GALVESTON NEEDS MORE HELP

People There Are in Want of Clothing and Similar Articles.

RIORDAN OF LINCOLN MAKES A REPORT

He Has Just Come from the Hospital, Where He Was Sent After Being Rescued from the Wreck of the City.

LINCOLN, Oct. 24.—(Special.)—J. E. Riordan of this city, one of the persons whose property was destroyed in the Galveston disaster, returned to his home today, still suffering from injuries received, but sufficiently recovered to make the trip alone. He had been in a hospital several weeks before leaving Texas. He says that fully 7,000 houses were totally destroyed and thinks that at least 15,000 perished. There is still great need of assistance in the outside world, he says, both in money and clothing.

The new bridge over Salt Creek on Fourteenth street has been completed and was opened for travel today. For several weeks traffic over this thoroughfare has been suspended, causing farmers and others great inconvenience. The delay in beginning the work was occasioned by lack of funds.

The county commissioners have compromised the claim of Clark Moore of Saltillo for $1,000 damages, alleged to have been sustained it a fall through a defective bridge. He accepted $250 in full settlement.

The commissioners have estimated that the election will cost the taxpayers of Lancaster a little over $1,000. This is about the average cost of an election in this county. The figures vary from $1,800 to $2,500, according to the prices charged by the printers for ballots, and other fluctuating expenses. Registration will cost the city approximately $200.

A local plumber has been awarded a contract for constructing two lavatories on the ground floor of the state house building, the total cost to be not over $1,200. The work will be completed by December 1.

Rev Trefz Talks Patriotism.

EDGAR, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Rev. Edward F. Trefz of Omaha addressed the people of Edgar and vicinity from a patriotic standpoint last night. It is needless to say it was a republican speech from beginning to end. It was one of the largest and by all odds the most telling meeting ever held in Edgar. A few weeks ago Shellenberger, the fusion candidate for congress in this district, made an address here and since that time the fusionists have been inclined to be a little pugilistic, but Mr. Trefz so completely eclipsed Shellenberger's effort that the fusionists do not care to refer to the speech of their candidate for congress this morning.

The opera house was filled and the audience paid the strictest attention for two hours while the speaker drove his points home in a way that is bound to tell for republicanism in the coming election.

Duffield Charged with Robbery.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Last Sunday at about the noon hour the store of Ole Olsson, grocery, was entered by breaking in the rear cellar door and a number of things taken, among which was a fountain pen and gold chain. Yesterday papers were made out for the arrest of Victor Duffield, a young man who has made this his home for a number of years. Duffield was notified of what the constable was doing and left town, but was captured and jailed at Auburn, and the things found in his possession. He was brought here and tried before the police judge yesterday and bound over to the district court in the sum of $300, which he failed to give and was taken to Plattsmouth, where he will be jailed until his trial is held.

Installation at Madison.

MADISON, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Installation ceremonies of Rev. Theodore Morning as pastor of the Presbyterian church were held last evening. For the occasion the church had been beautifully decorated with autumn leaves and potted plants. When the exercises opened the church was well filled. Rev. D. F. Sharpless of Norfolk presided and asked the constitutional question. The installation sermon was preached by Rev. McIntosh of Laurel and the charge from the people was given by Rev. Oscar Bastrum of Elgin. Rev. Sharpless gave the charge to the pastor. During the exercises several vocal numbers and anthems were rendered. After the ceremonies an informal reception was held.

Sylvia Chapter Entertained.

GENOA, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—The members of Sylvia chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, were royally entertained on Friday night last at the home of Mrs. Maude M. Greene, its worthy matron, and also past matron of the state. As usual every effort was made by the hostess to secure the pleasure of her guests.

Affairs at Indian School.

GENOA, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—The Indian school, located at this place, is now in better condition than it has been for years. This condition is the result of the efforts of the school's superintendent, Rose. The Indian foot ball team is now practicing every day and showing splendid form. A. B. Upshaw, the manager of the team, is the industrial teacher in the school and a graduate of the Carlisle Indian school. This team will play the High school team of Omaha at Omaha Thanksgiving day, and the Omaha team will be taxed to their limit if they defeat these young Indian giants.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

State Meeting at Blair Elects Officers and Raises Campaign Fund.

BLAIR, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The Nebraska Woman Suffrage association closed its annual convention here tonight after a two days' session. The meetings were held in the large room of the court house and were well attended. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt and Miss Mary G. Hay of New York, president and organizer of the national association, were present. The president of the state association, Mrs. Mary Smith Hayward, and thirty-two delegates were present, besides a number of members who were in attendance from different parts of the state. The state officers elected for the next year are: President, Mrs. Clara A. Young of Broken Bow; vice president, Mrs. Amanda J. Marble of Table Rock; corresponding secretary, Miss Nellie Taylor of Broken Bow; recording secretary, Mrs. Ida L. Denny of Tekamah; treasurer, Mrs. George Sutherland of Blair.

At this afternoon's session a fund of $1,901 was raised in thirty minutes for the promotion of the work in Nebraska. The address of welcome to the city of Blair was given by Attorney F. S. Howell and to the Blair Suffrage club by Mrs. Bailey. The women are enthusiastic over the success of this session of their association. The large court room was crowded tonight to hear Mrs. Catt deliver a one hour and thirty minute address, which closed the convention.

Memphis Listens to Summers.

ASHLAND, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—The largest meeting of the campaign yet held at Memphis, Saunders county, took place there last night. The Memphis town hall was insufficient to accommodate the crowd. Hon. W. S. Summers was the speaker of the evening and he poured hot shot into the fusionists, showing up the sophistries of Bryanism in a convincing way. The Scandinavian Sisters' quartet of Ashland sang several selections. Over fifty went from Ashland to hear Mr. Summers.

Large Crowd Hears Kennedy.

TEKAMAH, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Hon. John L. Kennedy of Omaha gave a splendid political address at Woodmen hall in Arizona precinct last night. The room was filled to its utmost capacity. Many populists were present and gave the best of attention. Mr. Kennedy unmasked the Bryan bugaboos in a way that was convincing as well as pleasing. W. G. Sears and Captain Hall, candidate for the legislature, also made short addresses.

HYMENEAL.

Balduff-Klaes.

FREMONT, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Louis H. Balduff and Mollie L. Klaes, both of this city, were married this noon at the residence of the bride's parents by Rev. W. H. Buss of the Congregational church. After the ceremony the wedding party, which consisted only of the families and intimate personal friends of the contracting parties, partook of a wedding breakfast and left this afternoon for a short wedding trip east. Both parties were born in this city and educated in the public schools here. The groom is a son of C. H. Balduff, the ice dealer, and the bride a daughter of Fred Klaes, who has been for many years deputy register of deeds of Dodge county.

Ganger-Mitterling.

FREMONT, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—At 3 o'clock this afternoon Rev. N. Chestnut of the Presbyterian church performed the ceremony uniting in marriage George Ganger and Agnes Mitterling, both of this city, at the residence of the bride's parents on North Union street. The parlors were beautifully decorated with flowers and plants. An elaborate wedding dinner was served after the ceremony. The groom is a well known and popular young man of this city and has resided here nearly all his life. The bride is the daughter of Street Commissioner G. S. Mitterling and is prominent in society circles.

Drew-Soone.

FREMONT, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Mr. F. Drew of Cheyenne and Celia Noone of this city were married at St. Patrick's church this morning by Rev. Father Mugan in the presence of a large number of invited guests. The groom is an employe of the Union Pacific railroad at Cheyenne. The bride is a sister of Hugh Noone of this city.

FIRE RECORD.

Heavy Loss at Minneiska.

NABASHA, Minn., Oct. 24.—The entire business part of Minneiska was burned today, including the postoffice. The Farmers' elevator and several loaded cars also were burned. The tracks of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road were blockaded with debris and passenger trains were compelled to come to this city over the Burlington tracks. The estimated damage is $75,000.

Kansas Town Hard Hit.

DUNAVANT, Kan., Oct. 24.—This town was partially destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock this morning. The business portion is a total loss, including Richardson's store and hotel, the postoffice building, three residences, steam laundry, grist mill, Yourley's manufacturing plant, and contractor's shop and office. The loss is only partially covered by insurance.

DEATH RECORD.

John B. Morgan.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—John D. Morgan, an old pioneer citizen of David City, died yesterday afternoon of dropsy at the age of 53 years.

Mr. Morgan came to Butler county in 1870, lived on his homestead near Octavia for a number of years, when he removed to this city and engaged in the implement and furniture business for several years, when he sold out and engaged in the real estate and loan business, which he continued till this time. Funeral services will be held Thursday under the auspices of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

S. A. Weimer.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—S. A. Weimer, who has been engaged in mercantile pursuits in this city for thirty-five years past, died today after a long illness. He leaves a widow and six grown children. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon.

Jones May Have Confessed.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Charles F. Jones, who was Millionaire Rice's valet, late this afternoon was taken to the private office of District Attorney Gardiner. Jones was closeted for more than half an hour with Assistant District Attorney McIntyre and Captain McCluskey. It was rumored that he had made a confession, but at the conclusion Mr. McIntyre said the interview was in relation to another matter. At the end of the interview Jones was taken back to the Tombs.

Funds of Printers' Home.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 24.—The report of the treasurer of the Union Printers' home for the six months ending August 31, 1900, shows a balance in the treasury of $14,909.71. Of this sum $12,500 is on deposit in the Fletcher National bank, Indianapolis, Drexel & Co., New York, have $12,921.40 of the funds. The expenditures in the six months were $12,134.

SAM HOWARD AS A FINANCIER

Page from the Business Record of One Fusion Candidate.

WINDS UP THE AFFAIRS OF A STATE BANK

Business Ability of the Aspirant for the Office of State Treasurer Exhibited by His Acts as Receiver.

O'NEILL, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Through the administration of Samuel B. Howard as receiver, aided and backed by a number of the most prominent and influential fusionists in the state, the depositors of the Exchange bank of Atkinson, a small village a few miles west of O'Neill, have been given an object lesson of what may happen if Howard is elected state treasurer, for which he is a populist candidate.

The Exchange bank was once a prosperous banking institution, enjoying the confidence and patronage of the best business men and farmers of Holt county, but it was closed at the direction of the State Banking board for no apparent good reason and a receiver was appointed, who not only arbitrarily compelled the depositors to accept a settlement on a basis of 75 per cent, but indiscriminately slaughtered the bank assets by selling them to friends and political associates for ridiculously low prices. It is the honest belief of many of the best citizens of the county that the closing of the bank was the working out of a scheme originating in the state house in Lincoln, the object of which was to benefit several fusionists in this portion of the state. No one connected with the bank suspected anything wrong until it was announced that the attorney general had applied for a receiver. The depositors apparently were satisfied with the conduct of the institution.

In the Hands of Fusionists.

A few days after the bank was closed Samuel B. Howard was appointed receiver and he in turn appointed James Harrington as his attorney. All dealings with the court were through Judge Westover, notwithstanding the fact that Judge Kinkaid resided in Holt county and by right had jurisdiction over the bank's affairs. Whenever the receiver wanted legal authority to perform any duty in connection with his office he applied to Judge Westover, who lived nearly 200 miles away, ignoring the judge of equal power who by virtue of his location should have had charge of the case.

Mr. Howard was appointed receiver of the bank on May 10, 1897, and since that time has disposed of the assets, paid the depositors, either in whole or in part, and is still acting in that capacity. He has made no report of the sale of the bank's assets and the public has only unofficial knowledge that the sale was ever held.

One instance of unjust discrimination is cited where the receiver sold $1,500 of assets, which included an $800 judgment against the village of Atkinson, to McCarthy, chairman of the Holt county populist committee, for the ridiculously low figure of $40. It is a matter of common knowledge that McCarthy has since sold a portion of the securities for $400.

Even more startling was the sale of the bank building and fixtures. This property, variously estimated worth from $7,000 to $10,000, was sold for $700. This sale was never advertised and the only record of the transfer appears in the register of deed's office.

Description of Building.

The bank building, constructed at a cost of between $8,000 and $7,000 and sold to Ed F. Gallagher for $700, occupies a prominent corner, considered one of the best business locations in the city. It is a substantial brick structure, two stories in height with a finished basement fifty feet long and twenty feet wide. It is piped throughout for city water. The first floor, occupied by Gallagher's bank, is well partitioned and in addition to good furniture and fixtures is provided with a burglar and fireproof vault. On the upper floor is a large meeting room with a smaller room adjoining, both fitted for the use of clubs and lodges. The basement has always been occupied and with the upper floor returns a good income to the owner.

The building is located on lot 7 of block 6, twenty-five foot front on Main street and extending back fifty feet on State street. On July 25, 1894, in the hard times period, the property was sold to the Exchange bank for $7,500. On March 4, 1899, when property values were immeasurably higher than in 1894, Receiver Howard sold the bank building, lot, fixtures, furniture and safe to Gallagher for $1,000. But at the time of this sale Gallagher owed $210 rent for the building, which he had been using for his own bank since July 4, 1898, and this money was applied, or rather deducted from the purchase price, so that the reciver received only $790 for the property.

On application of Receiver Howard Judge Westover on February 2, 1899, issued an order authorizing the sale, but it was not filed or made a matter of record until March 6, two days after Howard disposed of the property. The official record of the transaction can be found in Miscellaneous Record 6 and Deed Record 51 of Holt county, both of which are kept in the public offices at the court house in O'Neill.

Genuine Fusion Financiering.

Gallagher was supposed to pay $15 per month rent, but, according to Receiver Howard's method of reasoning, if he had been there long enough he could have bought the building without paying anything for it. The purchase price was fixed at $1,000 and then the amount Gallagher owed as rent was deducted, leaving the depositors only $790 for property that had always been considered by the state's bank examiners as worth $7,500. Had Gallagher owed $1,000 rent it could have been deducted from the purchase price and he would have received a deed to the property as a receipt for the payment of his debt.

From the incomplete record in the office of the clerk of the district court at O'Neill it is learned that the only official explanation of the closing of the bank is in the report of Examiner John F. Cowl, who reported to the authorities on May 6, 1897, that "the bank was insolvent; that the reserve and available funds were not equal to 15 per cent of the aggregate amount of its deposits and that business was being conducted in an unsafe manner, jeopardizing the interests of depositors." Deposits were reported as amounting to $68,000, including $15,000 of state funds.

On the following day the bank was ordered closed by the State Banking board and the attorney general was directed to apply for a receiver to take possession of the books, records and assets and collect all debts. Attorney General Smyth filed the application for the appointment of a receiver as soon as requested to do so by the board.

On May 10 Judge W. H. Westover appointed Howard receiver of the bank and in the written instructions he was directed to report his doings from time to time or upon order of the court. A week later Howard obtained the court's permission to appoint Jim Harrington as attorney to represent him in cases requiring legal attention.

Settling the State's Claim.

Soon after the appointment of the attorney a dispute arose over the claims of the state and county. Attorney General Smyth insisted that the state be considered a preferred creditor, and the county filed a petition in intervention in which it claimed that the money be sought to recover was a personal deposit of Joseph Bartley, state treasurer, and not a deposit of the state. On August 25 Judge Westover ordered, on application of H. R. Bennett, a depositor, that the receiver go with M. F. Harrington to Lincoln to consult with the governor relative to a settlement between the state and the county. Provision was also made for the payment of the receiver's expenses on this trip out of the assets of the bank.

A few months later Mr. Bennett attempted to bring about a settlement of the depositors' claims and in a petition to the court he asserted that the receiver had $11,000 in money in his possession which should be immediately divided among them. It appears from the records that a settlement was soon made, for on August 5 the receiver reported that all claims but those of the state and county had been paid and that there remained in cash about $7,000, which he recommended be divided between the latter in proportion to the amount of their deposits. In an early report the receiver had informed the court that the county's claim was for $8,000, but the court subsequently ruled that the amount was only $6,000, and on August 18 Judge Westover ordered that the state and county be paid the remainder of the money.

Secures Authority to Sell.

In his next report Receiver Howard told the court that in his judgment it would be to the best interests of all concerned to have all of the assets of the bank sold at public auction to the highest bidder, and upon disposition of the assets to immediately close up the affairs of the bank. On November 29, 1899, Judge Westover authorized the receiver to sell the assets on December 16. This order was the last entry made on the record of the receivership and there is no way of ascertaining officially whether the sale was ever held.

Several interested persons have asked the State Banking board for a statement of the condition of the bank at the time the receiver was appointed, but the information was refused with the explanation that it is not a part of the public record. The last statement obtainable, however, was made only a few weeks before the bank was closed, and it is not believed that the condition changed very materially from that time on. At that time the loans and discounts amounted to $88,200, overdrafts to $608, stocks, bonds and judgments to $7,125 and the banking house, furniture and fixtures to $10,000. Deposits were $70,000, cash on hand $1,861 and capital stock $30,000. This statement was published in the report of Secretary P. L. Hall of the State Banking board.

Political Meetings Compared.

FARNAM, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—The republicans of this precinct (Keystone) held their first rally in this campaign last evening. A careful canvass of the precinct gives the probable result of a majority of two to one for the republicans at the coming election. The principal speaker was Mr. T. B. Dysart of Omaha, a former populist. Hon. E. A. Cook and County Attorney Stewart of Lexington, Neb. A large audience greeted the speakers, making a vivid contrast to the fusion rally, held here a few days since. At that time when the speaking was ended the hat was passed for a contribution to pay the expenses, and the net result was 60 cents in money.

Mr. Dysart last night presented the case in a masterly manner and was very convincing. E. A. Cook followed in an able argument showing the just attitude of the administration on the vital questions of the day. Attorney Stewart closed the meeting in his characteristic manner. He is a great favorite and the audience testified their appreciation of himself and his utterances. A delegation was present from Gothenburg, accompanied by a glee club.

Charles Foster at Fremont.

FREMONT, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Hon. Charles H. Foster of Ohio, secretary of the treasury under Harrison's administration, spoke to a crowded house at Masonic hall last evening. The meeting was held under the auspices of the McKinley and Roosevelt club, the president, J. M. Shirley presiding, and was one of the best of the campaign. Mr. Foster spoke of the general issues of the campaign and the high degree of prosperity which has been brought about by the policy of the republican party. He spoke at some length on the financial policy of the party and urged the election of McKinley in order that that policy may be continued and no backward step taken. Previous to the meeting the McKinley and Roosevelt uniformed campaign club led by a drum corps paraded the streets. The club was out in full numbers and made a fine display. The meeting was a successful one. The audience was enthusiastic and paid close attention to the speaker until the very close.

Rally at Exeter.

EXETER, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Judge E. A. Tucker of Humboldt delivered one of the best political speeches ever made here last night. The opera house was filled to overflowing and more than 100 persons being compelled to stand for more than two hours. Exeter's splendid cornet band dispersed excellent music and the Young Ladies' McKinley and Roosevelt club rendered a few choice selections in a highly pleasing manner. The judge was escorted from the hotel to the opera house by the cornet band, Young Ladies' club and a well equipped large company of Rough Riders. No audience was more enthusiastic or attentive. A large number of fusionists were present and stayed until the end of the excellent address. This was the largest and most successful rally that has been held here this year, being fully twice as large as the Hitchcock rally recently held here. Exeter is enjoying a period of prosperity and will very largely increase its republican vote this fall.

Big Republican Rally.

ORLEANS, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Hon. George D. Miekeljohn, assistant secretary of war, addressed the citizens of Harlan county yesterday afternoon. Fully 2,000 people listened to an able and polished speech on the political issues of the day.

Hon. W. H. Banwell, mayor of Orleans, as chairman of the meeting introduced the distinguished speaker in a well-worded address. The Republican City and Stamford bands and the Republican City Glee club were present and rendered patriotic music. Flags and streamers decorated the streets and the city was dressed in its gala attire. Wagons and vehicles were hitched at every available place and Orleans had the appearance of a fair. Mr. Miekleiohn can well feel proud of his hearty and loyal reception by the people of Orleans and Harlan county. His address was well received and lauded by the opposition as an able effort.

Pope Speaks at Benedict.

BENEDICT, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Notwithstanding the heavy rains which prevailed here Saturday, Sunday and Monday, which made the roads almost impassable, the opera house here was literally packed to overflowing to hear John D. Pope, candidate for congress, discuss the political issues of the day. He touched upon the money question, discussed the trusts and exposed the rag-baby issue, "imperialism." On state issues he showed up the state house gang and their nefarious work. Mr. Pope's style of oratory impresses his audiences. He has a plain, every-day, business talk, proving every sentence he utters. Tonight he speaks at Lushton, this county.

Minister Talks Politics.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—Rev. Cheeseman addressed a fair audience in the opera house last night. His political sermon did not enthuse many.

IRISH DRAWS LARGE CROWD

Overland Theater at Nebraska City Filled to Hear California Speaker.

GIVES GOLD DEMOCRATS' POINT OF VIEW

Money Question Is Gone Into Thoroughly and the Last Four Years of Great Prosperity Are Called to Audience's Attention.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Colonel John P. Irish of California delivered a political address at the Overland theater tonight to an audience that filled the building to overflowing. The meeting was held under the auspices of the gold democrats of Nebraska City and was one of the most enthusiastic political gatherings that has been held in this city during the present campaign. Ex-Secretary J. Sterling Morton was chairman of the meeting and grouped about him on the stage were the following gold democrats, who are among the best citizens and who represent the professional, business and laboring classes of this city: D. P. Rolfe, Samuel Baron, L. F. Jackson, A. P. Stafford, T. F. McClellan, Henry Fratenau, Colonel F. P. Ireland, J. S. Kennedy, John Nordhouse, James McIlreevy, Edward Shelden, Frank Gamerl, John Matter, jr., E. K. Bradley, Duncan MacCuaig, Fred Heller, H. G. Whitmore, W. S. Harding, C. A. Peiring, Daniel O'Brien, W. A. Cotton, John Steinhart, Dr. A. P. Ginn, Jacob Bustler, Peter Frue, Thomas Ryan, William Laidlow, E. G. Reed, Dr. F. S. Prettyman, Frank Rector, John Nosh.

Colonel Irish was at his best and delivered an address that for eloquence and power, clear reasoning and sound logic has seldom been equaled by a speaker before a Nebraska City audience in this or any other campaign. He announced at the outset that he spoke from the standpoint of a gold standard democrat and that his opposition to Mr. Bryan this year, as in 1896, consists in the vagaristic theories of finance espoused by the latter and set forth in the Chicago platform and reaffirmed in the platform at Kansas City. He gave the financial question thorough and careful discussion. He called attention to the nonfulfillment of Mr. Bryan's prophecies in '96 respecting the evil effects that would follow the enactment of the gold standard law and in contrast pointed out the wonderful financial and commercial development of this nation during the last three years. He gave "government by injunction" and "the consent of the governed" exhaustive treatment and showed the inconsistency of Mr. Bryan's position on these questions.

"Why," said the speaker, "four years ago Mr. Bryan conjured the gold democrats by pretending to be a reincarnation of Jefferson, while this year he is conjuring republicans by styling himself a reincarnated Lincoln." The frequent witty and sarcastic allusions of the speaker to the "pied piper of Lincoln" elicited round after round of laughter and applause from the audience. Colonel Irish invited his hearers of gold democratic faith to vote for President McKinley, a sound currency and prosperity for all classes.

WESTERN PACKING STATISTICS

Continued Liberal Marketing and an Increase in Output Over the Season of 1899.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The Price Current says: There is a continued liberal marketing of hogs. Western packing was 485,000 last week, compared with 485,000 the preceding week and 495,000 last year. From March 1 the total is 12,685,000, against 12,070,000 a year ago. Prominent places compare as follows:

Cities.	1900.	1899.
Chicago	4,150,000	4,250,000
Kansas City	1,745,000	1,600,000
Omaha	1,400,000	1,431,000
St. Joseph	1,020,000	840,000
St. Louis	910,000	1,000,000
Indianapolis	725,000	710,000
Milwaukee	485,000	500,000
Cincinnati	308,000	275,000
Ottumwa	175,000	225,000
Cedar Rapids	274,000	250,000
Sioux City	422,000	390,000
St. Paul	280,000	295,000

Dakota County Seat Troubles.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Oct. 24.—(Special.) Several county seat fights are in progress in South Dakota and are to be determined by the election next month. One of the hottest is that now raging in Charles, Mix county. The recent extension into that county of the Milwaukee railroad has sadly disarranged the plans of the citizens of some of the old towns and in a number of instances the old towns, which are not on the line of the new railroad, have practically been obliterated by the removal to the nearest railroad town of most or all the buildings. The people of Geddes in particular are making a lively fight to wrest the county seat from Wheeler and have just concluded arrangements to offer to build a $5,000 court house and donate it, together with a block of desirable land, to the county as an inducement for the voters to say by their ballots next month that the county seat shall be moved from Wheeler to that place.

Commercial Club Organized.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Oct. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—The business men of Deadwood organized a Commercial club last night with 100 charter members. The officers elected are: President, William Seible; vice president, John Treber; secretary, O. U. Payne; treasurer, D. A. McPherson. The membership will be increased to 600. Special attention will be given to Colorado visitors.

To Preserve Secrecy of Messages.

DULUTH, Minn., Oct. 24.—F. W. Judge, a veteran board of trade operator, has invented and put into use on the trading floor of the Duluth exchange a device which it is said insures absolute secrecy in receiving messages. There has been complaint that persons who understand telegraphy have been reading the reports from the sounder. The device, which is called a "telephone," consists of a box enclosing the sounder, to which is attached a small mouthpiece-shaped tube which transmits the message distinctly to the operator, but prevents its being heard by any one else.

Student Soldiers Organize.

BERKELEY, Cal., Oct. 24.—The students of the University of California, who participated in the Spanish and Philippine wars have formed the nucleus of what is to be a national association of student veterans. A committee has been appointed to confer with eastern colleges and endeavor to secure their co-operation.

Wet Lake Indians Object to School.

DULUTH, Minn., Oct. 24.—The government has built a $6,000 school house for the Wet Lake Indians, but the latter refuse to allow their children to attend, because the school is not on the reservation. There is no law by which the Indians can be compelled to send their children to a school off the reservation and the officials are nonplussed. The school is one of the best in the service, but is filled with children for whom it was never intended. The Wet Lake Indians are among the wildest of the Chippewa band and cling to the old costumes and traditions.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Probability for Thursday is Rain, with Fall in Temperature. Winds Being Northwesterly.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday:

For Nebraska, North and South Dakota—Probably rain and cooler Thursday; Friday fair; northwesterly winds.

For Illinois—Fair Thursday and Friday; fresh east to south winds.

For Western Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Arkansas—Generally fair Thursday and Friday; southeasterly winds.

For Iowa—Showers in northern, fair in southern portion Thursday; Friday clear; southerly winds.

For Missouri and Kansas—Fair Thursday and Friday; southeasterly winds.

For Colorado and Wyoming—Occasional rains and cooler Thursday; Friday fair; northerly winds.

For Montana—Fair Thursday and Friday; variable winds.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Oct. 24.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1900	1899	1898	1897
Maximum temperature	73	77	56	60
Minimum temperature	51	50	30	40
Average temperature	62	67	43	72
Precipitation	.00	.01	.00	.00

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1:

Normal temperature	60
Excess for the day	14
Total excess since March 1, 1900	745
Normal precipitation	.07 inch
Deficiency for the day	.07 inch
Total since March 1	17.06 inches
Deficiency since March 1, 1900	.67 inch
Deficiency for cor. period, 1899	1.46 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1898	1.91 inches

Reports from Stations at 8 P. M.

STATIONS AND STATE OF WEATHER.	Temperature at 8 P. M.	Max. temperature yesterday	Precipitation in 24 hours
Omaha, clear	71	78	.00
North Platte, clear	70	80	.00
Cheyenne, partly cloudy	62	76	.00
Salt Lake City, clear	54	66	.00
Rapid City, cloudy	54	66	.00
Huron, cloudy	56	66	.00
Williston, cloudy	46	56	.00
Chicago, cloudy	60	68	.00
St. Louis, clear	64	72	.00
St. Paul, clear	62	68	.00
Davenport, clear	64	72	.00
Kansas City, clear	66	76	.00
Helena, clear	52	66	.00
Havre, clear	50	66	.00
Bismarck, cloudy	52	70	.00
Galveston, raining	76	78	.36

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecast Official.

Cause of Business Failures.

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BRACE UP

and think the matter out. Weak nerves spring from impure blood. Impure blood comes from a weak stomach. Weakness in the stomach means *catarrh* of the lining of the stomach, just as weakness in the kidneys or liver or lungs means catarrh of the lining of these organs. Cure the catarrh, and health comes back.

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