# IRRICATIONLANDS

NEBRASKA OPPORTUNITIES FOR STORAGE OF WATER.

#### NEWELL SEEKS INFORMATION

He Wants to Know What Situation This State is in to Profit by the Reclamation Act of Congress-Miscellaneous Nebraska Matters.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 23,-According to a request made by F. H Newell of the interior department of State Engineer Adna Dobson of Nebraska, the government department will depend on the local hydrographers to the smaller irrigation schemes that may be feasible under the recent reclamation act. The larger plans are already known to those who have charge of the geolog-It is the smaller schemes that may be carried out without much expense that Mr. Newell is looking for. These he does not hope to find in any great profusion. State Engineer Dobson will investigate and report any plans that he thinks feasible. He has none to report at present. Mr. Newell's request is in this form:

"In preparing plans for work under the reclamation fund it is very important to have definite suggestions from well informed men. I am therefore calling upon the hydrographers and others well informed concerning local conditions to advise me in the matter. It is desired to take up and push to completion beneficial projects in each of the states, especially those not involving heavy expenditures. We already know of most of the large projects, but it is the smaller ones which should be sought out. I fear we will not be able to find many of those, but such as they are should be considered. Will you kindly therefore call my attention to any reclamation work which might be undertaken under the terms of the law of June 17, 1902, a copy of which I enclose,"

It is the opinion of persons familiar with irrigation that most all projects to be of benefit to Nebraska must ing Nebraska on the west and not within the horders of Nebraska.

Under Secretary P. T. Francis of Crawford, of the state board of irrigation, reports very few complaints this year and upon investigation most of these originated through fear of a shortage of water rather than an actual shortage. In his district water is obtained from the White river, the Niobrara and the Elkhorn and their tributaries. In the northwest part of the state there has been no complaint.

#### General King Will Come.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, July 23 .- General Charles King, who commanded the First brigade of the First division of the Eighth army corps in the Philippines, has written Sumner Knox, secretary of the lowa Society of the Army of the Philippines, that he expects to attend the reunion in this city next month. In his letter accepting the invitation, received, he writes: "I take pleasure in saying that if nothing unforeseen at this moment should occur to prevent, I mean to be with you."

### Stock Rustlers Convicted.

GREELEY, Neb., July 23 .- Marr, charge of horse stealing and was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary. The same night about 2 o'clock the arguments in the Lamb case were ended and the case given to the jury. About 8 o'clock next morning announcement was made that the jury had agreed on a verdict of guilty. Sentence will be pronounced soon.

### Rough Crowd Follows Circus.

HOOPER, Neb., July 23 .- A trayeling circus exhibited here and its advent was of professional grafters. By means of shell games and other operations, citizens were swindled out of from \$5 to \$75. The indignation at these things became so pronounced that the managers of the show pulled up stakes and left town without giving an evening performance.

### Bound Over for Alleged Rape.

HASTINGS. Neb., July 23.-James Fuller was taken before County Judge Dugan to answer to the charge of rape. He was examined and bound over to the district court in the sum of one thousand dollars.

### Suicide of a Farmer.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., July 23 .-Hans Voss, one of Hall county's pioneer farmers, residing one-half mile east of the Union Pacific shops, committed suicide. By his dead body, company's further action in developwhich was discovered in the barn by ment work has been removed. The his son Hardwick, was found an emp- company strongly maintains that the ty vial which had contained one-eighth substance is there in paying quantiounce of strychnine. This alone told | ties, not only of coal but valuable | a general curtailment of production. | known. The body was quite concealthe story of how the father came to clays, and they have no hesitancy in They claim they lose 8 pfennigs to ed in the thick brush on the banks his death.

### Appointed on State Board.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 23.-T. J. Majors, of Peru, has been appointed | Sid Houghtelin was engaged in repairon the state board of education in ing some damages upon the Houghteplace of John Ftiz Roberts of South lin & McDowell mill dam, a pocket-Omaha. The appointment took ef- book containing \$270 dropped from his meat of the Missouri, with head feet June 21. Governor Savage made pocket into the flume of the dam. A ters at Omaha. General Mack the appointment. It is for a term of handkerchief which was wrapped will be in New York in time five years. Mr. Majors is really the around the pocketbook was later fish. lieve General Brooke, who founder of the Peru Normal school, ed from the water, but all efforts to from active service Monday. but he has not served on the board regain the purse or its contents were pected General MacArthur wil fruitless. for many years.

#### THEIR WORK FOR THE YEAR.

It is Outlined by the Nebraska Society for the Promotion and Improvement of Religious Education.

On the 5th and 6th of last April a body of Christian ministers and laymen met in the parlors of the First Congregational church of Lincoln. The call for this religious conference was issued by E. Benjamin Andrews, W. F. Dann and E. L. Hinman on behalf of the University of Nebraska, and by B. M. Long, H. O. Rowlands and M. A. Bullock on behalf of the Lincoln Pastors' association.

The result was a fair attendance and a most interesting discussion. A permanent organization was made by the election of Prof. Charles Fordyce, Wesleyan university, as president; T. M. Hodgman, University of Nebraska, secretary, and a board of managers-Chancellor E. B. Andrews, N. M. Mann, Omaha; President George Sutherland, Grand Island college; W. G. Whitmore, Valley, and Prof. A. B. Fairchild. Doane college.

At a session of the officers and managers held Aril 11 it was decided, among other matters, to call the organization "The Nebraska Society for the Promotion and Improvement of Religious Education," and the committee whose names are signed to this article was instructed to prepare an address setting forth the origin and immediate purposes of the society.

The names of the men who initiated and who are carrying on this move ment are a sufficient guarantee that it is non-sectarian but wholly Christian. In a modest way the society aspiges to do its share in laying the foundations of faith broader and

Unaided, this society can do little, but with the cordial co-operation of the religious leaders in Omaha, Grand Island, Hastings and Beatrice it is hoped to hold district conferences in these centers during the fall and winter. A splendid opportunity for the agitation of the topics below is presented to the many denominational gatherings that occur this summer We appeal to those having these programs in charge to provide a place for the discussion of some of the topics about to be stated. The secretary will be grateful if the best of these papers are sent him. To a limited ex tent the society can furnish speakers if request is made to the secretary.

In the judgment of the society the best results will come by concentrating attention this year upon the admitted decay of parental religious instruction and the query as to whether bible school teaching in its present condition is a full equivalent.

To what is this decay due? Is it a dimming of faith? Are the exactions of society and business robbing the religious life? Is confusion of thought arising from the wider dissemination of agnostic literature? Does the breaking down of denominational barriers undermine the convictions of the individual? Is it a natural timidity incident to the loss of the habit of religious meditation and self-analysis induced by the old catechising system? Or is it another illustration of the modern spirit of specialization whereby the parent deliberately commits the religious training of his child to the supposedly better equipped bible school teacher?

Upon the last point there is in the minds of careful observers a grave doubt as to whether the confidence of the parent is not misplaced. What are the reasons for the weakness of the bible school instruction? Why do alias Harry Hill, pleaded guilty to the the young men and women so easily drop out of the Sunday school?

> Admitting that the great burden of school, does it not behoove us to the remedy? A great looseness of the remedy? A great looseness of inreligious thought, a fatal flabbiness in religious conviction characterize our young people. There is reform demanded somewhere. Other states are awakening to this fact. Shall Nebraska lag behind?

(Signed.) CHARLES FORDYCE. President.

A. B. FAIRCHILD. T. M. HODGMAN, Secretary.

Corn is Prey of Chinchbugs. FREMONT, Neb., July 21.-Farmers report considerable damage being done to early corn by chinchbugs. They come from wheat fields from which the wheat has been harvested and confine their attention to the out-

Some husbands are devoted to their wives and some are devoted to themselves.

Active Work on Coal Mine.

WAHOO, Neb., July 21.-Active work on the Swedeburg coal mine shaft is now in progress, and any skepticism that may have existed in the minds of some regarding the stock sinking a shaft.

Loses Money in the River. FAIRBURY, Neb., July 21.-While

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COL. GROESBECK CASE OF GEN. SMITT

## THE WATER CURE PRA

He Believes in It-Says that it is Most Human Method of Obtaining Information So Far Know to Modern Warfare.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21.-Colonel Stephen Grossbeck, formerly judge advoacte of the division of the Philippines, has arrived here from Manila en route to Chicago, where he will take station as judge advocate of the department of the lakes. Colonel Grossbeck was chief reviewing authority in the trials of Major Waller and General Jacob H. Smith, both of whom were court-martialed for methods used in the Samar campaign.

Discussing the Waller trial, Colonel Grossbeck characterized Major Waller as a tactician, not a leader. In reviewing the case he said:

"I could only give a qualified approval of the findings of the court because I believed him responsible largely for the condition that caused his men to commit the offenses charged. An attempt was made to lead a detachment of his command, consisting of four officers, fifty-four enlisted men and thirty-three 'cargadores' from east towns across the island of Samar in search of the enemy, and when about midway of his course he found himself in the heart of an uninhabited, mountainous section, without rations and without medical attendance. The march had been begun without proper provisions being made. The men's shoes were worn away, their clothing hung in tatters, their feet bruised and bleeding, their bodies lacerated by thorns and, added to this wretchedness, the leeches which abound attacked and greatly aggravated their exposed wounds. To the cry for food the 'cargadores,' it is alleged, did not efficiently respond, and the suspicion arose in the minds of the starving men that the 'cargadoros' were conniving at their destruction. For this of those from whom a cry of retalia tion came were executed."

Referring to the famous "kill and burn" order alleged to have been issued by General Smith, Colonel Smith, Colonel Grossbeck said:

"No such order was ever issued by Smith, but he is an impetuous and erratic man, and, when going over the ground at Balangiga, after the massacre of an entire company of the Ninth infantry, he remarked to Waller that they would be justified in killing and burning as they went."

He did not think that Waller or any of the officers of his command should be held accountable for the lives destroyed, but he believed that had more careful provision been made when the fatal march was begun it would not have ended with such destructive results. He spoke of General Smith as a fine officer and expressed regret at the humiliation attached to the recent orders for his retirement.

Colonel Grossbeck believes in the water cure and said that in all the complaints caused by this method of forcing the insurgents to give information as to where arms were hidden, etc., it had been abused only by young officers over-zealous and inexperienced in their work. "I believe," he said, "the water cure as practiced by the American army in the Philod of obtaining information from modern warfare."

Bank Officers Sentenced.

T. Duke and Alexander A. Robertson, formerly cashier and paying teller, respectively, of the Wells-Fargo bank, died instantly. appeared before Judge Morse in the district court and pleaded guilty to the charge of embezzling \$60,000 from the bank and were each sentenced to four years' imprisonment in the peni- tary of war, accompanied by Mrs.

Secretary Baer Begins.

Christian Endeavor, has tendered his ment. resignation, to take effect October 1, and has accepted a position as assistant secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions. Mr. Baer begins his new work in New York on October 1.

Death is announced of the wife of Senator Patterson of Colorado.

President's Quiet Sunday. OYSTER BAY, N. Y., July 21.-President Roosevelt passed a quiet Sunday at Sagamore Hill. There were no callers on the president and his family attended religious services.

German Spinners Lose Money. man cotton spinners are agitating for no clue to the identity of the unevery pound of yarn sold.

General Bates in Charge. CHICAGO, July 21.-With the de BRUSS parture of General MacArthur for the east, the commanding of the passed temporarily to General Jol Bates, who has charge of the de in New York until Septemb

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a number of farm laborers in this

part of the state. One man in from

the range a few days ago said he

would take out tventy men with him

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per month, or in case he failed, to return them to this con at his own

JOHN W. MACKAY IS DEAD.

President of Postal Telegraph Com-

pany Succumbs at Lendon Home.

London residence, Charlton House

Terrace. The immediate cause of

the symptoms indicated pneumonia.

He was conscious most of the time

FATAL MISTAKE OF HUSBAND.

Burglars and Kills Both.

husband and brother-in-law, Moses

about 2 o'clock this morning.

stantly killing both men.

Celestial Has English Wife.

formerly Miss Burnett of London,

Love Drove Him to Murder.

MARSHALL, Mo., Mo., July 21 .-

George Wiley shot and killed Miss

Dovie Flynn, step-daughter of Rich-

Returning to Washington.

William Cary Sanger, assistant secre-

New Dates for Chautauqua.

TECUMSEH, Neb., July 21.-The

recumseh Chautauqua, which was to

Vultures Eating His Flesh.

GREEN RIVER, Wyo. July 21 .- C.

). Crisman a ranchman of Marston,

Wyo., reports the finding of the body

of an unknown man near there, in a

badly decomposed state. Crows and

vultures were feeding on the flesh,

which was dropping from the bones.

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LONDON, July 21 .- John W. Mack-

LONDON, July 19.-The Rome correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says the pope is intensely displeased at the way in chich the commission of cardinals has conducted the negotiations with Judge Tatf in the matter of the friars in the Philippines.

"I learn from an authoritative source," says the correspondent, "that besides annulling the proceedure of the commission of cardinals the pope has summarily dissolved it, expressing his views that the American demands were reasonable and signifying his readiness to treat with Judge Taft ay died yesterday aft moon at his petsonally."

ROME, July 19.—The following note from the vatican was presented to death was heart failure. The right lung was found to be congested and Governor Taft last night:

"I hasten to acknowledge the receipt of the letter by which you kindly communicated to me the cablegram from yesterday. Mrs. Mackay is prostrated with grief. Mr. Mackay came to Secretary Root, answering my note Europe for his health and apparently of July 9, which explained the counter had benefited by the change, but the project of the vatican for the regulasudden hot wave affected him injuri- tion of religious affairs in the Philipously and while attending to some pines. While thanking you for this business in the city last Tuesday he important communication, I am hapwas taken with faintness and dizzi. By to assure you that the holy see ness. No arrangements have yet has learned with the liveliest satisfaction the high consideration in which Mr. Root and the government of the United States holds the fitness of the measures, which the vatican independently of the solution of any Takes Husband and His Brother for economic question designed taking to ameliorate the religious situation in ST. LOUIS, July 21.-A special from the archipelago and to co-operate in Murphysboro, Ill., says that Mrs. the pacification of the people under George Joubert shot and killed her American sovereignty. The measures are indicated in my memorandum of Joubert, whom she took for burglars, June 21, and by letter of July 9. These declarations of Mr. Root do honor to The Joubert family reside about five the deep political wisdom of the govmiles east of Ava. George and his ernment of the United States, which they were placed under fire, and all brother, Moses, had been to that vil- knows how to appreciate the happy influence of the holy see for the religicated condition, proceeded to break ious and civil elevation of the people, down the door, which Mrs. Joubert

especially Catholics. "With equal satisfaction the pontiff The woman became frightened, and, has taken into account the assurances supposing they intended to kill her, of Secretary Root that the American fired with her husband's revolver, in- authorities in the Philippines and at Washington will put forth all possible efforts to maintain the good understanding happily established with NEW YORK, July 21.-The Hon. the authorities of the Catholic church. C. K. Tseng, secretary of the Chinese On his part the pontiff will not fail legation at Washington, who arrived to give the apostolic delegation soon at quarantine on the Umbria, came up to be sent to the Philippines the most to the city yesterday. The secretary precise instructions according to my former notes.

brought with him his wife, who was "The lines for future negotiations, England. Mrs. Tseng said she would indicated in the notes having been spend the winter in Washington with accepted by Secretary Root, the repfriends. She was dressed in ordinary resentative of the vatican in the archigarb, but her husband had on his na- pelago wil lenter into relations with the authorities in the Philippines on the four points indicated by Mr. Root at the end of his cablegram.

"The holy see does not doubt that mutual confidence combined with the action of the American government ard Dearking, a Chicago & Alton raii- will readily produce a happy solution way employe, at the latter's home here of the pending questions, auguring for and then committed suicide. The wo- that new country an era of peace and man had refused to marry him. Wiley true progress.

"It is my agreeable duty in ending had intercepted Miss Flynn on her way home from a religious meeting this letter to be able to render homage and walked with her to her home. to the very great courtesy and high ippines to be the most humane meth- Mrs. Dearking had called to her to capacity with which you have filled come into the house, and as she was the delicate mission which the govreligious training rests upon the bible criminals of war that is known to passing through the door Wiley shot ernment and president of the United Miss Flynn from behind. She died States delegated to you. Willingly I within a few minutes without making add that the favorable result of the a statement. Later Wiley's body was negotiations must be attributed in SALT LAKE, Utah, July 21.—Harry found in the street in front of the very large part to your high personal Dearking home. He had shot him- qualities.

self between the eyes and apparently "While flattering myself that this first success will be a guarantee of the happy issue of ulterior negotiations in Manila, I have the honor to be, RAMPOLIA." UTICA, N. Y., July 21.—Colonel etc.,

Governor Taft was informed last night that the pope had fixed July 21 for his farewell audience. Governor Sanger, left here for New York and Washington. Secretary Root sails for Taft will start Saturday for Vallom-Europe next Thursday and during his brosa, near Florence, where he will BOSTON, July 21.-John Willis Baer, absence of six weeks Colonel Sanger stay with his family until Monday, secretary of the United Society of will be in charge of the war depart- when he will return for his audience with the pope.

Fight a Fatal Duel.

WICHITA, Kan., July 19 .- Dr. H. G. Greenland and Ben Bearman fought have been held from July 12 to 20 a duel in a saloon at Okarche, O. T., and had to be postponed on account after midnight this morning. Dr. shot in the head, but not fatally.

King Finally Fixes Date. LONDON, July 19 .- An official notification was issued yesterday morning that by the king's command the coronation of King Edward and Queen Alexandra will take place August 9. Rehearsals of the processions from Buckingham palace to Westminster BERLIN, July 21.—The West Ger- A murder is suspected, but there is abbey took place yesterday morning and the officials of the various state ceremony are again busy with prep-

> arations for the coming crowning. Tailor Shoots His Wife. NEW YORK, July 19.-Hyman ussian tailor, shot his rough the mouth early killed himself by c acid. Mrs. Hoffit is feared she had been drinknd his wife had disorderly connced to sixty ently been re-id four children.

BALFOUR IS IN THE CHAIR.

New Premier Presides at the First Meeting of the New Cabinet. LONDON, July 18.—The premier, A. J. Balfour, presided in the foreign office at the first cabinet meeting of the new administration.

The colonial secretary, Joseph Chamberlain, was sufficiently recovered from the effects of the cab acci-Action of Commission of Cardinals dent to be able to attend. He was pale, but otherwise showed no signs of his injuries.

The meeting of the cabinet gave fresh impetus to the reconstruction reports. The most interesting of these for America is the suggestion that the duke of Marlborough will succeed Lord Curzon of Kendleston as viceroy of India, but there is not the least possibility of any such ap pointment.

It apears very doubtful if Lord Cur zon will come home before the ex piration of his term of office. As a matter of fact, there is no appointment which could be offered him, except the foreign office, which would be a promotion from the viceroyalty of India, and there is no indication that Lord Lansdowne has any intention of retiring.

DREAM OF CECIL RHODES.

Before Many Years Opening Up of

Dark Continent by Rail. WASHINGTON, July 18.—Before many years the world may be astonished to find that the long fostered dream of the late Cecil Rhodes for the oening up of the Dark Continent has become a reality, and that a consecutive line of steel rails will stretch from Cairo to Cape Town. The state department made public today an interesting report on railroad development in Africa from United States Consul Ravendal, at Beirut, bearing date of May 10. The consul says that by an agreement signed at Brussels the previous month by Robert Williams with the king of the Belgians the German route was abandoned and the railway from Cairo to the cape is to be carried through the Congo Free State to the upper waters of the Nile. From Stanley Falls on the upper Congo a railroad is to be built to Mahagi on Lake Albert Nyanza, and this connection will sup-

CROMWELL CONFERS WITH HAY.

Discusses Panama Canal Question While on a Visit. WASHINGTON, July 18 .- Mr. Cromwell, of counsel of the Panama Canal company, had an interview with Secretary Hay today respecting the isthmian canal project. Mr. Cromwell will sail Saturday for Paris, where he will be in position to render any desired assistance to Attorney General Knox and Mr. Russell in reference to the settlement of the title to the Pan-

ama canal. Save the general statement that the regotiations between the United States and Colombia are progressing satisfactorily, neither party at today's conference had any statement to make

as to what took place. Mr. Corea and Mr. Calve, representng Nicaragua and Costa Rica, had long interviews with Secretary Hay on the canal question. They have not abandoned hope that the choice of a route will yet revert to Nicaragua.

TO REBUILD THE CAMPANILE.

Offers of Money, Some from America, for the Purpose Received. VENICE, Italy, July 18 .- Offers of noney to aid in rebuilding the campanile continue to be received from abroad, including offers from America, but there is a disposition to make its reconstruction a purely national affair and to rebuild the structure exactly as it was prior to the collapse without foreign assistance. The cost

is estimated at 6,000,000 lire. The bronze gate of the Logetta of San Sovino was found beneath the debris, twisted and with one of the lions broken. There is hope that the pictures by Tintoretto and others may be saved.

Three-fourths of the piazza of San Marco is covered with debris and traffic is completely stopped.

Wood Defers Visit.

WASHINGTON, July 18.-General Wood has decided to defer his visit to the president at Oyster Bay until early next week in order to complete certain work assigned him by the secretary of of the rainy weather and floods, will Greenland was shot through the heart war in connection with the radical be held from July 26 to August 3, in- and died instantly. Bearman was changes ordered in the uniforms of the

> Root to Sail for Europe. WASHINGTON, July 18.—Secretary Root will sail for Europe July 24 on La Savoie. He had contemplated sailing August 2 and had engaged passage for that date, but received an invitation from General Horace Porter, United States ambassador to France, to sail with him on the Savoie on the earlier date and has acented. Secretary Root, as now arranged, expects to return to the Uni- money. ted States about the 6th of August.

Drops Dead in Corn Field. AINSWORTH, Neb., July 19 .- As an old man named B. H. Bacon was plowing corn he suddenly dropped dead of heart disease. He had been engaged in shipping old fron from this point, but was a comparative stranger, no one seeming to know where he came from. He leave a laughter here. He was about 80 vears of age.

Prophets are often without honor, but seldom without competition.

Shetland Ponies.

Real Shetland ponies, says Country Life in America, are scarcer than most persons imagine. At last accounts there were only a couple of thousand, roughly speaking, on their native isles, and they are rapidly being exported or spoiled by the admixture of other and larger breeds. There are comparatively few pure Shetlands in this country and many of the ponies offered for sale by dealers as such are really half-breeds or Iceland ponies.

A well-bred person is one who doesn't boast about it.

Algernon Sartoris as a Soldier. Algernon Sartoris, a grandson of General Ulysses S. Grant, is to enter the army. Young Sartoris is 28 years old, a fine, strapping, athletic fellow. He is ambitious to serve in the foreign branch of the army. He was educated at Oxford university. During the Spanish war he served on the staff of General Fitzhugh Lee as a captain of volunteers.

#### AUDITORIUM STOCK CONTEST.

Number of Tickets Sold and Interest in It Increasing Every Day.

Interest in the Auditorium Stock Contest, which was opened in Omaha July 1, has increased steadily every day since that time and the project promises to be a great success in every way. The plan adopted for disposing of a sufficient amount of the common stock of the Omaha Auditorium Company to complete and furnish what will be the largest and handsomest building of its kind in the northwest, is very simple. The common stock has been divided into shares of twenty-five cents each, and with each share the purchaser is given two guesses, one on a special prize and one

on a list of 1,001 prizes. The capital prize of \$5,000 in gold. contributed by the Defiance Starch Co. of Omaha, Neb., and 1,000 other prizes, ranging in value from \$2.50 up to \$3,500, contributed by the business men of Omaha, will be awarded immediately after the election next November, but the contest for them has already opened, and will close October 28, or as much sooner as the shares of stock are sold. The capital prize will be awarded to the person guessing closest to the total vote which will be cast for governor of New York, November 4, 1902, and the other prizes to the 1,000 persons making the next closest guesses. The total vote at the last five elections was: 1891, 1,165,085; 1894, 1,275,671; 1896, 1,434,046; 1898, 1,359,190; 1900, 1,556,-

There will be seven more special cash prizes, to be awarded the first and fifteenth of each month until November, and persons buying tickets now have one guess with each share of prizes. Each special prize will be in cash, and not less than \$50 nor more than \$500. The prize, divided into small bills and "change" will be divided and put into two sacks without being counted, and the person guessing nearest the amount in the larger sack will be given the contents of both sacks. The contest is not confined to residents of Omaha or limited to any number of tickets. Anyone desiring further information or tickets should address Omaha Auditorium Co., Omaha, Nebraska.

Big Demand for Jockeys.

So many of the ablest and most skillful American jockeys are now riding in England and upon the European continent that the demand for competent lads in the saddle is now more argent in this country than at any time since Longfellow and Harry Bassett met in their memorable series of contests.

Uncle Sam's Exact Population. The total population of the United States on June 1, 1900, as given by the final results of the twelfth census, is 84,232,069. The Chinese, British and Russian empires are the only countries which have a greater number of inhabitants. They also

IRONING A SHIRT WAIST.

have a greater area.

Not infrequently a young woman ands it necessary to launder a shirt waist at home for some emergency when the laundryman or the home servant cannot do it. Hence these directions for ironing the waist: To iron summer shirt waists so that they will look like new it is needful to have them starched evenly with Defiance starch, then made perfectly smooth and rolled tight in a damp cloth, to be laid away two or three hours. When ironing have a bowl of water and a clean piece of muslin beside the ironing board. Have your iron hot, but not sufficiently so to scorch, and absolutely clean. Begin by ironing the back, then the front, sides and the sleeves, followed by the neckband and the cuffs. When wrinkles appear apply the damp cloth and remove them. Always iron from the top of the waist to the bottom. If there are plaits in the front iron them downward, after first raising each one with a blunt knife, and with the edge of the iron follow every line of stitching to give it distinctness. After the shirt waist is froned it should be well aired by the fire or in the sun before it is folded and put away, says the Philadelphia Inquirer.

State Without a Head. For seven hours one day recently the state of New York was without an executive head. Governor Odell and Senator Ellsworth, president pro tem ... being in the west, Lieutenant Governor Woodruff in Europe and Speaker Nixon in Ohio.

For a Finger Nail, \$200.

Franz Muller, a Viennese artist, was very proud of his beautiful nails. which were the envy of many acquaintances. One of thes was so consumed with jealousy that he broke one of the beautiful nails, whereupon the bereaved artist sued him for damages. A jury has just awarded him 1,000 crowns, about \$200 of American

Blackberry Crop. All things considered, says Country Life in America, the blackberry has been our most profitable bush fruit. It is a heavy cropper, a fairly reliable yielder, easily picked, continues many years in profitable fruitfulness, and generally is in good demand. Its disadvantages are softness for long-distance shipment, a slight tendency to scald, and a season of fruiting that brings it into direct competition with peaches. However, this real disadvantage of season often becomes a decided advantage during a short peach crop.

which often occurs. It then has the market to itself without a dangerous

competitor.