

MADERO SHOT DOWN

SLAIN AT MIDNIGHT WHILE ON WAY TO PRISON.

DRINKING ON THE INCREASE

Revenue Receipts Show Record Consumption of Liquor, Cigars and Cigarettes—Brick House by Parcel Post.

Mexico City.—Francisco I. Madero and Jose Pino Suarez are dead. In a midnight ride under guard from the national palace to the penitentiary they were killed. The circumstances surrounding the death of the deposed president and vice-president of the republic are unknown, except as given in official accounts, which do not conform in all cases. The only witnesses were those actually concerned in the killing. The provisional president, General Victoriano Huerta, says the killing of the two men was incidental to a fight between their guard and a party attempting to liberate them. The minister of foreign relations, Francisco de la Barra, adds that the prisoners attempted to escape. Neither makes a definite statement as to which side fired the fatal shots. It is not impossible that neither knows.

Brick House by Parcel Post. York, Neb.—F. G. Burnham of the York Brick & Tile company has sent by parcel post a brick of local manufacture to be used in building a brick house at the Coliseum in Chicago during the clay products exposition which is to be held February 26 to March 8. This brick will be one of 25,000 sent by parcel post from every brick plant in the United States to be used in the construction of this house, which will be given away and re-erected after the exposition.

DRINKING ON THE INCREASE.

Also Greater Consumption of Cigars and Cigarettes.

Washington.—Americans are drinking more whisky, smoking more cigars and cigarettes and chewing more tobacco than ever before in their history, according to the latest reports of the commissioner of internal revenue. From July to February the nation has consumed 94,000,000 gallons of whisky, an increase of 5,000,000 gallons over the corresponding period a year ago; 8,500,000,000 cigarettes, an increase of 2,250,000,000; 4,500,000,000 cigars, an increase of 250,000,000, and 250,000,000 pounds of smoking and chewing tobacco, an increase of 12,000,000 pounds. These are record-breaking figures.

To Get Correct Version.

Washington.—Because protests have been made that there are many different versions of Lincoln's Gettysburg speech and which it is proposed to inscribe on the Lincoln memorial to be built here, the senate has adopted Senator Root's joint resolution authorizing a committee to report the correct version. Accompanying the resolution Senator Root presented a letter from John P. Nicholson of Philadelphia, commander-in-chief of the Loyal Legion, who declared that more than 100 versions of Lincoln's Gettysburg address were published. "Even congress has printed it incorrectly twice," wrote Mr. Nicholson.

Buffalo Bill at the Head.

Chicago.—The Showmen's League of America, an organization composed of owners of various kinds of tent shows and outdoor attractions has been formed here. A plan looking to the erection of a \$100,000 club house in Chicago within the next year was adopted. Colonel William F. (Buffalo Bill) Cody was elected president.

Kansas City, Mo.—Bishop John Hogan, of the diocese of Western Missouri, the oldest catholic prelate in this country both in years and point of service, died of pneumonia at the episcopal residence here. For forty years he had been a bishop.

Nebraska Fares Well.

Washington.—The expenditure of nearly a half million dollars for public buildings in Nebraska was recommended by the senate committee on public buildings in the bill reported to the senate. As the bill now stands it carries the following items: To complete the Lincoln public building, \$175,000; for McCook, \$25,000; Alliance, for postoffice, land office and weather bureau building, \$75,000; Aurora, \$50,000; Falls City, \$65,000; Chadron, \$110,000; Wahoo, \$60,000; Central City, \$55,000.

New York.—The international committee of the Young Men's Christian association has made public the following telegram received from the Young Men's Christian association in Mexico City: "Trouble apparently over. All safe. Association loss \$40,000."

Atlanta, Ga.—Mrs. Ernest Still saved her five-months-old baby by placing it in a steamer trunk, locking it up and dragging the infant in this fire-proof compartment through a wall of flames.

DOINGS AT WASHINGTON

ACTS OF THE NATIONAL LAW-MAKERS.

Events of Importance as They Transpire in Both Branches of Congress.

Saturday. The Senate.—Senator Brandegee read Washington's farewell address. Took up river and harbor appropriation bill.

Agreed to vote Tuesday on house bill to create department of labor. Enclaves were delivered on the late Senator Raynor of Maryland and late Representative Utter of Rhode Island and Wedemeyer of Michigan.

Secretary MacVeagh, in response to Poindexter's resolution, sent explanation of authority for issuing order requiring deposit of customs receipts in national banks.

Adjourned at 4:20 p. m. until 10 a. m. Monday.

The House.—Washington's farewell address read.

Economy fight on navy bill resumed. Baltimore exporters before shipping trust investigating committee.

Appropriations committee began consideration of general deficiency bill, carrying about \$25,000,000.

Adjourned at 6:57 p. m. until noon Sunday for eulogies.

Friday.

The Senate.—Resumed debate on river and harbor appropriation bill.

Actual valuation of railroads and interstate tariff favorably reported by commerce committee and agreement reached to vote on measure Monday.

Industrial expositions committee decided to report favorably bill for government participation in Panama-Pacific exposition and appropriating \$1,500,000 for purpose.

Agricultural committee completed agricultural appropriation bill carrying \$18,565,580.

Adjourned at 5:47 p. m. until 11 a. m. Saturday.

The House.—Resumed debate on sundry civil appropriation bill.

Shipping trust investigation committee continued investigation.

Naval bill under consideration.

Adjourned at 6:32 p. m. until 10:30 a. m. Saturday.

Thursday.

The Senate.—Began debate on river and harbor appropriation bill.

Finance committee endorsed Lodge bill for tariff committee of five members.

Library committee was directed to ascertain correct version of Lincoln's Gettysburg address.

Commerce committee agreed favorably to report a bill appropriating about \$1,000,000 for lighthouse service.

Senator Root before library committee urged favorable action on legislative drafting bureau bill.

Passed house bill giving Idaho authority to open certain phosphate and oil lands.

Adjourned at 5:49 p. m. until noon Friday.

The House.—Resumed debate on sundry civil appropriation bill.

Chairman Hay, of military affairs committee, introduced bill to reduce number of officers allowed each army regiment.

Representative Stanley urged judiciary committee to recommend passage of bill to prohibit holding companies from engaging in interstate commerce.

Shipping trust investigation committee heard testimony on great lakes rates.

Want Bureau of Publicity.

Lincoln.—The commercial department of the Nebraska conservation congress at the city hall Thursday discussed state publicity, the blue sky law, state statistics and appointed a committee of three to draft a resolution urging the legislature to adopt H. R. 423, which provides for a bureau of publicity. Victor Rosewater of Omaha and V. E. Wilson of Stromsburg spoke on the publicity question. Senator Cordell explained the law which he has introduced to prevent blue sky operations in Nebraska, and Will Maupin and E. V. Parrish discussed state statistics.

Preparations for Inauguration.

Washington.—Although the inauguration of President-elect Wilson is still more than a week off, the city already is assuming a gala appearance. Buildings in the downtown section and along the line of march have been decorated with the national colors, as well as white and green, the official inaugural color scheme. This week the finishing touches will be put on all the reviewing stands. The president's stand, the principal feature in front of the white house, is completed.

Oakland, Cal.—The body of Joaquin Miller, the poet of the Sierras, was reduced to ashes, the funeral ceremonies being as unostentatious as the life of the poet.

Improvements for State Capitol.

Lincoln.—In the hope of finding practicable the plan of adding another story to the state capitol building, Land Commissioner Beckman has secured the services of an architect to go over the matter at length and make a report to him as to the cost of the work. The state official believes that sufficient room can be added in this manner to provide against any department increases for years to come. His plan contemplates the construction of another story, mainly on the west wing.

EVERYBODY WEEPS BUT FATHER



TO MEET "GREAT FATHER" MORE MONEY FOR NEBRASKA

STATES REFUSE TO RECOGNIZE PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT. MADERO WILL PROBABLY FACE AN INVESTIGATION.

Indians Send Representatives to Confer with Incoming President—Conservation Congress Elects Officers. Further Appropriations Added to Public Buildings Bill—Order Being Restored in City of Mexico.

Medal for Omaha Man.

Washington.—Marion H. Kirk of Omaha has been awarded one of the two Bailey medals for 1912 for having made the highest mark in the competitive examinations of apprentice seamen in their duties. The Bailey medal is provided from a fund left by the late Rear Admiral Theodore Bailey for the purpose of spurring seamen in the United States navy to greater proficiency in their work.

Heartwell Is Fireswept.

Minden, Neb.—Heartwell, being practically wiped off the map by a fire that started a short time before midnight. Following two recent fires where the origin was not clearly shown, the belief is strong that the blaze is the work of an incendiary.

Brownsville, Tex.—All local communication with Mexico was closed Monday morning, when a company of Mexican soldiers were stationed at the international bridge and a company of rurales at the ferry and an order was issued forbidding the crossing of passengers at either point. The significance of the order is not certain, although it is believed here that the rebels are in charge of the city of Matamoros, opposite this point.

Omaha.—Alleged to have been driven into tuberculosis by worry over the loss of two fingers in an accident at the packing plant a year ago. James George, unable to speak English, lived only long enough to fight his case for damages against Armour & Co. through the district court. He was awarded \$1,070 in a verdict Saturday. He died Saturday night of his malady at the county hospital, an incendiary.

New Plan for Maine Relics.

Washington.—The navy department has hit upon a new plan for the distribution to patriotic societies of relics of the battleship Maine. Assistant Secretary Winthrop laid before President Taft a plaster plaque upon which in bas relief was the form of a woman with outstretched hand bearing a shield with the words "Patriotism and Devotion" inscribed on it. The extended arm bears the word "Memorial." Beneath the arm in bas is a fac simile of the Maine.

By Popular Vote.

Pierre, S. D.—Direct election of saloonkeepers by popular vote is proposed in an amendment to a bill for regulation of the issuance of liquor licenses offered by State Senator Brown of Tripp county in the legislature to relieve city officials of obligations to decide moral fitness of applicants for license.

Chicago.—A bomb, believed to have contained dynamite, was exploded in the front of a saloon owned by Emanuel Abrahams. No one was injured.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

July 12 to 20 are dates announced for the Beatrice Chautauqua.

Over four hundred cars of apples were shipped from Shubert last fall. Central City fire department will hold its regular annual banquet on March 6.

Plans are being developed at Havelock for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. building.

The debate between the Pawnee and Sterling high schools Friday night was decided in favor of Pawnee.

The senior class at the state normal school at Wayne has invited Helen Keller to deliver the commencement address.

A scorched spot on the floor of the East school building at Fremont is mute evidence of an attempt at incendiarism.

Ethel McKay was so badly injured by the overturning of an auto near Tekamah that her recovery is a matter of doubt.

Emory Boyd, a farmer near Howe, was severely injured by having a large cottonwood log roll over him as he was moving it.

Albion.—The Rev. Mr. Franzen, pastor of the Lutheran church, has resigned his charge at Albion and accepted one at Randolph.

Little Vivian Bordecker, who was badly scalded at her parents' home at Murray, after two weeks of agony, succumbed to her injuries.

A mass meeting was held at Blue Springs Saturday for the purpose of considering the organizing of a lumber and coal company at that place.

The citizens of Alliance are clamoring for a federal appropriation to erect a building on ground which was purchased for that purpose some time ago.

Five hundred farmers living in Richard precinct, north of Fairbury, participated in a big wolf hunt Thursday, and succeeded in killing one large wolf.

Frank Harrison has returned to Lincoln from a pleasure trip of several weeks in Central America. He spent most of the time in Honduras and Guatemala.

Herman Ketterman, twenty years old, was electrocuted at the top of a 100 foot steel tower at Blair, Sunday. The tower supports cables carrying 16,000 volts.

The assassin of George Hood, station agent at Miller, is still at large, although a large reward has been offered by the railroad and the state for his capture.

An equal suffrage association has been organized at Beatrice. The women of the city are preparing to take part in a statewide movement for equal suffrage.

Drake University at Des Moines went down to defeat Thursday afternoon before the basket-ball five from the University of Nebraska. The final count was 25 to 11.

The woman's section of the Nebraska conservation congress met Thursday afternoon at Lincoln and discussed topics similar to those presented at the other divisions.

Word has been received at Nebraska City of the death of William Esser at Orient, Wash., where he went to purchase land. Mr. Esser had been a resident of Nebraska for many years.

Little Beulah Van Camp, the four-year-old Wymore child who was alleged to be the victim of abuse at the hands of her stepmother, has been adopted by her aunt, Mrs. Pearl Hicks of Wymore.

Colonel and Mrs. James C. Elliott celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage by an elaborate reception at the West Point auditorium. Colonel Elliott is postmaster at West Point and editor of the Republican.

Tecumseh city officials are arranging to do some experimenting near the city in an effort to locate an additional water supply. Springs and wells are being tested as to the purity of the water, samples having been sent to the state university laboratory at Lincoln, and later test wells will be put down.

At a meeting Thursday night the Sterling school board re-elected all the teachers for another year.

The 6-year-old child of George Nispet at Fairbury was shot through the thumb by the accidental discharge of a 22-caliber rifle with which an older brother had been hunting.

Peru fruit growers have announced February 19 as the date of their annual meeting. J. R. Cooper of the department of horticulture, University of Nebraska; C. G. Marshall, secretary of the state horticultural society, and Charles Dickinson, also of Lincoln, are to be the principal speakers.

Tom Smith of York is at Excelsior Springs, Mo., where he will receive treatment for muscular rheumatism. His condition is not regarded as dangerous. He will remain in Missouri for several weeks.

Robert Stites a Nebraska City plumber, while carrying a pot of hot metal with which to wipe a joint, had water spilled on him and some entered the pot, causing an explosion, throwing hot metal all over him. Twenty particles entered his eyes, and it took a physician some time to remove them and alleviate the pain. It is feared he will lose the sight of one eye.

Harkness Kountze and Tom Kinsler, two school boys who disappeared from their homes at Omaha, were found in Council Bluffs and were glad to be brought back to their homes.

Silver Creek will hold an election to vote on the question of voting \$5,000 bonds to construct a system of water-works for the village of Silver Creek. The election is to be held March 11.

The men's Bible club of the Edgar Presbyterian church and the ladies' aid society of the same church gave a banquet Wednesday evening in the dining room of the opera house. There

SEEK TO HAVE CONFIDENCE

Basis of One's Own, the World's, and Business Security—Distrustful People Ever Unhappy.

Confidence is the basis of the world's peace and of business security. When nations distrust each other, suspicion follows, then comes anger and the seeds of war are planted.

The business man who lacks confidence in a partner or an employe suffers in consequence. Transactions involving millions of dollars are reported every day on the stock exchange in New York, and are based on an uplifted finger, a nod of the head or a word passing between the brokers.

Business men take pride in hearing it said of them, "Their word is as good as their bond."

Secrets involving one's happiness in life or success in business are entrusted to the mail, in a flimsy envelope with a two-cent stamp, in full confidence that the message undisturbed and unbroken will reach its final destination.

Confidence contributes to the welfare of those who have it, but the world is full of distrustful people. Shadows confront them on every side. They fly from imaginary dangers; they fight imaginary evils; they battle against wrongs that they conjure up themselves; they worry over things that never happen. They are the disturbers of the peace. They make their own lives miserable and spread unhappiness all about them.

They sound a note of discord when harmony prevails; they fight when others yield; they quarrel with the world and finish by quarreling with themselves.

Confidence adds to the joy of the world, to the happiness of the people, to the progress of the times. It turns darkness into day, adversity into prosperity and, greatest of all its virtues, it transforms death into life. Happy the man who makes it his watchword day by day!—John A. Slesinger in Leslie's Weekly.

Dog's Sense of Memory. An English clergyman once owned a dog which was very much attached to him. When he was compelled to leave his country for a long sojourn abroad the clergyman took his devoted canine companion to the house of his friend. There the dog remained for about two years. Then the long absent owner returned, and arriving at his friend's house late at night, retired without having the dog called.

Early next morning the sleeping owner was awakened by the dog bursting into his bedroom and leaping upon him with the wildest demonstration of delight.

"How on earth did he know I had arrived?" asked the clergyman.

"Oh, sir," the valet replied, "it is the most curious thing! As I was cleaning your boots the dog recognized them, and I have not been able to quiet him till he saw where I was carrying them and rushed along with me to your door."

Easy to Manage Just Then. Secretary MacVeagh of the treasury department, after presenting a gold medal of Joseph Donellen of New York for the daring rescue of two drowning men, told an appropriate story.

"Mr. Donellen's bravery," he said "is not like that of Peck. 'Peck,' a lady said, 'heard a noise in the night

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