

Russia and Japan are making great preparations for war, the former building vessels in France, Italy, Germany, Denmark and the United States.

NO REPUDIATION.
The World-Herald insists that the Tribune, whose editors were a member of the editorial committee of the republican state convention, has repudiated the plank calling for public statements of the condition of funds held by candidates.
The Tribune has done nothing of the kind. It believes that demand of the republican platform a just and reasonable one and that it should be complied with.
State Treasurer Steiner has not yet done so with respect to the money in the treasury school fund. He shows it to be simply "on hand." That it is available is evidenced by the fact in his first report there was shown to be a balance of \$257,000 on hand. At the close of the month ending March 31, 1918, there was but \$100,000. During the thirty days intervening he had reduced the balance \$157,000 by the payment of public money for the benefit of the public schools of the state. This is the best showing made in years, yet it does not comply with the strict letter and spirit of a plank of the republican state platform. That the public funds are now in jeopardy is well shown by the indemnity bond for \$1,000,000 given by Treasurer Steiner. It is a question more particularly of ethics and policy. Treasurer Steiner should comply with the demand of his party platform.

The above we clip from the Fremont Tribune, and it probably expresses the thoughts of the great body of people of all parties in the state of Nebraska. The republican platform was very clear and plain and, so far as a candidate of public funds was concerned, the principle enunciated seemed to meet with hearty approval, even of the opposition party. The public's affairs, surely, ought to be known to the public, and a treasurer, be he city, county or state, will please the people, by giving, without stint, the fullest information. Only the exact truth can fully fill the bill. The law is the guide, but if an official makes a law unto himself, he is liable to get into trouble, soon or later.
This general principle is just as applicable to democratic officials in Platte county, as it is to Porter, now of Merriam county.

A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.

The campaign that culminated in the elections of Nov. 5 was fought mainly on national issues. In Iowa the issue was between stalwart Republicans and Bryan's Silver-out Republicanism. In Nebraska the issue was between a plurality of 55,000 in 1908. In Nebraska the real fight was over platform, the democrats endorsing Bryan and Bryanism, and the republicans standing by the issues of 1900. With only minor candidates in the field, the republicans carried the state by a plurality of 10,000, against a republican plurality for governor last year of 861.
In Ohio the democrats ignored free silver but declared against the expansion and tariff policies of the republican party. Governor Nash, on a platform favoring the McKinley policies, was re-elected by a plurality of 60,000, against a plurality of 40,000 two years ago.
In Pennsylvania the democrats evaded national and state issues and with the disaffected republicans against the republican state organization. On this platform of evasion, they were defeated by a plurality of 55,000.
In Massachusetts the democrats went to the country on a violent anti-expansion, anti-republican platform. The republicans carried the state by a plurality of over 70,000, against a plurality of 35,000 two years ago. In New Jersey the same issues were presented, and the republicans elected their governor by a plurality of 8,000, against a plurality in 1908 of 5,400. In Rhode Island the fight was on national issues, and the republicans carried the state by a plurality of 5,000. In Maryland there was a personal as well as a political issue.
In all the states, except Maryland, republican candidates and republican policies were matched against democratic candidates and democratic policies. The result is a vote of confidence for the republican party and a vote of confidence in President Roosevelt, who, more than any other man, represents the republican policies and purposes of this day.—Inter Ocean.

OUR MERCHANT MARINE.

The republican party has always advocated protection to all the commercial, agricultural and mining interests of the United States.
Many things have been accomplished by the party of progress, but one of her unfinished tasks calls loudly for vigorous action by our statesmen, and ever now and again the need is made emphatic.
The following from the St. Joseph News is one phase of the many-sided problem: "One-fourth of the sea-carrying power is in the hands of thirty large companies of various nationalities. Only one of these is American, and it controls only 81,000 tons out of the total 5,536,000 tons controlled by the thirty companies. In the last decade England has built 4,600 steel steamers, with a capacity of 2,700,000 tons. In the same time America has built only 467 steamers, with a capacity of 743,000 tons, and 150 of these steamers, representing 450,000 tons, were for the inland commerce of the Great Lakes."
From whatever source it may come, the public can readily believe that President Roosevelt will follow original lines in presenting his first annual message to congress. It may be in brevity, as he naturally might ask himself, how many messages have I read? Or, how much of the vast array of historic facts contained in the average message, is digested and assimilated, comprising the nation's mental life? And thus questioning, he might well decide to make his message as brief as at all possible, consistent with a clear statement of the urgent needs of the nation. Thus, let thousands of people might read, meditate and with the president in thought, study the problems, where now but one man glances over the head lines and lets it go at that.

Additional Local.

A tall, dark man with dark mustache, and wearing working clothes with handkerchief tied around his neck, and slouch hat, forged the name of W. T. Ernst to several checks last Thursday and presented them to different merchants. Each check was for \$5, and payable to John Johnson, and in each case the man made a small purchase, pretending that he had no cash and as it was after 6 o'clock the merchants cashed the checks without any doubt of the genuineness of the signature. The checks were not brought to the bank before Saturday, so that the trick was not known until that day. The merchants who were tricked are: Theo. Friedrich, J. H. Galley, E. Oshkoff, J. Grotz and M. Casin. Checks were also presented to Frischbeck Bros. and S. Currier but were not cashed. The man had a partner with him, a man of medium size. No one has yet been found of his whereabouts.
City Council.
An adjourned meeting was held Nov. 5, at which Secretary H. Koennebrock filed a list of the names of honorary and active members of the Pioneer Hook and Ladder company.
The board of Carl P. Hoesen was approved and a draught's permit ordered issued to him.
The reports of City Treasurer, Chief of Police and Police Judge were submitted and approved, as recommended by committee.

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... GOING OUT OF BUSINESS ...

\$12,000 Worth of new seasonable merchandise to be closed out regardless of cost, giving the people of Columbus and vicinity a rare opportunity to get their winter supplies at less than the cost of manufacture. Having arranged to enter the wholesale business, we find it necessary to dispose of this stock. Nothing will be reserved.

FIXTURES AND LEASE FOR SALE.

Prices have been revised without relation to cost or value, but with one object, to move it quick. Remember first come first served. Produce will not be accepted after sale begins. ALL PURCHASES MUST BE CASH.

Sale Begins Mon. Morning, Nov. 18.

Personal Mention.

J. B. Gietzen was in Lincoln Saturday. Mrs. O. L. Baker is visiting friends in Omaha. Ed. Laska went to Fremont Monday to attend the Normal. Mrs. Robert Wagner went to Omaha Monday to visit friends. Mrs. Homer Robinson returned Friday from a visit to Chicago. Mrs. Tabbs of Iowa is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. P. Coolidge. Joshua Finney of Omaha, Polk county, visited friends here Monday. Miss Louise Matthews of Schuyler visited friends here Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martyn of Humphrey visited relatives here Sunday. Mrs. George Thomas of Platte County was in the city Saturday on business. Mrs. W. McFarland returned Friday from Sioux City, where she visited friends. Miss Nell Harris of Central City went to Omaha Friday after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Roberts. D. M. Ondon of Denver came down from Sioux City Saturday and is visiting his mother, Mrs. Ondon. Horace Fobbs started Friday for a trip to western states, with a view to purchasing a farm. He will visit Washington, Oregon and other states.

WILLIAM A. BURKE, an honored and respected member of this lodge, has, in obedience to the call of the Supreme Master Workman, departed this life of toil and suffering on earth, for one of peace and happiness above, and

Whereas, During his membership in this lodge, he has, by his acts as a workman, shown a keen appreciation of the principles sought to be disseminated by this order, therefore be it

Resolved, By the members of Columbus Lodge No. 269 A. O. U. W., that we mourn his untimely death; that we extend to his bereaved wife and children our sincere sympathy, and as a further mark of esteem direct that the charter of this lodge be appropriately draped for a period of thirty days.
LOUIS H. HILD, G. W. PHILLIPS, G. W. PHILLIPS.

COONCE.

Mrs. William Dawson and daughter Blanche were Cooncoo visitors Saturday. Daniel Marlock is putting a woman wire fence around his place, also building a barn. Blois Bros. are quite busy making straw bales. Have finished making a second lot of corngain.

Quite a number from Cooncoo attended the lodge meeting of the M. W. A. at Platte Center, Saturday night. The farmers are getting out their corn this fine weather and find some fields turned out much better than they expected.

Mrs. J. R. Hilliard died about 10 o'clock Sunday morning after a long illness of over a year. She was a great sufferer. She leaves a husband, one daughter, Mrs. Wm. Truesdale of Monroe, and three sons: Smith, John and Robert. They have the sympathy of neighbors and friends in their bereavement.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

Through Cars to California. The Burlington's through car service to California is as follows: STANDARD SLEEPERS—daily, Omaha, Lincoln, Hastings and Oxford to San Francisco, connecting at latter city with fast train for Los Angeles. TOURIST SLEEPERS—personally conducted—every Thursday, Omaha, Lincoln, Hastings and Oxford to San Francisco and Los Angeles. TOURIST SLEEPERS—personally conducted—every Wednesday and Thursday, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Wynona, Superior and Oxford to San Francisco and Los Angeles. All these cars run via Denver and Salt Lake City, passing the magnificent mountain scenery of Colorado by daylight.

The tourist sleepers are of the very latest design. They are well ventilated and lighted by gas. The seats have high backs, and the sides are carpeted. The linen is clean and of good quality. If you expect to spend the winter in California, it will pay you to write for "California Tourist," a 40-page folder which will be ready for distribution early in November. It contains just the information the California traveler needs to know about the Burlington and the various routes to it; a list of California hotels, estimates of the cost of a month's stay; information in regard to extending trips; climate, out of door sports, suitable clothing, etc. Free. J. FRANCIS, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS OF CHARACTER and good credit to act as agents for the sale of our new line of high quality, heavy duty, all-weather, rubber boots. The boots are made of the best material and are guaranteed to last for years. They are also very comfortable and easy to wear. If you are interested, please call on our agent, J. D. Stires, at 111-113 North 10th St., Columbus, Neb.

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It depends upon your standing when you enter school and the grade of State Certificate you desire. You will be accredited with all work properly done, and we will advance your interests as rapidly as you become proficient in the subject matter gone over.

ARE TEXT BOOKS RENTED?
Yes.

CAN YOU ENTER AT ANY TIME?
Yes.

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Yes. All those receiving a State Certificate will receive a Diploma also. A degree is conferred when course completed requires it.

WHAT ARE YOUR RATES?
Ten weeks schooling, including board, room, tuition and electric light, \$50.00; thirty-six weeks schooling, paid in advance, including board, room, tuition and electric light, \$100.00; fifty weeks schooling, paid in advance, including board, room, tuition and electric light, \$125.00; fifty weeks schooling, if paid in advance, including board, room, tuition, electric light, hot water heat and city water attachment, \$150.00.

WHAT MUST STUDENTS FURNISH?
Towels, comb and brush.

First Fall Term, Sept. 3, 1918.
Second Fall Term, Dec. 15, 1918.
First Winter Term, Jan. 15, 1919.

W. H. CLEMMONS,

SEND FOR CATALOGUE.

COLUMBUS MARKETS.

Wheat, old	57c
Corn, shelled—per bushel	50c
Oats, per bushel	34
Rye—per bushel	44
Hogs—per cwt.	5 00 5 15
Pig cattle—per cwt.	3 00 4 50
Potatoes—per bushel	90c 1 00
Butter—per lb.	15c 15
Eggs—per dozen	15c

Markets corrected every Tuesday afternoon.

TIME TABLE.

COLUMBUS, NEB.	
Lincoln	Denver
Omaha	Wynona
Chicago	St. Joseph
St. Joseph	Kansas City
Kansas City	St. Louis and all points East and South.

TRAINS DEPART:
No. 22 Passenger, daily except Sunday, 7:25 a. m.
No. 23 Accommodation, daily except Sunday, 8:00 a. m.
TRAINS ARRIVE:
No. 21 Passenger, daily except Sunday, 9:00 p. m.
No. 24 Accommodation, daily except Sunday, 9:30 p. m.

TIME TABLE U. P. R.

EAST BOUND, MAIN LINE.	
No. 11 Passenger	6:30 a. m.
No. 12 Freight	7:00 a. m.
No. 3 Passenger	7:30 a. m.
No. 4 Freight	8:00 a. m.
No. 5 Passenger	8:30 a. m.
No. 6 Freight	9:00 a. m.
No. 7 Passenger	9:30 a. m.
No. 8 Freight	10:00 a. m.
No. 9 Passenger	10:30 a. m.
No. 10 Freight	11:00 a. m.

WYOMING BOUND, MAIN LINE.

No. 11 Passenger	6:30 a. m.
No. 12 Freight	7:00 a. m.
No. 13 Passenger	7:30 a. m.
No. 14 Freight	8:00 a. m.
No. 15 Passenger	8:30 a. m.
No. 16 Freight	9:00 a. m.
No. 17 Passenger	9:30 a. m.
No. 18 Freight	10:00 a. m.
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