

Saturday Morning

Will be made easy in the different departments of our store by the very noticeable reductions in the new seasonable goods—Some special attractions in the dress goods department.

Muslin Underwear— Bear in mind that these daily talks of muslin underwear are simply a series of notices we owe you.



Very unusual values are here. Ladies' Night Gowns of cambric, square neck, trimmed with embroidery...

Notions—Dress bindings. If you want something good in Dress Bindings you should try Feder's Dress Bindings...

Dress Trimmings—New trimmings are beginning to arrive. Braids to take the lead, both in silk and in mohair...

Hosiery—For women and children. Ladies' black ribbed wool Hose, with high spliced heels and double soles...

Children's black ribbed wool Hose, seamless, were 25c, now 15c, 2 pairs 25c. Children's good quality of black fleece lined ribbed hose, 18c; 3 pairs 50c.

Underwear—For men, women and children at reductions that make quick selling for us and great saving for you.

50c each for ladies' light weight ribbed Undersuits and Pants, reduced from \$1.00 each.

25c each for children's fleece lined Undersuits, reduced from 50c each.

Blankets and Notice reductions Comforters—in prices. They are not fictitious, either.

\$16.00 White Blankets now \$7.50 pair. \$17.75 White Blankets now \$5.95 pair. \$5.00 Grey Blankets now \$3.85 pair.

Gingham Day—All day Saturday in our basement store. We will place on sale one lot of Gingham Plaids and Stripes...

Special Silk Waist Sale— Not many of a kind but quite a variety of new styles.

Black taffeta silk, tucked fronts, large sizes only, our regular \$5.00 waist, for \$3.75.

Extra low prices to close out our winter wrappings. Closing out a few tailor-made suits at very low prices.

ISRAEL IS GIVEN THE SEAT

Report of the Committee on Contest is Adopted by Strict Party Vote.

BENJAMIN ASSERTS HE WILL GET EVEN

Makes a List of Members of the Committee for Future Reference— Israel Takes the Oath of Office.

LINCOLN, Jan. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—The Israel-Benjamin contest case, which occupied the house yesterday afternoon and all of this forenoon, was finally settled by a partisan vote, whereby Benjamin was ousted and Israel declared entitled to his seat. The case was debated at considerable length and it was only after the facts were developed that there was no controversy over that part of the report which declared that Israel had a majority of the votes that he was finally cut off and the question brought to a vote.

There were no sensational features in the struggle for the reason that the fusion members of the election committee had taken part in all the examination of the case and the struggle yesterday and today was rather to gain a few days' delay rather than from any hope that Benjamin could be retained in his seat.

It is probable that a further move in the Fillmore county case will be taken tomorrow. The ballots from three missing precincts in Fillmore county have not yet come in and it is likely that an inquiry about the 34 precincts of the county, who have defied the power of the legislature to act.

The legislature today attended to considerable routine business and is now in good working order. The committee now have many of the printed bills and reports commenced to come in. The house went into committee of the whole this afternoon, which was unusually early in the session.

The senate early in the session disposed of the employ question by declaring that the clerical force should be paid for each day they are on duty when the senate was in session.

Accordingly the committee arose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. The engrossing committee reported that S. F. 23 had been properly engrossed. The motion of Talbot of Lancaster, the bill was then placed upon its third reading and put on its final passage. The bill was passed by a strict party vote of 10 to 10, Hale of Madison and Howard of Hamilton being absent.

Before adjourning to the house chamber for the joint session, Miller of Buffalo, Prout of Gage and Canada of Kearney were named to confer with a committee from the house on the bill.

After the ballot the senate took a recess till 3 o'clock. Interpretation of the rules as to the proper method of reporting bills back from committee occupied considerable part of the senate's time in the afternoon.

S. F. 33, 31, 28, 27, 24, 16 and 11 were reported upon by the judiciary committee and went on the general file.

Mr. Dusen of Douglas offered a resolution to the effect that the secretary of state be authorized to furnish supplies contrary to the instructions of the senate, which stationery and supplies were of inferior quality, and it is therefore ordered by the senate that the supplies be returned and payment for the same withheld. His resolution will be considered tomorrow.

Twelve more bills were added to the list, after which the senate adjourned till tomorrow morning.

ST. LOUISAN CAUGHT SHORT Clerk of Court of Criminal Correction Fears Proposed Lenox Investigation and Disappears.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 19.—Al J. Wagenman, clerk of the court of criminal correction, has disappeared and it is said by his intimate friends that he has confessed to a subversive act and juror's fees to the amount of \$20,000.

Tonight he is missing and his friends fear he has committed suicide. Wagenman had been arrested and was taken to the court of criminal correction and was re-elected to the office last fall. Ever since the proposition to institute a Lenox committee and investigate the city affairs of St. Louis was made Wagenman's friends have noticed that he seemed downcast and depressed.

His home has been constantly watched since noon, but he has not appeared. His family was at home and his wife in tears, but she would say nothing. At 6 o'clock this evening she locked up the house and went to her mother's in another part of the city. At midnight tonight Wagenman's friends after a fruitless search became convinced that he had carried out his threat and committed suicide and a systematic search of the hotels was begun.

Fourth Ohio Mustered Out. COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 19.—The Fourth Ohio volunteer regiment, which was mustered out of service here today, is established which is expected to prevent trouble when the Second, Sixth, Ninth and Tenth Ohio volunteer regiments are mustered out. The claim of the state against the government for expenses in raising troops will be paid.

Three Hours Shooting Himself. SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 19.—David Williams, ex-surveyor of Kitsap county, shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide this afternoon at his home near Seattle. The only cause that can be given for his insanity is that he has been given three hours to live after a heart attack.

Major Taggart Gives All Hope of Seeing His Daughter Alive Again. SCRANTON, Miss., Jan. 19.—The tug Leo returned today from Chandeleur island, not having obtained any tidings of the Paul Jones. The story that crew and passengers of the Paul Jones stopped at Chandeleur island is without foundation.

VENNER SUES TO DELAY TRANSFER. Union Pacific Directors May Be Hindered in Taking Short Line. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The fact developed today that the transfer of the Oregon Short Line to the Union Pacific, which the directors of the latter road have been empowered to make, is likely to be delayed by a suit brought by C. H. Venner of Boston as a Union Pacific shareholder against the road in which he is in a small way interested. A meeting of the stockholders of the Union Pacific was held at Salt Lake City yesterday, when authority was given the company to increase the common stock \$25,000,000 in order to take over the Short Line.

Evansville & Terre Haute Dividend. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The Evening Post says that the Evansville and Terre Haute Railroad company will, at its next dividend declaration, make disbursements at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the preferred stock outstanding.

Increase in Omaha Dividend. NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The directors of the St. Paul & Omaha Railroad company have declared a dividend of 3 1/2 per cent on the common stock from the operations of last year, an increase of 1/4 per cent.

OUTGROWING ITS CLOTHES

Nebraska State University Up in the Front Rank Educationally and Otherwise

NEEDS FOR COMING BIENNIAL PERIOD

Regents Ask for Larger Appropriation for Maintenance and Also for New Buildings—Students from All Over the World.

LINCOLN, Jan. 19.—(Special.)—The report of the Board of Regents of the State University to the governor contains a large amount of information of interest to the public and the friends of education. Following are some extracts: The whole number of enrollments in the preceding biennium was 2,838 in the biennium 1898-1899, a gain of 25.7 per cent. The whole number of students in 1898, the final year of the preceding biennium was 1,606. The final year of the biennium 1897-1898, the number was 1,916; a gain of 27 per cent. There was a gain of 15 1/2 per cent in the attendance of 1898 over that of 1897. It is particularly encouraging to note that the increase has for the most part been in the general university and college work, though the number of students in the normal schools beginning with small numbers the rate of increase appears large in those schools. The gain in the number of collegiate students was 423, or an increase of 68.8 per cent in the graduate school 26 1/2 per cent. In the new schools that have been particularly emphasized, the normal schools shows an increase in attendance of 125 per cent and that of agriculture 54 per cent. It is cheering to find that nothing has been lost in the harvest. Following are some extracts from the report of the regents under the preceding administration, as is shown by a table of the number of graduates in 1898, the number of alumni has almost doubled in the past few years. There is an increase in this period of 93 per cent of which more than 88 per cent were collegiate graduates. From the founding of the university to 1895, inclusive, the entire number taking higher degrees was fifty, as over against eighty during the last three years. The number of graduates by degrees was as follows: A. B., 250, as over against 206; B. S., 103, as over against 92; M. A., 10, as over against 119. In short, of 1,073 alumni, 517 have been graduated in the last three years.

Field is Widening. The university is drawing from a wider area than ever before. Six more counties within the state are represented in attendance than two years ago. The seventy-five counties that represent attendance in the counties that are really settled. In the age of the students, ranging from only 2 at 15 years to 65 at 81 years, the number of students has been declining from maturity. The largest number was 176 at 15 years, as over against 283 at 20 years of age in the present biennium. The average age at present of all students is 22.4 years. The quality of the student body is only slightly improving in maturity, but also in the preparation. Five hundred and three prepared at colleges in this biennium, as over against 183 in the one preceding; 702 at accredited high schools, as over against 534; 340 in other than accredited high schools, as over against 101 in the preceding biennium. At teachers' normals, as over against eighty-one in the previous four in academies, as over against forty-three in all private schools in the preceding biennium. The number of women admitted to the co-educational institutions of like rank, 1,781 in 1897-98, 872. In recognition of this constituency the regents in June, 1898, created the office of dean of women and appointed an alumna of the university deputy dean.

Becomes a Genuine University. The figures are suggestive of quality as well as of quantity. An alumna of the institution recently responded to a toast given by the Nebraska University, by saying that the University of Nebraska is not only in a position of numbers to be the leading university of the state, but also an acknowledgment of its high position. The development of the graduate school is bringing in the real university.

The general report by the chancellor gives some conception of the many-sidedness, remarkable growth and an enormous amount of student activity and interest. The general development of the university for the past two years is well shown in a comparison of the number of students in the various departments. The regents have made the economies practiced have made the most conservative estimates as to the normal increase in the university for the coming biennium and it will be evident that a considerably larger sum than the university has had heretofore is necessary for its maintenance apart from expansion. The regents have made the budget as small as they could on the side of expenditures without threatening actual retrogression.

The estimated resources from the taxes of the biennium, income from university buildings and payable from state general fund is \$1,150,000.

In addition to the above the university will receive from the United States government for the next two years \$250,000 annually, known as the "Morrell fund" and limited to special uses by the act of congress; also \$15,000 annually for the United States agricultural experiment station. Under the act of congress to original research and experiments upon subjects connected with agriculture and which are to be collected from the students of the university for various university purposes sum estimated, per annum, at \$4,000. Matriculation and diploma fees, at \$4,000; law college tuition, \$4,000; laboratory cash deposits, \$4,000; also farm cash receipts, annually, estimated at \$900.

The regents have formally approved and by separate bill or bills in the specified cases. Permanent Improvements Asked. In addition to the above the following appropriations from the state general fund for buildings and permanent improvements have to be asked: For a farm school and experiment station building and for the purchase of 10 acres of ground for an experiment station, \$45,000. For a University-Soldiers Memorial Hall, for remodeling the present choral wing of University hall to accommodate the law college, \$40,000. For addition to boiler house capacity and coal areas increasing steam plant \$20,000.

To meet the above expenditures the board proposes the creation of a building and permanent improvement fund for the university by the levy of a tax of 3-16 of a mill upon the grand assessment roll of the state for a period of five years with the proviso that not more than \$50,000 be expended in a single year. If this plan prevails the bills for buildings will be so amended as to withdraw the appropriation from the general fund and charge it against the proceeds of the special levy.

The necessity for the new buildings and improvements asked for are set out at length in the report of the regents.

NEARING THE DARK VALLEY Dr. Denton, Who is Critically Ill, Has but a Few Hours Longer to Live.

A change for the worse took place yesterday evening in the condition of Dr. J. G. Denton, who has been critically ill for the last few weeks. Early this morning word came from his bedside that he was sinking rapidly. The attending physicians expressed the opinion that he would live probably not longer than daybreak. Hopes for Dr. Denton's recovery have not been entertained for several days, as it was known that he was too weak to endure the strain of his illness.

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The Man and His Wife who cannot agree on anything else are unanimous in their praise of Krug Cabinet bottled beer. She uses it as a tonic and stimulant—because of the unusual amount of nourishment contained in it. He enjoys a glassful before a meal as an appetizer. The food is so much more relished. Then, again, both indulge in a small amount before retiring. It's soothing to the nerves and induces sleep. Moderation is best in all things and a case may be obtained by sending to or telephoning at.

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Robert G. Ingersoll's Lecture on "Superstition" Will be answered by... DR. FREDERIC BELLEH, The Prince of Oxtons and ex-Methuist Scientist, who will deliver his Scientific Lecture on "MAN AND HIS DESTINY," TONIGHT, FRIDAY EVE., JAN. 20TH, AT GREIGHTON HALL.

Doors open at 7:30. Lecture commences at 8:15 sharp. Admission to all parts of the hall, 25 cents.

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any way offending their constituents. Judge Hayward has not only started out with the greatest strength, but he has also made steady gains, and should have the advantage of the natural trend toward the growing man."

Asked how he liked the situation, D. E. Thompson replied: "Everything is going along nicely. I suit me and I have no complaint to make."

One Who Does Not Like It. On the other hand another well known republican politician who has been friendly to Judge Hayward but not actively identified with his campaign expresses this view: "I do not like the turn taken by today's vote. It is disappointing in several respects. The Hayward managers started out this morning with a public announcement that they had won over not less than ten men since yesterday's ballot and that Hayward would show sufficient strength to assure a majority of the republicans whose votes are needed to elect. The addition of seven votes more will still without a majority of the republicans and defers the benefit of the prestige such a showing would give.

The unseating of Benjamin is another ill-adviced move. It could and should have been deferred until after the material fight was off the boards. It is certain that the elections committee, which is controlled by men voting against Hayward, would not have been in such a hurry to seat Israel unless they were certain they were not going to hurt their own preferred candidate. The result is to show that the majority of the republicans and defers the benefit of the prestige such a showing would give.

"Equally ill-adviced was the attempt to get another ballot today. Coming as it did from the Hayward side the ballot cannot be of advantage to him. Had he succeeded it is questionable whether anything could have been gained. No such move should be made unless forced to do so and then not unless there is a stake in sight.

The Hayward program is to push his strength over the republican majority line and then work for a caucus conditional upon a viva voce roll call vote. His managers would like to force the caucus for Friday night if conditions are favorable for them. It will be the policy of all the other candidates to oppose this plan and attempt to wear the Hayward strength out by protracting the struggle in the open in joint session.

Representative Flynn's hand, upon which blood poisoning has set in, is bothering him badly. It is feared he may have to suffer amputation of one finger.

BILLS INTRODUCED IN HOUSE. Fifteen New Measures Are Brought Forward for Consideration.

LINCOLN, Jan. 19.—(Special.)—Fifteen new bills were introduced in the house Thursday as follows: H. R. 294—By Burns: To amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a lion or labor performed and material furnished for the erection, preparation or removal of any house mill, manufactory or building or appurtenance, being chapter 82 of the laws of Nebraska of 1885 and to amend the title of said act."

H. R. 295—By Committee on Soldiers' Home: To authorize for the purchase of the site of the Soldiers and Sailors' home established and located at Milford, Nebraska, and to provide appropriation of \$13,500 therefor.

H. R. 296—By Dittmar: To provide for a fire proof vault and heating equipment for the Nebraska hospital at Lincoln, Nebraska, and to appropriate \$30,000 therefor.

H. R. 297—By Pollard: To amend section 340 (sub-section 10) of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for 1897 and to repeal said original section. Appropriating \$2,500 annually for the State Horticultural society.

H. R. 298—By Owen: To amend section 958a of the Code of Civil Procedure and to repeal said section as now exists. Provides for change of venue in civil and criminal cases.

H. R. 299—By Lane: To authorize and empower the state auditor to license a number of fire insurance brokers defining their duties and providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

H. R. 300—By Hathorn: To amend section 183 of chapter 12 of the Criminal Code of the state of Nebraska, penalizing illegal voting in school, ward or city elections.

H. R. 301—By Tanner: To amend section 4 of subdivision 5 of chapter 19 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska, 1897, and to repeal said original section. Bill permits children of school age to attend schools nearer their parents' place of residence in the manner of collection of school taxes in such cases.

H. R. 302—By Nesbit: To amend section 314 of the Code of Civil Procedure and to repeal said section as now exists, covering grounds necessary for new trial.

H. R. 303—By Tabor: To provide for the establishment and maintenance of the experimental station located by an act of the legislature, approved April 7, 1891, at Culbertson, Hitchcock county, and Ogallala, Keith county. Asks for an appropriation of \$20,000.

H. R. 304—By Cox: To provide for compilation, illustrating, electrotyping, printing, binding, copyrighting and distributing a state series of school text books and appropriation of \$450,000.

H. R. 305—By Fisher: To amend section 7 of chapter 26 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska of 1887, and to provide for the establishment and maintenance of the experimental station located by an act of the legislature, approved April 7, 1891, at Culbertson, Hitchcock county, and Ogallala, Keith county. Asks for an appropriation of \$20,000.

H. R. 306—By Fisher: To amend section 7 of chapter 26 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska of 1887, and to provide for the establishment and maintenance of the experimental station located by an act of the legislature, approved April 7, 1891, at Culbertson, Hitchcock county, and Ogallala, Keith county. Asks for an appropriation of \$20,000.

H. R. 307—By Boulier: For the establishment and observance of library day on the 21st of October or the nearest Friday thereafter.

H. R. 308—By Wilcox: To prohibit the selling of beef and veal carcasses without exhibiting the hide to the purchaser and providing for the inspection of any person on demand and providing penalties for the violation of this act.

H. R. 309—By Flynn: To repeal section 1 of chapter 80 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska of 1887, and to provide for the establishment and maintenance of the experimental station located by an act of the legislature, approved April 7, 1891, at Culbertson, Hitchcock county, and Ogallala, Keith county. Asks for an appropriation of \$20,000.

H. R. 310—By Flynn: To repeal section 1 of chapter 80 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska of 1887, and to provide for the establishment and maintenance of the experimental station located by an act of the legislature, approved April 7, 1891, at Culbertson, Hitchcock county, and Ogallala, Keith county. Asks for an appropriation of \$20,000.

H. R. 311—By O'Brien: To amend sections 322 and 323 of the Code of Civil Procedure and to repeal said original sections and to add to section 523 provisions for the trial by jury of such exceptions in the court where the judgment was obtained.

H. R. 312—By Owen: To prohibit the selling of beef and veal carcasses without exhibiting the hide to the purchaser and providing for the inspection of any person on demand and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

H. R. 313—By Owen: To amend sections 1 and 2 of an act entitled "An act to require attendance of all persons between the ages of 18 and 21 years in public schools and private schools in the state of Nebraska," approved March 31, 1887, and to repeal said section as now exists.

H. R. 314—By Barton: An act to amend section 14 of chapter 65 of the Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for 1897, entitled "Partnerships for Lake Steamers."

Contracts for Lake Steamers. CLEVELAND, Jan. 19.—The Review tomorrow will say: Within the last few days Cleveland and Detroit shipbuilders have closed contracts for four steel freight steamers, all of the very largest class, 7,000 to 8,000 net capacity and of about \$1,000,000 in aggregate value. These four orders bring the number of new freight carriers under contract on the great lakes up to eighteen.