

### Nebraska COUNTY BOARDS GO TO ALLIANCE

State Convention Decides to Accept Invitation of Western City for Next Year.

#### SAFETY FIRST MUCH TALKED OF

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Alliance was chosen by the state convention of county commissioners and supervisors for the next meeting place.

Alliance received 85 votes, Omaha, 15, and Hastings, 11. Thirty telegrams from officers and business men of Alliance were received and read by the secretary soliciting the members to vote for Alliance for holding the next annual convention.

By an unanimous vote the present officers were all re-elected: P. J. Kennedy, president, York; L. R. Barlow, vice president, Lodgepole; C. E. Hill, secretary, Hastings, and Mike Cavey, St. Edward.

In the afternoon the subject of county roads was again taken up and discussed, by James A. White, Slesser, Pitts of Cass county, Purdy of Madison county and Clarke of Nemaha county. The opinion of the speakers was that the costs of establishing new roads costs about \$20 per mile for grading and to keep same in good repair would cost \$15 per mile. It was suggested that the county roads should be under supervision of the supervisors as it is now under the commissioner system.

County Attorney Otto F. Walter of Platte county was called upon for a few remarks and he took for his subject safety, first of records by procuring good vaults, by placing signs on bridges while repairing same, by complying with legislation placing white posts on each side of the culverts on the public highway, thus avoiding expenses and costs to the county.

A resolution extending thanks to Columbus and especially to the Commercial club for hospitality was read and endorsed by a rising vote.

The members attended a banquet at the Orpheus hall given by the Commercial club. The banquet was served by the women of the Methodist Episcopal church. The music on this occasion was rendered by the Columbus new symphony orchestra consisting of sixteen members and under the direction of Prof. E. E. G. Gruber.

Moving pictures were shown at the North Opera house last night giving the process of manufacturing iron and steel, after which the visiting guests partook of a Dutch lunch at the Elks hall given by the Commercial club of Columbus.

### Matters Enters Denial Of Candidacy Rumor

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Senator John Mattes of Nebraska City, who visited the state house today, said he was not seriously considering the rumor that he might be a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor. Mr. Mattes declared the report published in a Lincoln paper that the German-American alliance was taking steps to throw its vote against Wilson was all a fabrication.

"The state alliance of Nebraska is perfectly nonpolitical and independent in politics," said the senator. "It is not an incubator for public or political schemes, and has not in any way taken any action as indicated."

"Our members are students of economic, social and political questions. They will cast their votes intelligently when the proper time comes, and neither prejudice or revenge will tarnish their actions. The future welfare of the country will outweigh any temporary disappointment."

### TWO NEBRASKANS GET MONEY FROM ESTATE

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Harry Dixon of North Platte, Neb., and Nellie Dean Wilson of Lincoln, Neb., will receive their share of the \$1,000,000 estate of Colonel Wardwell G. Robinson as soon as the court approves settlement terms between executors and Mrs. Vera Robinson Coyne of St. Louis, who, claiming to be his daughter, started suit to secure the entire estate and tied up the distribution by injunction.

Robinson died supposedly a bachelor. Mrs. Coyne appeared at the funeral, saying he married Louise Simmons, her mother, and produced a 25-year-old newspaper clipping to prove the contention. Her lawyer, Spencer Brownell, made a nation-wide trip and secured the consent of most of the heirs to settle 25 per cent upon her, and today asked the court's permission to discontinue the action. The Nebraska heirs' share is not specifically known until expenses are deducted, but it will be several thousand dollars.

### BEATRICE MAN ACCUSED OF STEALING JEWELS AND CASH

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—L. R. Smith of this city was arrested Wednesday evening and lodged in the city jail on the charge of stealing jewelry valued at about \$25 from a local jewelry store. Some of the stolen property was found in his possession and he attempted to throw it away when Officer Hayden placed him under arrest. He is also charged with stealing \$15 from the cash register at Black's mill, where he has been employed and from which place he was discharged Tuesday.

### WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH IN SOD HOUSE NEAR M'COOK

M'COOK, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. R. D. Rogers, who lived on a farm about fifteen miles northwest of M'Cook, in Hitchcock county, was burned to death in her sod farm house yesterday afternoon. No other person was on the place at the time. Origin of the fire is unknown. The body was found under earth and debris of the caved-in roof of the sod house, lying across the bed. Burial occurred in Hayes county this afternoon.

Her son Edwin is subject to group. "My son Edwin is subject to group," writes Mrs. E. O. Irwin, New Kensington, Pa. "I put in many sleepless hours at night before I learned of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mothers need not fear this disease if they keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house and use it as directed. It always gave my boy relief." Obtainable everywhere.—Advertisement.

### THIS FRENCH HEROINE IS A NEW JOAN OF ARC



Millie Moreau, heroine of the recapture of Loos, has been awarded a military medal by France, for acts of bravery which the French people say are paralleled only by the history of Joan of Arc. During the fighting attendant upon the recapture of Loos by the allies, Millie Moreau killed two Germans with a pistol and later slew three more with a hand grenade which she borrowed from a French sergeant. The Germans were firing on her home, which she had converted into a first-aid hospital for the soldiers of the allies.

### FAKE ASPIRIN IS DISCOVERED

Food Commissioner Harman Finds Where Large Quantity Has Been Sold.

#### IN PLACE OF GERMAN DRUG

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Working with government officials, State Food Commissioner Harman and Chief Inspector Kemmel have been able to discover the sale of so-called aspirin, a tablet used largely by physicians and druggists for the cure of headaches.

Aspirin is made in Germany, but a drug called acetylo-salicylic acid made in this country is said to be equally as good. However, the use of the latter remedy has never come into general use because aspirin has been so largely advertised that everybody has insisted on that instead of the American product. So great has been the demand for aspirin that it appears some firm in the east has been manufacturing a counterfeit which has been sold in large quantities to druggists as the real article.

The Medlin Brokerage company of Omaha of which J. W. Medlin is the proprietor, appears to have had the handling of the alleged aspirin in this state and has been the distributor to other druggists. Before Justice Britt of Omaha he pleaded guilty to the charge of keeping drugs not stamped with the amount of contents and was fined \$40 and costs.

In justice to Mr. Medlin, Food Commissioner Harman says he was ignorant of the nature of the drug and supposed he was handling the real article and has promptly turned over to the authorities all of the counterfeit article in his possession worth about \$50.

The alleged aspirin contains one-half grain of acetanilid, which is detrimental to heart action and might be exceedingly dangerous for those with weak hearts to take. The Omaha concern has disposed of over 200,000 of these tablets in the state and the government inspectors are said to know just where to go to locate the druggists which have handled it. One Omaha druggist was found with 27,000 tablets in his possession and these were seized. Lincoln druggists are known to have the counterfeit aspirin in their possession and will be called upon to face a tribunal of justice.

### UNITED CHARITIES IS ORGANIZED AT COLUMBUS

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The Columbus United Charities is the name of the organization that was completed last night. Carl Kramer called the meeting to order and was selected as temporary chairman, while Charles L. Dickey acted as secretary. After different ways had been spoken of and suggested, the following were elected as a board of directors: G. W. Phillips, M. E. Helms, Henry F. J. Hockenberger, Charles L. Dickey and Carl Kramer.

The board of directors instructed the secretary to ask churches, fraternities and other organizations interested in the work of charity to designate one of their members to co-operate with the committee of this association in securing members.

The following committee on membership has been selected: Carl Kramer, Mrs. J. B. Geitzen, Mrs. George H. Thomas, Mrs. Leopold Jaeggli, Mrs. Albert Pflaegman, Mrs. Phil Echols and Mrs. M. Brugger.

### HASTINGS SENDS FULL QUOTA INTO THE FRAY

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Hastings appears to have been struck with an epidemic of office seeking, the secretary of state's office receiving today a filing made by A. J. Slinger, of that city, who wants the nomination for land commissioner on the democratic ticket. Just to show that the populist party is still alive, Mr. Slinger wants the nomination of that party also.

Two men there would like the nomination on the republican ticket for governor. Another man wants the democratic nomination for railway commissioner, another is a candidate for the republican nomination for congress and another man wants some kind of an office not yet specified.

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### Nebraska OWNERS SHOULD WORK THE FARMS

Prof. Pugsley of Lincoln Tells Nebraska State Grange Defect in Present System.

#### DECLINE FOLLOWS TENANTRY

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The second day of the Grange session was largely taken up with receiving and considering reports.

One feature of the day was the address of Prof. C. W. Pugsley of the University of Nebraska, who emphasized the need of a departure from the tendency toward tenant farming. Forty per cent of Nebraska farms were now conducted by tenants and the tendency in this direction is to a still greater per cent.

This means a gradual deterioration of the farm and a decline in productivity. Real agricultural prosperity precludes tenant farming and absolutely requires a continuity of ownership and interest not only for an upkeep of the soil fertility but also for the maintenance of standard living conditions and farm improvements.

There must be a better organization for the purpose of selling farm products. In Lincoln alone there are over 300 acres of land that could produce food, but such food cannot be profitably marketed on account of the middlemen. A proper distribution system is lacking.

Another feature was the address of State Superintendent A. O. Thomas, who dwelt upon the necessity of better educational facilities for the rural districts, both for the purpose of making the farmers of the future more competent and of adding to the enjoyment of life.

There should be such facilities within reach of every farm as to enable all farm boys and girls to secure the needed educational equipment. Work in exemplifying the various degrees was done. The legislative committee made its report, but the same has not as yet been accepted or discussed. The finance committee shows a very satisfactory condition and a neat balance on hand.

About 150 were present today.

### Governor Refuses To Send Man Out To Montana Court

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Governor Morehead today acted the Santa Claus part to Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Schroeder of Seward and their two tiny children, when he refused to grant a requisition asked by the governor of Montana for the return to that state of Mr. Schroeder, charged with grand larceny under the laws of that state.

According to the evidence, the Seward man had gone up to Montana in search of a homestead and had come in contact with a real estate man who offered him the relinquishment on a tract of land held by a woman for \$400. The land suited Schroeder all right and he gave the land agent a check for the amount, stating that he did not have that amount in the bank, but as soon as he got back to Seward he would arrange for its payment.

However, the agent turned the check over to a bank in that state, and, as Schroeder did not have the funds to meet it, he was sought on the charge of grand larceny, which in Montana includes the giving of a check when there is no money on deposit to cover it.

In refusing to grant the requisition, Governor Morehead said that he had been a banker himself and it seemed to him it would have been a very easy matter and the business thing to have done for the bank to have wired or telephoned the Seward bank to see if the check was good. No money had been lost by the transaction except a few dollars that the agent had expended, and he did not intend to send a man back among strangers to fight a case when it was evident he had had no intention of committing a fraud.

Mrs. Schroeder and the two children were present in the governor's office and appeared to be much pleased with the action of the governor.

### FARMER SERIOUSLY HURT AS AUTO BACKS DOWN HILL

BEAVER CITY, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—H. L. Watson was seriously injured and Mrs. R. L. Reaser was hurt and unconscious for a while in an automobile accident four miles west of town last evening. A small child of Mrs. Reaser's escaped unhurt. Watson was taking Mrs. Reaser, who is a neighbor, home, and when climbing a hill attempted to put on the low gear, but pushed the reverse by mistake, and the car backed down the hill, missed a bridge at the bottom and turned upside down in the creek below, pinning Watson under the machine and knocking Mrs. Reaser unconscious for a short time. She recovered soon and walked a mile to her home and brought help to release Watson.

### Improvements at McCook

M'COOK, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Among the improvements now being made in the business buildings of McCook is the new McCook National Bank building on Main avenue, adjoining the bank's present quarters. The fine weather of this fall has given the opportunity of making considerable progress in its erection. The front of the building will be of Bedford stone, the first building other than the big Federal building, in which that handsome stone has been used in McCook.

### News Notes of Geneva

GENEVA, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Yesterday the Eastern Star lodge held a reception, Grand Instructress Mrs. Hamilton of Lincoln being present. Initiatory work was held in the evening. Superintending and Mrs. Meyers were the candidates. Visitors from neighboring chapters were present.

The Royal Geneva company gave an entertainment in the new City Auditorium under the auspices of the Geneva band.

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### NEW HEAD RESIDENT OF THE SOCIAL SETTLEMENT.



Beulah Byrd

### Norfolk Hotel Man Cashes Bogus Check

NORFOLK, Neb., Dec. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Sloux City police are searching for a man giving the name A. G. Simmons, who passed a check at a Norfolk hotel in the sum of \$35.00 to which the signature of the Washington Hat and Shirt company of Sloux City was alleged to have been forged. Two other checks for \$45 each were said to have been cashed by the man.

Simmons called at the hotel office for a letter and one was waiting for him in an envelope of the hat firm. From the envelope he drew his check and the hotel clerk, watching the operation, promptly cashed it.

### Nebraska STATE ONCE BOUGHT WOOD

Auditor Smith Uncovers Record Showing Old-Time System of Heating.

#### TRAINS ON IMPERIAL BRANCH

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—State Auditor Smith has unearthed an old record kept by the state auditor in the early days of the state's history which shows how things have changed in this state.

One entry under date of 1889 shows that the legislature made an appropriation of \$1,800 for wood to keep the legislature warm. All but \$7.75 was spent in an effort to warm up the members.

In 1870 the state spent \$80 for a chandelier and then added \$25.25 in repairs. The same year the state paid \$19 for two cords of wood to warm the office of the adjutant general.

#### Proposal from Railroad.

Information comes to the State Railway Commission that the Burlington railroad has proposed to meet the demands of the patrons of its Imperial branch for a daily passenger train by putting on a passenger service each way three days in the week and a mixed train the other three days. However, it is said that the patrons will not be satisfied with this offer, although the road may go ahead and establish that kind of service any way.

#### To Arrange Race Meets.

According to Secretary Mellor of the State Board of Agriculture there will be a meeting of representatives of fair associations in Sloux City on December 28 for the purpose of making arrangements for the season of 1916 race meets. States represented will be Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota and the fairs affected will

be the state fairs of the three states with the races held at Sloux City. Another Candidate Likely. Word comes to Lincoln that J. P. Gillilan of Auburn, county treasurer of Nemaha county, is likely to enter the ring for the republican nomination for state treasurer. Mr. Gillilan has been looking the situation over and talking with his friends and believes the track is wide enough for another entry.

#### Sink Boasting Ryan.

John Sink, who gained celebrity because of his famous nine-foot bed sheet law,

was at the state house today and gave out the intelligence that the democratic party will not be without a candidate for governor, as Mayor Charlie Ryan, trustee head of the city of Grand Island, will soon file for the democratic nomination. When asked if the mayor was willing to subscribe to the Bryan prohibition plank and thus get the support of the mayor and his wandering brother, Mr. Sink simply said that Mayor Ryan was a good man for the place and none near said him nay.

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