

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

STATE
Governor: Silas A. Holcomb
Secretary of State: James E. Harris

CONGRESSIONAL
Senators: Wm V. Allen, Madison; John M. Thurston, Omaha.

JUDICIAL
Supreme Court: T. L. Norval, Chief Justice; Harrison and Polk associates.

LEGISLATIVE
Representative Fifty-second District - O P Billings, Norden.

LAND OFFICE
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COUNTY
Treasurer: G. P. Crabb
Sheriff: Geo. Elliott

PRECINCT
Overseers of Highways: E Hansen and J Ray
Constables: R Towne

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Town Board: E Sparks, president; C W Cornell, treasurer; T C Hornby, clerk; D S Ludwig and P S Simons.

SOCIETIES
IMP. O. R. I. M.
Sitting Bull Tribe No. 22, Improved Order of Red Men, meets every second and fourth Friday evening of each month at Davenport Hall.

A. F. & A. M.
Minnekadusa Lodge, No. 192, A. F. & A. M. meets in regular communication, Saturday evening of each month at Davenport Hall.

O. E. S.
Northern Star Chapter, No. 58, Order of the Eastern Star, meets on second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month in Hornby's hall.

A. O. U. W.
Valentine Lodge, No. 70, A. O. U. W. meets on 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month.

D. OF H.
Valentine Lodge No. .... Degree of Honor, holds regular meetings first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.

I. O. O. F.
Valentine Lodge No. 205 I. O. O. F. meets every Thursday evening. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend our meetings.

G. A. R.
Col. Wood Post No. 208 Department of Nebraska regular meeting 2d and 4th Saturdays of each month at 2 p. m. sharp. Comrades from other Posts are cordially invited to attend.

M. W. A.
Valentine Camp No. 1751 Modern Woodmen of America, meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month at Davenport's Hall.

K. of P.
Cherry Lodge No. 189 Knights of Pythias meets every Tuesday evening at Davenport Hall.

Arrival and Departure of Mails.
Mail east and west closes at 8 p. m.
Rosebud leaves at 8:00 a. m. daily, except Sunday, and arrives at 3:30 p. m.

PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS CARDS.
ED. CLARKE, Attorney-at-Law, All kinds of legal business promptly attended to.

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Teachers Examination. The regular monthly Teachers Examination will be held the third Saturday of each month at my office in the Court House.

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NEBRASKA CONGRESS

DAILY REPORT OF WHAT IS BEING DONE.

Many Measures of More or Less Importance Being Introduced at the Present Session of the Golden Rod Legislature.

Wednesday. The leading feature in both branches of the legislature Wednesday was the reception of the governor's message on finances of the state.

The following bills were passed by the senate: Providing that "cities and villages are empowered and authorized to receive by gift or devise real estate within their corporate limits, or within five miles thereof, for purposes of parks or public grounds."

House roll No. 206 was the first bill considered under the call for bills on third reading in the house. The bill was introduced by Hull, and provides that county commissioners shall be allowed \$3 per day for time actually employed in official business, and in counties having a population of over 70,000 the salary shall be fixed at \$1,200 per annum.

Thursday. Proceedings of the senate were purely routine. President Peterson Hanson occupying the presiding officer's chair most of the day.

Friday. A large audience of spectators gathered in the senate chamber Friday afternoon to listen to the Jeffcoat-Evans contest. The report of the committee on privileges and elections was taken up. After it had been read, Mr. Dearing, chairman of the committee which made the report, moved that

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Justice Harlan Tells How They Are Arrived At by His Associates.

Justice Harlan, of the Supreme Court of the United States, at a banquet in Cincinnati, Ohio, gave the following interesting account of the method pursued by that body in deciding cases before it.

"In my intercourse with the members of the bar I found to my great surprise that the impression prevails with some that cases, after being submitted, are divided among the judges, and that the court bases its judgment in each case wholly upon the report made by some judge to whom that case has been assigned for examination and report.

"It is my duty to say that the business in our court is not conducted in any such mode. Each justice is furnished with a printed copy of the record, and with a copy of each brief filed, and each one examines the records and briefs at his chambers before the case is taken up for consideration.

"The house spent most of the day in committee of the whole with Wheeler in the chair. The Trans-Mississippi Exposition bill was made a special order for Tuesday, February 23. The following report of the committee on insane hospitals was read and adopted: "In the matter of certain complaints against the superintendent regarding the government of the institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Omaha: Your committee would recommend that in view of the complaints presented to it in writing by persons formerly connected with said institution as employees thereof, which reflect on the management of said institution by the superintendent, in justice to the superintendent and in order that the whole truth may be known, a committee of five be appointed by the speaker from the committee on deaf and dumb and insane hospitals to visit said institution, inspect the same and the books and receipts, to take testimony of witnesses and do all things necessary to make a full, fair, impartial investigation covering the management of said institution, and report to the house at the earliest possible date, at the expense of the state."

The following is a statement by ex-Treasurer Bartley in regard to his alleged shortage of state funds: "When Treasurer Meserve took charge of the office he requested that all moneys which are covered by depository bonds be paid to him in cash, amounting to some \$70,000. I informed him that the times were such that it was very hard to make a settlement in that way, but I would comply with his request, although it might take some time to do so. I had some of these lines and collected and turned over to him about \$122,000 and am settling with him as fast as it is possible for a man in my position to do so without endangering the loss of funds. There is no necessity of making a mountain out of a mole hill, every dollar that is due from me to the state will be paid in reasonable time. There is not a penny of the public funds intrusted in my care that cannot be accounted for, and while I have heretofore avoided any newspaper discussion of my affairs, I desire to say that the state of Nebraska has not and will not lose one dollar through any short comings of myself.

When Mr. Meserve took possession of the office there was due from myself to the state in all funds, including bonds and securities, some \$5,000.00. Of this amount I have accounted for and turned over to Mr. Meserve some \$4,500.00, leaving a balance due of \$500.00. This is about the amount I owe the state.

The governor's message to the legislature apprising it of the shortage concludes thus: "I also deem it my duty in this connection to inform you that I am advised by the state treasurer that he has not been able to make a complete settlement with his predecessor for moneys belonging to the state and due from the retiring to the incoming treasurer. Under date of January 30 the state treasurer informs me that there was due to the state from his predecessor at the expiration of his term of office \$1,538,304.10; that of this amount there was in depository banks \$1,046,616.89, leaving unaccounted for \$491,687.21.

I am also informed that a general fund warrant on interest amounting to the sum of \$201,884.06—the sum being for an appropriation made by the last legislature to reimburse the sinking fund on account of losses by the failure of the Capital National Bank—has been paid out of the fund in the state treasury and is yet unaccounted for, making a total amount due the state, outside of moneys in depository banks of the sum of \$693,571.26, less the cash payments of \$153,800.13 heretofore mentioned, leaving a balance due the state of \$539,771.13.

In order that the state's interests may be fully protected it would seem to me to be advisable and of great assistance to the executive and legal departments of the state if your honorable body should appoint a joint committee to investigate and ascertain all needful facts respecting this subject, with such authority and power in the premises as may be by you deemed for the interests of the state."

Saturday. Jones of Wayne, introduced a bill in the house for an act to compensate the producers of sugar beets and chicory roots and to provide for an appropriation of \$75,000 for this purpose. Another bill, introduced by Hull of Harlan, provides that all judgments in courts of record and justice courts shall be assessed and taxed at the full amount shown by the record of the court, and shall be subject to sale the same as other personal property, and said judgment can be seized and sold for taxes at any time when said taxes are delinquent.

Clark of Richardson, moved that a sifting committee of seven be appointed by the speaker to advance bills on the general file and the motion carried. Wooster's motion that the house adjourn Monday afternoon in informal session to celebrate Washington's birthday by singing, speaking and other exercises was voted down. Sheldon asked unanimous consent to introduce a resolution which was read by the clerk as follows: "Whereas, Joseph Crow, John H. Butler, Levi Cox and Frank Burman were seated in this house upon proper credentials at the opening of this session and subsequently by vote of this house seated, and

Whereas, The attorney general has rendered an opinion that they are not entitled by law to the pay for the time they were sitting as members of this house and engaged in transacting the state's business which they were required to do by the law and rules of this house;

Resolved, That said Joseph Crow, John H. Butler, Levi Cox and Frank Burman be paid from the incidental funds of this legislature \$5 per diem for the time they were sitting members of this house, together with mileage to and from their homes at 10 cents per mile, after deducting any amounts they may have already drawn on account of services here.

The resolution was carried with but a few dissenting votes. A number of bills were then, on second reading, referred to appropriate committees. The house then went into committee of the whole to consider bills on general file, and upon arising the house adjourned until Tuesday at 10 a. m.

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