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DEPOSITS ARE SOME LOWER
Secretary Royce Makes Report on State Bank Conditions.
LOANS ARE HIGHER AS RESULT
Very Little of This Year's Crop Placed Upon Market, Which Accounts for Depletion of Cash in Banks.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The abstract of the condition of Nebraska state banks on November 18, when the last call was issued, shows, according to the statement given out by Secretary S. A. Royce of the banking board, that deposits have materially fallen off as compared with the same year ago and loans have advanced almost as much. This condition Mr. Royce does not consider in the least alarming, as he points out that crops have not been moving, farmers waiting for better prices, and this circumstance alone would, in his estimation, account for the decreased deposits and the increased loans.

The comparison of the reports indicates that in 100 state banks there are \$208,740,000 in deposits, and that the average reserve is 2 1/2 per cent. This fact is an important item. The state banking law requires that the cash reserve be maintained at 10 per cent at least. Of the total cash reserve in the banks more than three-fourths of it is in the hands of eastern correspondents so that the actual cash on hand in the state bank vaults is only a little more than 2 per cent. This is not an unusual condition.

Gives Figures on Changes.
Secretary Royce's summary of his analyses of the conditions in the banks of the state is as follows:
"This report compared with the one of a year ago shows that loans have increased \$1,800,000 and deposits have decreased \$1,800,000, and compared with the report of August 25, 1910, loans have increased \$1,500,000 and deposits have decreased \$1,500,000. While the increase of loans and the decline of deposits are a little more pronounced than usual at this season of the year, on the whole, under existing conditions the report is all that could be expected.

"It is a known fact that very little of this year's crop has been placed on the market and advances from the banks indicate that no considerable portion of the 1910 crop still remains unsold. I am on the opinion that this fully explains the increase of loans and decrease of deposits shown.
"Another factor that has materially increased the loans and which also has an effect upon the deposits is the unusual amount of stock feeding that is being done in this state. All these conditions operating together explain the heavy demand apparent."

"With the majority of the crops on hand and of cattle and sheep in the feeding pens, there is every reason to believe a material increase of deposits and decrease of loans will follow. Conditions are good throughout the state and this report only indicates an exceedingly active money condition."
Following are the data:
RESOURCES.
Loans and discounts \$1,800,000.00
Overdrafts \$100,000.00
Bonds \$1,000,000.00
Claims \$100,000.00
Due from banks \$1,700,000.00
Banking house furniture and fixtures \$100,000.00
Cash \$1,000,000.00
Total \$1,800,000.00
LIABILITIES.
Capital stock \$1,000,000.00
Surplus fund \$1,000,000.00
Undivided profits \$1,000,000.00
Dividends unpaid \$100,000.00
Deposits \$1,700,000.00
Notes and bills redeemed \$1,000,000.00
Total \$1,800,000.00

Inspection is Completed.
Major T. H. Phelps of the adjutant general's office has returned from his final inspection of the national guard. He went to Bloomfield three days ago to look over the first regular band and reports that it is in satisfactory condition. Of the twenty-eight members of the band, seventeen were present and eleven absent, and of these latter five live in other cities. While away on this trip the adjutant general paid the Blair company what was owing to it from the Fort Riley cantonment, this having been withheld because the arrangements were not in proper shape when the company was inspected.
County Fair Managers.
Representatives of the Nebraska Association of County Fair Managers met today with members of the board of managers of the State Fair association and reports that arrangements for the annual meeting, which will be held in Lincoln, January 12, G. W. Harvey, editor of The Twentieth Century Farmer, is the president of the association of managers. It was decided to have papers on such subjects as "Our County Fair," "The County Fair Show," "Competition" and "Publicity."
Universities Report.
The semi-annual report of the treasurer of the state university for the six months ending November 30 shows that a total of \$2,500,000 was expended. For salaries and wages out of the mill levy \$2,000,000 was spent and out of the endowment, income and gifts \$500,000, leaving in the two funds for the

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Further payment of wages \$2,000,000. This must last until next April, when the appropriation is available. For credit expenses were expended in other ways, \$2,000,000 was expended, of which \$1,500,000 went into permanent improvements.
For Secretary of Senate.
Two brand new candidates for secretary of the state senate have appeared in the field to contest with W. H. Smith of Kearney for the post. The one named L. S. Shumway of Scott's Bluff and N. J. Lord of Walden. Mr. Shumway was defeated at the primaries for the democratic congressional nomination this year by W. J. Taylor and two years ago by Judge Westover. Mr. Lord is an editor at Walden. He was president of the Nebraska Press association last year.
For Food Commissioners.
One of the big plums which the governor-elect has not shined from the political tree yet is that of deputy food commissioner. Considerable competition for this place is developing. So far as known these are the present applicants for the place: J. W. Johnson of Lincoln, who held the place under Governor Sheldon; J. E. Baker, a Lincoln street car conductor; W. R. Jackson, lately democratic candidate for state superintendent, and Nels P. Hanson of Lincoln, a druggist. It is reported another name on a party list is that of one whose name has developed in the western part of the state, but his name is unknown.
Disembles Complaint.
The State Railway commission has issued an order dismissing the complaint of certain farmers of Sherman county. Through one of their number, K. H. Ladogard, in which the commission was asked to order the Sherman County Telephone company to place a party rural line which had just been built, by giving it switching facilities as was being done on other farm lines radiating from Lincolnfield, where the defendant company maintained an exchange. The commission held that the mutual farm line in question compared with a farm line owned by the Sherman County Telephone company and destroyed some of the revenue-producing property of said company, and that the said company could not be compelled to become a party to the destruction of its own property.

YORK COUNTY CORN CONTEST
Hundreds of Ears Are on Exhibition From Few Kernels that Were Distributed.
YORK, Neb., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Yesterday was the first day of the York county corn contest. From the thousand kernels of champion corn given to the boys in York county hundreds of ears of corn were placed on exhibition. Superintendent Flurer states that before the corn contest began the boys had never thought of the value of pure bred corn, but that since the annual meeting of the York county corn club, a member of every farmer boy to York county has become interested in better seed and better farming.
The increased interest in stock raising, better farming, domestic science and manual training has resulted in the organization of over forty clubs in the county. Every farmer in York county is now in the habit of holding at the annual corn contest, claiming that it has been the means of increasing greater interest among the boys in York county in the better farming, better stock and increased yield.

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The suits we sell for children are sold strictly on their merit—they are the best to be had and are sold at a lower margin than any boys' suits in the West—
\$2.00 TO \$15.00
Overcoats for little fellows
Softish, comfortable and greatly varied in design—
\$2.50 AND UP.

Do these wintry days remind you of new shoes?
Does the thought of new shoes remind you of us? It should—fellows who know our shoes are slow to investigate any others.
\$2.50, \$3.50 and \$4.50
GUARANTEED PATENTS
\$4.50

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King-Swanson Co.
16th & Howard St.
The Home of Quality Clothes
Reading about our suits is all right, but looking at them is positively convincing.
We want you to read what we say—want you to weigh our arguments carefully. You'll form your opinion of us and our store from what you read. But, you won't be entirely convinced until you come in—size up our store and talk clothes to us. We know we sell the best suits in the world at our prices, but you won't know it until you see them.
\$10 up to \$40
The overcoat store of the town
No room for argument on that score—the only ones who dispute it are the ones who don't come in or the ones interested in selling you a coat. To the fair-minded, level-headed fellow who wants his money's worth this store is the place to come seeking an Overcoat—
\$10.00 to \$50.00
Speaking of extreme garment values
The whole argument is answered in one word—"Ours"—applying with equal force to Suits or Overcoats which this store sells at—
\$15-\$20-\$25
Wouldn't a good fur cap please him?
Coneys, Seals and Other Furs
\$3.50 to \$15



Christmas in the furnishing department
All ready with a splendid line of things suitable for gifts to men:
TIE HOLDERS— 50c-75c-\$1-\$1.75
HANDKERCHIEFS— 50c-75c-\$1.00
JEWELRY SETS— \$1-\$1.50-\$2-\$2.50-\$3
COMBINATION TIE, HANDKERCHIEFS, HOSE— \$1.00-\$1.50-\$2.00
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FANCY SUSPENDERS— 50c-\$1-\$1.50-\$2-\$2.50
SUSPENDERS AND GARTERS— 50c-75c-\$1-\$1.25-\$1.50
GLOVES— \$1.15 to \$2
HOSE IN CHRISTMAS BOXES— 4 pair in a box...\$1.00
COLLAR BOQUES— 50c-75c-\$1-\$1.50
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POPULATION OF LOUISIANA
Increase of Twenty Per Cent in Ten Years—Spokane Shows Big Gain During Period.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The population of Louisiana is 1,028,000, an increase of 21.75, or 13.3 per cent, over 1,000,000 in 1900. The increase from 1890 to 1900 was 300,000, or 24.1 per cent.
The population of Bismarck, N. D., is 1,400, compared with 1,100 in 1900.
Revised statistics of the population of Tampa, Fla., show its population to be 37,000, an increase of 2,500, or 10.4 per cent, over 11,000 in 1900. A previous announcement gave the 1900 census as 35,000.
The population of Spokane, Wash., is 29,400. This is an increase of 4,500, or 18.1 per cent, over 16,400 in 1900.
Something strange that the value of Cream of Barley as an all-powerful health food was not known until this past year.

BOSTONESE LIKE ALASKA
"Alaska is the coming country, and it is the only place for young people with little capital and plenty of energy."
So says Mrs. William James, the charming young north who has just returned from the far north, and who is visiting her parents in Medford for a year after seven years' experience in the golden land.
"Seven years ago I landed at Valdez on the Alaskan coast. My fiancé met me and we tramped twenty-three days into the country along the winding trail until we came to what was my future home, Fairbanks. There we were greeted by the miners and the wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. S. Hall Young, one of the old missionaries who settled in Alaska and have done much good."
"It was an interesting trip and a picturesque wedding. My husband's father had prepared a wedding supper for us, and the luxury of the occasion was real cow's milk. It cost \$1 a glass and we had five glasses. Then we had caribou steak and beans and beans—and beans. To top the dinner, we had a salad made by one of the few women neighbors."
"Mr. James was prospecting on Fairbanks creek at that time and started in to keep house—in a one-room cabin. That was all there was in the town at that time and I had one of the few spring beds. Under the bed was poultry, corn, straw and half a dozen other things."
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GENERAL COMMITS SUICIDE
Wallace F. Randolph, Former Chief of Coast Artillery Corps, Kills Himself.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Major General Wallace Randolph, retired, former chief of the coast artillery corps, committed suicide at his residence in this city today.
Lead Young Enrique Cross—
General Randolph shot himself through the head. No reason is known for the suicide and the only plausible explanation is that he took his life while suffering intense agony from an attack of kidney trouble.
General Randolph was the first chief of the coast artillery corps and was one of the most popular officers in the military service. He was mainly instrumental in the development of the present system of field artillery and for several years he was in charge of the artillery post at Fort Riley, Kan.
During the Spanish-American war he commanded the field artillery with General Shafter's army in Cuba. In January, 1904, he was retired as a major general. He was 59 years old.

Peary Knew A Walrus When He Saw One
Every man has the advantage of his knowledge. No trouble to show you and point out the difference between the GENUINE and the imitation.
Black walrus hand bags are very popular just now—also handbags and wallets.
We have them. The real, and a variety of other styles to suit the tastes and purses of all.
Alfred Cornish & Co.
1212 FARMER STREET, OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Orkin's Douglas St. Store
This is the Season's Greatest Coat Sale. Be Here Early
Great Purchase and Sale of Over 1,200 COATS for Women and Misses
Sale Starts at 8 o'clock Saturday Morning
THIS great sale of over 1,200 Coats for Women and Misses is a purchase made by our resident New York representative from a prominent coat maker who was badly in need of ready cash—he naturally turned to us and offered us his entire surplus stock at a big sacrifice. We have in the past made wonderful purchases and held great sales, but never in our history have we bought as big a quantity of high-grade Coats at such a big sacrifice, and never before have we offered such great values.
We will guarantee every garment to be worth not less than \$17.50 up to \$35. While the assortment is the largest we ever had, yet the first choice is always the best, so be early.
All the \$17.50 to \$25 Coats from the great purchase include all wool, black and colored broadcloth coats, tan covert coats, novelty mixture coats, in all sizes and scores upon scores of various styles—positively worth from \$17.50 to \$25 SATURDAY
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