

## THE PLANTING OF TREES

Permanent Timber Growing Reserve in Western Nebraska Planned.

### HEARTY SUPPORT OF THE WORK

Gov. Savage Commutes the Life Sentence of August Kastner—Some Figures on Rebuilding the Asylum—Other Matters in Nebraska.

LINCOLN, Oct. 15.—William L. Hall of Washington, superintendent of tree planting for the United States bureau of forestry of the department of agriculture, was in the city conferring with Governor Savage and Dean Bessey of the University of Nebraska relative to plans for creating a permanent tree planting reserve in western Nebraska. Governor Savage and Dean Bessey assured him they would heartily support the venture and would use their influence toward bringing about the desired end.

The bureau of forestry has had a fine party in western Nebraska during the summer months investigating the conditions and possibilities of the soil," said Mr. Hall. "The party was organized at Kearney and from there went westward along the Platte river to the western boundary line of the state, thence in a northeasterly direction and back again to Kearney, completing the circle, which included all important points of interest. The object was to determine the possibility of timber growth and the adaptability of the sand hill soil to timber. Our investigations proved very satisfactory and we are fully convinced that certain kinds of trees can be grown in any part of the state.

#### All Teachers Expected.

LINCOLN, Oct. 16.—The fact that no program has been arranged for the superintendents and principals at the forthcoming convention of the Nebraska State Teachers' association, is said not to indicate that those educators are not expected to attend the convention. "The superintendents and principals are expected to attend the convention just the same as before," said Superintendent Fowler. "They form an auxiliary organization to the teachers' association and it is important that they attend and participate in the deliberations of the general body."

#### Kastner's Sentence Commuted.

LINCOLN, Oct. 16.—Governor Savage commuted to three years, six months and six days the life sentence of August Kastner, who was convicted in Douglas county in 1888 for killing Police Officer Dan Tiedemann. The petition for executive clemency was signed by Chief of Police Donahue of Omaha, the trial judge before whom Kastner was convicted, the prosecuting attorney who had charge of the case and by former Chief Detective Hemming.

#### Go to Get a Husband.

OMAHA, Oct. 16.—Miss Annie M. Farney, a stenographer, has left for San Francisco on her way to Manila. She sails on October 16 on the transport Thomas and goes to the Philippines to become the bride of Dr. John M. Thornton, contract surgeon to the United States army. Miss Anna M. Farney was born in Otoe county, her father a farmer residing near Julian. She graduated from the state normal school at Peru at 16 years of age with highest honors.

#### New Towns Located.

DES MOINES, Oct. 16.—The building of the Des Moines, Iowa Falls & Northern railroad is being done from the northern end, commencing at Iowa Falls, although the right-of-way was secured through to Des Moines, and grading work has been done all along the line. It is expected that the iron will all be laid before freezing weather. Thus far two new towns have been located, both in the western part of Hardin county.

#### Nebraska School of Agriculture.

LINCOLN, Oct. 16.—The Nebraska school of agriculture of the state university is especially planned to suit the needs of the farm boy. It opens for a six months' course on November 11, 1901, at a time when the boy can be spared from the farm. This course gives boys and girls some knowledge of English and mathematics and at the same time gives them instruction in the practical subjects which are essential to successful life on the farm.

#### Rosaway Youths Caught.

KEARNEY, Neb., Oct. 16.—George and Elmer Stevens, sons of J. W. Stevens of Miller, who ran away once before the early part of this year, decamped again, this time taking with them a horse and three guns. Constable Williby of Miller was put upon the case and succeeded in catching them at Ansley, Custer county, from which place Mr. Stevens was notified and arrangements were made for their return home.

#### Social Labor Protest.

LINCOLN, Oct. 16.—Secretary of State Marsh listened to arguments on the protest of Dr. H. S. Aley and M. Herman of this city against placing the names of the socialist labor party nominees upon the official ballot. Prof. J. A. Boyce, chairman of the new party's central committee, appeared for the defense. The protest urges that the new party has adopted a portion of an old party name, which is contrary to the election law.

## NEBRASKA WOMAN'S CLUBS.

State Federation Has a Program of Usual Interest.

WAYNE, Neb., Oct. 14.—The program presented at the meeting of the State Federation of Woman's clubs was of unusual interest. The address of State Superintendent W. K. Fowler on "Women at the School Meeting and in the School Room" has aroused more interest than any talk yet given at the convention.

Reports were received from forty-one clubs. Mrs. H. H. Heller of Omaha made a plea for the assistance of the federation in the establishment of kindergartens for the colored children of the south. The delegation promised to interest their clubs in the project and if possible to provide for the training of a young colored woman for the work. The daughter of Rev. William Vanderzee of Lincoln will probably be chosen if the money can be raised.

Mrs. F. M. Hall gave an excellent art program. She was assisted by Mrs. Bushnell of Lincoln and Mrs. Heller of Omaha. Several women also spoke of ceramics.

An amendment was carried which constitutes the presidents of all the clubs as a nominating committee.

After prolonged discussion the amendment to increase the annual dues was carried, but will not take effect until next year.

The reception at the home of Mrs. T. J. Bressler, president of the Wayne City federation, was unusually brilliant. The rooms were exquisitely decorated with roses and ferns. Mrs. Ella Peattie of Chicago and Miss Evans assisted Mrs. Bressler, the state officers and the president of the Wayne clubs in receiving.

#### State Doctors Veterinarians.

LINCOLN, Oct. 14.—In accordance with an act passed by the last legislature, Governor Savage appointed fifteen deputy veterinary surgeons, who are to be subject to call at all times for service under direction of Chief Surgeon Thomas. Each deputy will be paid \$5 and actual expenses for each day's service. The deputies appointed by the governor are: J. S. Anderson, Seward; M. T. Bernard, Schuyler; A. Bostrom, Minden; M. V. Byers, Osceola; Fred Evans, Grand Island; M. D. Hammond, Wayne; H. Johnson, Weeping Water; C. F. Leslie, Wahoo; C. A. McKim, Norfolk; G. Robertson, Beatrice; V. Schaefer, Tekamah; J. D. Sprague, David City; M. H. Taylor, York; G. R. Young, Omaha; D. R. Colby, Beatrice.

#### Disposal of Insurance Fees.

LINCOLN, Oct. 14.—Auditor Charles Weston and the Providence Washington Insurance company of Rhode Island have joined issues in a petition in district court, in which they ask for guidance in settling the problem of the disposition of the \$9,000 license fees of insurance companies turned into the office by former Auditor Eugene Moore. This money was all that Moore returned of the \$32,116.70 he collected from the insurance companies during 1895 and 1896.

Auditor Weston would prefer to prorate this amount among the various companies, but the Providence company strenuously objects to the plan.

#### State Dairymen to Meet.

LINCOLN, Oct. 14.—The State Dairymen's association will meet in Lincoln, January 22 to 24. Sessions will be held in one of the lecture rooms of the State university and exhibits will be in the Soldiers' Memorial hall. Among the officers of the association who held a preliminary meeting in this city were: President Rustin, Mr. Clark of Ravenna, Mr. Rector of Crete, Mr. Haskell of Lincoln, J. K. Honeywell of Lincoln, and Food Commissioner S. C. Bassett.

#### Official News of Awards.

LINCOLN, Oct. 14.—The following telegram was received by Governor Savage from E. L. Vance, Nebraska commissioner at the Pan-American exposition:

"Exposition officials have awarded Nebraska gold medal for collective exhibit of agriculture and silver medal for collective exhibit of cereals."

#### Coal at Cooper.

COOPER, Oct. 12.—Coal has been in very paying quantities one-half mile east of this place. Two veins, one seven feet from the surface, is two and one-half feet thick; the second is 170 feet deep and five feet thick, each having a good roof over it and no water to contend with.

#### Becomes Insane From Fear.

HARRISON, Neb., Oct. 14.—An insane man who gives his name as Joe Kramer was brought up to this place by F. P. Leithoff, who lives ten miles east of here. Kramer prays almost incessantly for deliverance from imaginary detectives. Years ago his father's house was burned in Germany and Kramer and his brother were accused of setting the fire, but both protested their innocence. Kramer thinks the authorities are after him.

#### Ord Company Assigns.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Oct. 14.—The reports made to the comptroller of the currency by the three national banks of David City show that at the close of business for September the deposits aggregate the sum of \$31,482.42. These same banks at the close of business September 5, 1900, had deposits aggregating \$708,565.40, an increase in one year of \$122,917.41. The banks all say the supply of money is far greater than the demand.

## TO STAMP OUT DISEASE

Rigid Rules Adopted to Prevent the Spread of Smallpox.

### ALL CASES MUST BE REPORTED

Failure to Make Such Report May Result in Revocation of Certificate—The Recent Bank Robbery at Narka, Kansas—Miscellaneous Nebraska Matters.

LINCOLN, Oct. 15.—In view of the possibility of a smallpox epidemic Secretary Bailey, Johnson, Brush and Somers of the state board of health met in special session with Governor Savage this afternoon and prepared the following statement, urging the exercise of every precaution, both by physicians and citizens:

"During the last two years there has been a steadily increasing epidemic of smallpox throughout the United States. Many cases have been mild, but it has been amply demonstrated that from these mild cases have often developed malignant cases.

Present indications threaten, for the coming winter in Nebraska, a more widespread and serious epidemic than has been known in the state for many years. It can readily be controlled by proper quarantine and isolation. That it may be possible to locate every case promptly the state board of health has this day, in special session, resolved that it demands of every practitioner of medicine in the state of Nebraska that he or she shall report by letter every case of smallpox coming under his notice within twenty-four hours of his knowledge of said case, such report to be addressed to George H. Brash, M. D., Beatrice, secretary of the Board. It is further resolved by the board that failure to make such report shall be sufficient cause under chapter IV, article I, section 14, of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for 1901, for the revocation of the certificate to practice medicine in Nebraska or of the party failing to make such report.

"The board further insists that county boards of the several counties be organized, as provided for in chapter IV, article VII, section 5, of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska."

Fall to Catch the Robbers.

BEATRICE, Neb., Oct. 15.—The full-blooded hounds returned from Narka, Kan., where they were called by telegraph, and were taken by special train to trace the bank robbers who robbed the bank there of a large sum of money. The hounds succeeded in tracking the robbers to Hubbell, Neb., eighteen miles from Narka on the Burlington railroad, where they are thought to have boarded the fast mail for Denver and made good their escape. The bank officials, it is said, have offered a reward of \$5,000 for their arrest and conviction, which seems pretty good evidence that the robbers made a rich haul.

Beatrix Warehouse Burned.

BEATRICE, Neb., Oct. 15.—The large warehouse of Frank Salton on the west side burned to the ground. The building being beyond the water limits, the fire alarm was not sounded. The fire was started by some small boys who were smoking cigarettes carelessly while at play at the rear of the house. The loss is \$1,500 and insurance \$1,000.

#### Irrigates Sixteen Thousand Acres.

GERING, Neb., Oct. 15.—Water from the new Gering canal is running through the streets of this place. The canal has been completed for several months, but there have been several delays in bringing the water to this point and there is much rejoicing over the consummation of the enterprise. The ditch will open up about 16,000 acres in agricultural use.

#### Convert to Irrigation.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Oct. 15.—Seven hundred and eighty-seven dollars realized from one season's products of four acres of irrigated soil is the record made by O. E. Cox two miles east of town. From one and a half acres of strawberries he realized \$414 and from two and a half acres of watermelons, \$73.

#### Child Fatally Struck.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Oct. 15.—A 2-year-old daughter of Michael Mooney in Joliet township climbed upon a table and overturned a pot of boiling water, scalding her body so terribly that the physicians say she will not recover.

#### Wind and Hail at Trenton.

TRENTON, Neb., Oct. 15.—This section was visited by a furious wind storm. It was accompanied by a light rain and some hail, doing some damage.

#### With Headquarters at Topeka.

BEATRICE, Neb., Oct. 15.—The position of state manager for Kansas of the Royal Highlanders has been offered to ex-Mayor H. W. L. Jackson of this city and Mr. Jackson has decided to accept.

#### Show Increased Deposits.

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## BONUS FOR NEBRASKA COAL

Three Saunders County Farmers Claim Bonus for Discovery.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 12.—Three Saunders county farmers, John Joseph, John Patronek and Neil Gibson, have applied to Governor Savage for the standing reward offered for the discovery of coal in paying quantities within the state. They present a lengthy affidavit in which they assert that on October 1, they found a vein of coal over four feet in thickness at a depth of 235 feet and that on the following day they found the second vein, measuring six feet in thickness and at a depth of 245 feet. Both veins are located in the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 9, in township 13, north range 7, in Saunders county. The farmers insist that they are the first to discover coal in Nebraska and therefore are entitled to the full reward offered by the state. They insist that the coal is of good quality and the veins of sufficient thickness and near enough the surface to be profitably worked.

The law providing for the award says that when it shall be made apparent to the governor that a vein of coal not less than twenty-six inches in depth and of sufficient capacity to pay to mine and within paying distance of the surface has been discovered it shall be the duty of the governor to appoint a suitable person to examine the same, assess duty it shall be to report the probable extent and capacity of the vein. If the report is satisfactory to the governor he shall direct the auditor to draw an order on the treasurer for \$4,000, to be paid to the owner of the mine of coal. A reward of \$2,000 is offered for the discovery of it.

### DELINQUENT ON THEIR DUES

Department Commander Urges that G. A. Posts Pay Up.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 12.—General orders No. 7 were issued by R. S. Wilcox, department commander of Nebraska, Grand Army of the Republic.

A short review of the national encampment was given, together with a few words regarding the showing which was made by Nebraska.

Concerning the dues of different veterans, the following statement was made:

"At the date of forwarding the consolidated report of the A. A. G. to national headquarters, this department paid for per capita tax on 1,500 comrades who belonged to posts that had failed to make their report or pay dues to these headquarters. This was done to keep up our standing at the next national encampment, as our representation is based upon our June report, and believing those posts that were delinquent would certainly send in their report soon, but at this date, notwithstanding special notices have been sent out, the following posts are delinquent:

"Nos. 17, 26, 28, 31, 41, 52, 58, 65, 121, 122, 125, 127, 146, 158, 182, 209, 215, 220, 223, 233, 239, 244, 247, 258, 259, 261, 266, 272, 283, 287, 292, 311, 315, 321, 327, 328, 336, 344, 346 and 349.

"The commander trusts that the simple mention of these posts will be the means of spurring up the officers and that the department may receive reports from them before many days.

We need you, comrades, and you need us.

We do not desire to drop you, but unless the reports are in before January 1, under our rules and regulations, such action will have to be taken.

"All contributions should be sent direct to Kidder, Peabody & Co., 115 Devonshire street, Boston, or Baring, Magoun & Co., 15 Wall street, New York. All money contributed will be returned to the donors in case its use is not necessary or in the event of its being hereafter returned by or through the United States government.

"JOHN L. WITHROW,

"Park Street Congregational Church.

"GEORGE C. LORIMER,

"Tremont Temple Baptist Church.

"JOHN GALBRAITH,

"Bromfield Street Methodist Church."

LONDON, Oct. 12.—After detailing the story of the abduction of Miss Stone, the Spectator remarks:

"President Roosevelt and the Washington cabinet maintain justly that the sultan is responsible, as it is his misgovernment which provokes and protects brigandage, and they intend to demand reparation from the porto. It will not be limited, we imagine, to £25,000. The porto will be required to punish the authors of the outrage, and as Turkey is sure to shuffle and America is tired of being played with, a naval demonstration is quite on the cards. The sultan will of course yield to the first show of force."

#### Commandant Lotter to Die.

MIDDLEBURG, Cape Colony, Oct. 12.—Sentence of death has been passed on Commandant Lotter, the Cape rebel whose command, composed almost wholly of rebels, was captured by Major Scobell, south of Petersburg early last month. Lord Kitchener has confirmed the sentence.

Five of Lotter's comrades have been sentenced to the penitentiary for life; one a youth, has been sentenced to twenty strokes with the rod, followed by imprisonment until the close of the war.

#### Land Prices Increasing in Polk.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—Senator Mason of Illinois, who