

BOOM STARTED FOR UNDERWOOD Have Opened Underwood Headquar-

CEPT THE NOMINATION.

ters-Rocscvelt Wants Nationwide Primarics-Bad Snow Storms in Middle West.

New York .- "I will accept the nom-Ination for president if it is tendered me and I will adhere to this decision until the convention has expressed its preference," is Colonel Theodore RooLevelt's reply to the letter of seven ·epublican governors asking him to stand for nomination.

Underwood Formally in Race.

Washington.-Representative Oscar Underwood of Alabama, majority leader of the house, has been entered in the race for the democratic nomination for the presidency. Senator Bankhead, in making the announcement, also stated the opening of Underwood headquarters in this city. Mr. Bankhead will act as chairman of the Underwood movement and as his manager. The statement follows: "To set at rest any question in the public mind as to the actual candidacy of Representative Underwood of Alabama, I desire to say that all we are doing in his behalf has his full and hearty concurrence. He is a candidate and is in the race not only to win the nomination, but also for the election in November."

Snow Storm Causes Much Trouble.

Kansas City, Mo .- An eight-inch fall of snow covers Missouri, Kansas and parts of Oklahoma and Arkansas. The snow began about noon Sunday, following a drizzling rain. A high wind from the northwest swept snow and sleet before it most of the day, piling it into huge drifts and demoralizing train service and other traffic. Temperatures are not low. Thunder and lightning accompanied the snow. All railroads leading into the city are having trouble keeping their trains moving. Street car service is kept up only by the constant use of snow plows. Several sections of the city are without electricity by reason of breaks caused by the wet snow piled upon the wires and poles.

To investigate Indian Bureau.

Washington, -- Congressman Stephens has introduced a resolution providing for a complete investigation of the Indian bureau by the Indian af-

SECRETARY KNOX IS ASSURED A HEARTY WELCOME.

-Mr. Bryan Says Only Chance Is to Nominate a Pro-

gressive.

Washington-Colombia has virtually repudiated the action of its minister general, Ospina, by sending through American Minister Dubois, at Bogeta, a cordial invitation to Secretary of State Knox to visit Colombian shores on his present trip to the republics on the Caribbean sea. The invitation was forwarded promptly to Secretary Knox, who is aboard the cruiser Washington, on his way south, With him rests the decision whether he will change his itinerary to include a call at the port of Cartagena. This, it is said here, he undoubtedly will eign office was received with satisfac tion. It closes a disagreeable incident.

Settles Vexed Question.

Denver, Col .-- William J. Bryan, in a speech here, definitely set at rest reports that he might be induced again to make the race for the presidency.

In concluding his address he said: "I am satisfied that some one else

can pull more votes than myself, but I am ready to enter upon a campaign on behalf of a true democrat with even more vigor than that with which I have fought at any time on my own behalf."

Previously in his address, which was given under the auspices of no faction, according to Former Governor C. S. Thomas, who introduced him. Mr. Bryan declared the party's only nominate a progressive on a platform that is progressive.

Italy Votes to Annex Tripoli.

Rome-The chamber of deputies has passed a bill for the annexation of Tripoli by Italy by a vote of 431 to 38, amid enthusiastic cheering from the floor of the chamber and public meeting. F. F. Priest of Lincoln, Neb., gallery. Afterwards the members who was chosen temporary secretary. The voted against annexation, including the socialists, a few republicans and one radical, Prince Gaetini, were head officers of the order were de- with a minimum temperature of 24 deroundly hissed.

Nugget In Duck's Crop.

Iowa City, Ia.- A gold nugget worth \$7, found in the crop of a duck killed considerable excitement in university circles. Minerologists who assayed the nugget say that a pocket of gold may have been deposited on the sandy soil of the farm during the upheavals of past area.

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CONGRATULATIONS

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MEET TO DEVISE PLANS TO PRO- EXTENSIVE DISTRICT IN HOUS-TEST RAISE IN RATES.

TON, TEXAS, DEVASTATED.

Three States-Most Destructive

Houston.

Houston, Tex .-- In the wake of the

monetary loss is not yet possible, but

the most conservative is that it will

reach at least \$7,000,000. The insur-

Snowfall Heaviest on Record.

St. Louis, Mo.-Sixteen inches of

grees, were features of a storm which

swept eastern Missouri, southern Illi-

nois and western Kentucky Wednes-

traffic on all transportation lines. The

His "Hat is in the Ring"

Fire in the History of

Traffic Almost Snow Swamped in Strenuous Scenes Mark Opening of Minneapolis Session-Seven Meet Death and Jany Inured-Suf-

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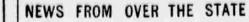
Minneapolis - Strenuous scenes marked the opening here of the sess most destructive fire in the history of sion of the national Woodmen assem- Houston, smouldering wreckage covbly, in which officers of the head camp ers an area about one and a half of the Modern Woodmen of America miles in length and varying in width from 200 yards to half a mile in the were bitterly assailed; action taken at northeastern section of the city. the head camp convention recently More than a dozen of the city's most held in Chicago was severely criticised important industrial enterprises are and John Sullivan of Kansas City, in ruins; 200 or more dwellings and chairman of the law committee of the store buildings are in ashes and apchance of victory this fall was to head camp, was denied the privilege proximately 1,000 persons are homeof the floor, although he declared he less. An accurate statement of the carried the credentials from his home organization. About 300 Woodmen from various states of the middle west ance carried will not exceed 40 per are attending the assembly, which was cent. Except for a few who suffered organized to devise plans to protest minor burns and bruises, no casualagainst rates adopted at the Chicago ties attended the fire. session was given over to an "experience' meeting in which the rates and snow, driven by a forty-mile wind, nounced.

Fire in Oklahoma Coal Mine.

Lehigh. Okla.-Seven miners are day. The wind drifted the heavy snow known to have been killed and the to a depth of several feet, hampering on a farm west of here, has caused fate of a score or more, imprisoned in mine No. 5 of the Western Coal and snowfall was the heaviest ever record-Mining company, which is afire, is Louis since the weather bureau startdoubtful. Seven bodies have been ed to keep snow records in 1884. brought to the surface, half a dozen men have been rescued alive, while

STOCK IN A WRECK HEAVY LOSS ON CATTLE AND

SHEEP IN TRANSIT.



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

Stratton-Seventy-two head of cattle and nearly 200 sheep were killed or injured in a Burlington stock train wreck near here Thursday morning. Twelve cars were thrown in the ditch by a broken flange on a freight car. These cars were loaded with cattle and sheep.

Meet Elks With Brass Band. Alliance-A carload of elk went through Alliance Saturday morning on the way from the Jackson Hole country to the Yellowstone national park. An amusing feature of this was that an operator at Crawford understood that there was a special car of Elks going west on the train. He telephoned the secretary of the Elks club at that place, and not to be outdone in politeness, the Elks' club turned out en masse with their brass band, to do honor to their brothers in transit.

Organized Forty Years.

Fremont-The fortieth anniversary of the organization of old Fremont engine company No. 1. the first fire company ever organized in Fremont. was celebrated with a banquet, at which seven of the charter members were present. These charter members are H. J. Lee, Tom Turner, Charles Baldruff, N. M. Pilsbury, W. R. Wilson, William Friend and W. S. Roseman.

Tree Broke His Leg.

Pickerell-Phillip Graff, a farmer living near here, received a broken leg when a tree which he had chopped down rebounded after falling. striking Mr. Graff in such a way as to break the bone in the right leg in two places. Mr. Graff is a pioneer resident of Gage county.

Doane's Fortieth Anniversary. Crete-Preparations are being made

by Doane college to celebrate its fortieth anniversary in connection with the commencement exercises in June. Doane was founded in 1873, four years after Nebraska became a state, so that the history of both is coincident in many ways.

NEWS FROM THE STATE HOUSE.

Th Farmers' State bank of Verona. Clay county, has received a charter

from the state banking board. The paid up capital stock is \$10,000. The thirty-sixth annual encampment

fairs committee. If the resolution is passed as expected the leasing of Indian lands in Oklahoma will be probed especially. Some preliminary investigation has been made and it is thought that the probe ' may reach Commissioner Valentine, the head of the bureau. It is doubted that the investigation will deal with Indian affairs in Nebraska.

Starts Boom for Gov. Shaffroth.

Greeley, Colo.-Governor John A. Shaffroth has been projected into the ring of democratic possibilities by William J. Bryan, who in an address said: "I would rather see Governor Shaffroth of Colorado nominated for the presidency than any democrat yet mentioned." Mr. Bryan added that he did not wish to be understood as criticising any democratic candidate.

Many Freeze to Death.

Omsk, Asiatic Russia.-One hundred and sixty-eight persons are known to have frozen to death during the snowstorm in this district Saturday. In Omsk thirty-one fatalities were reported, while at Kotopavak the death roll totals thirty-two, and in Petroplevask it reaches 105,

lowa Has Severe Blizzard. Des Moines, Ia.-A blizzard swept over central Iowa Sunday. Driven by a strong north wind, the snow is piling in drifts, demoralizing train service. Street car service and other traffic is badly crippled.

Davenport, 1a .-- William B. Benker: of Davenport, national chairman of the united Christian party, has issued a call for a national conference for the party to be held at Rock Island. Ill., May 1, 1912. The call is to all people who "believe in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man and in government for and by the people, measured by the Lord's standard and who will co-operate, women included, on all issues of vital inportance to all."

Sapulpa, Okla .- A clash between local police and state officers atempting to make arrests for violation of the state-wide prohibition statutes, has resulted in the arrest of Chief of Police Wise here. The charge against Wise is that he used tactics designed to protect a Sapulpa rooming house when state officers raided the place and searched for liquor.

Hastings, Neb., has sent to the senate arbitration treaties.

St. Louis Crime Ridden.

St. Louis, Mo .- Black hand murderers, safe crackers, burglars, footpads, highwaymen, pickpackets, daylight bandits and marauders of various characters have operated in this city almost without molestation for two weeks. The police have been utierly unable to cope with the situation.

Getting Out of Mexico.

El Paso, Tex.- All American women and children are being rushed out of the towns of northern Mexico as quickly as possible, following warnings given by the better educated Mexicans that they are no longer safe.

Celluloid Causes Fatality.

Leominster, Mass. -- Flora Curtis was burned to death and seven other persons were severely injured, two perhaps fatally, when celluloid scraps canught fire in the factory of the Puritan Comb company. Forty other persons escaped uninjured.

Was Captured After All.

Leavenworth, Kas .-- H. C. Logan, a convict at the state penitentiary, ran unharmed through a hall of builets in an attempt to escape, only to be recaptured by an unarmed guard after he had reached cover.

London-The imperial dragon has been pulled down and the white flag of the republic now flutters over all of the Chinese legations of Europe.

Bogota, Columbia-General Pedro Nel Ospino, the Colombian minister to the United States, will be recalled by the Colombian government. The action was taken because neither it nor the Colombian people upholds the position taken in notifying the state departneat that the proposed visit to Colombia of Secretary of State Knox would be inopportune, owing to the fact that Colombia's claims in connection with Panama have not yet been arbitrated.

New Orleans-Earth shocks have interfered with the Culebra section of the Panama canal, according to mail dispatches received here from Colon. Cracks in the earth indicate another rlide, which may assume more alarming proportions. The first slide was of about 250,000 cubic yards and occurred in the east bank, tearing away a big section of the ninety-five-foot roadway and closing a portion of the

Washington-The Woman's club of drainage ditch. This slide will necessitate the re-location and regrading of the Pioneer cut.

the apparently lifeless bodies of several others have been located. The high, was discovered afire shortly beber were near the mouth and escaped others in the lower workings were entombed.

Nebraska Suffragettes to Get Busy. Lincoln, Neb .- The women suffrag-

ists of the state are planning a most extensive campaign for the coming issued from the headquarters, State made throughout the state, to register vate from his inspection." the attitude of every voter, and of every adult woman in order to learn where propaganda must be carried. and to discover future campaign workers."

"Reclamation Day."

tion of drunkards" day in Salvation and his choir. Army circles in Manhattan, and as the result of casting the rescue net more than a thousand men were dragged away from the saloons and taken to were dined and talked to by the teachers of the army.

Opposes Government Ownership.

Washington-President Taft has informed congress that he did not approve of Postmaster General Hitch- always supposed that she was the natcock's suggestion that the government | ural daughter of Mrs. Hannah Foster, buy and operate all telegraph lines as an adjunct of the postal system. Mr. that her real name is Ines Axelheimer, Taft said that if it could be shown and that her father, who is reputed that the public would benefit by re- to be a millionaire, is living in Rochesceiving service at a less price than is ter. N. Y. According to Mass Foster now paid he might think differently of it was not until shortly before the the plan, but that he was not con- death of an old negro woman that she vinced such would be the effect.

Leavenworth, Kas .-- A plea for state laws which will "make lying advertisements a misdemeanor." was made women operatives who are participatby John Irving Romer, editor of an ing in the great textile strike assemadvertising publication in New York bled near St. Anthony's Syrian church city, addressing the fourth annual con- and defied the police and militia auvention of the southwestern division thorities to disperse them. The woof the Associated Advertising Clubs men numbered about a dozen and were of America, which held its session engaged in picketing the vicinity of here. About 360 delegates, represent- the mills. They did not disperse until ing Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, New a squad of about thirty police officers, Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana and Tex- a small detachment of infantry and a a petition favoring the adoption of the all railroad tracks in the vicinity of as, were present when the convention troop of cavalry were sent to the was called to order.

Cleveland, O.-During the brief stay of Colonel Roosevelt in Cieveland, W. mine, which is several miles from Le- F. Eirick, well known locally in politics, greeted the former president. fore noon Thursday. At that time 100 whom he knew well, "I want a direct men were at work. The greater num- answer, Colonel," said Mr. Eirick. "All your friends want to know, and want before the fire gained headway, but to know now, whether you are to be a candidate." "My hat is in the ring." replied Colonel Roosevelt. "You will

have my answer Monday."

Rigid Militia Inspection.

Topeka, Kan .-- A rigid inspection, order, sent out by Adjutant General year in this state and in orders just Martin, of the Kansas national guard. requiring all officers and men to un-President Dr. Inez Philbrick of this dergo examination, said to have origcity says there are great activities in inated with the war department, has store for Nebraska supporters of "the caused considerable excitement among ballo: for women" and "women for the the members of the state militia. The ballot." She says, among other things: order sent out also says "only sickness "A house-to-house canvass must be or death will excuse any officer or pri-

Displayed Extravagant Disapproval. Kearney, Neb.-Revival meetings being held at Elm Creek by Dr. Smith. with musical assistance by Professor Thonnes, broke up in a miniature riot Sunday evening, when a crowd of dis-New York-Thuraday was "reclama approving citizens egged the minister

Chicago-Robbers held up the proprietors of a store within . block of the central police station, obtained \$50 the army headquarters, where they and a watch and escaped, passing a policeman who was stationed within fifty feet of the store.

> Denver, Col.-Miss Essie May Foster, who says she was kidnaped from her home when a few months old and has learned, according to her claim, learned her true identity.

Women Defy the Police.

Lawrence, Mass.-A band of Polish

of the Nebraska Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Beatrice May 14, 15 and 16, according to an order just issued by Department Commander A. M. Trimble.

The plaster cast of Abraham Lincoln, which has stood in the state house for many years and which was made by John Currie, now of Blair, has been taken to the basement of the building and broken to pieces.

Corporations pay to the state of Ne braska 21.97 per cent of the total revenue of the state, according to a compilation made by Henry Seymour, secretary of the state board of assessment. The information was asked for by Herbert Knox Smith of the government bureau of corporations.

Commissioners Winnett and Hall of the state railway commission have gone to South Omaha to examine into the merits of a complaint made by R. W. Ralston of Lexington to the effect that the Union Stock Yards company exercises gross discrimination against live stock shippers from out in the state.

Reports of tests of seed corn near Oakland, made to the experiment station at the university farm, indicate that a quantity of corn raised and stored under ideal conditions shows a very low percentage of germination. Inasmuch as some Burt county farmers have been active in deprecating the agitation for the testing of all seed corn, the report is viewed with particular interest.

An exhibtion of Indian relics from the rooms of the Nebraska Historical society is to be taken to the annual land show to be held in Kansas City February 26 to March 9. The exhibit will be in charge of Professor Gilmour, curator of the museum, and it will include specimens of the plants of this state which the Indians used for food, medicine, perfume, etc., besides models of lodges and burying scaffolds. Prof. G. E. Condra will deliver several addresses at the show. Secretary of State Waite is puzzling

over the problem of labeling the delegates to the various national conventions with the name of the presidential candidates for whom they are supposed to stand. In view of the fact that the republican candidates will pledge themselves to vote for the nomination of the candidate for president who receives the most votes at the primary election, he does not believe it will be necessary to label the delegates on the republican primary candidates have as yet made no such promise, and this is what is bothering the secretary of state.



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