FEW OF PIONEERS PRESENT

Next Meeting Will Be Held During State Fair to Attract More People.

TWO RESIGNATIONS IN NATIONAL GUARD

State Horticultural Society Holds Interesting Meeting—School Contract with a Minor Held Void.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Only a small number were present at the meeting of the Nebraska pioneers yesterday afternoon, but that small number enjoyed several hours of pleasant reminiscences. Hereafter the pioneers will meet during the state fair, because of the advanced age of the members of the association and the inclement weather usually experienced at this time of year. The following officers were elected: President, R. W. Furnas; secretary and treasurer, J. A. Barrett.

General John M. Thayer was present and when called upon to tell of his life in the western country, said he would rather yield the floor to an older man. He told of his journey from the east to Nebraska, the trip taking three weeks, and how he had been impressed by the beauty of the country even when there were no human habitations to be seen. He explained the part Nebraska took in the civil war, which is not generally understood. In 1860 the census returns showed a population of only 28,500, but two regiments were raised, besides some 500 men who enlisted in Kansas regiments. General Thayer was colonel of the First regiment and R. W. Furnas was at the head of the Second. Mr. Thayer described the service of his regiment, and how, fearing that they would be kept on the border when he thought they were needed more in the south, employed a little strategy in getting the regiment to St. Louis. From there they were in some of the worst conflicts in the south, and once in particular prevented the escape of a confederate command. He told of his acquaintance with General Grant, and of being impressed with his firmness and self-possession, and even at his first meeting with the general, who afterward became famous, wondered if he would not come out of the struggle as a central figure.

Judge Hascall of Omaha told of the men who had been factors in the history of the state, but who had removed to other places because of their great activity. He related a number of incidents showing how great things were accomplished by some man of will seeing the need of them and bringing them to the notice of the public.

State Horticultural Society.

The annual meeting of the State Horticultural society closed at noon today and the location of the summer meeting was left to the executive committee. At the morning session S. Avery of Lincoln contributed a paper on the composition of arsenical insecticides now on sale in this state. The secretary read a paper on the evolution of the plum by E. D. Cowles of Vermilion, S. D.; T. J. Pritchard of this city spoke of diseases of the peach, plum and cherry, and S. G. Christy of the commercial side of horticulture. The principal address was by Professor Bruner, who discussed the importance of the protection of birds as destroyers of insects that infest fruit trees, and suggested the indorsement of the position taken on that subject by Deputy Game Warden Simpkins.

J. W. Cassel of Nebraska City submitted a resolution favoring the enactment of a law to prevent the spraying of fruit trees while in bloom, so that the remedies used for the destruction of insects might not also kill the bees that feed upon the blossoms. This elicited spirited controversy and so much opposition that it was finally laid upon the table.

E. M. Pollard of Nehawka offered a resolution asking the legislature to fix a standard for a bushel of apples and proposed forty-eight pounds as that standard. This was opposed by Mr. Stephens of Crete and others and was also defeated.

A resolution offered by G. S. Christy of Johnson favoring a liberal appropriation for a creditable display at the St. Louis exposition was adopted.

Secretary Barnes of the Kansas association spoke by request in relation to the manner in which the society of that state is supported. He said the society of that state is supported by appropriation from the legislature, which, during the past two years, amounted to $2,900 per year. He was paid a salary of $1,200 a year, and had means provided for carrying on his work effectively. He has an office in the state capitol, which is fitted up becoming quarters in that building, has all desirable periodicals on file, with pictures and exhibits of interest to horticulturists, and has suitable help to carry on the work which an experienced person finds to advantage.

A report from the committee on revision of the premium list reported that the premiums for the winter show had been cut out, as the show this year had cost $100, while few saw it except the members and students of the university.

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Order Election of Colonel.

Adjutant General Colby has issued the following special orders regarding the resignation of Colonel Hayward. So far the candidates for the position made vacant are: Captain Eli Hodgins, Omaha; Lieutenant Colonel M. W. McDonnell, Fairbury, and Captain Ernest H. Phelps, Company K, of Schuyler, all of the Second regiment. The orders issued follow:

The resignation of Colonel William Hayward, Second infantry regiment, Nebraska National Guard, is hereby accepted, and he is honorably discharged from the military service of the state, to take effect January 24, 1903.

In accordance with the provisions of the military code of the state an election is hereby ordered to fill the vacancy which will occur in the office of colonel of the Second infantry regiment, vice William Hayward, resigned.

The adjutant general will prepare and forward proper ballots to the commissioned officers of the Second Nebraska infantry regiment for their use in the election ordered in the preceeding paragraph. These ballots, indicating the officers choice of person for appointment to such office, will be signed by the officer voting and returned to the adjutant general's office on or before 10 o'clock a. m. of Friday, January 23, 1903.

A board of officers, to consist of the adjutant general, Captain James J. Grimm of Company E, and Captain John T. Crozier of Company D, First infantry regiment, will convene in the adjutant general's office at 10 o'clock a. m. on Friday, January 23, 1903, for the purpose of canvassing and recording the votes at such election. No vote will be received or recorded after the hour named for the meeting of said board.

Captain Ringer Resigns.

Captain Frank Ringer of Company F, known as Lincoln Light infantry, resigned and resignation has been accepted. Captain Ringer stated that his resignation was due to business matters. The captain in a short time will take unto himself a bride and it is supposed that his better half that is to be would not stand for any warlike attitude on the part of her intended. The company is now in charge of First Lieutenant F. W. Ludwig.

County Attorneys Meet.

The county attorneys of the state held their annual meeting in the office of Attorney Caldwell this afternoon, with a small membership present.

The present officers of the association are: President, J. L. Caldwell, Lincoln; secretary, Robert A. Clapp, Fairbury; executive committee, James B. English of Omaha, Jesse L. Root of Plattsmouth, H. E. Sackett of Beatrice and A. R. Humphrey of Broken Bow.

All but two counties, those of Banner and Blaine, are represented in the association by the duly elected county attorneys. The object of the association is to secure united action to improve and amend the criminal code and the laws relative to revenue, roads, bridges and county matters, and to assist each other in public matters and to secure exchange of ideas and improve the public service.

J. P. Leaphart is at the point of death at his home from the effects of injuries received by a scaffold upon which he was at work falling with him. He received a fracture of the base of the skull and late this afternoon Dr. M. H. Everett stated that his chances for recovery were slight. Leaphart and two other carpenters were at work roofing a building when the scaffold fell. Leaphart was picked up unconscious and taken to his home. He is past 50 years of age.

Cannot Hold Minors.

A school board has no recourse when it makes a contract with a minor and the minor does not carry out the contract, so decided Attorney General Prout. The opinion was given at the request of Superintendent Fowler, who had received numerous inquiries in regard to the matter. The leter received from the attorney general is as follows:

I have received your inquiry, as follows: "Is a contract entered into between a school district board and a teacher who is a minor a legal contract; that is, is it binding upon the teacher? If the teacher should not live up to the terms of the contract, if he should refuse to teach the school after agreeing to do so and signing contract to that effect, what recourse has the school district board?"

A contract with a minor, except for necessaries, is voidable at his option. This is the rule of law applicable to your inquiry. It follows, therefore, that a school board has no recourse where it employed as teacher a minor who subsequently avoided the contract of employment on the ground of his minority.

This decision of the attorney general does not prohibit a school district board from making a contract with a teacher who is a minor, but the contract will be a one-sided one, binding the district and not the teacher.

SLOW-HEALING SORES

Slow healing sores are unsightly, painful and dangerous. They are a constant care and source of anxiety and worry.

Chronic, slow healing sores are frequently the after effects of some long standing debilitating sickness that leaves the constitution weakened and the blood in a polluted, run down condition, when a scratch, cut, simple boil or bruise, becomes a fearful looking ulcer that grows and spreads, eating deeper and deeper into the flesh in spite of everything that can be done to check its progress. Old people whose blood is below the standard and the circulation sluggish, are tormented with face sores, and often indolent, sickly looking ulcers upon the limbs that give them hardly a moment's rest from pain and worry. Ordinary sores are liable to become chronic unless the blood is strong enough to throw off the germs and poisons, and no amount of external treatment will heal them, but they will continue to grow worse and worse, and many times terminate in that most horrible of all human maladies, Cancer.

Purify the Blood Heal the Sore.

S. S. S. cures slow healing sores by purifying and invigorating the germ-laden, vitiated blood and purging the system of all corrupt matter, thus striking at the real cause and removing every hindrance to a rapid and successful cure, and this is the only possible way to reach these deeply rooted, dangerous places. S. S. S. strengthens and tones up the circulation, supplies the rich, nutritious blood needed for the rebuilding of the constitution as well as healing the sore, and you get rid of the old plague spot for all time.

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If you have a slow healing, stubborn sore, write us about it, and our Physicians will advise you without charge. Book on Blood and Skin Diseases free.

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YORK FOR TAXATION REFORM

Instances Cited of Ridiculous Assessment on Farm Lands.

YORK, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—There is considerable interest being taken here in tax reform, and the members of the legislature sent from here are asked by tax reformers to assist in passing a revenue law that will not only be a reform over the present law, but will tax all property at its just and equitable value. York county has had the same experience as other counties in the state. A short time ago a farm in Bradshaw township sold for $75 per acre cash, and at a meeting of the assessors of York county held before they made the 1902 assessment they agreed to assess land situate in the four townships surrounding York at $4 per acre for cultivated land and $3 per acre for cultivated land in all the other townships, which made the assessed valuation of the 160 acres in Bradshaw township only $3 per acre for land that sold at $75 per acre. It is the general opinion that laws can be passed that will assess all real property at its value, and a majority advocates that assessments of personal property be published in the county paper, as that will be the only way to secure the value of personal property, as more of it is hid from the assessor than any other class of property, and if personal assessment is published it is believed that nearly every dollar of personal assessment will be listed.

Few Changes in York County Bank.

YORK, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—There has been no change in the personnel of the officers of the two banks at York, the First National bank and the City National bank. At elections of officers of banks in towns surrounding York in this county there has been but two changes made in management. At McCool Junction, Ralph Stanley retires and Aruthr Moore, son-in-law of Judge G. W. Post of the First National bank of this city, is cashier, taking the place of Mr. Stanley. Phillip Moore, organizer and cashier of the Bank of Lushton, this county, has sold his interests and will go northwest. Clay Adams, an employe of the First National bank of this city, was elected cashier of the bank of Lushton.

Injured in Runaway.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—John Dickman, a prominent German farmer residing near Ellis, this county, was injured quite seriously in a runaway accident near his home by being thrown from a lumber wagon. He received several ugly scalp wounds and numerous bruises about the body. The physicians think he will recover.

Official Appointments in Jefferson.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The county commissioners met this week and appointed Frank Higgins superintendent of the county poor farm and Freeman Alken janitor of the court house. The board as now organized has a democratic majority.

FRANKLIN REMAINS SINGLE

Abducts Kansas Girl and Brings Her to Trenton to be Married.

UNWILLING TO BE A BRIDE SHE ESCAPES

Officers Informed and Girl Returned to Her Father, While Young Man is Given Into Custody of Kansas Officers.

TRENTON, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The blowing of a cold wind did not deter George Franklin, age 23, of Blakeman, Kan., from attempting to abduct Miss Pearl Smith, age 17, of the same place and take an all night's ride with the intention of forcing a marriage. The girl's story is that Franklin had been a suitor but was turned down and everything supposed to be satisfactory, but while she was going home from school Franklin overtook her, persuading her to get in his buggy and he would take her home. She consented with reluctance, and no sooner had she seated herself than he turned his team in an opposite direction. The frightened girl attempted to escape, but was held and told they were going to Trenton and be married.

No heed was paid to the pleas of the girl. There was no further attempt to escape. Dawn had broken when they arrived at the hotel. There Franklin supposed the girl was arranging her toilet, but was in reality planning an escape, which was perfected shortly after their arrival. Miss Smith escaped through a back door and went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bosserman, nearby, telling her story and asking for protection. The girl was nearly overcome by her experience.

Sheriff Brown was notified and took Franklin into custody and notified the Rawlins county sheriff. The father came for his daughter and Constable Hurst took young Franklin to the state line and delivered him to the Kansas officer. Franklin does not seem to realize the seriousness of the offense if it is pushed.

FARMER'S WIFE HAS NERVE

Ties Up a Mad Dog, Which Neighbor is Afraid to Kill After It is Roped.

SEWARD, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—About 3 o'clock this afternoon a dog belonging to Fred Hartman, who lives three miles southeast of town, became mad, foamed at the mouth and chased the cattle. Mrs. Hartman was at home alone, and after trying to call the dog away from the cattle she obtained a rope and put it around the dog's neck and led it into the barn and tied it up. The dog was all the time jumping and snarling at her, but did not succeed in biting her. She then went to a neighbor's, but he would not go near the dog. Finally a young man who has been selling medicine through the country came along and Mrs. Hartman stopped him and he succeeded in killing the dog after shooting him three times. It is not known whether any of the cattle were bitten or not.

Reveals an Elopement.

GREENWOOD, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The publication in The Bee this morning of the issuance of a marriage license at Council Bluffs, Wednesday, to W. Alva Knicely, aged 26, and Miss Ada M. Craig, aged 20, both of Greenwood, reveals an elopement in high society. Mr. Knicely is a merchant of this place, being a member of the firm of S. A. Knicely & Sons, and the wedding was strenuously opposed by E. B. Craig, father of the bride. The young people secured a team and drove to Ashland, Wednesday noon, where they boarded the afternoon flyer for Council Bluffs. Mr. Knicely moved to this place a few months ago from Tobias, Neb.

Bank Elections at Albion.

ALBION, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of stockholders of the national banks of this city, held yesterday, resulted as follows: First National: C. E. West, president; John Peters, vice president; F. S. Thompson, cashier; F. R. Witzel, assistant cashier; C. E. West, John Peters, F. S. Thompson, E. W. Gunther, H. E. Lehr, C. G. Barnes, directors. Albion National: V. B. Thompson, president; A. W. Ladd, vice president; D. M. Blatter, cashier; W. S. Price, assistant cashier; M. B. Thompson, A. W. Ladd, William Witzel, D. V. Blatter, L. Holden, directors.

Wife Leaves with Hired Man.

ELM CREEK, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Peter Johnson of this place left home last night with another man, Lee Smith by name, who hails from Colorado. He husked corn for Johnson this fall. They drove from Elm Creek to Overton to take the train for Denver, but were apprehended. She returned home on the condition that Smith should be released, which was done. Today she and her husband settled up and she left home. They have three children. They always got along well, are hard workers and own their own home.

Arrest Two Deserters.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Two deserters from Fort Robinson were arrested on the eastbound train here by the sheriff and city marshal. A telegram last night from Crawford put the officers on their guard. They were in the sleeper and were in their bunks when the officers found them and gave them no chance for resistance. One of them had in his pocketbook some burned bills, but a one-dollar bill was all that could be deciphered. They had about $60 in good bills. It is thought they may be wanted for other crimes than desertion. Both are colored.

Business Failure at Table Rock.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The grocery store of S. C. Bicknell of this place is locked up and in the hands of D. K. Miller, trustee, on a chattel mortgage given Monday night by Bicknell to secure the creditors' claims, amounting to almost $700. The goods are being appraised today by appraisers. Mr. Bicknell only recently went into business here, coming from Elk Creek. Mr. Bicknell had been hard pressed by his creditors some days before givin, the chattel mortgage.

Woodmen Hold Public Installation.

LEIGH, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Last night Leigh camp No. 1023, Modern Woodmen of America, and the ladies' auxiliary, the Royal Neighbors, held a public installation of officers-elect for the coming year. The services were short but impressive. After the ceremonies a banquet was held at which there were over 150 guests.

Rumor Shops Are to Be Moved.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A rumor is current here that the Union Pacific is considering the advisability of moving its shops from Beatrice to Marysville, Kan. The report, however, is not confirmed by the officials of the road at this point.

High School Lecture Course.

ASHLAND, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The first number of the Ashland High school lecture course was given tonight at Sears' opera house, Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews of the University of Nebraska discussing "The Problems of Greater America." The remaining lectures of the course will be delivered by A. L. Bixby of Lincoln, Deputy State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. L. McBrien of Geneva and Rev. Edward Frederic Trefz of Omaha.

Soldier Arrested for Theft.

STURGIS, S. D., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Royal Morse, a soldier of the Thirteenth cavalry, Fort Meade, has been arrested on the charge of horse stealing. A team and buggy was tied last night on the main street here. Morse is said to have cut the halter rope, stepped into the buggy and drove off. He was overtaken about one mile below Fort Meade by A. Simpson, owner of the team, and F. A. Willard. Morse was compelled to return with the team. Preliminary examination was called today, but continued until tomorrow.

"Skeets" Martin Visits Broken Bow.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. J. H. Martin, wife of "Skeets" Martin, the noted horse jockey, has been visiting her father, Fred Rinne, of this city for a few days. She was accompanied by her husband. They were given a reception Monday night in which about fifty couples participated. Mrs. Martin was formerly a resident of this city. They left this morning for the west.

Diver Recovers Body.

WEST POINT, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The body of George Ruehl, the man who was drowned by breaking through the ice a week ago, was recovered by the diver engaged for the purpose yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Owing to the coldness of the water the body was well preserved. The interment will take place Saturday, January 17, under the auspices of the Woodmen of the World.

Arlington Bank Election.

ARLINGTON, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National bank of Arlington on Tuesday the following officers were elected: J. H. Pratt, president; J. T. May, vice president; A. H. Sander, jr., cashier; G. W. Pfeiffer, assistant cashier. Directors—J. H. Pratt, J. T. May, L. C. Weber, B. F. Mitchell, L. M. Keene, W. R. Turner, M. B. Turner.

Red Men Install Officers.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Otoe tribe No. 16, Improved Order of Red Men, held a very largely attended meeting last night, at which time officers were installed. District Grand Deputy Sachem C. A. Osborn acted as installing officer.

Amends Articles of Incorporation.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—Amended articles of incorporation of the Dempster Mill Manufacturing company of this city were filed with the county clerk yesterday, increasing the capital stock of the company to $750,000.

Injured by Falling Trees.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—While engaged in chopping wood near town today O. F. Folden was seriously injured about the back and shoulders by a tree falling on him.

Beatrice Corn Market.

BEATRICE, Neb., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—The local grain company purchased seventy wagon loads of shelled corn yesterday. The price paid per bushel was 31½ cents.

JOHNSON TO BE CANDIDATE

Cleveland Man Wants the Democratic Nomination for Governor of Ohio.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 15.—A special to the Times-Star from Springfield, O., says: Chairman Frey of the democratic state central committee has formally announced that Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland will be a candidate for the next democratic nomination for governor of Ohio.

THE REALTY MARKET.

INSTRUMENTS placed on record Thursday, January 15:

Warranty Deeds.

Midway Investment company to Frank Polacek, lot 14, block 4, Pearson & B.'s add	$ 606
H. C. Carlson to Hanna C. Carlson et al, undiv⅛ of e½ lot 2, block 9, Reed's 1st add	1
A. W. Phelps et al to Adams & Kelly company, lot 5, block 3-9, Omaha	2,500
Pabst Brewing company to Martin Tibke, lots 42 and 43, Bellair add	550
New Hampshire Fire Insurance company to Esther Weinstein et al, n½ lot 1, block 11, S. E. Rogers' add	5,000
Frederick Fries to Ida A. Jorgensen, s25 feet of ¼ acre in north end of west part of w½ se¼ nw¼ 16-16-13	1
Joanna B. Horton to F. G. Hobson, s½ of n½ lot 4, block 56, Omaha	3,500
E. H. Lanktree to Agnes Lanktree, n109 feet lot 29, Burr Oak	2
J. J. Lanktree and wife to E. H. Lanktree, same	2
Michael Sramek and wife to Michael Sramek and wife, e½ of n½ of e½ lot 26, Kountze's 2d add	1
Ernest Sweet and wife to Maude C. Badgerow, e42 feet lot 32, Luke & T.'s add	1,650

Deeds.

W. K. Potter, receiver, to James Schouler, e½ lot 6, block 74, and e½ lot 3, block 103, Omaha	1
J. W. Battin, administrator, to Erastus Young, w46 feet lot 4, block 2, Perkins' subdiv	2,900
Sheriff to Philadelphia Mortgage and Trust company, lot 9, block F, Prospect Place	1,500
Total amount of transfers	$18,214

3 DAILY TRAINS TO CHICAGO 3

NEW TRAIN SERVICE

Eastbound the trains leave the Union Passenger Station, Omaha, promptly a follows:

The Limited - 8:05 p. m.
Eastern Express 5:45 p. m.
Atlantic Express 7:45 a. m.

At Chicago these trains arrive at the Union Passenger Station, Canal and Adams streets—in the heart of the city. Excellent connections for the East and South.

THE number of trains operated between Omaha and Chicago via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway has been increased to three daily fast trains each way. These trains are magnificently equipped with palace sleeping cars, dining cars, free reclining chair cars, etc. The trains are solid, wide vestibuled, heated by steam and are lighted by Pintsch gas and electricity. Nothing finer moves on wheels. The service on the dining cars is perfect.

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CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RY.

CUBAN TREATY IS READY

Senate Committee on Foreign Relations Prepared to Report.

PRESIDENT SIGNS FREE COAL BILL

Indianola Postoffice Remains Shut, as Local Residents and Officials Will Give No Assurances of Safety for Mail's Care.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The senate committee on foreign relations today agreed to report the Cuban reciprocity treaty to the senate with two amendments. The first of these is the guaranty against a further reduction of the sugar tariff, which was adopted yesterday, and the other makes a reduction of 40 per cent in the duties on American cattle exported to Cuba instead of 20 per cent, as provided in the treaty as it was originally transmitted to the senate.

Senators Bacon and Bailey cast their votes against the resolution for a favorable report, but all the other votes were in the affirmative.

Later in the day, in the executive session of the senate, Senator Cullom reported the treaty as amended and gave notice that he would call it up on Monday and endeavor to secure action at the earliest possible day. It is understood there will be considerable debate and that some time will elapse before it can be acted upon.

A number of the democratic senators who oppose ratification will reoffer the amendments that were voted down in committee. The democrats, however, are not solid in their opposition and those who oppose are not yet agreed on any general line of attack.

Call on the President.

President Roosevelt today received about thirty members of the National Board of Trade, in session in this city. President Roosevelt in responding to the presentation speech said:

"I shall not try to make you any speech. I wish simply to say what a very real pleasure it is to see you, and also to say this—that I am glad to see the meetings of the big business interests take place some times in Washington.

"Nothing can be better for the business interests than to have as close a touch as possible between the elective representatives here and the men whose welfare is so interwoven with what is done in the halls of congress. It is a very great help to all of us to have you come here. I thank you for coming."

Roosevelt Signs Coal Bill.

Shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon Representative Wachter of Maryland, chairman of the house committee on enrolled bills, accompanied by Representative Allen of Maine, reached the executive offices with the engrossed and enrolled copy of the free coal bill, which passed yesterday.

President Roosevelt received the committee at once and signed the measure immediately, expressing at the same time his pleasure that congress had acted so promptly.

Moody Not at His Office.

Secretary Moody was not at the Navy department today. He is rapidly recovering from the accident sustained at Annapolis several days ago in a runaway, but his physician was unwilling that he expose himself to the cold until his hurts have healed.

Hayes to Be a General.

The president today nominated Colonel Edward M. Hayes, Thirteenth cavalry, to be brigadier general.

Some Relief for Indianola.

Senator McLaurin of Mississippi today urged Postmaster Payne to have the mails for Indianola sent to Heathmann, Miss., instead of Greenville, pending the opening of the Indianola office. Heathmann is four miles from Indianola, while Greenville is thirty miles distant. Mr. Payne stated that if the postoffice at Heathmann was able to handle the additional mail the change would be made. Senator McLaurin says there is no disposition on the part of the peace authorities at Indianola to give assurances in an official way that the postmistress, Mrs. Cox, will be protected in her personal safety, because there has been no intimation that she was in the least danger. Such assurances as are demanded would be an admission, in the opinion of the officials and people of Indianola, that danger threatened Mrs. Cox.

Wants an Examiner Dismissed.

The commissioner of pensions has recommended to the secretary of the interior the dismissal of James Roberts, a principal examiner in the law division of the pension bureau, on the charge of writing anonymous letters to the commissioner regarding clerks in the bureau. Mr. Roberts denies the charge.

Invites President to California.

Representative Loud of California invited President Roosevelt to attend the annual encampment of the California Grand Army of the Republic in May. The president said he would attend if possible, but as the itinerary of his western trip had not been completed he was unable to say whether he could arrange to be in San Francisco on that date or not.

GIRL ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

Discharge of Gun in Hands of Boy Causes a Tragedy Near Sioux Falls.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Alena Miksch, the 13-year-old daughter of a prominent resident of Wellington township, twenty miles west of Sioux Falls, was killed last night by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Cecil English, a boy who recently was adopted into the Miksch family from the Orphans' home.

What Follows Grip?

Pneumonia often, but never when Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is used. It cures colds and grips. 50c, $1. For sale by Kuhn & Co.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair Today in Nebraska, the Dakotas and All Iowa, Except the South Portion.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Forecast:

For Nebraska, North and South Dakota—Fair Friday and Saturday; colder Saturday.

For Iowa—Fair Friday. Saturday fair in north; rain in south portion.

For Illinois—Fair Friday and Saturday, except rain Saturday in south portion; fresh west winds.

For Missouri—Fair Friday, except rain in southwest portion. Saturday rain.

For Kansas—Fair Friday, except rain in south portion. Saturday rain and colder.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Jan. 15.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1903.	1902.	1901.	1900.
Maximum temperature	51	47	52	39
Minimum temperature	31	28	36	30
Mean temperature	41	38	44	34
Precipitation	.00	.00	.00	.00

Record of temperature and precipitation at Omaha for this day and since March 1, 1902:

Normal temperature	16
Excess for the day	25
Total excess since March 1	251
Normal precipitation	.02 inch
Deficiency for the day	.02 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	29.68 inches
Deficiency since March 1	.90 inch
Deficiency for cor. period, 1902	6.47 inches
Deficiency for cor. period, 1901	.06 inch

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER.	Temperature at 7 P. M.	Maximum temperature	Precipitation
Omaha, clear	44	51	.00
Valentine, clear	34	44	.00
North Platte, clear	42	52	.00
Cheyenne, clear	34	52	.00
Salt Lake City, clear	28	30	.00
Rapid City, clear	34	56	.00
Huron, clear	28	36	.00
Williston, clear	20	30	.00
Chicago, clear	34	36	.00
St. Louis, clear	48	52	.00
St. Paul, clear	32	32	.00
Davenport, clear	36	42	.00
Kansas City, clear	46	54	.00
Havre, clear	24	36	.00
Helena, clear	26	30	.00
Bismarck, clear	20	40	.00
Galveston, cloudy	50	50	T

T Indicates trace of precipitation.

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LEGISLATORS TO TAKE REST

Vote for Six-Day Recess After Election of United States Senator.

CONTEST OVER THE EXPOSITION BILL

Proposed Suffrage Amendment to Constitution Puts in Its Annual Appearance in the House.

PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Both houses today passed resolutions to adjourn from Wednesday, January 21, to Tuesday, January 27. The intent is to take the adjournment immediately after voting for senator in joint session at noon of that day, and most of the members will leave for their homes on the afternoon train.

Senate bill No. 1, to create a board of fence viewers, called up a discussion when it was up for final action today, and after several amendments had been tacked on, it went back to the committee for further action.

Senate bills introduced provided for a state sheep inspector; for the recording of judgments of United States courts in the offices of clerks of circuit court; establishing a legal code of bell signals for use in mines.

The bill to appropriate money for an exhibit at the St. Louis exposition was reported back to the house by the committee of state affairs, with an amendment reducing the amount to $50,000. An attempt to rush the bill through under suspension of the rules brought out a contest in which Longstaff took the position that such a measure should be given due consideration before the house took action and in this he was seconded by Hayes. Bromley of the committee argued for the bill, but the matter was finally dropped and went over to tomorrow under the rules.

Smith of Hand presented a resolution memoralizing congress to abolish the duty on coal as obsolete legislation.

Suffrage Bill Bobs Up.

Bromley, by request, introduced a resolution for a constitutional amendment providing for equal suffrage. A resolution for an amendment to the constitution was presented by Scobell with the intent to remove the two-term restriction from the office of county superintendent of schools. House bills were introduced to permit sureties on an official bond to limit their liabilities; to sell lands at tax sale for the full amount of taxes to the lowest interest bidder; to establish a state board of assessment; a general oil inspection bill; limiting exemptions; making insane from the Soldiers' Home general state charges, and a free textbook measure.

House bill No. 9, providing necessary legislation for carrying into effect the constitutional amendment lowering the interest rate on the state school fund, was passed.

Wolves Bother Sheep.

STURGIS, S. D., Jan. 15.—(Special.)—According to reports, the residents on the ranges and throughout the valleys are again being troubled with coyotes and wolves. They make prey of the sheep, and the sheepmen, it is said, are planning to meet and place a bounty on the coyotes as well as the wolves. They make night hideous for the farmers, and more especially in the sheep districts.

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