

NEWS NOTES
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A Boiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

Yang Shi Slang, who in 1907 announced Yuan Shi Kai as viceroy of the province of Chi Li, died from apoplexy, following charges against him of corruption.

The Kansas, Southern & Gulf railroad, the shortest railroad in Kansas, is in the hands of a receiver.

Kentucky now has but twenty-four counties in all parts of which liquor can be sold.

On the occasion of the dedication of the Forbes field the new million dollar grounds at Pittsburg, 30,300 people attended.

John D. Rockefeller and wife will spend the summer in Cleveland.

Prof. George Burnham Foster was dropped from the roll of the Chicago Baptist ministers' conference.

There were eight deaths due to heat in Philadelphia on Sunday.

Throughout the east a hot wave is on, and many prostrations are reported.

Unusual interest and alluring possibilities center in the opening of the Flathead reservation in western Montana, the Coeur d'Alene in northern Idaho and the Spokane in eastern Washington this summer.

The visit of the Russian emperor to Stockholm was marred by the sensational assassination of Major General Beckman, chief of the coast artillery.

A man dressed as a workman shot General Beckman in the street.

The christening of Princess Beatrice, the infant daughter of the king and queen, took place at La Granja with the usual ceremony.

Archduke Ferdinand and Archduchess Maria Teresa, the godparents, were represented by the Infanta Isabela.

It is not believed any appeal will be taken either by Mrs. Howard Gould or her husband from the decision of Judge Dowling, granting Mrs. Gould the separation for which she appealed and the \$36,000 a year alimony.

The Right Rev. Joseph B. Cotter, aged sixty-five, head of the Catholic diocese of Winona, Minn., which comprises the entire southern half of the state, died at his home in Winona.

Secretary MacVeagh declared himself strongly in favor of legislation making the internal revenue tax on oleomargarine 2 cents a pound, colored or uncolored.

Two negroes were killed and five others were wounded at a stone quarry near Ripley, Okla., in a quarrel over a "crap" game. The shooting was general. The dead are Daniel Calwell, Guthrie, and F. H. Smith.

The injured were members of a construction gang at Cushing, Okla.

A mutiny in the prison at Vilna, Russia, led to a pitched battle in the court yard. Four wardens and seven convicts were killed and six wounded.

Washington.

Changes in the daily cash statement of the treasury department, especially to correct discrepancies in publication of balances, were announced to take effect July 1.

The published record of receipts and disbursements issued by the bookkeeping and warrants division have never been balanced with the daily cash statement of the treasury, but under the new system this will be remedied.

A call on national depository banks for a return to the treasury of government funds aggregating approximately \$25,000,000 was made by Secretary of the Treasury McVeagh. Of this amount \$9,000,000 has been called for July 15, and \$16,000,000 for August 15.

Balances in all active depositories are uniformly reduced to the lowest amount which the daily needs of the government will permit.

The town of Decatur, Neb., is to be protected from the inroads of the Missouri river by a congressional appropriation.

Senator Gamble's amendment providing that when 1,500 tons of tin yearly are produced in the United States that the duty on tin shall be 4 cents per pound was adopted by the senate.

Under existing law production is fixed at 5,000 tons per year when the same rate of duty is to be collected.

Former Congressman Frank Boyd of Nebraska had an exciting adventure on the streets here. He was on a street car, when an altercation arose between the conductor and a passenger.

Boyd was giving the row some attention, when he felt a hand in his pocket. He turned, but not quick enough to grab the man, who jumped from the car, with the former congressman in pursuit.

A chase of three blocks resulted, but the thief finally threw down the purse and escaped. Judge Boyd recovered the wallet and contents intact.

Personal.

Lieutenant Colonel J. M. Banister, chief surgeon of the Department of the Missouri, has completed the medical and sanitary inspection of Forts Crook and Omaha.

The president nominated Lieutenant Colonel James A. Irons, Fourteenth infantry, to be colonel, Commander William F. Fullam, U. S. N., to be captain, and Millard T. Hartson to be collector of internal revenue for the district of Washington state.

Mrs. Carrie E. Burnham Kilgore, aged seventy-one, the first woman admitted to the bar in Pennsylvania, died last week at her home in Swarthmore.

Among the winners of degrees at Harvard are the following Nebraskans: Bachelor of Arts: George N. Lyon, Nelson; Riskey G. Haines, Omaha. Bachelor of Laws: Chas. A. Sawyer, Lincoln.

A rumor comes from the far north that George Caldwell, the explorer, who left three years ago to make a trip from Hudson bay westward to Slav lake and down to Edmonton, who had been given up as lost, is reported by a native runner to be safe.

A sentimental letter written by Mrs. Woodill to Eastman has been found.

TREASURY IS SHORT
DEFICIT, HOWEVER, NOT AS LARGE AS EXPECTED.

AMOUNTS OVER \$89,000,000

Estimates Given Last December Indicated That It Would Reach About \$114,000,000.

Washington.—Treasury officials are pleased at the present showing of the government finances. Ordinarily a deficit in the government revenues of \$89,811,156, as shown by Thursday's statement, would not be a matter of congratulation. Nevertheless, at the close of the fiscal year 1909, the treasury officials express much gratification that the official estimate of a deficit of \$114,000,000, made last December, has not been verified and are hopeful for a continuance of the improvement which has been especially noted during the last four months.

Since the December estimates were submitted to congress, however, the receipts and expenditures have shown marked irregularity, and as late as February last the expenditures were increasing at such a rapid rate, and the revenues falling off so sharply, that it was greatly feared the balance on the wrong side of the ledger might by the close of the fiscal year reach \$130,000,000.

But a slight upturn in customs receipts was noted about the middle of December. Improvement was slow, however, until about the beginning of March, when large importations were made, probably induced in part by the prospective tariff changes.

The result, both of improving revenues and the strong holding down of expenditures has resulted in a greatly reduced deficiency.

The customs receipts for the year aggregated \$261,299,863, which is an increase as compared with last year of \$15,000,000. The internal revenues produced \$246,329,063, a decrease of about \$5,000,000. Miscellaneous receipts from all sources during the year aggregated \$604,432,846, which is an increase over last year of \$3,250,000.

On the side of expenditures, the total for the year was \$694,244,002, which is an increase over 1908 of about \$37,000,000.

The civil and miscellaneous expenditures amounted to \$164,288,538, an increase of \$5,000,000 over last year.

The war department expenditures aggregated \$164,100,242, an increase of \$40,000,000. The navy account is the only item in the list to show a decrease, the figures for the year being \$115,988,869, as against \$118,780,233 for the year 1908.

Pension payments for the year amounted to \$161,689,423, an increase of about \$6,000,000.

The expenditures on account of the Panama canal were \$6,000,000 less than for last year, being \$31,420,286.

It is fully expected that the new fiscal year will start with a series of monthly deficiencies, notably for July, when the new appropriations made by congress become available. July last year resulted in a deficiency of \$24,868,000, and this would have been nearer \$30,000,000 had it not been for the anticipation of about \$5,000,000, representing the last payments to the government account of the last indebtedness. In July, 1907, there was a deficiency of \$10,901,000, and in July, 1906, another of \$13,511,000.

HARVARD WINS VARSITY RACE.

Crimson Crew, by Superior Strength and Endurance, Defeats Yale.

New London, Conn.—In a notable exhibition of rowing by a crew, remarkable for its physical power and endurance, Harvard defeated Yale in their annual varsity boat race on the Thames. The Crimson crew led from start to finish and won by six boat lengths. Harvard's time was 21:50; Yale's 22:10.

By this victory Harvard won its second consecutive boat race from Yale 1880 and 1881 has Harvard won two consecutive races from Yale. Since races from Yale, including today's, namely, in 1891, 1899, 1906 and 1908. Since Wray has been coaching at Cambridge, Yale and Harvard have met three times, and the Crimson has won two races.

Capt. Raymond Is Dead.

Des Moines, Ia.—Capt. John C. Raymond of the Second cavalry, Ft. Des Moines, died at Mercy hospital early Thursday, after lingering between life and death since he was shot by Corporal Lisle Crabtree at the army post here three weeks ago.

Lincoln Pennies Coined.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The new Lincoln pennies coined at the United States mint in this city are ready for delivery. They are much like the old coin, except that the Indian is replaced by a profile of Lincoln.

Revenue Receipts Are Big.

Omaha.—Internal revenue receipts of the Nebraska collection district for the fiscal year ending June 30, show substantial increase over the preceding year amounting to \$313,232.95, of which nearly \$300,000 is for spirits alone. The receipts for the year from all sources were \$2,437,268.75, while the receipts from all sources during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908, were \$2,124,035.80. The receipts for the month of June, 1909, were \$222,309.89. For the month of June, 1908, they were \$222,162.38.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Interest Taken From Here and There Over the State.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe of Nebraska City celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

At a meeting of the Otoo Poultry and Pet Stock association it was decided to hold the annual show December 20-23. A committee has been appointed.

Carl A. Newman, the fifteen-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Newman, who live eleven miles southwest of Mason City, was drowned in a watering tank.

Three regents from the State university were at Valentine looking for a location for an experimental farm and were very favorably impressed with what they saw.

The park commissioners of Nebraska City have received from the government one of the large Spanish cannons, which will be placed in the new city park.

Councilman Frank Carson is having an ordinance drafted by which he proposes to send to jail, instead of fining, all automobilists who violate the speed ordinance at Nebraska City.

Albert Hester, who lives northwest of Tecumseh, was thrown from a mower by a runaway team and one of the wheels passed over his body, lacerating his head so badly several stitches were required to close it.

The city council of Humboldt has decided it does not wish a skating rink within the city limits and, as a polite way of getting rid of the one now located there, raised the license on skating rinks to \$300 per annum.

The Midwest Life of Lincoln wants a local agent to represent it in every town in Nebraska. For particulars write the company. It pays good commissions.

The largest wheat crop in years is looked for and predicted in this immediate vicinity, says a Wymore dispatch. Farmers report the largest heads they have ever raised. It is only a question as to whether the heads will fill out. Should they do so the yield will be a record-breaker. Corn is in fine condition, most of it having been gone over twice.

A number of small whirlwinds, formed in to a tornado southeast of Beaver City and raged over a territory two miles wide and thirty-five miles long, extending from Beaver City to Woodruff, Kan. At the Broquette ranch, near Duizes, forty-seven head of cattle were killed and the outbuildings were destroyed. Mr. Miller, who lives on the ranch, was saved by going to a storm cellar.

A peculiar accident happened to Albert Panks, a farmer living near Peru. He was riding a horse, and driving his other horses up from the pasture, when the horse he was riding stumbled and threw him off. He landed in a pool of water, and the horse fell upon him, rendering him unconscious for a time. When he recovered his senses he was lying with his mouth and nose just out of the water.

James Erskine of North Platte kidnaped his own child and is now in jail, charged with the offense. Some time ago a divorce was granted to his wife and certain privileges were given to Mr. Erskine in regard to visiting his little girl. These privileges, it is charged, were abused, and later the decree was modified and he was enjoined from visiting or having anything whatever to do with his child at any time. Now he has kidnaped the youngster.

On the 26th day of April, 1906, The Midwest Life was authorized by the insurance department of this state to do a general life insurance business on the level premium, legal reserve plan. The stockholders are Nebraska people, associated together to insure Nebraska people, and thereby to keep within Nebraska the premiums paid for their insurance. The business methods of The Midwest Life are clean. It sells and always has sold life insurance as life insurance. Home office, 1907 "O" street, Lincoln. N. Z. Snell, president. Write for an agency.

While loading gravel, George Ridgley of Indianola, unearthed a huge tusk measuring four feet five inches in length and five inches in diameter at the larger end. It was found fifteen feet under ground and about eight inches was left in the ground attached to what is supposed to be the head of a mastodon. It is believed that the whole skeleton is buried there and excavations will be made.

The recent rulings of the Nebraska insurance department, through the auditor of public accounts, the Hon. S. R. Barton, did not affect The Midwest Life in the slightest degree. It had never used "estimates"; sold "special" or "board contracts"; placed misleading "statements" on the face of its policies or elsewhere, as to how or in what manner its policies were secured; or sold "stock, bonds or securities" of any insurance or agency company as an inducement to take life insurance with it.

The rulings against such practices are in harmony with the position publicly taken by The Midwest Life ever since its organization. Home office 1907 "O" street, Lincoln. N. Z. Snell, president. Write for an agency.

A cash deal was closed last week whereby C. Scow of Prague bought forty-eight acres of land from Thurlio Lind of Wahoo, paying \$160 per acre. The land is outside the corporate limits of Wahoo and has no improvements.

The enumeration of Callaway has just been completed by R. M. Grimes, which shows that the town has a population of just 812 souls, or exactly double the population it had when the census was taken in 1900. The growth of the town has practically been made during the last three years.

RESTRAINING ORDER

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION ISSUED IN BANK GUARANTY CASE.

NOW UP FOR FINAL DECREE

Counsel for Both Sides Will File Briefs and Circuit Court's Final Ruling Will Be Made.

A temporary injunction enjoining the governor and the other defendants named in the bank guaranty case was issued, and restrains the banking board named under the statute from taking possession of the books and papers of the present banking board, restrains them from interfering with the plaintiff banks, and from enforcing any of the provisions of the bank guaranty act, and Sam Patterson, who was appointed by the governor to act as secretary of the new board, is restrained from taking charge of the department. The order was signed by Willis Van Devanter, circuit judge, and T. C. Munger, district judge, of the federal court. No decision on any of the constitutional questions involved was given, and, both parties consenting it was ordered by the court that the case be submitted for the final decree. The demurrer was filed by the attorneys for the state and the case is now before the court for a decision on the decree. Counsel for the state was given until July 20 to file a brief in support of their demurrer and five days will then be allowed the counsel for the banks in which to make their reply. The court will then, at their convenience, pass upon the constitutionality of the law, though Judge Van Devanter stated that a decision would be handed down in a comparatively short time. In case the circuit court should decide the law unconstitutional the injunction would be made permanent and the case would be appealed to the federal supreme court. In case the circuit court should hold the law to be constitutional, the law might or might not be enforced pending the hearing before the federal supreme court. In the latter case the counsel for the banks would apply for a writ of super-seades, which the court might or might not grant. If it saw fit to grant the writ in such a case the effect would be that while they regarded the law constitutional it should not be enforced pending the decision of the United States supreme court on the case. It is thought by some lawyers that should the circuit court decide in favor of the constitutionality of the statute it would refuse to grant the super-seades.

Right to Refuse to Buy Hogs.

Has a firm or corporation or individual the right to go into a community and buy hogs from one farmer and refuse to buy hogs belonging to another farmer? Is such a practice discrimination and against public policy? These are the questions which a farmer out near Ainsley has asked the state railway commission. He wrote to the commission that a firm bought his neighbor's hogs, but refused to buy his and he desires the commission to issue an order prohibiting the firm from discriminating. In answer to the queries the commission said it had no jurisdiction in the matter, but suggested that the aggrieved person might consult a lawyer.

New Freight Rates.

Among the orders issued by the railway commission were the following: Permission to the Burlington to put in a rate of \$5 a car on gravel from Cedar Creek to Cedar station, permission to the Burlington to put in a rate from Sioux City to Omaha on alcohol, spirits and whisky of 20.89 cents per 100 pounds.

Three Wagon Loads of Beer.

The fact that at least three wagonloads of beer a day are delivered into Lincoln is disturbing the excise board and a meeting has been called to take steps to prevent the practice. The beer is brought in from Havelock.

School Money.

Deputy County Treasurer Severin stated that more money had been paid out of the county for school purposes during the month of June than in any other month in the history of the treasurer's office.

The Building Record.

The records of the office of the city engineer show that thirty-four building permits were issued during June at an estimated value of \$171,129. The month of June, 1909, easily distances that of June a year ago and May of the present year.

Fifty-three New Banks.

Opinions differ as to the cause of the rapid increase in the number of state banks, but it is a fact that fifty-three banks have been chartered by the state board since January 1. Only a few of these are private banks.

Railston Switching Rate.

The hearing before the state railway commission of the Railston switching rate case was concluded last week. The railroads, which are trying to change the \$4 switching rate to a distance tariff, are having difficulty in showing why a rate which was put in voluntarily in the first place and has been continued for years, should be changed when business seems likely to be increased. The inhabitants of the town claim that an increased rate would result in its failure to build up the place.

ARE NOW EFFECTIVE.

New Nebraska Laws Become Operative July 2.

One hundred and twenty-two new laws went into effect in Nebraska on July 2, among them the following:
House Roll 1—Oregon plan of electing senators.
House Roll 2—Appointment of election officers before primary instead of after.
House Roll 3—Demurrage act.
House Roll 4—Clock on Lincoln federal building.
House Roll 5—Commission merchants' licenses.
House Roll 6—Prohibiting sale of toy pistols and dangerous explosives.
House Roll 7—Omaha police pension fund.
House Roll 8—School moderators' duties.
House Roll 9—Division of department of agriculture at university.
House Roll 10—Stamping binding twine.
House Roll 11—Legal weights.
House Roll 12—Lincoln monument appropriation.
House Roll 13—Truant officers' duties.
House Roll 14—Labels on paint.
House Roll 15—Costs due decedent go to estate.
House Roll 16—Extension of time for paying debts and legacies.
House Roll 17—Commitment of criminal insane to hospital.
House Roll 18—Nine-foot bed sheets.
House Roll 19—Cattle inspection.
House Roll 20—County judges' fees.
House Roll 21—Records of county judges.
House Roll 22—Old soldiers' pension assessments.
House Roll 23—Northwestern experimental station, \$15,000.
House Roll 24—Salaries of state house deputies.
House Roll 25—School land boundaries.
House Roll 26—State conventions and selection of committees.
House Roll 27—Election of precinct assessors.
House Roll 28—County assessors' salaries and duties.
House Roll 29—Prohibits dumping of brush in drainage ditches.
House Roll 30—Bank guaranty act.
House Roll 31—Emergency levy for county bridges.
House Roll 32—Anti-intimidation act.
House Roll 33—Publicity of campaign contributions.
House Roll 34—Resurvey of fifth meridian.
House Roll 35—Course of study in colleges.
House Roll 36—Western experimental station.
House Roll 37—Ward members of Omaha school board.
House Roll 38—Dormant judgments.
House Roll 39—Field superintendent of irrigation.
House Roll 40—Omaha firemen's pension fund.
House Roll 41—Minimum train crews.
House Roll 42—Salary of clerk of supreme court.
House Roll 43—Burn carcasses of diseased hogs.
House Roll 44—Publication of probate matters.
House Roll 45—Metal markers for soldiers' graves.
House Roll 46—Care of indigent consumptives.
House Roll 47—Vested rights in drainage outlets.
House Roll 48—Right of suffrage to foreign born.
House Roll 49—Bonds for drainage ditches.
House Roll 50—Vacation of county roads.
House Roll 51—Five mill elective court house levy.
House Roll 52—Size of road districts.
House Roll 53—Warne normal school purchase.
House Roll 54—Personnel of town boards.
House Roll 55—Duties of county boards.
House Roll 56—Fire commission.
House Roll 57—Crawford Normal school.
House Roll 58—Annual town meetings.
House Roll 59—Name of institute for the deaf.
House Roll 60—Omaha fire warden.
House Roll 61—Legalizing corn improvers.
House Roll 62—Governor appoints secretary of board of health.
House Roll 63—Appointment of deputy surveyors.
House Roll 64—Annual grand jury.
House Roll 65—Governor appoints printing expert.
House Roll 66—Wife and child support.
House Roll 67—Relief of Gibson.
House Roll 68—Relief of Gibson.
House Roll 69—Free high schools extensions.
House Roll 70—Damages on laying out roads.
House Roll 71—Warehouse receipts.
House Roll 72—Warehouses' general opinions.
House Roll 73—Maximum of state employees.
House Roll 74—Salaries of state employees.
House Roll 75—Net weight amendments.
House Roll 76—Practice of dentistry.
House Roll 77—Wild animal bounties.
House Roll 78—Branding liquor.
House Roll 79—Parole sick convicts.
House Roll 80—Issuance of stocks and bonds.
Senate File 15—Advertising amendments.
Senate File 16—Inland waterway resolution.
Senate File 17—Prohibits high school fraternities.
Senate File 18—Extortion and blackmail.
Senate File 19—Finality of divorce decrees.
Senate File 20—Lincoln's title to market square.
Senate File 21—Toilets in cabooses.
Senate File 22—Reciprocal demurrage.
Senate File 23—Claims against common carriers.
Senate File 24—Osteopathy board.
Senate File 25—Legal notices.
Senate File 26—Mutual insurance annuity.
Senate File 27—School of citizenship.
Senate File 28—Cream inspection.
Senate File 29—Liability of innkeepers.
Senate File 30—Contracts for school books.
Senate File 31—Mutual deposits.
Senate File 32—County boards of equalization.
Senate File 33—Prevent drinking on trains.
Senate File 34—Non-partisan judiciary.
Senate File 35—Open primary.
Senate File 36—Sanitation in food factories.
Senate File 37—Storage of water for irrigation.
Senate File 38—Irrigation bonds.
Senate File 39—Extension of street car lines.
Senate File 40—Two motormen on gasoline cars.
Senate File 41—Resident insurance agents.
Senate File 42—Guaranty of state funds.
Senate File 43—Guaranty of county funds.
Senate File 44—Settlement in wife desertion.
Senate File 45—Staling car braces.
Senate File 46—Night 9'clock closing law.
Senate File 47—Mowing weeds of railroads.
Senate File 48—Repeal county comptroller law.

Settlement of State Debt.

Of the state debt which was paid off this week the Sheldon 1 mill levy contributed \$1,205,152.84. The act became effective in July, 1905, and the first collections were turned into the state treasury in October of the same year.

Released from Prison.

Although death and helplessness await him outside the prison, George W. Redfern now goes from the penitentiary a free man, Gov. Shallenberger having cut off the remaining years of his sentence. The release was signed on recommendation of Prison Physician Lowry. Redfern was suffering from an incurable disease, and his continued presence in the prison was a menace to the other prisoners. Redfern was sent to the Lancaster prison because of a crime against his daughter.