

READY FOR OPENING

REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN
OCTOBER THIRTEENTH

PRICE OF RANSOM UNKNOWN

Chinese Brigands Holding American Missionaries—Nebraska Man Pardoned From Federal Prison.

Valentine, Neb.—Judge James W. Witten, of the interior department of Washington, D. C., superintendent of the sale of public lands of the United States, is in Valentine preparing for the formal opening of the abandoned Fort Niobrara military reservation. Forty-four thousand, four hundred and eighty acres of the land to be thrown open under the lottery system is that which was held formerly for Fort Niobrara, and three hundred thousand acres of the land is that of the forest reserve in McPherson and Grant counties. The registration for this land will begin Sunday night, October 13, at midnight, simultaneously at Valentine, North Platte and Broken Bow, and closes automatically Saturday night at midnight, October 25. Two days after the registration closes, the drawing will take place at North Platte, beginning at noon, October 28. The Niobrara lands are situated in Cherry county, and adjoining Valentine on the north.

President Pardons Spicer of Shelton. Washington.—The president has pardoned Edward H. Spicer of Shelton, sentenced to a five-year term in Leavenworth for misuse of funds of the National bank of Shelton. The pardoned man had served about one year of his term. The application for pardon has been before the department of justice and the president for several weeks. Edgar Howard of Columbus recently came to Washington and took the matter up personally with President Wilson in Spicer's behalf. The latter has been in very poor health for some time.

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Chinese Brigands Still Holding Missionaries.

Peking.—The American missionaries at Fan Cheng, in reply to an inquiry from Edward T. Williams, American charge d'affaires here, have telegraphed that the amount of the ransom demanded by the Chinese brigands at Tsao Yang for the release of the Americans and Norwegian missionaries in captivity is not yet known. The Rev. C. Stokstad and the Rev. Mr. Johnson, who went toward Tsao Yang to communicate with the brigands, have not returned to Fan Cheng. A dispatch from Hankow says that the brigands at Tsao Yang number 2,000 and the government troops surrounding them total 3,000 men.

Alliance Gunman Captured at Lincoln. Lincoln, Neb.—Archie Edwards, colored, who killed his wife and wounded Officer Jordan at Alliance Wednesday, was captured by the Lincoln police force Sunday noon, after a revolver battle in which Officer H. A. Burns was shot through the groin and seriously wounded and Herman McCurley, colored, shot through the right leg. Wednesday Officer Ben Jordan, colored, arrested Mrs. Edwards in front of her home in Alliance. Edwards ran out of the house and began shooting. One shot killed the woman and others passed through Jordan's hand and foot.

Cholera Experimental Station. Tecumseh, Neb.—Determined to find an effective remedy for his cholera in Nebraska and other states, the federal government has announced that an experimental station will be established at Tecumseh for the prevention and treatment of the disease if the location desired can be obtained. This will be the fourth station of the kind in the United States, the others being at Montgomery, Ind.; Dallas county, Iowa, and Pettis county, Missouri. Appropriations of \$70,000 have been made by congress for the four stations, the money being available since July 1, 1913. The station will be under the direction of the board of animal industry.

French Town Devastated. Cerebere, France.—A terrific thunderstorm, which raged for twelve hours, has spread death and ruin throughout this city. Fourteen persons are known to have been killed and thirty injured, but there are many missing.

Sioux City, Ia.—Triplets, two girls and a boy, were born to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Franklin of Verdell, Neb. All are living. The boy and one girl weighed four pounds each and the other girl is a two-pounder.

Manhattan, Kan.—Farmers throughout Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa are warned against pasturing in shock fields or feeding dry fodder to their sheep or cattle. Dr. D. F. Luckey, state veterinarian of Missouri, declares that corn stunted by drought has developed a poison that resembles prussic acid and that all sheep or cattle eating that kind of corn will die. Farmers are warned to allow all corn left in the shock to dry thoroughly before feeding and under no circumstances to turn stock into the cornfields where there is fodder.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Stromsburg is to have a new city park. Diller boasts of having the best roads in the state. Polk is to have a water and electric lighting system costing \$16,000. Wymore is making efforts to secure a sewer system for that place. The magnificent \$30,000 athletic park at Beatrice was dedicated last week. York will compel infractors of the city ordinances to work on the streets hereafter. J. W. Dodd, a Fairbury laborer, fell while pushing a wheelbarrow and bit off his tongue. The fortieth annual convention of the state W. C. T. U. will be held in Omaha next year. Mrs. R. J. Woodworth of Wahoo suffered a broken wrist when she fell off the porch at her home. A charter has been received for the organization of a lodge of the Knights of Columbus at York. Miss Alice Cleaver of Falls City is soon to start for Paris to spend the year studying painting. Marie Strauch, three years old, was burned to death at Lincoln when her clothing caught on fire. Thomas O'Gorman, coroner of Hall county, was fatally injured in an auto accident near Wood River. J. L. Slocum has sold the apples in his twenty-acre orchard near Shubert to St. Joseph buyers for \$1,700. Mrs. Mary Flynn, 81 years old, was found dead in bed at Seward by relatives who had called to visit her. The Iowa-Nebraska Public Service corporation at Norfolk has been adjudged a bankrupt in federal court. Frank Worthington, a Beatrice boy, was killed at a fire at Billings, Mont. by being run over by a hose truck. Chicken fanciers of Fremont are planning on holding the biggest county show ever held in Nebraska in December. The vestry of the Episcopal church at Central City has extended a call to the Rev. F. W. Henry of Pittsburg, Kan. Attorney Henry Nunn of St. Paul, who accidentally shot himself in the foot while hunting, died from blood poisoning. Prizes of \$30, \$20 and \$10 are offered at the German day celebration at Lincoln for out-of-town clubs marching in the parade. The commercial lighting ordinance was passed by the Lincoln city commission without a dissenting vote and without comment. A vicious dog attacked a six-year-old girl at Fairbury, and tore several bad gashes in her face and arms before it was beaten off. Many of the Nebraska booster editions issued throughout the state were a credit to the publishers and the offices putting them out. James Weeks accidentally shot off two of his fingers and a portion of his left hand while hunting ducks on the Elkhorn river near Neligh. Frank Manley, a conductor on the Union Pacific, was held up in the residence portion of Grand Island and relieved of a diamond ring. Lyle Jackson, a former Beatrice boy, died at his home at Houston, Texas, last week of blood poisoning caused from a pimple on his neck. The mid-state poultry association will hold its annual show at Scottsbluff in connection with the annual corn show, December 10, 11, 12. Accidental discharge of a shotgun which he was carrying on his lap in a wagon caused the instant death of Wm. Scott, aged 35, near Valentine. Helen De Bruler, a five-year-old Broken Bow girl, was killed when she slipped under the wheels while trying to climb upon the rack of a moving wagon. John McCauley, one of the early settlers of Saunders county, died at his home near Ithaca from the effects of a kick by a horse received several weeks ago. For four days Mrs. Fred Wagner of Johnson suffered pain in her right arm after a fall in the yard, but she did not realize the arm was fractured until she consulted a physician. Valley county, according to figures compiled by the state board of agriculture, is perhaps the leading pop corn growing county in the United States. The crop has proven profitable. Frank Bartos, an Omaha printer, is the best cotton crochet lace maker in Douglas county. His display of lace was awarded the blue ribbon in the fancy work exhibit at the Douglas county fair. Probably the oldest man in the state is Thomas Morris of Custer county, who was born at Berrew, North Wales, in 1794, nearly 120 years ago. Bert Marts, the Rock Island brakeman who was shot and killed by a tramp at Limon, Colo., was a Falls City boy, the son of Sam Marts, the chief of police in that city. At a public sale of dairy cattle on the Wallace Townsend farm near Beatrice, eleven milk cows sold at an average price of \$77.65 a head. This is said to be the highest price ever paid for common milk cows in Gage county. Mrs. Maggie Johnson, wife of the man whose dismembered body was found in Salt creek at Ashland a week ago, is under arrest charged with the crime. Abraham Nichols, a peddler, was instantly killed Wednesday morning when a Burlington passenger train struck his buggy at the main crossing of Burnham, near Lincoln. Sylvia Kramer of Syracuse was probably fatally burned and the family home demolished by the explosion of a gasoline lighting plant resulting from a visit to the cellar with a lighted lantern.

AUTUMN



CHICAGO TRIBUNE.

GOVERNMENTAL OWNERSHIP

PRESIDENT SIGNS UNDERWOOD-SIMMONS TARIFF BILL.

Bill to Take Over Telegraph and Telephone—Foreigners Being Molested by Chinese Brigands.

Washington.—Surrounded by the leaders of a united democracy, President Wilson signed the Underwood-Simmons tariff bill at 9:09 o'clock Friday night at the White house. Simultaneously telegrams were sent to customs collectors throughout the country by the treasury department, putting into actual operation the first democratic tariff revision since 1894.

A happy group of legislators, members of the cabinet and friends encircled the president as he smilingly sat down and slowly affixed his signature with two gold pens. He presented to Representative Underwood the pen that he had written the word "Woodrow" and the one which had completed his name to Senator Simmons, both of whom bowed their appreciation.

In impressive silence the president delivered in easy natural tones an extemporaneous speech that brought prolonged applause. He said that the journey of legislative accomplishment had only been partly completed; that a great service had been done for the rank and file of the country, but that the second step in the emancipation of business was currency reform. He earnestly called upon his colleagues to go "the rest of the journey" with fresh impulse.

Chinese Brigands Molest Foreigners.

Peking.—The American legation here has received a report from J. Paul Jameson, vice consul general at Shanghai, stating that an American child had been killed and other foreigners being mistreated by Chinese brigands at Tsao Yang. The legation fears that the Chinese government troops are neither capable nor zealous enough to accomplish the release of the American and Norwegian missionaries in the hands of the bandits at Tsao Yang and that ransom alone can save the lives of the foreigners still in captivity.

FOR GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

Bill to Take Over Telegraph and Telephone.

Washington.—Government ownership of telegraph and telephone lines is to be proposed in bills Representative Lewis of Maryland is drafting for introduction in the house probably within a month. Although the measures which would have these public utilities taken over as a part of the postal service have not been made an administration policy, the president is known to have discussed the idea with Representative Lewis and others interested in the project. Mr. Lewis has collected a mass of data on the subject of telegraph and telephone operation, and has prepared estimates as to their cost to the government, their availability as a source of revenue and cost of maintenance and also has worked out a tentative plan for their acquisition and operation as government public utilities.

Cleveland, O.—With the arrest of Yee Tung, immigration officials believe they have discovered the route by which many Chinese have been smuggled into the states along the lakes from the Canadian border.

Nominated as Sullivan's Successor.

New York.—George W. Loft, a manufacturer, has been nominated by the democratic congressional committee of the Thirtieth district as the party candidate to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Timothy D. Sullivan.

For Beef Trust Inquiry.

Washington.—Representative Kindred of New Jersey has introduced a resolution directing the house judiciary committee to investigate the "beef trust" and its alleged control of Australian and Argentine beef.

EARTH SHOCKS AT PANAMA LEAVE IT UNINJURED.

Nebraska Indian Girl Has Had Varied Career—Sensational Dynamite Outrages Revealed by an Arrest.

Colon.—The highest officials of the Panama canal at Culebra and Ancon in reply to telegraphic inquiries stated that they have not received any reports indicating damage to the canal at any point from the earthquake, and this was corroborated by Colonel Goethals. The Colon police reports indicate that no damage was done to buildings and property in this city. The frame houses of Colon rocked with each motion of the earthquake, and the people hearing the timbers creaking rushed into the streets half clad. Many camped in the city parks until morning. The last serious earthquake on the isthmus occurred in September, 1882, when in Panama City the municipal building and cathedral were damaged and fissures in the earth occurred at Colon.

Confesses to Dynamite Outrages.

New York.—Dynamite outrages that rivaled the exploits of the McNamara brothers and of Ortie McManigal have been confessed by George E. Davis, a union iron worker. Davis, who was arrested here, was the George O'Donnell who figured in the trial at Indianapolis that resulted in the conviction of Frank M. Ryan, president of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, and thirty-seven of his assistants. His arrest resulted from the efforts of the federal government, started more than two years ago, when the dynamiting of bridges and steel frame buildings all over the country became a national scandal.

IS IN WANT IN CALIFORNIA.

Daughter of Sitting Bull Has Not Thrived in Golden West.

San Diego, Cal.—Sitting Bull's daughter is in San Diego, and in need, according to a written statement to Chief of Police Wilson by the young woman. The daughter of the old Sioux chief told Chief Wilson that she was seeking an employment that would yield her a livelihood. According to her account, she has had an interesting career. Captured and recaptured a dozen times, she finally was found on the battlefield of Wounded Knee, strapped to the back of her mother, who had been dead for three days. General L. W. Colby of Beatrice, Neb., adopted her and cared for her. She was graduated from the Beatrice high school, the Downer college in Milwaukee and the University of Kansas.

Instantly Killed at Crossing.

Lincoln, Neb.—Abraham M. Nichols, a peddler, was instantly killed at Burnham Thursday morning when a Burlington passenger train struck his wagon. The body was hurled a number of feet. His head was badly cut and both legs were broken.

Texas Flood Demoralizes Business.

San Antonio, Tex.—With the San Antonio river out of its banks and overflowing the down town districts of this city to a depth in some places of five or six feet, business in San Antonio is demoralized. The damage probably will reach several hundred thousand dollars. So far as known no lives were lost.

Hurt in Football Game.

Lincoln, Neb.—For the second time in his college athletic career, Left Halfback McCandless of the Wesleyan football team had his neck dislocated in a game against Omaha university. The player was unconscious for fifteen minutes, during which time his coach and trainer worked energetically in an attempt to readjust the misplaced vertebra. They were finally successful, and after the bones had been snapped back into place the doughty backfield warrior resumed his place in the game.

FARMER INSTITUTES

DATES FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER.

GOSSIP FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources and Presented in Condensed Form to Our Readers.

C. W. Pugsley, superintendent of agricultural extension work at the state university, has announced the following farmers' institutes for the month of October and the dates thereof: Holbrook, October 6; Bartley, October 7; Lebanon, October 8; Wauneta, October 9; Champion, October 10; Wallace, October 13-14; Dickens, October 14-15; Somerset, October 15-16; Stockville, October 17; Spalding, October 20; Bartlett, October 21; Ericson, October 22; Davis Creek church, October 23; Wiggle Creek church, October 24; Fairbury, October 29-30-31. Short courses: Hershey, October 6-10; Paxton, October 13-17; Uteia, October 2-24; Farnam, October 27-31.

Will Stand Heat or Drouth.

Discovery of corn that will withstand hot winds and grow despite drouth is believed to have been made by Curator M. R. Gilmore of the state museum as a result of experiments conducted on the advice of an Indian tribe which formerly lived in this state. The seeds for the corn were sent to Mr. Gilmore by Sitting Bear of the Arrikara tribe, now in Wisconsin. The local man planted the corn in June and left it to its own resources. There were no rains to help it along in its growth, but while plants and vegetables around it were withering up this corn flourished and ripened. Its hardness and tendency to grow without moisture and general adaptability to Nebraska conditions such as prevailed in many sections during the season just closing, are looked upon as points that will commend it to the average Nebraska farmer. Federal corn experts have become interested in the plant and state authorities will also look into the matter. It is likely that a bulletin will be put out on the subject within a short time.

Tuberculosis in State Cattle.

Dr. Kigin, state veterinarian, has completed an inspection and test of dairy cattle at the Hastings asylum for tuberculosis. He found forty-seven tuberculars out of 120 head tested. In order to demonstrate the ravages of tuberculosis he dissected the carcass of one animal, which proved to be affected throughout the entire system. The animals that show signs of the disease will be sold subject to inspection, after they are slaughtered. Where the disease is local the meat is approved for sale as food. Dr. Kigin reports the stable at the Hastings asylum in very poor condition from a sanitary standpoint. It is poorly lighted and badly ventilated and has been crowded most of the time. He heartily approves the plan of the board of control to build a new up-to-date sanitary dairy barn. Dr. Kigin killed two more glandered horses at Minden. Five were killed there recently, but he does not expect the disease to appear again in the same locality.

Alfalfa Best Ever Harvested.

Phenomenal crops of all kinds in the North Platte river valley are reported by Deputy State Auditor Minor, who has just returned from a trip to Morrill and Scottsbluff. Farmers on lands under the government ditch have just finished their third cutting of alfalfa, which was the best they ever had, and stacks are waiting in the fields until balers can get to them. The hay is selling for \$8.50 to \$9.50 on board freight cars at shipping points.

The monument marking the Oregon trail at the point where the trail entered the state of Nebraska will be formally dedicated soon, though the date has not been set since it was postponed on account of the weather. The location of the monument is two miles west of the town of Lanham, Nebraska, at the point where the line between Jefferson and Gage counties intersects the Kansas state line.

The opening of the butterine season was signalized Wednesday by the application of eighty-one firms for the food commissioner's permission to sell that product in this state. Previously about 200 firms had been granted the same privilege under the existing law. Total receipts from this class of permits have amounted to \$2,607 since July 1.

Thomas Riley of Omaha has been appointed by the governor as state bank examiner, succeeding Eugene Moore of St. Paul, who resigned some time ago.

Must Not Overtest Cream.

If a buyer of cream desires to raise his price and outbid a rival for business he will in the future be compelled to openly announce that he will pay more than his competitors instead of trying to get business by overtesting cream and in this manner pay more than his rival and at the same time make producers believe his rival is making an unfair test. It is against the state law to overtest or to under-test cream bought for commercial purposes. This law is upheld by a decision given by the supreme court.

FRUIT LAXATIVE FOR SICK CHILD

"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm tender stomach, liver and bowels.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs" that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without griping.

When cross, irritable, feverish or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue, mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleaning" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Adv.

Worms Know Her Song.

Mrs. B. A. Hitchcock of Canaan, an officer of the Litchfield County Equal Franchise league, has made the following statement in a letter to a local newspaper:

"I tamed half a dozen angle dogs or worms, and got them so that they would come up out of the earth and eat out of my hand. I fed them pumpkins and bran mash, but they thrive best on sauerkraut. It took me some time to tame them so that they knew my knock on the earth above them from the tap of an old hen's bill. I rap softly three times and whistle 'Oh, Promise Me,' and up come the angleworms. One day I discovered that the biggest, fattest angleworm was cross-eyed."—Winsted (Conn.) Dispatch to the New York World.

ENDS DYSPEPSIA, INDIGESTION, GAS

"Pape's Diapepsin" cures sick, sour stomachs in five minutes—Time It!

"Really does" put bad stomachs in order—"really does" overcome indigestion, dyspepsia, gas, heartburn and sourness in five minutes—that's just that—makes Pape's Diapepsin the largest selling stomach regulator in the world. If what you eat ferments into stubborn lumps, you belch gas and eructate sour, undigested food and acid; head is dizzy and aches; breath foul; tongue coated; your insides filled with bile and indigestible waste, remember the moment "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach all such distress vanishes. It's truly astonishing—almost marvelous, and the joy is its harmlessness.

A large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin will give you a hundred dollars' worth of satisfaction. It's worth its weight in gold to men and women who can't get their stomachs regulated. It belongs in your home—should always be kept handy in case of a sick, sour, upset stomach during the day or at night. It's the quickest, surest and most harmless stomach doctor in the world.—Adv.

Sadder Still.

Discussing a recent political scandal, in which an official was accused of dishonesty, Richard Harding Davis, lurching with a number of theatrical stars at a fashionable roof garden in New York, said, with a sigh: "He is a man I would have thought incapable of baseness. It is sad to think that every man has his price." "Yes," said a comedian, "but a sadder fact still is that half the time he can't get it."

JUDGE CURED, HEART TROUBLE.

I took about 6 boxes of Dodds Kidney Pills for Heart Trouble from which I had suffered for 5 years. I had dizzy spells, my eyes puffed, my breath was short and I had chills and back-ache. I took the pills about a year ago and have had no return of the palpitations. Am now 63 years old, able to do lots of manual labor, am well and hearty and weigh about 200 pounds. I feel very grateful that I found Dodds Kidney Pills and you may publish this letter if you wish. I am serving my third term as Probate Judge of Gray Co. Yours truly, PHILIP MILLER, Cimarron, Kan.

Correspond with Judge Miller about this wonderful remedy. Dodds Kidney Pills, 50c. per box at your dealer or Dodds Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Write for Household Hints, also music of National Anthem (English and German words) and recipes for dainty dishes. All 3 sent free. Adv.

Against a Stone Wall. "My poor man, you are the picture of dejection," sympathetically declared the prison visitor. "And a framed picture, at that," added the convict.—Buffalo Express.



Judge Miller.