beans are shelled from the pods and then fer-mented in heaps for six days until cured. During this ferment heat is decured. During this ferment heat is developed that will cook an egg, so they say. The cocoa bush begins bearing at five years, grows into a tree 30 feet high, and, like the olive, the older the tree the better. The beans hang from the trunk and the under side of the limbs, sticking out on stems.

Ine beans hang from limbs, sticking out on stems.

A rallroad from the interior of Mesopotamia, Asiatic Turkey, to the Syrian coast, and a harbor at its terminus, is a recent and good proposal, says Consul Rayndal, of Beirut, among the many railroad projects set up at Constantinople for concessions. Aleppo and Damascus would be factors in this enterprise. For centuries each served as a clearing house between east and west. Irrigation on a large scale is an English proposition for Mesopotamia. It seems likely that again "the desert will blossom as the rose." Harbors at Halfa and Tripoli are proposed the latter seems certain.

Mrs. Maud Park Wood was the speakers at the speakers at the standard proposed the latter seems certain.

Jying near him, and shot Lee, killing him almost instantly. Gerlach remained in town until yesterday afternoon, when, there being no move to arrest him, he left town and has not been heard from. The dead man has a probable that papers will be issued for probable that

Mrs. Maud Park Wood was one of the speakers at a recent meeting held in Melbourne, Australia, to celebrate the very large vote cast by women at the first by-election since state suffrage was granted in Victoria. Mrs. Wood is making a tour of the world for the purpose of studying the workings of woman suffrage. While in Australia she was the guest of honor at two parliamentary tea parties, given her by the government members and by the leader of the opposition. of the opposition.

Mrs. Frederick W. Packard, one of the leaders in the Chicago Anti-Cruelty society, has declared her intention of tagging every abused horse in the business part of the city. For this purpose she has printed tags reading, "Please ease this collar," "Please fix these blinders," "Please pad this saddle," and so on. Mrs. Packard says the tags save a lot of time and she has found that the drivers have just as much respect for them as for her verbal admonition. bal admonition.

In some parts of England one of the In some parts of England one of the best cures for a swollen neck is to draw a snake nine times across the throat of the suffering one, after which the snake is killed and its skin sewed in a silken bag and tightly sewed around the neck. Another way, almost as good, is to put the live snake in a bottle, which is tightly corked and buried near the roots of a rose bush, and as the helpless snake decays the swelling in the neck of the patient will disappear.

Despite his trials and responsibilities, Mulai Hafid, sultan of Morocco, finds opportunity for distractions. His majesty has divorced one of the four legitimate wives allowed by koranic law, and is about to espouse the daughter of a late vizier. It is rumored that two other royal divorces are pending, and that the places of these discarded wives will be taken by the daughters of loyal subjects.

All through the markets of every Turkish city and village are little shops where the fez can be pressed and where the fez can be pressed and ironed for a few cents. At his prayers a Moslem could not use a hat with a brim, as his head must press the prayer rug a certain number of times during each prayer. As the head must be covered at all times a fez or some other brimless covering must be used.

Philadelphia boasts of having two of the oldest living skaters. On the first day that the ice was in condition the oldtimers, William H. Wetherill and his oldtimers, William H. Wetherill and his brother Frank, 73 and 71 years old, re-spectively, made their annual appear-ance on Haverford college pond. They cut the figure eight and did other stunts that widened the eyes of onlooking

At 27 John Calvin wrote his "In stitutes of Christian Religion;" Top-lady, "Rock of Ages;" Napoleon led his lady, "Rock of Ages;" Napol brilliant Italian campaign, Whitney invented the cotton gin. At 28 Raphael painted his masterplece, "The Sistine Madonna," Thomas Moore wrote "Lalla Rookh," Pollock his "Course of Time," and Lamartine his "Poetical Mediations."

The immense chocolate candy indus-ry is an outgrowth of French colonists in Venezuela and Trinidad experiment ing in French bonbons and nugate (nuggets), so dear to the French palate From France this chocolate candy has spread all over the world, and may run for the money a race with the tobacco habit.

By the opening of the last section of the Kyushu railway, the Grand Trunk line of Japan has been completed from Sapporo on the north to Kagoshima on the south, a distance of 1,300 miles. The first part of this line to be thrown open was the Tokio-Yokohama section, which began to carry passengers and goods in 1872.

Japanese horses wear sandals of rice straw. The Iceland peasant shoes his pony with sheep's horn. In the upper Oxus valley horseshoes made of the antlers of the mountain deer, fastened with horn pins, are employed. Horses in the Sudan wear socks of camel's

After about 80 shots the rifling of the present twelve-inch gun of 2,500 footseconds velocity becomes so badly worn as to destroy the accuracy. In the case of the new 14-inch gun the erosion is much less and the gun will be serviceable for about 300 discharges.

As all Asia Minor lights by petroleum lamps, both houses and streets, its import of chimney glass through Smyrna alone is worth \$500,000 a year. No attempt by American manufacturers to export glass chimneys to Smyrna has

yet been heard of. Japanese mothers do not kiss their children, though they may press their lips to the forehead or cheek of a very

young baby. More than 90 per cent of the cities of this country with a population of 10,000 or more are equipped with electric fire

# THE O'NEILL FRONTIEH EMERSON MAN SHOT AND KILLED IN MEAT MARKET

Eye Witness to Tragedy Thinks Murderer Was Afraid of Being Murdered.

Emerson, Neb., Jan. 18. — Mystery purrounds the killing of Joseph Lee, aged 30 years, single, by Gus Gerlach in Hans Jensen's meat market here

In Hans Jensen's meat market here Thursday night about 9 o'clock.

Lee, who had been working in this locality for about a year and was reparded as being a little peculiar, had been drinking hard all day and had in his possession a .44 caliber revolver which he had pulled from his pocket several times, but without threatening anyone. Late in the evening he went into the back part of Jensen's market where Gerlach was working, soon after which the latter was called to the front of the market to wait on a customer. which the latter was called to the front of the market to wait on a customer. According to Glen Smith, who was in the back room where the tragedy occurred, as Gerlach returned to the room Lee pulled his revolver from his pocket and Gerlach, seeing the act, picked up his own revolver, which was lying near him, and shot Lee, killing him almost instantly. Gerlach remained in town until vesterday afternoon.

Cody, Wyo., has lost his three children by scarlet fever within the past 10 days. Mrs. Skeen was formerly Miss Mabel Ayers, of Dakota City.

JACKSON CITIZEN DEAD.

Jackson, Neb., Jan. 18.-Mrs. Patrick Riley died Thursday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Mc-Bride. Deceased was one of the pioneers of Dakota county and leaves three sons and two daughters to mourn her loss. Interment will be made in St. Patrick's competers. Patrick's cemetery.

STOP PRIZE FIGHTS.

Hartington, Neb., Ja n 18.—Sheriff McFadden has announced that he will stop all prize fights in Cedar county. Several contests have taken place at Fordyce recently. It is understood that Sheriff Vasnik, of Knox county, will also stop the "mills" at Crofton.

# WAITS LONGER THAN JACOB DID FOR A

Fremont, Neb., Jan. 18 .-- A courtship continuing 20 years and an engagement of 17 years, at last culminating in marriage. That is what has happened in the case of Emil Rudolf Stiefel, aged 43, and Miss Katie Magdaline Zels, aged 42 years, residing in this county.

42 years, residing in this county.

Twenty years ago Stiefel and Miss Zels, then young, lived with their parents on adjoining farms. Soon after their engagement, Stiefel requested that Mr. and Mrs. Zels give him the hand of their daughter in marriage. They objected, the principal reason being that they did not want Katie to leave home. Stiefel declared that they leave home. Stiefel declared that they would not marry and live with the parents of either. If wedded they pro-

Since then, Miss Zeis has remained at home and cared for her aged parents at nome and cared for her aged parents and Stiefel has worked and saved until he has a fine farm. A couple of weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. Zeis relented and Mr. Leiter is now in Winnipeg.

gave consent to the marriage.

Miss Zeis hitched up a horse and drove over to the farm of Stiefel, where the base of the Rockies, thence to Calgary and from Calgary she broke the good news. Then Father O'Sullivan, of the Catholic church here, performed the marriage ceremony.

While the parents of the bride have changed their minds, the bride and groom have likewise changed theirs and in the remaining years of their lives Mr. and Mrs. Zels will make their home with the Stiefels. with the Stiefels.

#### 'HUMAN SPIDER" HAS SCALP TORN OFF, BUT ESCAPES A BAD FALL

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 18.-While stand-Omaha, Neb., Jan. 18.—While standing on the edge of a steel beam 165 feet above the pavement, Fritz Schultz, one of the "human spiders" working on the new City National bank building's slender skeleton, was struck on the head by an elevator and most of the scalp torn off. He walked, unaided, to the bottom of the building and thence to a physician's office. Sunday he will be back on the job.

"Going up," yelled back the operator. Fritz waited to see.

The speeding elevator shot by like a shell from a cannon and took with it a big round patch of Fritz's blond Ger-

man hair and scalp.

The injured man, with blood streaming from his face, maintained his footing and calmly felt his way to the street. Physicians did some extensive embroidery work on the German's scalp and told him he was lucky to be alive

KILLED BY STEAM.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—While warming himself at a manhole near the Polk street railroad station, an unidentified homeless man lost his life today by homeless man lost his life today by losing his balance and plunging down among the numerous exhaust pipes. The victim was suffocated by the es-caping steam before assistance arrived.

CHRISTY CASE GOES OVER.

Zanesville, Ohio, a.Jn. 18.—The examination of Mrs. Maybell Thomyson Christy in her suit against Howard Chandler Christy, the artist, to obtain possession of their daughter, Natalle, was continued today until next Monday morning.

#### INDIANA MAN ADMITS HAVING THREE WIVES

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 18 .- Harry Epperly, who was arested here today at the request of the police of Anderson, Ind., admits that he has three wives, Carrie Kennedy Epperly at Anderson: Emma Decker Epperly, at Monmouth, Ill., and Bessie Dunbar Epperly, with whom he is living in Terre Haute. Epperly, who is 35 years old, will be

# ONE DAY MARRIED, THEN ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF BIGAMY

First Wife Had Lived With Him Until Less Than Week Before His Crime.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 17 .- Deputy County Attorney Strode yesterday afternoon filed in the court of Justice Stevens a complaint charging Geo. B. Rogerson, alias Davey, with the crime of bigamy. The document was sworn to by Mrs. Dayey, who claims to have been mar ried to Rogerson, or Davey, in the court house in Omaha. October 18, 1902, and who has lived with him since that date until last Saturday. She is also the mother of his two children. Under the name of Rogerson, the man against whom the complaint was filed was married Tuesday by Justice Stevens to Martha A. West, of Lincoln. Rogerson was arrested by Constable Hunger on M street between Ninth and Tenth

M street between Ninth and Tenth streets last evening.

Mrs. Davey, or Rogerson, as she has been known in Lincoln, called at the office of County Judge Cosgrave yesterday afternoon to Inspect the record of the license which had been issued to the man wom she had considered her husband, Monday. She then repaired to the office of the county attorney and told her story.

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The woman appeared to be in great distress and informed Judge Strode that her maiden name was Mary Rapien and that her people live at Grand Island. On October 18, 1902, she was married in Omaha to the man who went by the name of George Davey, and they have since lived together, though their life has not been all sunshine. Last September she came to Lincoln with her two children, he having preceded them to this city. They ing preceded them to this city. They went to Moore's rooming house at 135 South Tenth st., and she and the two little ones are still there.

#### DOUBLET AND HOSE THEIR DINNER MODES

Chicago, Jan. 17.—The social circles along the Lake Shore drive are discussing a little dinner recently given by Mrs. John A. Carpenter at 710 Rush st. There were only 12 guests, and all were women. They appeared in costumes of the age of gallantry when doublet and hose were pre-eminent. It is said that one impersonated "Mary's Little Lamb." The majority were in men's costumes.

men's costumes.

Among those said to have been present were Mrs. Joseph G. Coleman, Mrs. Honore Palmer, Mrs. Joseph Winterbotham, Mrs. John Winterbotham, Miss Lucy Blair, Mrs. Kellog Fairbank and Mrs. Harold M. McCormick.

There has not been so much audible mirth in and about Rush street for many days, on the authority of those

that many days, on the authority of those living in the vicinity, as during the hours from 7 to 10, when the company was at dinner.

# WIFE, BUT GETS HER HILL WILL BUILD NEW ROAD TO FAR ALASKA

Great Northen Magnate Plans Line From Winnipeg to Far Yukon.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 17 .- A party of Canadian and American capitalists, in which James J. Hill is said to be in-terested, have obtained charters for and will build a railroad 2,000 miles long to cost \$50,000,000, from Winnipeg to the Yukon.

Joseph E. Leiter, of Chicago, and

Lord Fitzroy Somerset, brother of the Duke of Beaufort, are interested in the

into the Alaskan Yukon. It will tap the rich Peace river valley and will depend largely for revenue on the shipments of ore from the Yukon fields.

for the road from two sets of promoters who formerly had them. They anticipate no difficulty in raising sufficient capital to finance the enterprise.

### INTERNATIONAL CUTS A LUSCIOUS MELON

New York, Jan. 17.-Another melon of large proportions, the distribution of \$20,000,000 in common stock, is to be given the stockholders of the International Harvester company.

The announcement was made this afternoon at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co. The new stock is to be distrib uted ratably as a stock dividend to the present \$60,000,000 of common stock. on the job.

"Hurry up those rivets," sang Fritz to the man at the cable a fozen fleors below.

#### RARE WHITE RHINO KILLED BY TEDDY

Butiaba, on the Eastern Shore of Lake Albert, Uganda, Jan. 14.—News from the Smithsonian African scientific expedition was brought here today by means of a native runner and canoe service up the Bar-el-Jebel river. All of the party are reported well, with the exception of three hunters recruited in Africa, who have suffered from dysen

Colonel Roosevelt shot a white rhino cow and a young rhino on the first night that the party was at Camp Rhino, its present stopping place on the Congo side of the Bar-el-Jebel,

### WARRINER TO PRISON.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 17.—Charles L. Warriner, who confessed to having used \$643.000 while treasurer of the Big Four railroad in this city, was tak-en the penitentiary at Columbus to-day to begin a sentence of six years. Warriner issued a signed statement de-claring that the various rumors circu-lated that he was "protecting some one higher up" were not true.

KING WILL MARRY.

from Lisbon quotes from an au thorized source affirming the marriage of King Manuel, of Portugal, and Princess Victoria Patricia, youngest daughter of the Duke of Connaught, will be solemnized next May.

### SUCCUMBS TO WOUND.

Duluth, Minn., Jan. 17. - Walter Whitehead, a negro puglist of this city, who was stabbed by Raiph Jones, an-other negro, about a week ago, died today

# NEBRASKA CITIES IN WARM TRADE RIVALRY

Differences Between Omaha and Lincoln Before Interstate Commerce Commission.

Washington, Jan. 15. — A spirited trade contest between Omaha and Lina trade contest between Omaha and Lincoln, Neb., was brought to the attention
of the Interstate Commerce commission today by the filing of a complaint
by the Commercial club of Omaha
against the Union Pacific railroad and
105 other railway companies.
It is alleged that the defendant railroads discriminate in their lumber
rates against Omaha and in favor of
Lincoln, to the great commercial dis-

Lincoln, to the great commercial dis-advantage of Omaha.

The commission is requested to ad-

just the differences in rates so that the two cities may be placed on a parity as to freight rates.

NEBRASKA EDITOR BUYS

IOWA NEWSPAPER Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 15.—G. S. Miller, of the Newman Grove Reporter, has purchased the Grinnell, Ia., Register and will leave Nebraska soon. Mr. Miller has been prominently identified with the progressive republican move-ment from its birth and his departure will be a great loss to the cause in north Nebraska. He graduated with President Taft at Harvard.

COUPLE WED SECRETLY.

Lyons, Neb., Jan. 15.—Unknown heir friends, Roy Butio and Ne Peterson put their resolutions into action when they got married on New Year's day at Omaha, and spent their honeymoon at New Hampton, Ia. They are both Lyons young folks and have just returned here.

POSTMASTER REAPPOINTED. Winside, Neb., Jan. 15.—Postmaster S. Tracy has received the news that Senator Brown has recommended his

reappointment.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* AUDITOR MAY OPPOSE CONGRESSMAN NORRIS

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 15.—There is a rumor about the state house today to the effect that State Auditor Junkin has aspirations for Congressman Norris' seat in congress. The auditor is an ardent admirer of Taft, regards the recently passed tariff laws as the acme of perfection, and is said to be in the race to depose Northern the same of perfection.

ris, who has exercised freedom in criticism on various occasions.

### WARNER IS NAMED AS MARSHAL FOR NEBRASKA

Washington, Jan. 16.—President Taft today sent to the senate the nomination of William P. Warner, of Dakota City to be United States marshal for the district of Nebraska.

### **HEAVY SNOWSTORM** HURT STOCK INTERESTS

Norfolk, Neb., Jan. 15. - Another heavy snow covers northern Nebraska. southern South Dakota and northern Wyoming, adding to the suffering of live stock on the ranges. Thousands of head of cattle and sheep have perished,

# NURSE STRANGLED BY DESPERATE BURGLARS

Attack Her in Bed and Rob Country House of the Silverware.

Milbrook, N. Y., Jan. 15.—A young woman known as Sarah Breymer, a aurse in the employment of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes Compton, was strangled to death by burglars today in her bed in the Compton mansion here.

The house was robbed of a quantity

of silverware. The burglary and mur-der took place while Mr. and Mrs. Compton were in New York city, and the house was in the care of servants. It was learned today that the murdered woman was the wife of Clarence Morse, of Togus, Mo.

The nurse and a small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Compton occupied a sleeping piazza on the upper floor. Other servants in another part of the Other servants in another part of the house were awakened by the burglars, but were unable to offer any resistance. After the burglars had departed, servants found the body of the nurse in her bed with marks on her throat, indicating that she had been strangled. The little Compton girl had not been awakened by the struggle.

#### CARROLL TO DISCUSS LAWS FOR MISFITS

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 15.-Governor Carroll today received notice from Governor Fort, of New Jersey, that he has been assigned to discuss the subject of divorce and divorce laws at the com ing conference of governors to be held in Washington next week. Governor Carroll is now busy collecting data, pertaining to this subject. It is understood that he will also take up the question of more stringent marriage

#### CONGRESSMAN KENDALL IS PTOMAINE VICTIM

Washington, Jan. 15.—Representative N. E. Kendall, of Iowa, is recovering from a severe attack of ptomaine poisoning. He went to the House a few moments yesterday, when it was ex-pected that there might be a fight on the Ballinger inquiry resolution, but left immediately when it was seen there would be no contest. He does not know the cause of his illness. He would have seriously ill, but for medical attention

...... HE SEEKS DIVORCE ON GROUND THAT WIFE IS ANTI-FAT PILL FIEND

ANTI-FAT PILL FIEND
Pittsburg, Jan. 15.—Alleging
that his wife took pills to reduce her flesh and that in that
way she ruined her nervous system, John H. Messner, flied an
answer to the divorce libel filed
against him by his wife, Annie
M. Messner. He contends that
he is entitled to a divorce instead of his wife.

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# LIVE STOCK MEN TO ASK MANY REFORMS

They Will Indorse Gifford Pinchot and Insist on Railroad Legislation.

Denver, Jan. 14.-Many governmental reforms are demanded in resolutions presented to the National Live Stock association for adoption today.

association for adoption today.

The granting of power of the Interstate Commerce commission to review railway classifications, to annul changes in regulations and to institute proceedings on its own motion, as rec-ommended by President Taft, are fa-vored, but the resolution opposes the appointment of any interstate commerce court.

The Pinchot administration of the forest service is indorsed and recommendations are made for a lease law governing the use of public lands for grazing. The resolutions also favor the continuation of the fight against free

#### MANEUVERS PLANNED FOR NATIONAL GUARD

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 14.—Instructions were received yesterday at the head-quarters of the department of the Missouri to arrange for a maneuver camp and camp of instructions for the departments of the Missouri and Dakota, to be held at Fort Riley, Kansas, and a maneuver camp at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming. They are to begin in September next and continue a month. The militia organizations of Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota, are to be united with the regulars at Fort Riley. The commander of the department of the Missouri will have charge at Fort Riley, while the brigade commander of that post will command at Fort D. A. Russell. Fully 15,000 troops will take part in the Fort Riley maneuvers.

Brigadler General Charles Morton, the present commander of the department of the Missouri, will retire March 18, 1910, so that the principal work of preparation for the camps will devolve upon his successor. Omaha, Neb., Jan. 14.-Instructions

upon his successor.

#### ++++++++++++++++++++ PINCHOT CANNOT COME TO NEBRASKA

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 14.-In answer to an incitation tere-graphed him yesterday to at-tend and speak at the proposed "insurgent" state meeting to be held here some day next week, the following reply was received last night from Gifford Pinchot: "Washington, Jan. 11.—My best thanks for the action of

your meeting. I appreciate your support deeply, but I cannot leave here just now.

"Gifford Pinchot." The invitation was sent in response to action taken at a local meeting of republican "insurgents" yesterday, at which it was decided to form a state organi-

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\* WOULD COMPEL ROADS

TO SUPPLY FLAGMEN Lincoln. Neb., Jan. 14.—The Rock Island railroad is the defendant in a suit in mandamus brought by the state railway commission to enforce the full train crew law passed by the last leg-

islature. Which raises the legal question of Which raises the legal question of when is a porter not a porter? The company contends that the answer is when he is a flagman. The point is that it is shy a flagman on several of its trains, and has been detailing the colored porter of the chair car to officiate as one. The railroad trainmen organization says this isn't a compliance with the law, and the matter therefore goes into court as a test.

BANK DEPOSITORIES

**OUTWIT BOND CONCERNS** Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 14.—A number of state bank depositories, which are also county depositories, have found a way to outwit the surety bonding compa-nies, which have been demanding an increase of 100 per cent in their pre mium rates for bonds given the stat and county to insure the deposits. Under a new law the banks may de-posit certain classes of securities in or-der to make the state and county treasurers safe, and this a large number, of them are doing. They figure that while they lose the difference between the loanable value of the money tied up in the securities and the interest received upon them, this is offset by the fact that the average of money or defact that the average of money on de-posit is never more than half the amount of the surety bond, and therefore, they come out at least even with the bonding company proposition. Be-sides which they have the satisfaction

their charters. RULING AFFECTS NATIONAL

of seeing the bonding combine lose business on that account. The state banks only can do this, however, as the class of securities required cannot be purchased by national banks under

GUARD APPROPRIATIONS Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 14.—The national guards of the various states will hereafter receive their apportionment of government appropriations on a basis of the number of guardsmen in attendof the number of guardshiel in attenu-ance at government inspection and not upon the total number on the muster rolls, as heretofore.

Adjutant General Hartigan had to go

all the way to Washington to secure this new ruling. The Nebraska na-tional guard dropped off about 300 on the muster rolls, but at the encamp-ment the companies were well filled The government will put the new rule into effect at once

### MISSISSIPPI IS LIKELY TO CAUSE A GREAT FLOOD

St. Louis, Jan. 14.—Rains in Missouri and northern points caused the Mississippi river to assume a threaten-ing aspect. The weather bureau issued ing aspect. warning to the river men to be pre

pared to protect their property.

The Missouri river is gorged at Hermann, Mo., and many smaller gorges are reported north of St. Louis. The river gauge this morning stood at 21.9 feet, a rise of .7 feet in 24 hours.

### MUCH RAIN IN KANSAS.

ing deluged by a rain that commenced last night and which is continuing today. An inch and a half fall was recorded at the local weather bureau this morning. The snow has melted and small streams are rising rapidly.

PLOT IS DENIED.
Lisbon, Jan. 14.—The government today denied that a conspiracy against
the life of King Manuel had been discovered. The announcement that such a conspiracy had been discovered was made by the police vesterday.

# **GOVERNOR DEFENDS** OKLAHOMA BANKING **INSURANCE STATUTE**

Tells Governor Shallenberger of Satisfactory Conditions Under Its Operation.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 12.—Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, in a letter to Governor Shallenberger, received Saturday, defends the Oklahoma banking law as a complete success, says the guaranteed banks have increased their deposits immensely as against small gains by national banks and predicts that the republicans would be beaten by 50,000 majority in the next election if they dared oppose the guaranty

The letter follows: "Replying to yours of December 28, as we will probably have a special sesas we will probably have a special ses-sjon of the legislature on hand the lat-ter part of January, it will be impossi-ble for me to be in Washington. Per-haps we could accomplish the same purpose by correspondence.

Regardless of the persistent assaults of the metropolitan press the Oklaho-

Regardless of the persistent assaults of the metropolitan press the Oklahoma banking law is a complete success; highly satisfactory to the people of all classes, except the national bankers, who would favor it if they were permitted to enjoy its benefits.

"The very fact that in two years of this law, the state bank deposits, at a reduced rate of interest, have increased from \$17,000,000 up to \$50,000,000, and the national bank deposits have barely held their own, at an average of 1 per cent greater interest erage of 1 per cent greater interest paid, should indicate conclusively how the people feel.

Law Is Tested.

"Our law has gone through the most severe test possible in the state of Oklahoma, and regardless of the false press reports to the contrary, there have been only two state banks natianalized and four national banks converted into state banks since the Converted into state in the State State in the State State

verted into state banks since the Co-lumbia bank falled.
"Our people are satisfied with the law, and would beat the republican party 50,000 majority in the state if they dared to oppose the law. This was realized at the meeting of the Republican State Press association last week, when they announced their campaign issues, but were very careful not to say a word against the state banking law.

law.
"These are simply pointers that show our people feel.

"These are simply pointers that show conclusively how our people feel.

"As to our case pending in the supreme court of the United States, it originated in the state court as an injunction to restrain the state banking authorities from collecting hte statutory assessment against a little state bank, controlled by one of the Oklahoma City national banks. The case went to our supreme court, which fully sustained our law. It was then appealed direct to the supreme court of the United States, where it is now pending and will likely be heard in March or April.

"In addition to its strength as a leg-

April.

"In addition to its strength as a legislative act, you will observe that our state constitution especially contemplated such a law, and from some standpoint, this might strengthen our case. Of course, it would so far as our state courts are concerned, and the case might assume such standing as would might assume such standing as would make this an element of strength in a federal court, although this question might under other conditions, not

arise.
"But I am thoroughly satisfied of one thing: that is, that the United States supreme court will have to abandon some of its time-honored precedents in order to sustain the district court of Nebraska or the district court of Kan-sas in the recent decisions that have been made in your cases."

# CUDAHYS INCREASE

CAPACITY AT OMAHA Omaha, Neb., Jan. 12.—The Cudahy packing plant in South Omaha is to be increased and improved by the erection of four new buildings, two of which are to be started at once. Construction will soon begin on a five-story office building and a new hog abattoir of four stories. The buildings will be built absolutely fireproof and embodying the latest features evolved by architectural

and engineering science.

A power plant and a beef slaughtering plant will be the next two buildings to come. The beef killing plant will probably be erected before the power plant is reached.

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\* CHADRON CELEBRATES LOCATION OF NORMAL

Chadron, Neb., Jan. 12,-Because of getting the location of the new state normal school at this place, the people celebrated this place, the people celebrated the occasion Saturday night with bonfires, whistle blowing and speeches. Chadron was chosen over a large list of candidates for the place and the visiting board which was recently here finally determined upon this as the most desirable location in the western part of the state. the state.

# **NEBRASKA MEN NAMED** FOR FEDERAL PLACES

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Washington, Jan. 12.-The two Nebraska senators today sent a joint letter to the president recommending the reappointment of William P. Warner, of Dakota City, for United States ma. shal for Nebraska, and of Frank S. Howells, of Omaha, for district attor-ney. Mr. Warner succes himself. Mr. Howells succeeds Chas. A. Goss.

Senator Brown wins in his fight for Howells. The senators have no doubt that the president will accept their rec-ommendations because they are not re-garded as sufficiently insurgent to justify placing them in the class of other progressives, who are being ig-nored more or less frankly in patronage

## POPULIST EDITOR JAILED ON A CHARGE OF LIBEL

Joliet, Ill., Jan. 12 .- James H. Ferris chairman of the national committee of the people's party and editor of the Joliet Daily News, was arrested today on the charge of criminal libel.

The warrant was sworn out by Mayor John Cronin and Police Chief William McMasters, who accuse the editor of publishing statements reflecting on the city administration.