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The common bladderwort, an aquatic plant, not only defends itself against insects and animals, but catches worms and fish for its food. As it floats un-derneath the surface of the water its leafy branches spread out in all direc-tions. Its leaves are covered with lit-tle oval bladders filled with air, and at one end of each bladder is a cavity which leads into the mouth below. Inside the bladder is a small trap door which opens when pressure is put on it. A small worm or a small fish can enter this door, but they can never

Throughout Europe the forests have been cared for with the greatest atten-tion for centuries until today they constitute an immense source of the na-tioual wealth of many countries. The best developed forests in the world are those of Germany. The public and private forests of Germany are at present valued at \$4,500,000,000. In Austria the state forests comprise 2,000,000 acres. The French government also derives immense wealth from the state forests and controls at operant 1,500,000 acres. and controls at present 1,500,000 acres. The Christian Herald.

As he is naturally generous with his touring car, a young Clevelander offered to take the old colored janitor of the apartment in which he resides downtown the other day. "No, suh, boss—no, suh, thank you, suh," grinned the ancient functionary. "I reckon I'll wait and go on de street cyah." "What's the matter, uncle? Are you afraid?" "No, suh—me afraid? No, suh. I got to wait." "Uncle, have you ever been in an automobile?" "Nevah but oncet, an' den I didn't let all mah weight down."

The Rev. Frederick S. Atwood, grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of Minnesota, is blind, having lost his sight several years ago. Despite this handleap he has continued in active work for the order and is now serving his second term as grand chancellor. He travels extensively and generally alone. To enable him to attend to his voluminous correspondence he uses a special make of typewriter.

Miss Hallie M. Daggett, said to be the first woman in the United States appointed to the position of lookout at a forest reserve station, lives in Siski-you county, California. She has been placed in charge of Eddy's Gulch look-out, situated on a peak of the Salmon Alps, 6,000 feet high. Her duty is to keep a lookout for fires and report to the nearest forest station.

Archdeacon Hudson Stuck, who recently gained the summit of Mt. Mc-Kinley, Alaska, has been engaged in missionary work among the Alaska indians for five years. Prior to his residence in the northwest he lived in Dallas, Tex., where he was dean of St. Matthew's cathedral. He is a member of the National Geographical society.

Egypt is solely a producer of raw material. Its entire needs of manufactured goods and prepared material are met from abroad. Raw cotton represents four-fifths of the total value of sents four-fifths of the total value of its exports and cotton and seed four-sevenths of the remainder. The public debt of Egypt amounts to \$430,534,014, and is almost wholly foreign holding.

The farmer in great need of extra hands at haying time finally asked Si Warren, who was accounted the town fool, if he could help him out. "What'll you pay?" asked Si. "I'll pay what you're worth," answered the farmer. Si scratched his head a minute, then announced decisively: "I'll be darned if I'll work for that!"

Miss Anny Berntsen, daughter of the Danish prime minister, has served three years apprenticeship as a joiner. She began her studies in an institute where she learned carving of various kinds. One of the first pieces of work which she finished, a small box, was witched by the downgar empress of urchased by the dowager empress of

The shades of the builders of th pyramids might have been interested onlookers at the sight of iron girders weighing 46 tons each going up 19 stories to the top of a building being erected in New York city. This is said to be the first time that girders of this weight have been lifted to such a

New Jersey has paid its first pensions to widowed mothers, under the new law. The amounts varied from \$14 a month, paid to a widow with two children, to \$30 a month paid to a woman mill operative who was maintaining her six little ones on her scanty. taining her six little ones on her scanty

The popular belief that the Panama railroad was constructed at a cost of one life for every railroad tie is a gross exaggeration. There were 140,000 ties, and the five years of its construction a total of 7,000 laborers were employed,

Brookline, Mass., said to be the richest town in the world per capita, does not permit moving pictures. The children of wealthy parents must find other amusement. They know nothing of the delights of the "movies."

Three men, Ed Oliver and Fred and Bertrand Logan, met with quite a mis-hap recently when the boat in which they they were sailing at Lower Bend capsized and they were drowned.—Ad-ner (Mo.) Journal.

Using mercury vapor lamps in her reenhouse, a Scotch woman horticulturist not only forces seeds to sprout and plants to grow in half the usual time, but also produces greater depth

An expert of the department of agriculture has been sent, to the extreme northwestern corner of China, never before visited by scientists, to seek new plants that might be valuable in the United States.

The Progressive Economic club the name of a new organization in New York that wishes a new city mar-ket, which, it is estimated, will cost \$7,000,000 and will benefit the little as well as the big consumers.

Spain annually eats 747,287,221 pounds f meat, valued at \$105,308.836, mostly

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Telephone operators of the Holyoke, (Mass.) excharge, have formed a

More than 300 Missouri editors make less than \$12 a week from their labors. In the tertile industries in Germany comen workers are in the majority.

A mirror, which reflects true colors, said to ? we been invented.

ports of eggs exceeds 1,-

MURDER MYSTERY IS THOUGHT SOLVED BY RECENT CONFESSION

Investigations Confirm Story of Shellenberger in Relation to Nemaha Case.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 8 .- A 14-year-old murder mystery in Namaha county may be laid bare by the arrest in Vallejo, Cal., of Joseph Kopf. Sheriff Jones of that county has secured a requisition upon the governor of California, and has gone to bring Kopf

back.

The confession of a man named Shellenberger, who thought he was about to die, brought about the issuance of the extradition warrant. Shellenberger is a laborer, and while sick in a jail at Burlington, Kan., wrote to the county attorney of Nemaha county, and said that he wanted to make his peace on earth. He said that he, Kopf and two other men, whose names have not been made public, descended one night on the cabin of Julian Bachaud, a recluse who lived near Julian, Neb., and killed and robbed him. \$800 in money was found in a tin box. At the time of the murder it was supposed that several times that sum had been secured.

Shellenberger was removed from Kansas, to Auburn, and there repeated his statement. He gave particulars that fitted into the story of the crime as the records showed it. Kopf is recalled as having spent money freely after the murder and to have had a

called as having spent money freely after the murder and to have had a bandaged hand, just as Shellenberger says in his confession, the injury being sustained when the tin box containing the money was taken. Kopf and Shellenberger were both known to have been in Julian at the time of the murder.

ATTENDANCE VERY LIGHT

AT NEBRASKA STATE FAIR Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 8.-The Nebraska Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 8.—The Nebraska state fair closed yesterday, with the lowest attendance record in four years, the total falling below 125,000, as compared with 130,000 in 1910, 162,000 in 1911, and 167,000 in 1912. The largest attendance was on Wednesday, when 39,000 passed through the gates, a dropping off of 20,000 from the corresponding day of the week last year. Fair officials ascribe the decrease in Fair officials ascribe the decrease in attendance to the hot weather. Each day the thermometer has gone up to the 100 mark, and the dust has been deep and active. The short corn crop had nothing to do with it, says Secre-

FORMER AMBASSADOR IS

AN ADMIRER OF HUERTA

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 8.—David E. Thompson, former United States ambassador to Mexico, who has just re-turned from a trip to Europe, says he intends soon to start for Mexico, where he has considerable financial interests. Mr. Thompson said he had no fear for his personal safety and will study for himself the effect of President's Wilsons policy of nonintervention and non-recognition. He is particularly inter-ested, he said, in knowing whether the railroad lines in Mexico in which he is interested are kept open for traffic. Mr. Thompson said he was not in a position to discuss the relations between the United States and Mexico, but said he was acquainted with Gen, Huerta and regarded him as a capable man.

DISTRICT COTTAGES TO SOLVE BOARD PROBLEM

Haves Center, Neb., Sept. 8.—John W. Furrow, county superintendent of schools, is urging trustees of district schools to erect small cottages near each school building for the use of teachers. He says it is becoming mor difficult each year for teachers of country schools to find a place to room and board. He says that teachers' cotfor teachers of tages would have a decided advantage over "finding a boarding place." "The matter of a boarding place for

the teachers should be looked after carefully," the superintendent said. "In districts where it is difficult and sometimes impossible to find a place for the teacher I would urge such districts to build a neat little cottage near the school. This would not cost a great deal and certainly would help matters. The teacher should not live place. Some member of her family or alone. Some member of her family or a relative should be there to make it a comfortable home. When such cottages are built there will be a greater attraction for teachers to seek positions in the country."

LIMITING RELATIVES IN

STATE'S SPECIAL EMPLOYES Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 8.—The state board of control has issued an order that but one relative of the head of any state institution will be allowed upon the payroll of that institution. The matter came before the board with the presentation of a claim of the wife of Superintendent Baxter of the Hastings asylum for services at matron and one by his daughter as usher. Mrs. Baxter will be permitted to remain as matron, as the best policy dictates that the matron should belong to the family of the superintendent. The latter stated that his daughter had merely served a few days, and that it was not intended that she should be a permanent addition to the payroll. Heremot intended that she should be a permanent addition to the payroll. Heretofore it has been a popular custom to load up state payrolls with relatives of all sorts.

NIX "VOTES FOR WOMEN" IN LINCOLN'S CHARTER

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 8.—Lincoln wom-n will not be given an opportunitiy en will not be given an opportunitiy to take part in city elections. The city charter makers, fearing that if they submitted municipal suffrage for women either as a part of the charter or as an alternative proposition it would endanger the adoption of that instrument, voted decisively against including such a provision. The democrats nearly all voted in favor of suffrage, while every republican but one opposed it. The majority members explained that they had no objection to women having the ballot or to the people voting on the proposition, but that they were of the opinion that the question ought not to be submitted at the same time as the charter.

************* NEBRASKA GOVERNOR

Lincoln, Neb. Sept. 6.—Bitten a few days ago by a dog, while visiting at his farm in Richard-son county, Governor Morehead son county, Governor Morehead is now considered out of danger following the cauterization of the wound and the strictest medical attention. The governor refused to let his injury become known, although he suffered pain at times.

ANNUL RUSH PLANS FOR M'PHERSON AND **GRANT HOMESTEADS**

Decision Reached to Open Large Tract Under Registration and Drawing.

Valentine, Neb., Sept. 6.-A hitch has appeared in the opening of that portion of the national forest reserve in Grant and McPherson counties, Nebraska, to settlement, as proposed by

the secretary of the interior.

Under the plans contemplated for he opening and settlement of the 344,-000 acres a free for all rush was proposed and the first man on the ground should have the choice location. As a up their resience on the tract, selecting the choice locations. The secretary of the interior had been apprised of this fact, as had the Nebraska delegation in congress.

All agreed that the free for all plan would result in serious contentions over locations and that possible bloodshed might follow. In order to obviate anything of the kind, at the suggestion of the secretary of the interior and the head of the general land office, Congressman Kincaid has introduced a bill in the House of Penral duced a bill in the House of Repre-sentatives providing that the lottery plan, similar to the one adopted at the opening of the Rosebud Indian reservation some years ago, shall be in

Congressman Kincaid writes that in congress there is no opposition to his bill, and that it will probably be passed at the extra session, and that it is likely to become a law so that the land will go on the market late in October or early in November of this year. In this event, the drawings for the lands would occur not much later than December 1 the lands would than December 1.

OFFICERS STILL SEARCH

FOR RASMUS PETERSON Fremont, Neb., Sept. 6.—In spite of the arrest of the negro, Joe Walters, having in his possession a savings bank belonging to the Peterson home, the authorities still are working to ascertain the whereabouts of Rasmus Peterson, husband of the woman found murdered here vesterday morning.

dered here yesterday morning.

A suit for divorce in which she was plaintiff was pending in the district court, the cause alleged being he had served a 30-day sentence in the county jail for ill treating her, and cruelty.

Several letters from him written at Minneapolis were found in the house, in which he offered to send her money it she would live with him again.

Lata Sunday night it is easy some

Late Sunday night it is said some one tried to force open a window. Wednesday she had a telephone installed in order to summon help from her neighbors, and Wednesday night a man who passed said he saw some one crucking near the byshes at the

a man who passed said he saw some one crouching near the bushes at the east of the house.

A light was burning in the house at 10:30 in the evening. The woman had no enemies and it is hard to conceive that a person would break into the cottage of a noor washerwaman for the tage of a poor washerwoman for the purpose of burglary.

LITTLE AIRING DUE FOR

SUBSCRIPTION "CONTEST" Madison, Neb., Sept. 6.-Franc T McKay, through her father, James McKay, of Newman Grove, has brought suit in the district court against O. O. Buck, editor and proprietor of the Newman Grove Reporter, and John Hanson and Peter Peterson, agents for an automobile damages of \$825. concern, to recover

Miss McKay was one of the contestants in the Reporter's subscription contest for an automobile, and she alleges irregular methods and collusion in disposition of the prize. The plaintiff contends that she had 26,520 more votes than any other contestant when the lists were closed, but that the judges were subsequently induced to count 101,000 votes for Olga LeNoir on a claim by the publisher that she had not been given full credit for all collections made. These extra votes had not been put in the ballet box.

LIVE STOCK LOCATION AFFECTS ASSESSMENTS

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 6.-If a farmer lives in one township and has live stock located in another township not connected with his home place, where should the stock be assessed? The question has been raised many times in the last few years, and under the present law the state board of assessment and the attorney general have decided that it should be assessed in the township where the stock is being held. The district court of Wheeler county, however, in reversing the county board, decided that it should be assessed in the township where the assessed in the township where the farm residence is located. The matter has come to the attorney general's office in the hope that the suft can be appealed and the supreme court can be prevailed upon to voice its opinion in the matter. The point has never been passed upon by the higher court

PLAN EXTENSIONS FOR McKINLEY INTERURBAN

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 6.—That the McKinley system, buyers of the Ralston power car line, will rebuild its power line wholly from South Omaha to Ralston and build a new line on down to the Platte at Louisville was stated by H. W. Chubbuck, vice president executive of the McKinley system Mr. Chubbuck had come back from Mr. Chubbuck had come back from Mr. Chubbuck had come back from

Mr. Chubbuck had come back from headquarters at Peoria.

Material worth \$50,000 has been bought for the light and power line of the company from South Omaha to the Platte and construction should be well under way in 90 days. The line will give light and power to Ralston. Papillion. Springfield, Meadow, Richfield and Louisville, using for the present at and Louisville, using for the present at least, the current obtained from the Omaha Electric Power and Light company on a contract.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING

FROM A RAINLESS SKY Tecumseh, Neb., Sept. 6.—William Murphy, a farm hand employed by Henry Kohrs, near Graf, was struck by lightning and instantly killed Tuesday night while in the field. There was

THOMPSON HAD TAKEN

ACCIDENT INSURANCE Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 5 .- The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Paul Thompson, inspector in the office of Fire Commissioner Ridgell, is still un-solved. It has been discovered that just before leaving for his trip he took out accident insurance with a com pany at Lincoln for \$1,000 and gave

In giving the note, Thompson inquired specifically if it would be the same as if the money was paid in case of accident before the note was

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

MADISON-Frans Dittrick has comenced action against William G. eeves, former merchant of Emerick, for \$10,000 damages. Mr. Dittrick alleges in his petition that he was assaulted by Reeves, at the annual school meeting June 30, and severely beaten over the head with an iron poker which has practically disabled him. Both men are well known citizens and land owners in Emerick precinct.

LYONS-Mrs. James H. Russell, a pioneer, died at her home at this place Monday night, aged 68 years. She leaves six children. She was born in Keiham, England, June 15, 1845, and came to America in 1856, locating at Davenport, Ia. She came to Burt county in 1868 and was married to James H. Russell in 1870. Her husband died about two years ago.

BEATRICE—Henry Busey, of West Beatrice, charged with intent to inflict great bodily injury on Frank Macklin Thursday night, has been released on \$1,000 bail. His case was set for hear-ing September 29. Macklin was badly cut on the wrist and leg and although he is very weak owing to loss of blood, physicians state that he will recover. Busey claims he was acting in selfdefense.

OMAHA-Refined Wyoming oil and gasoline is beginning to crowd back the product from Ohio and Pennsyl-vania, at least in Omaha territory. A train load of tank cars came down from Casper refineries yesterday for distri-bution from Omaha. Some of them went on to the Omaha market and several were sent over into Iowa and a couple down into Missouri.

MADISON-A strange automobile comng at a high rate of speed struck Chas, Sprout's team and carriage driven by Everett Sterner and Charlie Sprout, tearing one wheel and the horses from the carriage, pitching the boys out and causing the team to run away. The boys sus-tained painful bruises but no bones were broken. The automobile did not stop.

LINCOLN-The state is going into LINCOLN—The state is going into debt rapidly on account of lack of remittances from county treasurers. September 1 the total amount of registered state warrants was \$500,016.32. This represents a floating state debt and is the only indebtedness the state owes. Four per cent interest must be paid on registered warrants.

MINDEN—The committee on reception and banquet for the celebration of the opening of the new depot have fixed September 12 as the time for this event. It is expected that the various officers of the Burlington will be present and it is also planned to have others present from over the county and state. and state

REPUBLICAN CITY-The continued dry weather in this locality has been quite an advantage to the farmers that left one cutting of alfalfa for seed. Some farmers report from six to 12 bushels per acre al-ready threshed. Haskens brothers, near this city, just threshed 377 bushels. The seed is worth anywhere from \$10 to \$12 a bushels.

YORK-Dr. John Meehan, an army surgeon and a son of Mrs. Alice Mee-han of this city, will be married to Miss Jesse McLanahan, of Tecumseh, September 10, next. The wedding will take place in Tecumseh. Dr. Meehan is now located with a portion of the United States army at San Antonio, Tex

AURORA—Much indignation has been aroused against Commandant Zimmerer of the Grand Island soldiers' home by a story which has just come to light of his refusal to admit Mr. and Mrs. James McClay to the institution after having written them to come at any time. Mrs. McClay died here Monday.

MADISON—Mary F. Thomas has commenced action in the district court against the Bankers' Life association of Des Moines to recover \$2,300 insurance on the life of her husband, Egbert M. Thomas. The defendant contends that default was made in the payment

AINSWORTH-United States Commis sioner Morgan, of Bassett yesterday heard the case of the United States vs. John M Mooney, charged with bootlegging. The defendant was discharged. The complaint was filed by Charles Hudson, a son of John W. Hudson, whose claim Mooney has successfully contested.

THEDFORD—Joseph Kase, a freight brakeman on the Alliance division of the Burlington, was accidently shot by Operator W. H. Chase at Halsey, with whom he was hunting grouse. The gun was discharged and practically the full load took effect in the hip. His condition is serious.

GRAND ISLAND-Fire of an un known origin, presumbaly caused by tramps smoking about the place, de-stroyed the main hog barn of the soldiers' home. No animals were incin-erated, and the contents consisted of from 15 to 20 tons of straw and a little machinery.

HAYES CENTER—The residence and office of Dr. James B. Anderson, the old drug building of Jacob Ambach and the residence of J. R. Gress were totally destroyed by fire here. The origin which started in the An derson building, is unknown.

LINCOLN—The Denver & Rio Grando railroad and the Western Pacific have been consolidated with the Missouri Pacific according to a report at the Burlington offices in Lincoln. The property of the two former roads was taken over September 1.

FREMONT—Waldo Wintersteen is the new county judge of Dodge coun-ty, having been chosen by the board of supervisors to succeed the late Rob-ert M. Stinson. Judge Stinson was a republican. Judge Wintersteen is a prominent democrat.

YORK—Fay Taylor, aged 27 years, married, committed suicide by drinking carbolle acid. He had become despondent over crop fallures and indebtedness upon a threshing machine purchased. He was a son of Jack Taylor and lived in West

NORFOLK-The body of Carl Chris tian, aged 67, a pioneer here, was found in the North Fork river. When he did not come home a search was in-stituted and his coat and dinner pail on the bank gave a clew.

NEBRASKA CITY-The Bartling ele-vator here was destroyed by fire. A high wind prevailed thus greatly endangering other adjacent property, but the firemen prevented the spread of the flames. The loss was \$10,000, partly insured.

YORK-William Levels, a negro. been missing for three weeks. Efforts of local officials to locate him have been unavailing. Levels is married and has a family. No reason for his ab sence is known.

LINCOLN—The state railway com-mission has been informed that the railroads are ignoring the new law requiring return transportation for c car shipments and will file a suit to test the law. WALTHILL-It is stated on good

authority that Professor Lang has de-cided to resign the county superintend-ency of schools and teach the coming year at White Sulphur Springs, Mont.

BLOODHOUNDS TRAIL MAN FOR KILLING **WOMAN AND CHILD**

Estranged Husband Suspected of Knowledge of Brutal Crime at Fremont.

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 5.-The wife sen were murdered in their home last night, the bodies being found by neighbors this morning. The woman had been choked and beaten to death and the child's brains beaten out.

The authorities are searching for Petersen and have bloodhounds on his trail. Petersen and his wife separated a few weeks ago. He went to Min-nesota, but returned this week and is said to have made unsuccessful efforts to effect a reconciliation. He is said to have been seen near his wife's home last night. He is 30 years old and his wife was 28.

SHOULD STATE PAY FOR EFFORTS TO EVADE LAWS?

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 5.—The question of whether an attorney may recover for services that consisted in sup-pressing the testimony of a danger-ous witness, is presented in the case ous witness, is presented in the case just filed in the supreme court by John Everson against James Critser, on an appeal from Frontier county. The two sons of Critser were charged, in a confession made by a youth of infirm mentality, with being implicated in the murder of William F. Dillon in 1909. The youth, Heddendorp by name, was tried, but was acquitted. Neither of the Critsers ever had to answer in court. John Everson was their attorney, and sued for services rendered. In the trial of the case below, his attorney insisted that most of the services rendered was in suppressing the confession of Heddendorp so that

the confession of Heddendorp so that it could not be used against his client. He insisted that this was not client. He insisted that this was not suppressing testimony, and that it was an act thoroughly in accord with the proper practice of law. Everson asked pay at the rate of \$25 a day, and intimated that if he woke up in the night and thought of his client's case, he might be entitled to pay for that.

HAD THRILLER EQUAL TO THOSE STAGED IN MOVIES

Wymore, Neb., Sept. 5.—Mrs. William Nemyre and a 6-year-old child had a narrow escape from death by fire yesterday morning. The child awoke before the mother, about 6 o'clock and went into a closet, striking a match to look for something. The wind blew the closet door shut, frightening the child, who dropped the burning match on some clothing. A blaze set fire to the roof of the closet, spreading from there to the roof of the blaze set fire to the roof of the closet, spreading from there to the roof of the house. Neighbors saw the fire, and their breaking into the house awoke Mrs. Nemyre, who heard the child in the closet. She got the child out just as the roof over her bed fell in. She was burned slightly about the head. The child escaped injury, as the fire in the closet went out after the first blaze had set fire to the roof. Everyblaze had set fire to the roof. Every-thing in the house burned, including the clothing of Mrs. Nemyre and the

DRIVER SERIOUSLY HURT

IN RACE AT LINCOLN Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 5.—A race horse driver named Frank Reynolds, from Mt. Pleasant, Ia., was seriously injured yesterday afternoon while driving the horse Brownetta in the 2:14 pace at the State fair race track. The horse's feet became entangled in her hopping, and she was thrown with hopples, and she was thrown, with Reynolds underneath her. George Anderson, driving Miss Newsure, was right behind Brownetta, and before he could stop his rig plunged into the

wreckage.
Reynolds was unconscious when checks and was internally injured by kicks given him by the struggling horse. Anderson also took a tumble, but was able to drive in the next race.

CHARTER MAKERS TIMID

ABOUT CITY OWNERSHIP Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 5.—After back-ing and filling and changing its mind several times, the city convention, which is making a tentative new charter for Lincoln, has finally decided up-on a clause providing that whenever the city decides to enter upon munici-pal ownership of any public utility it must first make an effort to buy out any existing corporation giving similar service. In order to pacify the municipal ownership advocates, however, it was provided that if the voters of Lincoln twice refuse to pay the pragreed upon by the arbitrators or condemnation proceedings the city will no longer be compelled to attempt purchase and will thereafter be free to engage in the business without further legal proceedings.

RAILROADS EQUALIZE BY

RAISING LOWER RATES Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 5. railway commission is p preparing complaint to be filed with the Inter-state Commerce commission, asking a suspensions of the announced increase in banana rates to Lincoln and other Nebraska points outside of Omaha. The roads have been charging 71 cents from gulf points to Lincoln and Beat-rice, while Topeka paid 80 cents. When Topeka found this out she mad-When Topeka found this out she made complaint to the Interstate Commerce commission, which ordered the railroads to give the Kansas city as low a rate as they did the Nebraska towns. The railroads met the emergency by raising the rates to the Nebraska towns to the same figure as was charged Topeka. charged Topeka.

SORGHUM BARREL EXPLODES WITH SERIOUS RESULTS

Ewing, Neb., Sept. 5.—Albert Canady living four miles northeast of Ewing met with a very peculiar acident and one that came very near causing his death. He was making sorghum molasses and while inspecting a whisky barrel he applied a lighted match to the bung hole. The barrel exploded with terrific force and struck Mr. Carvidy under the chip. He was truck of the chip. with terrific force and struck Mr. Canady under the chin. He was unconscious for several hours. An examination of his injuries after he came to resulted in finding the jaw bone broken in two places. He was taken to Omaha to the bospital.

ASKS \$20,000 DAMAGES

FROM CARELESS ROOMER Center, Neb., Sept. 4.-Mary McGown, of Fairfield, this county, has brought suit in the district court against Thomas Neville for \$20,000 She alleges that the defendant was roomer at the home where one of her children lived. That the defendant kept carbolic said in a place where the child could and did get hold of same, drinking it and resulting in its death. The defendant has been a resident of Clay county for many years, owning land in the vicinity of Fairfield.

VALENTINE OPENING WILL ATTRACT MANY **NEBRASKA GITIZENS**

About Two-Thirds of Tract Open Under Kinkaid Law, . Giving Full Section Right.

Valentine, Neb., Sept. 4.—A large number of people in northern Nebraska and southern South Dakota, who have exhausted their quarter-section homestead right, are looking forward to a chance in the opening of the Fort Niobrara military reservation, because they can file on 480 acres here, completing their full section right under the Kinkafd act.

The amount of land to be alloted in the drawing and registration here is comparatively small, but some of the land is of a character to make the drawing privilege quite attractive. There are approximately 94 homesteads to be apportioned under the general law, 160 acres, and about 46 tracts under the Kinkaid act, 640 acres.

Registration applications for the Fort Niobrara lands must be presented at Valentine between October 13 and October 25 and must be sworn to here, except in the case of certain soldiers and sailors and their widows and minor children. The usual restriction that only one application can be presented by any person is made. The sented by any person is made. The drawing will take place on October 27.

HEAT RECORD BROKEN IN

MANY NEBRASKA SECTIONS Omaha, Neb., Sept. 4.—July and August were record breakers for drought and excessive heat in this section. The official score shows that 17 days during the two months furnished temperature markings of 100 or above. The top-lifter was on August 8, when the register was 105. The figures furnished by the local weather bureau show that 9.65 inches of rain fell in Omaha between May 1 and August 31, of this year—in other words, for a period of four months. More than half that amount fell in May, 5.27 inches as against 4.38 inches for June, July and August combined. August was the dryest of all, and the dryest August in the history of the local weather office, yielding but 18 inch of rain, which is so slight as to be practically negative. Only on five days in August did even a few drops of rain fall, the minimum being .01 and the maximum 1.12 inches. the two months furnished temperature

Falls City, Neb., Sept. 3.—The weather records kept by Dr. J. C. Yutzy with standard United States weather service, show 22 days in August had temperatures of 100 or above. Four others were 96, two were 98, one 95, one 90 and one 89. The total rainfall was .91 of an inch divided in three showers. Hot winds on three dates.

IMPRESSED WITH NEED

OF TEMPERING MEASURE Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 4.—That the state law giving operative force to the state law giving operative force to the initiative and referendum needs amendment in several vital particulars was the conclusion arrived at at a meeting of the executive board of the state direct legislation league, held here last night. The two most important amendments suggested are a prohibition of the employment of persons to circulate petitions for the submission to popular vote of any law passed by the legislature and the lessening of the number of names necessary to secure such submission. The fact that the number of names necessary to secure such submission. The fact that the ambulance chasing lawyers were able to hang up the workmen's compensation law for 18 months by the filing of referendum petitions, signers to which were secured by men paid for that purpose, convinced the for that purpose, convinced the leaguers that paid circulators are a

INSTRUCTOR-COOK WANTED FOR WAYNE INSTITUTION

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 4.—A north-western Nebraska woman who is able to cook and also fitted to impart said information to others, can secure a position paying \$1,200 a year for nine months' work by applying to Supt. U. G. Conn, of the State normal school, at Wayne. Miss Pettit, who has been at Wayne. Miss Pettit, who has teacher of domestic science at Wayne normal, has resigned and the superintendent and the teachers' com-mittee of the state board, who have the giving out of the position, have not been able to find a successor. The place has been offered to several per-sons, but they have all declined for various reasons purely personal. Su-perintendent Conn is fearful that it will be necessary to draft some man who can cook in order to fill out the teaching force at his school.

ARREST MADE OF OMAHA

WOMAN IN MAN'S GARB St. Louis, Sept. 4 .- A young woman dressed as a man, who said she was Gertrude Roche, of Omaha, was arrested here while she was waiting for a train to Omaha. According to her story, the girl was formerly employed in St. Joseph's hospital, Omaha. While there she hearms accurating within there she became acquainted with a young woman who became a nun and is now stationed at Lafayette, Ind. Miss Roche said she went to LaFayette desiring to become a nun but when she arrived there found no place for her in the convent. the convent. She said she was robbed of \$10 which she had and then sought to return to Omaha on freight cars. She said she found the men's clothing

PERSISTENT OFFENDER

WITH WORTHLESS CHECKS Superior, Neb., Sept. 4.—Pat Smith, alias McDowell, alias George Elliott, was brought back from St. Joseph by Deputy Sheriff Huff to answer the charge of having forged a check on Frank Wilburn, a farmer for whom he had been working for \$58.75.

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W. G. Montgomery, of the Montgomery Clothing company, cashed the check for him and upon finding the check was bad set the officers on a hunt for Smith and they located him in St. Losenh. He best just see that in St. Joseph. He has just served a term in the state penitentiary on the same charge, having been sent up from Grand Island. He was bound over to the district court by Justice Pflieder after having plead guilty, claiming that he was drunk when he made at was drunk when he made out the

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR WESTLICHEN KRIEGERFEST

West Point, Neb., Sept. 3.—At the ghih annual Kriegerfest of the Westichen Kriegerbund, just closed at West Point, the following officers were elected: President, Ernst Koenig, Omaha; first vice president, Henry Roir, Manning, Ia.; seebnd vice presi-dent, Peter Keiser, Forest City, Neb.; treasurer, H. C. Wiese, Bennington, Neb.; financial secretary, J. F. Holst, Denison, Ia.; recording secretary, F. Shacktemeyer, Clatoma, Neb.; trustees, J. C. Clausen, West Point, Neb.; Henry Gloe, Grand Island, Neb., and Rudolph Liock, Lincoln, Neb. hen Kriegerbund, just closed at West