Several of them are from Americans who held concessions in southern Sakhalin.

Exchange of Ratifications.

While a full synopsis of the treaty will be cabled to the governments of the two countries, the actual text will not be known at Tokio or St. Petersburg until the plenipotentiaries arrive. It is expected that to cable such a long document textually would make it possible for an expert later, when the text became public, to work out the government cipher. M. Witte will personally convey the text to St. Petersburg and Baron Komura to Tokio. This is the real reason why both are anxious to get home as soon as possible, as the treaty does not go into force until the two emperors have signed. To avoid the delay of exchange of documents, which would involve six weeks at least, official notification of the final approval by the emperors will be made through neutrals, the United States in the case of Japan, and France in the case of Russia. The text of the treaty will not be made public at Portsmouth. If it ever is it will be after it has received the approval of the two emperors. M. Witte, when questioned upon this subject by the Associated Press, remarked, laughingly: "You are at liberty to announce both in Europe and America that we are willing to make the 'treaty of Portsmouth' public as soon as the new Anglo-Japanese treaty is given to the world."

Ceremony Will Be Exclusive.

The signing of the treaty is to be a most exclusive affair. The Japanese objected to the presence of any newspaper correspondents or photographers and it has before been decided by both sides of the plenipotentiaries and secretaries there shall be present only Assistant Secretary Peirce, representing the president; Governor McLane of New Hampshire, the mayor of Portsmouth, Admiral Mead, commander of the navy yard, and the commanders of any United States warships in the harbor, in this case only Captain Winslow of the Mayflower. Mr. Peirce has procured four ordinary quill pens, with one of which each of the plenipotentiaries will sign.

Baron Komura and Mr. Takahira, through Mr. Sato, have invited the newspaper correspondents and guests of the hotel and the United States government officials here to meet them in the hotel parlors tomorrow night for an informal reception.

Czar Thanks the Army.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 3.—The emperor on Friday last telegraphed the following to General Linevitch:

The negotiations at Portsmouth led on August 19 to a refusal of the demands of the Japanese government regarding the cession of the island of Sakhalin, the payment of a war indemnity, the surrender of our ships lying in neutral harbors and the limitation of our forces in the waters of the Pacific ocean. After further negotiations Japan, on August 29, yielded all our conditions, but asked for the return of that portion of Sakhalin occupied by Japanese troops, which is the part held by Japan until 1875 and then ceded by treaty to Russia.

The self-sacrificing army, so dear to me, withstood the assault of a numerically superior enemy in Manchuria step by step during nineteen months, obstinately repulsing his advance. Under your leadership the army was reorganized and strengthened by the arrival of troops from Russia and it is now greater in numbers and stronger than before.

I and all Russia believe in the strength of my glorious army and in its readiness to sacrifice itself for the good of the fatherland, but my duty to my conscience and to the people entrusted to me by God commands me to not again put to the test the valor of the Russian men, so dear to my heart ,and not to expose them to fresh and endless horrors of war in order to retain half of a remote island, which Japan ceded to us in 1875, and I have therefore accepted the preliminary peace condition.

The Russian troops have repeatedly proven during this sanguinary conflict valor and self sacrifice.

Convey this to my dear army. May it know that I and Russia value the sacrifices which it has made in this severe war.

UNIVERSAL PENNY POSTAGE

Member of British Parliament Takes Steps to Lower Rate on Letters.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—(Special Cablegram to The Bee.)—Mr. J. Henniker Heaton, M. P., is making an effort to start an agitation in favor of universal penny postage. In a recent interview he said:

It is intended to form a league for the establishment of universal penny postage so that any inhabitant of our planet, white, black or yellow, may be enabled for the sum of 1d to communicate with any other, at the lowest possible rate and the highest attainable speed—Englishman with Frenchman, German, Italian or Russian; European with American, Asiatic with Australian or African—so that when one soul has something to say to another neither color, nor religion, nor greed, nor diplomacy, nor national antipathy, nor latitude, nor longitude, nor poverty, nor any other barrier, shall stand between them.

The hour has struck for this grand, yet simple, assertion of the brotherhood of nations, of a change which threatens no interest and benefits all mankind. Since 1898, when Imperial penny postage was introduced, our outward mails have nearly doubled. Every Friday some 250,000 British letters pass through France and Italy for India, Hong Kong and Australasia—12,000 miles. The postage on each of these letters is 1 penny. By the same boat a few British letters are carried for residents in Calais, twenty-one miles, and on these letters the postage is 2½ pence. By what perverse ingenuity can such a distinction be justified? Or why should a letter to New York cost 2½ pence and another in the same bag be carried through that city and 1,000 miles into Canada for 1 penny?

That thought can be fairly taxed at a custom house none will affirm. Opium can be weighed, whisky tested; but what scales are delicate enough to weigh the products of the human mind? That an English letter should be taxed because it is addressed to a Frenchman is a policy unworthy of the age. This is not an argument for the benefit of the "foreigner," since a letter benefits not only the addressee, but even more the sender. And if so, can it be contended that 10,000 letters sent to Canadians benefit us more than as many addressed to Americans? I maintain that the trade and commerce resulting from cheap postage will amply compensate for any initial loss.

That the moment for action has arrived is indicated by the fact that my friend, Sir J. G. Ward, postmaster general of New Zealand, is to move a resolution for universal penny postage in the Postal Union congress at Rome next year. It cannot be too soon or too clearly shown that this doughty reformer is speaking with the public opinion of the mother country behind him.

BRYAN TO BEGIN TALK EARLY

Labor Day Oratory Will Open Up at 1:30 at Courtland Beach Celebration.

Speaking at Courtland beach will begin at 1:30 today in order to give Hon. W. J. Bryan an opportunity to catch an early afternoon train out of the city.

The Omaha Typographical union, which has the celebration in hand this year, decided to have a sort of labor family picnic, cutting out the parade feature. The committee was successful in getting Mr. Bryan as orator, even though other places were bidding for his services, and feel that this fact alone will repay all who take the trouble to go to the beach to help celebrate Labor day. Besides Mr. Bryan, Edward Rosewater, G. M. Hitchcock and E. O. McCune are down for addresses

Hot
Postum's
the FOOD COFFEE
that brings health.
There's a Reason.

FAIR TO OPEN WITH ECLAT

Late Arrival of Numerous Exhibits of Machinery Cause Busy Sunday.

EVERY FOOT OF AVAILABLE SPACE TAKEN

County and Educational Exhibits Promise to Be of Great Interest to the Visitors from All Over the State.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Sept. 3. — (Special.) — The busiest place in Nebraska today was the Nebraska state fair grounds. It was a whirlwind rush to get everything in shape for the formal opening tomorrow morning. During the night twenty-eight cars of machinery came down from the Des Moines fair and were unloaded and put in place during the day. With this big receipt of machinery at almost the last minute, the machinery and implement exhibit this year will be one-third larger than ever before in the history of the state. This is particularly gratifying to the fair board, for the reason that several months ago implement dealers entered into an agreement not to make exhibits at state fairs. The agreement was broken about a month ago and there has been a grand rush since then for space. As a result there is not a foot of available ground for this character of exhibit that is not occupied.

J. W. Gilbert brought in his herd of elk and Angora goats from Friend this morning and this will prove a most attractive feature of the fair. Near Friend Mr. Gilbert has a park of seventy-five acres in which the elk roam around and to which visitors are at all times welcome.

County Exhibits Strong Feature.

Agricultural hall was one of the busiest places on the grounds, the officials from the various counties working tooth and toenail to get their exhibits in place. The displays this year seem much more artistic than ever before.

The model school house and the work of the various Nebraska school districts will attract much attention, though, as one man remarked, "There are considerable more frills in the show than readin', 'ritin' and 'rithmetic." The industrial schools at Geneva and Kearney, the former for the girls and the latter for boys, have good exhibits, including views of the schools, dormitories, work rooms, grounds and such like. The photograph of the superintendent's office of the girls' industrial school makes the governor's office look cheap.

The swine barns, the cattle barns and the horse barns are full of Nebraska's best stock and compares favorably with the previous stock exhibits.

Stock Pavilion Too Small.

The new stock pavilion will be formally dedicated Tuesday. It is a nice building, but it will not fill a long felt want as anticipated by the people. It is too small, and only a small per cent of the people will be able to get seats to see the fine stock on exhibition. Probably it will seat 1,500 persons. The new administration building looms up well and is a great improvement over the old way of scattering the fair managers over the grounds. All the officers can easily be found by just going to this building. The enlargement of the grandstand at the race track will be appreciated by the race lovers.

Among the exhibits that are well worth seeing is the fish exhibit in charge of Fish Commissioner O'Brien. This year he has discovered a large number of fish that never before traveled further west than Chicago. O'Brien knows everything there is to know about the finney tribe and he is one of the most accommodating men on the grounds and would rather talk of the state's investment in fish than of anything on earth.

Corn-Gathering Wagon.

Another exhibit that will appeal to the people is a large wagon built by an enterprising firm. It is about sixteen feet to the top of the seat and will be used exclusively for gathering the Nebraska corn crop.

An Omaha firm has an automobile wheel which its inventor hopes will succeed rubber tires. The wheel consists of springs in a wheel, which is encircled by another wheel. He claims that it makes riding easier than rubber tires.

Al Dougherty, owner of San Antonio Pete, the trotting steer, has promised to let the beast go every time the managers request it. This will prevent a repetition of the Dan Patch episode of last year, when hundreds of people were disappointed.

Contrary to expectations an entrance fee was charged to the grounds today and a number of people had the opportunity of paying 50 cents merely to see a lot of men at work. There is yet much to do, but by tomorrow night everything will be in its place and the fair will be running full blast and better than ever before.

"Big Swede" Wanted.

Sheriff Ress went to Washington today to get a party known as the "Big Swede," who jumped a $100 bond signed by S. M. Melick. The man was arrested for vagrancy, but he is wanted here as a defendant in a padlock case, in which a stranger was done for $69, which Detective Malone recovered for him after arresting the men red-handed.

Travel Unprecedentedly Heavy.

It was necessary for Superintendent Bignell to make up a second section of No. 1 this morning to accommodate the travel to Denver. When the train pulled in it was crowded to the doors, hundreds of people being unable to find seats. As there was a large crowd going from Lincoln, a new train was made up. According to Mr. Bignell, travel was never as heavy as at the present time.

Nance County Republicans Meet.

FULLERTON, Neb., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—The republicans of Nance county held a large and enthusiastic convention in the court house last Saturday afternoon. Every voting precinct in the county was represented. J. W. McClelland, chairman of the county central committee, called the convention to order and on motion was made chairman of the convention. J. W. Tanner, editor of the News-Journal, was chosen secretary. The following ticket was placed in the field: For county judge, G. F. Robinson; for clerk, Gus Wilson; for treasurer, Dr. E. L. Thomas; for sheriff, J. M. Babb; for superintendent, J. A. Storch; for coroner, Dr. W. F. Johnson; for surveyor, O. R. Cowgill. J. W. McClelland, J. H. Kemp, J. H. Umstead, W. F. Prowett, J. Rosenerantz, Arthur Anderson, Eric Johnson, John McAfee, R. L. Osborne, Fred Watts and W. F. Critchfield were elected delegates to the state convention. The county ticket is a strong one and will be elected in November by a large majority.

Man Falls Under Train.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—Warren Snavely, a section man in the employ of the Burlington in Falls City, fell under a freight train Saturday afternoon and had his left hand cut off just above the wrist. The section gang was at work at Pearson's point, about two miles east of town, and had started up to the car to get a drink when an extra freight came past. The extra was running about eight miles an hour and as the way car came by Snavely, disregarding the instructions of the foreman, caught the handhold on the way car. He missed his footing and fell against the journal boxing on a bad order box car that was behind the way car. When his body struck the journal of the car he was thrown out from the track and as he fell he threw out his left hand and it went under the wheel, mashing it so badly that the company surgeon, Dr. Burchard, had to amputate the hand.

ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP FACTORY

Stick of Dynamite Found in Coal Bin of Blair Canning Plant.

BLAIR, Neb., Sept. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—A mysterious fire alarm was turned in tonight at 9:15 by telephone that the Martin & Nurrie canning factory was on fire. The origin of the telephone alarm could not be located, but from the fact that a large stick of dynamite, measuring six inches in length and an inch in diameter, and wrapped in a clean white paper, was found in the pile of coal which was being shoveled into the furnace, it is thought that some one was planning mischief against the factory. The coal being used has been shoveled over three times since its arrival in Blair. No cause can be given for any evil designs against the factory or its owners, as the best of feeling has prevailed between the firm and its employes at all times since the present firm bought the plant. The factory has been having the most steady run of any year, averaging about sixteen hours a day, with the best yield of corn it has ever had.

Windfall for Plattsmouth Man.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—Some time ago a letter was received here from an Ohio attorney in which inquiries were made for James C. Vernatten, who had fallen heir to considerable real estate in the east. R. H. Vanatta of this city became interested in the matter from the fact that the initials and name were somewhat similar to those of his father, James C. Vanatta, who died here some five years ago. Mr. Vanatta accordingly wrote to the Ohio attorney, giving such information about his deceased relative as he possessed. He has just received a reply which leads him to believe that his father was the heir for whom the search is being made. The estate is said to be valued at $50,000.

Frost at Alliance.

ALLIANCE, Neb., Sept. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—The first frost of the season was plainly visible here this morning. The damage was not great, as everything was well out of danger.

News of Nebraska.

BEATRICE—Burglars visited the home of C. B. Dempster Saturday night, but were frightened away before securing anything of value.

BEATRICE—Mrs. Roxanna Arnold, an old resident of Beatrice, died at Inavale, Neb. The body was brought here today for interment.

BEATRICE—The furniture for the new bank at Holmesville has arrived, and the institution will open for business in a few days.

OSCEOLA—Osceola's water works system, that cost $25,000 in bonds, is completed and gives good satisfaction to all concerned. The mains are all filled and work without a leak or break.

WOOD RIVER—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Furgason, living near Shelton, were blessed with triplets, all boys. Friday morning. One of them died, but the other two are in apparently good health.

WOOD RIVER—Frank Whalen of this place has succeeded Bert Miller in the Union Pacific depot, the latter going to Grand Island, where he assumes charge of the night office, the Pacific Express company.

BEATRICE—James Pinson, for many years connected with the Dempster plant here, has been appointed superintendent of the A. R. Dempster factory at Des Moines. He will leave at once to assume his new duties.

BEATRICE—Rev. C. A. Killie and wife, who have been engaged in missionary work in China for the last fifteen years, arrived in this city yesterday to visit for a few weeks with the former's sister, Mrs. O. P. Leston.

WOOD RIVER—A. C. White, who has held the office of justice of the peace here almost since the recollection of the oldest inhabitant, has filed his resignation with the county commissioners, and it has been accepted.

WOOD RIVER—N. F. Parkhurst, an old soldier and one of the earliest settlers in this county, is very ill at the soldiers' Home in Grand Island and is not expected to live. His children, who reside here, were called to his bedside yesterday.

WOOD RIVER—Saturday evening's attendance at the camp meeting which is being held at Cameron was very large and the audience well pleased with the address by Bishop Hiel of Chicago. About forty ministers and their families are in attendance.

WOOD RIVER—O. H. Crumley's handsome new residence, which is being built near Shelton, was twisted about three inches out of plumb by the wind last week, and the damage was not noticed till recently. It will require considerable extra work to straighten it.

BEATRICE—T. A. Woodward has sold his farm of 200 acres three miles south of Beatrice to Joseph Witkowski for $72.50 an acre. This is the highest price ever paid for Gage county land. Ambrose Strawder has just sold a quarter section of land near Filley for $65 an acre.

BEATRICE—Footpads attempted to hold up a young man named Hadley in the northeast part of town, but he escaped from the wouldbe robbers as they emerged from an alley and ordered him to throw up his hands. Hadley ran down town and notified the officers, who failed to locate the parties.

WOOD RIVER—Martin Diefenderfer of this place, who won the grand American handicap shoot at Kansas City three years ago, proved to the local sports about town that he was an expert shot with the rifle as well as a shotgun. Saturday he shot a score of 221 out of a possible 300 at a range of 100 yards with a 22-calibre rifle.

WOOD RIVER—The republican primary was held in the town hall yesterday and twenty-two delegates to the county convention selected. Township officers were nominated. A motion to instruct the delegation for Frank Wescoatt for sheriff was lost, as the west end of Hall county has two candidates for that office, Frank Brown being the other candidate.

AINSWORTH—The farmers of Brown county met in the courthouse here Saturday afternoon and organized a Brown County Potato association. The following officers were elected: President, A. D. Beebe; secretary, B. S. Harrington; treasurer, R. S. Rising. This county is well supplied with a very fine quality of potatoes and the association will soon have a carload sent east for distribution as a sample of Nebraska potatoes.

DECATUR—The carnival here is proving a decided success, Thursday's crowd being considerably larger than that on the first day last year. Blencoe defeated the local nine Thursday by a score of 9 to 5. Winterringer made a beautiful balloon ascension and the usual number of street sports were held in the evening. The base ball game Friday was one of the best of the season, Lyons winning by a score of 6 to 5 in a ten-inning game.

REPORT ON PACIFIC CABLE

More Words Are Being Sent Over British Lines Than Last Year.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—(Special Cablegram to The Bee.)—The report of the Pacific cable conference has just been issued as a Parliamentary paper. The report, which is signed by Mr. Lyttleton, M. P., Lord Jersey, Sir William Mulock and Sir Danford Fleming, begins by saying:

"In approaching the consideration of the question referred to us in connection with the Pacific cable we have endeavored to bear in mind that this enterprise was initiated not merely as a commercial undertaking, but also largely for the purpose of promoting imperial unity. We have deemed it of especial importance that this, the first joint commercial enterprise promoted by the various self-governed states of the empire, should be carried through with success and have therefore aimed at removing all sources of friction between the partner governments and have thought to accommodate such difficulties as have arisen in the spirit of reasonable compromise."

The traffic statistics show a grand total of 2,784,220 words in 1904 (Eastern, 1,389,359 and Pacific cable, 394,861) as compared with 2,626,357 words in 1903 (Eastern, 1,589,397, and Pacific cable, 831,960).

Louis Lebs Lost Money.

Officer Dan Baldwin last night arrested Mattie Johnson, colored, of 1304 Chicago street, on complaint of Louis Lebs, who claims that Mattie was instrumental in getting about $15 which was in his pockets when he payed a visit to the Johnson woman's house and which he missed after leaving the place. The woman is being held on a charge of larceny from the person.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Council Meeting to Be Postponed Until Tuesday Evening.

AUCTION SALE OF SMALL BOND ISSUE

Construction of a New Fire Department Headquarters is Engaging Prayerful Consideration of City Officials.

While tonight is the date for the regular meeting of the city council, an adjournment will be taken until Tuesday evening on account of today being a holiday. Two or three matters of importance will come up Tuesday evening. One will be the selling of grading bonds at public auction. These bonds are for $3,000 and are issued to pay the cost of grading Sixteenth street from Missouri avenue to I street. Interest is payable semi-annually at the rate of 5 per cent and the bonds run for six years. It is presumed that the contractor who graded the street will purchase the bonds, as that is the custom where bonds in such small amounts are issued.

Considerable interest centers in the bids for the construction of fire department headquarters. The plans for this building have been on exhibition at the office of the architect for a couple of weeks and a number of builders have looked over the specifications and asked for bidding blanks. The construction of this building has been delayed to such an extent that in some circles it is predicted that the building will not be ready for occupancy this fall. New quarters for No. 1 fire company are badly needed, as the present station on Twenty-fourth street is extremely cold in winter and the accommodations are not at all suitable for a fire department house, especially in winter. While the council does not want to spend more than $10,000 on the proposed building this year, the completed structure will cost about $15,000. It is on this account that those interested are anxious to see just how the bids will be submitted.

The law requires that the council appoint a board of registration in September of each year, but the election laws are in such a tangle that this matter may be deferred until the meeting on September 11.

Wants His Money.

"My name calls Charles Tschirmer" is the way a letter received by the police department yesterday starts out. In his communication Tschirmer states that while in South Omaha a few days ago he was arrested and his money taken from him, also a knife, and the property was not returned when he was discharged by Judge King. The writer of the letter is an old man who lives at Plattsmouth. He was picked up on the streets by a policeman, intoxicated to the degree that he could not take care of himself. When searched the police relieved him of $1.35 and a knife. Judge King discharged the prisoner and told him to get home at once. The old man was so excited that he never thought about calling on the city jailer for his package. Detective Elafelder is going to Plattsmouth in a day or two and will take the old man's money to him.

Building Prospects Brighter.

Contractors and lumber dealers are hopeful that September will be a good month for building. Dealers in lumber assert that they have been doing quite a bit of figuring and contractors declare that a number of people who have put off building houses or making repairs are planning to go ahead this month. Building Inspector Winegard says that several property owners have talked with him about securing permits and he thinks that the September permits will be more than double the number taken out last month.

Bids for Fuel.

C. M. Rich, chairman of the supply committee of the Board of Education is advertising for bids for fuel and kindling wood. Walnut block, anthracite, Cherokee slack, Weir City slack, and pine slabs for kindling, will be bid on. No estimate of the amount of coal needed is given as last years' figures cannot be used this year on account of the additions now being built to three of the school buildings. These new rooms will be ready for use sometime this fall and a larger amount of coal than ever consumed before will be required. Bids for coal and kindling will be received by Mr. Rich until 9 p. m. September 11.

Hedgren Finds Checks.

Gus Hedgren reported to the police Saturday that he had been robed of two checks amounting to $134. The police went to work on the case but could not get a clue, and no wonder, for Hedgren had secreted the checks in his underwear and had forgotten where he had made the plant. When Hedgren came to go to bed Saturday night he found the checks all right and Sunday morning he notified the police.

Magic City Gossip.

E. D. Eckman is back from a visit with friends at Des Moines.

The South Omaha public schools will open a week from today.

Mrs. James H. Bulla has gone to Colorado and expects to make quite a stay.

James Breen, night jailor at police headquarters, is taking a ten days' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bennett have returned from California, where they spent nine months.

N. B. Mead, manager of the Western Union office here, has returned from an extended eastern trip.

Mrs. G. W. Masson is entertaining her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Milispaugh of Kalamazoo, Mich.

Chief Garratt of the fire department is still hunting for his watch, which was stolen from his home Thursday night.

Mrs. H. C. Richmond sang "The Great White Throne" at the morning services at the First Methodist Episcopal church Sunday.

Miss Cora Holmes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Holmes, has returned from the Pacific coast, where she spent most of the summer.

His First Visit.

"Look here, Halton, why in creation did you lure me into buying a ticket for that lawn fete?"

"Why, did you pay out much?"

"Much? Why, they charged me 50 cents for a lemonade and a dollar for ice cream!"

"That was exhorbitant."

"Then I was lured through the 'Maze of Mystery,' 'Witches' Caldron,' etc., and by the time they finished telling my fortune I didn't have a penny."

"That was tough."

"Oh, I could have recovered from that, but it was the sequel. When I reached home dead broke my wife accused me of playing poker and hasn't spoken to me since."—Detroit Tribune.

Harry B. Davis, undertaker. Tel. 1228.

22-K wedding rings. Edholm, jeweler.

Robber Suspect Arrested.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—On suspicion of connection with the plundering of the residence of Jose Aymar of articles of great value in this city last week, Elmer Entradi, a young negro, has been taken into custody by the Philadelphia police. In his pockets were found twenty-five pawn tickets. A detective from this city went to Philadelphia today to examine the suspect. Mr. Aymar, who reached this city Saturday, said he had not been able to ascertain the extent of the robbery.

Wife Badly Beaten.

Ernest Wilson, colored, has been arrested on a charge of beating his wife. Wilson took exceptions to his wife paying attention to a white man, and after threatening the life of the other man he proceeded to take his vengeance on his spouse. It required the services of Police Surgeon Cox to dress the woman's injuries when Wilson got through with her. The pair lives at 1314 Dodge street.

ECHOES OF THE ANTEROOM

Ladies of the G. A. R.

A largely attended meeting of Garfield Circle No. 11 was held Friday afternoon at Red Men's hall in the Continental block. Department president, Mrs. Camilla Elliott, was present and considerable business was transacted. The badges for the delegates and members of the order that will attend the national convention of the order at Denver this week were distributed. The badge is a handsome red silk affair suspended from a bar, on which are the words "Nebraska." The pendant is the badge of the order printed in colors on a celluloid disk bound with gold. This delegation will leave for Denver Monday afternoon via the official Grand Army of the Republic train over the Burlington. The delegation will support the candidacy of Mrs. Julia Prize of Omaha for national treasurer.

The national convention of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will open at Unity church, Nineteenth and Broadway, Denver, at 8 a. m., Thursday, September 7. On Wednesday evening this order will tender a reception to Commander-in-Chief General J. R. King of the Grand Army of the Republic in the parlors of the Brown Palace hotel.

Fraternal Union of America.

Over 300 members of the lodges of this order from Omaha, South Omaha and Council Bluffs met at Myrtle hall, in the Continental block, Thursday evening to welcome Supreme Vice President Handley, who was enroute to Denver, and incidentally to witness the initiation of twenty-seven candidates.

Colonel Handley made a short and pleasing address, as did also the officers of the local lodges. The degree team of Banner lodge exemplified the degree and secret work, the drill of the young women's team being especially good. Refreshments and dancing concluded the evening's entertainment.

Magic City lodge No. 80 will initiate a class of thirty or more on the evening of September 10. A degree team from Omaha is expected to assist in the work.

Woman's Relief Corps.

The various corps of the city have been very busy during the past week getting in readiness for the national convention of the order which meets in Denver this week in connection with the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, of which this order is the auxiliary. The Nebraska Woman's Relief Corps department train will leave for Denver over the Union Pacific Monday afternoon at 4:10. Department president, Mrs. R. S. Wilcox, and staff will go on this train, and they will be accompanied by a large delegation of members of the Grand Army posts of this city as an escort of honor. The party will be met at Grand Island by Junior Vice Department Commander Jack Gordon and other Woman's Relief Corps and Grand Army delegations. The train will reach Denver at 7:50 Tuesday morning. A reception will be held at the Albany hotel, Denver, on Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Abbie Adams, past department president of Nebraska, who is a candidate for national president of the Woman's Relief Corps. The reception is given by the Nebraska department, Woman's Relief Corps.

The national convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will open at 8 p. m. Wednesday evening in Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, Eighteenth and Broadway, Denver.

On Tuesday evening the National Woman's Relief Corps will tender a reception to National Commander-in-Chief J. R. King at the Brown Palace hotel, from 8 to 10 o'clock.

Knights of the Maccabees.

Omaha tent No. 75 met Thursday evening in regular review with a good attendance. Several applications were acted upon and the new degree team put on the work in a very creditable manner.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the production of the drama, "Sons of Matthias," in the near future. This is a Maccabean play said to be of excellent merit.

Sir Knight John D. Dohse was on hand with his talking machine and a very pleasant evening's entertainment resulted, continuing to a late hour.

Tribe of Ben Hur.

Mecca court No. 13 held its regular meeting Friday evening and obligated six candidates. Twelve applications were read and approved. It has been decided to have no more initiations until Mecca court is permanently located in its new quarters in the Rohrbough building at Nineteenth and Farnam streets. A three years' lease has just been signed with the Messrs. Rohrbough for the best hall in the building. An open meeting will be held in Royal Achates' hall September 22.

On Tuesday evening, September 5, the court will hold an open meeting at its hall, Seventeenth and Douglas streets, to which all members and their friends are invited. Mrs. Mary A. Latkey, a member of Capital court, Lincoln, and grand chief of honor of the Degree or Honor for Nebraska, will make an address and present the prize banner to Omaha court for securing the largest number of members for the first six months of this year. A special program suitable to the occasion will be rendered. This court now has 220 members in good standing.

Independent Order of Vikings.

One of the progressive Swedish fraternal societies is the Independent Order of Vikings, which a few months ago entered into the field of this state and organized Bjoru lodge No. 20 in South Omaha.

The order originated in Chicago in 1890, when a few young Swedes came together for social purposes. Meetings were arranged at the homes of the members and evenings spent in reading, singing, musical entertainments or debating questions of social interest. The little organization soon became so popular that the members found it necessary to expand on a broader scale, and reorganized into the present Independent Order of Vikings for the purpose of bringing into mutual brotherhood men of Swedish descent "with good health and character," with the object of raising and cultivating the moral, intellectual and economic standing of their countrymen in the United States. The work of the order has become very popular as a fraternal organization and thousands of dollars are annually expended to aid sick members or otherwise in need.

The home office is in Chicago. The present grand chief is Frithiof Malmquist, editor of the Svenska Nyheter, and the grand secretary is A. Hessel, with offices at 1743 North Clark street, that city.

The order has spread all over Illinois and has just entered into the state of Nebraska, whose large Swedish born population will hail with joy the arrival of a fraternal organization of such high standing.

Although it is only a few months since the first lodge was organized in South Omaha, the members of the order have been very prominent in that city for years. Very few know that the new postoffice, at which every Omaha citizen looks with pride, was built by two "Vikings," Mr. Andrew Larsen being superintendent of the entire construction, and Mr. Alfred Carlson general foreman for all the woodwork. Both of these men are members of Lodge No. 1 in Chicago. Mr. Carlson held the office of the first grand secretary and was later elected grand chief, and he is at present engaged in erecting the new postoffice at Lincoln, Neb.

FEVER STILL ON THE WANE

Number of New Cases Below Thirty, First Time for Over a Month.

SITUATION IN COUNTRY IMPROVING

Discovery of New Foci Causes Much Anxiety in Some Parishes—Two Cases at Vicksburg and Two at Pensacola.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 3.—Report of yellow fever situation to 6 p. m. Sunday:

New cases	29		
Total to date	2,054		
Deaths	3		
Total to date	247		
Cases under treatment	305		
New foci	11		
Cases discharged	1,492		

For the first time in over a month the number of cases of yellow fever were in the twenties. With only three deaths compared to eighty-three deaths on September 3, 1878, the feeling of confidence that the fever is being wiped out is growing. Among the new cases are those of Captain B. F. Clayton, U. S. A., quartermaster in charge of this department, and City Councilman E. T. Dunn.

The country situation, while not what it should be, is improving somewhat, though the discovery of new foci causes some anxiety. Despite the rigid regulations providing for the use of health certificates for people coming here from infected places, it is believed that many have succeeded in getting in from country places. The situation at Patterson, where it was believed that ignorant Italians contemplated trouble, has developed nothing new. No overt act has been committed and it is believed that the danger is over.

Salting the Gutters.

Today nearly all the city carts were used in the work of salting the gutters. It has been found that since the mosquitoes have been deprived of their favorite breeding places, the stagnant gutters on cross streets are filled with wiggle tails, so special efforts are being made to render these unsuitable. Over 1,000 tons of salt have been used so far and the work will be continued. There is much interest in the case of Dr. Philip Berge, the physician who was arrested late last night on the charge of failing to report three cases of yellow fever. He was paroled by the inspector, but will have to answer to the charge Monday morning. He says that he reported the cases by mail, but the marine hospital service has no record of them.

There has been a recrudescence at Tallulah in Madison parish, not far from Vicksburg, two cases having been found. A report from Leeville under date of September 1 shows that there have been 221 cases there so far and twenty-nine deaths, with 145 cases under treatment. Other new cases are reported as follows:

Patterson	1	St. Rose	3
St. Bernard	2	Gulfport	5
Terre Aux Beouf	1	Handsboro	1
Morgan City	1	Vicksburg	2

The infection on Diamond and Reserve plantations in St. Charles parish has been practically eradicated. There are only three cases left on Reserve and none at Diamond.

Arkansas Tightening the Lines.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 3.—Major General Haynes, commanding the Arkansas militia which is furnishing the guards to enforce the state quarantine, was officially informed today of the existence of a case of yellow fever at Maysville, I. T., and immediately gave orders to the guards on the four sides of the state to tighten the quarantine. Hereafter if the guards find on any train at the Arkansas state line a passenger who cannot make affidavit that he has for ten days previous been in an uninfected district the passenger will not be allowed to proceed.

Two New Cases at Pensacola.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Sept. 3.—Two new cases and four suspicious ones was the yellow fever record here today, making a total of eight pronounced cases up to the present date.

Two Cases in Vicksburg.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Sept. 3.—Two cases of yellow fever were reported today, making a total of five under treatment.

ANTI-SEMITE IS INSANE

Count Pueckler is Fined for Creating Disturbance Because Objecting to Machinery.

BERLIN, Sept. 3.—(Special Cablegram to The Bee.)—The well known German anti-Semite, Count Pueckler, has just been fined $100 in consequence of one of his eccentricities. These eccentricities have gained for him the title of the modern Don Quixote. Count Pueckler maintains a corps of mounted dependents, with whom, when not frightening Jews away from his own estate, he frequently makes expeditions into neighboring properties.

On one of these excursions the count and his retainers chanced upon a farmyard where the threshing was under the supervision of the steward of the estate. On seeing the smoke rising from the machine the count, who hates modern inventions, dispatched a patrol, which so terrified the farm hands that they sought refuge under the threshing machine. The steward ordered the patrol away, whereupon the valiant count himself rode his horse at the steward and forced him also to seek safety behind the machine.

On another occasion the patrol reported a number of women working in a potato field, whereupon the count led his cavalry to the attack and waving his whip forced the enemy to seek any means of shelter.

The count explained in court that the whole affair was only a joke and that the country people understood him and his ways. "But I absolutely cannot understand the present times," he added, "for natural man is no longer understood. We live in a period of degeneration and decadence."

The judge said that he had doubts as to whether the count was in his right mind, but considered him responsible for his actions and imposed the fine by way of punishment.

WORKMEN FAMINE STRICKEN

German Paper Says Conditions in Russia Have Not Been Fully Told.

BERLIN, Sept. 3.—(Special Cablegram to The Bee.)—The Vossiche Zeitung learns from St. Petersburg that in the quarters occupied by the workmen there is much suffering from starvation and the misery is indescribable.

The descriptions which have been published in the newspapers outside Russia do not begin to do justice to the situation. Thirty thousand people are absolutely famine stricken and public benevolence is not even encouraged and fostered by the government. Thousands of people are camping round the public soup kitchens, but no attempt is being made to maintain order among them.

VIENNA, Sept. 3.—(Special Cablegram to The Bee.)—Letters from Odessa report that the police stations are overflowing with prisoners who have been waiting for weeks to undergo examination. Particularly hard is the case of a girl of 14 belonging to a well known family. She owes her imprisonment to the fact that she kept a diary. Her parents' house was searched, inasmuch as her elder sister was suspected of revolutionary tendencies. The diary of the younger girl was found and it contained the usual extravagant remarks on the small events of her life, such as lessons and punishments, as well as notes concerning the commissions she had executed for her elder sister. The police drew the conclusion that she had obtained papers and books of a forbidden character for her sister. Both girls were arrested and they have been obliged to spend weeks in the company of women arrested on the worst of criminal charges.

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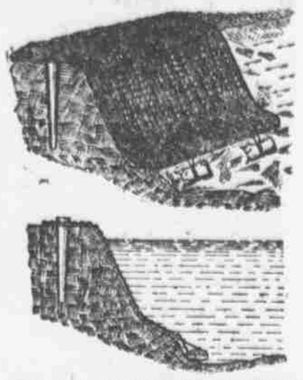

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