

NEBRASKA NOTES

A three-pound carrot is being exhibited by Martin Walsh of Tilden. The new Burlington depot at Beatrice will be ready about December 1. The Louis Moschel farm of 100 acres near Beatrice has been sold for \$90 per acre.

The bridges of Burt county are being repaired by the Standard Bridge company.

Burglars plundered the store of S. H. Clarke at Valley. About \$100 worth of goods were taken.

T. L. Sims of the Neligh marble works has shipped a number of monuments out of town recently.

The work of installing the heating plant in the Beatrice Young Men's Christian association has been completed.

A petition is being circulated in Schuyler requiring halls and opera houses to be provided with fire escapes.

Mrs. Futscher, an old resident of Rulo, disappeared recently and was found a day later wandering about the streets of Falls City.

Frank Fittle, a bookkeeper in the office of Land Commissioner Eaton at Lincoln, has resigned his position and will go into business at South Omaha.

Elmer Leiby of Thayer county has appealed to the supreme court for his release from the industrial school at Kearney. He was sent there for breaking into a slaughter house.

Friends in Auburn have received news of the death of Conductor Wilson in Wyoming. He had been a conductor on the Missouri Pacific for twenty-one years, and went to Wyoming for his health. He was 61 years old.

Old settlers in the vicinity of Eustis, assert this year's corn crop is the largest in years. Some fields are running from forty to ninety bushels per acre and the lowest is not under twenty bushels per acre. With corn selling at 37 cents the farmer is happy. Winter wheat is in excellent condition and a large yield is expected.

The farm of Joseph Peters five miles northeast of Schuyler a quarter-section known as the Clover Leaf farm, was sold recently to William Toohar, jr., at \$105 per acre, being the highest price paid for any Colfax county land.

The 7-year-old son of Richard Dolen of Beatrice came very near losing the sight of one eye. In driving his pet goat he fell on a sharp stick which penetrated the upper eyelid inflicting a painful wound and barely grazing the ball.

Little Fritz Schweizer, eldest son of Philip Schweizer of Eustis swallowed a small tin whistle with almost fatal results. A physician succeeded in removing the whistle and the little fellow is none the worse for his experience.

A new official position has been created on the Wyoming division being that of traveling conductor. C. A. Weir securing the position. At present Mr. Weir will be stationed at Sidney and his duties will be to take charge of the movement of trains and particularly at division terminals to try and relieve the congestion of traffic. It is not known whether this office will be permanent or not.

Blair is having a hard time with scarlet fever and diphtheria just now. There is a possibility that the schools will have to be closed. The Blair papers contain many columns of advice to the public and rules for avoiding contagion.

Corn husking in Colfax county is nearing its close, as most of the farmers are nearly through. An abundant crop is reported this year, as it averages forty-five bushels to the acre.

A genuine buffalo robe is being displayed as a novelty in a store at Albion. Not many years ago nearly everyone, rich or poor, owned a buffalo robe. Soon they will be curiosities.

Chief of Police Downing, of Nebraska City, is dead, as the result of appendicitis. He was a veteran of the civil war, and is survived by four children, two of the boys being residents of Salt Lake City.

Ralph Jackson, a member of the first class at Peru, had the misfortune to break his right arm just above the wrist while swinging on the rings in the gymnasium. He was swinging from the banister near by and was unable to hold his weight with one hand, and in falling attempted to catch himself as he struck the floor, but both bones were fractured.

WELL RID OF COUNT

ANNA GOULD CASTELLANE GIVEN ABSOLUTE DIVORCE

Gets Custody of the Children

ONLY RESERVATION IS TO KEEP THEM IN FRANCE

Court Denies Application of Heggaz Count for Yearly Allowance—Grounds for Granting of Decree

PARIS.—The tribunal of first instance of the Seine, Judge Ditte presiding, at noon granted a divorce to the Countess de Castellane (formerly Miss Anna Gould of New York), and gave her the custody of her children, who, however, will not be allowed to be taken from France without the consent of their father, Count Boni de Castellane.

The end of the famous case came suddenly. The court brushed aside the demand of the count's lawyer for an examination of witnesses, and, as anticipated, the public prosecutor did not even ask to be heard. As soon as the court assembled Judge Ditte handed down the judgment, which is a sweeping victory for the countess. In granting her petition for divorce the court gave the countess the custody of her children, the count being allowed only the usual rights to see them and share in the control of their education, which was not contested.

Has Right to See Children

The count's demand for an "alimentary allowance" of \$50,000 annually was pronounced by the court to be without foundation in law, and was rejected.

The only point decided in the count's favor was the imposition of the inhibition on the countess to take the children out of France without their father's consent.

The court appointed the president of the chamber of notaries to liquidate the affairs of the husband and wife.

The judgment was given with costs against the count. The decree, the reading of which barely consumed five minutes, was delivered by the judge in a voice so low as to be practically inaudible to the eager crowd filling the court room. Many women climbed the chairs in vain efforts to hear the decision, and when they were aware that a divorce was granted they seemed actually to resent the loss of a public trial at which the people in high society would be compelled to testify.

A Stabbing Affray

SPRINGFIELD, Neb.—A serious stabbing affair occurred at the stone quarries near Meadow. Several of the quarrymen had been drinking during the day. One named Hughlit quarreled with another by the name of Jones. In the evening Jones again got into trouble with another laborer who was in company with Hughlit and in the fight which followed Jones was stabbed. The wound is considered serious, being in the region of the heart. At last reports Jones was still alive, but it is thought he will die. Deputy Sheriff T. J. Wright went to the scene of the tragedy and arrested Hughlit and the man who did the stabbing.

But little is known about any of the parties involved, they being a part of the floating population usually found about the quarries of this vicinity. Hughlit, however, has been employed as a farm hand in the vicinity during the summer and was considered a peaceable citizen except when under the influence of liquor.

Floods in Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore.—A report has reached here that the town of Catlin, just opposite Kelso, on the Cowlitz river, has been washed away.

Floods in the White, Stuck and Green rivers, have swept away many miles of railroad, inundated all the valley towns, rendered hundreds of farmers homeless and cost three lives put to date. The three men lost in the floods were drowned while fighting to break up log jams that threatened railroad and county bridges. F. W. Kalmer of Auburn was drowned in the White river, and two loggers employed by the Becker Lumber company lost their lives while working in the Green river above Auburn.

Dr. Frederic E. Dewhurst
CHICAGO.—Dr. Frederic E. Dewhurst, pastor of the University Congregational church died here of pneumonia

LOCATED THE MONEY

SAN FRANCISCO RELIEF FUNDS SUD-DENLY APPEAR

Says Bundle Was Lost, and It Decided to Make Good—Grand Jury Resumes Graft Investigations

SAN FRANCISCO.—The package of coin contributed by the citizens of Searchlight, Nevada, for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers, which had been missing for some time, was delivered to the relief committee by an express company. The package bore the inscription "Benefit Fund care of Mayor Schmitz San Francisco." It was sealed with a San Francisco seal although the address of the sender was given as Los Angeles. The bundle of currency bears the date "8-9-06." The money contributed by the citizens of Searchlight was transmitted by check to Los Angeles bank, with instructions to send the actual coin to San Francisco. General Manager Christianson, of the express company which handed the money, gave out the following statement:

"There is nothing to be said in regard to this matter. We were unable to find the package containing the relief fund from the citizens of Searchlight. To close the incident we made a up new package and sent it to the relief corporation."

The grand jury resumed its investigation of the charges that have been made by District Attorney W. H. Langdon and Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Henry against Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz and Abraham Ruef. Unusual interest was attached to proceedings on account of the indictments for conspiracy in connection with alleged extortion from local French restaurants that were found against Mayor Schmitz and Mr. Ruef. It is understood that the grand jury men gave their attention to the charge that extortion was practiced on an O'Farrell street resort that flourished before the fire.

Among those who were subpoenaed to appear as witnesses were Myrtle Cerf, "Colonel" Martin Brady, Harry Cohen and Frank J. Burke. The latter two are said to have been secretary and attorney, respectively, for the resort. In respect to his investigation into alleged graft in this city, Assistant Attorney Henry said:

"What we have already done is only a starter. We expect that there will be other indictments before we finish. All I now ask is fair juries to try the cases."

Judge Seawell decided that Abraham Ruef has no legal right to the office of district attorney to which he was appointed by Acting Mayor Gallagher after the board of supervisors had pretended to suspend W. H. Langdon. The court's opinion was oral. He said:

"I am clearly of the opinion that the conditions of this character do not apply to the district attorney's office and that the mayor and supervisors have no power of removal in regard to that office."

Husband Beats Wife

FREMONT, Neb.—The jury that heard the case of Rudolph Balaban against his divorced wife, Agnes, and her father, Mr. Yunek of Dodge, returned a verdict finding for the plaintiff. Mr. Balaban is given the piano and other household goods worth about \$2,000 in all. Mrs. Balaban is allowed to retain a commode and a few other pieces. Following the separation of the couple at Howells a year or so ago, Balaban prepared to sell the household goods by auction. Mrs. Balaban stopped him. During his absence in Lincoln afterwards, Mrs. Balaban moved the goods to Dodge. Balaban started a replevin action and the verdict returned by the jury is the outcome.

The damage action of Ray Harden brook against the city of Fremont is now being heard in the court. It opened as soon as the Balaban case was finished. Hardenbrook was injured in an alley way when his team, which pulls the Standard Oil company's Fremont wagon, ran away. He claims that refuse which the city had allowed to accumulate in the alley was responsible for his wagon tipping over and injuring him.

Thaw Hopeful

NEW YORK.—Harry K. Thaw has a surprise in store for his prison comrades. He firmly believes that before Christmas day he will be free and he has arranged to celebrate his liberation by giving the unfortunates who will be left behind within the prison walls a feast they will never forget.

WATER IS FALLING

FLOOD STAGE PASSING IN WASHINGTON RIVERS

People Camp on the Hills

HOUSES RUINED AND SUFFERING LIKELY TO FOLLOW

Drizzling Rain Falling, But Worst Believed to Be Over, and No Further Loss of Life Believed Likely

KALMA, Wash.—Reports from the Cowlitz river district indicate that the crisis of the flood situation has been passed and the waters which swept the river clean of all shingle and lumber interests, inundated the surrounding territory and flooded the towns of Castle Rock, Kelso, Ostrander and Olequa, driving the people to the hills and high ground for safety, are beginning to subside.

A message from Castle Rock says the water here has fallen three feet, and, barring further rains, no more destruction is anticipated. While destruction to property was great on both sides of the river as far as news can be had, no loss of life has been reported. Loss of live stock, however, is reported to have been heavy. Throughout the inundated district people driven from their homes from the flood are camping in the hills and on high ground. Many were able to make their way to the homes of friends and have shelter, but a large number were forced to flee and leave all their belongings behind and are without adequate shelter and sufficient food.

Fear of Much Suffering

A drizzling rain is falling and unless these people can get to places of shelter soon there will be great suffering from exposure and lack of food.

Reports reaching here say that the hills along the Cowlitz are lined with campers whose homes are still partially submerged. A steamer or two and several launches have gone up the Cowlitz river to gather up the homeless, if possible, and transfer them to places of safety and shelter. It is reported a rescue vessel is operating between Kelso, Stella and Rainier taking refugees to the latter place.

A railroad train on the Northern Pacific left Kalma to work its way as far into the flooded district as possible.

The shingle and lumber interests along the Cowlitz have probably been wiped out. The water has swept the river clean, it is said, not a log or bolt of shingles being left. The loss to the lumber and shingle men will amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars it is claimed.

The flood in Castle Rock washed away two or three houses, but did not do as much damage in this particular as was thought.

Between Kelso and Castle Rock hundreds of people have been rendered homeless and many families are in want, having saved but few of their effects and but few provisions. The operation of trains north seems out of the question at this time. Several trains are stalled along the route, and it is certain that railroad communication with Puget sound points over the northern Pacific will be had for many days.

Calls It a Bunco Scheme

BALTIMORE.—At a banquet at the Churchman's club, Rev. Dr. William Harman Van Allen of Boston, who was one of the speakers, made a bitter attack upon Christian science and Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy. He said in part:

"Eddyism uses the Christian terminology, professes reverence for Christ and the Bible, pretends to exalt God more highly than other religions do, and ingeniously mingles what is good and true and indisputable with its own fantastic errors. It is therefore well calculated to do the work Satan designs to do, namely, to destroy faith in the religion of the Christian church and to substitute an anti-Christian caricature. It is a gigantic bunco scheme wherein the victim thinks he has the treasure but instead holds only the worthless imitation."

Greatest Peril of Peace

MADRID.—The Diaro Universal, commenting on the speech of Chancellor von Buelow in the German reichstag, expresses the opinion that too much importance should not be attached to the chancellor's optimism adding that "Germany is the greatest peril to European peace."

THE BLOW HAS FALLEN

STANDARD OIL TO FEEL WEIGHT OF FEDERAL WRATH

Petition Filed in United States District Court at St. Louis—History of Case Summarized at Washington

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The United States government made the initial move to dissolve the Standard oil monopoly by filing in the United States district court in St. Louis a petition in equity against the Standard Oil company of New Jersey and its seventy constituent corporations and partnerships, and seven defendants, including Mr. John D. Rockefeller, asking that the combination be declared unlawful and in the future enjoined from entering into any contract or combination restraint of trade. The suit is brought under the Sherman anti-trust act, which the Standard and its constituent companies and the seven individual defendants are charged with violating.

In a formal statement by Attorney General Moody he says that criminal prosecution is reserved for future consideration.

Kellogg Files the Petition

Frank B. Kellogg, of St. Paul, Minn., special assistant to Attorney General Moody, brought the petition to St. Louis. The document was filed with the clerk of the United States circuit court by the government's local representative, United States District Attorney D. P. Dyer and Special Counsel Kellogg.

When court convened at 10 o'clock Attorneys Kellogg and Dyer held a closed conference for half an hour, at the end of which time Special Counsel Kellogg informed Attorney General Moody by long distance telephone that the petition was about to be filed, and was instructed to proceed. Attorneys Kellogg and Dyer then went into the clerk's office, where the petition was formally sworn to and filed by Colonel Dyer.

After the filing of the petition Judges W. H. Sanborn and Elmer B. Adams, of the United States circuit court of appeals, upon petition, issued an order granting the federal officers authority to immediately serve notice of the suit upon those defendants who are not residents of the judicial district in which the suit has been filed.

Inquiry into Indian Needs

VINITA, I. T.—The committees of senators appointed at the last session of congress to investigate and report upon the general conditions in Indian territory has reached here, and held hearings the day of his arrival in the afternoon and night. The subjects under consideration were remedial legislation and modifications of existing rules and regulations of the interior department that would permit a more general sale and rental of allotted tribal lands, the levying of taxes under statehood, the maintenance of a better public school system, the disposal of the segregated coal and asphalt lands in the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations and the sale and rental of the surface of these segregated lands for commercial purposes.

A delegation of the full blood Cherokee, among the members of the Katoowah society, a secret organization among the full blooded Cherokees, that heretofore has always opposed the coming of white men to Indian territory, asked for the removal of restrictions from the surplus lands of full bloods and in this was joined by a delegation of full blood Shawnees. The committee will continue the hearing.

Pittsburg Police Busy

PITTSBURG, Pa.—The police of this city express confidence in having under arrest the slayer of Harry F. Smith, who was killed in his home by a burglar. Charles Buccini, the Italian arrested with a wounded hand, had the bullet extracted. It is of 32-caliber, the size of the bullet fired from Smith's gun in the fight with the burglar. Buccini has also been identified through people who claimed they saw him in the neighborhood of the Smith home.

The rewards for the arrest of the slayers of Smith and James E. McMillan, who was murdered a week ago, have been augmented by one of \$1,000 by the city. The action was taken by the finance committee of the council following the act of council in providing 200 more police. Many holdups were reported, the criminals in every instance escaping. Wholesale arrests are being made of men without apparent occupation.