A Fight for Life! STATE WEALTH GROWS

It has been fight or die for many of us in the past and the lucky people are those who have suffered, but who are now well because they heeded nature's warning signal in time to correct their trouble with that wonderful new distrouble with that wonderful new discovery of Dr. Pierce's, called "An-uric." You should promptly heed these warnings, some of which are dizzy spells, buckache, irregularity of the urine or the painful twinges of rheumatism, sciatica or lumbago. To delay may make possible the dangerous forms of kidney disease, such as Bright's disease, diabetes or stone in the bladder.

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The Reason.

Bishop Colfeit of Troy said at a dinner recently:

"The reason why some people get no comfort out of their religion on Sunday is that nobody else gets any comfort out of it during the week."

She Had a Papa Once.

The little girl's father had been away a long time in search of health. His memory must have grown dim in the child's mind. One afternoon, when being rolled out in her go-cart, she saw a little child run by to a man beyond and call, "Papa. Papa." The little girl turned to her mother and remarked in a sorrowful tone, "Once we had a papa."

True to Life.

"I don't see how you can read that trashy novel," declared mother. "Do you see any merit in it at all?"

"Why, yes," answered father. "It is intensely realistic."

What do you mean? Why, the conversation between the lovers is utterly silly slush, and their actions are idi-

otically absurd." "Yes-that's what I mean," agreed father, mildly.

Didn't Like the Idea of Christmas. There is a story in Woman's Home Companion in which this passage oc-

"'Fun!' snarled Grandfather Merrivale, though the fire danced frantically and snapped its long fingers in his face to distract his attention. Grandfather Merrivale had a habit of singing out one word from a speech and dwelling on it, and coming out with it. sooner or later, and worrying it in his teeth. 'Fun! What's the sense in fun? What's the use of fun? Here we are in a hard winter; taxes are high, wood is high, coal is high, food is high. And you talk about fun!"



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IN LAST FIVE YEARS

ASSESSMENT RECORDS SHOW INCREASE OF 10 PER CENT

NEWS FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Varied Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources at the State

House

Comparative assessment figures for Nebraska covering the last five years, as compiled by Secretary Bernecker of the state board of equalization, show a steady increase in the valuation of all property in the state. amounting to \$68,000,000 on the basis of one-fifth actual value, or \$340,000,-000 real worth. The state's assess-

ment in 1913 was \$470,690,000, while

this year it stands at \$528,891,000. Farm lands and other real estate show some gain in values, but the big increase is that shown on live stock. Cattle, listed in 1913 at an actual all ages and sizes, are now assessed at an average of \$40.40 each. Hogs among women. An especial day, the ue, in the former year, to \$15.80 in Sheep are now counted as worth \$5.60 apiece, compared with \$3.50 in 1913

Due to the passage of the Osterman act forbidding banks and trust companies to deduct their real estate mortgages from capital stock in making assessment returns, the taxable valuation of banks this year is \$8,- glorious finish. 581,000, where only \$7,176,000 was returned in 1913. The actual values of these items are the real increase of this item is about \$7,000,000.

Money on deposit made a material gain in the assessment tables, having grown from \$5,025,000 in 1913 to \$8,-561,000 this year.

Automobiles fell off in their assessed valuation from \$89.70 in the former year to \$64.36 the present annum, but the number of them was quadrupled and the gross assessment is raised from \$2,112,000 to \$6,579,000. Next year will show almost a 50 per cent increase in the 1917 figures on automobiles.

Wheat, oats and corn, of course, have greatly increased in value, but the shrinkage in wheat stocks which occurred last winter and spring partly nullified this gain. About 25,000,000 bushels of corn was assessed in 1913, and virtually the same amount this year, but only \$1,927,000 while now it is \$4,596,000.

The railroads have not had any material increase in their assessment during the five-year period. Aside from a raise of \$1,000,000 last year. their valuation has remained practically stationary, while most other property was being increased. They are assessed for this year at \$56,-855,000.

Society Secures Historic Relic

The state historical society is soon to become the possessor of a relic that will be of particular interest to the newspaper profession. It is an old hand press that has been doing duty in the office of the Harrisburg Banner, Banner county, ever since that newspaper was established thirty years ago. It was purchased by Charles Randall, the founder of the Banner. Mr. Randall is now a member of congress from the Eleventh California district. Mr. Randall is unacquainted with the history of the press prior to his purchase of it in Missouri. Secretary Sheldon of the state historical society is making an effort to trace the history of the old

Wheat Growers Getting Uneasy

The farmers of the wheat country of western Nebraska bave grown impatient over the failure of requests made to the state railway commission and the state council of defense for aid in getting their grain to market, and have changed to a demand for assist-

Petitions have been filed with both bodies in which it is set up that conditions have grown intolerable, and that if the farmers are to respond to the call to raise more wheat a way must be found by which their present crop can be moved to market and the money therefor received by them.

Nebraska attorneys are going to be called upon to give free legal advise to men called for military service under the selective draft law. Governor Neville has picked three lawyers in each county and recommended them to the war department for appointment on local committees to assist exemption boards and to advise the conscripts as to their will not announce the names of any of these barristers until he receives duties and privileges. The governor word from Washington that his selections have been confirmed.

Although fancy and expensive dishes were eliminated from Thanksgiving dinners at the fifteen state institutions under the direction of the state board of control, the 5,000 members of the state's family enjoyed an excellent

spread. Practically all of the institutions served only what they had raised on their farms during the summer. The Lincoln asylum raised every item which went into the Thanksgiving dinner there. The penintentiary, the Hastings asylum and other institutions served on the Thanksgiving table.

AN APPEAL FOR CASH

Woman's Committee of State Counoil of Defense Needs Money

At the close of a most exciting campaign, during which several thousand dollars of funds, unlimited time, and the dauntless work of many patriotic women was given over to the cause of liberty and democracy, the woman's committee of the state council of defense finds itself in urgent need of material for still further carrying on its work.

The state council of defense provides headquarters. It paid \$500 of the expense incurred by registration. The woman's committee members have individually financed hundreds of dollars' worth of work in arrears at the present time, despite the capable individual support. The chairman of the executive board of the woman's committee, Miss Sarka B. Arbkova, and all her co-workers, are giving time and strength to the defense labors, wholly without com-

pensation of any sort. The appropriation by the legislature has been so small that a plea for support has become necessary. The woman's committee therefore appeals to the public in Nebraska to give support to this necessary covalue of \$29.70 apiece for animals of ordinating work which is the backbone of all the war relief work have jumped from \$10.15 actual val- 15th of December, has been set aside for the campaign to raise funds for the Nebraska state division of woman's work of the council of national defense.

It is earnestly hoped that every person who is called upon will respend heartily and willingly, and thus do their bit toward keeping the work alive, and carrying it to a

Must Secure Certificates of Health

Students, members of the faculty and employees of the university will be required to show certificates of vaccination or officially signed certificates of good health, issued daily, in order to gain admittance to the campus, beginning Monday, December 3 and continuing until other notice is given. This is the order given out by Chancellor S. Avery and Dean Carl C. Engberg after a conference held Saturday.

During the past week a number of cases of smallpox have been contracted by students of the university. There is no official report as to the exact number of cases already developed, but at least ten persons have been confined with the sickness.

The university executives take this measure as the most conservative one in view of the present circumstances.

Can Do No Business in State

Six German insurance companies that have held licenses in Nebraska must cease doing business in the state, under the federal government's order forbidding them to continue operations in the United States. Five of them have headquarters in New York and he sixth in Washington, D. C. The names of the companies and amounts of insurance carried are: Prussian National, \$2,394,930; Hamburg-Bremen, \$1,391,470; Aachen & Munich, \$1,068,077; Nord-Deutsche, \$137,550; Mannheim, \$72; Frankfort (not stated). The first of the five are fire insurance companies. The last does a general insurance business, including fire, accident and some other lines.

Inheritance tax on shares of Nebraska estates bequeathed to persons not of blood kinship to the testator is to be computed as a lump, and not on the installment plan like the federal income tax, according to the way the state law on that subject is construed by the attorney general's office. That is to say, the same percentage of tax applies uniformly on the whole estate, and is not a graduated affair.

The effect of this ruling, if upheld by the courts, will be to insure a considerably larger revenue from inheritance taxes than if estates were permitted to pay a low percentage on the first \$5,000, \$10,000 or \$20,000 and the highest rate only on the larger amounts.

The board of control has announced the appointment of Dr. W. S. Yager of Nebraska City as physician at the state school for the blind, located there. He takes the place of Dr. Claude Wilson of Watson, lately de

Many Enlisted Men Rejected Word has been received by Gover-

nor Keith Neville, colonel of the Seventh regiment, that fully 25 per cent and possibly 30 per cent of the men enlisted in Companies E, F and G of the Seventh Nebraska national guard regiment, stationed at Omaha, will be rejected as a result of the physical re-examination that has been in progress during the last few days by the medical staff. The governor's information is that approximately 150 men in the three companies will not be accepted for service in the army.

Court Reporters Must Pay War Tax Internal Revenue Collector Loomis

of Fremont has ruled that court reporters must pay the war tax on railroad tickets purchased when traveling on their regular official business, for the reason that the state makes no appropriation for their traveling expenses. In the case of district judges, for whom such an appropriation is made, the war tax does not likewise raised most of the food they apply because the money comes out served on the Thanksgiving table.

INTERNATIONAL

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LESSON FOR DECEMBER 9

EZRA AND NEHEMIAH TEACH THE LAW.

LESSON TEXT-Nehemiah 8:1, 4, 5, 6, 8-12. Read entire chapter.

GOLDEN TEXT—Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.—

The first day of the seventh month (8:2) was about October 444 B. C. Seven days feast (vv. 15-18) was the feast of the Tabernacles beginning the 15th of the seventh month (October) and continuing for seven or eight days (Lev. 23). Nehemiah was the governor; Ezra the scribe, chief priest; and Artaxerxes, king of Persia, ruler over Palestine. It would be interesting to look up the sudden interjection of Ezra's name into this discourse; also the special reasons for teaching the Bible. There is in this chapter a record of a full week and of the daily events of that week.

I. The Preparation. Go back to verse 70 of the preceding chapter, and you will find that the temple had just been receiving some large gifts. The task of finishing the wall was also completed, all of which gives point to verse one, where it says that the people gathered themselves together as one man. This was an ancient openair meeting, one we do well to study. The people requested Ezra to "bring the book." It needed no catch-penny operations to draw the crowd togeth-

er. The writer of Nehemiah calls the book "the law which the Lord hath commanded unto Moses." (See v. 1 cf. v. 14.) This, of course, would include Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy, an indication as to the Mosaic authorship of the Pentateuch, which is in line with the statement that Jesus Christ made that it was God who had written it as he had commanded Moses. It was not a mob; there was organization and equipment. (See v. 3 and 4.) The Bible was also read so that the people could understand it (v. 2); certainly something that is in demand in our present day. Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he stood on an elevation above them (v. 5) and read "distinctly."

II. The Reading of the Word. They read the book, not from some commentary or quarterly, though these have value in their place. The reading began with reverence. Reverence for but not a worship of the book. The Bible is not a fetish or a charm against sickness or accident. The verse "caused the people to understand the law," (v. 7) probably means that is was translated into the vernacular, the language of the common people. While God's word is a plain book and easy to read, nevertheless men of spiritual understanding are needed to "rightly divide" it unto the people (v. 7). However, the great interpreter of the Bible given by the Father is the Holy Spirit himself (John 16:12-15; I John 2:20-27). This method of beginning the study of the word and its continuance as presented in these verses is a good suggestion for modern Sunday school workers.

III. The Hearing of the Word. (vv. 9-17). As Ezra and Nehemiah and their associates and Levites taught the people, there was a five-fold result. First: There was conviction and mourning. The word of God always convicts of sin, but the people were told not to mourn over the past, nor were they to weep, for all the people wept (v. 9). When men hear the words of the law there will be conviction of sin. (See Eph. 6:7; Heb. 4:12.) Weeping may not, however, be conviction (2 Cor. 7:10). Weeping weakens, but that was not designed, rather the exhilaration of joy. Moreover, they were to seek the refreshment of food and drink. Indeed, the joy of the Lord was to be their strength (v. 10). "And there was very great gladness" (v. 17). In verse 11 we are told that the Levites exhorted the people to hold their peace, that the day was holy and that they should be grieved. To this the people responded (v. 12), and made great mirth, because they had understood the declaration of the word of the Lord. Notice that joy and gladness came after obedience, also that Nehemiah, the governor, had a part in the teaching. It is a great thing for any people when their civil rulers are genuine, intelligent, and spiritual leaders. The people were instructed to show their gratitude as well as their plety by remembering "those for whom nothing had been prepared" (v. 10). The fourth result was peace (v. 11)-the peace of right relation with God (Rom. 5:

The government of Argentina is fostering a more extensive development of that nation's oil fields and thereby increasing their production.

A couch equipped with mechanism that enables a person lying on it to stretch his own bones and muscles in an endeavor to add to his height has been invented.

A French physician has discovered a way to cure pulse beats sounds in the ears, which are due to defective blood circulation, with alternating electric currents,

JAILER'S LIFE IS SAVED BY WIFE

Woman Vanquishes Negro Prisoner Who Had Overpowered Her Husband.

Hopkinsville, Ky.-Bravery of Mrs. Annie Mullen, wife of Jaller A. E. Mullen, a few nights ago prevented a daring attempt by most of the prisoners to escape from Jall and probably saved the life of her husband.

Mr. Mullen was set upon while in the jail alone by three desperate negro prisoners. He is delicate. He was taken by surprise and was unarmed and easily overpowered.

Mrs. Mullen heard his cries for help and, without waiting even to pick up



Mrs. Mullen Seized the Fellow.

revolver or other weapon, she ran to his assistance. She arrived in time to seize one of the negroes as he was walking through the door leading from the cell room into a hallway, from which his escape to the outside would have been easy.

Without waiting to consider the possible results, Mrs. Mullen seized the fellow, a strapping six-footer, by the collar, twisted him around, gave him a push and a kick that sent him headlong across a narrow corridor to his knees and safely inside the steel cage where the prisoners are kept.

The other two negroes, who had dragged Mr. Mullen well inside the cage, loosened their grip and slunk into their cells. No opposition was offered at all as the steel doors were locked.

There were 12 negroes in the cage at the time, but only the three took part in the attack upon the jailer. Of the three negroes engaged in the attack upon the jailer two are charged with murder and the other with felonious assault.

FATHER COULD NOT CHOOSE

Parent Unable to Say Which of Two Sons Should Join Army and Which Should Stay at Home.

Cleveland .- John Stotz, a farmer residing in Huron county, Ohio, appeared before the district draft exemption board in Cleveland and asked that one of his two sons be relieved from military service in order that he might assist in the cultivation of 149 acres of land. Members of the board suggested that Stots name the lad to be favored but he declared he could never look their mother in the face if he picked either of them.

When Stotz could not make a decision, the board chose the youngest, Edward, aged twenty-two years, and sent the older, Robert, aged twentyfive, home with his father.

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Lad Found Three Rolls of Bills and Disposed of Two to Strangers for Shiny Coppers.

Syracuse, N. Y .- Six-year-old Emmett Green of this city found three rolls of bills and was hurrying home with his find, when a man offered him two cents a roll for the money. The boy accepted four cents for two rolls of the money, later found to have contained \$2,010. The third roll he took to his parents.

The money had been lost by Mrs. Mary Fusaro and belonged to her and her brother. It represented their savings of four years.

WILL AMPUTATE TOES TO JOIN MARINE CORPS

Portland, Ore .- A man with an usual amount of patroitism appeared at the United States Marine recruiting station here and asked to enlist. Examining surgeons found that the man's small toes overlapped the next. Lieutenant Hammond asked:

"Would you undergo an operation for the removal of those toes to get into the service?" "I'd cut the whole foot off to get in," declared the recruit. He

was sworn in without delay.

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Had To Give Up Was Almost Frantic With the Pain and Suffering of Kidney Com-

plaint. Doan's Made Her Well. Mrs. Lydia Shuster, 1838 Margaret St., Frankford, Pa., says: "A cold started my kidney trouble. My back began to ache and got sore and lame. My joints and ankles became swollen and painful and it felt as if needles were sticking into them. I finally had to give up and went

to them. I finally had to give up and went from bad to worse.

"My kidneys didn't act right and the secretions were scanty and distressing. I had awful dizzy spells when everything before me turned black; one time I couldn't see for twenty minutes. Awful pains in my head set me almost frantic and I was so nervous, I couldn't stand the least noise, How I suffered! Often I didn't care whether I lived or died.

died.

"I couldn't sleep on account of the terrible pains in my back and head. Nothing seemed to do me a bit of good until I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. I could soon see they were helping me; the backache stopped, my kidneys were regulated and I no longer had any dizzy spells or rheumatic pains. I still take Doan's occasionally and they keep my kidneys in good health."

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Trench Humor.

A soldier in a Scottish regiment tells a good story about a German soldier who threw a jam-tin into the British trenches one day. On examining it they found the following message:

kirk; what would happen to me if I came over tonight?" The reply went promptly: "There would be another widow in Falkirk to-

night !"

"Dear Jocks-I have a wife in Fal-

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