## STATE POTASH INDUSTRY HAS **GREAT GROWTH**

Development of One of Nebraska's Wonderful Resources.

By EDGAR C. SNYDER.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30 .-(Special)-In one of my dispatches to the Bee I spoke of cities that are springing up in the northwest sec-tion of Nebraska as a result of the rapidly-developing potash industry. But a closer and more intimate knowledge of that development, through a long conversation with W. E. Sharp, president of the Lincoln Traction company and a positive genius for organization, whose abiding faith in this new enterprise is delightfully refreshing, confirms me in the belief that the potash industry of Nebraska is more like a tale from the Arabian Nights than

a cold-blooded business proposition. The making of the greatest ship yard in the world at Hog Island, Pa., in less than a year has nothing on the erection of plants and the manufacture of commercial potash, to feed our hungry soils, in the semi-arid wastes of Scotts Bluffs and Sheridan counties, Nebraska.

War Breeds Industry.

When the government sent out the Macedonian cry for American potash at any price to take the place of the German potash that the war stopped coming to our shores, the inventive genius of America got busy with the result that we began to get domestic potash from many

From the Trova and Solvay peo ple on Searless lake, California; from the kelp industries on the Pacific coast; from the alunite mines in Utah; from the brines of Great Salt Lake, the lucite deposits in Wyoming, the wood potash companies in Michigan, the reclamation of potash from the cement mills by static electricity under the Cottrell process, also the reclamation of potash from glass factories, the beet sugar factories, the green sands of New Jersey, the shale rock deposits in Georgia and last but the biggest individual project of them all, the alkali lakes of Nebraska, developments produced last year 60,000 tons of pure potash (K-O) or about 25 per cent of the amount imported from Germany the year before we entered the war.

Big Area Affected.

The area covered by the Nebraska potash development extends east and west 36 miles and north and south about 40 miles with a smaller area north of this territory along the line of the Northwestern railway in Scotts Bluff and Sheridan |

Just how many people in Nebraska have knowledge of the work going on in the potash belt of the prairie state I do not know, but I take it that thousands are ignorant of some of the interesting details connected with this development that seemingly was the work of a

There are 271 miles of six and eight inch pipe lines to the condensers. There are about 800 miles of telephone wires connecting the field, 46 pumping stations and over 26,000 wells in operation, these wells alone costing over a half million dollars. The last factory to be built at Antioch, which is the center of the industry, is known as the Western Potash works of which Mr. ager, as he is of the American plant in the same territory.

Plant Described.

The Western Potash works is built of steel and concrete with built of steel and concrete with every convenience for the economical handling of coal, oil and manufactured products. There is no plant in the east to touch it. Fifty-six buildings are included in the Western plant. It manufactures its own electricity, furnishes its own cold storage, water and sewage system, rents its own cottages to its employes, with stores, restaurants, and in all essentials is a small city in itself. The other plants in the in itself. The other plants in the same district employ about 1,000 men and are at the present time using about 15 can loads of coal, 6 cars of oil and shipping about 15 car loads of potash a day, a car capacity being 44 tons.

And what the potash people of the And what the potash people of the

United States are now asking, is governmental protection from German importers. If they can be assured for another year that their product will find a ready market the domestic potash problem will be solved. We will then be independent and will be able to compete with German potash in American mark-

**Beatrice Man Seriously** 

Injured by Blow on Head

Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special)—Samuel Parker was seriously injured yesterday when a falling crowbar struck him in the head fracturing his skull.

Mrs. N. T. McClun, long a resident of Gage county, died recently in her home north of Adams after prolonged illness of cancer of the stomach, aged 49 years. She is sur-

stomach, aged 49 years. She is survived by her husband, four children and two brothers.

Son of William Bettenhausen Dies of Wounds in France

West Point, Neb., Nov. 30.—
(Special.)—William Bettenhausen, sr., received a telegram Wednesday evening from Washington stating that his son, William, died November 7, of wounds received in action in France. The young man was about 22 years of age and a son of one of the most prominent farm. of one of the most prominent farmers of Cuming county.

Three West Point Men Hurt When Scaffold Collapses

West Point, Neb., Nov. 30 .-(Special.)—Three young men were injured at the home of Gus Wilde during the week. They were shingling when the scaffold fell about 16 feet to the ground. Walter Sorenson sustained a broken wrist, Mr. Steuter, a wrenched back, and Otto Wendt a seyere scalp laceration. **Drastic Measures Taken** 

to Check "Flu" in Beatrice Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special Telegram)-More drastic measures were taken Friday evening by the city board of health in combating the influenza situation here. Beginning this evening at 6 o'clock, all business houses in the city, with the War is Responsible for the markets and newspaper offices, will be closed. The order includes manufacturing plants, schools, theaters, indoor and outdoor gatherings. Persons must order groceries and meats by telephone instead of visiting the stores. Sixty-six cases were reported Thursday and Friday, but no deaths occurred.

West Point Priest Takes

Over Parish in South Omaha West Point, Neb., Nov. 30.— (Special.)—Father John Wieczo-rek, known here as "Father John" was called to Omaha last week, and assigned by Archbishop Harty to a new parish in South Omaha. "Father John" was ordained in Oma-West Point for several months. He was a great favorite among young men and boys.

Perry O. Silvara have been here as well as employes have the right making a survey of Prairie Union to resort to any lawful practice to Baptist church in the country near accomplish their objects.

**COURT UPHOLDS** 

Nebraska Supreme Bench Decrees Employers as Well as Employes May Act in Concert.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 30 .- The right

In giving his opinion the high or the last summer, and has been at West Point for several months. He was a great favorite among young men and boys.

Make Survey of Churches.

Stella, Neb., Nov. 30.—(Special.)

Rev. Rolvix Harlam and Rolvix Harlam an

Attorney General Reed, the Business Men's association and other employers of labor as well as the va-

their yards open and sell to the pub lic, and enjoined the teamsters from committing any acts of interference with deliveries. As to all other de-fendants the suit was dismissed.

Syllabus of Court.

State Keeps Out.

ever, may properly be granted by a cour-of equity when property or personal rights are unjawfully assailed. / 5. Ordinarily the state will not

rious unions of Omaha were made defendants. The attorney general sought to restrain them from doing anything that would interfere with the delivery of materials, the withholding of goods from the public or obstructing building operations of any kind.

The Douglas county district court ordered dealers in lumber, coal and building material to keep their yards open and sell to the pub-

Five-Year-Old Kearney Lad Shot While Playing at War Kearney, Neb., Nov. 30 .- Special)

of employes in Nebraska to combine to obtain higher wages or improve their working conditions was upheld by the supreme court today in an opinion affirming a decision by the district court of Douglas county, in which the state's attorney general was refused an injunction designed to restrain labor unions in Omaha from picketing during labor controversies in that city in 1917.

In giving his opinion the high court also held that in the absence of a contract for a fixed term of employment, the employe may quit his employment at his own pleasure.

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Hauben was killed Zwickey was loaded.

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Word were for any other lawful or useful purpose. -Lawrence, 5-year-old son of Mr.

eight trips across the Atlantic since quist was shot through the hand as

BATTLE FRONT

Sergeant Haubensak, Corporal Zwickey and Private Wallien Meet Death in France.

Fremont, Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special Telegram.)-Word reached Fremont today of the death while fighting in France of three Fremont boys. They are Sergt. James Haubensak, Corp. Harry Zwickey and Private Carl

Haubensak, with a hospital unit, was killed during a bombing raid. Zwickey was killed when a piece of shrapnel struck him in the chest, penetrating the heart. Wallien was killed during a charge.

to resort to any lawful practice to accomplish their objects.

In the injunction suit started by The extraordinary writ of injunction, how-

a month ago, when he was sent to appointed to confer with the comthis country. He was then given a missioners. In the meantime the furlough from Fort Des Moines to quarantine will be in effect until spend Thanksgiving with relatives. Monday morning. spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

Protest Influenza Order. Beatrice Neb., Nov. 30 .- (Special elegram.)-Robbers last nig'it enered the Turner merchandise store at Barneston and carried away \$200

worth of goods in an auto.

Maggie Davis Dies from

Effects of Spanish "Flu" Stella, Neb., Nov. 39 .- (Special.) -Thomas Davis went to Rocky Ford, Colo., to attend the funeral services of his sister, Miss Maggie Davis, who died of blood poisoning Business men today protested against the order of the city commissioners to close their piaces of business because of the influenza. A with influenza when Miss Maggie meeting was held and a committee died.



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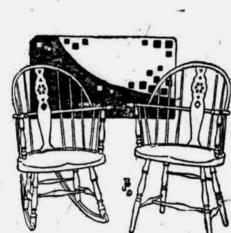
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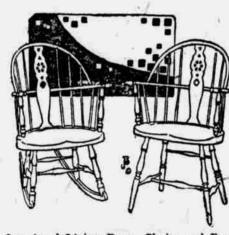
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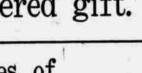
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