# PASSED THE SENATE Items of Interest Around the State

AGRICULTURAL MEASURES GOES THROUGH UPPER BRANCH.

to Administer School Lands Will Be Arrested.

a metalments of importance and list of bookkeeping is complete and satistening to another verbal castigation factory. He would suggest no change of the Forestry bureau by Senator unless it be in classification rather Heyburn, the senate passed the agri- than in the system of accounts. His the bill carries a total appropriation nished by the regents to students at of \$15,527,636, an increase of \$192, about cost price, perhaps below cost over the amount carried by the counting the expense of a clerk in bill as it passed the house.

prohibited and \$19,000 is appropriated be so purchased. or an investigation of the orange more pest, known as the white fly. sition from the forestry service of Chicago, a young man who holds a an announcement to this effect white contract to others and now styles the

recent administration of the forest re- said he did not care about thise. erentions and been utterly regardless

described of their competency in this bas called the first Nebraska conservathe foresters they will invoke the aid | 30. of the state constabulary."

ocated it before the flood."

he states for the killing of predatory of agriculture, temporary secretary. wild estimate, notwithstanding they are receiving money from the national government for this among other "Good Reads," "Seed Corn," "Prob- air as he trudged over the frozen

Million More for Rural Mail. Washington-More than \$1,099,000 as added by the house Tuesday to he appropriation recommended by be committee on postoffice and post roads for the rural free delivery servce for the year ending June 20, 1911. This appropriation, it was stated, would be sufficient to permit the establishment of 3,000 new rural free delivery routes, as it would make available for such extensions about \$1,569,000. During the current fiscal rear \$650,000 was available for extension of this service.

### SUICIDE PACT AT HANNIBAL

Bodies of Edward D. Ragan and Mrs. James Dudding Found.

Hanvital, Mo.-The finding of the bods of Edward D. Rugan in the reserveir of the Hannibal Water com- to be torn down in the town of Fairsuny following the finding of the body bury. of Mrs. James Dudding in the reserser, leads the police to the theory of a suicide pact rather than a murder mystery as was at first believed, cum, bishop of Lincoln, has obtained right and his cap was found in the of violence on either body.

Cost of Action on Budget.

get by the house of lords in the pre- The state donated this property and current fiscal year.

## Man With Big Roll Slugged.

scalably will prove fatal, occurred were when an unidentified man with \$1,100 in bills was slugged, it is alleged, by M. R. and J. S. Vanhorn, lake Kaylor and O'Connor.

Washington.-That the 14th and 15th amendments to the constitution were null and told was declared by a resolution introduced by Representative Sissia (Miss.), which directs the attorney general to sabmit the question to the supreme court.

Vanderbilt With Gould Road.

St. Louis -- Cornelius Vanderbilt of the Missouri Pacific Raffway company

### NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL CITY

University Books Square.

John Tuffeys, state accountant, has completed an exhaustive investigation of the book accounts of the state university under the direction of State Auditor Barton. The vouchers of the university are checked with the books at frequent intervals by an expert accountant, but many did not believe Heyburn Says Foresters Who Attempt this was sufficient investigation so the state auditor directed the state accountant to make a thorough investi-

The report shows that the book ac Washington.-After adopting three The accountant finds that the system cultural appropriation bill. As passed report shows that books are now furthat department. The purchasing de-By the amendments adopted the partment comes in for little or no secretary of agriculture is authorized criticism in regard to the manner of to build along international boundary making purchases for the university. nes to keep out diseased cattle; the Many supplies bought by the universiasking of lamp sum appropriations ty cannot be purchased through comfor any bureau of the department is petitive hids while other supplies can

> State Prison Contract Assigned. Max Cohen who is said to live in

United States on state school sec- contract with the state for convict ions within the forest rescriptions of labor to make cheap shirts at the penhat state. Senator Heyburn made Bentlery, has attempted to assign the the agricultural appropriation bill first the Plats Shirt company. Mr. ous under discussion in the senate. | Cohen obtained the structure of Govment to include the school Brian, Land Commissioner Cowles, Atexious in its supervision of reser- turbe, General Thompson and Secrestion areas, and in this connection, tary of State Junkin to a contract to Smoot raised the confention that hire convict labor at the state penitenis notional authority was supreme if thary. That he speculated in convict a had had not been surveyed. He labor is shown by the fact that he now that even when the forestry assigns his contract to the Platt Shirt service had cut timber on the unsur- company. He has obtained the signaleged sections it had turned over to tures of Treasurer Brian and Land he state 25 per cent of the proceeds. Commissioner Cowles to the assignresponded Mr. Heybarn, ment, but the land commissioner told consis like a chapter from the life him the individual signatures were Old Trick of Jumping at Attacking Olek Turnin, who, when he found probably of no avail. The land comis thelins stranded by his own de- missioner suggested that the assignrelations would give them enough ment might have to be approved by a d their own money to buy their meeting of the state prison board. which is the same as the board of publie then went on to say that the lie lands and buildings. Mr. Cohen declaration of the state game authori- and the fact that he yet had a full tracks, and catamounts are not known

### For State Conservation.

"And let it be understood," he In the belief that vital benefits may bordered. That from this time on come to the people of the state by the holoing of a state conservation The authorities have been in convention, Governor Shallenberger

Her are you going to locate your Commercial club rooms Saturday, it hence his announcement that he was lands if they are not surveyed?" was decided to hold a state congress. overtaken by a real "painter" has It is proposed that a committee of aroused the keenest interest. "Land is always 'put." You don't seven take charge of the preliminary are to locate land," he retorted. "God arrangements and George W. Condra, a hog butchering at a farmer's several state conservation commissioner, was miles down the Coudersport pike, and Mr. Heykarn charged the foresters elected temporary president, and W. at eight o'clock that evening, when he with accepting bounty money from R. Mellor, secretary of the state board started home, the farmer's wife fixed

The subjects to be treated are: "Conservation of Natural Resources," which doubtless permeated the night lems of Northwestern Nebraska," road. "Public Health," and other kindred

## State Fire Warden Inspects.

west side in the business district. The inspectors are J. H. Bennett and James McLeod. They report only on condition of buildings as related to mended that the building at 1438 O street owned by Guy Green, should be condemned and taken down because they believe it endangers other buildings.

The state fire warden has not yet acted on the recommendation. He says ! the law gives him power to report such cases to the county attorney for prosecution if buildings reported in had condition are not repaired or torn coun. He recently caused a building

### Cloud on Gift of the State. The Right Reverend Thomas Bons-

Ragan was seen with the woman last from the state board of public lands and buildings instructions directing reservoir today. There were no marks Attorney General W. T. Thompson to sue in the courts at no expense to the of Seattle instead of the deep woods, statement only the intervention of a state to remove the cloud on the title as is usual in bear stories, and the of the Catholic church property at London.-The rejection of the bud- Thirteenth and M streets in Lincoln. eding parliament cost the country in other property in Lincoln to religious less of revenue \$142,530,000 in the denominations. The property in question was deeded by the state to certain individuals as trustees of the church. The church desires to sell the proper-For: Dodge, Ia.-A holdup which ty as it now occupies another site. cannot be deeded by the bishop at this time because the title rests in certain individual trustees who were officers of the church before the church organration became a corporation.

Nine convicts at the state penitentiary lest thirty days "good time" each during February for stealing shirts from the factory where they are employed under a contract between the state and the Platt Shirt company, The convicts are named Tucker, Baxter, Story, Chivers, Miles, Covington Prince, Rodgers and Hunter, Theyand the shirts under their clothes before they left the work shop. The warden reports a total of 427 prisoners in the New York was elected a director of penitentiary. He received \$50.60 for was busy examining the bear for the leard of United States ecisoners germs, some one suggested that before

## COL. ROOSEVELT AT KHARTUM



TOTPTIAN government officials made the visit of Col. Roosevelt to Khartum quite interesting. The program for his entertainment included an encampment of the desert tribes, where all kinds of weird dancing and other forms of native amusements were shown for the entertainment of the ex-president, his wife and daughter and his party. Sir Frederick Wingate, sirdar of the Egyptian army and governor general of the

# BEAST FOLLOWS MAN

Veteran Hunter Tells He Saved His Life by a Clever Ruse.

Animal and Yelling Loudly Makes It Turn Coward and Flee Like Cur Into Forest.

Pennsylvania, the experience of Fred emerging at the eige of his own prey. An effort will be made to find erick Mahl, an old hunter, butcher and fields aroused no little fear of what and kill the big beast, whatever it woodsman, one night recently indicates | might happen. that the Kettle creek region of Potter | While he stood in the middle of the county has in it at least one of the dreaded animals.

interests. If they are disturbed by to be held in Lincoln, March 29 and of seven with his parents, panthers were so common that Mahl is regard-At a meeting held at the Lincoln ed as an authority on the "varmints,"

Mahl had spent the day overseeing a generous basket of savory panhaus, spare ribs and flitch, the smell of

The inspectors of State Fire War- hard straits for food, and wildcats, not released by early spring and, furden A. V. Johnson are working from catamounts, foxes and skunks have ther than that, allowed to frequent his the east side of Lincoln toward the been seen nightly along the beaten old haunts in the mountains of Susplaintive as that of a woman in dis- run the county, and the farmers will

He stopped, listened, then called

Be Analyzed for Germs with

Real Impunity.

met the bear, which so ably supported

him in the leading role, in the heart

meat inspector was called to pass on

bruin in his official capacity when the

bear was kept on exhibition at Luna

Park for the edification of the gapleg

crowds. Some shrewd speculator, no-

ting the approach of the bear season

and observing that a steady diet of

candy, peanuts and popcorn had fat-

tened bruin to a nicety, decided it

was time to spring hear meat on the

market, and the victim was according-

After Dr. Smith had pronounced the

live bear a good looking specimen

one of the official killers produced a

rolled over in his cage and stretched

the bear was dragged out by his feet

to a room where it was proposed to

dress him. While the meat inspector

The cage door was then opened and

himself out with paws in the air.

ly escorted to a slaughter house.

During the summer a fine black

adventure occurred.

city ment inspector, is the hero of it takes to tell it he was on his feet

the latest bear story and according to and making direct for the meat in-

the popular version of the tale the spector (Dr. Smith's version). At the

doctor has cut a new notch in the far end of the room stood a tall step-

world's sprinting record. Dr. Smith ladder. Toward the ladder Dr. Smith

large-sized revolver and fired a shot end in Boone, and no matter how

into the beast where he thought it tempeling a morsel of "talk" it may be,

would do the most good. The bear they will close their lips tightly.

he was nut up it would be a good idea a fryin' pan that's got into society."

was no reply, except the sound of the breaking of twigs in the bushes by the roadside, and then a dead silence.

Mahl started as fast as he could walk, and had gone a half mile or more large as those of a bear were found. when an awful scream, half-demont. They were followed nearly a mile acal, half-sad, was uttered, this time until they turned into the deep ravine slightly behind him, but still from the and out upon the smooth ice of Kettle thicket. This well-known trait of the creek and no longer were discernible. panther of magging his intended victim for miles before making the at was a panther. It would take a mon-Germania, Pa.-Notwithstanding the tack was fully appreciated by Mahl, ster catamount to have made such big ties that the panther is extinct in mile of woods to traverse before to cry when following their intended

> road endeavoring to catch a glimpse of the animal, the latter suddenly

Paris.-The most beautiful of the he came into Potter county as a boy stalked out into the road, where it of the same properties that constitute cheese. They are very hard, take on Mahl's fighting blood was up. He any kind of polish and color and are put his old "stunt" to the test, jumped | manufactured at prices ranging from

## toward the beast as though to attack, 110 cents a dozen to \$20 apiece. Worry of Rattlesnake Bill

Jail Fears Reptiles Will Do

the Sussex county (N. J.) exile, who Because of the almost unprecedent- is languishing in jail here, doing pened season of deep snow that has pre- ance for annexing other people's chickvalled since before Christmas, all ens, fears for the safety of his native sorts of animals have been driven to county. He is convinced that if he is paths. But when a shriek almost as sex, the rattlesnakes will again overtress rent the air within a rod of him be driven away, to their loss and to Mahl felt a cold shiver trickle down the detriment of the general county welfare.

"Rattlesnake Bill" has better claim loudly, lest the sound might have been to his title than many a "colonel" made by a human being. But there who all but wears the epaulets. "Bill's"

started, with the bear a close second.

soap box over which the bear stum-

bled saved him from utter annihila-

Dr. Smith states that after this h

will climb the ladder first before per-

mitting the bear killing to go forward.

He shuckers every time he passes the

beast's hide hung up in front of a

Anti-Gossip Club.

Boone, In .- To show the sterner sex

that they can be discreet on all sub-

jects as well as the men 18 young

women of this city have organized

society for the suppression of petty

gossip. According to the constitution

the reign of "Dame Rumor" is at an

The society is known as the Anti-

Gossip club, and is composed of the best-known young women of the city.

A Distinction and a Definition.

chafin'-dish?" asked Pat.

"Sure, an' what the divvil is a

First avenue meat market.

While Confined in New Jersey County real name is William H. Van Horn, but he is better known as "Rattlesnake Bill," for he is the greatest hunter of Belvidere, N. J.-"Rattlesnake Bill," knew. He has done more than any zero. other one man ever did to rid the landscape of the diamond backed denizens, and yet, as he puts it, "They haven't any use for me, just because I

sudden turn in affairs that it bounded

Buttons Out of Cheese \$20 Apiece.

nothing more of it.

He confided his fears as to the ratcalled on him the other day.

"You know," remarked "Bill," confi- per cent moisture sprouted. dentially, "there isn't a man in the county now who knows how to fight run the farmers off the land if they don't get me back there soon."

"Bill" made good pocket money for years selling the snake hides and Bear "Meat" Comes to Life

### RECORD LANGUAGE ON PHONE

Bruin Not Dead Enough, However, to to make sure the bear was dead by Copenhagen Company Invents Way knocking him in the head. A husky Hello Girls Can Get Even with attendant procured a mallet and Exasperated Men. brought it down with a smart rap. That Seattle, Wash.-Dr. F. E. Smith, made the bear mad. In less time than

Copenhagen.-Exasperated telephone subscribers who, unable to get connections as quickly as they would like, indulge in harsh language towards the girl clerks, have been cleverly brought to book by the telephone administration.

At first it was found difficult to identify the offenders, so a gramaphone apparatus was installed at the central exchange. The moment a subscriber began to use unseemly language, the girl would have it recorded by the gramophone.

Some of the worst offenders were amoned to the directors' office, and when they denied their hasty remarks, they were convicted by an exact repetition in their own voice on the gramophone. Telephone manners in Copenhagen have, as a result, great ly improved.

Paster Not of "Whoe" Brand. Allentowa, Pa .- Rev. Dr. William Q. Bennett, one of the most active mem-bers of the Philadelphia conference, announced to his Linden street Methedist congregation that he had asked for transfer.

Dr. Bennett is president of the L. high County Juventle Court association and the Allentown Ministeria' as sociation. "My reason for desiding to leave Allentown is this," said Dr. Bennett. "There are too many members of my congregation who want me "Whist, man," answered Nora, "it's to sit on the tail of the wagon of progANNUAL G. A. R. MEET.

Will Take Place at Fairbury May 17. 18 and 19.

Department Commander L. D. Richards has issued an order giving the following in formation in regard to the annual state meeting of the G. A. R., to be held at Fairbury May 17 to 19:

The thirty-fourth annual encampment, department of Nebraska, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in Fairbury, Neb., May 17, 18 and 19, 1910.

The council of administration will meet at headquarters on Tuesday, May 17, at 3 o'clock p. m.

A public reception for the people of Fairbury will be held on Tuesday evening, May 17, at the Christian church. A splendid program will be provided by their local committee. Mrs. C. F. Steele of Fairbury will pre-

The parade will take place Wednesday morning, starting promptly at 10 o'clock, under the direction of the Chief-of-Staff, S. B. Jones, of post No. 110, Omaha. Following this parade all state associations will assemble at Grand Army hall at 11:30, where presidents of their respetive associations will immediately call the comrades together for the transaction of

A camp-fire will be put on in the opera house Wednesday evening,

Ample accommodations will be procided for all and at reasonable rates, in hotels, boarding houses and pricate homes, and all comrades who lesire to make arrangements in advance will address Comrade O. H. Durand, commander post No. 77, rairbury, chairman of the local committee. Tell him what you want and you will be provided for. Good at the same time uttering as loud a speakers have been invited for the cry of alarm as be could. The trick evening entertainments through the week to bring good cheer and hlp The beast was so frightened by the to revive interest in the noble order. A complete program of all of these up an embankment and Mahl heard exercises, together with a list of all their local committees, will be an-Next day an examination of the aounced later by the local committee snow was made and tracks almost as of Fairbury, through the press.

### Unique Test of Seed Corn.

Besides testing corn to see if it will grow and warning farmers of the poor condition of seed corn this Mahl is certain that the "varmint" vear, the Commercial club of Omaha bas made a test which shows the result of freezing corn which contains a good deal of moisture. The result shows that even some of the corn standing in the fields, supposed to be the best seed corn Nebraska has world at Omaha. The great need, howthis year, may be worthless for seed.

Ten ears of corn were selected which were shown by tests to be strong. Every kernel tested had good sprouts and a strong root system. A government expert at the Omaha grain exchange tested them to learn the moisture. It was less than 16 per cent.

Then these ten good ears were soaked for various lengths of time and after the water dried into the corn they were again tested to find out how much moisture they contained. Those soaked five horus had 22 per cent; six hours 27 per cent, and eight hours 30 per cent. All were put in a refrigerating plant rattlesnakes the countryside ever where the air was 12 degres above

After 76 hours' exposure the corn was again tested. The ears of one nundred kernels from which had 22 per cent moisture, only 28 germinhappened to take a few chicks that sted; while but 26 kernels in one undred from the ears with 27 per ent moisture showed signs of life tlesnake situation to a friend who and but 21 grains in one hundred taken from the ears containing 31

This test shows that corn containing more than 22 per cent moisture the rattlers, and they certainly will cannot stand freezing for even a short time without killing a large percentage of the kernels and making the ears worthless for seed.

> Additional Vacation Granted. Jack Best, the veteran trainer of state university athletes, for whom a

fund is being raised to send him to his old home in England, has been granted two additional months' vacation by Chancellor Avery According to the custom of former years, Jack's vacation consisted of but one month during the summer, for which time he did not receive pay. Next summer he will receive three months' vacation. two of which will be with full pay. The fund to date has increased to \$184.40.

In the opinion of Attorney General Thompson the Greeks whose property was destroyed by a mob a year ago have no claim against the state of Nebraska, Douglas county or South Omaha. Their recourse, he said, is in a suit against members of the mob who are responsible for the damage ione. This opinion was given to the governor by Mr. Thompson. Some time ago Governor Shallenberger received a communication from the government, asking about the claims and if the state would pay them.

Is 96, but Works Every Day. James G. Russell, familiarly known

is "Dad" Russell, gallery doorkeeper of the Oliver theater in this city, has reached his ninety-sixth birthday. He is still hale and hearty and works every time the gallery is open. Man iger Zehrung has looked over the ecords for some time and announces hat he believes that without ques ion Mr. Russell is the oldest may ngaged actively in the theatrica usiness in any part of the Unite itates. Mr. Russell was born at Ban for, Maine, on March 1, 1814.

# NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

## **ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON**

Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

J. C. Stillinger and wife of Boone

county, celebrated their golden wed-A big ice house near the Davis elevation in Beatrice was burned to the ground, entailing a loss of \$1,000, ful-

ly covered by insurance. C. A. Meisinger of Springfield was taken into custody and was adjudged a fit subject for treatment as a dip-

somaniac by the insanity board. Ernest Hahn, for twenty-four years connected with the Nye-Schneider-Fowler Grain company at Fremont, assumed the office of deputy county treasurer succeeding Harry Himes, who went to Colorado Springs to accept a position with a creamery com-

As J. E. Gosnell and Mark Coffey were coming to Republican City from Woodruff, Kas., the buggy was overturned. They got up and righted it, Mr. Gosnell having the lines in his hand. The team was a spirited one, and as the buggy was being turned the team jumped and Mr. Gosnell was struck on the side of the head, his skull being badly fractured. His chances for recovery are slim.

General Manager Mohler of the Union Pacific and several other officials came to Norfolk and decided to build a sightly modern brick passenger station.

A dog at Wymore belonging to James Sheild acted strangely and bit a number of children, before it was killed. It is supposed the dog had rables, and the head was sent to the Pasteur institute in Chicago for ex-

Omaha is fast getting to be a manufacturing center. Paxton & Gallagher have their big coffee mills at Omaha, the Uncle Sam Breakfast Food Co. have established their headquarters there, and now it is said the Iten Cracker Co. are to build one of the finest cracker factories in the

ever, is cheaper power in Nebraska. an immensely rich joke on himself at the residence of R. H. Watkins in Alliance. He entered Watkins' bed room, secured his pants, took them out through the sitting room into the kitchen, and removed about \$3 in silver and nickels, but entirely overlooking \$600 in large bills which Watkins had put in the watch pocket of

Death of Henry Bedford, one of the pioneers of Seward county occurred at Enid, Oklahoma, on February 27. Mr. Bedford had gone there only a week before to visit his daughter.

Attorney H. B. Fleharty of Omaha appeared before Governor Shallenberger with a plea for a commutation of sentence in the case of Leon Angus, under sentence of life imprisonment in the Nebraska penitentiary. A Beatrice real estate dealer asserts that over one hundred residents of Gage county have disposed of their farms during the past few weeks and are now removing to other states. A number have located in Canada.

Three thousand dollars was paid on an old issue of school bonds by the county treasurer of Buffalo county last week. They were issued in the amount of \$60,000 seventeen years ago, and this is the first payment on them.

The corner-stone of the magnificent new Presbyterian church in Aurora was laid with impressive ceremonies. The surveyors of the Kearney-Beloit railway are nearing the end of their last journey over the route between Kearney and Beloit. The report of the surveyors has been favorable, low grades being found most of the way. William Brown died at his home in Stranton as a result of injuries sustained by falling from the roof of a barn on the Zilmer farm. He was shingling the building and slipped, falling some twelve feet striking on his shoulders.

The city council of Fairbury has called a special election for April 26 to vote on the matter of issuing \$135. 000 bonds to purchase or install a light and water plant. The franchise offered by the Fairbury Light and Water company will be voted on at the same time.

Dawson county has been looking orward for some time to the erection of a much needed new court house. The county commissioners have set darch 19 for the voting of bonds to he amount of \$100,000 for this elerantly planned structure.

Rev. Frank W. Dell, pastor of the 'riends' church at Central City, has leparted for Oskaloosa, Ia., where he vill hold a two weeks' series of meetngs among the students of Penn colge, the Quaker institution of learnag at that place.

County Judge Wray has bound Geo. tryker, who is charged with embezement of funds of the York Alfalfa 'eal company, over to the next term district court. Evidence showed at during Stryker's short term of ace as treasurer of the company he ceived \$3,800, and when he resigned here was only \$63 in the treasury.