

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Robbers Wreck a Saloon.
Norfolk, Neb., Nov. 8.—Dynamiters blew up a saloon at Wakefield, securing \$30. A posse captured two of the men, wounding one. One escaped.

Breeders to Meet at Lincoln.
Lincoln, Nov. 3.—The American Breeders' association will hold its second annual meeting here on Jan. 17, 18 and 19. Several of the sessions will be held jointly with one or more of the state societies interested in animal and plant breeding.

Run Over by Switch Engine.
Lincoln, Nov. 7.—Orsamus V. Eaton, one of the pioneer business men of Lincoln, a member of the board of city aldermen, was run over by a switch engine in the Burlington yards and almost instantly killed. Mr. Eaton was on his way home and took a short cut by following the railroad tracks. It is supposed he stepped from one track to avoid a train directly in front of the switch engine on another track.

Taylor Held on Charge of Perjury.
Tecumseh, Neb., Nov. 6.—County Attorney Moore, acting on the orders of Judge Good, who presided over the trial of C. M. Chamberlain at Auburn two weeks ago, has brought proceedings against Frank A. Taylor of this county in the Johnson county court on the charge of perjury. Judge Good believed the testimony given by Taylor, who was vice president of the failed Chamberlain bank, in cases in this county pending on the bank failure and in the case at bar at Auburn was different.

Omaha Bridge is Opened.
Washington, Nov. 7.—The supreme court of the United States in the case of the Union Pacific Railroad company against the Mason City and Fort Dodge Railroad company affirmed the decree of the circuit court of appeals for the Eighth district. The case involved the right to the use of the railroad bridge across the Missouri river at Omaha. By this final decision the Union Pacific is compelled to accord the use of the bridge and its approaches to other companies, upon payment of reasonable compensation.

Value of Nebraska's Wheat Crop.
Lincoln, Nov. 2.—According to the estimates of wheat and oats production for 1905 in Nebraska, made public by the state bureau of industrial statistics, this year's wheat crop is valued at \$2,535,184.43 more on the farm than was last year's. The total value on the farm of spring wheat this year is estimated at \$3,299,406.60, and the total value on the farm of winter wheat, at \$25,641,223.30. The total value of oats was estimated at \$16,702,516.25 in 1904, while this year it is estimated at \$19,638,219.50.

Two Lives Lost in Crash.
Omaha, Nov. 7.—Albert Lumpkin and James McNamara, laborers, working on the fireproofing at the new Hayden Bros. building on Douglas street, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth, were buried in nearly 100 tons of concrete and brick, when a tie rod in one of the sections of the fireproofing broke on the fourth floor, where the men were working, and were killed instantly. The section that gave way carried the next one below with it and each succeeding section gave way under the increasing weight until the sub-basement was reached.

CRAZY MAN STABS MARSHAL.

Aged Farmer, Demented and Half Drunk, Lands in Jail.
Pierce, Neb., Nov. 6.—Town Marshal Crippen of Plainview, this county, was fatally stabbed by an insane farmer, named Carl Reisner. The latter has been demented for about a year, but has not been considered dangerous. He came to town and began to drink, getting into a quarrel with a saloonkeeper, who shut the door on him, when Reiser drew a saber from his wagon and threatened to attack. Marshal Crippen laid his hand on Reiser's shoulder to arrest him. Reiser turned quickly and stabbed the marshal in the right groin, pushing his saber almost through Crippen's body and inflicting a fatal wound. Reiser was at once overpowered and as there were threats of immediate vengeance he was rushed to the county jail at this place, where he is now confined. The prisoner is seventy years old and has a wife and family living on a farm on Willow creek.

COSTLY FIRE AT HASTINGS.

Loss Estimated at \$150,000 Follows Blaze From a Furnace.
Hastings, Neb., Nov. 4.—At 1 a. m. fire, supposed to have started in a furnace, broke out in Stein Bros. store, and before the flames were under control nearly \$150,000 damage was done.
All the plate glass for a block in length on Second street was shattered by the excessive heat. The woodwork on the Masonic temple building and nearly every building in that block became ignited, and if it had

not been for the active volunteers the damage would have run into several hundred thousands of dollars.
Stein Bros. estimate their loss from \$110,000 to \$115,000, of which about \$70,000 is covered by insurance. The J. H. Spotts' gent's furnishing goods establishment was also damaged to the extent of \$10,000; C. H. Dietrich, owner of the building, reports \$27,000 damages, with a net loss of \$15,000. Stewart's millinery store was damaged to the extent of \$8,000.

Poland Joins Cry for Freedom.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 7.—On the heels of the announcements of the successful Finnish national movement comes news of a strong revival of the struggle for autonomy in Poland. Dispatches from Kalisch, in Poland, and Thorn, in West Prussia, say that flags with the Polish coat of arms have been hoisted on several churches and city buildings. At Kalisch a manifesto of the labor party, demanding a convocation of the diet, sitting at Warsaw, and the restoration of the ancient rights of kingdom, was proclaimed with trumpets.

Not Fit to Enjoy Liberty.

Warsaw, Nov. 7.—The governor general issued an order setting forth that as he has ascertained that the citizens of Warsaw are not fit to profit quietly by constitutional liberties, he henceforth prohibits processions and open air meetings and threatens to disperse crowds by force of arms.

Pat Crowe Pleads Not Guilty.

Omaha, Nov. 7.—Patrick Crowe was arraigned before Judge Day in the criminal court to plead to the charges of having shot Police Officer Jackson in making an escape from a posse of policemen late in September. Crowe entered a plea of not guilty. There is no further intimation of an effort to secure the \$12,000 bail which Crowe must furnish to get his liberty.

Nebraska Silver Service Ready.

Lincoln, Nov. 1.—Governor Mickey has received a letter from the Omaha jewelers who have the contract to make the silver service for the battleship Nebraska stating that the service had been completed and was on the road to Lincoln from Philadelphia. The governor will be the custodian of the service until it is turned over to the Nebraska, which will be about a year from now. The two flags which were presented by the Daughters of the American Revolution are on display in the office of the adjutant general, who is the custodian for them. They will be on exhibition for the next ten days to all who want to see them.

SPECIAL AGENTS ARE AT WORK.

Will Look After Illegal Fencing on the Range in Nebraska.

Valentine, Neb., Nov. 2.—Twenty-seven special agents of the United States land office began making plats from the records of the local office and getting detailed information touching homestead entries under the Kinkaid law, together with facts bearing on illegal fencing. The force today, under United States Inspector Hunt, started out with camp equipment and surveyors to arrest any violators of the law. Cattlemen who have anticipated the movement of the federal authorities have removed most of the fences around government land.

INCREASES IN ALL CROPS.

Nebraska Makes a Gain in Rye and Barley Over Last Year.

Lincoln, Nov. 3.—According to the tabulated reports of the state bureau of labor and industry there have been substantial increases in all crops this year. The report gives the total production of barley for 1905 at 5,926,331 bushels, as compared with a total of 5,592,725 bushels for 1904. The yield of rye for 1905 is estimated at 2,474,512 bushels. In 1904 it was 2,035,802 bushels. Hitchcock county leads in the production of barley, with a total yield of 895,157 bushels. Custer county is second, producing 551,136 bushels. Dawson county leads in rye, with a yield of 167,735 bushels. Frontier county occupies second place, with a yield of 138,054 bushels.

LETTON ELECTED JUDGE.

Abbott and Lyford Defeat Cole and Lightner for Regents of University.

Lincoln, Nov. 8.—Returns from the elections in Nebraska are sufficiently complete to indicate with certainty the election of Charles B. Letton (Rep.) over William G. Hastings (fu.) as associate justice of the supreme court by a plurality greater than that given Judge Barnes for the same office two years ago, which was 9,127. The Republican candidates for regents ran slightly behind Letton, but the returns show that the pluralities will not be materially reduced from those received by the regents in 1903.

It was a quite election day in Nebraska and a light vote was polled. Especially was this the case in Lincoln, where there was much scratching. The Republicans elect all their candidates in this county but two, probable judge and corner, win by narrow margins.

Chairman Warner of the Republican

state central committee said this morning he was not prepared to give an estimate, but that Judge Letton was elected by a greater vote than given the ticket two years ago.

Chairman Allen of the Democrats said the scattering returns indicated a Republican plurality of 12,000 for the state, which, compared with the vote of a year ago, he regarded in the light of a fusion victory.

Omaha, Nov. 8.—Substantial majorities are given to every Republican candidate, from top to bottom, in Douglas county. The only Democrat who has saved himself is Pat King of South Omaha, who was re-elected police judge of that city.

The Bee says: "Returns indicate the election of Letton to the supreme bench by a plurality of about 30,000. The World-Herald says: 'Returns indicate that Letton is elected judge over Hastings by a plurality of about 19,000.'

Endows Home for Old Men.

Chicago, Nov. 8.—Chicago will have the largest and most generously endowed home for old men in the world when the provisions of the will of James C. King, a wealthy merchant who died a few days ago, are carried into effect. The estate amounts to \$3,500,000, and after the payment of bequests of \$100,000 to his widow, \$600,000 to numerous relatives and \$90,000 to eight charitable institutions in Chicago and a hospital in Pasadena, Cal., the balance of the estate is left as an endowment for a home for old men. The widow may contest the will.

Three Towns in Flames.

London, Nov. 8.—The Bucharest correspondent of the Daily Mail says that atrocities continue in Bessarabia. The towns of Urmbat and Calarisse have been burned and all the Jews houses are in flames. Ismail, the correspondent also says, is in flames, and martial law has been declared. Sixty-six revolutionists, after being warned, were shot.

THE TREE KILLER.

A Curious Vine That Flourishes in Lower Central America.

One of the curious forest growths of the isthmus of Panama and lower Central America in general is the vine which the Spaniards call matapalo, or "tree killer." This vine first starts in life as a climber upon the trunks of the large trees, and, owing to its marvelously rapid growth, soon reaches the lower branches. At this point it first begins to put out its "feelers"—tender, harmless looking root shoots, which soon reach the ground and become as firmly fixed as the parent stem. These hundreds of additional sap tubes give the whole vine a renewed lease of life, and it begins to send out its aerial tendrils in all directions. These intertwine themselves tightly around every limb of the tree, even creeping to the very farthest tips and squeezing the life out of both bark and leaf. Things go on at this rate but a short while before the forest giant is compelled to succumb to the gigantic parasite which is sapping its lifeblood. Within a very few years the tree rots and falls away, leaving the matapalo standing erect and hollow, like a monster vegetable devilfish lying upon its back with its horrid tentacles clasped together high in the air.

Origin of "So Long."

"You have perhaps wondered how the expression 'so long' came to be so generally used by the American people," said a Columbia college lecturer the other day. "It is usually used in closing a conversation and is simply a form of 'goodby.' The Norwegians brought it to this country. In that Land of the Midnight Sun 'saa laenge' is a common form of farewell. It means the same as the 'auf wiedersehen' of the German or the 'au revoir' of the French. Among the early settlers in America were many Norwegians, and the phrase was picked up from them. They pronounce it with the g softened and accompany it by a wave of the hand."

Practical Preparation.

"I'm surprised that you favor higher education," said the visitor to the village blacksmith.
"Well, the colleges are improving," explained the man of brawn. "Time was when they didn't teach nothing but book learning, but now by the time my son gets through the athletic course he'll be fit for a first class blacksmith."
—Detroit Free Press.

Trouble on Another Score.

Doctor—When can you pay me my bill for curing you of insomnia? Patient—I don't know, doc. I sleep so soundly now that my wife goes through my pockets most every night and takes everything.—Life.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Nov. 7.—Cattle—Receipts, 14,000; dull and weak; beefs, \$3.20@6.25; cows and heifers, \$1.25@4.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.25@4.25; westerns, \$3.00@4.75. Hogs—Receipts, 25,000; generally 5c lower, light, \$4.75@5.12 1/2; mixed, \$4.75@5.15; heavy, \$4.40@5.15; bulk of sales, \$4.90@5.10. Sheep—Receipts, 25,000; steady; native sheep, \$3.30@5.75; western sheep, \$3.30@5.65; yearlings, \$5.10@6.20; lambs, \$6.00@7.00.

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