BIG CROWD AT STATE FAIR

Better Weather Brings Out the People in Large Numbers.

PROSPECTS FOR BIG ATTENDANCE TODAY

Reports to Banking Board of Building and Loan Associations Show Them in a Prosperous Condition.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Sept. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Today at the state fair grounds was like the big days of last year. From early morning until late in the evening thousands of people flocked over the grounds. Racing was resumed this afternoon and the new, big grandstand was packed, hundreds were lined up around the fences and the quarter stretch was well filled. It was a record-breaking crowd that witnessed the races. If the crowd tomorrow is as large, the fair board will come out ahead of the game from a financial standpoint.

The horticultural board met this afternoon and appointed John Marshall and Representative Christy to take an exhibit to the Kansas City meeting on the 19th.

Nearly every train brought large crowds into town today and a bigger crowd is expected tomorrow, when a double race program will be given.

The total attendance at the fair today was 27,447; paid admissions, 24,287. Biggest day last year, 25,483.

Building and Loan Reports.

The compilation made by Secretary Royce of the State Banking board of the fifty-nine building and loan associations reporting at the close of business June 30, 1905, shows an increase of one over the number reporting last year, showing aggregate resources amounting to $7,269,297.48, an increase of $1,061,947.08 over the amount reported a year ago.

Although first mortgage loans have increased nearly $1,000,000, the cash on hand has more than doubled during the past year. The number of shares of stock in force is 196,020, of which only 199 are subject to foreclosure and thirty-two in process of foreclosure, and only 351 shares are subject to cancellation for non-payment of dues and 2,576 delinquent.

Over $5,250,000 in business has been done during the past fiscal year at an expense for salaries of about $80,000 and other expenses amounting to about $43,000. There are 28,999 shareholders, of which 717 are minors, 9,835 are borrowers and 19,164 non-borrowers.

The report in detail follows:

ASSETS.

First mortgage loans	$6,303,316.65
First mortgage loans in process of foreclosure	38,432.59
Stock loans	190,959.94
Real estate	88,352.91
Furniture and stationery	18,263.21
Cash	403,460.08
Delinquent interest, premiums and fines	31,425.66
Expenses and taxes paid	24,876.07
Other assets	170,560.37
Total	$7,269,297.48

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock running (dues and dividends)	$5,522,879.23
Full paid stock	1,134,813.14
Reserve fund	172,244.90
Undivided profits	198,776.17
Due shareholders on incomplete loans	148,991.79
Premiums unearned	28,244.08
Advance dues	15,595.79
Advance interest and premiums	2,823.31
Other liabilities	43,929.09
Total	$7,269,297.48

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand July 1, 1904	$ 198,718.57
Dues (running stock)	2,431,937.65
Dues (full paid stock)	656,174.24
Interest	499,443.22
Premiums	58,519.02
Fines	4,372.16
Membership and transfer fees	15,664.24
Loans repaid	1,318,317.10
Real estate sales	35,114.45
Rents	14,448.81
Other receipts	206,779.08
Total	$5,289,488.54

EXPENDITURES.

Loans	$2,386,559.95
Salaries	60,106.12
Commissions	27,168.13
Other expenses	43,635.54
Withdrawals, dues	1,472,795.48
Withdrawals, earnings	295,319.91
Matured stock, dues	233,403.04
Matured stock, earnings	19,541.51
Full paid stock, dues	175,275.28
Full paid stock, earnings	44,604.32
Cash on hand	404,760.55
Other expenditures	126,929.11
Total	$5,289,488.54

Average running time of stock matured during year, 106 months 21 days.

Burgess Not a Candidate.

It has been announced that Chairman Burgess of the republican state committee would not be a candidate for re-election.

No More Gregg Contracts.

At the next meeting of the State Normal board a resolution will be introduced providing that the board will not pay any claim on any contract in which any member of the board is directly or indirectly interested. This resolution is the result of the claim filed by C. H. Gregg, the Kearney member of the board, for hardware furnished the Kearney Normal school by his hardware company. During the week Chairman L. P. Ludden of the board and Member Delzell have been in Kearney and have checked up the hardware bill, so it is likely that Gregg will get his money.

CATARRH

A UNIVERSAL DISEASE

Catarrh usually begins with a cold in the head, but does not stop there. The mucous membranes all become inflamed and secrete a filthy, unhealthy matter which is absorbed by the blood and distributed to all parts of the body. The patient is then continually hawking and spitting, the nose is stopped up, the ears have a ringing or buzzing noise, the throat becomes sore, and as the unhealthy matter more thoroughly saturates the blood a general feeling of despondency takes possession of the system.

I had Catarrh for about fifteen years, and no man could have been worse. I tried everything I could hear of, but no good resulted. I then began S. S. S., and could see a little improvement from the first bottle, and after taking it a short while was cured. This was six years ago, and I am as well today as any man. I think Catarrh is a blood disease, and know there is nothing on earth better for the blood than S. S. S. Nobody thinks more of S. S. S. than I do.
Lapeer, Mich. M. MATSON.

Local applications cannot cure Catarrh, because they do not reach the seat of the trouble. They allay the inflammation and temporarily relieve the disease, but as soon as they are left off the trouble returns. The only way to cure Catarrh is to treat it through the blood. S. S. S. soon clears the blood of all Catarrhal matter and purges it of all irritating poisons, checks further progress of the trouble and completely cures the disease. S. S. S. keeps the blood in perfect order so that it can eliminate from the system all waste matter that will produce Catarrh. Nothing equals this great vegetable remedy in the cure of this disease. Write for our book and any medical advice you wish. We make no charge for either.

SSS
PURELY VEGETABLE.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

In the meantime Governor Mickey has not returned from Denver and he and Gregg have not had their talk over the matter.

American Order of Protection.

The harbor of the American Order of Protection, a fraternal society having membership in fifteen western states, concluded a three days' session here tonight. Officers were elected as follows: Supreme commander, H. C. M. Burgess, Lincoln, Neb.; supreme secretary, James A. Patton, Lincoln; supreme chaplain, Mrs. Columbia Borden, Salida, Colo.; supreme lecturer, Dr. William A. Paxton, Cheyenne, Wyo. James A. Wallace of Cripple Creek, Colo., is one of the new members of the auditing committee.

NEW RAILROAD IS PROJECTING

Falls City People Project a North and South Line.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—There is a movement on foot to organize a railroad company in Falls City, which will be a great thing for this part of the country. The arrangements have gone so far now that it may be almost said that a company is organized to build a road from Falls City to Sabetha, Kan., and probably from there to Topeka. It may even result in being one of the links in the straight north and south road which has been much talked of to take care of the traffic from the central western states to the gulf ports. The road will be standard in every way.

Among those interested in the new project are J. H. Miles, E. H. Towle, J. L. Slocum, Sam Wahl, W. E. Dorrington, W. H. Crook, E. S. Towle, E. A. Maust and Sam Kimmel of Falls City; John W. Towle of Omaha; George Boone, jr., of St. Joseph, W. A. S. Bird of Topeka, E. V. Kauffman of Sycamore Springs, Kan., and several other Kansas and Nebraska people.

ALBION MAN IS ELECTROCUTED

No One Appears to Know Just How Accident Happened.

ALBION, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—A young man by the name of Jay Lumpkin was electrocuted here yesterday afternoon. He was at work in the cellar under the W. O. Torrey restaurant and in some way came in contact with a live wire or with some apparatus that killed him instantly. James Haire was also at work there at the same time, but is unable to tell very much about what happened. He says when he first noticed Lumpkin he was lying on the floor gasping, when he notified others, who carried him out of the cellar and physicians were called, but the young man was dead before the physicians arrived.

The deceased is about 21 years of age and was married only two months ago. In the absence of the coroner, Sheriff Clark empaneled a jury, which began its investigation yesterday evening, but for the purpose of a more thorough investigation adjourned until Friday. This is the second death by electrocution that has occurred since the light plant was established here.

REPUBLICAN TICKETS IN FIELD

Boyd and Dawes Counties Hold Their Conventions.

NORFOLK, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—The Boyd county republicans nominated Frank Morris for county clerk, J. Snider of Bush for treasurer, P. Anderson for sheriff, G. McCutcheon for judge, Dr. Howard of Anoka for coroner and J. Brandevig for surveyor. The convention passed a resolution endorsing President Roosevelt's administration and pledging the convention to endorse the platform of the republican state convention in its entirety. There was no other resolution passed.

CHADRON, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—The Dawes county republican convention met today and renominated C. Dana Sayers for judge, Wayne T. Wilson for treasurer, and Thomas Smith for superintendent of schools, all three being present incumbents. Louis K. Grote, the present deputy sheriff, was nominated for sheriff and W. D. Burkett for clerk. The meeting was harmonious, it being conceded the present officers are among the best the county ever had.

NEBRASKANS INSANE IN CHICAGO

Leave Home Near Wakefield with Crop Unharvested.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Joseph Holdobler and wife were sent to an asylum for the insane today. They came from a farm near Wakefield, Neb., and were found wandering about the streets here with two children.

WAKEFIELD, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Nothing is known here about Holdobler more than that he and family suddenly left for Chicago about two months ago, leaving his grain uncut, also farm machinery, etc. It is understood that he went to Chicago, where he expected to receive from Germany a legacy of $1,000,000. He lived on a rented farm southwest of town only a short time. Neighbors say that while living there he acted very strangely, carrying revolvers and warning everybody to keep off the place.

WOMAN FILES A LIEN ON A BOY

Proposes to Hold Him Until Mother Pays Board.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—A most peculiar case and one wherein a person files a lien upon a boy for a board bill occurred here today. Recently Mrs. Mary Miller arrived in town from Hollenberg, Kan., with her grandson, Russell Thrapp, to visit with the latter's mother. She attempted to return home with the boy today, when Mrs. Thrapp objected to her son accompanying his grandmother. Mrs. Miller claimed she had a lien upon the boy for board and refused to give him up till the bill was paid. Mrs. Thrapp secured a writ of habeas corpus and her son was placed in charge of the sheriff. The writ is made returnable next Monday.

Candidates for Regent.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Richardson county will have a candidate for regent of the State university in the person of V. G. Lyford of Falls City. Inasmuch as this county has for years been sending one of the largest delegations of students to the State university of any county in the state, the citizens have prevailed upon Mr. Lyford to become a candidate. V. G. Lyford was born in the state of Illinois and moved to Nebraska fourteen years ago. He is a graduate of Hedding college of Abingdon, Ill. He was a classmate of Charles Robbins and A. R. Talbot of Lincoln and is also a graduate of the law department of the Northwestern university of Chicago, being a classmate of A. R. Talbot and W. J. Bryan. In 1883 he formed a partnership with Mr. Talbot for the practice of law in Lincoln, the firm being Lyford & Talbot. Mr. Lyford is now one of the leading merchants of southeastern Nebraska, having retired from the law practice several years ago. He is a member of the Falls City school board and has always taken a great interest in matters educational.

Denies Being Short.

PENDER, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—D. A. Kelso, deputy sheriff of this county, denies that he is short any sum as guardian of Indian heirs, and asserts that he is ready to make a settlement in full at any time.

News of Nebraska.

WOOD RIVER—Marshal Coomes has resigned his position as village marshal and T. B. Swain has been appointed by the village board.

YORK—Dr. J. A. Dieffenbacker is well pleased with the showing that his young horse, Nathelie, is making and yesterday received a telegram that she had won the 2:40 race at Lincoln and made a record of 2:27.

BEATRICE—The rainfall of Tuesday and Tuesday night amounted to 1.10 inches. The ground is now in excellent condition for fall work.

WOOD RIVER—A new piano fell off a dray this morning and was badly smashed. The dray team had been left alone and suddenly started up.

BEATRICE—The meat market of B. E. Miller was damaged to the extent of $400 by fire yesterday morning. Loss covered by insurance. Origin unknown.

HUMBOLDT—The drizzling rain which has been falling in this section during the last two days is warmly welcomed by the farmers, as pastures were beginning to fail badly.

WOOD RIVER—Nearly a score of York and Seward county farmers are in Wood River this week looking for land. The price of land in this valley ranges from $30 to $80 per acre.

BEATRICE—Mrs. John Parker, an old resident of Filley, died Tuesday night, aged 52 years. She is survived by her husband and two sons. The funeral was held at Filley today.

BEATRICE—H. E. Markle, proprietor of the Markle hotel, who fell into a manhole at Lincoln the other day, is confined to his bed, and his condition is serious. He suffered a severe injury to his spine.

YORK—Last evening the Ladies of the Degree of Honor gathered at the home of Mrs. Hughes and gave a farewell party to Mrs. Margaret Stewart, who leaves this week for California to spend the winter.

GREELEY—Earl Michener and Gertrude Conger, both residing near Ericson, were married here today by County Judge Byrne. The bride being only 17, the consent of her parents was sent by letter along with the happy pair.

CHADRON—Sheriff Birdsell took W. D. Simmons to Lincoln, he having been sentenced to two years under the dipsomaniac law. Simmons was sentenced some time ago, but allowed a parole to see if he could not stop drinking, but in vain.

PLATTSMOUTH—A. Carlson & Co., local contractors, have been awarded the contract for the proposed improvements at the Masonic Home in this city. The work, which will require an expenditure of about $12,000, will be commenced at once.

BEATRICE—The price of wheat has dropped from 74 to 70 cents the last ten days. Corn remains steady at 43 cents and oats at 21 to 22 cents. Owing to the inclement weather the last few days, but little grain has been marketed here this week.

YORK—Frank Chambers, a musician and member of the York Euphony band, now playing in Denver, left a few days ago, telling his wife that he was going to play in a band at Kansas City. Today his wife received a letter from him stating he left and that he was not going to return.

WOOD RIVER—Moses Zehr and Miss Nellie Morgan were united in marriage yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morgan. Rev. Lapp of the German Lutheran church of Roseland performed the ceremony in the presence of a few of the near relatives and friends.

YORK—William Chapman and Miss Tillie Meiners were united in marriage yesterday, County Judge Taylor officiating. The young couple are very popular among the young people of York. They had planned the wedding so quietly that their friends knew nothing about the marriage until afterwards.

YORK—Charley Green reported to the city police that young men came to his place, southeast and nearly adjoining the city, and demanded that he give them beer. On being refused one of the young men commenced to break the doors and windows and soon had Green on the run for help. Arrests will be made.

HARVARD—The rain, which continued for some twenty-four hours, with little cessation, seems to be over 2.50 inches, and is clearing away warm and with fine growing indications. Farmers are correspondingly happy, as it means continued blessings to them in maturing corn, feed and a fine opportunity to seed to wheat.

PLATTSMOUTH—A small wreck occurred on the Burlington's bridge at this point last evening, when a car attached to an extra east-bound freight train was lifted from its trucks by the breaking of an air hose. The main line was blocked for nearly three hours. A wrecking crew from the local shops was called out to open the line.

BEATRICE—Last night at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride's father, Mrs. William Spence, occurred the marriage of Miss Ida Doyle of Liberty to Allen Dolen of this city. Only relatives witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. T. L. Swan of the United Brethren church. Mr. and Mrs. Dolen will make their home in Beatrice.

NORFOLK—The carnival this week at Tilden and the county fair at Stanton have been continued for one day, throwing the program into Saturday, on account of the heavy clouds and leaden skies during the entire week. The racing began today instead of yesterday. The Stanton fair is reported to be excellent and the Tilden carnival is the best ever.

HUMBOLDT—Cooper & Linn, the local milling and grain firm, has succeeded to the elevator business of P. S. Heacock of Falls City at the stations of Burchard and Armour. Mr. Heacock had just previously closed a deal for the new mill at Falls City, which will be operated in connection with his elevator at that point. Cooper & Linn already have an extensive line of elevators along the Republican Valley and St. Francis lines of the Burlington.

HUMBOLDT—Mrs. Hannah Coons died at her home in this city of complaints incident to old age, and funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Prairie Union church, several miles northeast of the city. Mrs. Coons was a native of Illinois and had, with her husband, Uncle Ben Coons, who survives her, lived in Richardson county about thirty-five years. Besides her husband she leaves eight children, all grown, and residents of Nebraska.

YORK—The committee on securing a large canvas tent, in which union revival services will be held, have been unfortunate in not being able to get the tent here in time for the first meeting that was held, and last night the first meeting was held in the Methodist church. The large building was crowding to overflowing who gathered to listen to Rev. McConnel, a southerner and an able speaker. Mr. Maxwell, a noted soloist, has been engaged and will have charge of the music for the meetings.

CHADRON—Harry Jensen, aged 16 years, was found drowned in the White river this morning. He left the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Jensen, Monday morning to go to a neighbor's house, and search was not instituted until Tuesday, as no alarm was felt until it was known he never reached the neighbor's house. Harry had quarreled with his brother just before leaving home and the brother is wild with grief, as it was suggested the drowning was intentional, but the jury at the coroner's inquest found death resulted from "accidental drowning."

BEATRICE—Mr. and Mrs. Onias Webster celebrated their golden wedding anniversary yesterday from 2 to 9 p. m., at their home in this city in the presence of a large company of guests. Their comfortable home was very tastefully dressed with golden rod, roses and other decorations suitable to the occasion. Refreshments were served during the reception hours. Aside from members of the family and friends in this city there were present guests from Lincoln, Neb., and Erie, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Webster were married September 6, 1855, at Erie, Pa., and located in Gage county about twenty years ago. They are among Beatrice's most prominent and respected citizens.

BAXTER NOT TO AID IN TRIAL

Nebraska District Attorney Does Not Expect to Be Called to Chicago.

United States District Attorney Baxter was asked Thursday morning relative to the probability of his being called into the trial of the packers' cases before the United States courts at Chicago in October. He said:

"I have no reason to believe that I shall be called into the cases. Many of the witnesses examined before the federal grand jury here have been summoned in the cases, but that I think is simply the result of our investigations here. The transcript of their testimony has been submitted to District Attorney Morrison at Chicago, and I am rather disposed to think we will have nothing further to do with the cases from this end of the line. We have furnished some very good evidence from Omaha and it doubtless will have an important bearing on the trials. The Omaha witnesses are directed to report at Chicago in October."

Colic and Diarrhoea—A remedy that is Prompt and Pleasant.

The prompt results produced by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy together with its pleasant taste have won for it a place in many households. Mr. W. T. Taylor, a merchant of Winslow, Ala., writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy myself and also with men on my place for diarrhoea and colic and it always gives relief promptly and pleasantly."

O'CONNELL'S ELECTION SURE

President of Machinists Considered as Certain of Another Term.

TOM WILSON IS SLATED FOR DEFEAT

Sam Grace and George Norman Go to Boston to Attend the International Machinists' Convention.

Sam Grace and George Norman of Omaha left last night for Boston to attend the biennial convention of the International Association of Machinists at Boston, which begins next week. Mr. Grace is business agent of District lodge No. 11, comprising all the lodges of Nebraska and Wyoming and part of Colorado, and a member of the North Platte subordinate lodge, which he will represent as well as the district. Mr. Norman is the representative of Omaha lodge No. 31.

This meeting of the international lodge will be held under rather peaceful conditions—far more so than have marked the conventions of late years, and yet schedules and conditions of the machinists will receive wide and generous discussion.

One of the important matters coming before the convention will be the announcement of the referendum vote on the international officers. This vote should have been in by September 1, but was delayed. It will be complete and ready for announcement at the convention, however, Mr. Grace says:

Tom Wilson Slated to Go.

For president there are three candidates, James O'Connell of Washington, D. C., the present incumbent, known in Omaha for his frequent visits here during the Union Pacific strike; M. Landers of Hartford, Conn., and D. W. Roderick of Chicago. In the judgment of local machinists O'Connell's re-election is assured. Some feeling was engendered against him in certain quarters a few months ago, but the animus back of that is fully understood by the machinists and it is thought will have no vital effect on the vote.

The names of two members of Nebraska lodges appear on the national ballot, Sam Grace for executive committeeman and Thomas L. Wilson for re-election as fourth vice president. Grace's election would be gratifying to every machinist in the west and they are making a strong pull for him. Wilson, well known in Omaha for his leadership in the Union Pacific strike, is regarded as extremely doubtful of re-election. A persistent fight is being made on him, local men assert, and if he is re-elected it will surprise his friends very much. His opponent is A. E. Holder of Des Moines.

To be elected a candidate must secure a majority of all votes cast, so a draw is not beyond the pale of possibilities.

The Omaha men expect to be back here by the last of the month.

WATER COMPANY ANSWERS

Denies Right of City to Buy Works or Inspect Books and Papers.

The Omaha Water company has filed its answer in the United States circuit court in the case of the city against Daniel W. Mead, John W. Alvord, George W. Benzenberg and the Omaha Water company. The answer is of the Omaha Water company, defendant, to the bill of complaint of the Water board and appraisers.

The answer denies that the Water board has any given or other authority or support from the appraisement resulting from the election of the city of Omaha to buy the water works of this company by virtue of any ordinance or contract thereunder and denies that the Water board has any power to reject any appraisement, and that so far as any statute of the state of Nebraska may purport to give such authority, impairs the obligation of the contract between the city of Omaha and the defendants, and is in violation of the federal constitution.

The allegation is made that the city council is without authority to compel a production of the books and papers of the water company and that under the law there is no provision for any review of the appraisal, either by appeal, error or any other proceeding to any court, either state or federal. The defendants further deny that they have presented to the Board of Appraisers any statement or that they contend that said Board of Appraisers shall estimate or return a part of their appraisal or award without segregation or otherwise of property to which this defendant has no right or title.

The answer denies in general all unlawful combination or confederacy charged in the bill of complaint and asks that the bill of complaint be dismissed with all reasonable costs wrongfully sustained.

DIVORCE MILL STILL GRINDS

Several Persons to Whom Matrimonial Yoke Has Become Irksome Appeal for Separation.

Ida M. Williams is suing Edwin M. for divorce, and Judge Sutton has granted her a temporary injunction to keep her husband from interfering with her in any way at her home, 2311 Charles street. The court also has allowed the wife $30 a month temporary alimony and a $15 attorney fee, pending outcome of the suit.

Judge Sutton has made an order giving to Hilda A. Carlson the possession of the personal property of herself and husband at once. This order will hold until a decision is reached in the case wherein Hilda sues John O. for divorce.

Agnes Hildebrand is suing Harry for divorce on the ground of cruelty and non-support. They were married at Council Bluffs in May, 1901.

George R. West has entered suit against Jessie, alleging desertion since November, 1902. Like a good many other marital failures, this one agreement was entered into at Council Bluffs in August, 1890.

Fred D. Willerton has filed suit against Elizabeth and he sets up a few acts of personal abuse as his reason. He says Lizzie was given to scratching his face, also that she cut him on the wrist with a table knife, later attacked him with the household shears and in February, 1904, deserted him entirely. They started the partnership at Albany, N. Y., in the merry month of June, in 1895.

CORN AHEAD OF POLITICS

At Least that is the Way Speaker Cannon Looks at the Matter.

Speaker Cannon of the national house of representatives returned from his cornfields out in the state Wednesday night fully convinced that the reports which had gone abroad of the bumper crops being raised in Nebraska this year were amply conservative. He was more than gratified at conditions on his land and enthusiastic over the general outlook in the state, and in fact the entire west.

"I shall go home feeling easy," he facetiously remarked, "since I have visited my own cornfields, for I can go ahead and eat all the cornbread I want now. My crops are good as could be wished by any old farmer.

"Get away with your politics, now, son. No politics for me so long as I can hear my corn growing."

The speaker returned to his home at Danville, Ill., Thursday morning.

WOMAN IN CLUB AND CHARITY

A joint committee representing the Omaha Woman's club, the Omaha chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Woman's Christian Temperance union, the Young Woman's Christian association and the Temple Israel Sisterhood met at the Young Woman's Christian association rooms Thursday and arranged for the reception of Mrs. Frederick Schoff and Mrs. Edward Grice, president and secretary of the National Congress of Mothers, who will pass through Omaha Friday, September 22, en route to their homes in the east. A luncheon will be given, probably at the Omaha club, in their honor, and will be attended by a representative of each of the local women's organizations. In the afternoon a meeting will be held at the First Congregational church, when Mrs. Schoff and Mrs. Grice will present the work of the Mothers' Congress. This session will be followed by an informal reception in the club rooms, that all the women may have an opportunity of meeting the guests. Mrs. H. J. Penfold presided at the meeting for arrangements.

Two new departments of temperance work were added to the work of the Douglas County Woman's Christian Temperance union held last week at Valley, one of anti-narcotics and another of law enforcement. The following list of departments and superintendents was announced for the coming year: Health and heredity, Mrs. W. G. Whitmore, Valley; Loyal Temperance legion, Mrs. L. C. Gaines, Elk City; press, Mrs. Adelaide Rood, Omaha; franchise, Mrs. M. E. Patterson, Omaha; medal contest, Mrs. W. E. Weekley, Valley; flower mission, Mrs. Ed Burke, Valley; jail and prison, Mrs. E. H. Shinrock, Omaha; mercy and help, Miss Nellie Magee, Omaha; anti-narcotics, Mrs. Fred Curtis, Valley; law enforcement, Mrs. E. B. Towle, South Omaha.

The officers who served the county organization last year were re-elected without exception and are as follows: President, Mrs. E. M. Covell, Omaha; vice president, Mrs. W. G. Whitmore, Valley; recording secretary, Mrs. G. P. Carley, South Omaha; treasurer, Mrs. Anna E. Whitney, Elk City; corresponding secretary, Mrs. William Todd, Waterloo. Reports for the year's work were altogether satisfactory and the work of the various departments will be pushed with redoubled energy this year.

Mrs. Emma F. Byers, general secretary of the Young Women's Christian association will return Saturday morning from a six weeks' vacation. Mrs. Byers will meet with the chairmen of the various committees and arrange for the fall work. Miss Florence Felt, the new extension secretary, has commenced her work at South branch and in the factories. Miss Beth Wallace, the new physical director, is arranging for the gymnasium classes, which promise to be larger than usual this year, as many of the old members are entering. Mrs. W. P. Harford, president of the association, who has spent the summer at Madeline island, Lake Superior, will return the middle of next week and the September board meeting will be held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

A society of Catholic women was recently organized in Chicago for the purpose of discouraging intemperance among young men. The society, which includes some of the most prominent women, old and young, in Chicago, proposes to take an aggressive stand against intemperance among the men who claim or expect social recognition from its members. In speaking of the intentions of the society a prominent member said recently to The Bee's club editor: "We have been absurdly misrepresented by some of the papers in a way that must make us seem ridiculous, but women ought to be used to that by this time. Yes, we mean to make this a personal matter if necessary. If men persistently violate the laws of decency and morality then they ought to be denied the society of good women. It has been suggested by one of our more radical members that a record be kept of men of our acquaintance whom we know to be lax morally, this list to be open for inspection by members. The information against each man should be set down after his name and the name of the informant signed in each case. Another member suggested that these offenders be notified when they are entered on our books and so given a chance to reform. So far, of course, these are only suggestions, but it is by no means improbable that they may be adopted. In the meantime we shall exert all our influence against the social progress of men who are not what they should be."

NEW GRAFT TO GET MONEY

Sharks Collect Money on Street Cars While Conductor is Busy in Rear.

A new graft is being tried in Omaha. It consists of impersonating a street car conductor, collecting as much small change as possible before discovery and then leaping from the moving car.

The first instance of the kind occurred on a Farnam car leaving Sixteenth street Wednesday night. A good looking young man got on the front end of the car, the conductor being busy with the passengers getting on and off. As soon as the car started he passed along the running board, holding out his hand which contained a few small coins. Several passengers dropped money into his palm. He then jumped off the car and was lost in the crowd.

The easy parting from their money by the passengers is accounted for by the fact that new men not yet equipped with uniforms are frequently broken in and allowed to collect fares under the tutelage of old conductors. Most, if not all, of the novices, however, wear regulation caps.

TWO MOTHERS' SONS MISSING

One Aged Thirteen and Other Thirty-Six Out of Pocket and Search is Made.

William Miller of Tama, Ia., offers a reward of $50 for information that will lead to the apprehension of his 13-year-old son, Frank E., who left his home August 31, with a gray mare and dark bay mare with top buggy. The boy is described as having light hair, brown eyes and a small scar on right eyelid. Mr. Miller does not intimate why his son should have left home.

Mrs. A. Snyder of Aurora, Ill., has written Chief of Police Donahue, requesting the present address of her son, Frank A. Snyder, who is believed to be in Omaha. The absent son is 36 years of age, and his mother is very anxious to hear from him.

KING'S HIGHWAY IS STARTED

Entrance to Ak-Sar-Ben Street Fair Grounds is Begun at Usual Place.

A force of workmen began Thursday morning constructing the entrance to the Ak-Sar-Ben street fair, to be known as the "King's Highway," and to run from the 27th inst. to October 7. The entrance is being placed as usual at Seventeenth and Douglas streets and in general design will be practically the same as that of last year.

MOROCCO MAKES AMENDS

Sultan Apologizes, Pays Indemnity and Punishes Caid, Who Took Frenchman.

MATTER IS NOW A CLOSED INCIDENT

French Foreign Office Expresses Gratification Over Peaceable Result of What Promised to Be Serious Affair.

PARIS, Sept. 7.—A dispatch to the Foreign office from M. St. Rene Taillandier, minister to Morocco, announces that the Moroccan government has yielded to the French demands and given complete satisfaction.

The Foreign office was highly gratified this morning to receive the dispatch from the French minister at Fez, announcing that the sultan had yielded all points demanded in the French ultimatum. The dispatch says that September 4, the day preceding the expiration of the French ultimatum, the grand vizer, Si Feedoul Garnit, accompanied by a retinue, went to the French legation, where he was received by the minister and his staff and the leading European officials. The grand vizier then presented a formal apology for the arrest of the French Algerian citizen, Bouzian, and handed the minister the amount of the indemnity demanded for the imprisoned man and also presented letters from the Moroccan ministry of foreign affairs, announcing that the caid responsible for Bouzian's arrest had been removed. The French minister answered the excuses and reparation given and thereupon the preparation for the departure of the legation preliminary to the endorsement of France's demands were suspended.

The Foreign office here says that the reparation is complete on all points and that the incident is closed, thus terminating the anticipated resort to coercion through the military and naval branches of the service.

PIONEER OF OMAHA IS DEAD

Bernard Koesters Dies After Fifty Years' Residence in the Gate City.

Bernard Koesters, one of the oldest residents of the city, died at 10 o'clock Thursday morning at the family residence, 1116 North Eighteenth street, old age being the chief cause of death. Mr. Koesters was 83 years of age and came to Omaha on June 24, 1855, by steamboat. The boat was the scene of a disastrous fire near Omaha, the Koesters family losing all their household effects. For a while they lived in a tent at 1019 Harney street, where for years afterward Mr. Koesters conducted a paint shop. The dead pioneer is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, two sons, Joseph B. and Frank H., and one daughter, Mrs. Oscar Pfeifer of Council Bluffs. Frank H. Koesters, secretary of the Veteran Firemen's association of this city, is now in Denver on a vacation. He is expected home some time Thursday. Until the arrival of the absent son the funeral arrangements will not be completed, but it is believed that the funeral will be held Saturday, with services at the German Catholic church. Mr. Koester was taken ill Tuesday night, since which time he was unconscious most of the time until death.

SLOAN TRIAL AT LINCOLN

Case of Former Commissioner Probably Will Be Heard at State Capital.

The trial of the case of the United States against Thomas L. Sloan, former United States commissioner, indicted for rendering a false account of the transactions of his office while commissioner, will probably be tried at the October term of the United States district court at Lincoln, instead of at Omaha.

No grand jury will be empaneled for the October term of the United States court at Lincoln. A petit jury is regarded as sufficient to look after matters pending before that session of the court.

The Strangest Thing

that could happen would be a case of constipation that Dr. King's New Life Pills wouldn't cure. Guaranteed; 25c. For sale by Sherman & McConnell Drug Co.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER

Fair Today and Tomorrow in Nebraska and Kansas—Partly Cloudy in Iowa.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Forecast of the weather for Friday and Saturday:

For Nebraska and Kansas—Fair Friday and Saturday.

For Iowa—Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday.

For South Dakota—Showers Friday, warmer in east portion; Saturday, showers.

For Missouri—Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday, with showers in extreme south portion.

For Colorado and Wyoming—Warmer Friday, with occasional showers and thunderstorms; Saturday, fair.

For Montana—Showers and cooler Friday; Saturday, fair.

Local Record.

OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU, OMAHA, Sept. 7.—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1905.	1904.	1903.	1902.
Maximum temperature	75	79	83	86
Minimum temperature	61	53	67	58
Mean temperature	68	66	75	72
Precipitation	T	.00	.01	.00

Temperatures and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha since March 1 and comparison with the last two years:

Normal temperature	67
Excess for the day	1
Total excess since March 1, 1905	238
Normal precipitation	.10 inch
Deficiency for the day	.10 inch
Total rainfall since March 1	16.24 inches
Deficiency since March 1, 1905	6.92 inches
Deficiency for cor. period 1904	3.35 inches
Excess for cor. period 1903	4.17 inches

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station and State of Weather.	Tem. 7 p. m.	Max. Tem.	Rain-fall.
Bismarck, pt. cloudy	70	74	.00
Cheyenne, raining	64	72	T
Chicago, cloudy	68	68	.00
Davenport, cloudy	68	70	.00
Denver, pt. cloudy	68	78	.00
Havre, pt. cloudy	76	82	.00
Helena, cloudy	76	80	.00
Huron, pt. cloudy	66	68	.00
Kansas City, cloudy	68	70	.00
North Platte, clear	72	80	.00
Omaha, cloudy	71	75	.00
Rapid City, clear	72	78	.00
St. Louis, cloudy	70	78	T
St. Paul, cloudy	64	68	.01
Salt Lake City, clear	60	68	.00
Valentine, clear	74	80	.00
Williston, cloudy	66	74	.00

T indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

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HUNT EXPLAINS 'PHONE PLAN

New Proposition Will Do Away with Extra Charges Between Omaha and South Omaha.

Discussing the interview with him in The Bee Wednesday, which has started much talk among business men, A. B. Hunt had this to say yesterday:

"That interview was all right generally, although there were some minor omissions, perhaps. I neglected to speak of what we intended to do for South Omaha. At present it costs in that city, for a business telephone to connect with both cities, $2.50 a year. The South Omaha 'phone alone—that is, the telephone to talk exclusively with South Omaha parties—costs $4.50 a year. This involves, outside of the cost of the 'phone, an extra charge of 5 cents from the South Omaha party or the correspondent or friend at the other end, whenever he talks to Omaha.

"We propose to install 'phones in South Omaha for $3.50, and give free interchange between the two cities. I want The Bee to dwell on this point, as coming personally from me; and we will put it in the ordinance. There is not going to be any ambiguity surrounding our propositions. We are going to make them definite and certain.

"We have our ordinance almost ready for presentation to the council now. It needs only a little scrutiny as to details, and we feel very confident that when it is presented and its terms understood it will meet with public approval.

"I expect to have the fight of my life to get this franchise. The Bell company will surely stop at nothing to maintain its present monopoly. The next thing to look for will be the importation of another Vic Stevens, under that or some other name, as a stool pigeon for the old company with a proposition for a franchise for an independent system, offering pretended concessions much greater than mine. But I do not believe they will fool anybody this time through this old trick."

NEW RULE IN DIS