

## Red Cloud Chief.

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RED CLOUD, NEBRASKA

Portugal won't let Britain have Mozambique, unless Britain takes it.

The shah of Persia still refuses to look pleasant in any of his portraits.

Love letters are writs of attachment, and there is no dodging the service.

Why should there be any flurry in financial circles? Pierrp is still able to be up and around.

Speaking of an army, King Wheat calls for 10,000 harvester recruits in Kansas and Nebraska.

A season of protracted drought is reminding the Texas people of Gen. Sherman's opinion of war.

The breaking of college ties is sad, but not half so melancholy as the counting of subsequent ties.

What, asks the college boy, is the good of co-education if the girls are going to take it over in the next block?

One of the latest and most sensible fads in New York this season is the throwing of stones at automobile racers.

It is feared that one result of the Rublin-Sharkey fight will be to bring the Hon. Jim Corbett before the public again.

Brooklyn advertises a "reliable bug exterminator," which may be of use to any one who wants to exterminate reliable bugs.

Mr. Bull understands himself to be the victor, but he will have to put his South African farm in order at his own expense.

King Alfonso needs a guardian worse than ever, for he will probably fall in love with some nice lady aged about 45 years.

After facing the perils of a mob Rudyard Kipling no doubt wonders how Poet Laureate Austin has managed to escape so long.

By the time man has the forests thoroughly subdued he will have found, doubtless, some way of getting along without wood.

Kansas farmers are dragging tramps from freight trains and compelling them to work in the harvest fields. It is such acts as this that make freedom shriek.

Bicycling is said to be a craze again in the East. It must be unsatisfactory sport, though, for enthusiasts who have been running their automobiles over people.

Herr Most has sounded the death knell of a free press in America. It is certain that he will not take any more liberties with it for the next twelve months.

Joseph Chamberlain and the colonia premiers are having some trouble in whittling out a sovereign for King Edward's empire. They might try getting up a turvercin.

The woman who has petitioned for a divorce on the ground that her husband expected her to embrace the "new thought" and see ghosts ought to have her freedom.

A Pueblo Indian whipped his wife was promptly castigated by his mother-in-law and in his mortification committed suicide. There is no use in trying to civilize an Indian.

A theater treasurer has nearly died from erysipelas contracted in handling money. There are probably, however, more cases of grip than erysipelas in handling money.

King Alfonso of Spain is hunting for a wife. Any good-looking princess who begins to get boxes of chocolate and cut flowers from Madrid should understand what they mean.

It is reported that William Waldorf Astor is going to give his daughter \$20,000,000 when she gets married. William Waldorf must think that is about the price of a good, serviceable duke.

"As girls grow older they think less of love and more of money," says the "Pointed Paragrapher" of the Chicago News. Good sign. Perhaps this "higher education" is doing something for the girls, after all.

A French army officer has perfected a device which suppresses the flash sound and smoke of a rifle or cannon. Now if he will go a step farther and suppress the bullet and shell he will do the world a real service.

The fact that Mr. Schwab has given a \$25,000 academy building as payment for the green apples he stole when he was a boy leads to the natural conclusion that his ideal of Hades is reminiscent of his youthful stomach aches.

Emperor William says that when a German can look into the eyes of the empress he ought to have inspiration enough to last him a lifetime. How nice it must be for her if the emperor talks like that when company is not present.

## YOCUM A SUICIDE

Former Nebraskan Kills Himself on Wife's Grave.

WAS EARLY SETTLER IN ADAMS COUNTY

He Was at One Time Mayor of Hastings and His Record as a Soldier Was a Brilliant One—Other News of a General Nature.

News has just reached Hastings, Neb., of the tragic and pathetic death of Capt. A. D. Yocum, who shot and killed himself last Thursday while kneeling on his wife's grave at Pasadena, Cal.

Captain Yocum was one of the early settlers of Adams county, and was a very prominent man in Hastings for a number of years. He was mayor of the city for several years and was quite active until he got into trouble with Myron Van Fleet, whom he shot and killed for slandering his adopted daughter, Miss Alice Yocum. The killing of Van Fleet occurred eleven years ago and Mr. Yocum was sentenced to one year in the state penitentiary, but he was pardoned without leaving the city.

Captain Yocum's record as a soldier was of a most brilliant character. He went into the army from Belmont county, Ohio, at the beginning of the civil war and won the rank of captain by meritorious conduct.

## MJST DELIVER MAIL

New Postal Regulation Make Star Routes Free Delivery Routes.

A new provision will be placed in the contracts about to be made with star route mail carriers which will practically convert these routes into rural delivery routes. All star route carriers will hereafter be required to deliver mail to patrons living on or near the route who will provide suitable boxes for the reception of the matter. The territory in which the new provision applies comprises practically all of the states west of the Missouri river, Hawaii and Alaska.

According to the new orders patrons may provide boxes, hand-bags or satchels to the postal authorities. These will be used to protect the mail matter while it is being delivered. In case the hand-bags are used a post on which to hang them must be furnished and put in position by the patron. The service is limited to those persons living outside the corporate limits of a town and not within eighty rods of a postoffice. All this must be done without expense to the government further than the increased pay given to the carrier. The receipts for receiving the mail must be on the road traveled by the carrier.

It was formerly the custom in many communities to hire the carrier to perform this service for those who were willing to pay for it. The new order will furnish the same service with practically no expense to the patron.

## DOLLAR CORN POSSIBLE

John W. Gates in Position to Force Price Up Very High.

A Chicago dispatch says: If John W. Gates wants dollar corn that price will soon prevail, according to board of trade gossip July 2. Gates' control of the market was clearly demonstrated at the opening, when July option mounted from seventy-four and one-half to seventy-six and one-half. The bullish tendency remains unchecked and is given material assistance by the continued wet weather in the corn belt.

Armour is credited with loading a huge line of September and July wheat, which closed at seventy-five and seven-eighths last night, opened at seven-six and one-fourth to one-half and advanced to seventy-seven and one-half. Trade in both pits was light and there was an air of suppressed excitement.

## PAYS MONEY LOST IN BANK

Loop City Man Settles up an Outlawed Debt.

W. R. Mellor, who was treasurer of the school district at Loop City, Neb., thirteen years ago, last Wednesday paid into the school treasury \$1,335.29, representing the amount in his care which was lost by the failure of the Sherman County bank. He was a poor man when the bank failed, but has prospered during the last few years in the real estate business. He gave notes as security at the time, but the notes had long been outlawed.

## Security for One Cent.

A security for the smallest amount ever issued in the United States was delivered last week by the Farmers' Loan & Trust company to a dealer who is widely known as a script man says a New York City paper. The Texas & Pacific absorbed various lines in 1888, giving the various securities scrip of the present second mortgage bonds. The scrip man accumulated \$1,000 and one cent of scrip and received a \$1,000 bond and a fine engraved certificate for one cent. The security was sold as a relic to a prominent banking house for fifty thousand per cent (500) of the par value and will be framed.

## Child Accused of Murder.

Intense public interest has been aroused in the case of twelve-year-old Anna Curtis, whose examination on the charge of murder was begun Wednesday at Clare, Mich., before Justice Maynard. The girl is charged with administering carbolic acid to the infant son of George Pardee at the Curtis home, in which the Pardees boarded. The little girl was in a room alone with the babe and nothing was known of the affair until the mother heard the child screaming and investigation showed it to have been poisoned.

## MEAT-PACKING INDUSTRY

Census Bulletin Issued on the Work in Year 1900.

The census bureau, in a report on the slaughtering and meat-packing industry of the United States for the census year 1900, just issued, shows a capital of \$199,198,264 invested in land, buildings, machinery, tools and implements and the live capital utilized. The value of products is given at \$785,562,433, which involved an outlay of \$10,123,247 for salaries of officials, clerks, etc., \$33,457,013 for wages, \$24,060,412 for miscellaneous expenses, including rent, taxes, etc., and \$683,583.57 for material used, mill supplies, freight and fuel.

There were 921 establishments with an average capital of \$205,420, against 1,118 establishments in 1890 with an average of \$104,551 invested per establishment.

The figures show this decade to be the most rapid in its tendency toward concentration in this industry of all the periods by census statistics. Illinois led the states in the value of products in both 1890 and 1900.

## MAGNATES MAY SETTLE

Rumor That Coal Operators Offer Solution of Strike.

It is reported in Wall street that a proposition has been made to the miners, looking to a settlement of the anthracite strike.

A rumor was circulated widely in Wilkesbarre, Pa., that the anthracite magnates had presented a proposition for the settlement of the strike to the president of the three large anthracite districts.

## Makes Poles Wrathful.

Violent demonstrations have occurred at Lemberg, Austria, against the attack on the Poles made by the kaiser in a recent address at Marlenberg. Six thousand demonstrators, led by students, attempted to storm the German consulate, but failed in the attempt. The crowd then turned against the homes of the Polish leaders in the reichstath because the latter failed to publicly protest against the speech. Several serious collisions occurred between the crowd and the police.

## It Rained Money.

Wednesday's session of the convention of the Illinois prohibitionists was a most exciting affair. When the call was made for voluntary contributions the 1,200 delegates went wild with enthusiasm, and, crowding to the stage, they showered their contributions upon the stage. It was a rain of wealth, and the chairman and secretary of the convention were compelled to retreat from the stage until it had ended. Almost \$5,000 in cash was heaped upon the platform.

## Slain By Hundreds.

The steamer Tacoma, just arrived at Tacoma, Wash., reports that on June 5th, the date of the slaughter of Taichu, in the central district of Formosa, the rebels agreed to surrender in three places, but secretly conspired to fall on the Japanese troops and annihilate them. The troops were warned and turned the tables, killing 600 rebels, and wiping out the Cho Band entirely. The leader, Liu, was among the slain.

## Guthman Succeeded.

Sigmund Guthman, vice president of the wholesale shoe firm of Guthman, Carpenter & Telling, Chicago, one of the most widely known houses in the west, committed suicide Wednesday at his residence by shooting himself through the head. He was fifty years old and a millionaire. His health is assigned as the cause.

## Purchase of Friars Lands.

Governor's Taft's note to the vatican regarding the Philippines is now ready but has not yet been delivered. It is learned that the note proposes payment for friar lands in three installments.

## Thirteen Are Killed.

A cyclone blew a train from the track and buried it over at New Rampurhat, India. Thirteen persons were killed and fifteen injured.

## HERE AND THERE

Serious labor riots disturb the authorities in southern Russia.

The Federal Sugar company, recently incorporated in New Jersey, has a capital of \$50,000,000.

Two hundred feet of the Burlington track at Broken Bow was washed out by floods from heavy rains.

Albert C. Latimer, a wealthy Brooklyn, N. Y., stationer, was fatally shot by a burglar with whom he grappled.

King Edward's condition continues to improve. The wound is much less troublesome and is beginning to heal.

Spain, through the minister of foreign affairs, the Duke of Almodover, will sign a treaty of commerce with the United States.

Carlos Paggini was found dead in a street of Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic. The police were investigating the case when they received a communication saying that Paggini was the chief conspirator against the life of President Cuestas. The communication further said that the police would find in Paggini's dwelling twenty-four kilos of dynamite. This statement proved true.

Prof. Henry B. Ward, of the University of Nebraska, was elected general secretary of the American association for the advancement of science, which was in recent session at Pittsburg, Pa.

In trying to imitate an Egyptian fre-eater, Harold Loughren, a 12-year-old Chicago lad, poured burning gasoline over himself and six others, and as a result the boy and another child will probably die.

The steamship Canada arrived in Capetown Wednesday with 400 Boers who were formerly prisoners on the island of St. Helena. The Canada is the first transport bringing prisoners back to South Africa to reach there.

## SAVAGE STRIKES

Delivers First Blow on Rivett in Nebraska's Keel.

CEREMONIES IN HONOR OF BATTLESHIP

Big Crowd Present to Witness Exercises of Keel Laying—Governors Savage and McBride Deliver Addresses—Other News Notes.

A Seattle, Wash., July 4, dispatch says: The battleship Nebraska is no longer a thing of drawings, but has substantiality of its own. Notwithstanding rival attractions of other parades and daylight fireworks, all vying with the exciting chase of the escaping desperado Tracey, 15,000 persons witnessed the riveting of the first section of the keel today ushering in the advent of the Nebraska at 9 o'clock this morning. A salute was fired from cannon planted for the purpose on the wharves of the shipyard. Shortly after 10 o'clock the escorts formed at the hotel occupied by the distinguished Nebraskans.

Inclement as was the weather, the trip to the shipyard formed this morning a spectacle. A big detachment of marines swung sturdily down the street as the advance guard for the carriages. Drizzling rain prevented the formation of a very large crowd on the driveway leading to the mammoth structure where the battleship is to be built. Inside, however, were fully 15,000 spectators.

The preliminary addresses of introduction were brief. Judge Burke, representing the Seattle chamber of commerce, introduced Governor McBride. After greeting the guests, extending to them the already evident hospitality of the state, he referred to the growth of Washington, and said:

"Nebraska, as you have doubtless learned, since your arrival here and the greetings given you by the large number of men from your state, has contributed to the upbuilding of Washington most materially. We are under obligations for so many good citizens. We now find ourselves under double obligations for this official visit which I am sure will tend to bind even more closely the bonds of friendship between us."

Governor Savage in response touched largely upon national affairs connected with arbitration and the advisability of continuing as large a navy as necessary for emergency protection. He said:

"If this vessel shall render unto our government as valuable and efficient service as that rendered by the citizens of the state whose honored name it is to bear, then the day will never come when its construction and naval commission will give occasion for regret on the part of any one."

"For, if you would know more of the loyalty, valor and patriotism of the citizens of Nebraska, examine the muster roll, examine our military history, and look at the graves of the known and unknown in our national cemeteries."

"Look anywhere where there is a record of patriotic sacrifices and military achievements and you will conclude, I am sure, that so far as upholding the strong arm of the republic is concerned, Nebraska has done her share."

"No state has done more to maintain the honor of the flag, no state has done more to stimulate public morals, no state has contributed more generously to manhood and statesmanship or welfare of the American people, and no state is more willing to perform whatever task the government may assign it in the future than dear old Nebraska—always true, always loyal, always patriotic."

At the conclusion of Governor Savage's speech came an interesting incident. The seven-year-old son of Robert Moran, president of the shipbuilding company, stepped forward and presented a small piece of steel, being the first material punched from the keel plates. The governor made the small donor a short speech of thanks. At a signal the men running the huge electric cranes sent them flying from the west end of the battleship to where an enormous piece of steel four feet square and seventy feet long was lying. Quickly the tentacles dropped down and seized it; as quickly it swung high into the air and was carried over the heads of the spectators to its position over the ways. It dropped into place as gently as though it were a fragile piece of glass rather than one of the sustaining pieces of a floating fortress. Two workmen clad in immaculate garments of white placed in position the white hot rivet. The governors of two states doffed their coats, rolled up their sleeves, struck alternate blows with their hammers, thus fastening the first section of the keel. As the first blow was struck the marine band swung forth in tremendous boom, and strains of "America" for an instant only were heard. Then enthusiasm reached fever heat and the big shed became a seething, flag waved, hats were thrown in the air. Pandemonium reigned. So great was the noise that the cannon salute on the outside was unnoticed. Unnoticed also were the screaming whistles which at the signal showed that every craft in the harbor was alive to the occasion. Surprise was sprung on the two governors when they were donning their coats by Robert Moran. To each he gave a check for 3 cents, being the amount due them for wages. They signed the pay rolls as workmen.

Much excitement was caused at Springview, Neb., Thursday night by the report of the loss of a two-year-old child of Mrs. Clem Painter, who lives with her parents a few miles south of town in the canyons.

The child strayed away about noon. The business men and a large party were out searching, but returned late Friday night, having failed to find any trace of the child.

A great many wild cats have been seen in that vicinity lately and it is feared that the child has been killed by them.

## GREAT TRAGEDIENNE WHO IS NOW APPEARING IN MAETERLINCK'S PLAY, "MONNA VANNA"

Mme. Leblanc, who is regarded as one of the coming great tragediennes of France, was to have appeared in the title role of Maeterlinck's "Monna Vanna," which the British censor would not allow to be played in public. In the picture Mme. Leblanc is seen in the costume she wears in the play, which was first produced in Paris on May 17 last.

The story of the play turns upon poignant situations. The town of Pisa is being besieged by the Florentine army, led by the brilliant Condottiere Prinivalle. It is at the last stage of famine and despair; food and ammunition are alike at an end. At this point the conqueror states his terms. He will spare the town, he will indeed revictual and rear it, if the beautiful Monna Vanna, the wife of Guido, one of the princes of Pisa, is sent out to

his camp. When Monna Vanna hears of the conditions she decides, in spite of the horror of her husband, that it is her duty to save her city. She goes only to find herself treated with respect instead of insult. Prinivalle has seen and loved her years ago, and he asks to be allowed to kiss her up the forehead. They return together to Pisa—for it is no longer safe for Prinivalle to remain with the army whose victory he has robbed—and Monna Vanna declares her innocence and her companion's mercy. But she is nowhere believed. Her husband, Guido, is so infuriated by her statement that he threatens to put Prinivalle to the torture unless she confesses. Finally, in the attempt to save him whom she now finds she loves, she confesses to what is not true. The play is exceedingly powerful.



## Appendicitis is Not New.

"Why is it," asked a man of a physician, "that so many people are suffering these days with appendicitis and have to be operated upon, when there was formerly nothing of the kind in existence?"

"My young friend," the doctor answered, "this disease has been in the world ever since Adam was—perhaps that story of his losing a rib may have arisen because he was operated on for appendicitis. When your grandfather was a boy his neighbors had it all around him, and so they did when you were a boy. But they called it inflammation of the bowels, stomach ache, acute indigestion, liver trouble or something of the sort. The patient got well or he died, but no one ever opened him when living to see what the matter was. Perhaps it is as well that they did not, for much of the surgery of those days was more dangerous than any disease."

## Can Keep Her Wages.

The governor of New York has signed a bill which provides that a married woman may work for and receive wages in that state. About a year ago a woman sued a street railway company on account of injuries received. The courts decided that she could not recover in such a case, because, according to an old law still on the statute books, a woman was the servant of her husband and was not entitled to her own wages. Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake thereupon got a judge of the state supreme court to draw up a bill reforming this condition of things. That is the measure which has now become a law.

## World's Largest Goat Ranch.

The largest goat ranch in the world is owned by Charles S. Onderdonk, of Lamy, N. M. He has 20,000 goats and they have 28,000 acres in which to roam.

## Mrs. Humphrey Ward's Work.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward, the writer of at least half a dozen books, each of which would have rendered her famous, was born at Hobart, Tasmania, on June 11, 1851. She is a granddaughter of Dr. Arnold, the great headmaster of Rugby, and a niece of the late Matthew Arnold. She began work by writing magazine articles and a series of essays on "Spanish Biography." Her first book was published in 1881.

## Leader Who Has the Confidence of the United Mine Workers



John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, is a leader who has the confidence of every member of the organization. Active efforts are being put forward to end the present costly strike, and it is believed a plan of arbitration will be agreed to soon and that a million men,

women and children will be saved from the imminent danger of starvation which they now face. The proposals for peace have been inspired by business sentiment, and the appointment of a board of conciliation is imminent. All parties are tired of the costly struggle.