

IT WAS A BLIZZARD

HIGH WIND AND LOW TEMPERATURE IN GENERAL.

HAPPENINGS OVER THE STATE

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska and Vicinity.

Geneva.—An old time blizzard struck Geneva at midnight Saturday and continued throughout Sunday and Monday. The temperature was 12 degrees below zero. About two inches of snow fell, but it is clear and the wind has fallen to a velocity of about fifteen miles per hour.

Hastings to Abolish Lottery.

Hastings.—Mayor Miles has directed the police to investigate a device said to be in use in several places of business in connection with the sale of candy. The device in question is said to be a board with many holes. Numbers are hidden in the holes. The purchaser of a chance punches the covering over a number, selecting the holes he wishes. Certain numbers entitle the purchaser to various amounts of candy, while others entitle him to none.

"\$20,000 in Twenty Days."

Grand Island.—A unique effort is being made by the committee of fifteen appointed by the commercial club to carry out Grand Island's part of the plan of the Baptist state convention to raise \$100,000 for the Grand Island college.

The slogan of "Twenty Thousand Dollars in Twenty Days" has been adopted and the committees are at work.

Nebraskan Makes Russian Windmill.

Hastings.—M. Fairman of this city is in receipt from Odessa, Russia, of an order for a windmill to be erected near that place. This is the first American-made windmill to be shipped to Russia and the first mill of any kind to be used in that part of the country to which it is shipped.

No. 1 Auto Leaves State.

S. E. Hawley of Kearney, the man who held automobile license No. 1 in this state, has departed, taking this number, for which there has been much competition among automobile owners and drivers, with him. He will live at Monte Vista, Colo.

Farewell Reception.

David City.—St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal church of this city gave a farewell reception to Governor-elect and Mrs. Aldrich, who leave Monday for their new home and new duties in Lincoln.

Killed Wolf in Back Yard.

Surprise.—Two coyotes came up into George Gill's yard and started to fight his dogs. Mr. Gill got up and shot at them, killing one instantly and crippling the other.



Fairbury is organizing a juvenile band.

Gordon business firms will close at 6:30 p. m.

Fire at Salem destroyed property valued at \$25,000.

The West India Mahogany company has been incorporated at Lincoln.

A lodge of the Woodmen of the World has been organized at Axtell.

The epidemic of scarlet fever that threatened West Point has subsided.

The new Burlington passenger station at Peru is practically completed.

Dr. W. J. Doyle died very suddenly Monday morning at his home in Greeley.

The new plant of the Fremont Gas and Electric Light company is rapidly nearing completion.

York voters defeated the \$65,000 city water plant bonds at a special election held recently.

Rev. Titterton of Omaha has been secured as regular pastor of the Baptist church at Auburn.

Mrs. J. L. Hughes of Lincoln was badly burned by the explosion of a gasoline iron she was using.

Lilla Rohweder, of Atinsworth, aged twenty years, died very suddenly Sunday of acute indigestion.

Arrangements are completed for the organization of a Knights of Columbus council in Fremont.

The "Arkansas Traveler" was presented by home talent at the Orleans opera house, and drew a big crowd.

Wesleyan university, at University Place, has issued bonds to the amount of \$50,000 which it will place on sale shortly.

Out of town visitors to the minstrel show given Christmas eve by the penitentiary "shut ins" are loud in praises of the entertainment.

The residents of the Masonic home at Plattsmouth celebrated Christmas by having a tree in the large dining-room of the home Christmas eve.

Farmers and business men in and around Minnare have filed a petition with Governor Shallenberger protesting against the granting of executive clemency to H. S. Kennison, convicted of the murder of Sam D. Cox. It is stated that a pardon in this case would tend to encourage mob violence.

LEFT HOLDING SACK

NEBRASKA UNLIKELY TO GET THE CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP.

PRESIDENT HAS MAN IN MIND

Now Representative in Congress, but Once on Iowa Bench, Where He Made a Record—Some Disappointments.

Washington.—Nebraska's chances for having a native son appointed a judge of the Eighth circuit court were lessened very materially when the semi-official announcement was made at the white house that the president had about made up his mind to appoint Representative Walter L. Smith of Iowa to succeed Judge Vandeventer. This suggestion of the president's intention was made almost simultaneously with the appearance at the white house of Senator Burkett on a mission the nature of which he refused to disclose, although it is believed that he again called to urge the appointment of H. H. Wilson, his law partner.

If the president carries out his present intention it will mean that a score or more aspirants will be disappointed, including M. L. Learned and Representative Norris of Nebraska. Judge Norris has at no time been an active candidate for the place, and has not asked the president to appoint him, but a number of insurgents in the house were anxious to see him elevated to the bench.

Judge Smith was formerly on the bench in Iowa, and the president has high regard for his ability.

Icebox Holdup Men.

Kansas City.—Emmet Farley, a bartender, and J. T. Wolf, a hotel clerk, were the victims of two "icebox" holdup men Wednesday. After the robbers had taken \$25 from the cash drawer and a gold watch from Farley, one of them said: "Now climb into the icebox." The robbers locked the icebox and escaped. Fifteen minutes later Farley and Wolf were released. A grocer in Kansas City, Kan., with a customer were robbed by two men and left in a refrigerator last week.

King Manuel Out of Cash.

Lisbon.—The British government has intervened successfully with Portugal on behalf of the deposed monarch of the deposed King Manuel. Representatives from the foreign office at London set forth that the exiled monarch was possessed of means insufficient for his personal needs. Accordingly the Portuguese government has decided to allow him to receive the revenues derived from the properties of the house of Braganza.

Saxe-Weimar Celebrates.

Berlin.—A general holiday was observed throughout Saxe-Weimar Wednesday in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the accession of Grand Duke William Ernest to the throne. The grand duke, who is exceedingly popular with all classes of his subjects, succeeded his grandfather, the late Grand Duke Charles Alexander, on January 5, 1901, when he was but twenty-five years of age.

Russian Towns in Ruins.

St. Petersburg.—A message from Tashkent, Russian Turkestan, gives unconfirmed rumors that the towns of Przhelavsk and Pishpek, in the territory of Semiretchensk, were destroyed by Wednesday's earthquake, and that a lake has formed on the site of the former place. Each town has a population of about 8,000.

Fifteen Dead in Wreck.

Queenstown, Union of South Africa.—Fifteen persons were killed and forty of fifty others injured in the wreck of a passenger train near Cape Colony. The train, which was loaded with holiday marketers, left the rails, and turning over, rolled down an embankment.

No Trace of the Robbers.

Seattle.—The two robbers who looted the mail car of the north coast limited train of the Northern Pacific undoubtedly left the train at Argo, where the train stopped because of a crossing and they are now believed to be in Seattle.

Six Additional Indictments.

New York.—The grand jury has ordered six additional indictments against Joseph D. Robin, charging him with grand larceny to the amount of \$200,000 from the Northern bank and savings bank.

New York.—Former President Roosevelt will be the chief speaker at the annual banquet of the periodical publishers' association of America, to be given at the Waldorf-Astoria.

Dry Spot of the Country.

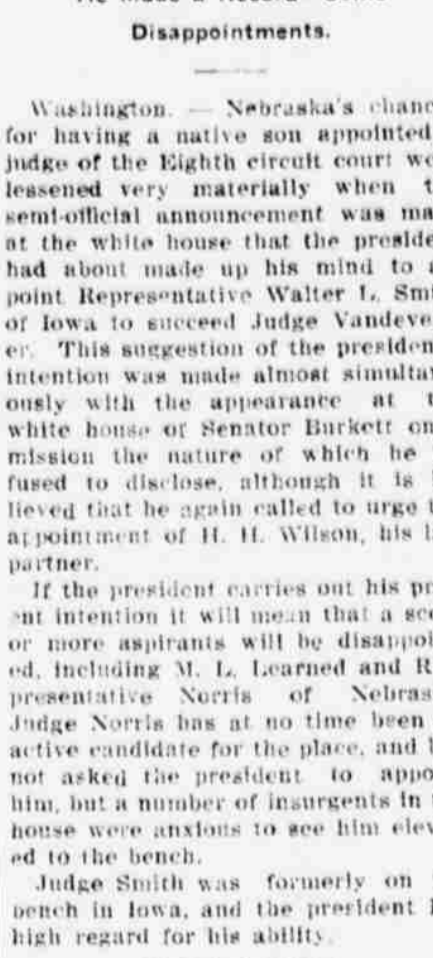
El Paso.—El Paso probably can lay claim to having been the driest place in the United States in the year just closed. The total annual rainfall was but four and three-hundredths inches. The average for a year here is 9.84 inches.

New York.—The establishment of a commercial court for the voluntary settlement of business disputes of hove merchants has been decided upon by the New York chamber of commerce.

IN PRIMITIVE EGYPTIAN WAY

Irrigation Has Been Practiced in the Nile Valley for a Thousand Years Without Progress.

Washington.—In the valley of the Nile irrigation has been practiced for thousands of years, and if time and experience were in themselves sufficient, we ought to find water distributed with more skill and used with better results there than in any other country. Such, however, is not the case. On the contrary, the irrigators of this country have little to learn



The Egyptian Shaduf.

from Egypt so far as practical methods are concerned. The reasons for this are not obscure. One is the lack of inventive and mechanical skill on the part of the farmer. Here in this country every implement used in agriculture has been subject to constant changes and improvements; the Egyptian still uses the crooked stick for a plow and beats out his corn as did his ancestors in the time of Pharaoh. In this country we have already evolved machinery for the construction of canals, building of laterals and cleaning out and enlarging of ditches; in Egypt many canals are cleaned by throwing the mud out by hand. The lessons of Egypt, therefore, so far as irrigation practice is concerned, are of negative value. There is another reason why this is so. Irrigators in Egypt are paid 15 cents a day. Their methods are impossible only with this low wage rate. An immense modern steam pumping plant may be operated alongside of a shaduf, and the native, when interviewed, will point with pride to the superior machine he employs.

BIG TEXAS TOWN MAY MOVE

El Paso Probably Will Become the Metropolis of the State of New Mexico.

San Antonio, Tex.—New Mexico has long claimed this strip of land shaded in the map, extending west of the 103d parallel, about 200 miles long on the western border of Texas. It comprises El Paso county, one of the largest



Map of El Paso County.

in Texas, and which has threatened in the past to secede from Texas and form a new state.

A compromise is said to be under way by which Texas will give the county to New Mexico. This will make the city of El Paso the metropolis of the state of New Mexico.

The Human Body.

Washington.—A man will die for want of air in five minutes, for want of sleep in ten days, for want of water in a week. Hunger is slow to kill. When one falls asleep, the surrender of sight, taste, smell, hearing and touch is necessary. The sense of touch is the lightest sleeper and most easily awakened; hearing comes next, then sight, while slumber and smell last. The human body is an epitome in nature of all mechanics, all hydraulics, all architecture, all machinery, of every kind. There are more than 310 mechanical movements known today, and all these are but modifications of those found in the human body.

CANVASS OF VOTES

MORTENSEN ALONE NOT DECLARED ELECTED.

A STRICT PARTY LINE DIVISION

The turbulent session promised over the canvass of the votes of last fall for state officers, materialized in Wednesday's session of the legislature only in that a few members took occasion to expound the technicalities of the law which governed the disputed points, and in a record vote which most members accepted as a sure thing before the session got under way. The canvass consumed the entire afternoon and resulted finally in the formal declaration by the speaker that all state officers who showed majorities on the official abstract of the secretary of state were duly elected, except Peter Mortensen for railway commissioner to fill an unexpired term. On his vote the speaker merely declared the vote which he received. The returns from the ninety-two counties of the state were checked with the printed abstract of secretary of state at the request of friends of the defeated candidates and no errors were found.

William H. Cowgill, democratic railway commissioner, died twenty-five days before the November election. Governor Shallenberger appointed a successor. The republicans interpreted the law to read that in such a contingency the appointment could only hold until January 1, and that a member to fill the vacancy was to be elected at last fall's election. They placed Mortensen on the ballot by petition. The democrats held off on the ground that the governor's appointment was good for a year. Mortensen thus had no competition. His name will appear on the record of the secretary of state as the elected member. The republicans have agreed to secure a vote and have it recorded. The democrats will stick together.

When Lieutenant Governor Hopewell called the session to order Speaker Kuhl announced that Wait, for secretary of state, had been found to have received 111,229 votes, and Pool 111,137 votes, a lead for Wait of 92, just the figures shown on the printed abstract. Prince then moved that the printed abstract as prepared by the secretary of state be considered correct and the officers there shown to be elected be announced the accredited officials of the state.

The senate met at 11 a. m. Wednesday and after a session of a few minutes adjourned till 2 o'clock, preparatory to taking part in the joint session set for 2:15 for the canvass of the vote on state officers, congressmen and preference for senator.

Governor Signs Official Oath.

Governor-elect Aldrich signed the official oath of office and presented a bond in the sum of \$50,000. The bond is signed by a fidelity company as surety. The oath of office is the same as the oath signed by members of the legislature when they were sworn in. It will be used when the governor-elect is inaugurated. Chief Justice Reese of the supreme court will swear in the new officers before the legislature joint convention.

Senate Employees.

Banning of Cass, chairman of the committee on employees, has prepared a list of employees which his committee has agreed upon, some of whom have not yet been assigned to duty. The list agreed upon is as follows: C. B. Walton, custodian. Margaret Ford, clerk. Jim Mooberry, clerk. Rus Ladinann, doorkeeper. Lem Phillips, watchman. Harry Stoezel, page. L. Griffin, mail carrier. James Britten, copyist. W. R. Baum, copyist. J. W. Hodges, assistant sergeant-at-arms.

We're All Her Friends.

A pretty story of Miss Ellen Terry and a gallant young playwright has gone the rounds of the Players' club. Miss Terry attended in New York the first night of this playwright's latest work and at the end of the third act he was presented to her. She congratulated him warmly. "It is very good," she said. "Your play is very good, indeed, and I shall send all my American friends to see it." "In that case," said the playwright, with a very low and courtly bow, "my little piece will sell 90,000,000 tickets."

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MORPHINE RELIEVED PAIN—THE GREAT KIDNEY REMEDY RESTORES TO HEALTH

For the past few years I suffered greatly from what three physicians called neuralgia of the stomach. The doctors treated me without any success and I called in a fourth doctor, who pronounced my disease gall stones. I suffered intense pain and the only relief the doctor could give me was by injections of morphine. I was so completely discouraged that I had almost given up hope when a neighbor told me about Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. I decided to try it and began its use at once and after taking nine bottles was completely cured, not having a spell of sickness in over two years.

I have so much confidence in Swamp-Root that I never fail to recommend it to my friends who may have kidney troubles of any kind. I feel certain that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root saved my life, why should it not do likewise for others who take it in time?

You are at liberty to use this testimony at any time.

Yours truly,
MRS. ELLA HENRY,
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State of Missouri }
County of Jackson }
On this 28th day of July, A. D. 1908,

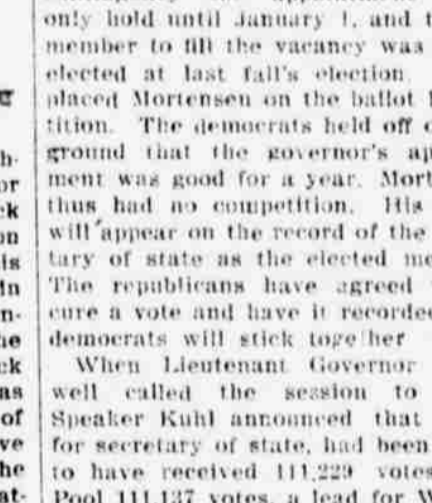
personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for said County and State, Mrs. Ella Henry, who subscribed the above statement and made oath that the same is true.

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TOUGH LUCK FOR BOTH.



Kind Old Gentleman—Why, children, what's the matter?

The Twins (in chorus)—Boohoo! Everybody sez I looks jest like him!

Young Age Pensions.

Young age pensions! Why not? Titles, honors, riches, pensions and most other good things are, as a rule, postponed to a period of life when the capacity for enjoying them has been blunted. Australia was one of the first countries to adopt old-age pensions, and now a Labor member of the commonwealth parliament proposes a complementary scheme of young-age pensions. He would start by pensioning the fourth child at birth. The fact that three had previously been born showed that the parents were doing their duty and deserving well of the state. The young-age pension would "reward industry and encourage the birth rate."—London Chronicle.

Left Both Satisfied.

It all happened on one of those few surviving pay-after-you-enter cars. "Oh, I insist on paying, Glady's," said the brunette. "You paid coming down." "No, I shall pay," declared Glady's with equal firmness. "What if I did pay coming down—didn't you buy that last package of gum?" "Let me settle the quarrel, ladies," suggested the diplomatic conductor. "Why not use the denatured form of Dutch treat?" "What's that?" "Well, you each pay the other's fare." And that was the way they solved it.—Cleveland Leader.

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