NEBRASKA NOTES

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS IN THE COMMON WEALTH.

HASTINGS BANKER IN TROUBLE

Pleads Guilty in Federal Court in Montana and is Fined $250—An Aged Farmer Suicides by Hanging—Miscellaneous Matter.

Nebraskan Fined in Montana.

HELENA, Mont.—Chris Koehler, a wealthy banker of Hastings, Neb., pleaded guilty in the federal court before Judge Hunt to the indictment charging him with illegally fencing the public domain. Judge Hunt sentenced Koehler to pay a fine of $250 and a jail sentence of twelve hours. He was removed to the custody of Marshal and taken to the Lewis and Clark county jail to serve his sentence. His fine was paid immediately.

It appeared to the court that the defendant bought large tracts of land from Dr. Parkberry, and that the fencing which was upon government land existed when he purchased from Dr. Parkberry. As soon as the defendant was notified by government agents that he had government land inclosed he consulted the land officials at Bozeman and proceeded at once to comply with their instructions, and has been removing his fences, intending to comply with the law in good faith.

Woman Changes Her Mind.

LINCOLN—Mrs. Orlander of Omaha wants her boy released from the Kearney Industrial school and she adopted heroic methods to move the governor to grant him a pardon. Upon having her application to the governor turned down, Mrs. Orlander announced she would remain in the office of the executive until she got the release of her son, and she promptly took a comfortable chair and began her wait. At noon the governor took her to the mansion for lunch, and again in the afternoon she took up her position in the office of the governor to wait for him to change his mind. Later, however, she gave up the idea of sitting him out and left the building.

Asylum Attendants Let Out.

NORFOLK—Dr. Alden, superintendent of the state insane hospital here, has already begun a housecleaning, having dismissed two attendants, Biggs and Cronk. These two attendants testified as to alleged cruelties. It was shown on the stand that Biggs had been asked to resign before he ever reported anything, as he was in the habit of leaving doors unlocked so that patients might escape, but Dr. Alden, after the rumors of mismanagement started, retained Biggs, so that it could not be said he had dismissed any one because of testimony that might be introduced.

Farmer is Found Strangled.

LEIGH—Carl Dietz, sr., an aged farmer, who resided three miles northwest of town, was found hanging in the corn crib, a short distance from the house. It seems almost impossible for him to have taken his own life in the position the body was in. His feet were resting on a pile of cobs and one hand was braced against the side of the crib. He had evidently strangled. As far as his family knows, there is no cause for the suicide. He was a man about 68 years old.

Mother and Sons Held for Theft.

SIDNEY—Mrs. Mary Ingraham and her two sons, Dan and Tad, were bound over to the district court, charged with stealing three 2-year-old steers, valued at $85, the property of Henry Heard. Mrs. Ingraham furnished the requisite $1,500 bail, but the boys were unable to get bonds and Sheriff McDaniel incarcerated them in the county jail. Mrs. Ingraham's ranch is near Bayard, fifty miles northwest of here, and she is known as the "Cattle Queen" of western Nebraska.

Prominent Omaha Lawyer Dead.

OMAHA—James Mills Woolworth, one of the builders of Omaha and one of the country's big lawyers, died last week. For two years his health was uncertain. Six months ago he made a trip to Florida and visited friends, returning to Omaha invigorated. Two months ago he took a change for the worse, but managed to attend his office until two weeks ago.

Do a Neighborly Deed.

AUBURN—Thirteen men, neighbors of Mrs. Nathan Riordan, who resides near Auburn, drove into her cornfield one day last week and proceeded to cultivate the growing crop, which had been neglected on account of the illness of her husband, whose death occurred recently.

Judge Holcomb Recovering.

David Ewing, formerly county judge of Merrick county, but now a practicing lawyer of Seattle Wash., called upon Deputy Attorney General Thompson while visiting Lincoln friends. Mr. Ewing said he saw Judge Holcomb recently in Seattle and his health is improving rapidly and nearly all traces of his rheumatism had left him. When Judge Holcomb left Lincoln he was in bad shape, and it was the opinion of his friends he would never fully recover.

OVER THE STATE.

Madison will this year celebrate the Fourth, the first since 1902.

A new Congregational church was dedicated near Danbury last Sunday.

Prisoners in the jail at Beatrice have been put to work on the streets.

Aurora proposes to spend about $500 in celebrating the Fourth of July.

Governor Mickey will take up his residence in Omaha on expiration of his term of office.

Johnson county, so far, has not been short on rain, and as a result crops are very promising.

Mrs. Miller of West Point, the oldest woman in Cuming county, last week fell and broke her arm.

The ordinance at Neligh which prohibits Sunday sales in the stores will be tested in district court.

The new $10,000 barn of Nels Jackson, ten miles southwest of Craig, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground.

More permanent sidewalks are being built in David City this year than on any previous year at this time, all of which are concrete or brick.

The enrollment at the Kearney State Normal school is already more than 400 and more than 200 more students are expected before the close of the term.

While driving the mail wagon for her husband, north of Columbus, Mrs. H. B. Reed was seriously injured. A bolt in the tongue came loose and the horses became frightened and ran away.

Improvements on and about the Madison county court house have been completed. They include new maple floors in the lower story, papering and laying of linoleum in the rooms on the second floor.

Miss Faith Gullerson, a prominent young woman of Beatrice, was found in an unconscious condition near the tracks on Fifth avenue. She had been riding a pony and was either thrown or fell to the ground.

Henry Van Steen, living north of Beatrice, had three ribs broken while swimming in the Blue river. He was preparing to make a high dive from a springboard when it broke and the young man fell upon some posts.

Seining in the Elkhorn river is the offense against the state game laws for which R. D. Vanderbeek of Stafford and Lee Downey and Hardin Longeman of Inman were each fined $25 and costs, amounting to $26.90.

Homer Armstrong, a boy 15 years of age, was brought to Beatrice from Marysville, Kan., by Sheriff Trude and lodged in the county jail, charged with stealing a horse from Alexander Armstrong, who resides near Odell.

Miss Josephine Murphey of Plattsmouth, who for some time has been employed as a stenographer in the supreme court, has resigned her position and Miss Mary Greer of the office of Governor Mickey will take her place.

By the latter part of July it is thought that the Omaha, Lincoln & Beatrice Interurban railway will be in operation, at least between Lincoln and Bethany. The track that far is already completed with the exception of two crossings.

Mrs. Henry Bruning of Bloomfield was taken to the asylum for the insane at Norfolk. She had been discharged from the asylum some three months ago, but recently became worse again and became so violent that it was thought best to return her to the asylum.

J. M. Conrad, cashier of the First National bank of Burwell, Neb., en route to Billings, died in his berth in the sleeper on train No. 43. Upon examination heart failure was found to have caused death. He was in perfect health and spirits apparently when he retired. Mr. Conrad with a party of friends was going to Billings to register in the land drawing to be held there soon.

Governor J. H. Mickey was in Council Bluffs last week completing a business deal. He has traded land in Keya Paha conuty for 800 acres of land in the Missouri valley on the Iowa side of the river opposite Florence, Neb. He will thus become a property owner in Iowa. It is said that Governor Mickey will remove to Omaha at the close of his term of office in January.

The navy recruiting office, headquarters at Omaha, has established a suboffice in the federal building at Hastings, where candidates for the navy may now be examined. Chief Quartermaster E. L. Benson, whose letter describing his experience in the navy was published some time ago and was highly commended, has been placed in charge of the office. Mr. Benson was an Omaha boy before entering the navy.

Recently there was a record-breaking day at the Grand Island postoffice, the former high water mark on receipts having been broken. One hundred and six money orders were issued, the cause of the unusually large number being the sending away of part of their savings by a large number of Greek laborers on the Union Pacific. Much of the money went direct to the families of the laborers in the old country.

According to the returns made to the secretary of the state board of assessment, none of the counties so far reporting contains an automobile within its borders. These counties are Hall, Johnson, Dakota, Butler and Rock.

Moore, the five-year-old gelding purchased by Thomas F. Murphy of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., from Charles Moore of Madison, Neb., has shown such phenomenal speed on the track that it is predicted he will go as fast as Dan Patch. In twenty-one races last season Moore won twenty.

NOTES FROM THE SUMMER RESORTS.

"Mine Host Roosevelt Is Doing Everything in His Power to Add to the Attractiveness and Popularity of His Establishment."—News Item.

WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY CONGRESS; IMPORTANT LEGISLATION ENACTED

Washington. — Important measures extending federal regulation and control have been enacted at the first session of the fifty-ninth congress, now rapidly drawing to a close.

The railroad rate and the meat inspection bills will soon become laws.

The pure food bill was agreed upon by the conferees for the senate and house. The house bill was taken as a basis of agreement, and into this were grafted many of the important sections of the senate measure.

There has been no marked division on party lines in effecting the above results, the differences being only as to ways and means rather than as to policy.

Besides branching off into this new field of legislative endeavor, the present session of congress has made itself important in other ways. It has added one, and perhaps two new states to the union and by so doing has disposed of four territories.

Great results to the people are expected from the removal of the tax on denatured alcohol, and if predictions are fulfilled, heat, light and power are to be supplied by alcohol made from the cornfields of the country, from sugar beets and sugar cane, from fruits and other vegetation.

By a deft turn of legislative points of view, the questions which have perplexed congress for some time regarding the Panama canal have been settled. The president may dig a lock canal as fast as he pleases. A joint resolution was agreed to requiring canal supplies to be made of American manufacture.

Congress has not dwelt with the foreign situation to any extent. An act making a much needed reorganization of the consular service was passed. Nothing was done in the Santo Domingo controversy and the legislation affecting our colonial possessions was meager and unimportant, although tariff revision for the Philippines received the attention and approval of the house, and an act was passed revising the tariff collected by the Philippine government. A coinage act for the islands also was passed.

A large number of bills were introduced in the two houses. The calendar records that the number has reached nearly 20,000, 500 more than were introduced during the entire three sessions of the last congress.

Before discussing the number of acts passed, it is interesting to note that with all the strenuous exertions of an appropriations committee in the house, with a new chairman—Representative Tawney—it has been impossible to hold the appropriations down to much less than $900,000,000, although "economy" was the watchword from the start.

Although there has been an effort to prevent the enlargement of what is known as the "permanent annual appropriations," this character of expense has increased during the session o the extent of nearly $5,000,000, making a total permanent annual appropriation of more than $140,000,000. As it happened, the increase in this appropriation came in one day in the house. The meat inspection bill carried a permanent annual appropriation of $3,000,000, and the same day the house passed the bill adding $1,000,000 to a like amount annually for the support of the state militia. Measures were introduced on which action will be pressed at the next session to repeal a portion of the permanent annual appropriations of the government.

Organized labor has succeeded in its requests of the present session of congress to the extent of securing the enactment of what is known as the "employers' liability bill." This enactment will make it possible for an employe to secure damages for his injury, notwithstanding his own negligence may have been in part responsible for that injury.

Another bill which has received the approval of the senate and will doubtless become a law before the end of the session is that limiting the hours of continuous service of railway trainmen to 16 consecutive hours' work, to be followed by 10 hours' rest. The much agitated eight-hour bill received a favorable vote from the labor committee of the house, but too late to secure action at the hands of congress. The anti-injunction bill was postponed in committee until the next session of congress upon a direct vote on that proposition.

SENDS ICE MEN TO PRISON

One Year in Workhouse and Big Fine for Violating Anti-Trust Law in Ohio.

Toledo, O.—In common pleas court Monday Judge Kinkade imposed the maximum sentence of $5,000 fine and one year in the workhouse on five icemen guilty of conspiracy in restraint of trade. The men sentenced are:

Joseph A. Miller, who was convicted; R. A. Beard, R. C. Lemmon, H. P. Breining and Peter H. Waters, who pleaded guilty. The judge said the sentences might be mitigated in the event the men made restitution.

The five men, all of them prominent in business and social circles, were taken to the county jail to await the making out of the necessary papers to commit them to the workhouse, unless, in the meantime, they meet Judge Kinkade's requirements of restitution to the public.

Gloats Over Army Agitation.

St. Petersburg.—M. Gamarteli, a member from the Caucasus, expressed satisfaction at the fact that the revolutionary agitation in the army and M. Feodorovsky in behalf of the ministry repudiated the assertion that there was dissatisfaction in the army. A priest named Afanasieff, implored the Cossacks to cease being the scourges of Russia and to join the Russian masses in the movement for freedom.

J. N. Free Is Dead.

Toledo, O.—J. N. Free, known all over the country as the "Immortal J. N.," died Wednesday at the Toledo state hospital for the insane. For years he traveled all over the United States, paying neither hotel bills nor railroad fares.

Custer's Sister Is Dead.

Monroe, Mich.—Mrs. David Reed, sister of Gens. George A. and Thomas Custer, who were killed in the Indian battle of the Little Big Horn, in Montana, June 25, 1876, died at her home here Wednesday, at the age of 80.

Murder and Suicide.

Comfort, Tex.—In the presence of the assembled wedding guests at the home of his intended bride, Joseph Reinhardt, who was to have married her, shot and killed Miss Ernestine Kutzer and then shot himself.

Three Die in Oil Tank.

Waterbury, Conn.—Three men were drowned in an oil tank here Wednesday. They were overcome by fumes and fell in. One man was rescued. The dead were Eugene Rowley, Fred Szott and Dennis Sullivan.

Safety Appliance Suits.

Washington. — Attorney General Moody has directed that suits be brought against a large number of railroads for violation of the safety appliance law through failure to keep their equipment in proper condition.

Must Fumigate Warships.

New Orleans.—Warships from suspected yellow fever ports which enter the Mississippi river must submit to the same quarantine regulations as any other vessel, according to decision of the Louisiana board of health.

WILL BRING ROADS TO TIME

ATTORNEY GENERAL ORDERS SUITS AGAINST RAILWAYS.

Violation of Safety Appliance Law Charged and Attempt to Recover Penalties Will Be Made.

Washington. — Attorney General Moody has directed that suits be brought against a large number of railroad companies to recover penalties for violation of the safety appliance law through failure to keep their equipment in proper condition. The largest number of violations attributed to any road is 52 against the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company. A statement issued by the department of justice says:

"Attorney General Moody is very much in earnest in the enforcement of these laws which were enacted for the purpose of saving life and limb. In his letter to the various United States attorneys under date of December 30, 1904, he said:

"The government is determined upon a strict enforcement of these statutes, which were enacted for the promoting of the safety of the traveling public in general, as well as for the protection of railway employes. Therefore, any case of violation which is brought to your attention by the interstate commerce commission or its inspectors, or by other parties, must be promptly and carefully investigated, and suit for the statutory penalty be instituted and earnestly pressed, if in your judgment the facts justify the course.

"'You are instructed accordingly, and you are expected to be vigilant and active in the matter."

OIL HEADS ARE SAFE.

Little Likelihood of Indictments Against Rockefeller and Other High Standard Officials.

Washington. — Although the department of justice has announced that it proposes to begin criminal proceedings against the officials of the Standard Oil, the intimation is given that it is doubtful if indictments may be found against such men in the Standard Oil company as John D. Rockefeller, H. H. Rogers and John D. Archbold.

An official of the department of justice has indicated that while the government would press the prosecutions vigorously, he did not have an idea that the officials of the Standard Oil company would be reached, in criminal proceedings, any more than the presidents of railroads, personally, are reached through similar proceedings.

"It may be," he said, measuring from the ground with his hand, "that we may get some of the officials half way up. We are not after mere clerks, but, if responsible officials have been violating the law, we desire to bring them to book."

The Standard Oil company will be prosecuted as a corporation for violation of the Elkins law forbidding rebates or the giving or receiving of discriminating rates. The method of prosecution adopted successfully at Kansas City before Judge Smith McPherson, which resulted in the conviction of the packing houses, is to be followed to a certain extent in the fight against the Standard Oil.

MURDERS HIS BRIDE TO BE

Young Man Then Shoots Himself in the Presence of Guests Assembled for the Wedding.

Comfort, Tex.—In the presence of the assembled wedding guests at the home of his intended bride, Joseph Reinhardt, who was to have married her, shot and killed Miss Ernestine Kutzer Tuesday evening and then shot himself, with probably fatal results.

Young Reinhardt walked into the room in which Miss Kutzer and the guests were assembled, drew a pistol from his pocket and pointed it at his sweetheart. She held up her hand as if to ward off the danger and three shots were fired at her. The first bullet entered her heart, killing her. Reinhardt then turned the pistol upon himself and fired two bullets into his own breast. The cause of the tragery is not known. The theory of neighbors is that the young man was demented. The people were highly respected.

Struck by a Train.

Bellefontaine, O.—John Burke and wife and baby, traveling by wagon from Indiana to Bucyrus, O., were struck by an Ohio Central train west of here Wednesday and all fatally injured. Burke was asleep on the seat holding the baby in his arms, and Mrs. Burke was lying on the bottom of the wagon when the train hit the wagon.

Need Not Settle with Trust.

St. Louis.—Judge Ryan decided in favor of a purchaser who contended that he does not have to pay for goods which he voluntarily bought from a concern which, he alleges, is a member of a so-called trust.

Moses in the Bushes.

Hickman, Ky.—"He is another Moses, be kind to him," reads a note pinned to a baby found fastened in a small boat in bushes along the Mississippi river. The paper indicates the child came from Cairo, Ill.

Noted Catholic Dead.

Washington.—Thomas E. Waggamann, of this city, former treasurer of the Catholic university, who failed for over $4,000,000 about a year ago, died Wednesday at a farm house near Annapolis, Md.

DEFI TO SENATE

HOUSE STANDS PAT ON INSPECTION AMENDMENT.

DECISIVE VOTE ON THE QUESTION

Vigorous Protest Against Placing Any Charge on the Packer—Those in Favor Thereof Able to Muster but Nineteen Votes.

WASHINGTON—By a vote of 193 to 45 the house voted to sand by the house conferees on the meat inspection amendment to the agricultural bill and the conferees were reappointed.

Mr. Wadsworth called up the partial conference report on the agricultural appropriation bill in the house Thursday and it was agreed to without discussion.

Mr. Wadsworta then moved that the house insist upon its disagreement to the meat inspection amendment. This was adopted on a division. Then Mr. Wadsworth sprung a surprise by sending to the desk a resolution that it is the sense of the house that the conferees do not recede from their amendments known as the meat inspection amendment and the house was face to face with a contest with the senate.

Mr. Wadsworth, after referring to the disagreement about the date going on the cans and insisting that it was not necessary, passed to the legal question involved. His platform was: The passage of the bill is necessary for the protection of our foreign commerce and for the benefit of public health.

A vigorous protest against placing any charge on the packer was made by Mr. Burelson (Tex.). The packer, he said, would immediately shift the burden on the cattle grower.

Mr. Humphrey (Wash.) talked about the "devils in hell" in conjunction with the packers paying the cost of inspection and inveighed against their insulting demands.

Mr. Henry (Tex.) wanted to be right on the question and said that he would vote that the government should pay the tax. He called attention to the quarantine bill, which provided that the government should pay the cost.

"Rally around the conferees," was the slogan of Mr. Payne (N. Y.). "Stand by the judgment of the house. Put the inspection upon the government, where it belongs, and make this inspection a model for the world."

The resolution that it was the sense of the house that the conferees refuse to recede was then adopted, 193 to 45. The advocates of making the packers pay for the inspection endeavored to secure a roll call, but only nineteen members demanded it.

Harvard Triumphant.

NEW LONDON, Conn.—Harvard's varsity triumphed over Yale Thursday before the greatest crowd that ever gathered here on a race day. Coming after years of defeat, the victory was particularly sweet to the crimson. It was a great Yale crew that Harvard defeated, a crew that had broken all records in practice, and went to the stake boat a favorite. Harvard's joy is unconfined.

Good Gasoline Off Market.

CLEVELAND—The Standard Oil company sent out circulars notifying all of its customers that high grade gasoline, testing from 74 to 76 degrees, has been withdrawn from the market. This action is taken as a result of the enormous demand for the product and the inability of the Standard Oil company to supply the same.

Escaped Convict Surrenders.

BASIN, Wyo.—John Matttox, claiming to be an escaped convict from the Kansas state penitentiary, gave himself up to Sheriff Fenton here a few days ago. Mattox said he was tired of being chased by sleuths.

Chairman Shonts Optimistic.

NEW YORK—That the Panama canal will be completed in eight years is the belief of Chairman Shonts of the canal commission as expressed Thursday. Mr. Shonts made this prophecy just before sailing for the isthmus on the steamer Panama, in company with Chief Engineer Stevens of the canal. Mr. Shonts said that the recent decision of congress that the canal shall be of the lock type will not result in any great increase in the working force in the immediate future.

Hoch Wants a Distillery.

TOPEKA, Kan.—Governor E. W. Hoch is in favor of the establishment of a state denatured alcohol distillery in Kansas. "Such a distillery," said the governor, "would furnish means or employing a large number of convicts, and the courts could not declare the law invalid on the grounds set up against the state oil refinery measure. This law would have the same effect that was expected of the oil refinery measure, in that it would reduce the price of light and fuel to the consumers."

Bank Was Good to Dowie.

CHICAGO—In the hearing of the Dowie case before Judge Landis in the federal court, E. E. Harwood, teller in the Zion City bank, was called as a witness. He testified that the books of the bank show that Dowie's account in the bank is overdrawn to the amount of $481,237. He said that since 1899 Dowie had drawn money from the bank at the rate of $84,000 a year. From the nature of the checks Mr. Hrawood said it appeared that this money had been used by Dowie for personal expenses.