

NEW HANDS AT HELM

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL OF MEXICAN GOVERNORS.

MADERO PLANS A CLEANING OUT

First Visit Paid to American Soil for Many Months — Diaz and Members of Family Soon to Sail Away.

Juarez. — Before another month passes it is probable there will be changes in the personnel of the governors of nearly every one of the twenty-seven states of the Mexican republic. This was the declaration of Francisco I. Madero, jr., to the Associated Press representative. He said that the installation everywhere of provisional governors soon would be followed by state elections. Originally it was understood that the Maderists were to name governors for fourteen states, but that a more sweeping program would be considered in the future conferences between President de la Barra and Senor Madero at Mexico City. Messages to Senor Madero from his friends in the new cabinet report perfect accord with President de la Barra and optimism for a successful administration.

Senor Madero visited American soil for the first time in several months. He was a guest at luncheon of friends in El Paso and with his staff attended a dinner given by the El Paso city officials to the United States army officers stationed in that vicinity. General Diaz, accompanied by Senora Diaz, Porfirio Diaz, jr., and his wife, five grandchildren and other members of the family will go aboard the steamer Ypiranga Wednesday afternoon, bound for Spain.

Tobacco Trust Hard Hit.

Washington.—The government won a sweeping victory over the so-called "tobacco trust" when the supreme court of the United States held the American Tobacco company and its allied corporations to be operating in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. By directing that the combination be forbidden the privilege of interstate commerce or be placed in the hands of a receiver, unless it is disintegrated in harmony with the law, within six, or at the most eight months, the court is regarded to have dealt with the tobacco corporation more drastically than with the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, whose dissolution was ordered two weeks ago.

Military Mass for Dead.

Washington.—Military field mass for the Spanish war dead was celebrated in the shadow of the Washington monument before fully 25,000 persons. President Taft, members of the cabinet, the diplomatic corps and of congress were present. Monsignor Russell celebrated the mass, while a trained chorus of 125 voices sang the service.

Curtis Gets Agricultural School.

Lincoln.—The state board of public lands and buildings on the thirty-third ballot selected Curtis as the location for the new agricultural school to be established in southwestern Nebraska under the provisions of the Eastman bill passed at the late session of the legislature.

Washington.—The capital of Oklahoma will remain at Oklahoma City, so far as the supreme court of the United States is concerned. That tribunal has declined to hold that the Oklahoma statute enacted last December to remove the capital from Guthrie was unconstitutional.

Washington.—Seventeen year locusts are said to be ravaging vegetation in the eastern states this summer. The vanguard of the invaders have appeared in Alexandria county, Va., and the prediction is made that within a week or so the "plague" will be common.

Killed by Ammonia Fumes.

Columbus, O.—Edwin L. Hopkins was killed by ammonia fumes when a bolt of lightning caused the explosion of a fifty-gallon tank in an ice plant. Harry Miller and John Thomas, working with him, were overcome, but were rescued.

Chicago.—Hay sold at wholesale in Chicago Monday for \$27 a ton, declared to be the highest price ever reached for the staple in this city. A short crop last year is said to be the cause.

Musical Congress.

London.—The fourth congress of the International Musical society was formally opened Tuesday with interesting ceremonies at the University of London. Representatives of many of the countries of the world were in attendance.

Carroll, Ia.—Kate Shelly, who prevented a loaded Northwestern passenger train from going into an open bridge near Boone, twenty years ago, is at the point of death in a local hospital.

FROM MANY PLACES

EVENTS OF THE DAY TOLD IN A FEW LINES.

THE DAY'S NEWS BOILED DOWN

Personal, Political, Foreign and Intelligence of Various Kinds, Interesting to the General Reader Given in Condensed Form.

Washington

The first of the postal savings bank bonds will be issued soon. The house was not in session Thursday. Many of its special investigating committees, however, were busy. President Taft has signed a proclamation establishing the Colorado national park in Mesa county, Colorado. Henry L. Stimson of New York has been sworn in as secretary of war, succeeding Jacob M. Dickinson, resigned. Indications point to the fact that Taft and La Follette will be candidates for the republican nomination for president. A protest against the passage of the Canadian reciprocity bill will be made by a number of South Dakota men to the senate finance committee. John Sharp Williams of Mississippi has warned congress that the south could not support federal supervision of senatorial elections, though favorable to direct popular vote. Dispatches received from the Mexican capital state that persistent rumors were in circulation there of the existence of a plot to attempt the life of Madero upon his arrival. Interest that is quite as keen as that felt in the decision of the Standard Oil case is being manifested in congressional circles over the forthcoming decision in the tobacco case. The senate has fixed June 12 for a vote on the joint resolution providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. The resolution already has passed the house. Weekly reports of enlistments for the United States naval recruiting stations for the week ending May 20 show that of 1,154 applications there were 900 rejections and only 226 acceptances. Japan, it is stated in official circles, is prepared to participate in negotiations for a general treaty of arbitration with the United States, England and France and is willing to submit proposals for such an agreement.

General News

An early morning fire at Coney Island caused a loss estimated at between two and three million dollars. Five members of the family of Garstens Struve, residing near Manning, Iowa, are ill from the dread disease trichina. A \$150,000 fire with a big tank full of gasoline in the middle of it kept firemen busy for several hours at New York. A tornado struck Pekin, Ill., Sunday, killing two people and causing property damage that will amount to thousands of dollars. Russia is conceding the right of entry into that country of American Jews visiting the czar's domains on business missions. The brotherhood of railroad trainmen have decided on San Francisco as the place of the next convention, to be held in 1913. Johnny Simpson, a 13-year-old boy at Webb City, Mo., is in line for a bravery medal for saving the life of a drowning boy at the risk of his own. The annual meeting of the trans-Mississippi commercial congress, set for September next, will be held in Kansas City instead of Oklahoma City. Master boiler-makers from all over the United States and from Canada, Mexico and other countries are in Omaha for the international convention. Resolutions favoring reciprocity between the United States and Canada were adopted by the annual convention of railway claims agents at Montreal. Francisco I. Madero, jr., in a manifesto to the people of Mexico has resigned the position of provisional president conferred upon him by a convention of the revolutionists at San Luis Potosi last October. King Frederick received in audience Rear Admiral Chas. J. Badger, who was accompanied by the members of his staff, and the captains of the four battleships composing the second division of the United States Atlantic fleet, now visiting Denmark. Will Rogers and Joe Wiggins, the confessed kidnapers of Baby Wildo Rogers at Las Vegas, N. M., on March 20 last, have been convicted, the former getting five to twelve years and the latter seven to twelve years. In the absence of a statute for kidnaping in New Mexico, the men were prosecuted for burglary. Carrying several carloads of freight consigned to Kansas City merchants, the steamer Chester left New Orleans Monday for the Missouri city. It is intended as a revival of the river traffic between New Orleans and Kansas City. Mexico has changed presidents without any demonstrations of anarchy of which the Diaz government had expressed apprehensions. Announcement is made that the Iowa City high school has won the interscholastic championship of the United States, incidentally taking the John Jacob Astor cup.

It is said a plot to overthrow and kill Francisco Madero was frustrated by the arrest of the conspirators, one of whom was an American.

Because of the high temperature eight babies died Monday at Cleveland, O., making twenty-four deaths of babies in four days attributed to the heat.

Edward S. Whitaker, formerly chief of the New Orleans police, was sentenced to serve ten years in the state penitentiary for crimes involving young girls.

Hundreds of Mississippi farmers have petitioned Governor Noel to place a premium on buzzards in a crusade to exterminate the birds as a disease spreader.

The village of Groscher, situated on Pamir plateau, in west central Asia, has been overwhelmed by an avalanche. One hundred and twenty-eight people were killed.

The Mohonk Lake conference heartily indorsed treaties of unlimited arbitration with Great Britain, France and other countries and with speedy success with such treaties.

A section of the Buffalo Bill wild west show train was wrecked about eight miles from Lowell, Mass. Four men connected with the show were injured. All will recover.

From July 1, 1908, the Japanese entering the United States numbered 7,051, against 14,197 leaving the United States. In Hawaii there were 4,348 arrivals and 6,266 departures.

The expected rupture between the church and the government is now an accomplished fact as the result of a protest issued by the bishops at Lisbon against the separation law.

William Carren, former manager of a St. Louis theater, pleaded guilty to charges of embezzling \$22,000 of the theater's fund and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

Four persons were killed and a large number were wounded by soldiers in a riot which developed when inhabitants of Zacatecas gathered to celebrate the signing of the peace pact.

Measures for the ultimate disposition of the insurrecto army and for the payment of the costs of the war were the first matters to which the newly created Mexican executive devoted his official attention.

The new New York library, of white marble throughout, which has been twelve years in building and cost more than \$10,000,000, was dedicated Wednesday by President Taft, Governor Dix and Mayor Gaynor.

The funeral of Henri Maurice Bertheaux the French minister of war, who lost his life in the aeroplane accident at Paris on Sunday was made the occasion of an impressive national demonstration at that place Friday.

Clear Lake, Iowa, has been offered as the summer capital of the United States, a site having been presented to President Taft for his home during the hot months. The offer will be communicated to Washington at once.

Five persons were killed, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kaufman, formerly of Kearney, Neb., and one injured fatally at a railroad crossing near Rivers, Cal., in a collision between an electric car and an automobile.

Bert Connors and Mansel Parks are under arrest at Los Angeles, charged with being implicated in an attempt to wreck the new county hall of records last September, some weeks before the blowing up of the Times building.

Armed Shoshone Indians, led by the eldest, twenty-three years of age, from Duck valley reservation, are in Little High Rock canyon, Nevada, to avenge the killing of the Indian band that murdered four Washoe county stock men last February.

The second division of the United States Atlantic fleet, composed of the Louisiana, flagship of Rear Admiral Badger, the Kansas, New Hampshire and South Carolina, have arrived at the fishing village of Gilleleleje, forty miles from the Danish capital.

Porfirio Diaz, for whom during thirty years all Mexico has paid deference, secretly left the capital at 2 o'clock Friday morning. Only a few friends, whom he trusted followed him to the station. He was bound for Vera Cruz to take ship for Spain.

Some blame is laid on American socialists for the continuance of a certain phase of the Mexican trouble by government officials of that country.

College students in Ohio will not be permitted to vote in college towns unless they make oath that they expect to make their permanent residence in these towns.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith Miller, suffragist and advocate of the bloomer costume, is dead at Geneva, N. Y., at the age of eighty-nine.

One hundred girls had a narrow escape when fire broke out in the Paper Stock company's building at St. Louis. They jumped to the roof of an adjoining building and were rescued by firemen.

The national Steamship line steamer Taboga struck a reef off Punta Mala on Tuesday and sank a short time afterwards. Of the hundred passengers on board only forty are known to have been saved.

Revelations concerning the election of Senator Lorimer of Illinois may be expected as the result of a second investigation into the bribery charges against him if the predictions made by Senator Lorimer in his argument in support of his resolution of inquiry are realized.

Andrew Carnegie and family have sailed for their summer vacation in Scotland.

Eight hundred students are on strike at Ohio Northern university at Ada as the result of the expulsion of nine students for participating in a pugilistic combat.

MET DEATH IN WRECK

BURLINGTON'S MOST SERIOUS ACCIDENT IN YEARS.

BAD CRASH CLAIMS HEAVY TOLL

Trains Met Head-on in a Fog and Equipment Caught in the Heavy Impact Was Demolished—Long List of Injured.

McCook.—Two Burlington trains met head-on two miles west of Indianola at 7:10 Monday morning and sixteen are dead and twenty-two injured as a result. Passenger trains Nos. 9 and 12 are carried to meet at Red Willow. No. 9 was a few minutes late and No. 12, eastbound, is a superior train. It is said that orders should have been issued at McCook for No. 9 to have been issued at McCook to No. 12 that they were not issued. No. 12 did not wait, passing Red Willow practically on time. Two miles west of Indianola, near a curve and in a fog, the two passenger trains, running perhaps fifty miles an hour, met. Lives snuffed out, passengers and employes maimed and a mass of demolished equipment piled high, resulted. Four engines, who were in charge of the opposing trains, are dead, and their story will never be heard. The death list:

The Dead. Mrs. H. H. Culbertson of Brimfield or Wyoming, Ill. R. D. Wilson of Tobias, Neb. Harry McCall of Denver. A. G. Turam of Palsades, Colo. Hiram Feekin of McCook. Tom Gateley, the wrestler, of Stromsburg. Grace Dean of Minden. Robert Shepherd of Holdrege, traveling man for a hardware company. Clarence Hilsabeck of Holdrege. Engineer John W. Hyder of 2209 B street, Lincoln.

Fireman W. J. Darnon of 121 South Fourteenth street, Lincoln. Engineer W. T. Leahy of 1113 H st. Fireman T. H. Bowers. Fireman A. J. Olson of 737 North Fourteenth street, Lincoln. George Freer of McCook, baggage man.

Express Messenger Frazier. The list of injured: List of Injured. Bert Keeley of the Omaha baseball club. James McGill, Denver. W. H. Harris, Max, Neb. G. N. Carpell, Perry, Neb. H. B. Snipen, Aden, Colo. Samuel Davis, Williamsburg, Colo. W. W. Mark, Omaha, Neb. L. O. Noble, Oxford, Neb. O. H. Anderson, mail clerk on train 12, 2731 Q street, Lincoln. H. H. Culbertson, Brimfield, Ill. Maggie Sentence, McCook, Neb. Gerazem Gorz, Bender, Colo. E. E. Kent, Lincoln, Neb. W. R. Dean, Minden, Neb. A. C. Higbee, McCook, Neb. B. I. Irvine, Omaha, Neb. Irving Steff, cut and bruised, a traveling salesman, Pontiac, Mich. Brakeman Dave Burnett of McCook, Neb., broken arm and other injuries. Mrs. Feekin, may die.

Five of the victims who met death in the wreck were from Lincoln. All of the Lincoln men were well known, most of them having been in the employ of the company for a number of years.

General Superintendent Allen of the Burlington, who has been conducting an investigation at McCook of the cause of the wreck, telegraphs that it was due to the failure of an operator to deliver a meeting order to the crew of No. 12. Both train and engine crews are therefore innocent of all responsibility for the accident.

Murders Four, Then Suicides. Pawnee City.—James Fielder Monday morning murdered E. A. McVitty, Mrs. E. A. McVitty and their five-year-old daughter, all living about six miles south of this city. A few hours later he shot Sheriff Fuller three times and then committed suicide. The deed was committed about 3 o'clock in the morning, the murderer having entered the house by means of a window. He used a hammer to accomplish his purpose.

The crime is the worst in the history of this section of the country. The only motive that can be assigned for the deed was Fielder's crazed desire for revenge upon the parents whose consent to his marriage with their daughter Jessie he had been unable to obtain.

Porum, Okla.—Standing in his doorway of his home here, Pony Starr, with his friend Joe Davis, killed one man and dangerously wounded five more of a masked posse, supposed to have been composed of thirty members of the anti-horse-thief association. Starr's wife stood by his side during the conflict and loaded his rifles.

Peruvians Are Expelled. Santiago.—In consequence of a serious conflict between Peruvians and Chileans at Iquique, Chile, resolutions were prepared at a meeting held here demanding the forcible expulsion of all Peruvians from the Chilean capital. The consul of Peru has placed the consulate here in charge of the American consul.

Oklahoma City has been agreed upon by the committee as the place of meeting for the seventh annual Baptist convention next year.

ALL OVER NEBRASKA

Crops in Nebraska.

Crops in Nebraska promise, says an Omaha paper, a golden harvest next fall, if they are in as good condition all summer and fall as now. Recent rains with the warm sun on following days have brought out the corn and spring grains and shot up the stalks in marvelous ways. Fruit blossoms are also out and with danger of frost past this state will have a good crop of fruit this year. Wheat in places has been injured and the winter crop will show small heads and a little thin in spots where the rainfall has been less than was needed. Spring wheat is coming out of the ground and the rains have produced acreage where many farmers had given up hope of the grain sprouting.

Dry winds and the necessarily dry soil delayed the pastures and meadows up to Sunday. The crops will be a little later, but no real damage has been reported. Burlington and Northwestern crop reports show that timothy and alfalfa were badly in need of rain last week and that pastures for cattle were short, but the downpour of the first two days of this week has been ample.

Veteran Engineer is Dead. Jefferson County.—A message has been received in Fairbury announcing the death of Luke Lee at Horton, Kans. Mr. Lee was well known among all the railroad men of Fairbury, having been employed as an engineer on that division for twenty years. Several years ago, owing to ill health, he was compelled to take a leave of absence and never returned to work. Since then he has been making his home at Horton. For many years he hauled the local passenger trains between Fairbury and Horton and was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of this city. Death was due to heart failure. Mr. Lee was regarded as one of the oldest engineers in the country, having been working in this capacity for nearly fifty years. He commenced his career in England.

Shelton to Have New School. Buffalo County.—The people of Shelton's school district again voted on the issue of \$30,000 of school bonds for the purpose of building and furnishing a new school house and there were 307 votes cast, 266 for and 39 against the issue. The building will be rushed from this time on.

No Mail Sunday. Lincoln County.—Beginning Sunday no delivery of mail will be made from the postoffice windows, although the lobby will be opened all day for those who rent postoffice boxes, and the mail will be distributed. A vote was had a few weeks ago upon the question as to whether or not the delivery of mail should be had on Sunday and 85 per cent of the votes cast were in favor of Sunday closing.

Writer Gains Fame. York County.—One of York's popular story writers has become expert in describing the life and experience of printers and editors in small towns. His latest story entitled, "How the Courier Swallowed the Chronicle," was so cleverly written that the writer, Eugene Bemis, a young newspaper man of York, has received many offers from publishers of periodicals and magazines.

Acquitted of Murder. Buffalo County.—A jury brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case of Patrick E. Cooney, charged by the state with the murder of Elmer Mercer in Kearney the night of Dec. 31. The jury was out two hours. Four of the most prominent lawyers of this part of the state were engaged by Cooney, while the county attorney and the city attorney of Kearney conducted the prosecution.

Y. M. C. A. Building. Hall County.—At a meeting in Grand Island of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian association, which board has recently been increased from five to fifteen members, the matter of inaugurating a movement for the construction of a Young Men's Christian association home was discussed.

Killed by the Cars. Douglas County.—Asleep under a freight car with his body across the track, Albert Monroe, 50 years old, was killed at Omaha when a Union Pacific switch engine pulled the car away. Monroe was employed at The Only Way Transfer company's barn as hostler. Just how he happened to be under the car asleep could not be learned.

Bankers Close Session. Lancaster County.—Group No. 1 of the Nebraska Bankers' association, closed its session at Lincoln electing the following officers: E. J. Wightman, York, president; E. E. Good, Peru, vice president; C. E. Bowly, Friend, secretary.

Stores Burn at Blair. Washington County.—The meat market of C. Hansen and H. Peterson's barber shop were destroyed by fire and are a total loss. The meat market was insured for \$1,500 and the barber shop was also insured.

Now a Salaried Position. Madison County.—The Norfolk Commercial club last week elected A. W. Hawkins, a prominent traveling salesman, as secretary of the club. The position henceforth will be a salaried one.



Asks for Redress.

An appeal for redress has reached Attorney General Martin from Ralph Noetzelmann, a Kinkaid homesteader near Lewellen, Garden county, who claims to have been pulled off his horse and beaten by two ranchmen in the same vicinity. Noetzelmann says he has tried to prosecute his assailants, but the county judge refuses to issue warrants for their arrest unless a bond for costs is furnished. He wants to know if the attorney general can not help him to obtain justice as he is a poor man and unable to give the bond.

State School Apportionment.

Superintendent Crabtree will soon apportion \$375,461.63 among the different counties for the support of schools. This is the amount now available in the temporary school fund in the state treasury. This fund is distributed semi-annually, in May and December. The total last May was \$423,266. The increase for the semi-annual period this year is due to an increase of interest received on school and saline lands sold and interest on bonds held by the state as an investment for the permanent school fund.

Are Prizes Prohibited?

Deputy Food Commissioner Jackson has been asked whether or not the sale of a package of popcorn and a small paper fan attached to the package is a sale contrary to the anti-free gift enterprise. The same question has arisen in another case involving the right of merchants to sell a package of baking powder with a dish that is not attached to the package. The questions have been referred by Mr. Jackson to the attorney general.

Mr. Barton Just Sawing Wood.

It is not impossible that Senator Norris Brown will find that his opponent in the primary fight next year, or at least one of his opponents, will be Silas R. Barton, present state auditor. Mr. Barton has nothing to say on the subject, although he has not entered a denial, but rumors of his entrance into the fight are persistent and within the last few days have become numerous locally.

State Fair Will Be Record Breaker

Secretary Mellor of the state board of agriculture is of the opinion that if the other departments of the state fair show up as well as the speed department, the next fair will be a record-breaker. In the early closing races this year 233 horses have been named, while the highest number ever before entered was 187. The increase is more than 20 per cent over any previous showing.

Farmers Are Short Handed.

Labor Commissioner Guye has applications for three farm hands which he will be delighted to turn over to men who want the work. A man at Winneton wants a farmer who knows something about scientific farming. Another at Edholm is willing to pay \$25 and keep a man, while another at Bellwood offers \$25.50 a day during the harvest season after June 20.

More Militia.

Adjutant General Phelps has gone to muster in a new company of the state guard. The company will be known as Company H. It has been recruited by R. O. Allen, formerly of the regular army. Six men are on the company roll. The company will become a part of the first regiment.

Governor Aldrich has appointed Mrs. M. D. Cameron of Omaha member of the board of trustees that controls the state school for deaf at Omaha and the state school for blind at Nebraska City. She will succeed C. R. Sherman of Omaha, resigned. Mrs. Cameron is president of the woman's club of Omaha.

Will File for Senator.

It is reported in Lincoln that Congressman George Norris will file as a candidate for United States senator in the 1912 primaries before June 1. The senatorial primaries are April 19, 1912, less than eleven months distant.

Must Stamp Net Weight.

In a series of test cases the supreme court has sustained the net weight provision of the Nebraska pure food law holding that packages of food must be stamped with the net weight or measure.

The principal cases were against the National Biscuit company and involved the legality of sales of packages by retailers, sales from one point to another in the state and sales by a retailer who had bought his goods from another state.

Will Go to the Court.

The peaceful conclusion of the alleged shortage of former Bookkeeper Stewart of the institute for the feeble-minded at Beatrice has been postponed by warlike measures. Land Commissioner Cowles received notice from E. O. Kretzinger of Beatrice that he had been retained as an attorney in the case. It appears that the responsibility for the shortage of \$1,337 and the repayment of the money to the state will now be threshed out in court.