

STEADY GROWTH BY STATE BANKS

December Statement Issued by
Board Reveals This Condition
in Nebraska.

TOTAL NUMBER IS INCREASING

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Since the reports issued by the State Banking board on October 31, 1914, the number of state banks has increased forty-three. Loans have increased \$10,000,000 and the reserve has increased \$4,141,545.55. Capital stock has increased \$1,330,500 and deposits \$20,900,518.21.

It is given out that of the \$114,467,602.98 deposited in the 800 state banks of Nebraska, approximately \$50,000,000 belongs to farmers.

The report is made at the close of business December 31, 1915. Number of banks reporting, 803. Average reserve, 21 per cent. Number of depositors, 390,222. The report in full is as follows:

RESOURCES	
Real estate loans	\$14,790,877.38
Other loans	96,581,301.34
Overdrafts	722,770.22
Loans on securities	
Judgments, claims, etc.	1,461,602.12
Deposits	
State and state banks	18,444,501.50
State and state banks	6,752,534.90
State and state banks	24,236,376.78
State and state banks	9,867,903.87
State and state banks	354,475.13
State and state banks	2,719,540.56
State and state banks	57,523.24
Total	\$114,467,602.98

DEADLOCK OVER INSURANCE ON DODGE COURT HOUSE

FREMONT, Neb., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Representatives of the nineteen insurance companies, which held policies on the Dodge county court house, destroyed by fire a month ago, in a meeting with a committee appointed by the board of supervisors, to effect a settlement, returned to Omaha without reaching an agreement. The insurance companies offer \$25,000 and the county asks \$40,000. Insurance Chairman Planagan of the Board of Supervisors held out for a full settlement and told the insurance men the board was back of him. County Attorney Sinder has prepared a bill of \$40,000, which has been submitted to the insurance companies. The first meeting with the insurance companies was held Tuesday. Indications are that the case will yet land in the courts.

PLATTE COUNTY MAN IS CHARGED WITH SPEEDING

COLUMBUS, Neb., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—County Attorney Otto F. Walter filed a complaint in the county court, charging Henry Fredricks, of near Duncan, with exceeding the city speed limit, having his lights burning while operating the automobile he was intoxicated. Mr. Fredricks was arrested and brought in county court before Judge Ratterman. He pleaded not guilty and was released under \$500 bond for his appearance, January 15.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY PAYS INSPECTION BILL

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—The Standard Oil company paid its December bill for oil inspection to the pure food department today.

The check, for \$4,828.20 and was made subject to the ruling of the courts in the mandamus cases now pending between the oil companies and the state oil department.

Lodge Officers Installed.

WEeping WATER, Neb., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—At the installation program of the Royal Arcanum lodge here last evening, Attorney Edward L. Bradley of Omaha, Grand Vice Regent of the order, gave the address of the evening. Following were the officers installed: Regent, H. A. Cramer, vice regent, Otto Lant; secretary, L. W. Teegarden; chaplain, O. G. Cogfizer; orator, Dr. J. R. Shannon; collector, L. P. Wolcott; treasurer, Thomas Murley; guide, L. N. Hunter; warden, E. H. Stoner; sentry, T. F. Jamison; sitting past regent, William Jamison; trustees, J. W. Colbert, J. W.

Traveler Receives Fortune.

Swindle, Merle McKay.
WEeping WATER, Neb., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Charles E. Marsh, a traveling man, received word while in Weeping Water Wednesday, that he had fallen heir to \$95,000, it being his share in an estate being settled in New York state. Marsh's home is in Des Moines. Upon inquiring for his mail while here he was handed out a letter which told of his sudden leap to a small fortune. He said he would not give up the traveling business just yet.

Filings in Fillmore.

GENEVA, Neb., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—W. A. Siler has filed for county clerk, as a democrat. M. V. King, republican, has filed for district clerk.

Don't Suffer Needlessly

An eminent physician states that fully 85 per cent of all diseases have their origin in stomach troubles, so if you suffer from indigestion, constipation, flatulence, sour stomach, uncomfortable feeling of fullness after eating, sleeplessness or tired feeling, you should promptly seek to rid your stomach in performing the functions that nature intended. Delay often results in a rapid undermining of the entire system, resulting in the utter wrecking of health. However, whenever the stomach can be taken care of food and properly distributed nourishment to all parts of the body—a healthy condition is sure to result. Stomach sufferers should avoid harsh purgatives, which generally serve to aggravate the trouble, and promptly give **TABLETS FOR STOMACH**. Being absolutely free from harmful and habit forming drugs and containing the best known and most trusted, combined with pure, soothing, strengthening and healing ingredients scientifically combined, their action while mild, cannot help be beneficial to any stomach sufferer. **TABLETS FOR STOMACH** are sold on a positive guarantee of satisfaction or your money refunded by all reliable druggists. Your druggist should happen to be out of them, he will gladly get them for you.—Advertisement.

Nebraska and Iowa Ice Cream Makers Hold Joint Sessions Here During Coming Week



If you don't eat a plate of ice cream every day, watch out! There will be a lot of men in Omaha this week who are making it their business to get you to eat a dish of the delicious frozen food every twenty-four hours. And they are well on their way toward accomplishing this aim.

Ice cream manufacturers of Nebraska and Iowa to the number of almost 300 will hold joint sessions of the annual conventions of the associations of the two states in Omaha and Council Bluffs on Tuesday. Members of both associations will start gathering here Monday, and in addition to holding their usual separate business sessions will have three big joint meetings and will also hold their annual banquet and entertainment jointly this year.

This is a big ice cream age, and the industry of making the delectable food has reached enormous proportions. Millions of dollars are now invested in the business and many thousands of persons are engaged in making and selling ice cream. So the annual convention of state manufacturers is one of the numerous important ones to be held here. As in past years, most interesting discussion connected with the industry will be brought out by the experts.

Ice Cream a Food.
Yes, ice cream is a food. No less an authority than the United States government stands back of the assertion. It used to be a luxury, but since its manufacture has been perfected and the price has been made cheap it is now one of the accepted foods of every-day life the year round. Extensive advertising in the newspapers has had much to do with the increased popularity.

During the year just closed over 200,000,000 gallons of ice cream were eaten in the United States. That means that on the average every man, woman and child consumed about two and a half gallons during the year.

At an average retail price of \$1.40 per gallon the total national consumption of ice cream meant an outlay of about \$280,000,000. Thus the average American spent a penny a day for ice cream.

Popular in Omaha.
Neither has geography anything to do with the taste and demand for ice cream. Esquimos and Fili Islanders enjoy it, and it is now known to far-away China and Turkey. But right here at home, in Omaha, one of the world's greatest cream centers, and Nebraska and Iowa, the hub of the milk and honey district of the nation, we find ice cream enjoying the very pinnacle of popularity.

TWO MILLIONS FIRE LOSS

Fire Commissioner Ridgell Makes
Statement of Losses that
Have Resulted.

HALL COMES IN FOR CENSURE

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Fire loss in Nebraska last year amounted to nearly \$2,000,000, according to a report issued by the office of Fire Commissioner Ridgell, and a great deal of it was caused by carelessness.

Commissioner Ridgell praises the work of the firemen of the towns of the state and says that extinguishing fires is not all the work they do. Prevention of fires is a part of their duties, and it is to their watchfulness along these lines that many serious conflagrations are prevented.

Commissioner Ridgell does not praise State Treasurer George Hall for anything he may have done, and yet it will be remembered that he has had considerable to do with the fire department of the state. He has kept Commissioner Ridgell from spending his salary and when he does get it, if he ever does, he will have a roll that will help him immensely in his campaign for the democratic nomination for railway commissioner.

Mr. Ridgell devotes quite a little space in his report to the "arbitrary action of State Treasurer Hall and the way it handicaps this department."

However, the annual loss by fire in 1915 was not as heavy as in some previous years, a table showing the loss in the last six years being as follows:

1910	\$2,181,023
1911	1,788,123
1912	2,201,771
1913	2,000,000
1914	1,972,071
1915	1,789,289

Insurance companies a great deal for the causes of fires. Laxity in enforcement of insurance principles, in that many times property is insured for more than its value, offers an incentive to arson in order to get the insurance.

The department receipts for the year amounted to \$4,011.75 and the expenses were \$1,658.29, leaving a balance of \$2,353.46 in the treasury.

Three More Villa Generals Give Up

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 8.—General Calles at Hermosillo, Sonora, in a message to the Mexican senate here, says: "General Diegues advises me in a telegram dated yesterday that the Villa generals, Madrigal, Banderas and Richens, surrendered at Novas with about 1,000 men, including armed and unarmed Indians."

Francisco Obregon, brother of General Alvaro Obregon, held prisoner by General Villa for a year, recently released, has arrived at Chihuahua City, according to the Mexican consulate here.

A "For Sale" or "For Rent" Ad placed in The Bee will accomplish its purpose.

EIGHTY-FIVE WILL GET SHEEPSKINS

Mid-Term Graduates from the Three
Greater Omaha High
Schools.

JOINT COMMENCEMENT FOR ALL

Eighty-five will be graduated from the three public high schools on January 28. The list follows:

SOUTH SIDE HIGH
Catherine A. Barrett, Edward T. Johnson, Agnes B. Brennan, Sarah M. Lewis, F. A. Broadwell, Jr., Laura C. Madson, James P. Cline, Viola M. Miller, Elsie D. Duncan, Margery Peterson, Lillian V. Henderson, Irene L. Sprague, Martha Hoffman, John Leslie Zuercher.

CENTRAL HIGH
Edna L. Anderson, Wilfred Muir, Elsie E. Bloom, Marie A. Muxen, Essie Brandes, Gayton S. Nichols, Sylvia Brandes, Margaret Nord, Marion Coad, Kathryn Ohman, Viola J. Deming, Louis H. Pavlik, Lenore Douglas, Irma M. Podolski, Viola H. Dyessgaard, Mary Cornelia Quinby, Olive F. Fraser, Arthur Roemer, Margaret Emily Fyfe, Pauline Simpson, Arthur Grabe, Esther Swanson, Helen Hicks, Howard T. Tremaine, Gertrude Haden, Mildred E. Wahlstrom, Lettie L. Horn, Harold J. Weath, Warren K. James, Marie Fern Wright.

HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE
Edna F. Baltzer, Marie C. Nemescek, George L. Berger, Cecelia A. Nepodal, Emilie Brown, Elmer P. Nuffer, Dora Chesno, Walter P. Peterson, Helen M. Crawford, Edward J. Piskach, Marguerite Danahy, Elizabeth A. Pofahl, Dorothy Dunn, Marjorie A. Richmond, William H. Fehrs, Gertrude Rodman, Minnie Frey, Robert W. Rosenbren, George Hanson, Paul Samelson, Edward Hollander, Ida B. Segelman, Julia V. Howard, Anna M. Shields, Elmer G. Johnson, Edwin J. Thompson, Loreta M. Larsen, Ethel A. Thompson, Milton Larsen, Virgil H. Volland, Philip C. McDermott, Clara L. Weaver, Maichas Wezelman, Sarah Minkin.

Old Shads Meet At Dinner Table

Members of the Missouri Valley Old Shads' association are going to have a reunion, love feast and feed at the University club rooms the evening of January 21. Dress suits will be worn.

The Old Shads, as they call themselves, are men who in the past have attended the Shattuck School for Boys. There are a large number of them in and about Omaha, and upon the occasion of the gathering steps will be taken to line up for the fiftieth anniversary of the school, occurring this year. It is expected that, besides the members of the local association, there will be present several of the officers of the Shattuck school, Charles Newhall and Colonel Stohbrand have announced that they will attend the function.

Of the local association, C. Z. Gould is president, E. T. Swobe, vice president; G. R. Wright, secretary, and V. Dietz, treasurer.

Weighty Problems Up for Settlement

At the Young Men's Christian association auditorium at 3 o'clock this afternoon an hour will be devoted to the discussion of "Is There a Personal God?" Dr. W. O. Henry leading in the discussion of the topic the following questions will be raised:

"What are his attributes?"
"Does He notice and care for individual men?"

"With a kind and benevolent God, how do you explain the destruction and death of the Omaha tornado, the Dayton flood and the San Francisco earthquake?"

"Must I personally give account to him for my daily life?"

At 4 o'clock there will be a "tail-hitters" meeting. H. C. Forsy's gospel team in charge. There will be music by an orchestra.

Five Bodies Taken from Sunken Tanker

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The bodies of five men were removed today from the hold of the partly sunken oil tank steamship Astec on which an internal explosion occurred last Monday, while the vessel was at a Brooklyn dock. The bodies of two men were recovered on the day of the explosion, making a total of seven known dead. The pumping of the tanker is being continued and it is thought that five additional bodies of men missing from the ship will be recovered.

What Is a Good Family Remedy?

Let's see first what it should accomplish.

Disease usually enters the system through the mucous membranes whether contagious, infectious or organic. These membranes protect every part the skin does not cover.

Hence as long as the membranes are working right, nothing harmful is absorbed. Let the membranes become sore and inflamed, or lack tone, and the first defense is down. When this inflammation becomes chronic, conditions invite disease. But these membranes absorb our food and the air we breathe. Both must pass through them to be available. When these membranes are in trouble we have an inflammation. It may be in the stomach, the bowels, the lungs, or the nose and throat. That means constipation, indigestion, coughs and colds. Each one of these further poisons the system with its own toxic product.

A good family medicine must counteract these poisons and tone up the membranes. Inflammation of these membranes is catarrh, either acute or chronic. A good medicine must therefore be tonic—that is, restore tone—and it must overcome catarrh.

When you are really sick, call a physician. Before you reach that stage, take a medicine that will relieve the catarrh. Thousands who have got help from it will advise you to take

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