

PLANS FOR FEDERAL ROADS

State Engineer's Office Has Completed Plat for One. GOVERNMENT MAY BUILD IT One Road to Run West from Lincoln—Uncle Sam to Maintain Road Following the Union Pacific.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—The state engineer's office has completed the plat showing the road which the governor has selected as the government road, to be built through the state, and will submit the plan to the governor tomorrow.

A couple of weeks ago Governor Aldrich received a letter from Senator Bourne, chairman of the committee on post roads, that the government was considering the matter of building a line of road from coast to coast and that each state would be asked to select two routes, one to be built by the government, and the other to be maintained by the government, and asked the governor to designate the most practicable routes in this state.

It will run west through Milford, Dorchester, Friend, Ekester, Sutton, Harvard, Hastings, Minden, Holdrege, Oxford, McCook, Culbertson, Imperial and Lamar, crossing the state line into Colorado about six miles west of the latter place.

The other road, which the government will "maintain," will follow the line of the Union Pacific railroad most of the way, keeping in the Platte valley after reaching Valley out of Omaha.

Waters Oysters. George Wilkinson of Beatrice has been fined for watering oysters at Hastings. He is a merchant at that place and the evidence showed that the oysters received their water after being shipped from the wholesale house. The fine assessed was \$50 and costs.

Douglas County Pays Tax. County Treasurer W. G. Ure has forwarded to the state treasurer a check for \$61,000 for tax collections from Douglas county, the same having been received by him treasurer George this morning to help him start the New Year properly.

Keeps Open House. Governor and Mrs. Aldrich are holding an open house at the executive mansion this afternoon. No invitations were sent out, but a general invitation was extended to the public to call and exchange New Year's greetings.

New Deputy Warden. It is said upon good authority that Deputy Warden Antles at the state penitentiary has severed his connection with that institution, but Warden Melick will neither deny or affirm the report. Several times rumors of not altogether a harmonious feeling existing between the warden and his deputy have been rife, but nothing of a really serious nature ever developed.

The cause of the lack of harmony has been said to be on account of the action of Deputy Antles in attempting to institute a military condition at the penitentiary, which was objected to by Warden Melick, who believed in getting discipline by more modern means.

DATE FOR COURT IN TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT HASTINGS, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Judge Harry S. Dungan yesterday announced the following schedule of court terms for 1913 in the Tenth judicial district of Nebraska: Franklin—February 3, May 5, September 1, December 1. Harlan—February 17, May 12, September 2, December 2. Webster—March 3, May 19, October 6, December 4. Kearney—March 17, May 26, October 20, December 15. Phelps—March 31, June 2, November 3, December 15. Adams—April 14, June 9, November 17, December 22.

Brooks Succeeds Abbott. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The Plattsmouth school board met last night and elected W. G. Brooks to succeed N. C. Abbott as the head of the city schools. Mr. Brooks is serving his second term as superintendent of the Caldwell (Idaho) public schools. He was principal of the Plattsmouth schools four years ago and has since been superintendent of the Davenport, Neb., and Fairmont, Neb., schools.

News Notes of Harvard. HARVARD, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—A large delegation of German people has been here, called by the annual gathering of the Nebraska Volga Brothers' society that convened in annual session Saturday, closing Monday evening. Large delegations were present from the various points in this state with some from adjoining states, and a most interesting meeting was had with manifold awakenings along religious lines.

Needed Only One More. The clock struck the hour, and the university chiming pealed forth on the early morning air. Rambo had been making a night of it, but was still able to navigate, and was on his way home, with some assistance from Baldwin. Feeling in his pocket for a stray coin, he started up the steps of the university building.

Veteran of Milford Soldiers' Home is Found Under Ice

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—John Cavanaugh, an old veteran at the Milford Soldiers' home, was found drowned this morning under the ice in the Blue river a short distance from the home. Cavanaugh spent much of his time fishing and trapping along the river in the vicinity of Milford and was supposed to have been looking after his traps yesterday. As he did not put in an appearance last night at the usual hour search was made for him, resulting in finding a hole in the ice at a place where he usually crossed the river when going to and from his traps. Believing that he had fallen in, search was instituted, but at midnight on account of the darkness and no trace having been discovered of the body about the hole where he was supposed to have fallen in, it was decided to wait until morning. At daylight another hole in the ice was discovered about half a mile below the place where he was supposed to have disappeared and his body was discovered, lying at the bottom in about four feet of water. The authorities at the home know little about his past or his relatives. He seldom went anywhere, but occasionally referred to his "home" in Republican City, a small town in Harlan county. Every effort is being made to locate some of his relatives. It is known that he had lived on a homestead in Buffalo county several years ago.

Hitchcock Mails First Package Sent By U. S. Parcel Post

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Official diplomatic of the first seconds of 1913, Postmaster General Hitchcock inaugurated a new era in the American postal service by depositing in the Washington postoffice the first package to be entrusted to the domestic parcel post service. The package of the last hour of 1912 were dying away when the postmaster general stepped up to the window under the newly painted inscription, "Parcel Post Packages," and handed in the official "first package." At the same moment the parcel post service was opened for business in every postoffice in the United States open at that hour. Postmaster General Hitchcock's package contained a silver loving cup enclosed in a stout box. The package was addressed to E. M. Morgan, postmaster of the city of New York. After it has made its journey it will be sent back to Washington to be engraved and preserved in the national museum to commemorate the inauguration of the parcel post service.

WHITE HOUSE CELEBRATES WITH ANNUAL RECEPTION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Official diplomatic and social Washington will celebrate the advent of the new year, the feature of the day being the annual New Year's reception at the White House. President Taft will then, for the last time, entertain the public at the White House. Immediately upon their return from Panama today the President and Mrs. Taft began to make preparations for the social event of the year in the national capital. Although adverse weather conditions are predicted a large attendance is expected. Every member of the diplomatic corps regards it as his duty to pay his respects to the chief magistrate upon this occasion.

WATTLES ANNOUNCES PLANS

Tells of Improvements Street Railway Company Expects to Make. LINES ARE TO BE EXTENDED. Company Will Spend \$500,000 on Improvements During the Next Twelve Months—New Cars Ordered. G. W. Wattles, president of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Company, has asked The Bee to publish the following statement which he desires to make to the public: To the Public: The officers of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Company realize that in the past they have perhaps neglected to a considerable extent an important duty to the public, in that they have not at all times taken the confidence, especially regarding the extensive and costly expansion of the street railway property that has been going on during the last ten years.

Iron Moulder Says \$1,400 is Stolen and Part of Money Found. While Martin Kearnes, an iron moulder employed at the smelter, and who lives at Seventh and Burt streets, was celebrating the dawn of the new year with his wife at the home of a neighbor, Thomas Haley, his 13-year-old nephew, entered his humble cottage near the river's edge, and stole nearly \$1,400, the savings of over fifteen years.

Many Improvements Made. Much of this has been done without boasting or any particular public notice, and the improvements have been carried forward much more rapidly than the growth of the city of Omaha would seem to justify; and yet, with the increase of facilities, the demand for still others becomes each year more insistent.

Nine Mine Workers Entombed by Flood. TAMAUQUA, Pa., Jan. 1.—Nine mine workers are entombed in a flooded quarry in the East Lehigh colliery, near here, and rescuers are working frantically to dig away a mass of culm and rock which is blocking the gangway leading to their imprisoned comrades.

Culls from the Wire. The next reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held in Chattanooga on May 27, 28 and 29.

GLAD VOICES FOR NEW YEAR

Streets Thronged with Crowd, Who Celebrate Advent. WHISTLES SCREAM; BELLS RING. Many Feast at Cafes and Hotels and Greet Baby Year with Proper Observance, Though Lid Pre-vents Too Great Gaiety.

Omaha welcomed the new year with the usual noisy demonstrations of joy. Bells rang, whistles screamed, merry-makers shouted and the big clocks and the little ones boomed the hour of midnight, and another year of Christendom's calendar reckoning was born. The beautiful night was most favorable to out-of-doors celebration, and it was truly taken advantage of, Omaha's jubilation was but little dimmed by the oil of joy, for the lid declined to tilt beyond the ordinary, and the revelers as a rule had to depend on their own spirits to provide the holiday exuberance that is supposed to be an inseparable feature of New Year's eve observance.

Restaurants and Dining Rooms

Restaurants and cafes, club and hotel dining rooms were thronged by those who preferred to take their sitting down, and the dancing academies had full attendance, for many there were who observed the astronomical event by devoting their efforts assiduously to practice of such of the new dances as the authorities had the Omaha club a watch party was kept by the members, the only sign to the world being the lights through the windows and the sounds of music that came from the open doors.

Chinese Adopt American Boas

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31.—Morton Teeter, an American boy of 2 years, became today the legal son of Lutz W. Jimmie, a rich Chinese merchant, and Mrs. Jimmie, his Caucasian wife.

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