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Charters for Cities.

City attorneys from second-class cities were here to talk over amendments in the charters of those cities. These were C. E. Abbott of Fremont, W. F. Butler of Hastings, A. H. Kidd of Beatrice and T. H. Pollock of Plattsmouth. They will probably hold a series of conferences before it is time to take up the charter for those cities and arrive at an agreement which will be satisfactory to all.

Bryan to Join the Eagles.
William J. Bryan will be initiated into the Order of Eagles here this week and the local eagle promises to have a big time over the event. Col. John J. Ryder, president of the Eagles, telephoned invitations to all of the grand officers and he expects some of them to attend. A banquet will follow the initiation.

Deputy Treasurer Resigns.
Henry Lehr, deputy state treasurer, has resigned. His resignation is to take effect January 7. State Treasurer L. G. Brian has appointed his son, Frank Brian, aged 22, to the vacancy. Young Mr. Brian has been employed in the treasurer's office for one year.

E Sillick Gets a Pardon.
E. Sillick of Omaha is a free man. Governor Sheldon issued a pardon to Sillick, a convict in the state prison he escaped some years ago two months before the expiration of his term. Since his escape he has served several years in the army and has a honorable discharge.

Pardon Asked for Pumphrey.
Miss Anna Pan of Omaha has a sweetheart confined in the penitentiary and she has asked Governor Sheldon to pardon him. The man in the case is Charles Pumphrey, confined for life for the murder of a Chinaman in Omaha.

State Press Association.
At a meeting of the executive committee of the Nebraska State Press association it was decided to hold the next meeting of the association at Grand Island, February 22, 23 and 24. The program has been only partially mapped out.

Capitol Building Dangerous.
State School Superintendent McBrien notified Commissioner of Lands and Buildings Eaton that he regarded the east wing of the state capitol building criminally dangerous, and that it would be a menace to safety to permit the coming inaugural ball to be held in the hall of the house of representatives, which is located in the east wing. The board of public lands and buildings accordingly will not permit the ball to be held there and it will probably be in the senate hall or some other safe place.

Burlington Time Table	
Plattsmouth, Nebraska	
TRAINS GOING EAST	
No. 20 th Pacific Junction	2:55 p. m.
No. 2 Local Express, to Iowa points, Chicago and the east	5:50 p. m.
No. 4 Lincoln to Pacific Junction, connecting with points north, east and south (except Sunday)	9:54 a. m.
No. 20 th from Omaha	3:56 p. m.
No. 20 th Freight to Pacific Junction	4:15 p. m.
No. 8 Through vestibule express	4:36 a. m.
No. 14 from Omaha	9:30 p. m.
TRAINS GOING WEST	
No. 19 Local express, daily, Omaha, Lincoln, Wray, Col. and intermediate stations	8:08 a. m.
No. 7 Fast mail, Omaha and Lincoln (except Sunday)	12:23 p. m.
No. 23 rd Local express, Louisville, Ashland, Wahoo and Schuyler	3:30 p. m.
No. 25 th Local freight, Cedar Creek, Louisville and South Bend	3:10 a. m.
*Daily, except Sunday.	

M. P. Time Table	
Plattsmouth, Nebraska	
TRAINS GOING NORTH	
No. 105 Omaha Express	5:27 a. m.
No. 103 Nebraska Mail	5:02 p. m.
No. 101 Local Freight	5:02 p. m.
TRAINS GOING SOUTH	
No. 104	9:45 a. m.
No. 106	12:30 a. m.
Local Freight	5:45 a. m.

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THE STATE CAPITAL

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL CITIZENS.

REPORT OF HEALTH INSPECTOR

Gives Record of Busy Year, Telling of Many Trips Made and Much Business Transacted.

State Health Report.
Dr. W. H. Wilson, inspector for the state board of health, has filed an annual report for the year ending November 24, 1908, containing an itemized list of expenditures and trips made to various parts of the state. He made sixty-three trips, some of them to the extreme northwestern and western parts of the state. He spent \$260.39 for railroad fare. The total expense, including his salary of \$1,800 a year, was \$2,174.28. An appropriation of \$10,000 was made by the last legislature for the state board of health. Of that amount \$6,400 was appropriated by the board for the expense of collecting vital statistics, office furniture and traveling expenses of one inspector. In addition to the sixty-three trips made, a large number of contagious disease disputes were settled by telephone and by letter.

In his report Dr. Wilson says: "Many calls have come in from over the state for assistance in the matter of improving sanitary conditions, impure water, etc. Most of such calls had to be declined from lack of funds for traveling expenses, also from lack of jurisdiction in such cases. However, advisory letters were sent out in each instance and in this way frequently improved the situation. In my opinion, if the powers of the board were enlarged and the expense fund more liberal, the inspector might materially assist in bettering the sanitary and health conditions of the state."

Dr. Wilson believes the state board of health ought to have jurisdiction under the control of local boards of health. Forty-four of the sixty-three calls were for the investigation of small pox cases.

Statement of Bryan Volunteers.

Members of the Bryan Volunteers are receiving a pamphlet containing a complete financial statement of the officers of the organization. The statement shows a complete list of the membership who have paid all or a part of the \$10 pledged, arranged by counties. There is also an itemized list of expenditures. The statement shows that a total of \$12,026.15 was collected by the organization, \$11,448 having been paid by members and \$569.15 having been received from miscellaneous sources which are shown. A total of \$11,421.80 has been paid out. In addition there are outstanding bills for nearly \$225. The books show a balance of \$614.25, but the actual balance on hand is \$559.35. This is explained by the fact that in the excitement of the state convention \$45 more was booked than was received and a similar mistake, amounting to \$10, was made at the Denver convention.

Senator Volpp Has a Bill.

Frederick Volpp, senator from the Tenth district, has prepared a bill for the organization and control of banks and the protection of depositors. Mr. Volpp has sent out copies of the proposed bill and he will offer it at the first session of the senate.

Discussing the proposed measure its author gave the following features as in his opinion of special importance: "The law follows the general lines of our present law, thus avoiding confusion.

"The changes that have been made are in the direction of more rigid regulation and control.

"The bill provides for payment to depositors of failed banks within thirty days.

"The bill provides for 'depositors' protective fund bank nowhere is the word 'guaranteed' used."

"There is very little question of the constitutionality of the various measures. We force no bank, state or national, into the protective system, and we keep none in longer than they wish to remain.

"I believe that a thorough inspection and a rigid control of the banks under the plan I outline will prevent failures and that it may be thirty years before the protective fund is ever called on for a dollar."

Three Guards Disciplined.
Warden Beemer had a case of insubordination at the state penitentiary and as a result three guards were discharged. They were, Thomas Kokley, Michael McNeal and Captain Morgan. According to Warden Beemer, the three men concluded the days of the warden were numbered and proposed to have things their own way.

The Convention Season.
Lincoln's convention season will begin early in the year. The first one to take place will be the Lancaster county good roads convention on January 4. This meeting is to be practically a state affair, as many members of the legislature, officials of different counties, automobile dealers and owners will be present. January 13, 14 and 15, as the dates have been previously fixed, the Nebraska Independent Telephone association will hold its annual session in Lincoln. Then follow others in February.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Greater or Lesser Importance Over the State.

All over Nebraska in the latter days of the old year, cupid was unusually busy.

Ponca's Presbyterian Sunday school, on Christmas day made a present of \$57 to the foreign mission fund.

No less than seven business houses in the main part of Fremont were entered by burglars in one night. They appeared to be after money rather than goods, and did not get rich for their trouble.

Becoming despondent because of ill health, Arthur Klopper, the 20-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Klopper, living two miles southwest of Clatonia, committed suicide by shooting.

Sheriff Kasper of Colfax county, armed with requisition papers, went to Des Moines to bring his wife to Nebraska one Donahue, who was charged with obtaining money under false pretenses at Schuyler.

At Webster City, while hurrying over a railroad crossing, Mrs. R. A. Carrington was struck by an incoming Northwestern train. She was hurled fifty feet and received injuries which will prove fatal.

The residence of Mrs. Nicholas Wellington, about six miles from Ponca, was burned. The only son who is living at home was attending a dance at the opera house when he learned of the fire. The loss is estimated at \$5,000 and was well insured.

Rev. Mr. Guy, who has been pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Blue Hill and at Ong, dividing his time between two appointments, has resigned his pastorate and will leave for the west soon to make his home.

Charles Sams, until recently employed as farmer at the Feeble Minded Institute, was in Beatrice looking for his wife, who has mysteriously disappeared. The couple had trouble and when Sams returned home from work he found his wife gone.

Camden Garlow, a young man living in David City, while riding a fractious horse in front of Hill's livery barn in that city, was thrown and severely injured. He struck on his head, and an examination disclosed that he had fractured his skull.

Judge H. D. Travis of Plattsmouth has named the following dates for holding district court in the Second judicial district, for the ensuing year: Plattsmouth, January 18 and 25, May 17 and November 18, in Nebraska City, March 1 and 8, June 14 and September 20 and 27.

Because of the overcrowded condition of the Hastings High school building a movement will soon be started to secure a bond issue for an extension to the present structure. In the four years that the high school has occupied its present building the enrollment has increased 85 per cent.

Allen Hickman, a young man living near Seward was accidentally shot while out hunting. His wounds, while painful, are not dangerous. A gun in the hands of Arthur Vietman, a companion, was accidentally discharged, but the bullet striking him did not over the heart.

Frank R. Huxtable of Broken Bow, well known throughout Custer county, made an attempt to kill himself, presumably by swallowing an overdose of chloroform or morphine. Huxtable had been trying for a reconciliation with his wife, from whom he was separated, and it is alleged that a failure to effect this was the cause of his despondency.

A social function of more than ordinary interest was held in Omaha when was effected the organization of the Nebraska Society of the United States Daughters of the War. The organization of a state society under the auspices of the national society of this order, and of which Mrs. Herbert Ellsworth, Gates is the state president.

An agricultural and good roads meeting of great importance was held at the court house in Tecumseh, the attendance being good. The meetings which are being held in each county of the first district are under the auspices of Congressman E. M. Pollard.

George L. Cooley of the national interior department spoke intelligently upon the subject of good roads and made some pertinent suggestions.

Colonel Cupid played havoc with schoolmarm around about the holidays, and as a consequence Buffalo county needs just an even dozen to replace those who have married or who have signified their intentions of getting married. This information was conveyed to State Superintendent McBrien through a letter from the county superintendent asking for an immediate supply.

The roundup for the wild animal which is running at large south of Calaway and killing stock almost nightly took place as scheduled. Although about 150 men and boys with guns and dogs took part in the roundup, nothing was seen of the animal. A large number of coyotes were caught in the circle, but nothing larger. Reports continue coming in as regards the depredations of the animal, however, and another hunt will be made for it in the future.

The Home Telephone company, which operates at Gretna, Papillion and Springfield, has been given permission by the railway commission to increase its rates as follows: Residence telephones, from \$1 to \$1.25; rural telephones, from \$1.25 to \$1.50; business telephones, from \$1.50 to \$3 a month.

Adjutant General-to-be Hartigan was in Lincoln and announced that the public is invited to the inaugural ball to be given on the night of January 7 in honor of Governor-elect Sheldon. There will be no invitations issued.

NEWS NOTES CONDENSED

A Boiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

Congress.

Cabinet officers are submitting to President Roosevelt their reports in answer to the Aldrich resolution as to the secret service and it is considered probable the president will have ready to submit to the appropriation committee of the senate all these reports soon after the re-assembling of congress. It is the president's intention to act promptly in this matter.

At the request of Senator Brown the library at Madison, Neb., has been placed on the list to receive such publications as are available for public schools and college libraries.

Senator Burckett had a conference with the War department officials regarding a bill for enlargement of the signal corps post at Fort Omaha. The bill has a good chance of becoming a law.

It is believed the special session of congress for revision of the tariff may be called immediately after the inauguration of President Taft.

The revenue feature of the tariff bill involves more difficult problems than either the protective or other phases of the tariff revision question. It is claimed by some that the government has been deprived of millions of dollars of revenue during the operation of the Dingley tariff because of the numerous changes made in the bill after it passed the house of representatives. These changes were made principally in the wording of the bill, rather than in the rates of duty.

General.

Dr. A. W. Clark, superintendent of Child Saving Institute, Omaha, has received and accepted an invitation from President Roosevelt to attend a conference at the White House January 25 for a discussion of the best methods for succoring dependent children. Dr. Clark's long experience in this field of philanthropy will enable him to make a valuable contribution to the discussion.

It is now believed that the loss of life in Italy and Sicily by earthquake will reach 200,000.

Lipari Islands, which were reported sunk in the sea with their 28,000 inhabitants, were safe. The earthquake shock damaged a few buildings, but there was no loss of life.

Foraker and Taft have withdrawn from the senatorial field in Ohio.

John Harry Dale Smith, who is accused of murdering Volney May in western Nebraska several months ago, was arrested at Las Animas, Col., but the actual balance on hand is \$559.35.

General Charles B. Hall, United States army, retired, and his party, which included his two daughters, who were supposed to have been at Messina during the earthquake, are all safe in Naples. A cablegram to this effect was received by the Missouri democrats are beginning to fear that the result of contests in the legislature will seat enough republicans to elect a senator.

Former State Treasurer Mathews of Pennsylvania, who was convicted of conspiracy in connection with state capital graft, died of pneumonia.

The death list in the earthquake in southern Italy may reach 150,000 people, with a loss of thirty-five cities in Calabria alone. Scenes of indescribable horror are recorded.

President Roosevelt's last New Year's reception at the White House was a brilliant affair.

The suit of Count Boni de Castellane for custody of his children was settled in favor of their mother, formerly Miss Anna Gould, of New York.

Daniel Freeman, first homesteader of the United States, died at Beatrice, Neb.

Dr. George E. Howard of Nebraska university contends that divorcees are a good thing.

No Taft clubs will be allowed organization at this time according to a decision reached by President-elect Taft and Secretary Hitchcock.

The number of dead in two devastated Italian cities reaches 110,000. Senator Bernier who represented St. Boniface in the Canadian senate at Ottawa, is dead.

J. Pierpont Morgan sent \$10,000 for the relief of the earthquake sufferers.

It is feared that vast treasures have been looted at Messina. The local branch of the Bank of Italy had \$2,000,000 on deposit there and other banks had large amounts.

A number of prominent engineers have been invited to accompany President-elect Taft to Panama.

The will of the late Claus Speckler, the sugar king, which was filed for probate, leaves life interest in the estate to the widow. At her death the property is to be divided among three of her children.

Troops in Cuba will be withdrawn on the first day of the year.

The county treasurer of Sanborn county, South Dakota, was held up and robbed of \$3,000 of the county money.

All candidates for United States senator in Ohio except Charles P. Taft are opposed to holding a caucus of regulars.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

Ex-Senator Millard of Omaha has purchased a \$65,000 residence.

Reports have reached Miller from the outside that a bank was robbed at that place, but these reports are wrong. There has been no bank robbery there.

Central City is preparing to make a strong bid for the proposed Old Fellows home which is to be located somewhere in the state soon after the first of February.

Over \$5,000 has been raised in the \$5,000 fund for the purchase of an abandoned convent property at Hastings for a girls' academy, which the Dominican sisters propose to establish if the property is decided to them.

As a result of the wholesale burglaries in Fremont, the police are rounding up "undesirable" citizens, and deporting them, under penalties of vagrancy charges upon their being seen again in the city.

Fred Mahler, a Cumming county farmer, has invented an improved plow which has many valuable points over the ordinary plow. A company will be organized at West Point for its manufacture.

Governor Sheldon has commuted the sentence of J. D. Adkins of Omaha from five years to three years, six months and eighty days, which releases him December 31. Adkins was sentenced for statutory assault. He is 64 years old.

Prof. George Carrington, county superintendent of public instruction of Nemaha county who was a candidate before the primaries for the office of state superintendent, has tendered his resignation, to take effect on the first of January, and will move to Lincoln.

While out hunting about one mile north of Plattsmouth W. D. Messer, smith heard the report of a gun and soon after saw a large gray wolf, which one of the other hunters had partially filled with shot, jumped the fence, and made a straight line for him. "Poxy" fired and the wild animal fell dead.

O. W. Brandt, a brakeman on a southbound Burlington freight, was killed near the oak chute in the Burlington yards at Oakland while coupling cars. The first attempt to couple the train failed and in adjusting the couplings for a second attempt in some way Brandt was caught between them, the coupling penetrating his abdomen, mangling him terribly.

On complaint filed by Miss Blanche Tiley, Bert Haynes was arrested on the charge of assault. Both parties are well known in Neligh. The preliminary hearing was held before County Judge Nelson and when all the evidence had been heard, the judge bound the young man over to the district court in the sum of \$500.

John Innerman, from a ranch south of Johnston, was in Atwood to get some medicine for his horses. He says there is a disease among the horses in his neighborhood resembling swamp fever, which is a puzzle to all. A horse will be walking along apparently all right, and shortly the ears will commence to droop and in a few hours the animal is dead.

A housebreaker entered the home of Frank Moore at Miller, betraying his presence by a light and was discovered by Moore as he returned home at a late hour. Citizens surrounded the house to prevent escape and the sheriff was telephoned for. On his arrival it was discovered that the thief had outwitted the watchers and escaped. No booty was secured.

Dr. K. Koonz, a well known dentist of Alliance, was arrested at Bridgeport on a complaint charging him with assault upon a young woman patient. The charges are of a most revolting character. The victim is in a critical condition. The offense was committed in the dentist's operating room in a public rooming house. It is charged that the young woman was drugged.

The state railway commission will have a general round up with telephone officers from all over the state on January 15, for the purpose of gathering a lot of miscellaneous information with reference to some of the details of the telephone business, the service rendered by them, methods of classification of subscribers and system of accounting.

Secretary of State Justin has received a letter from the Union Pacific railroad regarding that \$50,000 fee supposed to be due the state from the railroad on account of the adoption and amendments to the articles of incorporation of the road, which under the law must be filed with the secretary. The railroad has the matter under consideration and its decision in the matter will be known shortly.

City Clerk Bratton and City Attorney Burton of Hastings, are preparing a measure for submission to the legislature providing for registration of voters in Hastings and other cities of from 7,000 to 25,000 population after the manner of that now provided for Lincoln and Omaha.

Henry Linsenbrink, a young man residing west of Callaway, thinks he has broken all records in harvesting corn in the state for this season. During six continuous days of husking Mr. Linsenbrink averaged just 195 bushels per day, or husked 690 bushels in the six days.

NEW STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Wayne College Offers to Sell Out for \$100,000.

The Nebraska normal college of Wayne offers to sell to the state buildings and property valued at \$150,000 for use as a state normal school for a consideration of \$100,000 in hand paid. The proposition will be presented to the coming legislature. In the past when plans for a new state normal school have been before the legislature many of the strongest hearted members of that body took to the woods. In the present session Senator Tom Majors, the founder of the Peru state normal and friends of the Kearney state normal are expected to stand the brunt of the fight. Mr. Majors wants an appropriation for a new building at the Peru normal and friends of the Kearney school also want a new building. The Kearney men will show that Governor Sheldon cut their institution out of an appropriation two years ago, by his veto power, and that they need and demand a new building now. The friends of the Peru normal will present good and sufficient reasons why a new building should be built at that state institution. On the other side the northeastern part of the state will try to convince the legislature that it is greatly in need of a state normal school, one not conducted for private gain.

Alliance Wants Better Coal Rate.
The Commercial club of Alliance has appealed to the Interstate Commerce commission to compel the Burlington railroad to cease discriminating against that city in the matter of coal rates from Sheridan, Wyo. In its showing the Commercial club sets up that the rate from Sheridan to Alliance, 333 miles, on lump coal is \$3 a ton and other coal \$2.50; from Sheridan to Deadwood, 236 miles, on the rate is \$2.25 on lump and \$2 on other coal. From Sheridan to Omaha, 749 miles, on lump the rate is \$3 and on other coal \$2.50.

Trouble Over Treasurer's Bond.
The fight between bonding companies for the privilege of signing State Treasurer L. G. Brian's one million dollar official bond may become so fierce that the treasurer will be obliged to make a canvass among his friends for a personal bond. The latter course will take some time and trouble, but it will save the state a premium of \$5,000 which is paid every two years for a guaranty company bond.

Omaha Telephones Reduced.
Omaha gets a New Year's present from the Nebraska Telephone company in the shape of a reduction in rates. Residence phones are reduced 50 cents a month, while the discount is reduced from \$1 to 50 cents. Reductions of \$5 a year are also made on two party line telephones.

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