

# The Chief

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## RED CLOUD, - NEBR EPITOME OF EVENTS

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

### ARE BRIEF BUT INTERESTING

Record of What is Going on in Congress, in Washington and in the Political Field.

Washington.

A press dispatch from Washington announced that John D. Rockefeller had abandoned the idea of securing a national charter for his proposed foundation. Starr J. Murphy, personal counsel for Mr. Rockefeller, and speaking for the Standard Oil president, said the statement was entirely without foundation. Mr. Murphy also said that Mr. Rockefeller had nothing to do with the "Economic and General Foundation," for which a charter is being sought from the New York legislature for "an aged man of wealth," said to have \$2,500,000 to spend on charity.

A daughter was born to Senator and Mrs. Everidge. This is the second birth in the senator's family since his second marriage. The first child is a son, 20 months old.

The rural delivery service and the star route service of the postoffice department are to be consolidated and the combined service is to be known as the division of rural mails. The order will take effect on July first. The new division will have immediate supervision over annual appropriations aggregating close to \$50,000,000.

Three young West Point cadets will have a fair chance to break Pedestrian Weston's record, as the penalty for hazing fourth-class men, under the terms of an order issued by the superintendent of the military academy. Had it not been for the special act of congress, authorizing the secretary of war to dispose of their cases in accordance with the new regulations, they would have been expelled from the academy.

Rear Admiral Philip Hichborn, U. S. N., retired, died at his home here at the age of seventy-one. The admiral had been sick for the past two months, suffering from arterial sclerosis.

The interests of forty-seven railroads west of Chicago and of their engineers and firemen now hinge upon the selection of a third arbitrator by Chairman Knapp of the Interstate Commerce Commission and Commissioner Neill of the bureau of labor, the mediators under the Erdman act in labor controversies involving interstate commerce. Through the mediation of Messrs. Knapp and Neill, the railroads and their employees were brought together on a number of points and have decided to arbitrate the question on which they were deadlocked.

#### General.

President Taft ended a two days' stay in Pittsburgh with a speech at the Grant day dinner of the American club in which he dealt almost wholly with the foreign affairs of the nation.

Government experts on the hog cholera cure will probably be detailed to the school at Lincoln.

Charles Katz, who was found guilty of larceny by a jury in the supreme court of New York, was sentenced to serve an indeterminate term in the penitentiary.

Weston, the pedestrian, arrived in New York ahead of time in his ocean to ocean walk.

Within three hours after the subscription books had been opened in San Francisco at the local stock exchange, \$4,089,000 of the stock of the Panama-Pacific International exposition to be held in San Francisco in 1915 was subscribed.

In a protest to congress the Iowa railroad commission asks that the provision of the Taft railroad bill, which exempts from operation of the bill state rates applying between points wholly within the state, be retained.

The supreme court of Missouri denied a motion for a rehearing of R. J. House of the Kansas City Board of Trade, who was arrested on a charge of violating the law requiring grain to be sold by actual weight.

John W. Kern was endorsed for the senate by the Indiana state democratic convention.

Much of the \$100,000 left by the late Thomas F. Walsh to be distributed by his wife will go to the relatives and old-time friends in Colorado.

A Japanese spy, who was caught sketching a fort at the entrance to Hongkong harbor, was sentenced to imprisonment.

Harry K. Thaw, who killed Stanford White, must remain in the Matteawan insane asylum. The appellate division of the supreme court in Brooklyn handed down a decision to the effect that Matteawan is the proper place for Thaw.

Thomas Bailey, said by the police to be one of the three safe blowers who robbed the National Bank of Chicago, Ill., of \$9,000 on February 15, was arrested in Chicago.

No amendments of any character were placed on the postoffice appropriation bill by the senate committee which ordered the bills reported.

At a meeting of the trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, it was decided to hold the next convention in Louisville, Ky. The session closed with a banquet.

Ten millions of dollars is the amount Postmaster General Hitchcock expects to save during this fiscal year in the operating expenses of the Postoffice department.

The funeral of the late Bjornstjerne Bjornson, the Norwegian writer, who died recently in Paris was held at Christina with imposing ceremonies. It was attended by the king and queen.

Steel, Miller & Co., a spot cotton firm with headquarters at Corinth, Miss., and branches at Columbus and other towns throughout East Mississippi, went into bankruptcy.

So badly slashed is the senate railroad bill that its final passage by both houses is a matter of doubt.

San Antonio secret service agents have in their possession a number of counterfeit United States \$5 gold pieces believed to have been made in Mexico.

Six indictments were handed down by the special grand jury of which John D. Rockefeller, jr., is the foreman, which has been investigating the "white slave" traffic in New York.

Freight tariffs showing considerable increases over the present rates from western territory to the Atlantic seaboard will be filed with the interstate commerce commission to become effective on June 1.

John Quincy Adams Ward, one of America's greatest sculptors, died at his home in New York.

A Nicaragua citizen has written the American consul that cruelties are being practiced in Nicaragua.

The directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad company declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent.

The Chicago Freight Handlers' union, with a membership of 2,000, has sent an ultimatum to eighteen railroads entering the city.

B. P. Waggener has been made general solicitor of the Missouri Pacific Railroad company for Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado, with headquarters at Atchison, Kan.

William H. Burret, one of the biggest and heaviest men in the world, died at Locust Valley, N. Y. He weighed 568 pounds.

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Non-residents can maintain suits for divorce in the state of Kansas if the person against whom the action is brought can be served in the state.

Mr. Bryan says his poll of legislators shows the initiative and referendum would pass the Nebraska house without difficulty.

The national party prohibition convention may be held in Des Moines in 1912.

The election contests involving the seats of Representatives Joseph F. O'Connell of Massachusetts and Albert Estopinal of Louisiana, both democrats, were concluded by house committees.

Diamonds, jewelry and money to the value of \$6,000 were stolen in Reno, Nev., from the apartments of Miss Pa Packer, formerly a New York actress.

In the death of Bjornstjerne Bjornson Norway has lost her greatest distinctive Norwegian writer.

Mr. Roosevelt was praised in the superlative by heads of the municipality of Paris.

Senator Hale denied that fear of defeat prompted his announcement of coming retirement from the senate.

A question before the Nebraska supreme court is, has a city or town the right to lay out by a citizen from its streets.

Indiana democrats, in state convention, endorsed John W. Kern for United States senator.

The prohibition county convention in Nashville endorsed William J. Bryan of Nebraska for president, despite the fact that some of the delegates were skeptical as to whether he would consent to run under their banner.

The stockholders of the Chesapeake & Ohio, in a special session at Richmond, Va., authorized an increase of capital stock to \$100,000,000.

Rev. Henry H. Jessup, a widely known missionary and author, died at Beirut, Syria.

The Erie railway wage difficulties with its firemen has been adjusted. The men get an advance of 8 per cent.

#### Personal.

Secretary Ballinger says he has no intention of resigning.

Secretary Wilson, in a talk to farmers gave his theories on causes of the high cost of living.

A suggestion has been made to Congressman Hinshaw that he make the race for governor of Nebraska.

Representative Harrison demanded light on New York customs house frauds.

Senator Brown has asked the supreme court for a rehearing in the Nebraska elevator case.

House democrats will not assist the insurgents in ousting Cannon.

Samuel Gompers pleads for a union of farmers and organized labor.

The senate confirmed the nomination of Governor Hughes as a justice of the supreme court.

Senator Burkett is trying to arrange a visit of West Point cadets to Omaha the coming fall.

Colonel Roosevelt is said to have written a letter endorsing the administration of President Taft.

In an address at New York, Attorney General Wickersham criticized the insurgent members of congress.

## KEEP MOUTH CLOSED

LAW REGULATING CENSUS ENUMERATORS IS STRICT.

### THEY MAY NOT EVEN GUESS

Information Must Be Held 'Till Proper Time—Other Matters From the Capital of the State.

The census enumerators are not supposed to open their mouths in so much as even a guess as to the figures that any department of the census will show in the end. The taking of the census is supposed to be a strictly confidential operation and Uncle Sam is going to see that the enumerators do not talk so much as to betray the confidence that is placed in them when they take the oath for the work. In other words, the census is for a public record to be given out by the government in due time and not to be gossiped about by individual enumerators while the work is being done.

Supervisor of Census Helvey of the First district says that the law is very plain as well as severe on this point. The penalty the law has fixed on an enumerator who divulges any information obtained while in the progress of his official duties is \$1,000 fine or not over five years of imprisonment. The census enumerator is constantly pined with questions concerning his work and what he has found and especially is he daily asked dozens of times for an opinion as to what the population will be found to number at the final count. The law, aside from restricting him from giving out definite information, provides that he shall not even make a guess at final figures of any kind connected with the taking of the census. This provision is made because it is presumed that if the enumerator gave out his guess he would be basing that opinion on something that his official work so far had showed him.

Since the law provides that the individual or the corporation accurately divulge all required information to the enumerator, it at once provides for the absolute secrecy of the enumerator in order that no unfair advantages shall be taken at any point, or in any way. The enumerator of manufacturers' census backed by the authority of Uncle Sam, probes into the most secret books of all firms and corporations, and the government protects that manufacturer from having his business secrets gossiped about in the neighborhood at once by attaching the penalty to the sin of divulging the facts.

All in due time the director of census at Washington, D. C., will give out the official reports, and it is presumed that until he does no one person shall know any more about the census than does another. It is thought that the official statements will be ready some time in July.

#### Cash in State Treasury.

The state treasurer's report for the month of April shows that there is still plenty of cash in the state treasury.

The balance the first of the month was \$684,889.28. Saturday night the balance was \$628,493.42. The receipts during the month were \$169,819.77 and the disbursements were \$226,395.62. The permanent funds invested amount to \$8,778,584.98, divided as follows:

Perm. school.....\$7,801,997.29  
Perm. university.....201,637.39  
A. C. E.....496,031.56  
Normal endowment.....77,817.21

#### Grigware, the Train Robber.

Several people in Lincoln are convinced that Frank Grigware, the convicted train robber who escaped from the federal penitentiary April 21, is hiding here. Several persons, among them women, have called up the police and insisted that a man answering the description of Grigware had been seen in their neighborhood.

#### Escaped Fugitive Overhauled.

Axel Johnson, for over two years a fugitive from justice under indictment in the Lincoln division of federal court, has been captured at Twin Falls, Mont., and will be brought back to this city for trial. He is charged with counterfeiting.

#### Omaha Debaters Defeated.

Taking the affirmative on the question that labor unions are, on the whole beneficial, the Omaha high school debating squad was judged to be defeated in the contest with the Lincoln high school trio.

#### Cost of the Campaign.

The published report of the committee of fifty which had charge of the dry campaign here shows that the receipts were \$3,158.63 and the expenditures amounted to \$3,142.89.

#### New School Location.

Providing the park board will submit a proposition for \$50,000 for park purposes, the school board will agree to locate the high school building on the Davenport tract. This the school board finally decided, following a wrangle for many months. The Davenport tract contains eight acres and was bought by the school board some years ago. Some one objected to the construction of the building on the ground because it was considered too low, so the school board held the matter up for discussion.

### A SPECIAL SESSION.

Mr. Bryan Sees Work for Nebraska Legislators.

Hon. W. J. Bryan has mailed a letter to all democratic members of the last legislature asking them if they will support an initiative and referendum resolution for the submission of a constitutional amendment to that effect at the general election this fall.

He has also asked J. H. Mockett, Jr., president of the Nebraska Direct Legislation league to get a poll of the republican members. The letter for most part follows:

My Dear Sir: The failure of the legislature to submit the initiative and referendum at its regular session has brought county option—which is direct legislation—into the present campaign, and this question is drawing attention from national issues. It is unfortunate that this should be the case at this time when six congressmen are to be elected, and when a senator is to be chosen by the next legislature.

Unless the mistake made by the legislature can be remedied, our party will be confronted by a very serious situation. It might promise in its platform to submit the initiative and referendum at the next session, but it could hardly expect to be trusted to submit the measure next time if with a democratic governor, senate and house it is unable to do so now, unless it declares its independence of special interests.

In my opinion the best way to meet the situation is by the submission of the initiative and referendum by a called session of the legislature and I have no doubt that Governor Shallenberger will call such a special session if assured that a majority of both houses will support the initiative and referendum resolution, which will give to the people the legislative machinery through which they could legislate upon any question in which they are interested. A called session would also doubtless ratify the income tax amendment.

If it is not possible to submit the initiative and referendum for ratification as a constitutional amendment at the election this fall, nothing is left for our party to do but to declare for the initiative and referendum and county option in its state platform this summer. In order to ascertain whether an initiative and referendum resolution would pass in case of a special session being called, I take the liberty of submitting the question to you and to the other democratic members of the senate and house. Please wire me at once, at my expense, whether you would be willing to support such a resolution at a special session.

In a written statement regarding his letter to democratic members, Mr. Bryan says: "I hope that the democratic and republican papers that favor the initiative and referendum will take the matter up and urge the passage of the initiative and referendum resolution. It might be well for the committeemen and all others, both democrats and republicans, who are interested in the present campaign, to see these senators and members who didn't support the measure at the last session and point out to them the importance of the special session."

The Plattsmouth city council has issued six saloon licenses and has granted two drugstore permits to sell liquor during the coming year.

Hughes is Appreciative. In reply to its telegram of congratulations over his appointment as a member of the United States supreme court, the State Railway commission has received the following message from Governor Hughes:

Albany, N. Y., April 27.—Nebraska State Railway Commission, Lincoln, Neb.: "I cordially appreciate your telegram."

"CHARLES E. HUGHES."

Ruling on Bleached Flour. State Food Commissioner S. I. Mains has returned from Portland, Ore., and Boise City, Idaho. At the latter place western food commissioners met and asked for a speedy hearing of the suits in federal court to test the ruling of the national food department against bleached flour.

Must Quit Business. Clubs that do business merely to serve drinks to members were warned that they must quit business in Lincoln. The Phoenix club and the Eagles were raided, a few arrests made and the booze found on the premises was hauled to the station.

University Summer Session. The summer session of the University of Nebraska for 1910, June 17 to August 12, will be the first summer session in the history of this institution under the direct management of the chancellor. Academic instruction in the university proper will be of the highest order with the head professors in charge of their respective departments.

Can Increase Stock. The railway commission gave permission to the Grand Island Telephone company to increase its capital stock from \$75,000 to \$100,000. The proceeds from the sale of the stock will be used for improvements and extensions.

Lincoln, Neb.—Ernest M. Pollard of Nehawka will not be a candidate for congress in the First district. He will issue a statement to this effect and will thank his friends for the favors shown him in the past.

## NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

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

### ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

A great deal of building is being done in Alnaworth.

Seward will spend \$4,400 in getting a new supply of city water.

A number of Omaha saloon men have been arrested for selling liquor to Indians.

The several road supervisors of Johnson county held a meeting in Tecumseh for the purpose of getting together on a general plan of road building and maintenance.

Robert L. Love, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Love, who reside three miles southeast of Valparaiso was instantly killed by being run over by a heavy wagon.

The county board of supervisors of Dawson county have decided to sell the county poor farm and invest part of the proceeds in a county hospital for the poor. This decision was made after an investigation. The present farm represents property valued at \$25,000 and \$1,800 yearly expense for maintenance and there are only two inmates.

Saying that it would not hurt anybody, Martin Larsen, of Hall county, aged 15 years, placed a revolver at his temple, pulled the trigger and instantly killed himself. It is believed the boy thought the pistol was not loaded.

Word has been received in Nebraska City of the sudden death of Maty Howell, a son of Roy Howell and for years a resident of that city. His death occurred in Oklahoma.

Sheriff J. N. Gustus of Phelps county is back home after a week or more spent with his daughter on her new homestead near Willard, Colo. Mr. Gustus reports that an unusually large number of Nebraskans have located in that section.

Mrs. Estella E. Warden has filed suit against the Burlington, asking \$10,000 damages for injuries for being ejected from a passenger train by a brakeman, at Hamburg, Ia., February 18. She also sues to recover forty-two cents overcharge for a ticket from Nebraska City to Hamburg, a distance of less than fourteen miles.

The new German Lutheran church, eight miles southwest of Tecumseh, will be dedicated on Sunday, May 8. Many barn fires have recently occurred in Nuckolls county, near Superior. They are believed to be of incendiary origin, and it is likely that some arrests will be made.

S. B. Wolbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Wolbach of Grand Island, and who was born and reared in that place, has been elected to the position of assistant professor of bacteriology of Harvard college for a term of five years. He has been an instructor at Harvard for a number of years.

The town board of Valentine had a special meeting and decided to call a special election in regard to the request of the state to give forty acres of land on which to build permanent buildings for the state experimental farm, as the state only has a lease from the government for the land, and it does not want to erect permanent building on leased ground.

James Hummel, a veterinary surgeon and old-time resident of Gothenburg, dropped dead from heart trouble twenty-eight miles northeast of that place. He had just finished operating on some horses and sat down to rest. Death came very suddenly with no warning whatever.

After deliberating all day the jury at Central City brought in a decision in the case against Sherman Grubb on a charge of horse stealing, finding him not guilty. Grubb was charged with being a member of a gang which stole three horses from the Reeves farm, a few miles south of town, last September.

Irvin Cross, a real estate agent of Ufa, met with a serious accident three miles south of Waco. He was riding a motor-cycle at a rate of about sixty miles an hour when his wheel broke, throwing him forcibly to the ground, rendering him unconscious, badly mutilating his face and otherwise bruising his head.

Some time since W. A. Schapers, who had been conducting a saloon at Syracuse, died and several wholesale liquor houses brought suit against his widow, in whose name the husband conducted the business. The suit dragged in the courts for some time and finally Judge Wilson, after hearing the evidence, decided that a woman could not have a license or conduct a saloon under the Sloumb law and dismissed the suits.

Clark Townsend was found dead in bed at Stratton. The day before he had been in the country taking census, and it is thought that overexertion of going from place to place on his motorcycle was the direct cause of his death.

Henry Hottel of Kansas City, Kan., proprietor of a moving picture show, was probably fatally injured at Stella by an explosion of gas he was generating to operate the machine. A 13-year-old daughter who was assisting him was badly burned, but will recover.

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Different. Visitor—I saw your husband in the crowd down town today. In fact, he was so close that I could have touched him.

Hostess—That's strange. At home he is so close that nobody can touch him!—Puck.

Didn't Care to Mention His Name. A colored woman presented herself the other day in an equal suffrage state at the place of registration to qualify for the casting of her vote on the school question at the next election.

"With what political party do you affiliate?" inquired the clerk of the unaccustomed applicant, using the prescribed formula.

The dusky "lady" blushed, all coyness and confusion. "Is I bleged to answer that there question?"

"Certainly; the law requires it."

"Then," retreating in dismay, "I don't believe I'll vote, 'case I'd hate to have to mention the party's name. He's one of the nicest gent-mums in town."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Light on Cause of Tuberculosis. The sixth annual meeting of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis was held in Washington on May 2 and 3. Among the most interesting papers was one by Dr. William H. Park, the famous pathologist and head of the laboratories of the New York city department of health. Dr. Park contended that pulmonary tuberculosis is very rarely, if ever, caused by infection from bovine sources, such as the drinking of milk or the eating of meat. Tuberculosis of the stomach and internal organs, which compose only about ten per cent. of the sickness from this disease, are often caused by drinking or eating infected matter. Doctor Park substantiated his conclusions by showing the results of years of investigation and examination of pathological specimens. His conclusions are substantially those reached by Dr. Robert Koch, the discoverer of the tubercle bacillus.

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