NAVY'S MOVEMENTS

TRIP INTENDED AS OBJECT LES-SON TO THE WORLD.

CAPABILITIES OF THE NAV

Power to Protect Coasts of the Country to Be Shown in the Present Demonstration.

Oyster Bay-The significance of Rear Admiral Brownson's addition to the somewhat meagre information which has come from President Roosevelt regarding the contemplated twoocean maneuver of the Atlantic battleship fleet, is regarded here as having been overlooked in the comment, expert and otherwise, which has been indulged in on both continents. Admiral Brownson came to Oyster Bay Friday fessing entire ignorance of the ma- Magellan. The route across the Atlan-Hill to take the train for Washington the admiral had one thought which he wished to emphasize—that it was de most in Japanese waters and sirable and important to demonstrate to the world how quickly the American navy could transfer its fighting strength from one ocean to the other. templated. The Suez route, too, is president's previous statements, issued through Secretary Leob, wherein the object of the maneuver was said to be short visits to ports not on the nearan exercise movement for the benefit of the navy, to perfect its training in fleet exercise on an extended scale, the purpose and effect of the plan being for the benefit of the navy alone. What came from President Roosevelt through Admiral Brownson is decid edly different and of much broader design President Roosevelt has been consistent in advocating a large navy as the surest guarantee of peace, between the United States and all foreign powers. Heretofore a large navy has been reckoned solely from the point of view of the number of ships tonnage, armor, guns and fighting capacity. With this idea the American navy has grown steadily ship by ship. To the somewhat uninteresting ar-

ray of ships and tonnage President Roosevelt now proposes to give the world a somewhat startling demonstration of what the American navy is other western roads by corporations, capable of doing to protect either or both of the extended shores of the in the flour milling trade of Oklahoma, United States. As Admiral Brownson said, "There is no time like the present for such a demonstration," a time when the United States is at perfect companies in revenge against the compeace with every nation.

Will Purchase a Navy.

Mexico City-President Cabrera of Guatemala is negotiating for the purchase of a navy to meet the anticipated attack of President Zelayaa of Nicaragua. It was learned from a high source here that Cabrera had recently secured \$500,000 gold on a forced loan and that with this sum he will purchase gunboats. The Nicaraguan fleet in the Pacific waters has three gunboats on the Atlantic.

Germany Scents a War.

Berlin-The conviction of a ultimate conflict between Japan and the United States appears to be widespread in Germany. It is one of the subjects certain to be referred to wherever diplematists and military and naval officials and others accustomed to follow international politics meet. The newspapers agree that President Roosevelt is earnstly trying to satisfy the Japanese requests. They agree also that Japan asks nothing unreasonable.

An Irrigation Project.

Engelwood, Kas .- A corps of engineers under Prof. C. S. Schlicter, government engineer of the reclaimant department, established offices here preparatory to the work of reclaiming by irrigation 20,000 acres of land in the Cimarron valley in Oklahoma.

NEBRASKA CROP'SUMMARY.

Abundant Sunshine and Rainfall Generally Satisfactory.

Lincoln-Director Loveland, in his erop circular, says: The week was mostly warm and

pleasant, with abundant sunshine and light wind.

The daily mean temperature aver aged about 3 degrees below the normal. The weekly average was about 72 degrees in the southeastern counties and 68 to 70 degrees in the northern and western. The maximum temperatures generally were not high. but on Monday and Saturday tempratures above 90 degrees were recorded

at many places. The rainfall was above the normal in most of the southern and extreme western counties, and below normal in the rest of the state. Thunderstorms occurred in the southeastern counties accompanied by high wind, more than quake shocks were felt there Fri an inch of rain, and in some places by day afternoon. The vibration was sufhaii. Scattered showers occurred in the state the last part of the week, but windows and dishes. No damage was the rainfall was mostly light.

Bombs Thrown at Train.

Grodno, Russia-A number bombs were thrown Sunday at a train carrying the Life Guard regiment to Tsarskoe-Selo. The bombs exploded to make an investigation into the al

St. Louis Lid is Lifted. St. Louis, Mo.-Despite the "lid"

which has been battened down on St. Louis for many months, beer flowed freely at one place Sunday, with the consent of Excise Commissioner Mulvihili.

Washington-"There is no such thing as ,an 'American Dreadnaught' nor is any projected." said a distinguished naval officer. He was re ferring to the two great 20,000-ton battleships, contracts for which have just been provisionally awarded, and which were mentioned in the congressional debates as the "dreadnaught" class. "The new ships should be called 'The Delaware' class, for without knowing what the second ship is to be exiled, the first vasel of the kind usually fixes the name of the

MOVEMENT OF THE FLEET.

All Details Worked Out By the Naval

Washington-Details of the vast novement of th Atlantic fleet to Pacific water have been theoretically worked out weeks in advance by the naval general board. But these details are necessarily subject to constant change resulting from the withdrawal of battleships from active commission on account of having been declared antiquated or in need of repairs and the substitution of other ships just going into commission and fresh from the builders' hands.

There is in the Navy department scarcely any one authorized to afford any information as to the contemplated fleet movement. Secretary Metcalf is in California, Assistant Secretary Newberry is at Watch Hill, R. I.; Admiral Brownson, chief of the navigation bureau, who is next in line, has gone to New York, and the acting secretary of the navy today is Rear Admiral Mason

chief of the bureau of ordanance. The opinion of the officers on duty is that the route most feasible for the to take lunch with the president, pro- big ships is by way of the straits of neuver plans. When he left Sagamore tic and through the Mediterranean and Suez canal is open to the objection that it would bring the big ships almovement might consequently be regarded as a menace, which Secretary Metcalf has stated has never been con-This was distinctly an addition to the longer by a thousand miles than the Magellan route. This, according to the best calculations and allowing for est sailing route is about 13,000 miles in length.

The battleship Oregon covered the distance from San Francisco to Jupiter in'et. Fla., in 1898 in sixty-three days. But she was handicapped by the company of the little gunboat Marietta, which was scarcely able to make more than eight knots an hour, and also by the fact that as a precautionary measure the Oregon was sent around the West Indies, sensibly lengthening her route.

FLOUR MILL MEN COMPLAIN.

Missouri Pacific and Other Roads

Charged with Spitework. Washington-A serious charge was made in a complaint filed with the interstate commerce commission against the Missouri Pacific and a number of partnerships and individuals engaged Kansas and Missouri.

It is alleged that an advance in rates on flour was made by the defendant plainants because of a petition which was filed with the interstate commerce commission less than a month ago, alleging that the railroads charged unjust and unreasonable rates to the Atlantic markets, as compared with the rates on flour and wheat products from Minneapolis and other northwestern points.

Favors Director General.

Norfolk, Va.-At a conference between Secretary of the Treasury Corofficers of the Jamestown exposition Mr. Cortelyou suggested the appoint ment of a director general. Secretary Cortelyou was especially encouraging in his assurances that the exposition would ultimately be a success, despite the criticisms, which, he said, characterize every exposition in its early stages. It was explained to him that all of the governors were in favor of a director general with similar powers to those managing other expositions.

Twenty-one Dead in Storm.

St. Paul-Twenty-one persons are now known to have been killed in the tornado which swept a path 100 miles long and from a mile to a few rods in width through the counties of central Wisconsin on Wednesday night. Details of the damage done by the tornado are still coming in very slowly and it is believed that the death list will be somewhat increased when all points visited by the tornado are heard

Sioux City Double Tragedy.

Sioux City, Ia.-Nicholas Deidrich, a laborer, shot and seriously wounded Chris Johannsen, a widow, who had refused to marry him. Deidrich fied along the river tank, pursued by a policeman, shot himself and leaped into

American Soldier Killed.

Havana-During a clash with police at Holguin, Santiago, resulting from the alleged refusal of four American soldiers of the Eleventh infantry to pay for drinks, Corporal P. J. Green was shot and mortally wounded and his companions were arrested.

Earthquake at Bismarck.

St. Louis-Advices were received from Bismark, Mo., seventy-five miles south of here, that two distinct earthficient ot shake buildings and rattle

Department Orders Inquiry. Washington-The department of justice on Friday directed the United

States district attorney for Arizona with terrific force, but the train kept leged kidnaping from Douglas, Ariz., the rails and nobody was injured. leged kidnaping from Douglas, Ariz., into Mexico of Manuel Saravia, an alleged Mexican agitator, reported to have been connected with a Mexican newspaper published in St. Louis in the interest of the revolutionary party. The inquiry is undertaken at the instance of friends of Saravia, but the territorial authorities.

Kuroki Entertains Wright. Tokio-General Baron Kurok, the apanese imperial envoy to th James

town exposition, gave a luncheon in honor of Luke E. Wright, the Ameri-can ambassador. Field Marshall Cyama nting the army, expressed him self in the most appreciative terms of the magnificent and enthusiastic re his party everywhere in the Unite chain of superlatives of gratifying appreciation in which the Japanese language is particularly rich.

DETAILS OF INFORMING PUBLIC PUT INTO EFFECT.

UNION PACIFIC TAKES THE LEAD

On All of the Harriman Lines Full Particulars of Wrecks Are to Be Furnished.

New York—A policy of informing the public of the deatils of all accidents on the railroads comprising the Harriman system was put into effect Monday by order of E. H. Harriman, according to an official announcement made by the Union Pacific Railroad

company. It is stated that Mr. Harriman has ordered that full reports shall be made and promptly given to the press concerning all accidents on the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific systems and on the Oregon lines. It is also announced that it has been decided, as an experiment, to invite outsiders, of local reputation and standing, to be present and to participate in the company's hearings of the company's board of inquiry into accidents, making formal reports, either agreeing or disagreeing with the findings of the

The statement quotes the reports of the interstate commerce commission to the effect that over 70 per cent of the serious collisions on American railroads in the past five years were due to negligence of trainmen and enginemen. On lines protected by block signals 94 per cent of the collisions are attributed by the commission to negligence of trainmen and signal operators. The plan to make public full details concerning accidents follows a suggestion made by Julius Kruttschnitt, a director of maintenance and operation of the Harriman lines, who said:

"Personal responsibility for accidents, whether of officers or laborers, should be known to the public. We must bring about closer observance of the rules and greater respect for danger signals then we now get from our employes. This can be done only by the widest publicity of the details of accidents."

The Union Pacific also announces that its steel rails for delivery next year will be made by the open hearth process, which, it is expected, will decidedly lessen the number of breakages.

NO FRICTION ON CANAL ZONE.

Cablegram Setting at Rest Rumors of Trouble There.

Washington-What would appear to be a conclusive contradiction of the reports recently published in this country to the effect that the army officers engaged in the work of construct ing the Panama canal are endeavoring to be relieved of that task is contained in the following cablegram received at the War department today from Panama:

Everything going well and harmonously. Report of dissatisfaction and desire to withdraw absolutely false. GOETHALS. (Signed.)

RECORD FOR BANK NOTES.

Largest Sum Outstanding in History of Currency Department.

Washington-The monthly state ment of the comptroller of the currency shows that at the close of business June 29, 1907, the total circula tion of national bank notes was \$603. 788,609, which is the largest amount of circulation outstanding in the his tory of the government.

Omaha as Grain Market.

Omaha-A phenomenal increase in receipts and shipments of grain is shown by the semi-annual report of the Omaha Grain exchange issued Monday. The increase is of a size which, if continued a few years longer, will make Omaha the leading market for grain shipments. For the first six months of this year, the total receipts at Omaha were 21,339,400 bushels as compared with 19,019,100 bushels for the same period last year. The total shipments for the first six months of this year were 24,214,500 hushels as compared with only 19; 382,900 bushels last year.

They Meet Upon the Level. San Francisco-An important legal point developed by the earthquake of a year ago was settled when Judge Seawell decided that contractor and property owner were put on a level by the act of God and neither could recover from the other in cases of misfortune resulting from the earth-

Prudential Quits Texas. Newark, N. J .- The Prudential In surance company announced that folthe example of a number of life insurance companies it would withdraw from Texas, considering it impossible to comply with the law recently passed in that state.

War Practice Will Begin. Newport, R. I.—Preparations for war practice began Monday at the coast defenses of the Narragansett district, in obedience to orders from the war department at Washington The program, which extends over two weeks, ending Monday, July 15, includes the encampment of eight coast artillery companies at Fort Adams and five at Fort Greble, which will

later be augmented by the state mi-

litia. Both the regulars and volun-

teers will go into camp, and the strict-

est discipline will be maintained. Queen Receives Delegates. The Hague—Joseph Choate and other heads of delegations to the peace conference were received in au by Queen Wilhelmina on Monday in the great reception hall of the royal palace. Prince Henry of the Nether lands, the prince consort, acc the queen, who was surrounded by the court dignitaries. Dr. Van Tets Van Goudrian, the minister of foreign af-fairs to the Netherlands, introduced the delegates to her majesty, who ex-

hanged a few words with each of





DEATH IN THE STORM'S WAKE COMMANDER FOR NEBRASKA

MANY WOUNDED.

A Tornado Sweeps Through Western Wisconsin With Disastrous Results.

St. Paul, Minn.—it is now believed that at least fifteen lives were lost in the severe storms which swept over a portion of western Wisconsin Wednesday evening. Numerous other persons were injured and much damage to farm property and to dwelling houses is reported. According to reports received here the little town of Oakdale, on the Milwaukee road, near Camp Douglas, was entirely wiped out. Four persons are reported to have been killed there. At Grand Rapids, Wis., there are said to be five dead as a result of the storm, but lished with this place and the extent of the calamity cannot be ascertained.

and buggy along the road when the been found. Miss Wensel was blown she was rescued in an unconscious condition.

stroyed and much stock was killed. Wires were prostrated in all directions and it has been difficult to learn details of the storm.

The Poff district school near Warrens was blown away and a summer resort near Tomah suffered much dam-

Most of those killed or injured were houses and crushed by the heavy tim-

At the home of Lyman Charles near progress when the storm struck the jured, dying while being taken to the hospital. One of his guests also was the earthquake last year. probably fatally injured, while several were severely hurt.

Cent a Mile for Harvesters.

Qmaha-The railroads have respond ed to the call for help for harvest hands in Kansas and have made a rate or 1 cent a mile for parties of five

FIFTEEN PEOPLE KILLED AND REGGY NICHOLSON IS GIVEN CHARGE OF BIG FIGHTER.

> Comes From a Distinguished Family and Will Honor the High Position Assigned Him.

Washington-The new battleship Nebraska, which has recently been accepted from the builders, Moran Brothers, Seattle, will be put in commission this week. It will be under the command of Captain Reginald F. Nicholson, and that means that one of the ablest sailors in the American navy will control this latest addition to Uncle Sam's fleet of battleships. Captain Nicholson comes from a family distinguished in the naval history of the United States. But he does not have to go back to his ancestors for communication has not been re-establish record. He created that record for himself.

Everyone who has any recollection Miss Wensel was driving a horse of that little scrap between the United States and Spain, commonly storm struck her. The vehicle and known as the Spanish-American war, horse were blown away and have not will recall the wonderful trip made by the battleship Oregon from the into the top of a tree, from which California coast to Santiago, when it was believed that every available in the American navy would be needed Many farm houses and outbuildings in Cuban waters. The Oregon made in the vicinity of Neillsville were dethe record trip for speed. Its engines were crowded to the utmost limit and it was brought around to join Sampson's fleet, and the announcement of its arrival was greeted with the shouts of 80,000,000 peole. "Reggy" Nicholson was the navigating officer on that of getting the big ship around on time. caught in the ruins of their falling He performed his duty without fuss or feathers, and his only reward, aside from the gratification which he felt, was the acquisition of the big flag Neillsville a social gathering was in which flew at its peak when it went into action in Santiago. That flag house. The host was caught beneath was presented by Captain Nicholson the ruins of his house and fatally in- to the Bohemian club in San Francisco and was probably destroyed during

Captain Nicholson is one of those officers of the navy who have been assigned all sorts of service. He has seen duty on the old sail-driven vessel. on the modern cruiser, gunboat and battleship. He has had service in the hydrographic department and the vaor more for points within the state of rious mechanical bureaus of the navy.



Battleship Nebraska, Now in Commission.

Kansas. The wheat crop of Kansas has grown to such immense proporbeen necessary to import outside labor.

Protection for Maclean. London-The British government has demanded of the Moroccan government that prompt steps be taken to insure the release of Caid Sir Harry MacLean, commander of the sultan's tion on Puget sound, making the only suli, the bandit chief.

Boycott of American Goods. Tokio-In well informed quarters there is an inclination to smile at the denial of the associated chamber of commerce of an intention to inaugurate a boycott against American goods. While there is no doubt that the chambers of commerce would not, as such, take any action of that nature, yet in this connection, however, it is necessary to remember that pub-lic bodies like chambers of commerce do not give out positive information in a matter the consummation of which requires great secrecy.

Went Away With 896,315.

New York-A reward of \$2,500 was offered by a surety company for the capture of Chester B. Runyan, paying eller of the Windsor Trust cor who, it is charged, on Saturday after moon walked out of the trust com pany's office with \$96,317 of the bank money staffed away in his dress sta case. The theft was detected Manda coming. It has been executed with a boldness as startling as the deed fixed and was surplaing to those who has attimately known the roung man.

and is regarded as one of the most efficient men wearing the uniform of tions that the resident population is Uncle Sam today, so that it is felt absalutely unable to handle it in the that in assigning him to command short period in which it must be taken of the Nebraska the Navy department care of, and for some years it has has given that battleship a commander who will make good in any position in which he may find himself.

Washington-The Navy department s informed that the new battleship Nebraska was placed in commission Tuesday at the Bremerton naval stabodyguard, who was captured by Ra- American battieship in active service in Pacific waters.

Western Trip Mapped Out. Oyster Bay, L. I.—The details of the itinerary of President Roosevelt's west-ern trip, which is to begin at the ternination of his summer vacation, was announced by Secretary Loeb. The president will leave Oyster Bay for Canton, O., September 29. He will make an address at Canton at the dedcation of the McKinley national monunent September 30, and leave immediately for Keokuk, Ia. From there e goes to St. Louis, Cairo, Ill., Memphis, Tenn., and then back to Washngton, where he will arrive Oct 5th.

Governor Names Johnson coln has been appointed deputy food position pays \$1,800 a year. Sincesignation of Food Commis Thompson a year ago, State Chemist Redfern has been filling the place. The last legislature increased the salare inst ingulature increased the salary from \$1,500 and provided a salary of \$1,500 for the chemist. A steneyrapher and chemist are yet to be ap-pointed to complete this department, but it is presumed Mr. Redfern will

JAP BOYCOTT AGAINST AMERICA.

First Step of Retallation Likely to Be at Tokio.

Tokio-The impression is growing here that the anti-Japanese feeling and emonstration in San Francisco are the outcome of a deeply laid plan based upon racial hatred, and the recent developments apparently support

The newspapers here, which had special correspondents of American ationality in San Francisco, have ceased to receive news from them. No explanation was offered for the discontinuance of news dispatches, but the impression here is that pressure was brought to bear upon the correspondents in San Francisco not to serve the Japanese papers.

The fear is expressed that the danger point will soon be reached. Although war is not dreamed of, the mutual feelings of good will and friendship will be seriously alienated if prompt measures are not taken to allay the general indignation here against the latest discrimination in San Francisco, which, according to Japanese contention, is a flagrant violation of treaty rights.

Apparently certain measures of retaliation are seriously being contemplated by influential men in political and business circles. Just what action will be taken has not yet developed, but a boycott against American goods, it is believed, will certainly be one of the steps taken.

Washington-For many months the bureau of immigration has had inspectors in Mexico watching the trend of Japanese immigration. According to reports received at the department of commerce and labor, it is evident that hundreds of Japanese laborers who arrive in Mexico have no intention of remaining in that country, but regard

it merely as a stopping place en route to the United States It is not believed by the immigration ment is a party to such an arrangement as this, as it has discouraged mmigration to the United States in every possible way. Thousands of Japanese laborers are known to be in Mexico, merely awaiting an opportunity to enter the United States. The porder is about 2,000 miles in extent, and as it cannot be adequately covered by the immigration inspectors, the smuggling of Japanese into this country is a comparatively easy thing to

PLANS FOR CUBA UNCHANGED.

Secretary Taft Sends Cablegram to Governor Magoon.

Washington-Secretary Taft threw some additional light upon his plans respecting the American evacuation of Cuba by sending the following cablegram to Governor Magoon at Havana: "I am in receipt of a cablegram from

General Loinaz Castillo as to something I have said with reference to the estoration of Cuba to the public. The plan for the devolution of the government of the island upon the person to be selected by a fair election, as outlined in my letter to you, has not been trip. To him was assigned the duty changed in the slightest. The question of the time within which that can be worked out, due to the doubt as to the time in which the census can be taken, is a mere matter of opinion. Please advise General Castillo accordingly. TAFT"

FISH AND GAME WARDENS.

Will Hold Annual Meeting in Yellow-

stone Park in August. Helena, Mont.-On invitation Brigadier General Young, in charge of Yellowstone National park, the National Association of Fish and Game Wardens has decided to hold its fifth annual meeting in the National park. President W. F. Soott has issued a call for the meeting to be held August 9 and 10.

Educator for Porto Rico.

Oyster Bay-President Roosevelt approved the placing of Captain Perry Garst on the retired list with the rank of rear admiral. The president appointed Dr. Edwin Grant Dexter, head of the school of education of the University of Illinois, as commander of education of Porto Rico. He will assume office August 1.

Registration in Manila. Manila-The result of registration for the coming election has proved a disappointment. When the books were closed on Sunday only 7,300 voters, including 800 Americans, had egistered. The native leaders anticipated that there would be about 19,000 voters.

General Humphrey Retires. Washington-Upon his own application, Brigadier General C. F. Humphrey, quartermaster general of the army, was placed on the retired list with the rank of major general, and Major James B. Aleshire, assistant quartermaster general, has been appointed to be quartermaster general.

Coldest -une Ever Recorded. Washington, D. C .- The weather bureau announced that the month closed was the coolest June on record in Washington, D. C., in the last seventyfive years.

Fear an Indian Uprising.

El Paso, Tex.-Troops at Fort Apache, Ariz., it is announced, have been ordered to be in readiness to proceed to Fort McDowell, Ariz., where it is said an outbreak of Indians is feared as a result of the killing of Austin Navajo, an Apache, last Saturday by W. H. Gill, substitute agent at McDowell, who claims to have shot the Indian in self-defense. Gill has been warned by Indian friends that it is not safe for him to remain on the

Beggars to Learn Trades. San Antonio, Tex.-A special to the

Express from Saltillo, Mex., says: A plan to rid the sidewalks and pub

lic gardens of the street beggars is under advisement by the federal authorities of Mexico. A commission is to be appointed to investigate the mat-ter. It is the intention to compel all able-bodied men who are found beg-ging to learn some trade by which they can make a living. Already there is a law in Mexico prohibiting begging on certain days.

STATE NEWS AND NOTES IN CON-DENSED FORM.

THE PRESS, PULPIT AND PUBLIC

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska.

The Methodists of Davenport are building a \$12,000 church. Smallpox patients at Beatrice are getting well, and it is thought there

will be no further cases. Congressman Conner of Iowa has bought the O'Keefe ranch near Ak liance, paying \$68,000 spot cash there-

At Fremont the Chicago & North western is enlarging and re-arranging its yards on account of the construction of a new freight depot. A voluminous transcript, containing

645 typewritten pages was filed in the district court of Otoe county in the Bernard Carls Dunbar saloon case from the decision of the Dunbar town board. Rev. Charles T. Wheeler of Kansas City concluded a successful series of evangelistic meetings at Stockville.

The meetings continued from June 8 to 30, inclusive. About fifty conversions are reported. Nebraska City did not celebrate this year, but is saving all its energies for the chautauqua which will be held August 2 to 11, and the stock show

and sale in September. The last will be larger and better than ever before. A heavy hailstorm visited the vicinity of Campbell which completely. ruined crops in its path. The hail started southwest of Campbell, covering a strip from a mile and a half to two miles wide for a distance of some six or seven miles long tnd the crops

were beaten into the ground. The sheriff of Smith county, Kansas, was in Republican City several days looking for K. Ferris, but was unable to find him then. The sheriff came again later, followed him to Alma where he caught and arrested Ferris on a breach of promise charge. He was taken to Smith Center. Kan. A plan is in process of incubation

for a reunion of the Third Nebraska regiment of volunteers in Hastings some time during the later part of the summer. Judge H. S. Dungan, who was major in the Third regiment, will' begin preparations for the event soon after the chautaugua season is over. Austin Nutt, a farmer 77 years old.

living about eight miles west of Ashland, committed suicide by hanging himself from a tree in a grove on his farm. For a number of years the old gentleman has been in poor health, and since his wife died two years ago had been more or less mentally unbalanced. Some of the boys who are home

from school to spend the summer vastripes waving in the breeze salute it by lifting their hats. Some may claim there is too much sentiment in this, but we think not; too much honor cannot be shown the flag of this country, says the North Platte Tri-

The State Board of Purchase and Supplies is buying the quarterly supplies for state institutions and it has worked a new wrinkle by picking out the lowest bid on seperate items. Heretofore most of the buying has been done by letting the contract to the lowest bidder in bulk and this plan, it is believed, will save the state

considerable money. Hail, reported in a special to a Grand Island paper, to have been as large as a base ball in some instances, fell over a strip seven miles long and from two to three miles wide in the extreme western part of Hall and eastern part of Howard. Mr. Claus Stolley, a farmer, who was driving a frantic team at the time, was struck on the head with one of the hail stones and was quite badly bruised.

At the rate of half a mile a day the Union Pacific is installing its new double track between Omaha and the west. This has now reached a stage where the road has a double track almost all the way to Grand Island with a few gaps to be filled. It is proving one of the greatest booms the railroad ever had, for the business is increasing at such a rate that it is doubtful if it could be cared for at all without the double track for the en-

gine men and train men. The railroads which have filed their rate schedules with the State Railway commission showing the 15 per cent reduction, in accordance with the provisions of the Aldrich maximum freight rate law, which went into effect July 5, have placed another obstacle in the way of the enforcement of the law, by failing to reduce the rate on cement. The law provides for a reduction on "lumber or building material." The railroads have interpreted this to mean lumber, or laths, shingles, etc.

Sarah, the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. David Geis, living, seven miles northeast of Culbertson, was thrown from a horse. She had a haltar strap tied to her arm and was dragged half a mile. She lived two hours.

Jones Pilkins was killed at Battle Creek by the west bound passenger at the railroad crossing in the north part of town. He lived across the track and was going home to supper. He was intoxicated and tried to cross just before the engine. The body was badly mutilated. He leaves a wife and several small children.

County Superintendent Matzen of Dodge County has received very favorable reports from the competitors in the school boy's corn growing contests, which was inaugurated two years ago with great success. There will be more contestants this year than last.

Frank Brink, the Ponca young man recently tried for the murder of his former sweetheart on the eve of her marriage to another men, and aquitted on the ground of insanity, has been reed from the State Insane hospital at Norfolk, just three months to a day after his entrance to the institution