

The deposits in the Nebraska banks increased nearly \$828,000 last quarter. A pretty good evidence of continued prosperity.

UNCLE SAM'S BALANCE SHEET.

The American people have good reason for being pleased at the financial condition of their government at the beginning of its business year 1903, which has just started. In the past twelve months the government's income exceeded its outgo to the extent of a little over \$82,000,000. This is a falling off of \$8,000,000 from the estimate made by Secretary of the Treasury Gage last November in his annual report, but this has been due to a reduction in the internal revenue receipts, which was caused by the passage of the repeal of the war revenue act by congress about three months ago. The twelve months of 1901-02, however, make a much better showing than any since 1897-98, when the excess of revenue over expenditure was \$111,000,000. There was a steady decline from that time for several years which brought the surplus down to \$2,000,000 for the year ending on June 30, 1893. There was a deficit of \$69,000,000 in 1893-94, of \$42,000,000 in 1894-95, of \$25,000,000 in 1895-96, of \$18,000,000 in 1896-97, of \$38,000,000 in 1897-98, on account of the preparations for the Spanish war, and of \$69,000,000 in 1898-99, because of the war expenditures.

Then republican financing brought a turn in the tide. The revenues exceeded the expenditures in the fiscal year 1899-1900 to the extent of \$79,000,000, and they were ahead of expenditures to the extent of \$77,000,000 during the year 1900-1901, while the surplus is \$92,000,000 for the twelve months just closed. This is a particularly gratifying condition. A pleasing reduction in the government debt, less cash in the treasury, has also been made in the past twelve months. There has been a handsome gain in the gold fund of the treasury, too, in the past six or eight months, which is now at the highest figure ever touched. The aggregate gold coin and bullion in the treasury is in the neighborhood of \$567,000,000. This is by far the largest sum of that metal held in the depository of any nation in the world. The tendency, moreover, is upward. The amount of notes redeemed in gold at the treasury in the year just ended seems to be smaller than in any other twelve months since the resumption of specie payments in 1879. This is an indication of the general confidence of the public in the business situation which is particularly impressive.

Republican prosperity reflects itself in the condition of the government, but not only good look for any harmful looking of money in the treasury. The republican congress has granted the relief in the way of tax reduction which the people demanded, and as a consequence an act which has just gone into operation sweeps away practically all the remaining war taxes of 1898. This will make a reduction of about \$70,000,000 in the revenues, according to the estimate. Yet there will be a balance of about \$40,000,000 on the right side of the ledger in the year which ends on June 30 next. This does not take the isthmian canal appropriation into the account, but as many months will pass before a decision will be arrived at as to which canal route will be adopted, and a still longer time before any of the canal appropriations can be used, this item can be safely omitted just now from the calculation. Only a small part of the aggregate canal appropriation can be used in any one year, as the construction can not be completed this side of 1910 or 1912. Therefore the outlay on this work will be comparatively small in any twelve months. The exhibit which is made is especially gratifying. Never was the government's financial condition and prospects better than they are at this moment.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The national irrigation bill which passed the senate by a vote of 146 to 55 which was brought to the house by the successful efforts of President Roosevelt, is spoken of by the New York Commercial as "the first distinctively administrative measure to pass both houses during the present session." The bill creates a reclamation fund from the sale of public lands of parts of 16 states including Nebraska, the Dakotas, Washington, California, New Mexico, Kansas and intervening states. The funds derived from the sale of the lands, less the amount paid to local land officers and 5 per cent due the states for educational purposes, would be used for the construction and maintenance of irrigation works in these sixteen states. The editor of the Nebraska Farmer recently took a trip into the sandhills of this state and published a lengthy account of that region which is included in the article. We clip the following from the article:

"No section of the country has been written about more than the Nebraska sandhills, and no section of country is less understood by the outside world. Even the extent of that section of country is imperfectly understood, though the United States census of 1900 announced that 40 per cent of this state is not included in the report on farms—'sandhills' or other land suitable only for grazing, and there are some 31,000 square miles of it, or 124,000 quarter sections of land to be made available for agriculture, surely, in extent. In character it is magnificent, or monotonous, just as it happens to strike a man. Everywhere it is useful—to those who have financial resources and have learned the mastery of this most inhospitable district. One may not describe the sandhill country to those who have seen only the prairie of the west or the hill country of the east. Even those who have seen the mountains will scarcely be able to conceive of the sandhill country, though much of it is rugged and grand, and where a rugged chain of hills is scarred and broken into 'blow outs,' it is not unlike a mountain chain drilled with more or less regularity. Besides the sandhill country most nearly resembles a storm tossed sea."

The National Educational association which met in Minneapolis recently passed resolutions strongly endorsing and urging upon the federal government a more liberal policy of education having equal rank with other departments of government.

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A CLOUDBURST at Plattsmouth last Thursday evening will cause a loss of about \$50,000 to the city. The precipitation the first two hours was five inches, and resulted in the worst flood the city has experienced since 1893. A river of water four feet deep rushed down the streets, filling cellars and carrying off small buildings and doing much damage to furnishings. The low lands about Elgin have been badly flooded the past week and many people were compelled to leave their homes along Salt creek.

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Personal Section.

Ernest Dumall is in Omaha. S. E. Marty is expected home today. G. W. Phillips was an Omaha visitor Friday.

James Nichols of Madison was in the city Monday. C. E. Swallow of Humphrey was in the city Friday. Miss Esther Labtor is visiting relatives in Bohayler.

Miss Nellie Sullivan of Albion visited relatives here last week. Mrs. J. D. Brewer visited over Sunday with friends at Monroe. W. A. McAllister was a Lincoln visitor today (Wednesday).

Mrs. W. E. Jay went to Aurora Monday to visit with her mother. Paul Krause passed through the city Friday on his way to Omaha. Prof. D. C. O'Connor of Norfolk was a Columbus visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Fred Roberts went Friday to Central City on a few days' visit. L. M. Gray, a photographer of Norfolk, visited R. W. Soley last Thursday. W. J. Welch and H. J. Hendry of Monroe were Columbus visitors last week.

Mrs. J. D. Brewer went to Monroe Saturday to visit a few days with Mrs. L. H. North. Mrs. Emma Fillman was in Albion last week to look after her farm interests near that city. Miss McDonald of Albion was in the city Monday between trains on her way to Central City.

Mrs. Sarah Brindley visited Mrs. A. C. Ballou of Schuyler part of last week, returning Friday. W. L. Wills of Madison, with his daughter, Roxie, were guests Sunday of the Jenkins family.

Mrs. Mitchell of Clark is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Garret Hales, the past two weeks. E. W. Hobart and wife returned home Monday from a visit to relatives in Del Rapids, South Dakota.

Misses Elaine Pohl and Eleanor Segelke are visiting Mrs. Frank Wardman in the Bohet neighborhood. Mrs. T. K. Otis of Humphrey came down Wednesday and was the guest of Miss Lizzie Sheehan a few days.

Mrs. Rhoda Lane returned last Tuesday from Holt county where she spent three months with her daughter. Mrs. Benham of Cedar Rapids came down Monday to visit her son Wm. Benham, agent for the Union Pacific.

Mrs. A. Anderson and little son started Monday evening for Ft. Collins, Colo., where they will visit about six weeks. Miss Anna Sullivan of Detroit visited Miss Lizzie Sheehan last Wednesday. Mrs. Susan Yeaton of Lyons, an aunt of E. W. Hobart, visited here a few days last week on her way home from Spaulding.

Will Flynn of Omaha, son of conductor Flynn, came on Saturday and is the guest of Barney McGattard and family. W. L. Werner, the electric clerk at Friedhof's store, left Monday for Louisville, Ky., where he will spend his vacation. Miss Carrie Mercer of Omaha visited relatives in the city Thursday last on her return home from a visit to friends at Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Galley, sr., spent two weeks visiting Mr. Galley's daughter, Mrs. Ann Hutchins, in Madison county. Mrs. Schaad started Friday for a visit to her daughter in Spokane, Wash., where she will remain for about two months. Misses Rosa Wiggins, Anna Becker, Minnie Becker and Bessie Sheldon spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. A. C. Ballou in Schuyler.

Mr. Boyde of Keokuk, Iowa, visited his friend H. W. Heineman on his way to Colorado Springs, leaving here this (Tuesday) morning. Miss Katie Bixby, daughter of A. L. Bixby of Lincoln, is visiting her friend Miss Esther Johnson. She will remain here about two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Winslow of Ogalala visited their cousin, Mrs. C. J. Garlow, several days on their return home from Omaha, leaving here Monday.

Rev. N. A. Martin, formerly pastor of the Fullerton M. E. church, and later in Schuyler, was here Wednesday last with his family, on their way to Fullerton. Misses Clara Kroph, cousin of Miss Lillie Hagel, and Miss Minnie Geth, both of Schuyler, returned home Monday after a two weeks' visit in this city. Mrs. Elsie Hudson Jones of St. Edward returned home Wednesday after a few days' visit with her parents in this city. She was accompanied home by Misses Maud Galley and Vivian Jenkins.

District 44 and Vicinity. The grade in the roadway at what is known as the Brower bridge, two miles northwest of the city, is in danger of being washed away by the recent rains and should be looked after by the proper authorities before it is too late. Emil Meisher, son of Bernhard Meisher of this place, is home on a vacation and will remain until Sept. 24, when he will return and resume his studies at Seward college, where he has been in attendance for the past two years.

A few of the farmers are threshing some of their winter grain out of shock, but we are told that the grain is too wet to keep in a tight bin without damaging. Potatoes are also beginning to rot in the ground, but growing corn is keeping its promise of a bountiful crop in good shape; no fear of corn.

Farmers along the low lands have given up waiting for the ground to settle so they can cut the grain with harrow and binder and have attached temporary platforms to their mowers and have a man follow along and fork off the grain in galleys from the mower. It makes lots of work but will save most of the grain.

New Building at Lincoln. A matter of interest to all our readers is the fact that Mr. D. E. Thompson is having a handsome new building erected at the southeast corner of Eleventh and M streets, in Lincoln, which is to be the permanent home of Lincoln's new evening paper, the Daily Star. The new building is 42x50, two stories, built of light colored pressed brick, with dark red brick for trimmings, and will have a frontage on both streets. It will be the handsomest building at the street capital, and will be fitted up as a model publishing establishment. Large glass windows will give a full view from the sidewalk or street of the wonderful modern machinery used in newspaper making.

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Real Estate Transfers. Bocher, Hochenberger & Chambers, real estate agents, report the following real estate transfers filed in the office of the county clerk since our last report: Carl Steinhilber to John Steinhilber, \$4-15-10, 600 000. Edgar Webb to W. I. Steinhilber, lot 7, 2 1/2, 3 1/2, 11, Gerard's add to Columbus, 750 000. Sam Connelly et al to A. J. Bethenberger, pt lot 3, 1 1/2, Humphrey, 400 000. Alice M. Wise to Myra Beall, lot 6, 1 1/2, 2 1/2, Columbus, w. d., 250 000. M. L. Tanker to John Reagan, sr., lots 3, 4, 1 1/2, 2 1/2, Center, w. d., 90 000. Sam Prang to P. Prang, w. d., 15-20-1w, w. d., 1 000 000. Sam Prang to E. P. Wolgen, w. d., 15-20-1w, w. d., 1 000 000. C. Schneiderheuts to Carl Krause, lot 7, 1 1/2, Col. w. d., 30 000. Wm. Elmers to G. Conrad, lot 1, 2, 1 1/2, 1st add Humphrey and other lands, 1100 000. G. G. Leuchner to Wm. Rosen, private road across, w. s. 17-19-1e, 2 000 000. C. A. Whaley to G. H. Whaley, w. d., 1/2 pt lots 1, 2, 1 1/2, Col. 1000 000.

Total.....\$3,625 000.

Rates via The Union Pacific. Society of the United Presbyterian church, Tacoma, Wash., tickets on sale July 16th to 21st, inclusive, \$45.00 for the round trip, stopovers enroute, diverse routes, final limit, Sept. 15th. Bi-annual meeting, Knights of Pythias, San Francisco, Calif., tickets on sale August 2nd to 8th, \$45.00 for the round trip, final limit September 30th, with privilege of stopovers, diverse routes. Grand Lodge Order of Elks, Salt Lake City, Utah, tickets on sale August 7th to 10th, inclusive, \$25.00 for the round trip, stopovers at Denver and west, diverse routes, final limit Sept. 30th. \$15.00 for the round trip to Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, on sale June 22-24, inclusive, July 1-3, inclusive, August 1-4, 25-28, 30-31, September 1-19, final limit October 31st, other dates tickets on sale at these points at one fare plus two dollars round trip. For further information, call upon W. H. BENHAM, Agent.

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STATEMENT
—OF THE—
Condition of the Columbus Land, Loan and Building Association of Columbus, Nebraska, on the 30th day of June, 1902.

ASSETS
First mortgage loans.....\$112,000 00
Second loans..... 25,000 00
Cash..... 6,500 00
Deposited interest, premiums and fees..... 428 25
Other assets..... 4,800 25
Total.....\$148,724 70

LIABILITIES
Capital stock, paid up.....\$124,215 40
Surplus funds..... 24,501 95
Unpaid dividends..... 500 00
Unpaid interest on incomplete loans..... 500 00
Other liabilities..... 1,000 00
Total.....\$148,724 70

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1902.

RECEIPTS
Balance on hand July 1, 1901.....\$ 4,882 85
Deposits..... 1,100 00
Interest, premiums and fees..... 1,000 00
Notes paid..... 1,100 00
Total.....\$ 8,082 85

EXPENDITURES
Paid.....\$ 5,000 00
Interest..... 1,100 00
Notes redeemed..... 1,000 00
Total.....\$ 7,100 00

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss.
I, Harry Hochenberger, secretary of the above named association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement of the condition of the association is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of July, 1902.
H. H. HOCHENBERGER, Secretary.
G. W. PHILLIPS, County Clerk.

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Oats, bushel	30
Rye—bushel	40
Hogs—wt. cwt.	6 50/7 00
Fat steers—cwt.	2 50/4 00
Hot cows—cwt.	3 00/4 00
Stock steers—cwt.	3 00/4 00
Potatoes—bushel	30
Butter—lb.	16¢
Eggs—dozen	12¢

Markets corrected every Tuesday afternoon.

Low Round Trip Rates, via Union Pacific, from Missouri River.

To Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo, Colo., July 1 to 23, August 1 to 14, 23 to 24, and 30 to 31, inclusive.	\$15.00
To Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo, Colo., July 14 to 21, inclusive, Aug. 15 to 22 and 25 to 29, inclusive.	\$19.00
To Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah, August 1 to 14, inclusive.	\$25.00
To Glenwood Springs, Colo., July 1 to 13, inclusive, August 1 to 14, 23 to 24 and 30 to 31, inclusive.	\$25.00
To Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah, July 1 to 13, inclusive, August 23 to 24, and 30 to 31, inclusive.	\$30.00
To Glenwood Springs, Colo., July 14 to 21, inclusive, Aug. 15 to 22 and 25 to 29, inclusive.	\$31.00
To Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah, July 14 to 31, inclusive, August 15 to 22 and 25 to 29, inclusive.	\$32.00
To San Francisco, or Los Angeles, Cal., July 29 and August 2 to 10, inclusive.	\$45.00
To Portland, Ore., Tacoma and Seattle, Wash., July 11 to 21, inclusive.	\$45.00

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