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BOSTON FIRE-SWEPT

PROPERTY VALUED AT $2,000,000 IS DESTROYED BY FLAMES.

CENTER OF CITY THREATENED

Assistance From Neighboring Towns Was Necessary to Control Blaze—Two Lumber Yards, Fifty Tenement Houses and Bridge Burned.

Boston.—Driven by a strong southwest gale flames destroyed property valued at $2,000,000 here Tuesday night and for a time seriously threatened to wipe out the business and manufacturing part of the city.

The flames were first discovered in the lumber yard of Blacker and Shepard and within a few minutes had spread until Dover and Albany streets were a mass of flames.

A general alarm called all the fire apparatus in the city to the scene and later a call for help was sent to Brookline, Cambridge and Somerville and all the available fire fighting apparatus in those towns was rushed to the scene of the conflagration.

Two lumber yards, fifty tenement houses and the Dover street bridge were in flames at one time. Three pieces of fire apparatus were lost by the department because of the rush of the flames. Several firemen and many policemen had narrow escapes from serious injury. Many of the tenement house dwellers in the fire zone also had narrow escapes from the rapidly spreading flames. Hundreds of pounds of dynamite were used to blow up buildings on both Dover and Albany streets to stop the progress of the conflagration, which was sweeping toward Washington street and the great shopping and business district when it was checked. While this fire was in progress another which threatened to be nearly as large raged in the wholesale district in the heart of the city, in the five-story stone building at Nos. 55-59 High street, occupied by the H. W. Johns-Manville company. The building was completely destroyed. Loss $400,000.

ITALY IS AFTER CHARLTON

Vice-Consul Declares His Government Will Not Permit Wife Slayer to Escape.

New York.—Vice-Consul Gustav di Rosa of Italy Tuesday consulted Assistant District Attorney McCarthy in Jersey City concerning the extradition to Italy of Porter Charlton to be tried for the murder of his wife. Di Rosa declared that the Italian government would send insanity experts to examine the prisoner.

"I desire to make it clear that the government which I represent is going to get Charlton," said Mr. di Rosa. "Charlton shall not escape trial in Italy if we can help it."

SAVES DAUGHTER; DROWNED

W. R. Michaelis, Publisher of Chicago Staats-Zeitung, Loses His Life in New York.

Deposit, N. Y. — W. R. Michaelis, publisher of the Chicago Staats Zeitung, was drowned at Oquaga lake, a few miles from here, and his body recovered three hours later. Mr. Michaelis was in a boat with his eight-year-old daughter, when the girl lost her hat. Reaching out for it, she fell overboard. The father jumped out after the child and held her above the water until his strength failed. Parties in boats rescued the child, but the father sank.

AMERICAN BOAT WINS CUP

Schooner Westward, Owned by New York Yachtman, Takes Gold Tropy at Cowes.

Cowes, Isle of Wight. — The American schooner Westward, owned by A. C. Cochran of New York, easily won the race for the international gold cup sailed off Ryde. Her nearest competitor, the Germania, owned by Lieut. Krupp von Bohlen Und Halbach, was five miles astern when the winner crossed the finish line. Emperor William's yacht Meteor, the Cicely and the Susana also competed.

FLYER HITS AUTO; FIVE DIE

Lives of Baltimoreans Are Crushed Out at Railroad Crossing at Cape May, N. J.

Cape May, N. J.—Five lives of Baltimoreans were crushed out Tuesday when the express train on the West Jersey and Seashore railroad from Philadelphia struck the automobile carrying Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Feldner and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Mermenthaller and their chauffeur.

Twenty-Six Go Down With Schooner.

Nassau, The Bahamas.—The schooner Emma, bound from Nassau to Inagua with laborers on board for South America, was lost near Castle island Monday during a storm and 24 men and two women, all negroes, were drowned. Five survivors got ashore.

Quarantine for Infantile Paralysis.

Seattle, Wash.—Dr. J. E. Crichton, commissioner of health, has issued an order requiring that all cases of infantile paralysis be placed under strict quarantine as soon as reported.

GORE BARES LOBBY SECRETS

AGAIN REFERS TO SHERMAN IN LAND INQUIRY.

McMurray, the Alleged Promoter, Shown to Have Operated a Campaign of Telegrams.

McAlester, Okla.—Senator T. P. Gore at the investigation of the Indian land deals Tuesday introduced and had read to the special committee telegrams in which the names of Vice-President Sherman and Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas were named. One of the telegrams read:

"With McMurray there to state our claims, with Mr. Curtis and Mr. Sherman, who understands better than anybody else what we want, and with the assistance of our president, it begins to look like we are coming into our own."

Its relation to Senator Gore's charges of having been offered $25,000 bribe to "put through" congress the $30,000,000 McMurray Indian land deal was explained by the senator.

"It merely shows the activity of the McMurray interests at Washington," said Senator Gore. "By offering this evidence, I do not wish to reflect either on Mr. Sherman or Mr. Curtis," said the senator.

"Do you mean that as an exoneration from you of Mr. Sherman?" asked Dennis Flynn, attorney for McMurray.

"It is merely to state that if the names of these men were taken in vain at one time they may have been at another," replied Mr. Gore.

McAlister, Okla.—The feature of the hearing Monday before the congressional committee which is inquiring into the McMurray contracts with the Chickasaw and Choctaw Indians and the charges of attempted bribery made by Senator Gore, was the testimony given by D. C. McCurtain, son of Governor McCurtain, who was recalled to the stand.

He testified that he had an agreement with the firm of Mansfield, McMurray and Cornish that he was to have one-fourth of the fees they received and that the share thereof coming to him was $187,500.

McCurtain said this occurred two years before McMurray offered him $25,000 to not oppose the approval of the contracts.

W. T. Hollman, a Choctaw Indian, testified he had been employed by J. F. McMurray, holder of the contracts, to go out among the Oklahoma Indians and induce them to sign the documents. At the same time, Hollman related, he was paid "a dollar a head" for securing contracts appointing McMurray to act in tax cases. In this way McMurray procured 10,000 contracts to sell land.

Questioned further, Hollman testified it was the belief of the Indians that their property was worth from $30,000,000 to $40,000,000, and the understanding was McMurray was to get ten per cent. of this.

PLEAD FOR POSTAL BANKS

Post Office Department Receive 55 Additional Requests From Postmasters and National Boards.

Washington. — Mails brought 55 additional requests to the post office department for establishment of postal banks. About half of them came from post masters, which is a larger proportion than has been shown up to date by the totals, which include 390 requests from posmasters and 923 from national banks. Among the applicants is the First National bank of Mount Olive, Ill., which asks to be designated as a depository for funds collected in that town and also at Staunton, which has no state or national bank; the First National bank of Kewanee, Ill., also is an applicant.

REWARD FOR RICE MURDERER

Friends of Cleveland Attorney Are Determined His Slayer Shall Be Captured.

Cleveland, O. — To stimulate the search for the murderer of William L. Rice, the attorney who was shot down near his home in Euclid Heights Friday night, the reward for the apprehension of his assailant was increased to $10,000.

In addition to the $5,000 reward posted Saturday by Mr. Rice's law partners, William Nelson Cromwell of New York, who accompanied Mrs. Rice to Cleveland from an eastern summer resort, offered another $5,000.

Indiana Sons of America.

Glenwood, Ind. — The state camp of the Patriotic Order Sons of America of Indiana was held here today, opening with the address of President O. Perry Everson of Crawfordsville. The report of Secretary Sam D. Symmes showed that the order was in excellent condition in the state and that five new camps were soon to be instituted. Last night there was a contest between initiatory teams from Crawfordsville, Indianapolis and Rushville.

Setrothal Story Is Denied.

New York.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia arrived in this city Tuesday and most emphatically denied the cabled reports from Italy that his daughter, Katherine, is engaged to the Duke of the Abruzzi.

$4,000 in Opium Seized.

Kansas City, Mo.—More than $4,000 worth of opium was taken from the tea store of Jim Long Tuesday by police who raided the place here. The drug was packed in a trunk ready for shipment.

"SEE AMERICA FIRST"—BUT HOW?

NEW TARIFF MAKES BIG GAIN

TREASURY FIGURES SHOW ADVANCE OVER BANNER YEAR.

In First Twelve Months Act Produces $75,000,000 More Than in 1907.

Washington.—The Payne-Aldrich tariff law has produced in its first year a revenue larger by $75,000,000 than the sum collected in any twelve months in the country's history, except the banner year 1907, according to treasury department figures issued Monday.

During the first full year, ended last Saturday night, the total ordinary receipts, including customs, ordinary internal revenue, corporation tax and miscellaneous, aggregating $678,850,816, exceeded disbursements by $20,214,029. These ordinary receipts were larger by $15,000,000, approximately, than during 1907, and the 1907 receipts exceeded those of any other year of record by almost $60,000,000. Although there was a deficit of $58,734,955 in the ordinary operations of the government in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1909, there was a surplus of more than $20,000,000 in the year which ended last Saturday, according to the department.

The corporation-tax revenue was $27,090,934, which is only $207,000 less than the amount assessed.

THIRD OF IOWA BABIES DEAD

Health Board Calls Conference of Physicians to Check Maladies—One Town Has Forty Ill.

Des Moines, Ia. — That one-third of the babies in Iowa under one year old have died since the hot weather set in was the alarming condition revealed by Dr. G. H. Sumner, secretary of the state board of health.

Doctor Sumner attributes the unusual death rate to four causes: Cholera infantum, infantile paralysis, poor milk and improper care. According to statistics, the first-named disease is the worst in the history of the state. No section seems to be free from it, and infants are dying by the score.

Doctor Sumner has called a special convention of physicians from all over Iowa to discuss means to prevent fatalities.

Infantile paralysis is becoming alarming in many parts of the state. There are now more than forty cases in Mason City, and a number of deaths have resulted there.

SEVEN SUFFOCATE IN FIRE

Incendiary Blaze in Emigrant Lodging House at Jamaicia, L. I., Is Fatal—Twelve Hurt.

New York.—Seven persons, two of them women, were suffocated to death, two were fatally hurt and ten others were injured less seriously when an incendiary fire destroyed an emigrant lodging house at 100 Rockaway road, Jamaica, Friday. But for the heroism of one of the occupants, who was fatally hurt while attempting to save others, the loss of life would have been greater.

Big Gain by Socialists.

New York.—A report detailing the progress of the Socialist party throughout the United States for the last three years, compiled by officers of the party here, shows a gain of more than 50 per cent. in that time.

Drown Child in Play.

Mason City, Ia.—Children in play Monday poured a lot of water down the throat of Ralph, four-year-old son of J. A. Calmar, and he only lived an hour later. The water went into his lungs and he was drowned.

SLUMP IN THE AUTO BUSINESS

Bottom Seems to Have Dropped Out Notwithstanding Boosting Efforts of Manufacturers.

New York.—Indications point to the bottom having fallen out of the automobile business. The manufacturers, it is reported in trade circles, are making strenuous efforts to keep up a show of continued prosperity, but it is also said that they are not selling their product, but are storing machines throughout the country at their various agencies to prevent the public realizing the true conditions of the market.

Several large concerns are laying off men and giving all sorts of reasons for so doing except the statement that they are overstocked. Two or three of the largest factories recently closed entirely, ostensibly for the purpose of taking inventory, but the workmen were not given any definite time at which to again report for work, and it is not expected that these factories will again be in operation this year.

A well-known automobile agent of this city said yesterday that all cars would undoubtedly be selling at from 25 per cent. to 50 per cent. less than present list prices within the next two or three months. He added:

"The trouble with the automobile business is that the farmers and people of the smaller cities and towns have not taken as kindly to the idea as was anticipated. The farmers find that the cost of keeping them in repair and operation is more than the cost of keeping horses to perform the same work, and while there was, for a time, a tendency among the farmers to invest in the machines, the demand for cars from this class of buyers has practically stopped, and I venture to say we will not again sell to the farmers to any extent until prices are materially reduced."

TWELVE KILLED IN CRASH

Passenger Train and Terminal Engine Collide at Ignatio, Cal., With Fatal Result.

San Francisco.—Twelve persons were killed in a head-on collision by a passenger train and a terminal engine of the California & Northwestern railroad near Ignatio, Cal., 30 miles from here Monday. The passenger train was carrying a delegation of Red Men on their way to attend the state delegation at Santa Rosa. The train was running at a high rate of speed when the collision occurred.

BROWNE MUST STAND TRIAL

Judge Kersten Denies Motion to Quash Indictment and Orders Case to Proceed.

Chicago.—Nee O'Neil Browne must undergo another trial on the charge of bribing Representative Charles A. White with $1,000 to vote for United States Senator Lorimer.

Declaring that the contentions of the defense, if upheld, would render the bribery law fruitless, Judge Kersten Thursday denied a motion to quash the indictment against Browne and ordered the accused to trial.

Doctor Roller's Ribs Broken.

New York.—News reached here Tuesday of the serious injury in London of Dr. B. F. Roller, the American wrestler. He broke two ribs in a contest with Gama, the East Indian wrestler.

Iowa's Corn Crop Looks Good.

Des Moines, Ia.—Prospects for Iowa's corn crop are better than the average for ten years, despite dry conditions, so the weekly bulletin of the Iowa crop bureau stated Tuesday.

CLOSE OF SESSIONS

THE JUNIOR NORMALS THROUGH WITH THEIR WORK.

MANY STUDENTS ENROLLED

It Is Shown That All of Them Did Good Work During the Eight Summer Weeks.

The eight junior normal schools, located at Alliance, Alma, Broken Bow, Geneva, McCook, North Platte, O'Neill and Valentine, closed their eight weeks' sessions July 29. The total number of students enrolled was 1,414, including 557 enrolled for institute. The total attendance was twenty more than the attendance for 1909. The first week or first two weeks of the session was designed as institute for the counties in which the junior normals were located, except in the case of Lincoln county, which named the last week of the North Platte Junior Normal as institute week.

At the Alliance Junior Normal, Grant, Hooker and Sioux counties united with Box Butte county for the institute; Blaine and Thomas counties united with Custer county at the Broken Bow Junior Normal; Hitchcock county with Red Willow county at the McCook Junior Normal, and Perkins and Keith countties with Lincoln county at North Platte. At these, and at the Geneva Junior Normal, special instruction was given in domestic science and agriculture, the counties uniting and bearing the greater part of the extra expense.

The lecture course at the junior normals this year was made self-sustaining. The principal and local county superintendent of each school was responsible for whatever was provided in the way of entertainment and lectures. The plan proved very successful in that while good service was given the students in these special features the state was not called upon to use any money for such purpose.

The work of the junior normals at McCook was seriously interfered with by quarantine regulations for an epidemic of scarlet fever. Regular sessions of the school were discontinued for about three weeks, but the instructors remained on duty and met individually all students who cared to remain and complete any line of work. Much credit is due the faculty at McCook for the satisfactory way in which the situation was handled during such critical times.

A number of students completed the junior normal training course at some of the schools and appropriate graduating exercises were held. These graduates have all attended the junior normal schools not less than four sessions, and have completed the required course of study, for which credit is given at the state normal schools.

The appropriation for junior normal schools for the biennium ending April, 1911, was $20,000. This appropriation has been sufficient to meet every need and the junior normals close their second session of the biennium with all accounts fully paid.

Free From Tornadoes.

Nebraska has this summer been exceptionally free from tornadoes. The local station of the weather bureau has practically no reports so far

New Bank Chartered.

The Farmers' State bank of Sargent, Custer county, has received a charter from the state banking board. The new organization starts with a paid up capital stock of $25,000.

Good Place to Sell Goods.

Sometime ago a machinery firm wrote Secretary of the State Fair W. R. Mellor, asking for a lot on which to make an exhibit. Mr. Mellor replied that all the machinery lots had been assigned, but if they wished to that they would place him somewhere on the grounds. The following reply was received.

"Mr. W. R. Mellor, Secretary, Lincoln, Neb.—Dear Sir: Your letter of the 4th at hand, and we learn with deep regret that the space on the machinery ground is all assigned. You state that you can sandwich us in some place in the machinery department. Now, if you can do this we will certainly consider it "worth while." Last year we sold more machines on your grounds than at any other fair, and from the point of actual buying the Lincoln state fair has always been a prize-winner."

For Hydro-Electric Plant.

Burdette Boyes of Seward has applied to the state engineer for the water right requisite for the erection of a hydro-electric plant on the Blue river, three miles below Milford.

A Showing at the Fair.

There has been just enough of a flurry over crop damage in Nebraska this year to make it highly desirable that a showing of crop successes be made at the coming state fair. It will help every Nebraskan, it will stimulate pride as well as increase business to have a demonstration made of the producing power of all of the leading counties made at this exposition. It will be worth while to make a showing of the fruits of the field this year, accompanied by the record of rainfall since March 1.

HAVE NEW FEATURES.

Information Concerning the State University Set Forth.

The University of Nebraska, with its new complete catalog, with announcements for the coming year, offers the clearest and most consistently presented information that has been given in recent years.

One of the new features shown is the summer session of eight weeks, as compared with six weeks heretofore. This offers greater opportunity to teachers of the state for increased efficiency and offers others instruction from September to August of each year.

In addition to teachers' certificates previously given the university will now grant teachers' certificates in agriculture and home economics. Also a first grade emergency certificate is granted to such students as find it necessary temporarily to leave the university to teach.

The number of accredited secondary schools has been increased and the entrance requirements have been raised from 28 to 30 points, to become effective on September 1, 1910. After the same date in 1912 a simplified table of entrance requirements covers all colleges where each has varied in several subjects heretofore. This should cause high schools less difficulty in arranging their curricula.

In response to demands of the times a new course in agricultural engineering takes rank with the civil, electrical and mechanical groups. The department of Slavonic offers instruction to the large number of Bohemians of the state, while in further response to the needs of the increasing cosmopolitan character of the state's population, Swedish now becomes a branch of the language taught.

The forestry course has gradually grown in importance until graduate instruction now leads to the second degree, that of master of forestry. This is by reason of the greater interest in conservative movements.

Experiment substations have been established at Valentine under the direction of James Cowan and the Scottsbluff station at Mitchell to promote agriculture.

The general and technical courses in agriculture have been merged into one general course that admits of specialization as soon as the student's inclination is clear.

The college of law after September 1, 1911, will require one year of general college study before law subjects are begun. Also the college of medicine has made a complete advance to two years before strictly medical subjects are commenced.

"Rules and regulations governing students" are included in the complete catalog, where previously separate hand books were distributed. By these it is seen that the standard of scholarship is being raised gradually especially in the general colleges.

The number of graduates to receive degrees during the university year just closed is 342, while 165 certificates in agriculture, music and physical education were granted. The number of military commissions awarded to graduates by the governor is thirty-five.

Hearing Postponed.

The railway commissioner has indefinitely postponed the hearing of the Omaha lumber dealers who have complained of freight rates

Trusties Take French Leave.

Three prisoners got away from the state penitentiary during the month of July, according to the monthly report of Warden Smith. William, from Douglas county, a colored prisoner, with only a few months to serve of a three-year term for breaking and entering, managed to hide away and escape while working in the cornfield with no guard overlooking him. It is reported that he has wound up in Texas, from which place the warden says it may be hard to return him, owing to present conditions there.

Quarantine Raised.

Washington dispatch: The quarantine against cattle in four counties in Nebraska, suffering from mange and scabies, was raised on orders issued from the bureau of animal industry of the agricultural department. Similar action was taken in the case of cattle in Dawson county, Montana. The counties in Nebraska in which the quarantine was raised are Hayes, Hitchcock, Chase and Dundy. A number of Nebraska counties yet remain under quarantine

Are Diamonds Being Pawned?

The fact that diamonds assessed in Nebraska this year have diminished slightly instead of increasing with the growth of the country, is explained by by some by a mere statement of the increase in the amount of money by assessors to have been invested in automobiles. The number of automobiles April 1 was 6,461 and it is estimated that at this date a total of 10,000,000 to $15,000,000 has been spent by Nebraskans for automobiles. A slight decrease in diamonds assessed has caused some speculation.

Irrigation Matters in Nebraska.

F. H. Newell, chief of the federal reclamation service, stopped in Lincoln for a short time to talk with Secretary Simmons of the state irrigation board, about irrigation matters in this state. Mr. Newell is engaged with a board of army engineers in inspecting reclamation projects with a view to apportioning the $20,000,000, which will be spent on these projects in the next few years. The North Platte project is the only one in which Nebraska is interested. Mr. Newell will look this over.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

News Notes of Interest From Various Sections.

The scarlet fever outbreak at McCook is now under control.

Dean Sackett, the nine-year-old son of Attorney H. E. Sackett of Beatrice, was severly bruised about the body by being dragged by a cow.

At a recent meeting of the board of county commissioners in Sioux county it was decided to put the proposition before the taxpayers at the No-

Fire broke out in the hardware store of M. A. Madsen at Dannebrog, totally destroying the store. R. H. Jorgessen's butcher shop was badly damaged.

Paul Burnstein, about 17 years of age, while in swimming in Beaver creek, at Fork, was drowned in about thirteen feet of water. His body was recovered.

County Attorney Ramsey of Cass county has tendered his resignation.

The York Roller mill has changed hands after successful operation for twenty years.

The new rectory just completed, in the parish of St. Anthony's in St. Charles precinct, Cuming county, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies on August 10.

After eight weeks of continued dryness, Johnson county got a good rain. vember election of voting bonds for the purchase of a site and the erection of a county infirmary.

Charles E. Boone has been appointed postmaster at Elk Creek, Johnson county, to succeed Nelson H. Libby, who has resigned and who will go to the Pacific northwest and locate on a ranch.

Ralph A. Duff and T. H. Pollock of Plattsmouth will begin the construction of a new three span steel bridge across the Platte river at Oreapolis, a railroad crossing near Plattsmouth.

The local camp of the Deutscher Landwehr Verein, an organization of veterans of the German wars, will hold its annual reunion at Riverside park, West Point, on September 1, that day being the anniversary of the battle of Sedan.

The town board of Rushville has let the contract for building a new city hall. The building will be 26x62, with basement under the entire building. The pressure tanks of the new water system will be kept in the basement.

Famous, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Rodgers, residing near Syracuse, was bitten by a rattlesnake while in the melon patch. The physicians saved his life by working with him all night. The snake was found and killed.

Harry Harms, the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harms, who live in the western part of Johnson county, had the tips of three of the fingers of his right hand cut off by getting them pinched in the mechanism of a hay-loading machine.

Mrs. C. H. Stone of Beaver City, was operated upon and nine tumors removed. Instead of getting better, as was expected, her condition continued precarious. She later submitted to another operation and her recovery is not expected.

A large number of railroad employes attended a meeting in Alliance called by the American Railroad Employes' and Investors' association. A local branch was formed, H. H. Giles being elected president. Over 100 members were enrolled.

Burglars entered the rooms of C. C. Nelson, over his saloon at Bridgeport, and secured a roll of checks, postal orders and currency, amounting in all to $592. Three suspicious characters were arrested but evidence was not sufficient to hold them.

Charles McDonald, 34 years of age, a horse trader from Louisville, was killed by the local freight on the Chicago & Northwestern about one and one-half miles south of Cedar Bluffs. His head was crushed and one arm severed from the body.

A farewell reception was given to Rev. Dr H. H. Bogue and family at Alliance. Dr. Bogue has been pastor there for a number of years and the beautiful church of his denomination is largely the result of his labors. He has accepted a call in Texas because of health conditions.

While Mrs. Unger of Indianola was polishing her stove the liquid polish she was using caught fire. She endeavored to extinguished it with water, but this served only to spread it to her clothing, which caught fire. Before help could arrive she was burned so badly there is little hope of her surviving.

After a day's rest at Hastings, Ezra Meeker, with his team of oxen and old "prairie schooner," again took up his trip of retracing the old California trail, over which he is placing temporary markers. Meeker attracted much attention. His outfit especially was interesting when it is compared with the modern day modes of transportation. His vehicle and motive power are an exact duplicate of those used by him in his pilgrimage across the ranges and deserts in 1852. Mr. Meeker is eighty years of age.

Elmer Thompson, of Nebraska City, who has been acting strangely and threatened to kill his father and mother, has been declared insane and will be taken to the asylum as soon as room can be secured for him.

Between 3 and 4 o'clock in the morning, while Night Agent L. N. Costley, jr., of the Northwestern railroad at Chadron, was entering the ticket office preparatory to commencing his routine of work of checking up, he was confronted by two unmasked men, who compelled him to open the safe, from which they took $250.