

Nebraska
LUDDEN COURTS THE LAW
 Secretary of Normal Board with Governor and Legal Department.
BRINGS RECORDS INTO PLAY
 Asks Attorney to Include in Suit Sums Alleged to Have Been Paid Secretary Graham and the Governor.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, May 9.—(Special.)—Luther P. Ludden, secretary of the State Normal board, whose salary Governor Shallenberger has asked the auditor to hold up temporarily and the legal department of the state to take steps to prevent its payment permanently, has written both the governor and the legal department, court- ing legal action.
 In addition to having the legality of the payment of his salary tested, Mr. Ludden has suggested that the attorney general include in the suit the following items:
 Forty dollars paid to Secretary Graham of the defunct board out of the dormitory fund by Principal Crabtree of Peru.
 Ten dollars paid to Secretary Graham of the defunct board out of the maintenance fund by Principal Crabtree of Peru.
 Forty dollars paid to Secretary Graham of the defunct board out of the cash fund by Principal Thomas of the Kearney normal.
 Ten dollars paid to Governor Shallenberger for expenses out of the cash funds by Principal Crabtree of Kearney, when the expense was covered in another item.
 Secretary N. M. Graham, who the records show according to Mr. Ludden's letter, was elected by the board appointed by Governor Shallenberger when he temporarily kicked out the present board by legislative action.

Cites Records.
 In his letter to the governor Mr. Ludden says that he has the records to show that the \$5 paid to Mr. Graham was not paid for railroad fare, as he has receipts from the railroads showing that \$28.25 was spent by Mr. Graham for this purpose and vouchers are on file, he says, with the receipts.
 Regarding the \$10 paid Governor Shallenberger, Mr. Ludden said:
 "While the attorney general is at it, why not include this item also, lest it establish a precedent. Kearney receipt No. 22, 1908, Kearney, Neb., May 29, 1908. Received of principal for expenses for trip to Kearney to deliver commencement address, May 28, 1908, \$10.00, (signed) A. C. Shallenberger. This was paid out of the cash fund at Kearney, and Mr. Thomas paid also for the auto that was sent across the country some fifty miles in order that you could reach Kearney in time for the commencement. This is not a time for the 'got to call the kettle black,' but let the attorney general put in all these claims and clear up the record at one stroke."
 Continuing the letter, the governor said: "I would like to correct another intimation in your letter to the attorney general that the payment to me is a new thing."
 The law creating the State Board of Education was passed in 1881, and the board met June 14 and 15, 1881, for re-organization under the new law and one of the first motions reads: "On motion of Mr. Spencer, the secretary was allowed \$50 for clerical services for the past year."
 M. C. B. True was the secretary. At the next meeting the state superintendent became secretary and for five years W. W. Jones drew \$25. He was followed by George B. Lane, who drew \$300. A. K. Gouley followed him and he drew \$300. H. T. Corbett followed him and he drew \$100. W. L. Jackson was the next in line and he drew his \$200. During Mr. Jackson's term the \$50 salary claim event up to the legislature as a deficiency claim.

The Rock Island railroad has filed with the secretary of state its contract with the Bankers' Trust company for new equipment for its system, to cost \$6,750,000, for the payment of which bonds have been issued.
 Governor Shallenberger has honored the requisition for the return to Chicago of Antonio Manata, wanted in Chicago for murder. Manata is under arrest at Broken Bow.
 The State Board of Assessment has received a letter from the tax agent of the St. Joseph and Grand Island railroad, asking that he be permitted to appear before the board and make an argument for a lower assessment. The tax agent wrote that he had been notified of the action of the board through the newspapers and expressed surprise that railroad representatives had not been given an opportunity to be heard this year as formerly. Secretary Seymour, with the approval of the board, has written the company that the board might consider opening the assessment for the purpose of increasing the assessment of this road, but not for the purpose of decreasing its valuation.
 The tax agents of all the roads had information to the effect that the board intended meeting on the first Monday in May and the board holds it was their duty to be on hand so that one if they had anything to say. However, the already agreed, and considering the returns, that there would be no decrease in assessment of any railroad property.

Halley Comet Was Star of Bethlehem
So Declares Preacher at Webster City, Ia., Who Has Figured Back Countless Ages.

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 Await the person who discovers that a long train of coffee ails can be thrown off by using
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 The comfort and strength come from a rebuilding of new nerve cells by the food elements in the roasted wheat used in making Postum.
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Tecumseh Missioner on Way Home.
TECUMSEH, Neb., May 9.—(Special.)—Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Pickett and children are enroute home from Laos, Luzon, North Ilocos, Philippine Islands, where they have been for over six years. Both Dr. and Mrs. Pickett are educated in medicine and in theology, and they were sent from Tecumseh to the city named as missioners by the National Foreign Missionary society of the Christian church. The arrangement was that they were to preach and conduct a hospital at Laos for seven years. They have been doing, and they have been successful in doing, both in the spiritual and physical needs of the natives. An average of eighteen patients have been received at the hospital during the last year. So hard have they worked that Dr. Pickett finds himself in poor health, hence the coming back to America before the expiration of the seven years. When Dr. and Mrs. Pickett went to the Philippines they had but one girl; a boy and a girl have been born to them at Laos. They will visit relatives and friends in California, Colorado, Nebraska and Minnesota for a year and will then report for further missionary duty. The family will reach Seattle on June 4.

Clock Three Centuries Old.
SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 9.—(Special.)—Perhaps the most interesting and valuable heirloom in South Dakota is owned by James Kelton, a having been burned to death near the house several months ago. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lane of this place were immediately notified and left for the Bethel home. Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Bethel are sisters and the latter will be better remembered as Miss Florence Goodell, a former Table Rock girl. Deceased was about 35 years of age.

Killed by Collapse of Bridge.
TABLE ROCK, Neb., May 9.—(Special.)—Robert Bethel, who lives about twenty miles southwest of here, near the Kansas line, was killed yesterday by the collapsing of a bridge he was crossing near his home. He leaves a widow and five small children. One of his children, having been burned to death near the house several months ago. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lane of this place were immediately notified and left for the Bethel home. Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Bethel are sisters and the latter will be better remembered as Miss Florence Goodell, a former Table Rock girl. Deceased was about 35 years of age.

Nebraska News Notes.
TECUMSEH.—The local camp of the Modern Woodmen of America, which is the Episcopal church in a body Sunday morning. A special Mother's Day program was given.
BEATRICE.—Rev. Fred Hall yesterday tendered his resignation as pastor of the Congregational church. He will engage in missionary work out of the state until fall, when he will enter Yale college.
YORK.—The case against J. A. Ferguson, charged with peddling without a license, was called at York Saturday morning and continued for one week. Ferguson proposes to fight the case.
TABLE ROCK.—Miss Elsie Rokahr of Lincoln has been elected as assistant principal of Table Rock schools in place of Miss Mary Goodell, who has been elected to that position, but who recently handed in her resignation.
TECUMSEH.—Judge S. P. Davidson of this city will go to Atlantic City this week as a lay delegate from Nebraska to the general assembly of the Presbyterian church. The judges will also visit at Washington, D. C., and other points of interest before he returns home.
TECUMSEH.—Colonel Ben Miller & Son, horse buyers, of this city recently bought an elegant span of draft mares from Joseph Crawford, Cummins, Dixon, Doliver, Gamble, Guggenheim, Heyburn, La Follette, Nixon, Smeot and Sutherland. The supporters of the provision also hope to get Senator Jones' vote.
President's Attitude.
 The president is said to be urging republican senators to keep their hands off the bill, but he is not making it a test of party loyalty. He takes the position that most of the amendments suggested would have the effect of placing railroad charges purely on a mileage basis. Refusing to keep that such would be the result, the proponents declare their conviction that if the provision should be inserted he would not veto the bill on that account, as has been asserted he would do.
 On other points they find the president insistent upon maintaining strict party discipline. Senator Brandegee, who is among the staunchest of the stalwarts, is reported by his colleagues as having advised the chief executive to "quit kissing off the insurgents," and "to get out his tomahawk," and the president is said to have expressed no disapproval of the suggestion.
 President Taft will be absent from Washington the early part of the week on a visit to New York and Passaic, N. J.

WEATHER BUREAU IS JOLTED
Record of Last Two Weeks is Unparalleled—Damage Due to Head-Insurances.
WASHINGTON, May 9.—"Unparalleled in the history of the weather bureau" is the way Prof. Edward B. Garriott, official forecaster of the bureau, tonight described the ranges and distribution of temperature in the United States during the last two weeks.
 He pointed out that "the incomparable damage to fruit and vegetation in the central valleys and southern states caused by the cool wave during the latter part of April might have been avoided in large degree by a proper appreciation of the timely warnings issued by the weather bureau and the employment of approved frost protecting devices."
MINE GIVES UP ITS VICTIMS
Death Trap in Alabama Searched for Bodies of Unfortunate Miners—Scene is Pitiful.
PALOS, Ala., May 9.—The bodies taken today from the mine where last Thursday's explosion occurred, were so decomposed that it was almost impossible to handle them. Disinfectants are being shipped in. In a number of cases it was impossible to get bodies into the coffins provided.
 The funerals in the little mining camp began today. A special plot of ground was set aside on the opposite side of the hill from the mouth of the slope and here men were engaged all day digging graves while the mourners carried their loved ones and laid them to their last rest.

FATAL RIOT AT COAL MINES
Trouble Breaks Out at Yukon, Pa.—One Man Killed and Score Injured.
PITTSBURGH, May 9.—In a riot at the Westmoreland coal company's mines at Yukon, about thirty miles from here, one man was killed tonight, two others fatally hurt and more than a score wounded. A squad of thirty guardsmen, employed by the company, clashed with the miners and revolvers and shotguns were freely used for fully twenty minutes. Paul Roemer, a miner about 35 years old and married, was shot through the heart and instantly killed. An unknown woman and child standing in a doorway received bullet wounds. Three guardsmen were killed in the legs and arms and many miners have similar wounds.

MOTHERS' DAY IN ILLINOIS
Churches Hold Observances and White Carnation is Worn by Thousands.
CHICAGO, May 9.—Churches and other organizations today observed Mothers' day throughout Illinois. White carnations, the badge of the day, were worn by thousands. Eight states, Illinois, Ohio, Texas, California, South Dakota, West Virginia, Florida and Mississippi, observed the day officially.

MAY LOWER FLAG OF TRUCE
Peace Now Hovering Over Senate May Change to Open Hostility.

IOWANS HEADED EASTWARD
Cummins and Dooliver May Renew Fight at National Capital—Aldrich is Also Nearing the Goal.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Under a flag of truce, hostilities between the conservative and progressive republicans of the senate over the administration railroad bill have ceased temporarily. They will be renewed probably when Senators Cummins and Dooliver return Thursday from Iowa, where they have gone to open the campaign. Senator Aldrich is expected to return from Rhode Island Tuesday. If he should attempt to precipitate a vote on any important amendment Senators LaFollette and Clapp will undertake to hold the floor.
 Meanwhile the White House will be the scene of the real activities. President Taft having undertaken to bring into line some of the so-called "sear" insurgents" whose attitude on the railroad bill has been a matter of doubt. That work was begun yesterday and it was claimed that Senators Gamble and Crawford of South Dakota would join the forty-five regular republicans previously canvassed, making the necessary "all republican majority" for the administration program.
 While an understanding was reached in the house that the vote on the railroad bill would be taken Tuesday, it now seems certain that the democrats will seek to have the bill recommitted with instructions that the sections for the creation of a court of commerce be eliminated. The vote, it is conceded, will be close, and in the senate the long and short haul provision is the immediate subject of controversy, but receiving little more attention than the stock and bond sections which come further along in the bill and which are far more puzzling. The president and the attorney general are pressing for their retention and are inclined to accede to their demands, the regular republicans will make a stand for the sections. Some of the regulars, however, would be pleased if they were eliminated.
 Among those who are understood to doubt the wisdom of the plan are Senators Aldrich, Ekins and Root, all of whom concede the possibility of legal complications over their conflict with state laws. They are not disposed to yield, however, and Attorney General Wickham is represented as being willing to vouch for the validity of the provisions.

Buy Game Birds For Iowa Fields
State Game Warden Gives Order for 10,000 Partridges to Stock Counties.

CRESTON, Ia., May 9.—(Special.)—State Game Warden George Lincoln has contracted for 5,000 pairs of Hungarian partridges, to be distributed over the state, with the money received from the hunting license. The birds are purchased from Hungary and Bohemia at a price ranging from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per pair. The warden has \$20,000 to be expended for the game birds. The deliveries will not be made until fall, and the contract calls for good, healthy birds, able to look out for themselves, when they are turned out over the state.
 Mr. Lincoln plans to distribute them among the ninety counties of the state in such a way that each county properly will have fifty pairs placed in bunches of about a dozen pair in a locality. Besides stocking the state with partridges he has made a purchase of 5,000 pheasants, to be sent out over the state to be hatched, and the young chicks will then be turned loose to give variety to the game of the state. He has also ordered an interesting number of pheasants, who are anxious to have a hand in the hatching of the pheasants' eggs.
BISHOP WILLIAMS CONFIRMS
Large Class of Children Presented by Pastor of St. Barnabas's.
 Bishop Williams of the Episcopal diocese of Nebraska administered confirmation to a large class Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, at St. Barnabas' church, Nineteenth and California streets. Rev. John Williams, the bishop and assisted at the service, which was high mass with music by the choir.
 The musical program consisted of Batterson Haynes' mass, the "Nunc dimittis," to the music of the Gregorian chant, and the "Gloria," by the choir. The old chant, Dudley Buck's "Rock of Ages" was given as the offertory.
 Bishop Williams announced no text for his sermon, but preached on "The Gift of the Holy Ghost." He spoke particularly of the tendency of Christian people to neglect those gifts which God has given to man. He said that the gift of the Holy Ghost developed result in the joy of spiritual life. He said that it is often the case that Christian people who have been taught the value of the spiritual life during their youth have neglected every opportunity for its development until the individual became hardened to the will of God and had developed into a parasite feeding on the goodness of his Creator.
 The bishop urged those who were confirmed and the others present in the church not to neglect the opportunities constantly presented to them for religious advancement, saying that happiness would result from following the teachings of Christ. He closed with a prayer that the members of the confirmation class should develop spiritually more and more until God called them to eternal rest.

Burglars at Logan, Ia.
LOGAN, Ia., May 9.—(Special.)—Burglars were busy here from 1 till 4 o'clock yesterday morning, but of the six houses entered no one has missed anything save T. A. Masie, who lost \$12. In two houses the burglar was seen, but the persons were so badly frightened that they did not give the alarm until he had made good his escape.
Nominations by the President.
WASHINGTON, May 9.—Nominations the president today sent to the senate including the following:
 United States attorney for Porto Rico, Jose J. Jenkins of Wisconsin, former member of congress and former chairman of the house judiciary committee.
 Consul general at Tangier, Morocco, Elisha J. Babcock of New York.
 Captain William H. H. Southerland, to be a rear admiral.
Iowa News Notes.
LOGAN.—Ferdinand Peterson, aged 30, died at his home in Harris Grove, Ill., of poisoning, caused by a small splinter entering his hand.
MONROE.—Rev. Thomas A. Stamp, pastor of the Presbyterian church, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of Superior, Wis.
NEVADA.—According to a telegram received here this morning, Frank Elvin, a former resident of this city, was killed near Nevada, Mont., yesterday. The news came to Elvin's brother, Jack Elvin.
NEVADA.—Because he was ousted from the office of town marshal, Robert Howard, a civil war veteran, is going to set the "law" on Mayor Frank Howard, who has employed lawyers and is going to fight his removal under the "middle" preference law. Mayor Frank Howard says Howard threw up his job when he was "jacked up" for his failure to do his duty.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS
 G. A. Hoagland will make a trip to Lake Washington tonight.
 Mrs. M. E. Berry left Omaha Monday for a visit to Chicago.
 A son was born today to Mr. and Mrs. Hall Kirtley, 124 Capitol avenue.
 Charles W. Gagne, general advertising department has gone to Chicago.
 Assistant General Passenger Agent W. S. Jones of the Union Pacific has returned to his desk at the general headquarters after a trip over the western lines.
 Charles W. Gagne, general superintendent, and W. D. Lincoln, superintendent of transportation of the Union Pacific, have gone to Salt Lake for transportation business.

CULLED FROM THE WIRE
 Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, government pure food expert, has been chosen president of the American Therapeutic society.
 John M. Barrow, an actor and manager of Reading school, died suddenly at 81, aged 73 years. He was at one time manager of McVicker's theater, Chicago.
 Thirty breweries, including some of the largest in the country have joined with the Chicago police in their crusade against the selling of liquor in vacation resorts.
 Mrs. Eleanor G. Mead Howells, wife of William Dean Howells, the author, died at her home in New York Saturday, after a brief illness. She and Mr. Howells were married in 1882.
 A new working agreement calling for an increase in wages and better working conditions has been made by the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad and its firemen's union.
 The New England Arbitration and Peace conference was formally opened here at Hartford, Conn., under the auspices of the American Peace society and the Connecticut State Peace society.
 The longest electric railroad tour ever taken in the country will be started by twenty residents of Utica, N. Y., Tuesday. The farthest objective point is Louisville, Ky., and the trip will be made for forty cities and villages.
 Yardmen employed by the Philadelphia Reading school, died suddenly at 81, aged 73 years. He was at one time manager of McVicker's theater, Chicago.
 Harper Lee, an American big game hunter, was scored by a bull during a bull fight at Guadalajara, Mex., and is not expected to live.
 Charles L. Wood, 40 years old, recently adjudged insane, became violent in Denver when an ambulance called to take him to the hospital and after shooting two men and being chased by possees into Jefferson county, he was fatally wounded and captured.
 A boy was killed, seven injured and forty others thrown into the water at Carthage, Mo., when a swimmer's club at Center Creek in Lakeside park collapsed.

LETTERS TO CHEER MOTHERS
Absent Sons and Daughters Mailed Many in Omaha Sunday.

WEATHER MAN PASSING KIND
White Carnations Decorated Coat Lapels and Women's Corages, and Ministers Took Note of the Occasion.

WOMAN, GREAT HOME MAKER
Rev. E. H. Jenks Preaches on the Topic of Woman's Power.

Meat Riots in Detroit.
DETROIT, May 9.—An uprising against the higher prices of Koshier meat that broke out on Hastings street last night, was continued today. Crowds of women seized the purchases of customers and destroyed the meat by pouring kerosene on it.

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EAGLES HONOR THEIR DEAD
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Ballots Cast for Chamber of Deputies—Shots Fired at Bilbao.

to the far distant land of mystery. It is fitting and right that these services should be held upon this day; the day set aside as "Mothers' Day."
 James O'Hara gave an eulogy to Eagle-dom, explaining the teachings of the order. He emphasized the point that one of the great principles of the fraternity was equality; that every member was greeted with the same warm handshake. He told of the great growth of the Eagles and predicted that it would continue.
 H. W. E. MacDaniel greeted the strangers in the name of the lodges.
 Following the opening exercises, in which the officers of the different aeries took part, the roll of the absent brothers was called to the accompaniment of a tolling bell. After this impressive ceremony, an invocation was pronounced by William Kennedy, a member of Omaha aerie No. 38.
 Vocal solos were sung by Miss Blanche Sorumson, Miss Susie Shields and Miss Jennie Kennedy. A quartet also sang two selections.
 Matthew Gering delivered the memorial address and eloquently presented the thought that the departed, although mourned by loved ones, were secure in contentment which comes with the peace of death. He said that birth was the tragedy of life, while death was the end of the tragedy.
 "Our great Christian religion eases the pain of death, for in it we have faith," said the speaker. "When our loved ones depart from us this faith bears us up and we are secure in the belief that all is well."
 "Although monuments mark the resting place of the great, and people gaze in awe at them and contemplate the great deeds that were performed—no greater homage, no greater expression of love can be offered than here in this assemblage of friends and relatives met together in memory of those who have taken the journey

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