NEBRASKA NOTES

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

STATISTICS OF LABOR BUREAU

Crop Acreage in Nebraska Shows a Material Increase — Hastings Husband Fatally Shoots a Man Found in the Company of His Wife.

What Crop Report Shows.

LINCOLN—Statistics received at the labor bureau on crop acreage show a material increase on winter wheat and corn and a decrease in spring wheat and only a slight increase in oats. According to these statistics the total corn acreage this year is 6,767,048 acres, an increase over last year of 294,561 acvres. The total acreage of winter wheat will be 1,8476,726, an increase of 104,870 acres over last year. The spring wheat acreage this year will be 298,182, a decrease of 51,833 acres from last year. The oat acreage this year will be 2,423,730, an increase of 3,106 acres.

The total increase in all the counties over last year in the corn acreage amounted to 499,059, but there was a total decrease in enough other counties to make a decrease of 194,498 acres, leaving the net increase of corn acreage of 294,561 acres.

The total increase in the acreage of winter wheat is 192,224 acres, while the decreases are 87,354 acres, leaving a net increase of 104,870 acres in winter wheat.

The total increase in spring wheat aounted to 41,400 acres, but the total decrease amounted to 93,133 acres, leaving a net decrease of 51,833 acres.

The total increase in the oat crop amounted to 90,509 acres, while the total decrease amounted to 87,403, leaving a net increase of 3,106 acres over last year.

A Transgressor Fatally Shot.

HASTINGS—Raging with jealousy when he found his wife alone in his home with Walter R. McCulla, Barney Pearson shot and probably fatally wounded McCulla. Suspecting that things were not right, Pearson called on Rev. Mr. Lemkau, pastor of the First Evangelical church, before going home from work and asked the minister to accompany him to his house.

When Rev. Mr. Lemkau and Pearson reached the latter's home, Pearson stationed Lemkau at the west window, stating that he would watch the north of the house. Peering through a window Pearson saw his wife and McCulla alone in the room.

Securing a shotgun from some hiding place outside the house, Pearson fired through the window. McCulla fell to the floor with the charge of shot in his right side and abdomen, but staggered from the house and walked two blocks up the street, where he fell fainting to the ground. His wounds are thought to be fatal.

Preachers Would Join Navy.

WASHINGTON—Some time ago a widely published paper stated that the navy department was in want of chaplains and that a number of ships and stations were without spiritual advisers. This has resulted in the department being flooded with letters and applications for situations. Some of these have come from ministers who are earnest in their solicitation for the positions and other applications are somewhat freakish in their suggestions. Quite a brisk correspondence has resulted.

Stranger is Killed at Valley.

VALLEY—A stranger in the town, who had been looking for work at painting, was killed by train No. 11. He was slightly intoxicated and while talking to a number of railroad workmen slipped on the track as the train approached. He was not conscious from the time he was struck and died in a few minutes.

Live Stock at the Fair.

The live stock department at the state fair this year is already assuming vast proportions. It has been necessary for the management to build three more permanent swine pens, which increases the capacity so that about 1,500 head can now be exhibited, and there have been requests for 250 additional pens filed with the

Will Contest State Law.

PLATTSMOUTH—Dr. A. P. Barnes, whose appeal from the decision of the state veterinary board was overruled by that body, has decided to contest the state law which requires that all old veterinary practitioners must pass an examination of 70 per cent. He has employed the services of an attorney and will appeal the case to the courts.

Committee to Meet Bryan.

Mayor Brown of Lincoln, accompanied by a party of democrats, will go to New York to greet William J. Bryan. They probably will leave Lincoln August 24. A number of prominentg Nebraskans will be in the party.

Backle Wants Pardon.

William F. Backle of Beatrice, sentenced to the penitentiary for three years for statutory assault, wants a pardon and with the girl in the case, who has become his wife, appealed to the governor. Backle is now out under bonds pending his appeal to the supreme court. The governor has taken the matter under advisement, but intimated the defendant would have to secure his relief through the court channels. Backle was married to the girl two days after his conviction in the lower court.

OVER THE STATE.

Prohibitionists of Gage county, have placed a ticket in the field.

The York Chautauqua association has incorporated with a capital stock of $3,000 and has filed articles in the office of Secretary of State Galusha.

Mrs. Anna Lang, an old resident of Beatrice, committed suicide at her home by hanging herself to the door knob with a strip of braid torn from her dress.

George Mackey, who was drowned at Tilden, was a son of the late Sid Mackey, who killed his wife and then committed suicide in Jefferson county a few weeks ago.

Jefferson county sent her first patient to the lesane hospital at Lincoln under the new, inebriate law in the hearing hau ah am ah am ahmhmhrd person of Lige Flansburg.

James Murrell, an old-time resident of Alexandria, and also a prominent and prosperous farmer, made at attempt at suicide. Domestic troubles is assigned as the cause for his attempt.

Warren Moody, the young attorney ambushed and murdered a few days ago at Shoshoni, was quite well known, in Beatrice. He was married there June 28, 1905, to Miss Candee, a niece of Mrs. Starr.

It is estimated that thousands of bushels of fine peaches will go to waste in Otoe county this fall. Trees are breaking down with unusual heavy loads of fruit, and the price offered for peaches is so low that it does not pay to gather them.

Congressman Pollard has received word from Washington that examinations will be held in Grand Island, Lincoln, and Omaha, on August 8 to fill vacancies as they may occur in the position of veterinary inspector in the bureau of animal industry.

The thirty-seventh annual report of the State Horticultural society has just been completed by Secretary L. M. Russell. A part of it is now in the hands of the printers and it is hoped that the report will be ready for distribution by state fair time.

Senator Burkett has appointed Thmas D. McGuire of Wymore to take the naval academy examination at Annapolis. Philip R. Baker of Lincoln, is the first alternate. If either fails to pass the examinations required two more alternates will be named.

Dr. Mabel Dunn of the Lincoln asylum notified the governor of her intention to leave the institution and Dr. Hallie Ewing of the Hastings asylpm will take her place. Dr. Dunn has been with the Lincoln asylum for five years. Her resignation takes effect August 16.

Failing to receive an answer to letters written to his mother and daughter at Orric, Mo., Jense Jensen of Fremont left for the Missouri town to learn the cause. Under a burden of sorrow Mr. Jenson returned to announce that both his mother and daughter were dead.

Near Utica, Mr. Schleckty's nineteen-year-old boy in some manner fell into a self-feeding machine. The machine was stopped almost instantly and he was taken out. It was found that he received a bad gash across his elbow joint and one across the fleshy part of his arm.

Raymond Nelson was pilcted to Lincoln and the penitentiary Friday by Sheriff McDonald of Douglas county. With his departure to begin serving his life term the last of the four boy bandits who killed Nels Lausten of Omaha, in a midnight hold-up last winter, has started to take his punishment.

Captain J. P. Hungate of Weeping Water has made the highest score of the sixty-two men who have qualified as marksmen and are eligible to contest at Columbus, August 18, for positions on the state team, which will be sent to Sea Girt, N. J., according to the reports received from the companies by Lieutenant Mullowney, inspector of small arms in the Nebraska National guard.

In the eight suits brought by the United States against ranchmen in the western part of Nebraska, and in which decrees were entered May 8, L. C. Wheeler, agent in charge of the secret service work connected with the land prosecutions, reports that the unlawful fences have been taken down. Ever since the decrees were entered his force of ten men have been investigating to ascertain if ranch owners were complying with the order of the federal court.

A channel cat fish weighing 87 pounds, caught near the mouth of the Platte river has been secured by the state fisheries and will be exhibited at the state fair. The announcement made some time ago that the state fisheries would no longer exhibit at the state fair on account of poor accommodations furnished by the state board of agriculture was made by Chief Game Warden Carter but the present preparations for the annual exhibit is an indication that the announcement will not stand.

At North Platte, while a heavy wind and rain storm raged, John McIlvane, a popular young man of that city, employed as a switchman in the Union Pacific yards, was killed while attempting to throw a switch.

John Woods, register of deeds at Broken Bow, is looking for a midnight intruder who nearly frightened the life out of his daughters during the night. The screams of the girls awoke the parents, who, rushing into the room, found a man fumbling with the bedclothes. The intruder made his escape through a window

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RIOT AT MICHIGAN MINE

STRIKING TRAINMEN ATTACK MEN GOING TO WORK.

One Man Killed and Several Injured in Clash—Forty Land in Prison.

Calumet, Mich.—Rockland, a little mining town in Ontonagon county, was the scene of wild disorder Tuesday night, when the striking trammers at the Michigan copper mine attacked the miners who were going to work under the protection of Sheriff McFarland and a heavy guard of deputies. A mad riot ensued, which lasted some time. As a result one man was killed and another mortally wounded. Several more were shot, and 40 of the strikers are now under arrest in the town hall at Rockland.

The trouble started on Monday, when the trammers struck for higher pay. The miners and other employes wanted to work, as they were satisfied with their wages, but did not for fear of the trammers. Tuesday night Sheriff McFarland and a large party of deputies who had been sworn in at Ontonagon and Rockland went to the mine to guard the men who desired to work. As the miners went to the dry house to put on their working clothes several stones were thrown at them by the strikers. After changing their clothes the miners started for the shaft house, when the strikers attempted to rush them. The trammers were armed with stones, clubs, knives and revolvers. In the general melee several shots were fired by strikers. The sheriff and deputies then returned the fire.

The battle raged fiercely for a time, but the trammers were soon beaten back, and as many as could made a break for liberty and made good their escape. Sheriff McFarland and deputies held 40 of the rioters, who were quartered in the town hall and taken to the county jail at Ontonagon under guard Wednesday. Owing to many wounded being carried from the field by strikers, and their condition not being reported, it is difficult to sum up the casualties. One man was killed Tuesday night, another is expected to die. Many were injured by revolver shots, stones, clubs and fistic encounters. The Michigan mine physician, Dr. E. J. Evans, is administering to needs of wounded. Conditions at mine and in village of Rockland were quiet Wednesday. The sheriff has closed all of the places of business, and citizens are helping to restore order.

HEARST TO BE THE CANDIDATE

Independent League to Nominate Full State Ticket in New York.

New York.—William R. Hearst has decided to run for governor as an independent candidate. The state committee of the Independent league, a Hearst organization, met yesterday at the Gilsey house and decided the league shall hold a state convention in this city Sept. 11 to nominate Hearst for governor and put a full state and judiciary ticket in the field.

It was announced that the league will seek no affiliation with the regular democratic party—that it will go ahead as an independent movement. If the democrats see fit to indorse Hearst and the league ticket, well and good, but no favors will be sought from the heads of the democratic machine.

Demand for Harvest Hands.

St. Paul, Minn.—The annual call for harvest hands is beginning to be raised from Minnesota and North and South Dakota, and this season there are indications that the need will be more urgent than ever. Within the next 60 days 20,000 to 30,000 men will be in demand.

Cuban Post for Missourian.

Oyster Bay, L. I.—President Roosevelt Wednesday appointed Fred Morris Dearing of Missouri as second secretary of the American legation at Havana, Cuba. Mr. Dearing is now private secretary to Senor Quesada.

Coinage During July.

Washington.—The monthly statement of the director of the mint shows that during July the coinage executed at the mints of the United States amounted to $6,303,164, as follows: Gold, $6,175,000; silver, $128,164.

SHORT SHIFT FOR NEGRO FIEND

Quick Trial, Conviction and Hanging for Assaulter of Woman.

Mayfield, Ky.—The hanging of Allen Mathis, the negro who criminally assaulted Miss Ethel McClain last Wednesday, July 25, took place at eight o'clock Tuesday night in a legal manner in the yard of the county jail. It was only 50 minutes from the time the jury was sworn in until the negro was pronounced dead. Mathis arrived here at 6:40 Tuesday night in charge of Deputy Sheriffs Oscar Elmore and John Galloway, and the military company of Hopkinsville. The local military met the train and the negro was marched to the courthouse.

Mathis was carried upstairs in the big courtroom before Judge Bugg, who was in readiness, and at 7:15 o'clock the jury had been selected and sworn in.

The court appointed W. S. Foy, one of the local attorneys, to represent the defendant, and after a minute or two of consultation it was agreed that Mathis should plead guilty.

The jurors were ordered to their room and, after being out 20 minutes, they returned a verdict of guilty, fixing punishment at death.

ROOSEVELT IS OUT OF THE RACE

President Will Not Accept Republican Nomination for Third Term.

Peoria, Ill.—A positive announcement from President Roosevelt that he will not be a candidate for the third term was made Monday in a letter addressed to Mrs. L. A. Kinney, of Peoria, by Secretary William Loeb for President Roosevelt. The text of the letter follows:

"Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 26.—Dear Madam: Your letter of recent date has been received and I thank you in the president's behalf for calling attention to the enclosed clipping. I would say, however, that the president has nothing to add to the statement issued on the night of the election in 1904. His decision as announced at that time is irrevocable."

This expression from President Roosevelt was called forth by an editorial in the Peoria Herald-Transcript which was called to the attention of the president through Mrs. Kinney, wife of a prominent Peoria politician. The editorial was in the form of an appeal to the president to accept the third term.

BAD TRAIN WRECK IN NEW YORK

Landslide Causes Locomotive to Turn Turtle and Roll Into River.

Fishkill Landing, N. Y.—Pacific express train No. 37 of the New York Central, which left New York at 9:32 o'clock Sunday night, was wrecked shortly before midnight a short distance above Chelsea, and 11 miles below Poughkeepsie by running into a landslide which had been swept down from a high embankment by a terrific rainstorm in the afternoon.

The engine of the flyer was thrown from the rails and plunged into the river. Fireman Mills was killed outright and Engineer Edward Wells was so badly injured that he will die.

The locomotive turned turtle and rolled into the river.

Fifteen passengers were seriously injured and a score of others received minor hurts.

State Secures Judgment.

Springfield, Ill.—The state of Illinois Wednesday secured judgment against former State Treasurer Henry Wulff and Floyd K. Whittemore, his bondsman, for $6,532.40 before Judge Creighton in the Sangamon circuit court.

The suit was filed by the state of Illinois to recover fees held by former State Treasurer Wulff, before prohibited by a special act of the legislature. These fees were collected for the registration of county, township and municipal bonds.

Taggart to Wed Castilian.

Wooster, O.—Information purporting to come from an army officer has it that Capt. Elmore F. Taggart, of divorce fame, is soon to wed a Spanish senorita of great wealth and beauty, whom he met in Manila.

To Probe Alleged Lumber Trust.

San Francisco.—United States District Attorney Robert T. Devlin has begun an investigation of the alleged combination of lumber dealers, and if he finds that the facts warrant prosecution, will take action.

MRS. COREY GIVEN DIVORCE

MILLIONAIRE STEEL KING AND WIFE ARE SEPARATED.

Sixteen-Year-Old Son Placed in Mother's Custody—No Contest by Husband.

Reno, Nev.—Mrs. William Ellis Corey, wife of the president of the United States Steel corporation, obtained a decree of divorce and custody of her 16-year-old son, Allan Corey, in the Second district court of Nevada Monday afternoon. The jury was out but a few minutes, only one ballot being taken.

Mr. Corey made no attempt to contest the case and after Mrs. Corey's testimony was heard the case went to the jury without argument.

Mrs. Corey was in tears when told that she had been given a decree and the custody of her 16-year-old son, Allan Corey. She drove at once to her home on Riverside avenue, where she says she will continue to reside. No evidence was submitted by the defense and there was no argument.

The question of alimony was not introduced. Mrs. Corey made an interesting admission, however, touching upon this phase of the case, stating that in May, 1906, several weeks before her petition for divorce was filed, she negotiated through her attorneys a financial settlement with her husband. She was not asked what the nature of this settlement was.

At the conclusion of the trial Attorney Sardis Summerfield, of Reno, stated that his client, William E. Corey, was as anxious for the decree of divorce as his wife. "If the decree is granted," he said, "Mr. Corey will be entirely satisfied. He has consented to the divorce. This understanding between Mr. Corey and the attorneys of Mrs. Corey was reached some time ago."

WILL INVESTIGATE DIETZ CASE

Gen .Davidson Will Act with Caution Regarding Sending of Troops.

Madison, Wis.—Gov. Davidson will appoint a commission to investigate the Dietz situation at Cameron dam.

For the present, at least, there is no intention on the part of the executive to send troops to capture Dietz. Whether troops will be sent later will depend on the report of the investigating commission.

Several posses have attempted to serve Dietz with legal papers in a civil process within the past two years, but each time failed.

Raddisson, Wis.—After crawling on hands and knees for a great distance through the forest, Duyo Rogich, of Milwaukee, wounded in three places by Clarence Dietz, reached the homestead of Charles Johnson, and was later carried into Winters, where he secured medical attention. Slight hope is entertained for his recovery. He had been terribly exposed when he reached the Johnson place, and his wounds had become filed with dirt.

MEAT INSPECTION IN GERMANY

Strict Regulations Regarding Examination Are Put Into Effect.

Berlin.—The revised regulations for the application of the meat inspection law, recently adopted by the bundesrath, were published Monday and show a considerable increase of severity in the provisions of the law.

The regulations provide that when the important organs have been removed from a carcass, inspection can be made only by a veterinary expert, instead of the ordinary examiners, and that the meat of such carcasses can only be pronounced fit for food under certain specific conditions.

A much more thorough examination of the lymphatic glands of an animal also is required. These glands from all of the carcass must be subjected to inspection by microscope. The glands as well as other organs must remain attached to fresh and prepared meats, so far as is necessary for trustworthy inspection.

FORCED TO GIVE UP BY POVERTY

Former Mayor of Paterson, N. J., Surrenders to Jail Warden.

Paterson, N. J.—William H. Belcher, former mayor of this city, returned to Paterson Monday and surrendered to David Morris, night warden of the county jail. Belcher was forced by poverty to give himself up. He had been in New York for several days. He said he had no means with which to make restitution of the funds he is alleged to have obtained before he fled from the city, and would answer the charges against him.

Thaw Has His Way.

New York. — Yielding to the persuasion of her son, Harry Thaw, Mrs. William Thaw Wednesday dispensed with the services of the firm of Black, Olcott, Gruber and Bonynge, whom she had retained to conduct the defense of the young man on the charge of murdering Stanford White.

Bering Sea Railroad.

Paris.—In accordance with an order issued by the emperor of Russia the American syndicate represented by Baron Loicq de Lobel is authorized to begin work on the Trans-Siberian-Alaska railroad project.

Dynamite in Stove Wood.

Toledo, O.—A stick of wood containing dynamite caused an explosion in the home of Mrs. Carl Ostman, and pieces of the wrecked stove struck Mrs. Ostman and her daughter, seriously injuring them.

BY HIS OWN HAND

SON OF LYMAN J. GAGE COMMITS SUICIDE.

THE DEED IS DONE IN SEATTLE

Young Man Supposed to Have Been Temporarily Insane—Had Been in the West for Some Time in Hiding From Wife's Detectives.

SEATTLE, Wash.—E. A. Gage, son of Lyman J. Gage, former secretary of the treasury, committed suicide at 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon in Tourist hotel by shooting himself through the body with a 38-caliber revolver He died a few minutes later. The only cause for the shooting which can be assigned was that he was temporarily insane from drinking. His wife came here from Chicago last Monday and employed detectives to locate her husband. Gage evidently knew that the detectives were on his track, as he registered at the hotel under the assumed name of J. W. Gorst. He went there July 29. Before that time he was stopping at the Greystone, where he stayed when he reached Seattle from Chicago on July 7. Leaving there on July 16, he went to one of the other hotels of the city and also registered under an assumed name.

He was discovered by Walter Brown, the bell boy in the hotel, who heard the shot and rushed into the room, finding the man lying apparently dead. Officer Keefe was then iotified and he called up the ambulance By the time it arrived Gage was dead. The revolver was a 38-caliber Colts, which was evidently new. A large dagger also new, was found in the bureau. There is nothing in his room except four empty whisky bottles and a quart flash, which was half full of liquor On his person was found a bank book of the National Bank of Commerce, which showed that he had deposited more than $1,000 when he arrived here. On July 24 he had requested the bank to give him a statement of his balance remaining, and it amounted to $211.85, according to their reply.

SAN DIEGO, Cal.—Lyman J. Gage, when called up at Point Loma last night, stated over the telephone that the name of the Seattle suicide corresponded with that of his son, but he thought it strange if it is the latter that is dead that nobody in Seattle notified him.

PLANS FOR BRYAN'S RECEPTION.

New York Committee Decides to Issue Reserved Seat Tickets.

NEW YORK—At a meeting of the executive committee of the William J. Bryan reception committee Thursday, it was decided to issue reserved seat tickets to Madison Square garden where Mr Bryan is to deliver his address.

Madison Square garden has a seating capacity of 12,000 Lewis Nixon reported that about 1,000 prominent democrats from all parts of the country had been invited The question of whether any reserved seat tickets should be issued was discussed at scome length, but the suggestion of the finance committee that the whole house be ticketed, prevailed. Alexander Troup, treasurer, reported that the expense of the reception would not be less than $10,000.

Wilson in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA—Secretary James Wilson of the Department of Agriculture, accompanied by Dr. C. H. Chaufler, chief federal meat and cattle inspector of this city, visited a number of abbatoirs, slaughter houses and packing houses and sausage factories here.

Armours to Build in St. Paul.

ST. PAUL — It was learned definitely from St Paul business men that Armour & Co., of Chicago, through their agents, have paid down about 40,000 as option money for the purchase of a large tract of land near the Minnesota Transfer company's yards lying in the northwest part of St Paul, and partly in Minneapolis, for the purpose of building a proposed slaughtering and packing plant. Land owners in that vicinity have become aware of the company's intentions and are holding out for higher prices.

Honors for Secretary Root.

RIO DE JANEIRO—Secretary Root, Lloyd C. Griscom, the American ambassador, and Senor Nabuco, president of the Panamerican congress, visited the Brazilian Parliament and were received with great courtesy. Secretary Root made a short address.

More Fever Cases.

NEW ORLEANS — Three more cases of fever were taken off the steamer Whitehall at quarantine Thursday, making a total of twelve, all believed to be chagres fever.

Many Soldiers Deserting.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Reports are being received by the military authorities at the Presidio of the frequent desertion of troops stationed at American lake, in Washington, the summer military camp, where several regiments of the national guard and regulars are stationed for instruction. The most notable instance of this is in company I of the Twenty-second infantry. At present only fifty-seven men and officers are left to carry the name of this company. There were originally sixty-five