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POLAND IN A PANIC

LODZ HAS BEEN IN TURMOIL FOR THREE DAYS.

Loss of Life Very Heavy—Number of Casualties Not Definitely Known—Troops Fired Volley After Volley Into Mobs of the Populace.

A bloody collision between soldiers and a crowd of people occurred at Lodz, Russia, Friday. Many people were killed.

A man carrying a bomb was arrested Friday morning in front of the Malewski police station at Warsaw. He refused all information regarding himself.

Disturbances are anticipated at Warsaw in consequence of the recent shooting of workmen at Lodz.

The story is current at St. Petersburg that the day before Grand Duke Alexis resigned the post of high admiral he received a formal warning from the terrorists, informing him that unless he retired within twenty-four hours sentence on him would be passed and he would be executed.

Lodz has been in a turmoil for the past three days. The strike, which embraces 60,000 workmen, appears to have entirely lost its economic nature, and is now a vast political manifestation.

All forms of business activity have been suspended, the peaceful inhabitants remaining indoors in fear of their lives. The political zeal of the manifestants has become inflamed by intoxicants from the vodka shops, which were broken into and pillaged Friday.

At Warsaw a strike has commenced and disorders were looked for, and the trial of Okerjay, who threw a bomb at a police station on March 26, will probably result in other bomb outrages. A man was arrested Friday morning armed with a bomb which was evidently intended to be used in court during the trial.

In the mean while the government has publicly disclaimed all intentions of the ruseification of Poland, the council of ministers in its deliberations of the school question Friday saying:

"The committee considers it necessary to establish the fact that the ruseification and denationalism of the Poles can not possibly lie within the intent of the Russian government."

Preparations for the mobilization of troops in the Moscow district have been completed. There will be a medical examination of 48,000 men, from whom 20,000 will be selected, not for service in the far east, but for incorporation in reserve battalions.

ACCUSED OF FORGERY.

Another Warrant Issued for Former Philadelphia Official.

For the second time within a week John W. Hill, former chief of the bureau of filtration, at Philadelphia, Pa., was arrested Friday on charges of forgery and falsifying certain books and papers for the purpose of defrauding the city of Philadelphia.

After a hearing lasting nearly six hours, he was held in \$2,000 bail for trial. His arrest Friday was a surprise coming so close on his statement of innocence of forgery and falsification of records, on which he was held on \$8,000 on Wednesday.

The principal witness against Mr. Hill was S. G. Garrett, a former employe of the filtration bureau. Evidence was produced to show that work done by Daniel J. McNichol, a contractor, was padded and the city was defrauded out of about \$40,000. Counsel for the defense claimed that the evidence produced did not prove Mr. Hill guilty of the offenses charged.

NEW LAND FRAUDS.

Very Sensational Developments in New Mexico.

A Roswell, N. M., dispatch states what is declared to be a parallel to the land fraud prosecution in Oregon and Montana has been started there by the arrest of Benjamin H. Tallmadge, of Chicago, of the Tallmadge Southwestern Land Company, on the charge of subornation of perjury.

Tallmadge was released on \$5,000 bond.

Uneasiness in France.

Uneasiness continues to prevail in parliamentary circles at Paris and among the public generally concerning the outcome of the negotiations between France and Germany. The bourse showed renewed depression, rentes continuing to decline.

One Dead and a Score Hurt.

Lillian Moore, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., whose skull was fractured when two trolley cars filled with excursionists crashed together at Fishkill landing, early Friday, is dead. None of the twenty others injured in the crash is thought to be fatally hurt.

Sioux City Stock Market.

Friday's quotations on the Sioux City stock market follow: Butcher steers, \$3.80@5.00. Top hogs, \$5.20.

Oscar Not to Abdicate.

There is no foundation for the rumors circulating at Copenhagen and elsewhere of the probability of King Oscar abdicating in favor of the crown prince in consequence of the dissatisfaction of some factions with the government's pacific attitude in the crisis.

To Get Slain Wounded at Manila

With the consent of the United States government Russia has decided to send a hospital ship to Manila to take away the wounded of Admiral Euguist's squadron.

MAY BE A BOY DID IT.

Suspicion as to the Cause of the Terrible Lake Shore Wreck.

A Toledo, O., special says that it is possible that in vestigation will develop that a boy 14 years old meddled with the switch at the Mentor station Wednesday night and caused the wreck if the Twentieth Century flyer. William Usher, ticket agent of the Nickel Plate, and James Barnes, of Willoughby, were on the scene twenty minutes after the wreck happened.

On the way they met a boy carrying a lantern. They questioned him and he said that he had been down and shut a switch. The men went to the scene of the wreck and found the switch open, but locked. The men are of the opinion that the boy thought that there was a freight ahead of the Twentieth Century, and opened the switch to let it through and take a siding, and that he intended to open the switch instead of closing it.

H. S. Storrs, general superintendent of the Lake Shore, said that the matter would be investigated at once, although he is inclined to doubt the story that a boy had possession of a key and could turn the switch.

The list of fatalities in Wednesday night's wreck of the Twentieth Century flyer is one of the largest in the history of the Lake Shore road, numbering nineteen persons. All the victims were prominent in the business and professional world in New York, Chicago, Cleveland and other cities.

As to who is responsible for the open switch which was the cause of the wreck the railroad officials are still uncertain. They believe that the wreck is the result of either a maniac who wanted to see a wreck of such a fast train or some person bent on revenge. A careful examination of the switch Thursday showed that it was in perfect condition.

W. H. Marshall, general manager of the Lake Shore, believes the speed of the train was not a contributory cause of the wreck. He said that other Lake Shore trains travel through Mentor at a speed equal to that attained by the Twentieth Century Wednesday night, which was not, Mr. Marshall said, above the rate of sixty miles an hour. The schedule for the train called for a speed of fifty-seven miles an hour at that point.

A peculiar feature of the wreck is that all those who met death were either fatally burned or scalded.

WILL NOT HANG.

Mrs. Rogers' Attorneys Appeal to United States Supreme Court.

A Brattleboro, Vt., special says: The habeas corpus petition of Mrs. Mary M. Rogers, under sentence of death for the murder of her husband, was denied by Federal Judge Wheeler Thursday.

Mrs. Rogers' attorneys filed an appeal to the United States supreme court Thursday afternoon. Pending a decision by that body, Mrs. Rogers, whose reprieve expired Friday, will not be hanged.

The reprieve is until Dec. 8. It was signed Thursday afternoon by Gov. Chas. Bell, and for the third time Mrs. Rogers, who was to have been hanged at Windsor Friday for killing her husband, has been saved through the operation of the governor's power of staying the execution.

BIG INDIAN WARRANT STEAL.

Chickasaw School Warrants that Had Been Paid, Reftoated. It is alleged that a steal in connection with the payment of Chickasaw warrants has been discovered at Muskogee, I. T., which will outrival the famous Creeks warrant steal, and may involve a fugitive banker of Tishomingo and "men high up."

The amount is between \$100,000 and \$200,000. The sum represents Chickasaw school warrants that were paid, and afterward, it is said, reftoated.

NEBRASKA TO VOTE.

"Off" Year Election Will Be Held This Year.

Nebraska will vote this fall as heretofore, the supreme court at Lincoln Thursday declaring the biennial election law unconstitutional and void. It was "signed to do away with "off" year" elections.

The judges claim that it attempts to extend the time of constitutional officers, and this is clearly beyond the power of the legislature.

Shot by a Posse.

In the vicinity of Keota, Mo., a posse of miners shot and killed Jack Plummer, a miner, who had a short time previously shot and killed William Dale, a mine mule driver overseer. Plummer had been discharged by Dale because of cruelty to animals.

King Christian Very Ill.

Emperor William, at Kiel, received a telegram Wednesday night announcing that King Christian, of Denmark, is in a state of great weakness, which is giving his entourage much concern.

Death List Grows.

Twenty-one persons are dead as the result of the wreck of the Twentieth Century Limited on the Lake Shore road at Mentor, O., Wednesday night, the train dashing into an open switch.

Fire in Packing Plant.

The lard refining building of the packing plant of Schwarzschild & Sulzberger, at Armourdale, Mo., burned Thursday. The loss is \$200,000.

New Trial for Briggs.

At Springfield, Ill., the supreme court Thursday granted a writ of error and supersedeas in the case of Joseph (Jocko) Briggs, sentenced to hang Friday in Chicago for the murder of Hans Peterson. This will give Briggs a new trial.

Wreck on Rio Grande.

An eastbound Denver and Rio Grande passenger train was wrecked near Cisco, Utah. The train ran into an open eight passengers were slightly injured in the wreck.

FLYER IS WRECKED.

Twentieth Century Limited Ditched at Mentor, Ohio.

Running at the rate of more than fifty miles an hour the Twentieth Century Limited on the Lake Shore Railroad dashed into an open switch at the passenger station at Mentor, O., shortly before 10 o'clock Wednesday night. At least eleven persons were killed and twelve or fifteen badly injured, some fatally.

The combination baggage and smoking buffet car and the coach behind it caught fire and were destroyed.

The dead are John R. Bennett, patent attorney, New York City, burned to death; Thomas R. Morgan, of the Wellman-Seaver Manufacturing Company, Cleveland, burned to death; Allen Tyner, engineer, Collinwood, O., crushed under engine; Nettie Walters, baggage-man, Hamburg, N. Y.; Fireman Graham, Collinwood, O.; W. D. Nicky, New York, identified by Y. M. C. A. card.

Five bodies horribly burned were taken from the wreck. It was impossible to identify them at the scene of the wreck. The accident happened opposite the station at Mentor, about twenty-five miles east of Cleveland. At this time the officials are unable to account in any way for the accident. This was the fourth trip of the flyer on its way from Chicago to New York on an eighteen-hour schedule. The train was the fastest long distance train the world. The train hauled out of Cleveland five cars—four Pullmans and a buffet car. The combination car was burned completely, but cooled off at 11:30 o'clock so that rescuers could get to work. About fifteen passengers were known to have been riding in this, and at least six of the number are dead.

Engineer Tyner, of the train was taken from under the engine dead and horribly mangled about two hours after the accident. Fire departments from Mentor and from Painesville, O., were called and were at work trying to extinguish the flames in the combination car within thirty minutes after the wreck occurred. The injured went sent to Cleveland on a special train.

The sleeper behind the combination car swung off the track and crashed into the freight depot, which was completely destroyed. The engine was turned completely around when it struck the freight depot. Every car left the track, the rear truck of the last coach only remaining on the rails.

A MANIAC'S CRIME.

Wounds Nine People in City of San Francisco, Cal.

After holding 1,000 persons at bay for two hours in Eddy Street, San Francisco, Cal., Wednesday—shooting nine people and defying the police—Thomas Lobb, a maniac, killed himself.

All the victims were hit with No. 4 shot except a Chinaman, who received a rifle ball. The insane man was barricaded in his room on the fourth floor of the United States Hotel.

Lobb was aged 28 years. He apparently was an Englishman and was a stranger at San Francisco. He went to the hotel Tuesday night, and early next morning began throwing furniture from the window to the street. Then he began firing, using a shotgun. He placed \$50 and \$100 bills in the muzzle of the weapon, and fragments of paper were scattered over the street.

BANK GOES UNDER.

A Philadelphia Institution in Receiver's Hands.

The City Trust and Safe Deposit Company closed its doors at Philadelphia, Pa., Wednesday and has gone into the hands of temporary receivers.

The receivership was due to the discovery that the bank was the victim of the forgeries of Benjamin H. Gaskill to the extent of \$80,000.

Both Will Be Reprieved.

A Springfield, Ill., special says: Johann Hoch, the convicted wife murderer and multi-bigamist will be reprieved for one week, possibly longer. It was announced authoritatively Wednesday afternoon that the governor intended to take such action in order to permit the carrying of the case before the supreme court.

A Dastardly Deed.

An unknown man called W. R. Scott, a lumber merchant, to the latter's door at Pittsburg, Kan., and threw a pint of carbolic acid into his face. Scott was burned terribly about the face, neck and shoulders. He may live, but probably will be blind. The assailant escaped. No motive for the attack is known.

Hawaiian Governor Quits.

Gov. Carter, of Hawaii, mailed his resignation to President Roosevelt on Wednesday. He will leave June 28 for Washington to discuss the matter of his retirement.

Judge Hooker Under Fire.

The New York legislature Wednesday convened in special session to consider the case of Justice Warren B. Hooker, of the state supreme court, in connection with postal affairs at Dunkirk and Fredonia.

Spanish Cabinet Resigns.

Madrid advises state that the entire cabinet has resigned, and its resignation has been accepted by King Alfonso. The resignation followed the rejection of a vote of confidence in the cabinet introduced in the chamber of deputies by Deputy Llorens.

Hope for a Truce.

It is intimated in official circles at Washington that negotiations are proceeding looking to an armistice between Japan and Russia.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Fall from Train Kills Youth—Son of Wealthy Fremont Man Loses Life in Attempting to Steal a Ride—Verdict of Coroner's Jury.

A Fremont special says: Will McMahon, of Fremont, fell from the "blind baggage" of the eastbound Overland Limited Friday evening about 8 o'clock near the brewery and sustained injuries which resulted in his death about three hours later. He was 22 years of age, unmarried and a son of Edward McMahon, a wealthy farmer and stock raiser. He had been on a big spree and was so drunk that he could scarcely walk without assistance. It is supposed he boarded the "blind" end of the train to beat his way to Omaha and when the train struck the curve at the brewery fell off. He was seen as he struck the ground. The train was stopped and he was taken to the depot and a few minutes later to the hospital. Both legs were crushed and he became unconscious, remaining in that condition until death. He was also badly bruised and evidently sustained severe internal injuries.

According to a tramp's story, McMahon was pushed off the platform by a trainman. An inquest was held and the matter thoroughly investigated. The evidence before the coroner's jury leaves little doubt as to how his death occurred. The train crew and a number of other witnesses were sworn. Two witnesses, B. F. French, watchman of the seed house, and C. Rosengren, engineer at the brewery, testified that the brakeman kicked McMahon, but that the latter did not fall from the train for a few seconds afterwards. Brakeman J. J. Kriss denied kicking the man or knocking him off the train. He told him to get off and shook him. McMahon appeared dazed and stupid and he signaled the engineer to stop. The latter slowed up until the train was not moving faster than two miles an hour. McMahon stepped off the lower step of the tender with his left hand clinging to the rail. He let go and was thrown partially under the car. The doctors who performed the autopsy were surprised to find no bones broken, though the flesh was nearly all torn off one leg from just above the ankle. The jury brought in a verdict of accidental death.

LAW IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Nebraska Supreme Court on Biennial Elections.

The biennial election law was declared unconstitutional at Lincoln Thursday morning by the supreme court, the three judges concurring in the opinion, which was written by Chief Justice Holcomb. The opinion, which is quite lengthy, holds that the law is clearly in violation of the constitution, which provides there shall be annual elections. The decision wipes out the entire biennial election law, and requires the election of all the officers named therein at the fall election with the exception of county assessors, registers of deeds, county supervisors and county commissioners, statutory officers whose terms were extended by four special acts.

Nebraska Scholar Insane.

A Lincoln special says: With health impaired by scientific research, C. C. Rice is now a raving maniac at Allegheny, Pa. He left Lincoln Saturday and appeared to be improving in health. Rice was a tutor in entomology at Leland Stanford University. Several weeks ago he came to his home in Belmont to rest. A letter describing his condition was received by his friends in Lincoln from the authorities at Allegheny.

Killed by Fast Mail.

Claude Sutton, 21 years old, was instantly killed at Silver Creek, fifteen miles west of Columbus. Sutton was crossing the Union Pacific tracks and was struck by an eastbound fast mail. Both he and the team were killed outright. Sutton was thrown high in the air and fell about sixty feet from where he was struck. One of the horses was thrown over 100 feet.

Charge is Serious.

At Beatrice complaint was filed in the county court Thursday against W. H. Thompson, charged with assault with intent to kill and with assault with intent to wound Thomas Richardson, of Lanham. The filing of the complaint is the result of a stabbing affray which occurred at Lanham recently, in which Richardson was seriously injured.

Woman Found Dead in Road.

Mrs. Joseph Glasser, wife of the well known pioneer farmer and politician of Humboldt, died Wednesday night. John Blecha, a farmer, was driving home from the city about 7 o'clock when he came across the body of Mrs. Glasser lying by the roadside with life apparently extinct. Heart disease was the cause of death.

Alleged Horse Thieves to be Tried.

A special term of district court will be held in Boyd County next week to try Conoco and Lunderman, two alleged horse thieves, who have been captured and jailed at Butte. These men are supposed to belong to the same crowd which has been stealing cattle around northwestern Nebraska for some time.

Girls Disappear.

Della French, aged 22, and her 15-year-old sister, Elsie, who were working as domestics in respectable families at Plainview, disappeared Sunday evening and have not been seen since. They left their clothes and trunks, and gave no reason for leaving.

What Harvest Approaching.

Wheat around Beatrice is ripening fast and many farmers will commence to harvest their crops next week.

Plainview Woman Insane.

Hattie Colson, widow of Ambrose Colson, a former postmaster of Plainview, is violently insane, and will be taken to the asylum for treatment. It is supposed that insanity was caused by melancholia. Her malady is said to be incurable.

New Use for Bustler.

Bustles have been put to a new use in Pierce County. A farmer from Osmond walked into a Pierce millinery store, where he had seen a bustle on display. He bought twenty of them, and took them home to muzzle his calves.

FATAL FIRE AT ELKHORN.

Fred Paash Dead and Wife Seriously Burned by Exploding Oil.

Fred Paash, a German farmer residing near Elkhorn, is dead and his wife seriously burned as the result of an explosion of coal oil.

Wednesday evening about 6 o'clock Mr. Paash started a light a fire in the stove of a five-gallon can on the fire. Flames were immediately communicated to the can, which exploded, covering the unfortunate man with burning oil. His wife came to his assistance, but could do nothing to save him and he fell to the floor in an unconscious condition, burned from head to foot. He died about 10 o'clock Wednesday night.

His wife, suffering from burns and the flesh falling from her body, which was then practically nude, walked to the home of a neighbor, where she was given such treatment as could be administered. She is in a critical condition and was taken to a hospital.

CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS.

Railroad Wants Right of Way Through Dakota County.

Condemnation proceedings have been commenced in the county court of Judge J. J. Eimers, at Dakota City, by the Sioux City and Western Railway Company against over 100 property owners between South Sioux City and Homer, to have appraised the damages arising from the building of the proposed extension of the Great Northern Railway. Sheriff Hanson has sworn in two special deputies who are now at work serving notices on the resident property owners.

Judge Eimers has appointed the following board of appraisers who are all among the substantial farmer residents of the county: J. F. Leamer, William Cheney, John Boler, Thomas C. Blair, George H. Harris and Thomas C. Clapp. They will hold their first meeting at the office of the county judge on the 28th inst.

CROPS POUNDED INTO GROUND.

Damaging Effect of Hailstorm in Northern Nebraska.

Late reports of the hail storm and rain storm which visited northern Nebraska Tuesday night indicates that the area of the disturbance was general about Norfolk, extending west to Long Pine and north to the Nebraska-South Dakota boundary. Hail fell with terrific force in many localities, literally pounding the crops that it struck into the earth, stripping fruit trees and shattering windows.

Reports show that the storm was severe around O'Neill, where a strip eight miles wide was beaten down and crops that had promised to be the best in the history of the county were ruined. The storm cut a gash five miles wide south of Norfolk, and extended west to Battle Creek.

Keating's Attorney's Absent.

Notwithstanding the fact that arrangements had been made to hold a hearing at Lincoln Saturday on the application of Convent Frank Keating for a commutation of a ten year sentence for highway robbery, none of the attorneys put in an appearance. The man robbed John Rose, a prominent farmer of Webster County. The announcement that the governor contemplated the issuance of a commutation stirred up great opposition at the scene of the crime. Keating's trial cost the county several thousand dollars. County Attorney A. M. Walters, of that county, claims that the man cannot have his sentence commuted because he has served several terms in prison. The man belongs to a wealthy family.

Assessment Reduced.

Many farmers and a few business men who live at York and vicinity have invested in a placer mine in Georgia and it is reported that they have purchased gold mining stock to the amount of \$60,000. When the assessor assessed them the value of this stock they complained that the stock was assessed in Georgia and the board made a reduction of one-fourth of the real value of the stock.

Choked to Death in Pickle Brine.

The 14-month-old child of Ed Green, of St. Deroyn, a town near Auburn, while playing about a keg of brine that is used for pickles, fell in head first and was choked to death. Mrs. Green had been taking some pickles from the barrel and had left the room for a few minutes with the baby playing about the keg.

Nebraska Church Fight.

The supreme court at Lincoln Thursday threw the Bonacum-Murphy litigation out of court. Friends of Father Murphy, of Seward, claim the advantage is with him, the judges declaring that the church organization does not recognize the supremacy of the courts of the land in church disputes. Murphy was expelled from his parish by Bishop Bonacum.

Horse Electrocutted.

A live wire proved the undoing of a big bay horse at Norfolk in sight of hundreds of people. The animal, property of J. Hennessey, had been tied to a post. Touching his nose to a guy wire in front of him, which crossed electric light wires above, the horse was electrocuted and dropped dead.

Pop Bottle Bursts.

Frank Lauer was badly cut about the head and neck by the explosion of a pop bottle at the Fremont bottling works. He was at work at a bottling machine, pressure on which was allowed to run up to ninety pounds, when one of the bottles exploded, the pieces of glass striking him in the face.

Fear the Hessian Fly.

There is considerable agitation in the country about the Hessian fly. The wheat in York County was never in a more prosperous condition for a large yield than this year. The discussion which is going on is what damage the Hessian fly will do with the winter wheat before harvest time.

Young Boy Charged with Theft.

A boy of 11 years of age was sent to Auburn by the justice of the peace at Brownville and lodged in the county jail on the charge of having stolen 15 cents. The request was made that the boy be sent to the industrial school.

Struck by Lightning.

Archie Kerns was killed by lightning near Aurora. His father owns a farm two miles out from town, where the young man was plowing corn. A slight rain was falling, accompanied by a good deal of lightning.



Cupid has been doing a land office business in state house circles recently and Friday cashed in with three weddings to his credit.

The three state house persons struck by his darts were Miss Anna Galbraith, of the land commissioner's office, Miss Nannie Canning, stenographer in the attorney general's office, and Miss Grace Walker, who recently resigned as stenographer in the governor's office. Galbraith was married to W. C. Goheen at the home of her parents in Hebron and will reside with her husband at Atlanta, Ga. The second wedding was solemnized at Plattsmouth, when Miss Walker was married to Mr. Frank Johnson. Mr. Johnson is in the employ of the Burlington railroad. They will make their home in Lincoln. Miss Nannie Canning married John Cyprian Stevens at the home of Attorney General and Mrs. Brown in Lincoln.

According to the report of rainfall in Nebraska for the month of May sent out by the government and received by Secretary Dobson, of the state board of irrigation, there will be little need of his office working overtime on the irrigation project this summer. Rainfall in the eastern section of the state was ten inches, while in the western section, which has heretofore been dry, the rainfall was from four to six inches. Representative Caldwell, of Clay County, said the rainfall had been so heavy in his part of the state that the growth of corn had been greatly retarded. Representative Kaley, of Webster County, said he had been compelled to replant most of his corn because it had been washed out.

Because someone was in such a hurry to spread the news of the capture of Max Ploehn, who is charged with the murder of Alma Goos, the captors will be deprived of the \$300 reward which the state had intended to offer. A few days ago Gov. Mickey received an inquiry as to whether the state would offer a reward in such a case. The governor replied that upon receipt of the proper notification of the murder reward would be offered. The data in the case was received Thursday morning and while Secretary Allen was preparing the proclamation for the signature of the governor the news of the capture was received. Naturally the proclamation was not issued.

Adj. Gen. Culver received word Friday of the murder of Capt. Thomas R. Hayson at Siassi, Philippine islands. Capt. Hayson, who is well known in Nebraska, having joined the service in Kansas, was shot while asleep in his room by a traitorous sentinel. Gen. Culver and Capt. Hayson served together in the Philippines, both being members of the Thirty-second infantry. At the time of his death Capt. Hayson was assistant superintendent of the constabulary. He leaves a widow and daughter.

Registration of students who are to attend the summer school at the university began Friday morning and the prospects are that a large number will attend. Classes will be held every day except Saturdays and Sundays. Among the features will be a course in music and a course in superintending. The faculty will consist of thirty-five instructors of the university and forty-three courses will be offered. The school opened Monday.

An announcement has been made through a sign tacked on a building at the corner of Tenth and O Streets that Lincoln Park has been closed to the public and no one will be allowed to enter there this summer. This takes from Lincoln its last hope of keeping cool. It is stated that the owners of the park came to this conclusion after the street railway company had refused to cart the people out there at half price or to make any contribution toward fixing up the park.

A contract was let Saturday afternoon by Land Commissioner Eaton by permission of the state board of public lands and buildings to the State Journal Company to place steel fixtures in the vault in the land commissioner's office, the price to be \$2,820.00. This pays only for the fixtures. The total cost before the work is finished probably will be \$3,100 or more. There are three vaults in the office.

The state board of assessment held its meeting Saturday and consequently accomplished nothing except that Gov. Mickey and Treasurer Mortensen have about concluded to adopt some drastic measures by which the majority of the board will be compelled to attend the meetings and vote on the assessment of the railroads.

At last Lincoln has concluded to clean up its sidewalks and make it possible for the women of the town to walk about the streets without carrying home "ten million thousand" microbes collected from the expectation on the walks. The council has passed an anti-spitting ordinance and the police say it will be enforced.

Chief Clement, of the Lincoln fire department, who has been scouting around for some weeks to get a good fire horse, returned Friday with an animal which he located near Emerald, paying \$250 for it. The horse is 4 years old, a dapple gray and is one of the finest specimens the fire department ever owned.

After many spasmodic spells of reform and alleged efforts to rid the blocks of Lincoln of disreputable characters and to raise the business section of the town to a standard of morality demanded of a university town, the police have finally brought to trial a number of the alleged offenders.

June 14 was flag day and state officials and state house employes took advantage of their opportunity and locked up shop and rested. Adj. Gen. Culver, who has the soldiers' school on his hands, could not do this, so his force put in an unusually busy day and his office