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Senate Will Probably Dispose of Army Reorganization Bill Early This Week.

APPROPRIATION BILLS WILL FOLLOW

River and Harbor Bill Will Be Debated Further in the House, but It is Forecasted That It Will Pass by Decisive Majority.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.-The army

reorganization bill will continue to engage the attention of the senate, at least during the first days of the week. The opinion is quite generally expressed among senators that the bill will be acted upon by the middle of the week, and even the critics of the measure join in this prediction. Many phases of the question involved in the army bill remain to be considered and the general understanding is that there will be not a little discussion before the bill can be disposed of. The spech of Senator Platt of Connecticut last Friday in defense of the bill on general principles will call for replies, and there are also special features which will require more or less attention. Among these are Senator Daniel's amendment concerning the appointment of volunteers to offices in the regular army; the question of the disposition of officers who have held staff positions and the provision for the enlistment of Filipinos in the American army. The disposal of all these questions undoubtedly will fill the first two or three days of the week.

Senator Allison intends to call up the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bills when the army bill is acted upon, but whether this and other aproporiation bills to follow it shall occupy the exclusive attention of the senate so long as they port setting forth the restrictions are on the calendar is a question which has not yet been absolutely determined. The present indications are, however, that the appropriation bills will be considered in advance The movement, states the consul

are before the senate. When there are no appropriation bill will be discussed. There are still numerous speeches to be made upon of hight sessions for its consideration when it is taken up.

There is little in the legislative bill to arouse discussion, but there is a ican wheels and bicycle parts in the possibility that senators hostile to the subsidy bill may use the appropria- trade journals were given to undertion bill for the purpose of delay.

eulogies in memory of the late Senator Gear.

A program of miscellaneous matter will occupy the attention of the house and harbor bill, which consume one and possibly two days. Although the striction. bill was criticised severely during the debate last week it is in no danger of failure. Most of the attacks came from members who were disappointed in what the bill grants to their localities and the actual opponents of the measure will be overwhelmed when the final vote is reached. The District of Columbia the G. A. R., and other members of would be entitled to a hearing tomorrow, will demand a day later in the week if it gives way to the river and harbor bill. After the latter bill is disposed of the bill to revise and codify the postal laws will be taken up under a special order. It will be followed by the District of Columbia appropriation bill and the latter in turn by the postoffice appropriation bill if there is any remaining time.

GENERAL GRANT HOPEFUL.

American Commander Believes His District Fairly Pacified.

MANILA, Jan. 14 .- General Grant, who is endeavoring to quell the latest insurrection in his district, and who is possibly commanding his scouts at the eastern end, reported today that he had encountered a number of bands south of Bulloc mountain, all of whom retreated up the hills. He says that 100 of the enemy, who were well intrenched, made considerable resistance, but were ultimately driven from their positions. Four bodies of insurgents were found. The American casualties were a sergeant and one private of Troop A, Philippine cavalry, wounded.

In the opinion of General Grant, his district is now fairly pacified, with the exception of the locality south of Bulloc mountain, and the province of Pampanga is ready for civil government. It is expected Pampanga will be the first province in which civil government will be ap-

Lieutenant Frank D. Baldwin yesterday destroyed an insurgent arsenal in the Patung district, seizing a quan- including a reduction of the indemnity. tity of arms and ammunition, gether with a printing press and other eign troops in China, and the prematerial,

Joint Note Signed.

PEKIN, Jan. 14.—The joint note of the powers has finally been signed by the Chinese peace commissioners. Prince Ching signed yesterday and Li Hung Chang, who is better, signed today. It is understood that the malady from which Li Hung Chang is suffering is Bright's disease. He was feeling worse yesterday, and therefore postponed the affixing of his signature, but Prince Ching was hopeful that he would be able to sign today, which proved to be the case.

BOERS CUT THE WIRES.

A Rallying Fight That Was Maintained

PRETORIA, Jan. 14.-Last night the Boers cut the wires between Irene and Olifantsfontein stations. Early this morning 800 Boers, under Commandant Beyer, invested Kaalfontein station. A hot rifle fire and shell fire with two field pieces and a Maxim was maintained for six hours. An armored train and reinforcements were sent from Pretoria, but before they had arirved upon the scene the garrison had driven off the Boers, who retired unmolested with a transport train half a mile long.

The Boers blew up the line beyond Kaalfontein, compelling the mail train to return here. It is suposed their object was to obtain supplies, a great quantity of which is stored at Kaalfontein. The British had no cas-

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The War office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener: "PRETORIA, Jan. 14.-About 1,400 Boers crossed the line, attacking both

Zuurfontein and Kaalfontein stations, but were driven off. They are being pursued by a cavalry brigade." Lord Kitchener reports also several skirmishers at different points with

trifling British losses and adds: "Three agents of the peace commissioners were taken as prisoners to Dewet's laager near Lindley on January 10. One, who was a British subject, was flogged and then shot. The other two, burghers, were flogged by Dewet's orders.'

CAN'T COMPETE WITH AMERICA.

Small Methods to Circumvent Trausatlantic Competitors.

WASHINGTON, Jan, 14.-In compliance with special instructions from the State department, Consul General Mason at Berlin has submitted a replaced upon the publication of advertisements for certain American prod-

of any other measures whenever they general, dates back to 1896, when the growing competition of American bicycles began to alarm the German bills to be taken up the ship subsidy makers to a considerable extent. It was at first attempted to secure an military force shall be used in the advance in the rate of duty on Amerthis measure, and already there is talk | ican wheels, but failing in this, the adopted the plan of boycotting, so far as possible, advertisements of Amertrade papers of the country. These stand that they were to choose be-Next Saturday will be devoted to tween the patronage of German bicycle makers and their foreign competitors, especially those of America. Under this pressure most, if not all of the German bicycle publications during the coming week. The river refused to accept American advertisements and still maintain their re-

HE SPEAKS FOR CLEVELAND.

Rasseur Talks of Location of G. A. R. Encampment.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.-General Lee Rasseur, commander-in-chief of committee which, under the rules, the Grand Army pension committee, arrived here today to confer with the invalid pension committee of the house relative to the bill establishing | may be appointed to the grade of capa pension court of appeals. Discussing the question of the meeting place of the next national encampment General Rasseur said:

"As a member of the executive committe I do not desire to express an opinion as to how I will vote at the meeting of the executive committee in St. Louis January 21. The situation 24 to 22. will probably be changed by that time. Cleveland, however, has not yet had a national encampment of the Grand Army, and that has been the point the president the authority to increase uppermost in my mind. I think all sections should have a chance. There is a large number of members living in the vicinity of Cleveland and who would not have an opportunity to attend a national encampment unless it were held in their section of the country. I believe in looking out for the poorer members of the order.'

Chinn Goes to Germany.

PEKIN, Jan. 14.-Prince Chun, to the German legation today, where he had a satisfactory interview with the German minister, Dr. Mumm von Schwartzenstein. His appointment as Chinese envoy to Germany to make apologies for the murder of Baron von Ketteler has been approved. It is probable that Prince Su will accom-

Suggests Modification.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 14.-Liu Kun Yi, viceroy of Nankin, has formulated modifications of the peace conditions. to- a reduction of the strength of the forservation of the right to import arms and ammunition. There are indications of a growing belief among the Chinese that one or two of the powers will support these modifications.

Cannot Get Together.

TOPEKA, Kas., Jan. 14.—The fusion members of the legislature are having difficulty in getting together on a candidate for senator. The democrats support David Overmeyer and the populists have L. P. King and Jerry Simpson to choose between.

At one time the fusionists had prac-

BURLEIGH BILL PASSES

Senate Adopts the Measure Just as It Came From the House.

PROVISION FOR THE VOLUNTEER

Vigorous Attack on Proposed Discretionary Power of President to Regulate Size of Army-Bacon, Platt and Others Have Something to Say.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.-In the senate today a vigorous attack was made upon that portion of the army bill which confers upon the president discretionary power to increase the strength of the army to the maximum fixed by the bill. Mr. Bacon of Georgia began the attack. and Mr. Platt of Connecticut, replying, maintained that discretionary power ought to be conferred upon the president, and expressed astonishment that anybody should entertain a fear that the power would ever be abused.

Mr. Bacon declared that he would rather see his party condemned to universal and never-ending banishment from political power than to see such authority placed in the hands of the president. An amendment opening the way to the appointment of volunteer officers to grades as high as that of captain in the regular establishment was adopted.

Just before adjournment Mr. Carter of Montana called up the bill apportioning the representatives of United States among the several states. Without debate it was passed precisely as it came from the house. It now goes to the president for his

Consideration was resumed in the senate of the army reorganization bill, Mr. Hawley, chairman of the committee on military affairs, withdrew the committee amendment, providing for the retirement of officers on the active list of the army. Senator Teller then also withdrew an amendment to that section.

Mr. Hoar (Mass.) formally offered the amendment of which he had given netice, providing that no further Philippines except such as may be necessary to keep order in places in the eaceable possession of the United States, etc.

Mr. Carter, a member of the committee on military affairs, moved that the amendment be laid on the table. The motion prevailed, 32 to 19.

Mr. Pettigrew's amendment providing that one-third of the appointmets to commissioned rank in the regular army should be made from the officers of the volunteer army-the amendment which was under discussion when the senate adjourned last evening-was defeated-38 to 6.

Mr. Bacon (Ga.) moved to strike out the provision that the president in his discretion may increase the number of corporals in any troop of cavalry to eight and the number of privates to seventy-six. He said he did not believe the president should have discretionary power to regulate the size of the army.

Mr. Daniel (Va.) offered an amendment providing that volunteer officers may be designated for examination and those who establish their fitness tain in the regular army as well as to the grade of first and second lieutenants as provide for by the senate committee's amendment. Mr. Daniel said he felt it was due the volunteer officers that they should have proper opportunity for advancement in the army. The amendment was adopted,

In response to a question by Mr. Berry (Ark.), Mr. Platt said he feared the pending bill did not confer upon the army from 58,000 to 100,000 at any time. That power, he thought, ought to be conferred upon the pres-

Continuing, Mr. Platt said he was astonished at the fear expressed by some senators that the president would not exercise such an authority with due regard to the country's interest. There need be no fear that the United States would ever have a president who would abuse the power conbrother of the emperor, paid a visit | ferred upon him. He urged that the power to increase the army be left in the hands of the president, who ought to be regarded as a conscientious, able and patriotic man.

"If we could eliminate politics and arguments for political effect from this chamber for a single day," he declared. "I believe it would be unanimous sentiment that there should be some flexibility in the

Replying to Mr. Platt, Mr. Bacon said he thought the country had fallen upon an evil day when a senator could rise in this chamber and express views which he regarded as dangerous to the liberties of the people and productive of one-man power, and it was an evil day truly when the senator reflected the attitude of the dominant party.

Chandler Badly Beaten.

CONCORD, N. H.,, Jan. 11.-Judge Henry E. Burnham of Manchester won the nomination of the republican members of the legislature for United States senator over William E. Chandler and other candidates.

Burnham won on the first ballot. Chandler received 47 votes; Burnham, 198; Congressman Sulloway, 23; Hen-

WILSON SIDES WITH THE COW

He Addresses Senate Committee in Support of the Oleomargarine Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.-Secretary Wilson made an argument before the senate committee on agriculture today in support of the Grout oleomargarine bill. He said the measure was intended to protect the farmer and the public at large and should become a law. Speaking of the consumption of butter and of oleomargarine, Mr. Wilson said that the amount of butter disposed of annually is about eighteen pounds per capita and of oleomargarine something over one pound, and he said in respense to Judge Springer that he considered this dangerous competition. He was of opinion that there was danger in the imitation of butter by the use of coloring matter and thought that in time the use of improved methods would result in driving renovated butter out of existence. The secretary said he did not accept the opinion that the regulation of oleomargarine business would injure the beef cattle business, and said that farmers will find it profitable to keep and fatten their own beeves. Incidentally, he expressed the opinion that farmers of the south would get far more in the way of returns by raising cattle and rops necessary to that end than they would out of the sale of a few thousand barrels of cottonseed oil to the oleomargarine makers.

He said that more than half the substance used in Washington for butter is oleomargarine and that to make ertain of getting the real article he had butter for his own table shipped direct from a creamery in Iowa.

BOER FORCES ARE ACTIVE.

Attack the British Along the Line of Lorenzo Marquez Railroad.

LONDON, Jan. 11 .- General Kitchener sends news of a serious simultaneous attack on the night of January by the republicans on the British positions between points sixty miles apart, along the line of the Pretoria & Lourenzo Marquez railway. The osses on both sides were heavy. According to reports the Boers were eaten off after prolonged fighting. Following is the text of the dis-

patch from General Kitchener: PRETORIA, Wednesday, Jan. 9.— On the night of January 7 the Boers made simultaneous attacks upon all of our posts at Belfast, Wonderfontein, Nooitgedacht and Wildfontein. Intense fog prevailed and taking advantage of the cover it afforded, the Boers were able to creep up close to our position. A heavy fire continued until 3:40 a. m., when the Boers were driven off. One officer was killed and three were wounded, while twenty men were killed and fifty-nine wounded. The loss of the Boers was heavy, twenty-four dead being counted.

A convoy taking supplies to Gordon's brigade, north of Krugersdorp, was attacked by Beyer's commando yesterday (Tuesday). The Boers were driven off, leaving eleven dead on the field. Our casualties were four slightly wounded.

Irrigation in Nebraska. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.-Congress-

man Sutherland is taking great interest in the subject irrigation these days, and lately he has been on the still hunt for a hearing before the irrigation committee of the house, of which Representative Tongue of Oregon is chairman. Sutherland has a bill pending appropriating \$25,000 for irrigation purposes, to be spent in Nebraska, and he desires his bill reported out committee. "I believe my efforts to get a hearing on the irrigation problem will be successful," he said, "and that a bill will be reported, which will be of incalculable benefit to the arid sections of our country."

Pat is Well Advertised.

OMAHA, Jan. 9 .- Over 5,000 descriptions of Pat Crowe and his supposed pals, with the \$50,000 reward offered for arrest and conviction of kidnapers, are being mailed to chiefs of police all over the country from cities the size of New York down to the place where the "chief" comes in at night to get his mail after plowing corning or cutting ice all day.

Neville Slightly Better.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 .- Congressman Neville was reported a trifle batter this afternoon, although there is still the gravest fears that he canrecover. Speaker Henderson said that he had sent his secretary to ascertain the congressman's condition and from reports received had doubts as to the recovery of the representative from the Sixth Nebraska district.

After Big Ende vment Fund CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 11.-At the meeting of the board of trustees of the Chautauqua assembly tonight the old officers were re-elected and reports on the last year's work were submitted. It was decided to make an effort to raise a quarter of a million dollars, the endowment fund started by Miss Helen Gould with a gift of \$25,000. It was also voted to erect a memorial at the assembly grounds to the late Lewis Miller, one of the founders.

Increase in Moral Force. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.-The house

ommitte on naval affairs today practically completed the naval appropriation bill but it will not be in shape to make public until tomorrow or Saturday. The question of the increase of the navy which usually entails the largest contest was easily settled this year by the acceptance of the recommendation of the secretary of the navy tically agreed to support Overmeyer. ry B. Quinby, 22, and H. W. Blair, 1. for two battleships and two cruisers.

A Man Who Does Not Know in Which State He Lives.

A MATTER THAT NEEDS FLAING

Curious Effect of One of the Little Eccentricities of the Missouri River-New Revenue Order of Special Interest-Miscellaneous Matters.

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 14.-It has never been legally determined whether Solomon McKnight is a resident of lowa or Nebraska. No one knows in the eyes of the law in which of the two states his farm lies, and it is this uncertainty that may result in a money lender's loss of \$300 and cause McKnight to be ahead that sum.

In 1856 the Missouri river flowed over the strip of ground where Mc-Knight's farm is now located. The farm was the river's bed. At the present time the stream runs a good distance to the east, so that an observer unacquainted with the vagaries of the stream would say that the farm is a part of Nebraska. A few years ago McKnight borrowed \$100 from J. J. Gravatte, agreeing to pay him \$300 in the event the law had to be invoked to secure payment. Suit was brought as the obligation is long overdue. Notice was served on Mcknight in Nebraska. His attorneys contend that he is a resident of Iowa. If this is true the service is illegal and the case must be dismissed without recovery for the plaintiff.

New Revenue Order.

OMAHA, Jan. 14.-An order of especial interest to the banks and financial institutions of the internal revenue district of Nebraska was received by the collector. Since the beginning of the last fiscal year there has been no printing office in the district licensed to imprint revenue stamps upon paper to be used for bank checks and other documents. Under the circumstances the users of this class of paper have been forced to send outside of the district to have the work done. From time to time much of the stamped paper becomes unsuited for its intended use and the owners send to the collector to have the money represented by the stamps refunded. Here tofore many of these peovle have sent unused stamped paper to the collector of the district in which it was printed. The new ruling is to the effect that ali claims for refund must be made to the collector of the district in which tne user resides and by him forwarded to Washington. All expense of transporting redeemed imprinted paper from the office of the purchaser to Washington must be borne by the person asking for a rebate.

Mufflers Popular Again. The silk muffler, which had such a vogue several years ago, is coming in style again. More have been sold this winter than for a long time past. A haberdasher gives a plausible reason for the revival of the muffler. "They are warn principally to prevent the shirt collar from getting soiled," he explained. "Of course you have noticed how the velvet collar of an overcoat, rubbing against the shirt collar, will make a blank spot on the linen. With the quality of velvet now used in overcoat collars it is almost impossible to keep linen clean for a whole day. It is probably the dye. At any rate, it soils the linen, and a muffler worn around the neck pre-

McCarty Would Be Free. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 14.-Thomas

vents this.'

McCarty, serving a fifteen-year sentence in the state penitentiary, for assaulting Adam Kas, Jr., in Sarpy county, last winter, with a deadly weapon, and with intent to do great bodily harm, longs to breathe the air of freedom once more. He applied to the supreme court for a writ of habeas corpus. McCarthy made a similar appeal to Judge Slabaugh of Douglas county, but his request was denied. When arraigned last December, on the charge quoted, he pleaded guilty. He is a brother of the notorious Vic Mc-Carty, whose deeds of outlawry were known to every household of the state some years ago.

Wheat Prospects Are Good.

WYMORE, Neb., Jan. 14.-Wheat growers in southern Nebraska are jubilant over the prospects for a fine crop next season. The acreage is the greatest ever planted and the stand is splendid. Some time ago there were fears that the winter was going to be too dry and that the fields would suffer for want of moisture, but the recent fall of snow, which is about three inches on a level, has covered the wheat fields and will supply sufficient moisture to carry the crop through the winter in the best of condition. Prospects for winter wheat were never better at this season of the year.

Requisition for Stegeman. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 14.-A requisition for the return of Fred Stegeman, alias Fred Stackman, to Douglas county, has been issued by Governor Dietrich on the governor of Illinois. The fugitive is under arrest in Chicago. He is wanted on the charge of shooting ex-City Clerk Joseph Maly in Omaha, December 29. Maly is in precarious condition.

The postoffice at Perkin, Keya Paha county, Neb., has been discontinued; mail to Norden.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations from South Omaha

and Kansas City. SOUTH OMAHA.

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Union Stock Yards—Cattle—There was a light run of cattle and as packers all had liberal orders to fill there were hardly enough cattle to go around. The market started out active and stronger and everything was sold in good season. Beef steers of good quality were ready sellers this morning at prices fully a dime higher. The less desirable grades also joined in the advance. The cow market also took on more life than it has had for some time past and rices were strong to a dime higher all around. The greatest advance was on the cholcer bunches, but the medium kinds and the canners also sold strong to a dime higher than the same kind of cattle brought yesterday. Owing to the few cattle on sale and the active demand the market soon came to a close for lack of stuff to sell. Bulls, calves and stags did not show much change, though sellers had no difficulty in getting fully steady prices for their holdings. There were only a few feeders on sale today and the demand was ample to take all that was offered at steady to strong prices. The choice, heavy cattle sell readily at steady prices. Good cattle of any weight, however, are selling in good shape and today even the less desirable grades sold without much difficulty at satisfactory prices.

Hogs—There were nearly as many hogs on sale as yesterday and prices advanced sharply. The market started out about a dime higher, with the bulk of the sales at \$5.22½ and \$5.25. The demand on the part of packers was in good shape, but they did not like to pay the advance, and as a result the market was not particularly active. The hogs kept moving to the scales, however, and as sellers held for the full amount of the advance the packers had to pay it in order to fill their orders. The range for the bulk of sales was \$5.22½ 65.27½, with the long string at \$5.25.

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Sheep—There were only three cars of sheep on sale, which was hardly enough to make a test of the market. There were two loads of ewes which brought \(3.50\), but they were better than the ones that sold yesterday for \(\$3.40\), so that the market could be quoted as steady to strong. There was also a mixed load of native ewes and lambs, the former selling at \(\$3.55\), and the lambs at \(\$5.25\). The demand for choice stuff seems to be in good shape and buyers pick up the bunches that answer to that description without hesitating.

KANSAS CITY.

Cattle—Receippts, 4,000 head; market steady; native steers, \$3.40@5.42; Texas steers, \$3.50@4.50; Texas cows, 7.75@4.75; native cows and helfers, \$1.50@4.76; stock, ers and feeders, \$2.50@4.60; bulls, \$3.00@

Calves—Receippts, 200 head; market steady; sales, \$4.25@5.40.

Hogs—Receipts, 14.000 head; market 10c higher; bulk of sales, \$5.25@5.35; heavy 55.22½@5.40; packers, \$5.25@5.40; mixed, \$5.20 55.35; light, \$5.15@5.35; yorkers, \$5.30@5.35; light, \$5.15@5.35; Sheep-Receipts, 2.000 head; market steady; lambs, \$4.00@5.40; muttons, \$2.50@4.90.

KITCHENER TAKING HIS TIME.

Veeks Likely to Elaps British Resume the Offensive.

LONDON, Jan. 12 .- It is understood that Lord Kitchener now holds securely all the railroad lines in South Africa, having recovered possession of the Delagoa Bay line, which had been cut January 7.

According to the Pretoria correspondent of the Daily Mail Lord Kitchener is now organizing a force of 30,000 irregular horse, which will occupy some weeks. When this force is ready he will resume offensive operations. Meanwhile the invasion of Cape Colony looks more threatening. The news that Commandant Hertzog, has two guns is rather startling, as it was formerly asserted that the invad-

ers had no guns. The defense of Captetown, including two 4.7 naval guns, are completed and recruiting of volunteers is active throughout the colony. According to dispatches to the Daily Express the admiral of the cape fleet is prepared in an emergency to land a brigade of 2,900 men with six Hotchkiss guns.

Dutch there received the British troops sullenly and there are rumors that the colonial rebels of the neighborhood are joining the invaders. The Pretoria correspondent of the Morning Post wires that a member of

A Murraysburg telegram says the

the burgher peace committee, whom he interviewed, frankly confessed that, there was no hope of many burghers surrendering.

Pat Crowe as a Vagrant. WALTHAM, Mass., Jan. 12.-Two

men, one of whom is said to bear a striking resemblance to the newspaper pictures of Pat Crowe, the alleged kidnapper, were sentenced to serve six mouths at the state farm today on the charge of vagrancy. They gave their names as Fred Miller of Putnam, N. Y., and Fred Wilson, of New Haven. The men had been occupying a camp in a secluded place. Both were well dressed.

Is Bringing the Boys Home.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.-The adjutant general received a cable message today from General MacArthur at Manila, saying that the transport Sheridan sailed yesterday with twentyseven officers and 654 enlisted men of the Thirty-seventh volunteer infantry, and that the transports Logan and Lenox arrived at Manila yesterday.

Nation After Train Robbers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.- The senate committee on judiciary today authorized a favorable report upon Senator Hoar's bill for the punishment of train robbery. The bill provides a penalty of twenty years' imprisonment and a fine of \$5,000 or both for the

Nebraska at Tall of List.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 .- The Burleigh reapportionment bill, which puts the ratio for the members of congress at 194,182, makes a deficient ratio for Nebraska and Maine. Dividing the population of the state by six, the number of the present delegation, it gives a ratio of 178,089 and puts Nebraska at the tail of the list, next to Maine, which has a still lower ratio.