

25 DROWN IN FLOOD

TEN INCHES OF RAIN FALLS IN TWO HOURS IN TEXAS CITY.

200 HOMES ARE SWEEP AWAY

Twenty Bridges Destroyed and Paved Streets of Austin Ruined by the Deluge.

Austin, Texas.—With the bodies of fourteen persons drowned here recovered, eleven persons missing and rescuing parties still at work among the ruins of 200 homes swept away by recent storms, the citizenship of Austin have begun a systematic plan for the relief of the sufferers. The property loss is estimated at \$500,000.

Temporary quarters are being provided for all whose homes had been swept away or are not habitable, and food and clothing is being furnished.

Ten inches of rain fell in two hours and torrents of water poured into the homes of people living in the lowlands, before the alarm could be given.

Twenty bridges were swept away and paved streets ruined.

The body of Mrs. Charles R. Winkler was carried sixteen miles down the river by the force of the flood.

Among the missing is George Whittington, son of A. G. Whittington of Houston, vice president of the International and Great Northern railroad.

In Dallas, fire caused by lightning destroyed the Pierce-Fordyce Oil association's main warehouse, worth \$125,000.

More than 150,000 barrels of oil have been destroyed in a fire caused by lightning in the big Thrall field at Taylor, Texas.

Wynnewood, Okla., and Knox City, Tex., were damaged by tornadoes. One man was killed at Christal, Texas.

Dallas is "gasless" as a result of the storm. It depends almost entirely on natural gas for fuel. One big bakery threw away 7,000 pounds of dough because of the gas main break. Fort Worth met a like fate.

Italy's Entry into War Doubtful

Rome (Via Paris).—A prominent Italian statesman said the other day that the participation of Italy in the war at least in the immediate future seemed less likely now than had been the case for some time.

"To enter the war Italy would first be obliged to break off negotiations with the central empires which are still being conducted at Vienna," he explained.

"The government would then have to find a plausible reason for denouncing the treaty which created the triple alliance. Even were that done, it is most likely that the central empires, under present conditions would not consider such action as a cause for war. Italy must find another reason if she desires to pick a quarrel with Austria."

Medicine Contained Strychnine

Broken Bow, Neb.—A report from the state laboratory shows that the stomach of Alva Street, the boy who died at his home near Merna after taking a dose of salts, contained strychnine, as also did the salts. It was brought out in testimony before the coroner's jury that Guy, an older brother, took salts from the same bottle probably a month ago, and they made him ill. Dr. Landis, the coroner, thinks it possible from the symptoms described that it may have been strychnine poisoning. A 12-year-old sister took a dose from the same bottle two weeks ago, but no ill effects followed. Coroner Landis, Prosecutor Kelly and Sheriff Wilson are working on the theory that the poison came from the outside, and have started a rigid investigation. According to State Food Commissioner Harman, the strychnine was not a natural ingredient of the medicine and the manufacturer of it will not be prosecuted.

John Cudahy Dies at Chicago

Chicago, Ill.—John Cudahy, one of the founders of Chicago's great packing industry, and a millionaire board of trade leader, died at his home, 3254 Michigan avenue, Mr. Cudahy was born in Callan, County Kilkenny, Ireland, November 2, 1843. He came to America in 1849.

Russian Aircrafts Active

Petrograd.—Russian dirigibles are being used to harass General von Hindenburg's line of communication. One of them dropped fifteen bombs on the enemy's transports near Plock, badly damaging them. Several German boats have been sunk.

Famine in Jerusalem

London.—"The situation of the people of the lower class in Jerusalem is rapidly growing worse," says the Morning Post's Alexandria, Egypt, correspondent. "According to seventy refugees who arrived here on their way to the United States, food is growing more expensive. Prices now are six times those of normal times. Money has ceased to circulate. Many deaths from starvation are taking place. Locusts, which are appearing in huge swarms, accentuate the distress of the people."

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

Citizens of North Platte are agitating paving.

Ainsworth is to have a new \$10,000 Junior high school.

A \$135,000 school bond voted on at Hastings was defeated.

Alliance gets the next convention of the Nebraska T. P. A.

Seven blocks of paving will be laid in Kearney this season.

Thirty-six cases of smallpox have been reported in Hastings.

Work has commenced on the new Carnegie library at Harvard.

Pierce went dry by thirty votes. Mayor Duff was re-elected.

Fire destroyed the livery barn of A. J. Hutchinson at Diller.

The Kearney baseball team will not play Sunday ball this year.

Jitney cars have been started at North Platte by a local garage.

Sterling has voted in favor of bonds to build a water plant.

Alfred Pont, editor of the Stanton Register, died at his home in that city.

200 acres of orchard have been set out in the vicinity of Shubert this year.

The Odd Fellows of Polk will soon erect a new building at that place to cost \$12,000.

Mayor Kibler of Kearney vetoed the ordinance raising the salaries of the city councilmen and himself.

Eugene V. Debs is to speak in North Platte on June 2. He has been secured through the efforts of local socialists.

Nebraska Eagles will hold their annual convention at South Omaha, June 15-16-17. An elaborate program is being planned.

Work has started on the tabernacle for the Lowry-Moody evangelistic meetings to be held at North Platte, beginning May 2.

80,000 mules will be assembled at Grand Island by a Kansas City dealer for use in the British army. They will be shipped to Canada from that point.

Farmers in the vicinity of Grand Island have been husking corn. They report the corn in good condition in spite of staying in the fields all winter.

Suggestion of Crawford Kennedy of Lincoln that the republican national convention be held at Omaha in 1916 is meeting with support over the state.

Mrs. Mary Francis Humphrey of Obert committed suicide by hanging. The deed was done with a skipping rope used by the children of Dr. Field.

The contract for the new Carnegie library at Gothenburg was awarded to Daniel Fauble of Grand Island. He will begin the erection of the new \$10,000 building at once.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed four frame buildings at Chapman, and the contents, and partly damaged the brick building of the Chapman State bank. The total loss amounts to \$16,700.

Among the "living wax figures" provided by teachers in a special entertainment at the Longfellow school at Hastings was a striking impersonation of John O'Connor, dead more than a year, but yet unburied.

Lighting bonds of the village of Maxwell have been registered with State Auditor Smith in the sum of \$6,000. The village of Lyons has registered \$15,000 worth of bonds, also, for an electric lighting plant.

Alvah Street, a 16-year-old boy living south of Merna, died in a mysterious manner. He took a dose of effervescent salts of a standard brand, and a few minutes later went into convulsions, dying a short time after.

The grain elevator belonging to Seefus & Deerson at Elkhorn, was completely destroyed by fire. About 7,000 bushels of grain were destroyed. The total loss is estimated between \$10,000 and \$12,000, the elevator being worth about \$6,000.

Atlas Smith was instantly killed by electrocution on the transmission wires of the bridge between Scotts bluff and Gering. The boy was fishing and undertook to untangle his line from the live wires. His body, when recovered from the stream, was burned blue.

The abstract of the condition of the national banks of Nebraska, exclusive of reserve cities at the close of business on March 4 as reported to the comptroller of the currency, shows the reserve held at 27.15 per cent; loans and discounts, \$54,584,850; gold coin, \$1,048,313; lawful money reserve, \$2,765,823; deposits, \$52,909,434.

Richardson county is claiming, with many other sections of the country, an interest in the preliminary training of the present champion of fistie circles. It is asserted that Jess Willard, a few years ago, was a champion corn shucker in the vicinity of Barada, and is quite well remembered by many of the people of that vicinity.

Catching her skirt in a chair from which she was arising, Mrs. W. H. Lynn, wife of the former city physician of Hastings, fell, breaking her left wrist.

Hastings Commercial club, mayor and postmaster write Secretary of State Bryan asking that "Liberty Bell" train stop there on way to Panama exposition.

President Wilson has appointed John C. Morrow of Scottsbluff to be receiver of public money at Alliance, and Thomas J. O'Keefe to be register of the land office at the same place.

The Cleopatra Headband



One of the fads of the hour, which is particularly strong with debutantes and other youthful devotees of fashion, is the Cleopatra headband. This is a very simple hair ornament to be called after the wonderful queen whose name is associated in our minds with all things splendid and imperial. It is made of sparkling rhinestones and binds the brow after the manner of Egyptian and other headresses. And it is entirely successful.

Two patterns of this new hair ornament are shown in the picture. They are among the prettiest of man's designs, all made in about the same way. There is some variation in the size of the rhinestones; the smaller ones, used in the more elaborate figures usually, represent more work in making the band, and are therefore more expensive. All the bands of brilliants are mounted on narrow velvet ribbon and fasten with a snap fastener or hook and thread eye, at the back.

The Cleopatra band looks well with nearly all the new coiffures, which is one good reason for its popularity. It is shown here worn with the "Bobby" coiffure. This particular style seems to have impressed itself on women

more forcibly and more favorably than any other recently launched. Some persons have gone so far as to have their hair bobbed at each side, in order to adopt the new style, but hairdressers manage to achieve the right effect without resorting to so extreme a measure. If the hair is not too long it can be rolled and turned under at the sides. It is coiled at the back, rather flat to the head.

Do not imagine that the Cleopatra band is confined to the use of youthful maids. It looks unusually well with those styles of hairdressing in which the middle part in the hair is used, and lends its brilliance to many a stately coiffure that matrons affect.

Scarfs Match Hangings

The scarfs for the furniture of your room may be made to match the hangings by cutting out single motifs of cretonne and applying them to the scarf ends. Place them on the material in an attractive way and baste. They can either be sewed with an over-and-over stitch around the edge or buttonhole in place. If, however, you wish a quicker method, machine stitch close to the edge around the entire motif.

Distinctive Style in Utility Coat



For the woman of average means, a separate coat, to be worn with frocks of varied character, is a necessity of the wardrobe. Such a coat needs to be carefully selected, since it is to do duty as a street coat, for traveling, for driving in the auto, and for such occasions as may demand a sport coat. But great numbers of separate coats were designed this spring that are suitable for all-round service, and have much style to recommend them as well.

Among them, coats of covert cloth in tan and kindred shades and those in black and white checks seem really to fit in everywhere. They are full of style and snap; just the sort of garment that the American woman needs and delights in.

A fine example of the general utility coat is pictured here. It is a black-and-white check, with collar and cuffs in leather color. These accessories are often shown in emerald green and in black with white pings, so that there is a choice in color. The coat, as pictured, is worn over a frock of black taffeta. A combination of black and white appears in the Breton sailor hat and is repeated in the low walk-

ing shoes. No one needs to be assured of the smart appearance of such a toilette for the promenade.

But an equally pleasing picture presents itself if one imagines the coat worn for traveling. The hat might be a Panama or small outing shape, the shoes have tops of tan-colored cloth, and the dress be a plain suspender model worn with pongee shirt waist. The coat would fit in and complete a perfect outfit for the journey.

These coats are all cut on flaring lines, but they vary somewhat in length. Pockets and buttons are featured in their finishing. There is a great variety of styles in collars, and in the covert models buttons, collars and cuffs are usually all of the cloth.

In selecting a coat for general wear it is necessary to make sure that the material has been shrunken or is waterproof.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

Outing Collars

Whether the blouse is of silk, tulle or crepe, the collars are shaped like the collar on a man's outing shirt and are held together in front with a bow, linked buttons or a long bar pin.

BELOW THIS STATE

APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLORADO LESS THAN NEBRASKA.

GOVERNOR GATHERS FIGURES

Money Set Apart By Four Adjoining States Shows Nebraska Fared Well.

Lincoln.—Governor Morehead, who has been gathering a few figures of the appropriations of the five states adjoining Nebraska, deems the comparison not wholly unfavorable.

So far as he has heard from four out of the five states, and in but one state, Colorado, has the total of appropriations been less than that of Nebraska. The total Nebraska appropriations, including those for schools, was a little less than \$8,000,000.

Appropriations in Missouri amounted to \$11,112,000, exclusive of schools, for which that state is to spend the additional sum of \$5,556,000, Iowa appropriated \$12,750,000, Kansas \$9,530,544. The Colorado legislature appropriated \$3,374,000, and the governor of that state cut this figure down to \$3,150,000. A per capita rating might change the comparative standing somewhat, however.

As yet South Dakota has not been heard from by the governor.

Governor Must Select Men

Creation of new offices by the last legislature has set candidates for them afire over the state, and as a result Governor Morehead has telephone calls, letters and personal visits, which he must sandwich in between attention to other business.

A new district judge must be named in the Ninth district, a public defender in Douglas county and a list of candidates for supreme court commissioner must be prepared from which the high bench may make its selections.

One provision of the bill sets out that 100 cases now pending in the state court shall be given to the commission for hearing. Another provision allows the court to list cases with it from time to time as it disposes of litigation.

There are to be three commissioners, with a salary of \$3,000 apiece. The list of possible candidates is to be prepared by Governor Morehead. It is understood that one already favored by the latter is former Attorney General G. G. Martin.

Nebraska Lassie Wins Honor

According to an official announcement just made, Myrtle Mann, age 12, of Dawes county, won fourth place last season in the national competition of the Boys' and Girls' Gardening club, conducted co-operatively by the United States Department of Agriculture and the extension departments of the different state colleges of agriculture. Myrtle's reports, filed with the state leader of boys' and girls' clubs, at the University Farm, showed that she made a net profit of \$71.40 on a patch slightly larger than half the size of the average city lot.

School Act Faulty

The bill passed by the last legislature for state aid for consolidated rural schools teaching home economics, agriculture, vocational and industrial training is rendered ineffective by a bit of legislative carelessness, it has been discovered. The measure, introduced by Representative Elmerlund, fails to provide for the appropriation in the title, although the body of the bill provides for the appropriation out of the general fund. The appropriation must be in the title.

Will Remember Billie Burke

Blessed ever hereafter will be the name and memory of Billie Burke, the actress, among the little crippled children at the state orthopedic hospital at Lincoln. In addition to all the attentions showered upon the children during her stay in the city, came, recently, to the institution a beautiful, shiny-new phonograph, of an expensive make, with a big assortment of records. Moreover, Miss Burke left a standing order with a local music house for three new records each month.

Lincoln School Debaters Win

Lincoln won in the Lincoln-Omaha High school debate last week, and also gained permanent possession of the Amherst alumni cup, which had been won by each school twice. The subject of the debate was, "Government Ownership and Operation of Railroads," the Lincoln team taking the affirmative. The debate was held in the high school auditorium and a large crowd was in attendance.

Will Readvertise for Bridge

At a conference between a North Platte delegation and the State Board of Irrigation, it was decided to re-advertise for bids for the state aid bridge to be built across the Platte river near North Platte. The contract was originally awarded several weeks ago to the Canton Bridge Co. of Canton, O., for a concrete bridge. The company refused to sign unless the attorney general should guarantee protection on the concrete patents. This he refused to do.

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Dogs in Warfare

The Belgian use of sheep dogs to seek out the wounded is a return to the methods of warfare of an earlier day. In the Scottish clan feuds, as well as in English fights with Scotland, both sides used dogs for that purpose, though generally it was with the idea of killing them off when found. Unwounded fugitives, too, were sought by the dogs, and both Wallace and Bruce are recorded to have had narrow escapes from English bloodhounds. And in Elizabeth's reign five hundred hounds figured as part of the army sent to settle an insurrection in Ireland.

Plan Humane Sunday in May

The American Humane association, a federation of societies and individuals for the prevention of cruelty, requests clergymen of all denominations throughout the country to observe Sunday, May 23, as Humane Sunday, calling attention to the need for protection for suffering and helpless children, and also for unfortunate animals.

Dr. Wm. O. Stillman, president of the association, Albany, N. Y., will send literature to all persons interested in the work of humane societies.

Cheaper Plan

"I see," said the man who reads, "that to bring sleep to insomnia victims an English woman has invented an apparatus to flow water or medicated liquids on the forehead gently until the desired result is attained. What do you think of that, Pat?"

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