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## STORY OF THE WEEK

NEWS OF THE WORLD BOILED DOWN FOR BUSY READERS.

## NEWS FROM HOME AND ABROAD

Doings of the Busy World Which May be Read in a Few Moments.—National and World-wide Events of Importance.

### Foreign.

The secretary of the Central American court of justice at Cartago, Costa Rica, has forwarded to the Salvadoran government the verdict of the court in the civil suit brought by Honduras against Salvador and Guatemala charging them with promoting the recent revolution in Honduras. The verdict is favorable to Guatemala and Salvador on all points that constitute a violation of the government of Salvador.

The Japanese diet is in session and measures relating to the nation's finances, the army and navy, foreign relations, and existing conditions in China and Korea combine to give promise of an interesting and important session.

The Chinese government is considering the raising of funds for the establishment of banks and schools in Tibet and also for the defense, the subdivision and the political reorganization of the country.

The newly elected municipal council of Lisbon, Spain, has unearthed a big scandal in the city's accounts. Over \$7,000,000 has disappeared. The former councillors admit the irregularities and lay the blame upon the government which they say illegally took the city's money.

The duma has adopted by a large majority the bill continuing the increase in pensions to army officers for injuries received during the Russo-Japanese war.

A light earthquake is reported in France, but no material damage was done.

Cardinal Victor Lecot, archbishop of Bordeaux, died while returning from a visit to Rome.

The demand for cigarettes in China today is exceeded only by that for kerosene.

Three hundred and forty Japanese soldiers have left Ching Wan Tao for Japan. This is half the total guard that Japan has been maintaining in Chili province.

A new constitutional government has been inaugurated in Turkey, and the new parliament elected under the constitution promulgated by the sultan last July has been opened.

### Domestic.

Every saloon in Ottumwa, Iowa, has been closed as the result of a religious revival.

Three men were killed and one fatally injured in a four-cornered duel at Ocilla, Ga.

In a wreck in the suburbs of Chicago a C. & A. passenger train caught fire and a carload of Christmas presents were burned and five mail clerks narrowly escaped with their lives.

Lorenzo Shiman, of Oakland, Cal., was shot and fatally wounded by his brother William, in a saloon row. The murderer gave himself up.

James Douglas has been elected president of the new Phelps-Dodge Co. which was recently organized with a capital of \$50,000,000, combining various copper companies.

The Delaware W. C. T. U. are planning to have the giant 20,000 ton battleship Delaware, which will be launched on February 5, christened with water.

Governor Hoch, of Kansas, has appointed a committee to join with a committee from Oklahoma to investigate the Kansas penitentiary and the charges of inhuman treatment, poor food and unsanitary surroundings.

Arthur F. Gill, of Spokane, Wash., was accidentally killed while on a hunting trip.

Count John Heinrich von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to the United States, has arrived with his family.

Warden J. C. Saunders, of the Fort Madison, Iowa, penitentiary has created a sensation by recommending that the prisoners have tailor made suits, laundered shirts and polished shoes instead of the present prison garb.

Seven members of the city council of Pittsburg, Pa., have been arrested charged with conspiracy, corrupt practice and bribery in connection with municipal legislation during the past two years.

The actual manufacture of steel has begun at Cary, Ind., and the first step taken in making the Calumet region one of the greatest iron and steel industrial centers of the world.

William R. Kelly, cashier of the Union Pacific railroad at South Omaha, committed suicide Saturday.

Two Chinese laundrymen were found dead in their place of business at Winnipeg, Canada. No clue to the murderers.

The Toledo plant of the Republic Iron and Steel company employing 600 men will resume operations December 28, after thirteen months idleness.

Daniel Marshall, a ten-year-old boy of Hartford, Conn., lost his life in trying to save his dog from being run over by the cars. The dog escaped unhurt.

Dennis Casey, who disappeared from his home at Powhattan, Kan., a couple of weeks ago, was murdered, his body being found in a straw stack a few days ago.

H. B. Marchbank, a prominent stock broker of Joplin, Mo., committed suicide Friday by shooting himself.

Two persons were killed by an explosion in the plant of the Senior Power company, at Morrow, Ohio.

More than \$5,000,000, in money orders, was sent to foreign countries through the port of New York between December 2 and December 16, when the last of the Christmas remittance money ships sailed.

Iowa received first in the awards on state exhibits at the National Horticultural congress just closed at Council Bluffs.

Three murderers were hanged at Bellingham, Washington, Friday.

C. M. Buckles, an Oklahoma banker, has been found guilty of embezzlement and sentenced to a year in the pen and to pay a fine of \$3,485.

A jury has finally been completed to try the night-rider cases at Union City, Tenn.

Prof. Edward Clark, known in Europe and America as an archaeologist, has resigned from the faculty of the Ripon, Wis., college after fourteen years of service with that institution.

Clyde M. Reed, of Kansas, has been appointed superintendent of the divisions of railway adjustments of the postoffice department.

The total cost of the primary election held in Kansas last August will not be far from \$110,000.

The jury in the Rhinehart case, at Waynesburg, Penn., disagreed after being out forty-three hours.

The American Steel and Wire company will give employment to 1,000 or 1,500 idle men this week.

Governor Hughes, of New York, has appointed a commission to investigate stock exchange methods.

### Washington.

All of the Roosevelt children are expected at the White House to spend Christmas with their parents.

Governmental appropriations to the states for reorganization of the rural school systems and improving country roads will be the recommendation of the commission on country life. It suggests contained in 11,000 letters from farmers serve as a basis for the report the commission is now drawing up.

The house ways and means committee has completed its hearings on the proposed revision of the tariff and the sub-committee has begun the work of revising the present law into a tariff bill.

Andrew Carnegie was a witness before the house ways and means committee tariff hearing, the first of the week. He said the steel industry had grown so that it did not need further tariff protection.

The cotton crop of 1908 is said to be 11,892,115 bales, according to the census bureau.

The American battleship fleet has made its departure from Colombo for Suez.

Senator Dolliver, of Iowa, is preparing to make an effort for inauguration of a scheme of government aid and encouragement in the improvement of the rural schools of the whole country.

Chairman Knapp, of the interstate commerce commission declares himself decidedly of the opinion that the time has come for the government to take up the supervision of the capitalization of great corporations.

Rear Admiral John E. Pillsbury, having reached the age of sixty-two years, was placed on the retired list.

# NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

## ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

David Sherwood, ex-county commissioner of Thayer county, was found dead in a room in the Alexandria hotel. He had gone to the room to prepare for a trip and dropped dead of heart failure. Mr. Sherwood was one of the oldest residents of the county and was commissioner two consecutive terms during the time the \$75,000 court house was being built.

Because a team which had been hired on Saturday afternoon to drive to Riverdale had not been returned to his livery barn on Sunday afternoon, Albert Greider, proprietor of the barn, Kearney, took steps to find young Ansbury, who has served time at the industrial school. The team was located at Lexington, where the young man had attempted to sell the same.

Mrs. R. A. Cottle sold her eighty acre farm near Colon in Saunders county to Charles Davis for \$9,000. Mrs. Cottle when a young woman got title to this land by preemption. She was a girl about twenty years of age then—fifty years ago this winter. Her maiden name was Rebecca Keeler and she was among the earliest settlers, having come to Saunders county in 1837.

H. A. Silver, a prosperous retired farmer living in Tamora, Seward county, committed suicide by hanging himself in an outbuilding. S. Brown, a general merchant of Tamora, failed a short time ago, owing Silver about \$300. The loss of this money seemed to prey on his mind, as he had been worrying about it, and it is thought that he took his life while temporarily deranged.

The government inspector was called to Auburn to examine the cattle in the dairy herd of Nixon & Harris, and twenty-two head of the herd were pronounced affected with tuberculosis. These cattle had been separated from the cows that were giving milk for the trade, and had been kept in other pastures because of the fact that Harris & Sons had found that they were not doing well, though they had kept in good order in all cases.

Mrs. Mathilda Ruser and John Slager have been taken to the penitentiary at Lincoln to begin their terms of punishment for having plotted to kill Mrs. Ruser's husband, Emil Ruser of Sarpy county, as he lay asleep in bed. They both pleaded guilty and Mrs. Ruser was sentenced to one year and Slager to six years. They were taken to the Douglas county jail for safe keeping until Sheriff Spearman of Sarpy county was ready to take them to Lincoln.

Joseph Walter, against whom a complaint had been made on an insanity charge, sent word to Sheriff Sammons of Buffalo county that he would shoot if any attempt were made to take him. He purchased the gun and a good supply of ammunition, and when he was arrested in a crowd of Christmas shoppers he tried to carry out the threat, but was captured without difficulty and taken care of. Walter was released from the asylum only a few weeks ago.

Judge Gutterson, prosecuting attorney for Custer county, was badly injured by being caught between two automobiles while driving in a buggy with his wife. He was taking the middle of the road, when the two machines, driven respectively by Messrs. Willing and Johnston, attempted to pass on either side. The horses took fright and made a quick turn and upset the buggy, throwing the occupants violently out. One ear was torn from the judge's head.

The First Christian church of Fremont will pay off all its indebtedness on New Year's day, when the annual meeting is held. It is enabled to do so by a "lift" it has been given by the trustees of a church which recently disbanded at Maple Creek. The Maple Creek church agreed to give the Fremont church the \$500 it had in its treasury for the purpose of paying off the church debt, provided an equal amount was subscribed in Fremont. It was announced in the church that the amount had been subscribed.

The State Board of Educational Lands and Funds made a bid for the Douglas county court house bonds, formally agreeing to take them in block at par or take them in such amounts as Douglas county commissioners may desire, with sixty days' notice. It is the understanding that Douglas county has an offer for the entire \$1,000,000 of bonds in a block, but the terms of the bid make it possible for the county board to sell the bonds, as it needs the money. The offer of the board will net the state 4 per cent.

Charles Colle, long a resident of Dawes county, committed suicide some time December 18 or 19 about three miles northeast of Chadron. He cut his throat with a razor from ear to ear.

Red Willow county furnishes a case of swift justice. Josiah S. Calvert robbed an intoxicated friend Saturday night, was arrested on Sunday, appeared in district court Monday and pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary, to which he was taken by the sheriff the same night. The amount involved was \$60. Calvert is 23 years old.

# NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Greater or Lesser Importance Over the State.

Homer Carothers of Utica was quite badly injured at Shickley by a fall from a freight car.

The Baptist ladies at Loup City cleared \$50 on a supper they gave a few evenings ago.

The annual meeting of the Nebraska Territorial association will be held in Lincoln, January 12.

The two months' session of the last grand jury of Douglas county cost the county over \$3,000.

While Robert Day of Gage county was carrying a mule the other day it got unruly and kicked, striking Mr. Day in the face and fracturing the jaw bone.

The Co-operative Creamery association at Germantown will hold its annual meeting for the election of officers for the coming year January 5, 1909, at 1 o'clock.

Lewis H. Clarke, a waiter at the Elite bakery in Hastings, was quite badly scalded from his hip to his knee by a pot of boiling coffee falling from a table onto him.

J. O. Walker died at Ong very suddenly. He was ill only two hours. His age was about 36 years. He was president of a chain of banks embracing Geneva, Deshier, Clayton, Edgar and Clay County.

The Fremont Canning company will raise corn on the 350 acres of land for which it has contracted. The company heretofore has depended upon corn brought in by the farmers, but was unable to get enough for it for its annual campaign.

If the decision recently handed down by the supreme court is of the scope the lawyers in Central City believe Chapman is likely to be without a saloon shortly and Merriek county will be entirely without saloons, save for the one at Silver Creek.

The adjutant general is preparing for the state inspection of the companies of the Nebraska National Guard, which is to take place between January 11 and February 19. The inspection is required by act of congress and will be done by officers of the guard.

Mrs. R. P. Starr of Loup City received a very nice heirloom from an aged aunt one day last week. It was a neat little diamond ring, the one placed on her grandmother's finger by her grandfather when they were married. Mrs. Starr will be the custodian of it in the future.

The other night Mrs. George Buffington of Herman, an old lady 70 years of age, but quite active, retired feeling as well or better than her term, and next morning her husband woke up about 6 a. m. and found her dead in bed beside him, she having expired some time during the night without waking any one.

Negotiations are under way for the building of an alfalfa feed mill in Hastings. Some mention was publicly made of the plans some days ago. The promotion of two other projects of a similar nature has been started. While three sets of men stand ready to build a mill, only one of the projects is likely to be carried through.

Vera Ross, aged 14, a Scribner girl, is the champion apron maker of the world. Miss Ross carried off the prize in the hand-made apron class at the National Corn exposition at Omaha. She was awarded a sewing machine. Dodge county's school exhibit won the first premium for the best collective county exhibit at the show.

Robert J. Fraas has commenced action in the county court at Seward, in which he asks for \$1,000 from Isma Bowker, the village clerk at Pleasant Dale, Seward county, and his bondsmen. Fraas was granted a saloon license in 1907 and contends that he sustained damages to the above amount because the clerk failed to issue it promptly.

Samuel Wymore, after whom the town of Wymore was named, suffered a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Wymore settled in Gage county in 1863. He at one time owned the land upon which the towns of Blue Springs and Wymore are located. Some years ago he moved to Idaho, where he now owns considerable land. Mr. Wymore is 73 years of age.

More than fifteen years after the death of John L. Martin of Merriek county his heirs have started suit for the partition of his estate, and a division either of the land or of the proceeds of the sale of the land among the several heirs. During all these years the estate has been in the probate court and it was not until lately that a petition for a final settlement was filed by the widow, Elmira Martin.

It is found on checking up the registration of the Peru normal for the last few years that the registration in the junior and senior classes is four times what it was in 1904. It is also found that about one-fourth of the normal graduates have been graduated in the last biennium. This shows a remarkable growth of the school, indicating an increased demand on the part of the state for trained teachers.

A Union Pacific supply car caught fire in the yards at North Bend and burned up before anything in it could be saved.

The Wayne Normal closed the fall term for the holiday vacation of ten days. The new term opened the 28th. The outlook is for the largest winter attendance the school has ever had. Accommodations are planned for 1,000 students.

The H. L. Silver Music company's store in Beatrice was completely gutted by fire. The loss to the stock will amount to \$4,000, with \$3,000 insurance.

# MORE ARRESTS DUE

PITTSBURG TO HAVE A MUNICIPAL CLEANING UP.

## FORTY MEN BEING WATCHED

Voters' League is in Deadly Earnest, and Declares it Will Not Be Frightened—Banks Being Overhauled.

About forty more arrests in the council bribe scandal are promised by the voters' league, according to a statement made by A. Leo Wells, president of the league. Other officers of the league say they have plenty of evidence against many persons, who, it is stated, will be arrested. The first meeting of the council since the disclosures were made is scheduled for Monday night. Attorney Clarence Bureleigh, counsel for Joseph Wasson, Jacob Sefell and T. O. Atkinson, of the seven accused councilmen, stated that he would advise his clients to continue their duties.

T. D. Harmon, a member of the executive committee of the voters' league, said: "Pittsburg's councilman corruptors, the real root of the bribery evil here, will suffer equally with those who fell before their temptations. The voters' league is not in this thing for any political reason, for there is not a member of the executive body who would accept a public office if it were given him. We intend to clean up the city and this is the first move. Other sensations will follow and the men who are attempting to frighten us by threats of counter suits soon will learn whether or not we are in earnest."

It was reported that a number of national banks were undergoing a thorough examination in connection with the report that certain institutions had issued \$176,000 for the privilege of handling the city's funds, but government officials refused to either confirm or deny the story.

Claus Spreckles is Dead.

Claus Spreckles, widely known as the "sugar king" of the Pacific coast, died at 4:30 o'clock Saturday at his home in San Francisco in his eightieth year. The immediate cause of death was an attack of pneumonia, which developed with alarming symptoms during the past few days. His condition Friday night told his physicians that the end was near, and relatives remained at his bedside until the hour of his death. Rudolph Spreckles, who returned from Honolulu Friday on board the steamer Nippon Maru, was one of the number. John D. Spreckles, proprietor of the San Francisco Call and head of the Oceanic Steamship company, was also in attendance at his father's bedside, as were Mrs. Harry Holbrook and Mrs. W. W. Alexander Hamilton, the daughters of Mr. John D. Spreckles.

Despite his advanced age, Mr. Spreckles had devoted a large share of attention to the various enterprises in which he was interested, and it is less than a month since he appeared before the ways and means committee of the house in Washington as authority on the subject of sugar duties. Two years ago he was attacked by a severe illness, but his vigorous constitution enabled him to withstand his sickness, and he was, after a time, restored to his usual health.

Apart from the importance which attached to Claus Spreckles as the pioneer sugar refiner of the Pacific coast, an investor of millions in California and the Hawaiian Islands, the Spreckles family has for many years been one of the most prominent in the state. John D. Spreckles, his eldest son, has been for years a directing influence in oriental trade, apart from his other interests, and Rudolph Spreckles, president of the First National bank of San Francisco, has been a supporter of the graft prosecution in San Francisco to the extent of thousands of dollars in addition to his active participation.

Agreement is Reputed.

The agreement reached between the operators and miners of the Paint creek coal mining section has been repudiated by President T. L. Lewis of the united mine workers. The matter will now go before the national executive board and it is stated that the local officers of the mine workers who signed the separate agreement will be asked to show cause for their action.

Monopoly is Not a Crime.

Judge Taylor, in the St. Louis circuit court, sustained the demurrer of the Union Electric Light and Power company to the anti-trust suit filed by Circuit Attorney Sager to annul the charter of the company. The capital and bonded indebtedness of the company is \$25,000,000. In his petition the circuit attorney had stated that the company had a monopoly of selling electricity in St. Louis. Judge Taylor said that Missouri anti-trust law does not forbid the consolidation of two or more corporations engaged in the same business.

# WHAT THE DOLLIES HAD.

Small Wonder That the Little Mother Was Really Alarmed.

Little Mary was really very ill. Mother said she was sure it was an attack of appendicitis, but Grandmamma was equally sure the little one was threatened with convulsions.

The argument waxed warm in Mary's presence, and appropriate remedies were used, and the next day she was better.

Coming into her mother's room during her play she said: "Mamma, two of my dollies are very sick this morning."

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# HORRORS!



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