

## DANCES SATURDAY NIGHT MOST ENJOYABLE AFFAIRS

The lovers of dancing were given their fill Saturday evening, as there were two big events of this nature given in the city and both were well attended by the devotees of the light fantastic. The dance at the German Home drew out a large crowd of both young and old and here the jolly crowd enjoyed several hours of dancing to the delightful music furnished by the Holly orchestra, and it was with great regret that they saw the homecoming hour draw near.

The attendance at the ball given by the St. Agnes Sodality was very flattering and everyone attending felt that the occasion had been one of the most enjoyable of the season and the young ladies proved themselves ideal entertainers. The Plattsmouth orchestra was on hand with their usual assortment of excellent music and greatly pleased the large crowd.

### Card of Thanks.

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to my Sunday school class for their beautiful bouquet of flowers which they sent me in token of their love and esteem which they hold for me as their Sunday school teacher. Although I have been sick for two weeks and have not been able to be with them, I am glad they have not forgotten me and I hope to soon be able to be with them again. Wishing them many happy returns for their kindness, I am, as ever, their loving teacher.

Mrs. Hettie Cummings.

Joseph Lloyd and daughter, Mrs. L. L. Alix, from north of Union, were in the city this morning, coming up to spend a few hours with their numerous county seat friends. Mr. Lloyd is still suffering from the injury he received a few days ago while chopping timber, but is getting along nicely and the results will be no more serious than already reported. While here Mr. Lloyd enrolled his name for the Evening Journal.

Jay Johnson and wife came in Saturday for an over Sunday visit here with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson, the parents of Mr. Johnson. They departed for Omaha on the evening train, but Mrs. Johnson will return tomorrow for a more extended visit with relatives near Mynard before returning to her home in St. Joseph, Missouri.

John L. Mayfield, wife and child departed this morning for their home at Hubbard, after a visit here with relatives. Mrs. Mayfield has been here for some two weeks visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Peterson and Mr. Mayfield came down Saturday to join her.

C. A. Gauer, one of the worthy citizens of near Cedar Creek, came in this morning to attend to some business matters, and while in the city called at the Journal office and renewed his subscription for another year.

This morning Dr. J. F. Brendel of Murray was a passenger for Omaha, accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ruby to that city, where Mrs. Ruby will consult a specialist in regard to her health, which has been quite poor.

August Stander, from near Louisville, was in the city a few hours today, coming down for a brief visit with county seat friends and his brother, George, west of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hobscheidt, from east of Murray, were in the city a few hours this morning visiting with their numerous friends and trading with Plattsmouth merchants.

Lame back is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles of the back, for which you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment. For sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. You can do it by applying Chamberlain's Liniment and massaging the parts freely at each application. For sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

Have you tried the Forest Rose flour? If not, why not? It is the best flour on the market and is sold by all dealers.

MOORE'S Paint at Frank Gobelman's EXCLUSIVE Wall Paper and Paint Store.

## CUMMINS LEADS G. O. P. CONFEREES

### Republican Leaders Gather to Consider Condition of Party.

### NINE STATES REPRESENTED

Thirty-eight Attend, Including Half Dozen Senators—Believe National Convention Should Be Called This Year, but Do Not Take Any Action.

Chicago, May 12.—Proposals to reorganize the Republican party were discussed at a conference here between six Republican United States senators and thirty-two other Republican leaders, representing nine states. The conference discussed the action that should be taken at the meeting of the Republican national committee at Washington, May 24, looking toward reorganizing the party along progressive lines and as to whether there should be a Republican national convention this year.

Although the public was not admitted, Senator Albert B. Cummins stated "that it was merely an informal talk, a sort of a roundtable discussion of what may be done for the best interests of the party by reorganizing it along progressive lines."

Presided over by Senator L. Y. Sherman of Illinois, the discussion was participated in by Senators Cummins, Borah of Idaho, Crawford of South Dakota, Gronna of North Dakota, Kenyon of Iowa, Congressman Hayes of California, Congressman Good of Iowa and many members of state legislatures.

Convention Needed. "Did you come to a decision whether there ought to be a national convention this year?" Senator Cummins was asked.

"We did not decide on that, but everyone seems to feel that the condition of the party seems to necessitate a convention this year."

"Our informal talk will be followed by a more formal conference today, when former Governor Hadley of Missouri will be here. We shall then issue a statement telling just what we think ought to be done in behalf of the party."

Somebody asked Senator Kenyon "Whether there was to be an effort made to get a new national committee."

"That subject did not come up, but most of us would have no objection if the present committeemen resigned," replied Senator Kenyon. "What did come up was a proposition to have the next committee take office soon after its election so that it might pass upon the credentials of the delegates to the 1916 convention."

### WILL SCATTER ASHES OF SPOUSE ON THE SEA.

New York, May 12.—A golden urn containing her husband's ashes, which are to be strewn on the waves a thousand miles off Sandy Hook, was taken with Mrs. Harriet M. Howland of Norwich, Conn., when she sailed on the steamer Berlin for Europe. With her daughter the widow began the ocean voyage, during which she purposes to carry out a clause of the will of her husband, Dr. George T. Howland, who died Sept. 24, 1911.

### BULLET HITS HIS CHILD

Father Was Shooting at Rats When Tot Suddenly Crossed Line of Fire.

Columbus, Neb., May 12.—Shot by a bullet intended for a rat, the baby of Mr. and Mrs. John Mursene of Lindsay lies at the point of death. The bullet was fired by the father of the girl, who was shooting at rats near the house. Just as he fired his little girl ran around the corner of the house, the bullet glanced and struck the girl in the stomach, passing entirely through her body.

### Will Order Sunday Ice Before.

Falls City, Neb., May 12.—The members of the Women's club decided to order enough ice on Saturdays this summer to last over Sundays as a beginning toward the suppression of Sunday labor. The Women's club has 100 members. The members of this club are among the most wealthy women of the city.

### Work Done on Loup Power Project.

Lincoln, May 12.—Fillings made with the state engineer show that the Nebraska Power company, the Babcock-Doherty concern, expended \$3,784 in construction work on the Loup river water power project during the month.

### Maniac Killed by Policeman.

New York, May 12.—An unknown foreigner, from his actions believed to be a maniac, was shot and killed in Bronx park by Policeman Frank Anderson.

### Farmer Chandler Burns to Death.

Omaha, May 12.—James Chandler, a farmer living near Bellevue, was burned to death when his clothing caught fire from an explosion of kerosene.

### Hundred Die as Trains Collide.

Salonki, May 12.—Two Bulgarian military trains collided between Drama and Buk. One hundred persons were killed and 300 injured.

## RAIL EARNINGS COMPARED

Secretary of Board of Equalization Submits Figures.

Lincoln, May 12.—Important data relative to the operation of the entire system of railroads which include this state in their field of operations have just been forwarded to the Nebraska state board of assessment.

Included in the tables are the gross and net earnings and operating expenses of each of the systems for the year ending Dec. 31, 1912, and for the previous year.

A resume of the reports shows that six of the seven roads which do Nebraska business had greater operating expenses for the year just closed, and that the Omaha road, the Northwestern, Rock Island and Missouri Pacific were the only roads which reported a corresponding upward leap in net earnings. The Burlington fell off about \$1,300,000; the Union Pacific about \$300,000, and the St. Joseph and Grand Island about \$92,000. The Missouri Pacific reported an operating deficiency in this state for the year, but made money on its entire system.

The net earnings per mile of the Burlington for the year reached \$2,960, while for the state of Nebraska the figures show \$2,486. This is a slight decrease over 1911 figures. The Union Pacific's average for the state amounted to more than the system average. On the latter the net earnings per mile of road amounted to \$5,488, while for the state of Nebraska the total of \$6,394 was reached. The Northwestern's system earning was more than twice as much as its Nebraska per mile net, while for the Rock Island the net on the system was nearly five times as much for each mile as it was in this state.

## STATE FILES ANSWER IN WIRE RATE CASE

### Says Western Union Should Be Denied Injunction.

Lincoln, May 12.—The state's answer in the Stebbins telegraph rate bill injunction hearing was filed in the federal court by Deputy Attorney General Ayers. The action is taken on behalf of the three members of the railway commission and the attorney general, against whom the original Western Union complaint is directed.

In the answer the state makes the point that the respondents have not ever signified their intention of enforcing the law referred to and that the only duty enjoined upon them by the Stebbins act is the duty to hear and determine as to whether rates charged by telegraph companies in this state are remunerative or non-remunerative.

The state further denies that a hearing before the commission to determine the sufficiency of rates would be delayed for any considerable length of time if the Western Union company should ask for such a hearing and that a speedy and expeditious disposition of the question may yet be made if the company will make the proper complaint and ask for the hearing.

On behalf of the state it is further contended that the Western Union Telegraph company has no way of knowing whether or not the new rate of 25 cents for ten words, day messages, between any two points in this state would seriously impair its business. The state therefore asks that the request of the company for a temporary injunction be denied and that the rates be given a trial and the proper showings be made before the railway commission.

A general denial of the Western Union's assertion that the present 25, 30 and 35 cent rates are reasonable for the service rendered is made by the state, it being alleged by the attorneys for the commission that greater gross compensation will be garnered in by prevalence of the Stebbins rate than by present high rates.

## MEDICS TO MEET IN OMAHA

State Association Will Hold Convention This Week.

Omaha, May 12.—The forty-fifth annual session of the Nebraska State Medical association will open its three days' meeting at the Hotel Rome tomorrow and extensive preparations are being made for the entertainment of the crowd of physicians and their wives who are expected to attend the meeting. From the present indications, a record breaking attendance will mark the meeting this year, when several important problems of the profession will come before the association. The application of the latest treatments of disease will be discussed and a number of lantern slides exhibited.

### Plans for Convention of Eagles.

Beatrice, Neb., May 12.—Preliminary plans for the state convention of Eagles, which will be held in this city June 10, 11 and 12, have been made by the local lodge. One of the features of the meeting will be a baseball game each day, teams from South Omaha, Nebraska City, Hastings and Beatrice participating. Between 500 and 600 delegates are expected to be in attendance.

### Breedee Send Bear as Food for Feast.

Hastings, Neb., May 12.—Adam Breedee, editor of the Hastings Tribune, has sent from Plains, Mont., a large bear, which he shot near that place. It will be prepared for an Elks club feast, to which Grand Island Elks will be invited. Mr. Breedee has returned to the hunt in the northern Rockies.

## FINAL APPEAL FOR LAND BILL VETO

### Bryan Telegraphs Johnson, Urging Him to Withhold Signature.

### GHINDA PROTEST ACCOMPANIES

Administration Again Asks That Proposed Legislation Be Deferred—Cooperation of Government in Accomplishing California Purpose.

Washington, May 12.—The federal government's final effort to delay alien and owning legislation in California was made when Secretary Bryan, in the name of President Wilson, telegraphed Governor Johnson, notifying him that the Japanese ambassador had earnestly protested against the bill passed by the California assembly and urged that the governor postpone action by withholding his signature.

Secretary Bryan's telegram, which was framed after a conference with the president, was as follows:

"The president directs me to express his appreciation of your courtesy in delaying action on the land bill now before you until its provisions could be communicated to the Japanese government. His excellency, Baron Ghinda, on behalf of his government, has presented an earnest protest against the measure. As you have before you two alternatives, viz., to approve or to veto, it will avail nothing to recall to your attention the amendments suggested to the legislature and as the president has already laid before you his views upon the subject it is unnecessary to reiterate them.

### Passes Over Treaty Question.

"He passes over questions affecting treaty rights for two reasons; first, because the bill passed by the legislature is avowedly intended to conform to treaty obligations, and, second, because any conflict complained of would be a matter for the courts. But the president feels justified in expressing again his desire that action on the subject be deferred for this session and he expresses the desire the more freely because the legislature can be reconvened at any time if the welfare of the state requires it. He is alive to the importance of removing any root of discord which may create antagonism between American citizens and the subjects of Oriental nations residing here, but he is impelled by a sense of duty to express the hope that you will see fit to allow time for diplomatic efforts. The nations affected by the proposed law are friendly nations—nations that have shown themselves willing to co-operate in the establishment of harmonious relations between their people and ours.

"If a postponement commends itself to your judgment, the president will be pleased to co-operate in a systematic effort to discover and correct any evils that may exist in connection with landownership by aliens."

### Action Follows Conference.

The decision of the administration to urge Governor Johnson to use his power to veto to postpone any land legislation was reached after a series of conferences between the president, Secretary Bryan and John Bassett Moore, counsellor of the state department and Ambassador Ghinda. It was realized that any further attempt to have the bill enacted by the California legislature amended would be fruitless, since Secretary Bryan's trip to Sacramento was unavailing and the legislature is to adjourn tomorrow.

Until Governor Johnson's reply is received, the government probably will make no reply to the protest of Japan further than to acquaint the ambassador with the fact that every possible effort has been made to have action in California delayed pending a settlement of the problems involved by diplomacy.

## GREECE DELAYS PEACE

Refuses to Accept Draft of Treaty Drawn Up by Powers.

London, May 12.—The Turkish delegates arrived in London for the peace conference.

Dispatches from Sofia indicate that the Greek government is trying to delay the conclusion of peace by refusing to accept the draft of the treaty drawn up by the ambassadorial conference. The Bulgarian government, however, has notified Greece of its determination to permit no further delay in signing the peace treaty.

Friction between Bulgaria and Greece still menaces the situation. The mixed commission appointed by the two governments to reconcile the rival claims over disputed towns and territories arrived at irreconcilable conclusions.

### Kaiser Robbed of Two Handbags.

Berlin, May 12.—According to the Morgen Post, the emperor was robbed of two alligator handbags while returning by train from his recent visit to Strassburg. The handbags contained articles of personal use.

### Girl Found Dead in Hotel.

St. Louis, May 12.—The body of a young girl found on the floor of a room in the Woodford hotel at Fifteenth and Chestnut streets was identified as that of Lethia Underwood.

### Killed by Lightning.

Elk City, Kan., May 12.—One man was killed and another severely injured by lightning during a storm near Peru.

**MISS ALEXANDER.**

Her Handling of the Reins Was a Feature of 1913 Initial Coaching Trip.



Photo by American Press Association. Already known as an ideal whip, Miss Harriet Alexander added to her laurels when she took the coach of the ladies' Four-in-Hand club of New York on its first trip from the Colony club to the Westchester Country club. On the coach were Mrs. Joseph E. Davis, Miss L. L. Fleitmann, Mrs. Thomas Hastings, Mrs. William Goadby Loew, Mrs. Charles C. Rumsey, Mrs. Robert L. Gerry, Miss Angelica Gerry, Mrs. Ralph Sanger, Miss Harriet Alexander and Morris Howlett.

## AMERICANS SLAY MEXICAN IN ARIZONA

### Stone One to Death in Race War Few Miles From Globe.

Globe, Ariz., May 12.—One man was stoned to death and another seriously hurt in a race war at Miami, six miles from Globe, between Americans and Mexicans. A crowd of Americans were the aggressors and three of them are in the county jail here. A gang of Americans determined to run the Mexicans out of the town and the first they encountered were Jose Peres and M. Ortiz. The Mexicans were chased through the streets until they dropped with broken heads. Peres died soon afterwards and Ortiz was taken to a hospital.

A free-for-all fight, in which about fifty men took part, followed and not until the arrival of Sheriff Frank Haynes and a posse from Globe did the rioting cease. The officers were threatened by the mob, but with drawn revolvers they made their way through the mob and arrested the alleged ringleaders.

## ERIE TRAIN NEAR WRECK

Stones Heaped on Track Entering City Scene of Strike.

Paterson, N. J., May 12.—The west-bound train on the Erie railroad, known as the Chicago Express, had a narrow escape from wreck when the locomotive crashed into a pile of rocks on the tracks here, evidently placed there by would-be train wreckers. The engineer sighted the obstruction in time, however, to slow down so that only the locomotive pilot was smashed.

Last week the Erie board of directors in New York received a letter of the black hand type, which read:

"If you continue to stop trains for the accommodation of scabs at Paterson we will cause an accident which will cause the Erie railroad to have damage suits brought for amounts running into millions."

## SHOT TO DEATH DURING RIOT

One Killed and Another Fatally Hurt as Mob and Police Battle.

Fort Williams, Ont., May 12.—One man was shot to death, another was fatally wounded and several more were hurt and bruised in a battle between police and sympathizers of the striking street car employees. The trouble started when the company attempted to operate one of its cars.

### Gives Up Seat in House.

Washington, May 12.—Representative H. Olin Young, Republican of Ishpeming, Mich., announced in a speech in the house his intention of resigning his seat. He discussed the contest instituted by William McDonald, a Progressive, saying 458 votes intended for McDonald had not been counted for him and he did not feel justified in holding his seat.

### A. B. Stannard a Bankrupt.

New York, May 12.—Ambrose B. Stannard, a contractor, erecting post-office and federal buildings in various parts of the country, went into bankruptcy with debts of \$812,000 and assets of \$171,000. The government's claims on uncompleted buildings are secured by surety bonds.

### Autos Worth Nearly Half Million Burn

Chicago, May 12.—Three south side garages, containing 134 automobiles, were destroyed by fire, with a loss of nearly half a million dollars, within thirty hours. The fires were caused by explosions of gasoline, and Fire Attorney Joseph Murray has ordered an investigation.

## GOVERNOR ON THOMAS' TRAIL

### Gets Report on Past Record at Beatrice School.

### CONTROL BOARD WILL ACT.

Institution Head Charged With Mishandling Funds—Accusations Chiefly in Connection With Clothing Accounts.

Lincoln, May 12.—The report of Special Investigator W. P. Lynch of Omaha relating to business affairs as conducted at the Beatrice school for the feeble minded under the administration of Dr. W. M. Thomas has been filed with Governor Morehead.

The report comprises several pages and includes citations from the institution record, which have to do with shoe and dry goods purchases during the time, Jan. 27, 1911, to Feb. 20, 1913, that Dr. Thomas held the superintendency of the institution. In a statement given to the public simultaneously with the Lynch report, Governor Morehead says that he will turn the matter over to the board of control and that the attorney general will likely be asked to sue Dr. Thomas' bondsmen for money which the executive thinks should be turned over to the state.

### Many Instances Cited.

The matters shown in the record and which Attorney Lynch sets out to Governor Morehead comprise the following with regard to Dr. Thomas:

"First—That he bought shoes and clothing on requisitions not signed by the supervisors or attendants.

"Second—That he bought shoes and clothing for inmates and charged the same to their account without any requisition being made for the same by the supervisor or attendant.

"Third—Caused requisitions to be made for shoes when there was no need for them.

"Fourth—Made the inventory of goods bought in his private office at the institution and set the price to be charged the inmates.

"Fifth—Bought shoes and clothing for inmates when there was no need for the same.

"He bought goods in wholesale quantities at retail; for example: On Dec. 2, 1912, he bought a bill from a merchant in Wymore amounting to \$2,413.95; on Jan. 24, 1913, he bought a bill of dry goods from a Beatrice merchant amounting to \$1,785.78, and on Feb. 20, 1913, he bought a shoe order from another Beatrice merchant amounting to \$1,038.50.

"The aggregate charges for clothing children of the institution for the years 1907 and 1908 were \$10,403.01; 1909 and 1910, \$12,680.15; 1911 and 1912 to Feb. 20, 1913, inclusive, \$27,581.31.

"The average attendance at the institution for the years 1909 and 1910 was 416; the average attendance for the years 1911 and 1912 was 429."

### Governor Footed Bill.

Governor Morehead's statement relative to the matter, including his assertion that the entire cost of the investigation was footed out of his own pocket, is as follows:

"I stated during the campaign that I believed there was extravagance in the administration of the state's business and promised the people that, if elected, I would do my best to give them an economical business administration. I thought from the first that Dr. Thomas did not manage this institution in the interests of the inmates and the public. Not having evidence enough to warrant me in asking the legislature to make an appropriation for an investigation, I employed Mr. Lynch at my own expense and sent him to investigate.

"Dr. Thomas filed a claim with the legislature for something more than \$600, which was allowed. I vetoed it and expressed the opinion that he owed the state a large sum of money, and this report bears out my conclusions. I intend to transmit this report to the board of control, and it is probable that the attorney general will be asked to bring suit on Dr. Thomas' bond.

"Any person who looks at the figures will see in an instant that an institution which could be run on \$10,403.01 for the years 1907 and 1908 and \$12,680.15 for the years 1909 and 1910 ought not to cost \$27,581.31 for 1911 and 1912 when the average increase in attendance for the last two years over the two preceding is only thirteen. Any housekeeper who looks at the list of dry goods and sees the prices paid will be able to judge whether or not Dr. Thomas was looking after the interests he was sworn to protect."

### Last Day for Guard Practice.

Today began the annual preliminary practice of the Nebraska national guard in its contest for marksmanship honors among the members of the different companies of the guard. The grounds south of the penitentiary are being used by the companies at Beatrice, Auburn, Geneva, Wymore and Lincoln, taking their turns in squads of twenty men each, under the command of a commissioned officer.

### May 15 Is "Clean-Up Day."

Governor Morehead has designated May 15 as "Clean-up day," and has issued a call to the mayors of cities and all good citizens to get busy on that day and see that everything which might tend to cause fires should be cleared away and a general freshness around all back yards shown.