Latest News of Interest Boiled Down for the Busy Man.

Washington

The formal certificate and returns of New Mexico's first election as a prospective state has been placed in the took the papers to the White House.

Nothing but death can keep me out of the fight now." President Taft is reported to have made this statement to White House callers and to to the statement being made public.

Secretary Nagel in his annual report clares that the Sherman law has been proved to be an effective statute and that the next step in the control of great industrial corporations will be eral agency.

Representative Underwood, Democratic leader of the house, has returned to his office at Washington al. flag of my country." most recovered from the illness which aroused apprehension last week.

The Havemeyer refineries of the American Sugar Refining company at Williamsburg, N. Y., have been closed and 5,000 men have been thrown out in the name of the bank and of the of employment. Overproduction is Cook Manufacturing company, of said to have caused the shutdown.

Fifteen hundred longshoremen, embracing all the men employed in loading and unloading foreign vessels on Boston (Mass.) water front, struck when demands for an increase in wages were denied. Schedules of ocean liners are expected to be af-

and women were rendered unconscious by the suffocating smoke; property damage of over \$200,000 was estailed and one of Chicago's oldest andmarks was wiped out, when the Transit house, in the stock yards section, was razed by fire.

Kansas jack rabbits are feeding the needy of Kansas City, Mo. The city officials are passing out 300 of the animals sent by E. E. Frizell, mayor of Larned, Kas.

Two unmasked men looted the mail car of the Oregon express, on the Southern Pacific, of all registered matter, and escaped, leaving the mail clerks bound in the car.

advanced from a position on the Democratic primary ballot as a preferential candidate for the presidency by a petition placed on file with the secre tary of state at Lincoln, Neb.

Indictments charging conspiracy and use of the United States mails to defraud in connection with an alleged \$5,000,000 swindle were rejurned by the federal grand jury at New York against Julian Hawthorne, son of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the noted writer; Josiah Quincy, former mayor of Boston and assistant secretary of state under Cleveland; Dr. William J. Morton: Albert Freeman and John McKinpon

All the French societies of the east will unite in a dinner to be given in New York February 8 to commemorate the signing of the first treaty of alliance between France and the United States in 1778 by Benjamin Franklin and the Count de Vergennes. M. Jusserand, ambassador of France, and At-General Wickersham will

National labor officials affiliated with Samuel Gompers and the American Federation of Labor were informed two years ago by Charles A. skwalter, who as mayor of Indianapolls at that time conducted a se-cret investigation, that John J. McNamars had directed a series a dynamite

The price of platinum has risen to \$720 a pound, the highest quotation on record. There is such a dearth of the metal that several companies, large users of the metal, are making systematic efforts toward new discov-

The trial of Mayor Eugene Schmitz of San Francisco on charges of bribery opened in the California city, one of the witnesses subpoenned being Abe Ruef, the one-time boss now serving a prison term.

, one of the leading trade or-

Theodore Roosevelt in an Outlook ditorial warns against mastery of the United States by the courts. He adrocates that momentous decisions of the various state supreme courts affecting great bodies of people shalf not be accepted as final until they have been affirmed or overthrown by a vote of the people in the state af-

Henry Focht, a Cleveland (O.), electrician, who had his back broken in South America and was rushed to the north, has left New York for Cleve. and still alive, though paralyzed.

Leonard Bliss, the fat man, known he world over as "Baby," was found dead at his home in Bloomington, Ill. He was accidentally asphyxiated by gas from a stove. He weighed 575 pounds.

Harry Andrews, a striking Illinois Central shopman of Clinton, Ill., was tried before Judge Humphrey of the federal court at Springfield and found and two witnesses, one of them being hands of President Taft in Washing- guilty of violating the order restrain-A delegation from the new state ing strikers from interfering with the men employed by the company. He was sentenced to thirty days in the workhouse at Peoria.

Thefts from the large jewelry and sliverware stores of New York city have added that he had no objection have been more extensive in the last few weeks than in any other holiday the police. One large establishment to President Taft at Washington de celebrated the new year by dismissing 19 men from its staff.

President Samuel Gompers of the Federation of Labor denies most emthe establishment of a permanent fed- phatically that he stood on an American flag while making a speech at a labor meeting in Oakland, Cal. "I would," he declared, "as lief insult the memory of my revered mother as the

> Brought before United States Circuit Montgomery Dearing, aged cashier of the Albion (Mich.) National bank, and his son, Parmer M. Dearing, who were placed under arrest at Albion, confessed that they had forged notes which the elder Dearing was presi- repairs and additional improvements dent and the younger Dearing manager, to the sum of \$144,000.

Seven hundred imperial troops were reported killed in a battle with revolutionists near Hankow, province of these trains 1,000 troops were making an effort to return to Hankow.

Chin Wang Tao-Peking railroad.

Fire destroyed the Excelsior Mptor works and garage, 25 automobiles, a ten house terrace and several small stores and other buildings located in the southern part of Winnipeg, Man., entailing a loss estimated at \$200,000.

fice as provincial president of the Chinese republic at Nanking. The ceremony was simple but dignified. His William J. Bryan's name has been first official act was to change the Chi-

> Sixteen Persians were hanged at Tabriz, Persia, by order of the Russiancourtmartial in connection with the recent attack on the Russian troops. The Russian court-martial is exacting a heavy toll for the casualties suffered by the Russia ntroops.

More than 100 Bulgarians and, high school in 1908. Croatians, not one of whom can speak English, have formed a singing class at Kansas City which will try to learn States in the tongue of this land.

J. W. Yardley, vice president of the Kas., which has closed its doors, says committed. confusion of the institution by its depositors with the American Union Bank and Trust company, formerly the All Night and Day bank of Kansas City, Mo., and which closed recently, caused a run the bank was not able to stand.

The remains of the late Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans were laid at est in Arlington cemetery. A full military funeral that equaled if 'not excelled any seen in Washington was accorded by the navy department. President Taft, statesmen, warriors and diplomats attended the funeral services as a last tribute to one of the nation's greatest sea fighters.

Mrs. William R. Day, wife of Justice Day of the Supreme court, died at the family residence in Canton, O. At the bedside at the time of her death were all the members of the

Miss Anne Morgan's restaurant for workingmen, at the Brooklyn (N. Ys) liciting their co-operation in the prenavy yard, is proving so successful the war department may take it over from the daughter of the financier, J. P. Morgan, according to a New York

Charles H. Lewis, champion double iller of the world with Edward N. Ten Eyck as a partner, died at Wor-cester, Mass., after being confined to the hospital for several weeks with

ARDENT LOVERS UNITED IN VES-TIBULE OF PASSENGER TRAIN.

NEWS FROM OVER THE STATE

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

and Vicinity.

Lincoln-Earl Shock of Arapahoe and Miss Rachel Givens of Weston, W. Va., both twenty-one years old, were married in the vestibule of a coach on a Burlington train by-Judge Bruce Fullerton. The bride came in on the train and Mr. Shock was waiting for her with the license, the judge, Earl O. Eager, graduate manager of athletics at the state university.

Another Victim to Epidemic.

Lincoln-Robert Ewart, eighteenmonths-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ewart, died Wednesday evening, the second victim of the epidemic of intestinal disease which swept northseason in recent years, according to east Lincoln. The child was stricken two weeks ago, at the time when a majority of the epidemic cases developed. For several days it was dangerously iff, but improved somewhat until the last few days.

Staplehurst Will Have Power Plant. Staplehurst-A power plant will be built here by the Jacobs Electrical company, a home concern. A dam will be built on the Blue river sixty feet long and eight feet high, with a wing on each side. It is the intention Court Commissioner O. S. Clark, H. of the new company to furnish electricity for the town of Staplehurst and surrounding territory.

> Have Remodeled the Church. Bradshaw. - The congregation of the Harmony United Brethren church,

> near this place, have made extensive to their church house, converting the old dilapidated room into a modern and most beautiful auditorium.

-Old Resident Suicides.

Seward.-Alexander Russnogle, an old resident and well known citizen of one. Hu-Peh, China. The imperial forces Seward county, committed suicide at Dr. and Mrs. Kelly, the Fremont were evacuating the city when two of his home in Germantown by shooting missionaries, will sail from San Fran-One man was burned to death, sev- their trains were destroyed. From himself with a shotgun. Death result- cisco, Cal., January 3, to resume their

Fremont. - Michael Gorey, the American Minister Calhoun at Pe- North Bend man who was shot by king sent a cablegram to the United Albert Pruyn of that place on Christ-States government at Washington mas day, died Wednesday evening. urging that American troops be sent He was fifty years old and unmar grade. at once to the interior to protect the ried. Pruyn is now under arrest, having been in jail since the night of the shooting.

NEWS FROM THE STATE HOUSE. was started.

filed as a candidate for re-election on the republican ticket.

There is a total of \$527,954.22 of calls for it. state funds on hand in the various state depositories, according to the Treasurer George.

L. A. Varner of Sterling, one of the standpat supporters of the recently organized Taft club in this state, is to saw, the corner stone of which has the republican ticket.

Although as yet not graduated from will finish next June, Phineas S. Shear of age, who disappeared from his er, of Marshalltown, lowa, has been boarding, house at Beatrice several chosen as an instructor in animal hus- days ago, was found dead near Pickbandry in the University of Nebraska. erell. He had hanged himself to a Young, Shearer graduated from the tree.

The state prison board has ordered braska State Association of Commernot Jennie Geiger, but her sisfer, and The third annual meeting of the Night and Day bank of Kansas City, is being held for a crime she never Nebraska Association of Fair Mana-

twenty-five electors petition to have braska association and the state board it there

candidate at the last election to fill barn at the rear of his boarding house the unexpired term of W. H. Cowgill at Omeha Sunday afternoon because on the state rallway commission, has he could not buy Christmas presents about decided to file for railway commissioner at the primaries

Secretary Frank Odell of the State Beekeepers' association has received word from Washington that Dr. E. F. Phillips, director of the agricultural will attend the meetings of the Ne-braska association to be held in Lincoln January 17 and 18.

Chief Fire Warden Randall has written a letter to commercial clubs sovention of loss by fire. One of the largest educational un

dertakings ever placed before the citizens of Nebraska has been decided upon by the trustees of the Nebraska Wesleyan university, who have asked that the Wesleyan endowment fund be increased from one hundred thousand to a round half, million dollars, under the direction of Chas. M. a lot of farming implements, harness, Strader, to push the matter to a con- etc., together, with nearly a thousand

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

Ogalalla had a \$10,000 fire New

Three pastors at Ashland have re signed their charges.

The state poultry show will be held at York January 15 to 20. The State Historical society will

meet at Lincoln, January 8 to 10. The Kenesaw school board is planning to build a new \$25,000 school

Tecumseh dry goods stores will close at 6 o'clock in the evening un-

Fremont business men have made a cash gift of \$104 to the Lutheran or-

Norfolk turned down the \$75,000 municipal electric light plant bonds at a recent election A defective flue in the residence of

John Pentococost at Sterling was the cause of a \$3,000 fire. Knox county will have the records of its officials for the last ten years

examined by an expert. The farmers' institute at DeWitt was a great success, many farmers taking part in the exercises.

W. M. Downs, a Wymore boy, is under arrest at that place for calling a prominent citizen a "banty."

The court house at Madison is being overhauled and much needed improvements are being made. The State Territorial Pioneers' asso-

ciation will hold their regular annual session at Lincoln January 9. The Beatrice Commercial club has

received overtures from an airship company to locate at that place. The Aurora school board has just installed a very complete equipment

for its manual training department. Broken Bow reversed the order of things New Years day-the men kept open house and the ladies did the cali-

·Congressman Maguire has announced the appointment of George Chapline of Lincoln to the naval acad-.James Bryce, British ambassador to

as commencement orator at the Uni-While out hunting rabbits Friday, near Lorton, a son of Mr. and Mrs.

Elkins Eden accidentally shot and in-

stantly killed himself. A section of the concrete floor in the second story of the new Pawnee City court house gave way and fell several feet, fortunately injuring no

examining the vein of coal found on the farm of Eph Johnson, near Hooper, pronounced it a lignite of good The deep well which is being sunk

at Nebraska City is now down 2,873 feet and the drill has struck the hardest rock encountered since the well Some one left a suit case contain-

ing a quantity of nitroglycerine in a hotel at Stanton, and authorities "won't do a thing to him" when he Federal and private detectives made

end-of-the-year report, made by State and gamblers at Walthill, raiding sev- ernment's case. eral gambling joints and capturing a quantity of liquor. The new Christian church at Kene-

come out for lieutenant governor on just been laid, will have the largest seating capacity of any of the seven churches in the city. Iowa state college at Ames, where he Philip Hess, an old soldier 67 years

H. M. Bushnell, president of Ne-

the transfer of Jennie Geiger from the cial Clubs, will go to Fairbury, Janupenitentiary to the Hastings asylum. ary 12 and address the Fairbury club the national hymns of the United The woman was sent up for life for on the subject. "What Commercial murder committed in Kimball county, Clubs Can Do Without Money. There and has the halucination that she is will be a banquet after the address.

gers will be held at the commercial It is said that LaFollette managers chub rooms at Lincoln, January 16. intend to copy after the Yeiser peti- The session will be preceded by a tion, which is signed by twenty-five banquet. The program will include persons, and also send a copy to an address on "How to Handle Fair Roosevelt to ask him if he desires Work Rapidly and Cheaply," by Manhis name placed on the ballot. It is ford Horn, the Minnesota fair man. supposed that Roosevelt has no power The banquet will be participated in to keep his name off the ballot when jointly by the members of the Ne-

> J. E. Dalton hanged himself in a Charles Musselman, twenty years old, is dead at Lyons, of typhoid fever. supposedly contracted from letters received from relatives in an infected

family in Pennsylvania. George Parker, a negro, said to be medical student of Creighton university at Omana, is under arrest at St. Paul, Minn., charged with the killing of Mrs. Andrew Jackson of that place. The coroner's jury has decided that ley that he would be present. Dawid Stepsay, who was found dead at Omaha, came to his death from nat-

The young people of Elm Creek have organized a class for the scientific study of the Bible. Professor Odell is the instructor. They meet at the school building Thursday even-A fire in the barn of Sherman Rog-

ers, near Syracuse, caused the death of six head of horses, and the loss of

REV. RICHESON SAYS THAT HE KILLED MISS LINNELL.

Depends Upon Action of Gover-

Boston, Mass.-The Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson confessed his guilt of the murder of his former sweetheart, Avis Linnell of Hyannis, in a document presented by his counsel. His confession declares that the accused is guilty "of the offense of which he is indicted," which is murder in the

first degree. Whether Richeson will pay the exreme penalty, which under Massachusetts law is death in the electric chair, no court official cared to pre-

dict today. The confession was as follows:

John L. Lee, esq. Wm. A. Morse, esq.

Philip R. Dunbar, esq. Gentlemen: Deeply penitent for my sin, and earnestly desiring as far as in my power lies to make atonement, I hereby confess that I am guilty of

the offense of which I stand indicted. I am moved to this course by no inducement of safe-benefit or leniency. Heinous as is my crime, God has not wholly abandoned me, and my conscience and manhood, however depraved and blighted, will not admit of my still further wronging her by a public trial whose pure young life I have destroyed. Under the lashings of remorse I have suffered and am suffering the tortures of the damned. In this I find a measure of comfort. In my mental anguish I recognize that this country, will not be able to serve | there is still, by the mercy of the Master, some remnant of the divine spark of goodness lingering with me. I could wish to live only because within some prison's walls I might, in some small measure, redeem my sinful past, help some other despairing soul, at least, find favor with my God.

You are instructed to deliver this to the district attorney or to the judge of the court. Sincerely yours,

CLARENCE V. T. RICHESON. The indictment against Richeson charged that he "feloniously, willfully and of his malice aforethought" gave with dealy intent, and that because of her death he is guilty of murder in the first degree.

District Attorney Pelletier declared, after the confession had been made public, that the trial set for January 15 would surely me called and that he would accept no compromise in the

way of a plea for a lesser crime. It was pointed out that if the district attorney maintained this attitude, only an insanity commission or commutation by the executive council and the governor could save Richeson from the electric chair. It lies, however, with the court and the district attorney to accept a minor plea such modification usually coming a general round up of the bootleggers | through some weak link in the gov-

To Reform the Currency.

Washington.-The monetary commission's long awaited report, detailing a plan to reform the currency system will be laid before congress Monday. It proposes a perfection of Chairman Aldrich's original plan for a national reserve association, which is to be a co-operative union of all the banks-in effect an evolution of all the clearing house idea extended to include a central organization.

Richeson's Fate. Boston.-Speculation was rife Sunday as to what ultimately will be the fate of Reve Clarence V. T. Richeson, who in a written statement confessed to the murder of his former sweetheart, Avis Linnell. From a source close to Governor Foss the statement came Sunday that the attitude of the executive probably would be in favor of a commutation of sentence of death in the electric chair to one of life imprisonment if the law's fullest penalty is imposed by the court,

Des Moines, Ia .- A yearly license of \$100 and a monthly tax sufficient to defray the cost of placing two peace officers will be assessed against public dance halls in this city.

Eulogies Spoken for Senator. Washington. - The late Senator Stephen B. Elkins, as soldier, statesman, lawyer, friend and man, was enlogized in the house of representa-

Carnegie Will Be on Hand. Washington.-Andrew Carnegie ha een asked by the house steel trust investigating committee to appear be fore it and replied to Chairman Stan-

Former Bankers Arraigned. Juneau, Alaska-Clem H. Summer ormer president, and Stuart G. Holt former cashier of the First Nationa bank of Juneau, Alaska, were arraigned in federal court upon indictments returned by the grand jury charging fraudulent banking.

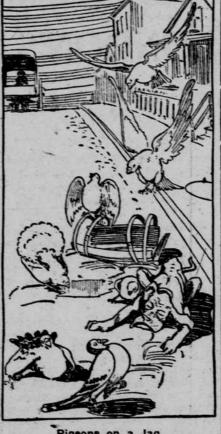
nildren, together with their teachers, se of the building of a private ool here on Thursday.

A BURSTED BEER KEG **LEADS TO BIRDS' JAG**

Pigeons Drank of Intoxicant and Then Did a Few Gutter Stunts.

New York .- A heavy truck loaded high with kegs of liquor was jolting across a line of city car tracks when one of the kegs toppled and fell from the top of the pile into the street. It was thoroughly smashed, so the truckman whipped up his team and went his way without stopping. The rum flowed out over the street-one little dent in the paving collecting a

visible puddle of it. In a few minutes a pigeon came fluttering down to drink at the pool



thus fortunately provided for thirsty birds. The initial taste was a surprise, but a second and a third soon followed and soon the pigeon tottered fluttering away, too overcome to fly. Other birds, seeing him there and anxious to wet their throats, followed their brother in his path of wicked

intemperance. Five minutes later a passerby was the gutter of the otherwise deserted street, some dancing drunkenly, others already sound asleep. A few feet away a hound of disreputable appearance was creeping up, slowly and a trifle unsteady, on his unsuspecting and bibulous quarry. As he was almost among the birds his feet went suddenly in several directions and he lay in the gutter among the pigeons, growling sleepily to himself, for he, too, was drunk.

WAX FIGURE SHOCKS WORKER

Thought He Was Intruding While Lady Was Dressing and Retires in Embarrassment.

Chicago.-An electrical worker called at a South side home to repair a defective light. "It's in that room there," the mistress of the house said, pointing to a closed door.

The workman opened the door and started to enter. Then, with a hasty



Saw Dressmaker's Model.

door again, shutting out of view a feminine figure in less than the cus-

from her work. "I beg your pardon, did you speak to me?" she asked. "No," the workman said in confu-

"The lady in there?" the mistress asked with a puzzled air, "I-" Then she appeared to remember comething. Going quickly to the door she threw it open. The cause of the hose life-size forms which women

Falls Dead Whipping Child.

Monongahela, Pa.—While chastising her ten-year-old son at her home at Galatin, Mrs. John Yuscovitch, 36, fell dead from weakness of the heart. She had called her son to come into the house from the yard, and he refused to obey her.

are using nowadays to fit dresses on.

IN WALLS OF STORE

Neighbors Demolishing 'Old Man' McMullan's Shack Discover Gold and Silver Cache.

FORGETS A FORTUNE

Money Hidden for Years While VIIlage Merchant and Postmaster Lives Simple Life With Pipe, Plug and Pup-Assists Banks in Panic.

Willow Island. Neb .- If a man has a pipe, a plug of tobacco and a dog for companions, what's the use to worry about money? That's the philosophy of "Old Man" McMullan, Neil McMullan, "80 years old and going on 100," general storekeeper, telephone exchange manager and postmaster of

Willow Island. McMullan smoked and chewed and clean forgot that he had stowed away in the past forty years \$6,500 in the walls of his old store building. Every day or so he was selling a garden hoe for 45 cents, a suit of clothes for \$7.50 or a few yards of calico, he being the only storekeeper; he was drawing his pay as postmaster and telephone manager; he was making plenty of money to keep himself and his dog, for he is a bachelor and lived in a room at the rear of his store. Why, then, should he worry his brains by remembering money that he had forgotten years

Recently McMullan built a new store. His old one, which has stood for 40 years, became so weather-worn than the rain damaged his stock and caused the postage stamps to stick together. The other day he removed all his goods and the United States postoffice and the telephone exchange to the new building. Neighbors helped him to demolish the old store. At was a reversal of the rural houseraising process. The neighbors chewed plug from McMullan's tobacco stock and worked diligently. They all



Find Hidden Fortune. liked "Old Man" McMullan and worked for love.

the men, "how'd this here big tin can git in there betwixt the studdin' and the weather boardin', I'd like to know. Guess I'll throw it at the dog." But the tin can was found to be too hefty to toss aside. The finder lifted

"Jimminy Chris'mas!" cried one of

cover of the can. All took a peek "Dog my cats!" yelled the discover-

it with both hands. Something metal-

lic rattled inside. Other men gathered

about. The first man yanked off the

er, "if it hain't free silver! Look-se The heftiness of the can was caused by its contents-several hundred dollars in silver. None of the coins bore date later than a score of years ago. The can and contents were turned

over to McMullan, who said: "By jings!" he said, "I'd clean for-

got about that can o' coin." The neighbors returned to their work and half an hour later another man found a receptacle between the planking that contained \$1,000 in gold. The willing neighbors, now thoroughly aroused by the discovery of a gold and silver mine right here in town, all above ground and the metal properly minted, returned to their work. The shingles and the weathersion, "I was speaking to the lady in boarding and the floors planking flew

apart. That day they panned out Next day the villagers returned to their treasure seeking. They had lost per see. Willow Island had become a bonanza. That day they mined \$2,000 more from the odd corners and crannies of the old store, which by that time had become a total wreck. Mc-Mullan was not at all excited by his recovery of the \$6,500 and says he had forgotten all about the money, which he stuck away long ago.

.It is recalled that during the panic of 1907 McMullan helped several of the county banks by lending them money to tide them over.