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DISASTROUS STORMS HIT IOWA, NEBRASKA AND DAKOTA.

Storm Sweeps Over Large Farming District in Vicinity of Pender, Neb., Demolishing Houses and Barns and Injuring Many Persons.

A tornado struck Valley Springs, S. D., about twenty-five miles east of Sioux Falls, Thursday evening and demolished about thirty buildings. Before the wires went down the central telephone office at Sioux Falls was informed that a call had been sent out to neighboring towns for physicians. Persistent efforts to get into communication with Valley Springs Thursday night were unavailing. Additional information cannot be secured before morning.

A dispatch from Pender, Neb., says a terrific cyclone passed through that neighborhood about 12:30 o'clock Thursday. It first struck at Dick Walker's, about six miles southwest of Pender, demolishing all his buildings and injuring Mr. Walker's mother and the hired man. The family had just sat down to dinner when the house was struck, but all except the two mentioned escaped without injury. The next place was that of Emil Magnusson, where the family consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Magnusson and Mr. Magnusson's mother and three children, three more children being at school. The baby, about a year old, was instantly killed and the elder Mrs. Magnusson is not expected to live.

Two cyclones which started near Westfield, Ia., did considerable damage to property and endangered the lives of many people. Both were seen by many people, and both occurred at almost the same time.

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TRIBESMEN EAGER FOR WAR.

Russia Finds Grave Peril on Persian Frontier. The situation on the Persian frontier is considered at St. Petersburg to be steadily becoming more serious despite the check to the Persian brigands April 20, when the Russian forces drove the bandits back with heavy losses. The rising is gradually spreading, the other mountaineers now flocking to the assistance of the Shakesan and Begilven tribes, against whom the operations are being conducted. Col. Kononov, the Russian chief of staff of the frontier guard, who for years has been stationed on the Persian frontier, believes that the struggle will not be terminated until the Persians have received a lesson like that of fifteen years ago, when a Russian expedition crossed the frontier, and, after extended operations, killed over 1,000 tribesmen and compelled two tribes to sue for peace.

The tribesmen are intensely hostile to the Russians, and they mutilate savagely the wounded Russians that fall into their hands. The brigands are well armed, and the operations against them consequently are made difficult for the troops.

The frontier guard is inadequate to cope with the situation, and a military expedition is required to assist them. No aid is expected from Persia, as the tribesmen neither acknowledge nor fear the government at Teheran.

\$5,000 IN A RUBBISH HEAP.

Twenty Tons of Lead Containing Gold and Silver Found. Gold, silver and lead to the value of \$5,000 was found in an abandoned pile of brick and ashes at the plant of the Kansas City Structural Steel company in Argentine. The site was formerly occupied by the Argentine smelter.

Workmen digging near the foundations of an abandoned blast furnace struck a hard substance. A force of about fifty men was set to work and a deposit of lead ore was discovered. Dynamite was used in removing the old furnace wall, and within two hours a solid mass of lead ore weighing 20 tons was removed.

The lump will contain about three ounces of gold to the ton. Gold is valued at \$20 an ounce. There are about 175 ounces of silver, valued at 60 cents an ounce. In the lump. The value of the lead is about 10 cents a pound. The assayers say the mass is worth at least \$5,000 and perhaps more.

The metal had probably leaked through the floor of the old blast furnace years ago," said H. A. Fitch, president of the steel company. "A new floor was laid in the furnace and the previous metals lost in the leak remained forgotten."

SHOT BY OWN GUARDS.

Cadets Turned Guns on Guatemalan President. The shooting at Guatemala City, during which President Estrada Cabrera was wounded, was done by cadets of the polytechnic institute, according to advices received from Guatemala. The cadets who had been selected to act as guards of honor opened fire as the president entered the palace. The dispatches state that several members of the presidential party were wounded, one or two fatally. The president himself received several wounds, none of them very serious. The dispatch states that eight cadets were executed immediately after the shooting.

Work of the Black Hand.

The front of Rizzo Salvatore's grocery at Streator, Ill., was blown in Tuesday night by two men. Salvatore had received from Chicago three letters in which demands were made for sums of money ranging from \$100 to \$1,000, which, if not forthcoming, the penalty would be death from the black hand.

To Curtail Cotton Output.

Practically all the cotton mills in Fall River, Mass., have decided to adopt a drastic policy of curtailing production in an effort to offset adverse market conditions. It is estimated the output this week will be less than normal by nearly 125,000 pieces.

Hits the Express Frank.

United States Judge Kohout issued an injunction Wednesday against five express companies at Chicago, restraining them from issuing express franks and from transporting property in interstate commerce in exchange for franks.

More Theatrical People Indicted.

The grand jury at Kansas City has returned indictments against 142 actors, managers and employees of playhouses. The indictments are for violations last Sunday.

Child Wrecks Iowa Mine.

While playing about a coal mine in Eonaparte, Ia., the 4-year-old son of Ellsworth Martin lit a fuse in the powder house and was blown to death. The buildings and mine were wrecked.

Nine Killed in Wreck.

Nine Italian laborers were killed, two fatally injured and fifteen others seriously hurt Wednesday by the wrecking of a runaway train on the Lanquin Lumber company's log road near Williamsport, Pa.

Rosen Returns to Russia.

Sarone de Rosen, the Russian ambassador, sailed from New York Wednesday for Russia on the steamer Mauretania, to be gone until October.

ALDRICH HELD IF ANY.

Senate to Insist On Some Such Measure. At a meeting of the republican steering committee of the senate Tuesday the legislative program was discussed, but no decision was reached to add any important measures to those destined for enactment at the present session of congress. In regard to currency legislation it was stated that if the house passed a bill providing for a commission to investigate financial matters the senate would immediately upon receipt of the measure, vote to adopt the Aldrich currency bill with a view of putting the whole subject into conference.

Senator Aldrich made it clear that if there was to be financial legislation of any character at this session it would be along the line of what already had been done in the senate, with concurrence in the provision for a commission to sit during the recess of congress to consider currency matters.

TEACHER DEFEATS KIDNAPER.

Girl in Desperate Battle Protects a 7-Year-Old Pupil. After attempting to kidnap his 7-year-old daughter, Bear, from her classroom at Venice, Ill., Tuesday, C. W. Evans, a wealthy stockman of Tulsa, Okla., fought a desperate battle with Miss Adeline Barnett, the teacher, and was finally captured after a thrilling chase in carriages across St. Clair county that ended near the stock yards in East St. Louis.

Evans and his wife, Dicie, who was with him, are under arrest at the Venice jail charged with attempted kidnaping, assault and battery and interrupting school while in session. He is held under \$2,000.

The little girl is a daughter by a former marriage. Her mother is divorced from Evans and lives in Venice.

MOB ATTACKS CAR.

Strike Breaking Conductor Probably Fatally Wounded at Pensacola. After a week of quiet, with the state troops present to preserve order, Pensacola, Fla., was again thrown into a turmoil Tuesday afternoon, when a mob of twenty-five men attacked a street car in the suburbs and probably fatally wounded the conductor, G. L. Hoffman. Following this attack W. L. Wittich, Jr., a stenographer, was freed upon by unknown persons as he was approaching a car in the city to ride to his home. While the city was quiet Tuesday night considerable nervousness was shown on all sides, further outbreaks being feared.

ROBBED HOMES OF UNKS.

Noted Crook is Captured by St. Paul Police. Robert Kehle, who in the past two weeks, it is alleged, has robbed three convents and a Methodist deaconess' home, has been arrested at St. Paul, Minn., and is said to have made a full confession.

Kehle is known to the police of twenty of the large cities of the country as a man who makes a specialty of robbing convents and religious institutions generally. He is 45 years old and came from Prussia, where he has a police record.

Los Angeles Takes Holiday.

By order of Mayor Harper Tuesday was a general holiday in Los Angeles in honor of the visit of the Atlantic fleet. Practically all business houses were closed, and work of all kinds suspended. A feature of today's program was an automobile parade through the principal streets.

Big Steel Mill to Resume.

Notices were posted at New Castle, Pa., Tuesday that the Shenango Valley steel plant, operated by the Carnegie Steel company, would start in full operation Wednesday. The order affects 1,200 men.

J. A. Mathews Dead.

J. A. Mathews, once prominent in Missouri state politics and general manager of the Omaha Herald, died at St. Louis Tuesday, aged 67 years.

Army Officer Promoted.

The president Wednesday nominated Brig. Gen. Thomas H. Barry to be major general, and Col. Charles Morris and Philip Reade to be brigadier generals.

Artist Irvin J. Pine Dead.

Irvin J. Pine, builder of the Mardi Gras pageants in Mobile, Ala., and other cities, a scientist and artist of note, died at Mobile Tuesday, aged 71.

Reprieve for Herman Biltek.

Gov. Deussen, of Illinois, acting on the recommendation of the state board of pardons, has granted a reprieve to Herman Biltek, sentenced to hang in Chicago next Friday, to June 12.

Sick People in Peril.

A dispatch from Big Rapids, Mich., says the Mercy hospital burned Tuesday. Thirty patients were in the hospital when the fire started.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS From Day to Day Condensed FOR OUR BUSY READERS

GIRL STEPPED ON A MATCH.

Fire at Pender Causes Forty Thousand Dollar Loss. A fire in John R. House's general merchandise store caused a \$40,000 loss at Pender Tuesday afternoon, practically decimating the entire stock in the store, the largest in Pender, and also greatly damaging the building. House had only \$12,000 insurance on the stock. The building, which was known as the Opera House block, was owned by A. B. Warrington, and his loss is said to be covered by insurance.

While a young woman clerk in the store was waiting upon a customer the heel of her shoe is believed to have ignited a parlor match which had been accidentally dropped upon the floor. The blaze quickly spread to the inflammable material on the counter and to a large pile of cotton batting. In a few minutes the whole interior of the store was a mass of flames. The fire department responded promptly when the alarm was turned in, but when the hose was laid it was discovered that some unknown person had cut four lengths of hose with a knife. This caused a delay of about five minutes, during which the flames made great headway.

The cutting of the hose is a mystery which the authorities are now trying to solve. No motive for the act is known.

HOLDREGE MAN TAKES POISON.

Prominent Dentist Commits Suicide—No Reason for the Act. J. Ransom Walden, a prominent dentist of Holdrege, committed suicide Monday afternoon. His father found him on a couch in his office about 2 o'clock, dead, with his left hand in his pants pocket and the right hand thrown across his stomach, and on the floor beside the couch a common table glass which had contained enough cyanide of potassium to kill enough men left in the glass if dissolved to have killed twenty-five men. The act was premeditated, as he left two letters to his wife telling how he committed suicide.

He was prosperous and had a good business, and everybody is wondering what was the cause of the suicide. His domestic relations so far as known have been of the most pleasant. An inquest was held and the jury brought in a verdict that he came to his death by his own hand by taking the dose of cyanide.

LEAKY BOAT CAUSE OF DEATH.

Young Fremont Farmer is Drowned at Diers Lake. Coroner Overgaard held an inquest Monday morning on the body of Geo. Johnson, the young farmer who was drowned in Diers lake Saturday afternoon. It appeared that Johnson and another party went out in an old leaky boat. When about fifty feet from the shore and in ten feet of water the stern went down and Johnson fell into the water, sinking immediately. His companions hurried to the boat. There were a number of persons present, but they were unable to get him out. Johnson evidently had cramps, and his teeth were forced through his tongue.

Arrested at Osceola.

A. G. Glover, of Arlington, is in jail at Osceola for the reason he is alleged, received money under false pretenses. Sixty-five dollars is involved in the deal that caused his arrest. It is claimed the money was taken from the farmers of Hamilton county and western Polk county through his stock and food sales.

Druggist Arrested for Selling Liquor.

Frank C. Alley, of Howe, a town six miles south of Auburn, was arrested from the farmers of Hamilton county and western Polk county through his stock and food sales.

Utica Man Attempts Suicide.

James Sage, aged about 22 years, who has been employed as a drug clerk in Alley & Son's drug store in Utica for nearly two months, attempted to commit suicide Sunday night by cutting his throat with a razor. The doctors do not give much hope for his recovery.

Herold Discharged in Hearing.

W. W. Coates, of Plattsmouth, caused the arrest of Henry Herold on the charge of having embezzled \$17,000 from him while manager of three stores for eleven months. In the preliminary examination today in Toulon, Ill., the court found Herold not guilty.

Fire at Fremont.

George Murrell's barn, on the rear of his lot at the corner of Eighth and K streets, Fremont, caught fire recently, and on account of adjoining buildings it proved a dangerous fire. Loss about \$200. Fully injured.

Despondent Man Attempts Suicide.

In a fit of despondency on account of being out of work, W. A. Sutter, a printer, attempted to commit suicide Monday morning by stabbing himself to the heart.

MINISTERS TO FIGHT SALOONS.

Nebraska City Divines Take Their Case Into Courts in Otero County. Despite the people at the late city election voted their sentiment and elected a mayor in favor of a wide-open town and other towns hereabouts voted to wipe out the saloons, it looks as if Nebraska City is going to have something that will disturb many of its saloonkeepers and prevent many, if not all, from securing a license. Monday evening is the first set for the mayor and council to grant licenses and consider the applications. There are fourteen applicants for saloons and five applying for druggists permits.

Saturday evening five ministers, Rev. J. W. Merrill of the Baptist church, J. A. Koser of the Lutheran, J. E. Henkate of the Methodist, A. E. Perry of the Presbyterian, and W. W. Barnes of the Episcopal church, secured the services of Judge Paul Jensen, and filed a remonstrance against the granting of a license to any of the applicants on the grounds that they have not complied with the Stocumb law. The law and order league refused to take the matter up and the five ministers have gone together to enforce the law, the other ministers of the city refusing to take any part in the fight.

The saloon men have all retained attorneys and when the matter comes up Monday evening there will be a warm time in the council chamber, as some of the ministers have threatened to carry the matter even further than they have started. This is the first time the saloon men have experienced trouble in getting licenses for several years and that was when several women of the Women's Christian Temperance union, hired an attorney and objected to one or two getting licenses, which were granted them without protest. At that time several of the saloon men were fighting among themselves and it brought on the protest from the outside.

TO MAKE CORN EXHIBIT.

Cuming County Farmers Organize for the Show at Omaha. As a means of organization, looking toward the proper presentation of the corn product of Cuming county at the forthcoming national corn exposition at Omaha, those most interested in the movement have established the Cuming County Corn Growers' association, draws up a constitution, and elected the following officers: President C. V. Thompson; first vice president, F. J. Buck, of Wisner; second vice president, W. A. Smith, of Beemer; secretary, James C. Elliott, of West Point, and for treasurer, E. T. Rice, of Bancroft. The association will make a determined effort to induce the county board of supervisors to grant them an adequate appropriation to enable them to offer prizes, locally, for the best corn in the several districts of the county. Much interest is being shown in this movement, West Bros., implement men of Wisner, having offered a \$100 prize for the owner of the best corn exhibited from northern Cuming county.

STOCKMEN EXPECT BIG MEET.

Gov. Sheldon and Perhaps Gov. Buchanan to Attend. Denying the numerous false reports in circulation as to the holding of the stockmen's convention in some other city than Alliance, R. M. Hampton, secretary of the association, officially announced Friday that there was nothing to these reports and that the convention will be held there on June 11 and 12, as it has been for the last twelve years. Furthermore, Gov. Sheldon will be there on the 11th, and arrangements are being made to have Gov. Buchtel, of Colorado, meet with the Nebraska stockmen at this time. Senator Burkett is also among the celebrities who will be present, and every indication points to this being one of the best conventions ever held by stockmen.

Fire at Geneva.

The Alexander meat market at Geneva burned Friday. While rendering lard the bottom of the kettle fell out, setting fire to everything. The fire company rendered efficient service, saving the neighboring buildings. The building was one of the last frames on the business street, a one-story building. It was insured. The firm was supposed of the Hyatt brothers.

Ellis Goes to Penitentiary.

Judge Rapier, at Beatrice Friday overruled a motion for a new trial in the case of the State against James Lillie and sentenced defendant to eight years in the penitentiary. Lillie was recently convicted of robbing Thomas Martin, an old soldier, on the highway near his home in Rockford township, of \$79 on the night of Oct. 11, 1906.

Herold Sues Coates for Slander.

Henry Herold commenced suit in district court at Plattsmouth Saturday afternoon against W. W. Coates to collect \$50,000 damages for slander and malicious prosecution because the latter caused his arrest Monday in connection with the charge him with having embezzled \$17,000 from him. Both men and their families reside in this city.

School Teacher Assaulted.

Egyptian teacher E. N. Clark, of the public schools was the victim of an attack Friday morning. N. C. Klepner, a resident farmer, assaulted him, striking him down. The cause of the attack was the action of the school board in suspending his son for the school year. A warrant is out for Klepner's arrest.

Excavator Burned.

The elevator of the Duff Grain company at Turlington burned with all its contents.



The employees of the state board of regent are following out the rules laid down by the new board, recently published. In the matter of the purchase of supplies. This information is in the report of the university by State Accountant Fairfield, who is still looking over the books of the institution. The rules were drawn by Charles Anderson, George Coupland and Fred Abbott, and adopted by the board shortly after the first two named became members of the board. In his special report the state accountant says: "No public institution and probably but few private institutions, if any, in the state have such an elaborate system of bookkeeping and accounting as the state university. It would be impossible to keep out of chaos without an accurate system in an institution spending the money for the innumerable purposes required by the university. It is not clear that any less elaborate method than that in vogue would produce the results well worth maintaining. Vouchers are approved by every official who could possibly be expected to know of the debt which it is to liquidate. Some of these O. K.'s are necessarily perfunctory, as will appear by the enumeration of the parties who affix their names to each document."

Adj. Gen. Scharz has sent the following information of the National Guard to Lieut. Col. E. M. Weaver, chief division of militia affairs, Washington, D. C.: "In response to your inquiry of March 28, have the honor to make reply as follows: "Average amount of time in hours of instruction during the last few years, 98. "Percentage of this time in indoor instruction, 55. "Percentage of this time in field instruction, 44. "Average term of service of commissioned officers, 1 year 7 months. "Average term of service of enlisted men, 2 years 7 months. "Percentage of vacancies among officers by resignation or discharge yearly, 64. "Percentage of discharges among enlisted men, 48. "Percentage of discharges among enlisted men due to expiration term of service, 50. "Percentage due to sickness, very slight. "Percentage due to personal desire to quit the service, 18. "Percentage due to non-residence, 32. "Average total number commissioned officers during past five years, 114. "Average total number enlisted men during past five years, 1,440."

Atorney General Thompson was very much disappointed when he received news that the United States supreme court refused to issue the mandamus to compel the federal judges to remand to the state court cases involving the anti-pass law; the 2-cent fare law; the Aldrich bill, and the railway commission bill. Mr. Thompson filed suits in the state court to compel a compliance with these laws and the federal judges secured their remand to the federal court. Mr. Thompson raised the point that the state was the real party at interest, and, therefore, the cases could not be transferred to the federal court. The court assumed jurisdiction, however, and the attorney general then applied to the federal court for a mandamus to compel the federal judges to remand the suits. The United States supreme court refused to pass upon the question of whether the state is a party of interest until after the case has been tried out in the lower court and appealed.

The express companies doing business in Nebraska have filed with the state railway commission a new schedule of rates, differing from the present rates in that they are generally lower. So far as Nebraska is concerned very little change is made in the rate, though the interstate shipments, from here to New York, for instance, is much reduced. The rates were filed for the approval of the commission, and until that approval is secured they cannot become effective in this state. For the present at least the approval of the commission will be withheld, for the reason if the commission permits these rates to go into effect it means they take the place of the rates fixed in the Sibley law. The commission does not know whether the express companies sought to catch it asleep, have those rates approved as the official rates in the state, and thus defeat the object of the Sibley law.

William M. Cubison, sentenced to the penitentiary from Platt county for two years, is seeking relief through habeas corpus proceedings. It was alleged by his attorneys that the information filed against him was filed when court was in vacation, which on previous occasions the court has held is sufficient grounds to nullify a conviction.

Oscar H. Allen, of Wabash, Cass county, has filed a complaint with the state railway commission against the Western Union Telegraph company and the Missouri Pacific railroad, charging they have closed the telegraph office at that place and it is impossible to get telegraphic communication with the outside world. Mr. Allen said he is now compelled to drive his cattle to another town for shipment by reason of the absence of the telegraph office at Wabash.

TAXATION OF TIMBER PROBLEM OF STATES

Exhaustive Study to Be Made by New Hampshire, Aided by National Bureau.

FOREST GROWTH IS INVOLVED.

Whereas Maine Would Place Burden on Wild Lands, New York Would Exempt Them.

Washington correspondence: Exhaustive study of the forest taxation problem as presented by the actual workings of existing laws is to be attempted for the first time by the New Hampshire forestry commission in co-operation with the United States forest service. The study will take in the many questions of forest land taxation and the protection of New Hampshire forests from fires. J. H. Foster of the forest service has been sent from Washington to make the investigations on the ground.

Because of its thoroughness, New Hampshire's study is sure to be followed with great interest by New York, Maine, Michigan, Pennsylvania and other States which find the tax problem a serious check to forest