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ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA.

The burdens which appear easiest to carry are usually carried by other people.

England goes right on opening up Tibet, which will presently get to buying Krupp guns.

In the Philippines gas is made from coconut oil. In this country most of it is made of wind.

"Love cures insanity."—Newspaper headline. "Stimilia similibus curantur."—Dr. Hahnemann.

Owners of automobiles cannot see why the people do not drop everything else and build good roads.

Hall Gaine's forthcoming novel is declared to be an improvement on his previous works. It is shorter.

Mrs. Bob Fitzsimmons is a woman of refinement. She says so herself, and certainly she ought to know.

By the way, what's the duty on Guatemala ants? Do they come under the head of farming utensils, or what?

One nice thing about a straw vote is that it can be made to show up well for either side, according to the pleasure of the taker.

The collapse of Lou Dillon will not lead some people to say that man's strenuous life is sometimes too much for the horse.

Although the medical experts have discovered the malaria microbe, they hesitate to import an opposition microbe from Guatemala.

It is certainly thoughtless and inconsiderate of the British lion to roar so loudly just at this time when quiet is so desirable at Peterhof.

Cotton seed has been found to be a good substitute for meat. This being the case, the early formation of a cotton seed trust may be expected.

When Russell Sage hears about the young man who went crazy while on his vacation he will, of course, regard it as a clear case of just retribution.

The trouble about trebling the czar's guards is that the operation may surround him with three times the ordinary number of anarchists.

Admiral Skrydloff has observed that a lack of information as to international law is a handy thing for a naval officer to have about him at times.

Rudyard Kipling has written a poem the meaning of which has to be explained in footnotes. There can be no doubt after this that Rudyard is a real poet.

A New York youth tells his guardian that he cannot live on a paltry \$18,000 a year. Guardie should ask him if there is any special reason why he should live.

Whatever Minister von Plehve may have been guilty of—and his record, to say the least, is not a spotless one—his coachman, who died with him, was innocent.

In attempting to effect social reform by means of a model saloon the New York reformers show that they know how to reach a great part of the New York population.

Now that war balloons for dropping explosives upon the heads of the enemy may be used in the far east, look out for a new and richly variegated bunch of war rumors.

"Newport dull!" says Harry Lehr. "Why, Newport's not dull; it's unconvincing." And can this be the Harry Lehr who bends his intellect to the subject of red neckties?

Still, the Shanghai liar hasn't sent out anything as good as the tale about the frog who ate some dynamite paste and then hopped so high he exploded and wrecked the establishments.

It seems that Esopus wasn't named after Esop, but is an old Indian name, which the early Dutch settlers spelled variously Esopus, Scopus, Sopus and Sopers. Now can you pronounce it?

Henry M. Stanley left over \$750,000, chiefly the result of the sales of his books. It pays to be an explorer if you continue the exploration properly after you have come back to civilization.

A Massachusetts doctor says the wearing of smoked glasses prevents day fever. He probably believes, also, that people can be free from rheumatism if they will carry potatoes in their pockets.

Lord Kelvin inclines to the opinion that the energy of radium comes from without, and that radium is merely the disintegrating agent thereof. This should have the effect of knocking another million dollars a pound off the price of it.

Will somebody who knows kindly help the worried editor of the Hartford Post? "Why is it," he asks, "that a man who has slumbered lightly all night will go into a deep sleep just about ten minutes before it's time for him to get up?"

JAP FLEET WINS

ADMIRAL KAMIMURA REPORTS SEVERE ENGAGEMENT.

THE CRUISER RURIK IS SUNK

Two of the Russian War Vessels Escaped to the Northward—Ships Believed to Be Badly Cripped—Reports That the Naval Battle is Still Raging.

TOKIO.—Vice Admiral Kamimura encountered the Russian Vladivostok squadron at dawn today north of Tsu island in the strait of Corea and attacked the enemy at once. The battle lasted for five hours and resulted in a complete Japanese victory. The Russian cruiser Rurik was sunk and the cruisers Rosia and Gromobol fled to the northward, after having sustained serious damage.

Vice Admiral Kamimura cables the navy department that the injuries inflicted upon his vessels were slight. The fate of the crew of the Rurik is not known. It is presumed that many of them were killed or drowned.

The strength of the fleet under Vice Admiral Kamimura is not known, but it is presumed that he had the Aduma, the Idsumo, the Iwate, the Takashiko and other light cruisers.

Tokio is joyous over the news, as it gives Japan mastery of the sea and restores commerce.

Japanese guns dominate the dockyards at Port Arthur, and in view of this fact it would seem to be impossible again to make seaworthy or fightable the Russian battleships which have returned to Port Arthur. It is probable that the Russian battleship Czarevitch will disarm at Tsing Chou.

The best possible naval force that Russia can now concentrate at Vladivostok is four cruisers.

The imperial prince, Hiroyasu Kwachio, was slightly wounded aboard the battleship Mikasa in last Wednesday's engagement. The Russian armored cruiser Rurik was sunk in the engagement in the Strait of Corea. The armored cruisers Rosia and Gromobol escaped to the northward heavily damaged.

WASHINGTON.—The Japanese legation has received a cablegram from Tokyo saying that Admiral Kamimura reports that his squadron, after five hours' severe fighting with the three ships of the Vladivostok squadron on the morning of the 14th, in the mouth of Tsuchima island, sank the Rurik. The other two ships, which appeared to have suffered heavily, fled northward. "Our damages," says the report, "are slight."

NEBRASKANS FIRST TO FILE. Prizes winners at Rosebud begin locating claims.

BONESTEEL S. D.—The Rosebud reservation was thrown open to civilization at 9 o'clock Monday morning, when William McCormick, No. 1, filed on a quarter section of land lying lengthwise along the side of the town of Roosevelt. Three other towns have sprung up, Burke, Gregory and St. Elmo.

Talus Ruggie, who drew No. 2, filed on a quarter section adjoining McCord prior to the opening, as hundreds McCormick. There were fears of blood-squatters had gone on lots in the townships and were defying newcomers to dislodge them at gun's points. Governor Herried arrived to investigate the situation with regard to sending troops. Probably troops will not be sent.

The county seat fight has already begun among new towns. Locating agents claim knowledge of towns to which the Northwestern railroad will build, though officials refuse to give any information. Among the first hundred several did not or could not file. The land office is protected by armed guards while filing money remains inside.

Treasury Balance. WASHINGTON.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption shows: Available cash balance, \$150,425,598.

SENATOR VEST PASSES AWAY. Aged Statesman Succumbs After Prolonged Fight for Life.

SWEET SPRINGS, Mo.—After lingering for weeks between life and death former United States Senator George Graham Vest passed peacefully away Tuesday. He had been so near death for the last three days that the end came without a struggle. He was conscious until about 2 o'clock Sunday morning, when he sank into a state of coma from which he never aroused. He lost the power of speech Saturday morning, but for several days before that he talked very imperfectly, and during the last thirty-six hours of his life his breathing was barely perceptible. The flutter of his pulse was all that showed life still remained. The remains will be taken to St. Louis for interment.

Wanted for Murder in Nebraska. DENVER, Colo.—George Van Haller, who is wanted by the Omaha police for murder, was arrested by Detectives Saunders and Kenny. Information as to the culprit was received at the police department yesterday morning and every effort was made to locate the alleged murderer. He was finally located at a house in the neighborhood of Seventeenth street and Pennsylvania avenue and was arrested. Van Haller will be held until some word has been received from the authorities at Omaha.

DIE IN A WRECK.

Lives of One Hundred Passengers Snuffed Out.

PUEBLO, Colo.—The wreck of the World's Fair flyer on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad near Eden, seven miles north of Pueblo, Sunday evening proves to have been one of the greatest railroad disasters in the history of the country. Two crowded passenger cars and a baggage car were engulfed in the torrent that tore out a trestle spanning Steele's Hollow, otherwise known as Dry Creek, and so far as is known only three of the occupants of these cars escaped death. Fortunately, two sleeping cars and a diner, completing the train remained on the track at the edge of the abyss and none of those on board were killed or injured.

How many perished probably will never be definitely known, for the treacherous sands are drifting over the bodies. Searching for the dead was begun about midnight on an extensive scale and is still in progress tonight. All bodies found were brought to Pueblo and placed in four morgues here.

At 8 o'clock Monday evening seventy-six bodies had been recovered and of these fifty had been identified. During the day bodies were recovered all the way along Fountain river from the scene of the wreck to this city.

At 1 o'clock Monday afternoon two bodies were taken from the stream at First street, Pueblo, more than eight miles from the point where the disaster occurred and it is probable that some may be recovered even further down stream. None of the bodies are badly mutilated and all are in such condition as to be recognizable. Many identifications have been made by articles found on the bodies, no persons who viewed them recognizing the features.

Two carloads of human freight plunged into the raging torrent that destroyed the trestle over the usually dry arroyo known as Steele's Hollow, near Eden, about 8 o'clock Monday.

Two sleeping cars and the diner stopped at the brink of the hungry chasm filled with a boiling current that quickly snuffed out probably 100 lives. So quietly had the catastrophe been enacted that the occupants of the three cars remaining on the track did not realize that an accident had occurred until they alighted from the train. Then they were utterly powerless to render assistance to the victims who had disappeared in the rushing waters.

NO WORD FROM LEISHMAN YET.

State Department Has Heard Nothing From Minister.

WASHINGTON.—The State department has heard nothing from Minister Leishman at Constantinople since last Monday, when he cabled that the porte had promised to see that he received by today the sultan's answer to his representations touching the rights of American citizens in Turkey. If today's engagement is not kept the department probably will send additional instructions to Minister Leishman as soon as he officially reports the additional breach of faith. In that event he is expected to go to Smyrna to communicate personally with Admiral Jewell, commanding the European squadron, and perhaps to take up his quarters aboard the flagship Olympia, thus marking a diplomatic crisis.

READY FOR NOTIFICATION.

Former Senator Davis Starts for White Sulphur Springs. ELKINS, W. Va.—Everything is in readiness for his formal notification, so far as Vice Presidential Candidate H. G. Davis is concerned. Shortly after 12 o'clock Monday, accompanied by a party of his family and friends, he will leave for White Sulphur Springs in his private car Graedeland, going by the regular trains of the Coal & Iron and the Chesapeake & Ohio railroads. With the ex-senator will be his brother, Colonel Tom Davis of Keyser, his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lee, National Committeeman John L. McGraw and sister, of Gratton; the Misses Sheridan of Mount Savage, Md.; Mrs. R. C. Kerens and daughter, Miss Gladys, and Secretary Charles S. Robb.

APPEAL FOR MRS. MAYBRICK.

English Paper Urges a Free Pardon for American Woman. LONDON.—In the form of a letter from a correspondent, signed "Heathcote Harding," the Daily Chronicle Tuesday morning makes a strong appeal on behalf of Mrs. Maybrick. The letter urges that Mrs. Maybrick is innocent and that she ought to be granted a free pardon, and contends that she never would have been convicted had there been a court of criminal appeal in England. The Chronicle also prints an editorial which strongly supports "Heathcote Harding's" views of the case. A bill was introduced in the house of commons Monday by two prominent lawyers providing for the retrial of criminal cases.

Must Stop Shooting Birds.

WASHINGTON.—A cablegram has been received from Lieutenant C. S. Owen, commanding the detachment of marines at Midway island, the landing point of the Pacific cable, stating that the employees of the cable company have threatened to leave the island by the next steamer if the order of the navy department prohibiting them from carrying arms and shooting the beautiful birds of the island is enforced. The department however, has replied that the order must be rigidly enforced.

WORK OF CABINET

THE TURKISH SITUATION DISCUSSED AT LENGTH.

OUR MINISTER IS HEARD FROM

After Several Days of Silence Sends Message from Constantinople—Negotiations Understood to Have Taken a More Favorable Turn.

WASHINGTON.—Foreign affairs, to the practical exclusion of everything else, was considered at Friday's meeting of the cabinet. The Turkish situation was discussed at length and a line of action, in case Minister Leishman's efforts are unavailing, was agreed to, but its nature was not disclosed.

Secretary Hay also presented to the cabinet some important information cabled the state department by Minister Griscom at Tokio confirming the reports of a great naval engagement off Port Arthur. It is said the discussion of the Japanese-Russian war was purely academic and not in any sense relative to the attitude of America toward either of the contending powers.

After several days' silence, Minister Leishman has been heard from through a dispatch dated at Constantinople Thursday night, recounting the results of the exchanges between himself and the foreign office officials there. The state department did not see fit to make public the minister's communication, but did make the general statement that negotiations had taken a more favorable turn and there was an expectation of a speedy and satisfactory adjustment.

There is, however, a vagueness about the Turkish statements and promises that has caused the department, having in mind past experiences in the way of promises, to instruct Mr. Leishman to see to it that these propositions are reduced to such concrete form and are made in such a binding manner that there cannot be any question as to their fulfillment hereafter by the Turkish government.

It is confidently expected that the Turkish negotiators will accede to such a demand on the part of Mr. Leishman and it is predicted that the negotiations will be concluded successfully by Monday next.

CONSTANTINOPLE.—Naoum Pasha,

under secretary of foreign affairs, called on Minister Leishman at Thessalonica, a town on the Bosphorus, nine miles northeast of Constantinople. He reiterated the assurances of the government regarding a speedy and favorable reply to the demands touching the rights of American citizens in Turkey.

Subsequently Izzet Pasha, secretary of the palace, and Minister of Mines Selim Pasha had a long interview with Minister Leishman for the purpose of determining upon the text of a reply which may prove acceptable to America.

FOUGHT ENTIRE AFTERNOON.

Togo Sends a Report of the Naval Engagement. TOKIO.—Admiral Togo has reported as follows: "On August 10 our combined fleet attacked the enemy's fleet near Gagan rock. The Russian vessels were emerging from Port Arthur, trying to go south. We pursued the enemy to the eastward. Severe fighting lasted from 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon until sundown. Toward the close the enemy's fire weakened, remarkably. His formation became confused and then ships scattered. The Russian cruisers Askold and Novik and several torpedo boat destroyers fled to the southward. Other of the enemy's ships retreated separately toward Port Arthur. We pursued them and it appears that we inflicted considerable damage. We found life buoys and other articles belonging to the Russian battleship Czarevitch floating at sea. The Czarevitch probably was sunk. We have received no reports from the torpedo boats and the torpedo boat destroyers which were engaged in the attack on the enemy. The Russian vessels, with the exception of the Novik, the Askold, the Czarevitch and the Pallada, appear to have returned to Port Arthur. Our damage was slight. Our fighting power has not been impaired."

FOREST FIRE IN NEWFOUNDLAND

St. Johns is Threatened and Blue Jackets Aid Citizens. ST. JOHNS, N. F.—The ravages of forest fires along the outskirts of St. Johns continue and threaten the section in which the asylum for the insane, containing 200 patients, is situated. A force of police, with a detachment of blue jackets, from the cruiser Charybdis and the French warship Troude, have gone to the scene in an endeavor to prevent the fire from destroying the asylum and other buildings. The configuration is so extensive that railroad trains are unable to penetrate the forest.

Farmers Ask for Rates.

SIoux FALLS, S. D.—A petition has been filed with the state board of railroad commissioners by the people of Twin Brooks and vicinity, protesting against the high freight rates which the people of that place and vicinity have to pay when compared with the rates charged east of Milbank and other towns. The farmers in the neighborhood of Twin Brooks are said to have discovered that the rates on grain from Twin Brooks have been too high, and efforts will be made for a reduction.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

VALUATIONS IN NEBRASKA.

What the State Board of Equalization Has Decided On.

Secretary Bennett of the State Board of Equalization has compiled a table showing the assessed valuation of the various counties in the state. Without the valuation of the railroad property the table below shows all other property for last year and this year:

County.	1903.	1904.
Adams	2,082,501.80	4,007,504.81
Antelope	1,436,535.20	2,381,654.90
Banner	254,056.00	198,917.99
Blaine	151,607.08	117,808.15
Bonanza	1,695,128.20	2,350,091.20
Box Butte	625,384.00	528,510.04
Boyd	1,090,250.00	1,386,002.95
Brown	612,900.30	581,250.00
Butte	2,149,957.65	2,746,432.03
Butler	2,126,679.00	4,760,237.00
Cass	4,937,791.90	6,141,678.00
Chadron	2,792,191.00	3,857,298.00
Cherokee	224,542.00	210,499.00
Cherry	1,769,114.00	1,425,593.20
Cheyenne	910,554.00	905,824.44
Clay	1,830,467.82	3,384,448.00
Colfax	2,028,995.90	3,690,289.00
Cuming	2,417,012.00	5,312,690.48
Curry	2,388,896.06	2,379,082.67
Dakota	3,444,228.00	1,776,276.25
Dawes	776,752.70	790,853.17
Dawson	1,394,741.81	2,523,695.25
Deuel	447,942.00	520,841.01
Dixon	1,678,984.43	2,274,314.27
Dodge	2,759,700.00	6,052,419.73
Douglas	2,485,309.44	4,919,573.03
Dundy	484,996.00	408,551.46
Fillmore	1,662,833.50	2,846,103.58
Franklin	1,052,148.28	1,804,005.50
Frontier	2,702,309.00	3,259,685.00
Furnas	1,396,828.86	1,895,771.00
Gage	4,575,280.00	7,574,030.00
Garfield	221,700.00	236,290.00
Gosper	1,411,908.50	929,244.42
Grant	390,986.20	304,253.30
Greely	984,098.00	1,279,052.00
Hall	2,392,757.00	3,733,204.00
Hamilton	2,241,692.00	2,851,210.00
Harlan	1,039,363.00	1,611,618.00
Hayes	357,124.00	338,881.84
Hitchcock	691,448.21	874,350.99
Holt	2,149,908.00	2,297,690.00
Hooker	62,115.45	76,915.42
Jewett	1,130,533.00	1,091,441.00
Jefferson	2,102,589.00	2,546,202.00
Johnson	2,309,622.60	3,111,032.60
Kearney	1,031,652.25	2,105,995.28
Keith	1,127,565.00	1,429,082.99
Keya Paha	694,516.00	614,146.75
Kimball	271,260.40	259,744.71
Knox	2,020,829.20	2,249,530.00
Lancaster	7,357,301.20	12,688,932.00
Lincoln	1,232,193.20	1,745,596.70
Logan	261,041.51	275,285.88
Loup	194,381.14	194,381.14
Madison	2,265,474.29	4,089,711.00
McPherson	1,874,095.84	1,465,017.88
Merrick	1,339,581.00	2,095,813.00
Nance	1,433,721.00	2,564,442.00
Nemaha	2,432,640.51	3,397,083.51
Nickolls	1,757,492.90	2,746,794.25
Osage	4,698,992.00	4,698,992.00
Pawnee	2,776,047.00	3,279,019.80
Perkins	716,954.70	525,356.70
Phillip	1,383,349.00	1,850,681.00
Pierce	1,435,649.00	2,524,987.76
Platte	2,280,747.83	2,665,862.26
Polk	1,307,440.47	3,279,168.42
Red Willow	420,829.20	2,249,530.00
Richardson	5,084,828.51	5,395,512.42
Rock	605,426.27	513,230.65
Saline	2,102,829.20	4,321,237.42
Sarpy	1,864,134.25	2,300,676.71
Schwartz	5,138,019.70	7,045,716.18
Scotts Bluffs	1,584,925.15	1,544,037.94
Seward	2,050,809.00	4,390,860.82
Sheridan	877,815.70	943,841.00
Sherman	781,972.60	1,100,187.60
Sioux	483,730.00	3,990,860.82
Stanton	1,544,662.00	2,525,795.00
Thayer	2,338,982.00	3,243,041.00
Thomas	79,029.15	87,760.00
Thurston	1,175,137.00	525,707.00
Valley	942,528.00	1,635,993.00
Washington	2,378,559.70	3,701,807.71
Wheeler	1,635,056.00	2,384,191.73
York	309,492.36	292,024.77
York	2,347,728.90	4,855,167.60

FILING ON THE ROSEBUD.

William McCormick of Nebraska Chooses Best Quarter Section.

NORFOLK, Neb.—Filing began at Bonesteel Monday morning. William McCormick of Washington, D. C., who registered from his home county, Lancaster, Neb., filed on the quarter section running lengthwise of the new town of Roosevelt. Ruggs, who drew No. 2, took the quarter section directly behind it.

Three new towns, Roosevelt, Burke and Gregory, have been started and valuable quarter sections are being taken up with fine discrimination. All of the people who are making filings have evidently become well posted as to where they should locate.

So great was the rivalry for select locations that some warm disputes arose among the first 100 to go on the reservation, and for a time there was danger of shootings, but the authorities succeeded in preserving order.

Farmer Discovers a Plot.

BEATRICE—A plot to destroy the threshing machine of F. H. Sible, a farmer who resides near Odell, was discovered one day last week. Hidden in a bundle of what were found several iron bolts, a box containing a number of 22-caliber cartridges, a quantity of matches, a half pint bottle of coal oil, several iron bolts and pieces of cast iron. Another bundle was found with these articles fastened to the band. Two packages containing matches and powder and a tobacco sack partially filled with powder and matches.

Attorney General Prout Has Filed a Brief in the Supreme Court in Support of the Quo Warranto Proceedings Instituted in that Court Against the Northwestern Trust Company of Omaha, which it is alleged is selling lottery chances in a home building scheme.

General Prout denounced the scheme as a swindle and in his brief uses other language along the same line. The company agreed to place investors in a home within thirty months and failing to do that to refund the money paid in with 4 per cent interest.

Good Crops in Boyd.

LYNCH—Boyd county will roll out the largest yield of small grain this year of any county along the northern tier. Oats are now being threshed and are running out better than sixty bushels to the acre. Corn never looked more encouraging.

Struck by Lightning.

LYONS—During a very severe storm last night, a barn of L. A. Peterson was struck by lightning and burned to the ground, together with three valuable horses, grain and machinery.