

Telephone War at West Point. West Point, Neb., July 12.—Special to The News: West Point is in the throes of a telephone fight. At the last meeting of the city council an ordinance was introduced to repeal the one granting a franchise to the Cuming County Independent Telephone company.

Lightning Sounds Fire Alarm. Stanton, Neb., July 12.—About one month ago the city had attached to the fire bell an automatic apparatus by which the bell can be rung in case of fire.

MADISON WANTS SEWERAGE. Question is Being Agitated at Present Time—County Seat News.

Madison, Neb., July 12.—Special to The News: The sewerage proposition is agitating the minds of the citizens of Madison at present. A beautiful little city of luxuriant shade and acres of blue grass lawns, already possessing nearly all the public improvements and utilities of a modern city.

SALOON LAW AFFECTS SCHOOLS. West Point Board of Education Discusses Probable Result.

West Point, Neb., July 12.—Special to The News: At the last meeting of the school board educational finances were discussed. It is estimated that a levy of 15 mills tax will be required for the coming year for school purposes.

Cudahy Builds on Douglas. Omaha, July 12.—E. A. Cudahy has announced that work will be begun at once on the construction of a ten-story building on the Grossman corner at Seventeenth and Douglas streets, at a cost of \$500,000.

LOOKS DARK FOR VICTOR. Evidence Against Accused Man Accumulating.

Aberdeen, S. D., July 12.—The web of evidence against Emil Victor, the accused quadruple murderer, is steadily growing and the prisoner is losing the air of indifference which has characterized his behavior since his arrest.

J. G. Rounds, merchant at Conde, states that some time before the murder a man he believes to have been Victor, tried to trade him a 41 caliber for a smaller weapon. He would not trade because of the odd size cartridges used in the man's weapon.

Million Loss at Sioux City. Sioux City, July 12.—Little Perry creek, which suddenly overflowed its banks, causing a loss estimated at from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000, has returned to its channel.

Many of the 500 families which were driven from their homes will not be able to return to them for several days.

In the wide area comprising the flooded district many houses have been washed from their foundations by the waters in the residence district, but the heaviest loss is in the business and wholesale districts.

Because of the flooding of the power plant of the Sioux City Service company, the electric car service of the city is still completely tied up. Many factories, which depend on the company for power, closed down.

At Standstill at Kansas City. Kansas City, Mo., July 12.—With the main line of the Missouri Pacific railway between Kansas City and St. Louis congested because of the great number of trains of other railroads detoured over it in an effort to reach Chicago, railroad traffic between Kansas City and Chicago today was practically at a standstill.

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe road has annulled all of its Chicago morning trains and the Burlington and Rock Island officials were making no promises to Chicago passengers as to arrival time in the lake city. The two latter roads were detouring via St. Louis. Western trains were running on schedule time.

Local flood conditions were at a standstill today. The Kansas river stood at 23 feet, a rise of but 1 of an inch since yesterday. The Missouri river reading was 26.2 feet, which was 2 inches higher than last night.

St. Louis Sees Flood Coming. St. Louis, July 12.—With the Mississippi river gauge reading 31.9 feet at 9 o'clock this morning, the government weather bureau predicted 33.5 feet for tomorrow and 34 feet for Wednesday. The water backed into the buildings along the levee, but no great damage was done.

FRIBBLES OF FASHION. Paris Says No Buttons on Gowns. Something New in Jewelry.

In Paris they are using no buttons on gowns, and very little fringe is seen. The aim among Parisian tailors seems to be long straight lines with an absence of buttons and any trimming whatever.

Among the new brooches are tiny straw hats of finely woven gold, with wreaths of enamel daisies or seed pearl flowers. Earrings, brooch and necklace matching in color make a pleasant ensemble.

Such a simple little dress as this one is in demand at all seasons, but especially so at this time, when washable materials are used. The body portion and the skirt are cut in one, simply held in place by means of a belt, and consequently laundering is an easy matter, while at the same time the dress is a becoming and attractive model.

Shoes of Bronze For Women. Mrs. Arthur Scott Burden has given society something new to talk about with her bronze shoes and slippers. It is a time for the unusual in footwear.

The Plain Part of It. "Did the young man they caught in fraudulent transactions speculate very much?" "I don't know about that, but he stole a lot!"—Baltimore American.

Money may not be able to buy happiness, but it can buy off a great deal of unhappiness.—Lyndon.

SPIRIT OF BUNKER HILL. What Commemoration of the Historic Battle Means.

OF GREAT NATIONAL INTEREST

Wide Scope of the Conflict's Influence on a Great Nation—Graphic Picture of the Battlefield as It Was in 1775. Historical Landmark That Has Been Preserved to Posterity by Women.

Sooner or later every stranger who visits Boston invariably announces, "I must see Bunker Hill." June 17 is the ideal day to gratify that wish. To correctly entertain any guests a sandwich should be taken, with plenty of pickles and a few pieces of pie, for Charlestown—accent on the "town," and pronounce it clearly, please—is within the "pie belt."

Use of Pillows. A Habit That Is Unnecessary and at Times May Be Harmful. "Pillows are little more than a pad and a rather harmful one at that," said a Germantown doctor.

At the Head. It is stated in Mr. and Mrs. Pennell's "Life of James MacNeill Whistler" in that part which relates to his brief West Point career that the great American painter was not "soldierly in appearance, bearing or habit."

She Almost Remembered. Little Josephine, aged four, was intently studying the pictures in a book and seemed very much interested in a picture of Charles Dickens.

Old Time Gas Charges. The price of gas in the early part of the last century is shown by a schedule of charges issued by the Liverpool Gaslight company in the year 1817.

Concrete Church. "Colonel, we want a contribution from you to help build a mission church."

Vengeance. "I wonder at your allowing Hix to marry your daughter. I thought you were mortal enemies."

She Got a New One. "Mr. Hornbill—Do you know, darling, I could pick you out of a crowd of women just by your style! Mrs. Hornbill—I don't wonder, and me with this same old dress for the last two years!"

The Right Word. "Why do you speak of him as a finished artist?" "Because he told me he was utterly discouraged and was going to quit the profession. If that doesn't show that he's finished I don't know what does."

Changed Her Mind. Newsighted Lady—The boy who is trying to tie that tin can to that poor dog's tail ought to be thrashed within an inch of his life—the horrid little brute! Maid—It's your boy, mum. Newsighted Lady—My boy? Maid—Yes, mum. Newsighted Lady—Tell him if he'll stop I'll give him some cake.—Christian Advocate.

TOWN OF GOLD BRICKS. Wealth Found in the Walls of Mexican Ac. Be Houses.

There are many remarkable towns in Mexico, but none more interesting than Guanajuato, "the hill of the frog." It might more properly be called the "gold brick town," for the houses have been found to contain much gold.

This is a curious situation, but it came about naturally. Guanajuato—pronounced Wah-nah-wah-to—is one of the oldest mining towns in Mexico, but the value of the place as a town was discovered when a railroad company decided to build a station there.

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