

Red Cloud Chief.

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RED CLOUD, NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes

Clay Center strawberries were of the variety that took only eighteen to fill a box.

Down in Fillmore county the assessed value of dogs amounts almost to one-half that of diamonds, jewelry, gold and silverware.

J. F. Stems has sold his 240 acre farm near Columbus for \$19,200—\$80 an acre.

A threshing machine engine went through a small bridge about half a mile south of Crete, and killed James Hennessey of Sutton, agent of the Northwest Thresher company of Stillwater, Minn., and injured a man from Lincoln in the face severely, but not dangerously. The latter was the agent's helper.

Corra Hobbs, a 12-year-old girl residing at Humboldt, fell twenty feet into a well while trying to draw a bucket of water. She was not hurt or stunned by the fall and kept from drowning by grasping the rope and holding it until rescued by a neighbor who happened to come to the well for a bucket of water.

Mrs. W. K. Lay shot herself at the home of her brother, F. N. Stevenson, Columbus. She fired the shot with suicidal intent and the ball passed through the lung and the physicians think that it passed dangerously near the heart. The deed was committed in a temporary fit of despondency. She will probably recover.

The milling plant of the Wirt Milling company of Tecumseh, is to be sold at public auction. Some time ago there was a disagreement between the partners of the company and the mill was shut down while the matter went into the courts. Those interested have now reached an agreement to let the property be sold that the same may be discontinued to lay in idleness.

While out driving and when two miles out in the country, Mr. and Mrs. Erdbrugger and family met an automobile. The occupants of the machine were coming swiftly and did not reduce their speed when they saw the team coming. A collision resulted, with a bad runaway. Mr. and Mrs. Erdbrugger were thrown from the vehicle, the lady sustaining a broken limb. Mr. Erdbrugger is unable to ascertain whose machine it was, it being evidently one from a distance.

Sidney was startled by the news of an elopement in high life when it was reported that one Wm. Lee, a cook at the Pacific hotel (not Sheriff Lee), had resigned his position and departed for the west with Miss Slicker. Sheriff Lee was immediately dispatched to Cheyenne where he arrested the couple and brought them back. Wm. Lee was charged with kidnapping and for want of bail was lodged in jail, and Miss Slicker, being under age, was turned over to her parents.

Walter Smith, stranger, horse trader and junk gatherer, aged twenty-three, died as a result of an injury received on the night of July 4 while on his way with two companions in a buggy to the proscenium district, a mile and a half from Grand Island. A collision resulted. A hack driven by Bert Waufler and containing three Hastings and three Aurora men ran into Smith's vehicle. The hack was returning at midnight from the district. The tongue of the hack struck Smith and one horse jumped up in his buggy. Death was found to be accidental by the coroner's jury, no blame being attachable to anyone. Smith has a crippled and destitute brother there for whom those in the coroner's rooms at the time of the inquest took up a collection of \$11. A stranger with Smith at the time has disappeared and the disappearance of about \$15 from the man's person is not explained by the evidence.

The work of putting down a new air lift well at the municipal waterworks at Hastings, was started. It is to be 350 feet deep and have a capacity of 25,000 gallons per hour. When it is completed Hastings will have a water plant that can pump 60,000 gallons per hour.

The huge daily mail coming to the Epworth assembly headquarters, Lincoln, gives evidence both in quantity and matter of the warm favor this year's program is finding with thinking men and women over the state, as the following excerpts from the letters fully attest: Mr. J. P. Bailey, state secretary, M. C. A., writes: "Your souvenir of talent of the Epworth assembly at hand. I want to congratulate you on the same. The whole thing presents a very acceptable prospect of your program. It certainly ought to be a means of attracting the people of Nebraska to hear such an array of excellent talent." The pretty "Souvenir of Talent" of the Nebraska Epworth assembly may be had by sending your address on a postal to L. O. Jones, president, Lincoln. This year's assembly dates are August 3d to 11th, inclusive. Registration of tents will begin July 14.

John Kemerle, of Elm Creek, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a rifle. He was a German about 56 years of age and had lived at Elm Creek for many years. He was a butcher by trade.

Henry Brown, a lad of seventeen years, and Harry Lane were engaged in mowing weeds on the railroad section where they were employed, when the former was accidentally struck by a scythe in the hands of the latter, and cut severely in the foot, making a terrible wound, from which he almost bled to death before a doctor could reach him.

J. R. Swan, of Johnson county, has invented and applied for a patent on a very simple wire insulator. It is a very simple wire insulator. It is commonly used on telephone and telegraph poles, but it is a great improvement over the old one.

A BIG BOND DEAL

Education Board Buys \$177,000 Worth of Securities.

LAST FOR SEVERAL MONTHS

Bonds of Nebraska Counties are Preferred to Those Outside the State—Notes.

The state board of educational lands and funds has purchased \$177,000 of securities, including interest coupons for the permanent school funds. Bids were received from many bond and investment brokers, four separate purchases being made. All of the bonds bought were county securities and they are the last purchases which the board will make for several months, as the increase of the permanent funds now can be taken care of by the state treasurer in buying warrants.

A block of \$33,000 of Douglas county 5 per cent refunding bonds, date July 1, 1891, and due July 1, 1911, was the first purchase made. These bonds were bought of Kelley & Kelley, of Topeka, Kan., on a 3 1/2 per cent basis.

The offer of W. E. Barkley, Jr., of Lincoln, of \$35,000 of Washington county 5 per cent refunding bonds, dated April 1, 1890, and due in 1910, were purchased on a 3 1/2 per cent basis and a block of \$74,000 Washington county 5 per cent refunding bonds offered by E. H. Robbins & Sons, of Chicago, at 3 1/2 per cent, also was accepted. These bonds are of the same date as the ones purchased of W. E. Barkley, Jr. The last purchase made was \$25,000 of Perkins county 4 per cent refunding bonds, dated July 5, 1904, and due in 1925. These bonds were bought direct from the county at par and are optional of retirement on any date of interest payment. All of the bonds were purchased subject to their legality and a security by the attorney general. Among the other securities offered for the funds were state bonds of Massachusetts, Maryland and Tennessee, which were submitted on proposition to net the state 3 1/2 per cent. All accepted bidders will be required to deposit a certified check of \$10,000 with the board guaranteeing delivery of securities within ten days.

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President Will Make No Speeches.

P. C. Knox of Pennsylvania, former attorney general and one of the closest friends and advisers of President Roosevelt, was a visitor to Sagamore Hill. Mr. Knox will take an active part in the campaign and will deliver at least two important speeches. The president is working daily on both his notification speech and his acceptance speech. He will deliver no political speeches during the campaign, contenting himself with a statement of his position and of the results achieved in his administration in the letter of acceptance.

IDENTIFY F. KENT LOOMIS

Inquest on His Body Does Not Show How He Died.

The inquest on the body of F. Kent Loomis, which was found at Warren Point, about fifteen miles from Plymouth, Devonshire, England, threw the picturesque little village of Thurstone, on the shores of Bigbury bay, into a state of unwonted excitement. The court, over which the county coroner, Dr. Sidney Halsecker, was somewhat late in assembling in consequence of the delay in carrying out the official medical examination of the remains. This was conducted by two local doctors, whose testimony was to the effect that there was a contused wound below and behind the right ear, indicated by the extravasation of blood in the scalp and a rupture of the covering of the brain. There was also a general bruise, involving the scalp and the integument of the brain on the left side above the ear. Both the injuries, in the doctors' opinion, were caused before death.

The American consul at Plymouth, Joseph G. Stevens, attended the proceedings.

After the jury had viewed the body the first witness, Thomas Snowden, a laborer, who discovered the remains in the breakers, testified to the recovery of the corpse, as cabled to the Associated Press.

A policeman who searched the body told of the recovery of a gold watch which had stopped at 6 o'clock, some English gold and silver coins; also a pocketbook containing sixty dollars in American notes, a receipt for a subscription to the Blennerhassett club, a railroad pass issued in the name of F. Kent Loomis, a receipt from the Grand hotel, Broadway, New York, for \$250, which Loomis desired to be sent to his wife, a gold ring with the name "Mildred" inscribed, etc.

The jury found that the deceased was Frederick Kent Loomis, and that he was found dead in Bigbury bay, there being no evidence to show how he met his death.

Bad Storm at LaCrosse.

Crops near La Crosse, Wis., have been greatly damaged by a terrific wind and rain storm. Small buildings in the suburbs of the city were unroofed; creeks overflowed and several bridges washed away.

Lightning's Work at Falls City.

Lightning struck the barn on the farm of John White, northeast of Falls City, Neb., and burned it to the ground with all the contents except the horses. About one hundred bushels of oats, 150 bushels of corn, twenty-five tons of hay and \$100 worth of machinery went up in smoke. The cost of the barn was \$1,500; insurance \$400, and \$200 on contents. Lightning struck one of Frank Uhlig's fine horses on the same day. Uhlig is a farmer living north of Falls City about six miles.

STOCKMEN GET TOGETHER

A Largely Attended Meeting Held at Broken Bow.

The fourth annual meeting of the Central Nebraska Stock Growers' association was held at Broken Bow, Neb., and, considering it is one of the busiest times of the year for farmers and stockmen, was unusually well attended. The first part of the meeting was taken up with the election (or re-election, rather) of officers for the coming year, the following ticket being unanimously chosen: For president, W. A. George of Georgetown, Neb.; vice-president, L. H. Jewett, Broken Bow; secretary, I. A. Reneau, Broken Bow; treasurer, S. K. Warrick, Broken Bow. The executive committee, consisting of the following members: W. A. George, H. B. Andrews of Anselmo, L. H. Jewett, C. Metcalf and S. Wadlington of Merna, was also unanimously re-elected. Among those present from other parts of the state were E. M. Searle, Jr., of Ogallala, secretary-treasurer of the Nebraska Stock Growers' association, and State Veterinary W. A. Thomas of Lincoln. Mr. Searle gave an interesting talk on "brand inspection," which was attentively listened to. This resulted in the central organization joining the state association for the sole purpose of "brand inspection." This is the first time the two organizations have ever affiliated with each other. Professor Thomas' lecture on the diseases of cattle was instructive and beneficial. He dwelt more particularly upon the treatment of scabbies, itch, etc., and the proper method of dipping cattle. The association then unanimously adopted a resolution compelling all owners to dip their cattle between now and October 1. After that, many favorable reports in regard to the dipping system were read from stockmen all over the district and the meeting adjourned until the first Saturday in July, 1905.

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The New Pope Has Trouble.

From the highest source it is learned that the vatican view of the situation between the holy see and France is as follows: The pope regards the dissolution of the concordat by France as absolutely certain. The pretext is that the holy see, before the visit of President Loubet to Rome, called on Bishop Gray, of Laval, to resign. He refused and was summoned to Rome to answer the gravest charges. The bishop appealed to the French government, which claimed that the holy see was infringing the concordat, but as the bishop had not been punished, Minister Delcasse acknowledged that the vatican was within its rights.

American Gets Large Fortune.

The second chamber of the tribunal of the Seine, at Paris, France, held valid the will presented by George A. Church of Nayatt Point, Rhode Island, bequeathing to him the fortune of M. Poulet, a Parisian capitalist. The French heirs put in further technical objections at the hearing of which the court adjourned.

Convicted of Manslaughter.

James Connelly of Harrison, Neb., was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary. Connelly was accused of killing H. H. Miller and his trial occupied nearly a week.

Great Reservoir Breaks.

With the roar of Niagara the new reservoir of the Citizens Water company at Scottsdale, Pa., burst at midnight and more than three hundred million gallons of water rushed down the valley, sweeping all before it and inundating crops and wrecking buildings in its path. It was discovered about 9 o'clock that the dam was in danger of breaking, and messengers were hastily sent through the valley to warn the people of their peril. Hundreds of lives were thus saved, for a few hours later the whole valley was under water.

JUDGE ALTON BROOKS PARKER,



Democratic Nominee for President of the United States.

THE END IS IN SIGHT

Illinois Board of Arbitration Trying to Settle Strike.

SHOW CONCILIATORY SPIRIT

Packers and Workmen Cut Out "Hot Air" and are Trying to Settle Difficulties Peacefully.

Arbitration of the grievances which precipitated the general strike of packing house workers in the meat packing houses in various parts of the country appears to be in sight, and a conference between employers and strikers is being held in Chicago.

The initial step towards a settlement of the controversy by mediation was taken by the Illinois state board of arbitration. When the members of the board reached Chicago they at once went into conference with Michael J. Donnelly, the leader of the strike and listened to the story of his side of the trouble. The members of the board then interviewed the representatives of the packers and their side of the difficulty was heard. As a result of these two conferences Mr. Donnelly sent a communication to the packers in which it was stated that the unions were willing to accept a settlement through the board of arbitration. No immediate reply is expected from the packers, but it is confidently expected that their reply will be conciliatory.

Mr. Donnelly declares that the offer of arbitration from the packers did not reach him before the strike and if the packers will again make the proposition it will be accepted. The members of the board of arbitration say that both sides appeared willing to adopt peaceful methods and a settlement would probably be reached in a short time. After assiduously using the telephones between the headquarters of the unions and the packers, the state board of arbitration arranged a meeting between the officers of the unions and representatives of the packers.

WANT UNIFORM EDUCATION

Catholic Educators Heartily in Favor of Such System.

Catholic educators, representing nearly every diocese in the United States, assembled in convention at St. Louis university. The conference was for the purpose of devising plans for establishing a uniform system of education in parochial and training schools.

The convention was opened by a solemn pontifical high mass at St. Francis Xavier's church. Rt. Rev. Bishop Jansen of Belleville officiating. In the absence of Prof. Charles P. Neill of the Catholic university of America, his paper on "Statistics of Attendance at Catholic Colleges and Universities and the Cause Thereof," was read and discussed at length.

Cubans Vote Exposition Funds.

The first bill to pass the Cuban house of representatives was one appropriating an additional sum of \$50,000 for the Cuban department at the St. Louis exposition. The house decided to extend for three months the time for the completion of the work of the committee which is examining the claims of revolutionary veterans. President Palma will recommend an increase in the loans. The government current surplus is now upwards of \$7,000,000.

ANOTHER PICNIC ACCIDENT

Twenty-one Killed on Sunday School Excursion Near Chicago.

Twenty-one members of the Sunday school at Doremus Congregational church at Thirty-first and Butler streets, Chicago, went to death with joy in their hearts and a hymn on their lips. Seventy people, mostly children, members of the same school, were maimed and mangled at the same time.

The carnage occurred in a collision on the tracks of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad between Chicago Heights and Glenwood, twenty-five miles from Chicago. It was the annual picnic of the Sunday school, and as in former years, hundreds of the children with their parents and friends had gone to the picnic grounds at Mokena, Ill., for the day. The picnic was over and the train was on the return to Chicago when the accident occurred. The children in the first coach were singing as the train passed through Chicago Heights, twenty-seven miles from Chicago. Two miles further the train went on and then the singing was hushed in death for over a score and cries of pain and horror for seventy others.

Two accidents combined to make the disaster. The first was the breaking down of a freight train on the north-bound track on which the excursion train should have proceeded after leaving Chicago Heights, and the other was the breaking of a coupling on a second freight train.

Denver Methodists on Labor Troubles.

The Methodist ministers' association of Denver, Colo., appointed a committee to investigate the labor troubles in that state and fix the responsibility of the chaotic conditions in Cripple Creek and elsewhere. Two members of the committee will visit Cripple Creek and others will interview representatives of the state and of the western federation of miners. The deportation of miners and the confinement to the bull pen of labor leaders will receive careful attention as well as the ground on which the governor bases his claim of "military necessity." The committee will report to the association on July 25.

Making Them Pay Up.

State Food Commissioner Thompson is engaged in his annual collection of the license fees required of the wholesalers and manufacturers of vinegar and of retail dealers in oleomargarine. The collections are brisk and will exceed those of last year by a considerable amount. Mr. Thompson is much elated at the prospects for a record breaking year. The campaign against the sale of adulterated or colored vinegars as cider vinegar, and of adulterations of jellies and other food products, will be waged vigorously by the department, as in the past, and the commissioner expects to succeed in his efforts to compel the vinegar manufacturers to ship only pure vinegars into the state.

Some Fine Land at Rosebud.

Secretary of State Marsh has returned from an extended tour of inspection of the Rosebud Indian agency and Bonesteel district. Mr. Marsh is much impressed with the land near Bonesteel and says that those who secure one of the first five or six hundred claims will get fine farms, while those who are lower down on the list will get land not very desirable. A notable feature of the situation is that the Indians while filing on the bottom lands have selected sections which are rough and timbered rather than smooth and adapted to farming purposes.

THE ODD CORNER

The Green Man's Burden.

Take up the green man's burden. Stand forth and do your best. To ripen him a little. So he can do the rest. He is not altogether. Beyond assistance yet. And promptness still may save him From many a trap and net.

Take up the green man's burden. And let him know that he can't monkey down in Wall street With great impunity. Strive earnestly to teach him That it is scarcely meet For lambs, yet sound and frisky. To butt into the street.

Take up the green man's burden. Show him that bonds and stocks Are lightning rods and gold bricks Are filled with painful shocks; Teach him the junko-steerers Are hot upon his trail. To catch the guileless lobster, By interview or mail.

Take up the green man's burden. Awake him from his dream That woman's wiles and wenching Are away what they seem. Restrain his fevered fancies. Lead him away to cool. Before the middle and matrons Have turned him out a fool.

Take up the green man's burden. Show him that devious ways The wide world is pursuing. To make a needed raise; Persuade him, curse him, kick him Do anything you dare, and. To make the green man's burden Less hard for him to bear.

Green Diamonds Are Seen.

Considerable interest, writes a correspondent, has been aroused in Johannesburg by the discovery on a mining property at Klerksdorp of a green diamond of about three-quarters of a carat. The gem had slipped into a crevice in the iron plates of the crushing mill, and was found during the dismantling of the mill to make room for a new stamp battery.

In 1893 over seventy similarly colored diamonds were found upon the same property. They had all slipped between the dies and escaped destruction. It is conjectured that many other green stones got crushed out of existence.

For the first time since the date the Klerksdorp G. and D. Company intends to resume operations on this particular ground, and the prospects of unearthing more of these green gems are being eagerly watched from the Rand.

Fire in Darktown.

An old member of the fire department was talking about some of the big fires he had fought in his day and he remarked:

"But the most interesting fire is always a blaze in Darktown. If you want to see a lot of excited people you just ought to get into the midst of a small conflagration in Darktown at night. The negroes begin to empty houses of their contents for blocks around. That is fun enough, but the real fun commences when they try to get their goods back into their houses, for it is a sort of grab game, everybody taking everything they can get hold of. I'll bet that after a fire in Darktown there isn't a house in the neighborhood of the blaze that was furnished like it was before the fire."—Atlanta Constitution.

Silver Watch Averted Lightning.

To a silver watch which carried in his pocket during a lightning storm the other day Napoleon Dutil, a truckman, living at Lewiston, Maine, owes his life. The electric bolt struck the watch, leaving a dent in its edge and smashing the crystal. Under the watch the flesh was badly burned in a circle.

Keys and a key chain which Mr. Dutil had in his pockets when the bolt struck him were destroyed. No one has been able to find even a link of the chain.

Dutil, his son, aged fifteen, and a son of Isaac Leclair were in a barn when the lightning struck, knocking the three from their chairs. Young Leclair's feet were badly burned and the Dutil boy was unconscious for some time.

Horse Went Home to Die.

Allen Gilmore of West Glover, Vt., found that one of his horses was sick. He turned the animal loose on his lawn and went for a veterinarian. When he returned the horse was nowhere to be seen and later he was found dead before the stable door of J. G. Calderwood. Mr. Calderwood sold the horse to Mr. Gilmore three years ago and the sick animal had covered full two miles that he might die at his old home.

Had Adventure in Plenty.

While two young men were returning from a fishing trip at Bennington, Vt., the other evening they came suddenly upon a large bear in the middle of their path through the woods. Both men were unarmed and fled deep into the forest. Later as they were skirting the locality occupied by the bear they ran across a wildcat whose presence served to further accelerate their speed.

Poisoned by Postage Stamps.

At least someone has been poisoned licking postage stamps. A woman in Norfolk, Conn., cut her tongue with a postage stamp, was poisoned and had to have a part of her tongue removed and now has an impediment in her speech.

Heavy Load for Locomotive.

The heaviest train load ever hauled by one locomotive was one of the eighty-four loaded cars, weighing in the aggregate 4,787 tons, which was hauled a distance of sixty-three miles at the rate of thirteen miles an hour.