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

Foreign.

The killing in Panama of William Nichols Chandler, editor of the Panama Press, by Herbert O. Jeffries, an American, who took part in the Panama revolution in 1903, has aroused much feeling there. The Press recently contained an article reflecting upon one of Jeifrica' women relatives.

Special dispatches from Melilla, Morocco, say fighting is general on the Moroccan coast. The new Spanish artillery has wrought terrible that Henry Lane Wilson, minister to havoc among the Moors, who have Belgium, will soon be officially lost 1,000 men in the last three days, named to succeed The Spanish casualties amount to Thompson At Mexico City. The dis-250. A spanish column has de- patch adds that Mr. Wilson, who is a stroyed three villages near Restinga. native of Crawfordsville, Ind., has

children supposed to have been caused by poisonous sweets has been found after a bacteriological examina- Washington was devoted to the varition to have been due to Asiatic chol- ous committee reports, chief among era.

the post of patron to the Aero club of membership of the organization. In Petersburg, which consequently St. will hereafter be qualified as "imperinl." He has donated a large sum of money to the club, at the same time patriotic instructor of the society, and permitting four of the grand dukes to be enrolled as honorary members.

A terrible rallway disaster occurred when two trains came together in a collision thirty miles north of Santiago. Many persons were killed or ::jured. Both trains were completely destroyed. The monetary less will reach \$150,000.

There was a suffragette disturbance at several political meetings in the British Islands. The women made determined efforts to invade St. Andreas' hall, Glasgow, and a crowd of British sympathizers came into violent conflict with the police, which resulted In riotous scenes.

General.

Purchases for the Isthmian canal, it is declared, are open and honest. Henry Farnam, the English aviator,

broke all records for distance and time in the air at Rheims. An Omaha automobile driver was threatened with violence when he

fatally injured a young woman. A forest fire at the entrance to the Yosemite valley threatens destruction of the big tree grove known as the Merced group, one of the world¹ famous collections of Sequolas. South American countries have recognized wireless telegraphy as a useful factor in the conduct of government affairs. The Turkish government has decided it is impracticable to send a warship to represent the empire at the approaching Hudson-Fulton celebration in New York. The coal fields production of the United States for the year 1908 show a falling off of \$83,484,781, as compared with the production of 1907. according to a report made public by the United States geological survey. Peru has not sent to Bolivia an untimatum in the matter of the boundary dispute between the two countries, and from all reports it appears that both governments are approaching one another in this matter in a spirit of sympathy and good understanding.

Eight state convicts, four of whem are sent up for murder, escaped at the Rock Island junction, Little Rock, Ark., by breaking through the end of a box car.

The special session of the Alabama egislature passed a drastic prohibiion law.

An increase of 2 cents is to be made soon in the fee for registration of letters and packages. Uncle Sam needs the money.

D. E. Thompson, of Lincoln, Neb. ambassador to Mexico, has bought the Pan-American railroad, paying \$10,000,000 for same

Authorities at Washington refuse to await a test before continuing seizures of bleached flour

The government report on forest fires in Canada during the last year shows that timber was damaged to the extent of \$25,500,000 and that twenty-one lives were lost.

Up to this writing seven persons have been killed in the automobile speed carnival of Indianapolis.

E. H. Harriman has retired to the exclusion of his mountain estate to complete his "after cure."

President Taft will urge postal savings banks on next session of congress.

President Taft is determined that census work shall not be mixed with politics.

The Mexican ambassador refused to attend a 'nanquet at Toledo because not given seat of honor.

A dispatch from Washington says Ambassador At Rotterdam the death of four been advised of his prospective appointment by the state department.

The Sons of Veterans' session at which was a recommendation for Emperor Nicholas has accepted more active efforts in increasing the order that this work might be carried on more vigorously additional powers were conferred upon the national Walter J. Patton, president of the Memorial university of Mason City, In., was elected to that office for a term of two years.

Treasury officials are unable to estimate definitely receipts and expenditures under the new tariff law.

Sterling Birmingham, the dismissed trust company clerk, wants to tell what he knows of the scandal

Whitelaw Reld, American ambassador to Great Britain ha sarrived on the steamer Mauretania from Liverpool and Queenstown.

That hogs, by being inoculated with the serum discovered by Dr. M. Dorset, a government specialist, are immune from cholera has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of United States government officials who have been conducting a test at the Kansas City stock yards.

Four hundred skilled machinists at the Puget Sound navy yard were discharged, and 500 more were laid off. For the first time in history the South Pacific ocean with Australia

and the East Indies on one margin and South America and Panama on the other, has been portrayed by a chart, issued by the navy department hydrographic office. This chart will appear quarterly



EIGHT HUNDRED PERSONS ARE REPORTED LOST.

MAY REACH TWELVE HUNDRED Fifteen Thousand Homeless, and Dam-

age to Property Will Reach Fifteen Million Dollars.

Mexico City-The Associated Press correspondent at Monterey wires that 800 persons have been drowned as a result of the flood which still continues. Fifteen thousand people are homeless and the damage is not less than \$12,000,000. The city is in dark-Among the losses are: The DOSS. Monterey Steel company \$1,000,000; the Mexican Smelter and Lead company \$3,000,000. The city begs aid from the United States.

A special dispatch to the Herald says that 10,000 persons are homeless and that hundreds have been drowned. The correspondent estimates the property loss at \$15,000,000. The suburb of San Luisito and half of the city of Monterey are under water. Thousands are sleeping in the public squares tonight.

At noon Sunday it ceased raining for the first time since last Thursday and some idea of the horrors of the flood of Friday night and Saturday could be obtained. It was at first reported that 800 lives were lost in the disaster, but today shows that the number of dead will reach 1,200 and perhaps more. The river has fallen considerably and while still high, the danger is over. Seventeen and a half for a new company, and the net cost during Friday, Saturday and today. This rain was a steady downpour and at no time approached the status of a cloudburst. The river was higher than it ever has been in the history of Monterey and at one time the Plaza Zaragosa, the highest part of the city, was flooded to a depth of about one foot. This was early Saturday morning and only lasted until the approach on the south side of the Santa Louis-Ita bridge was washed out.

Fully 15,000 people are homeless and are being cared for by the city government in the best way possible. At noon 5,000 people were given bread. coffee and soup at the municipal offices, but there are many more on the south side of the river still out of reach of aid on account of the still overflowed river. Conservative estimates of the property loss place the figures at \$20,000,000 throughout the city.

All through the day and up to late. at night the bodles have been taken from the debris and ruins in the path of the flood and over 500 have been recovered. The greatest loss of life occurred Saturday morning between the hours of 9 and 11 o'clock when the large buildings on the south side of the river commenced to crumble and fall. Many of the houses had from 100 to 200 people on their roofs and all disappeared in the flood.

AUTO CRASH FATAL TO FIVE.

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

The Midwest Life Issues all the standard forms of in-N. Z. Snell, Lincoln, for an agency. Madison county is planning for a big fair, September 20 to 24.*

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

The total vote of Otoe county at the primary election was \$22, and the costs of holding the election was something over \$1,400.

F. L. Dinsmore, county attorney of Johnson county, recently filed his resignation with the board of county commissioners, and at a meeting of the board the same was-accepted.

Motor car service is to be installed on the St. Joseph & Grand Island line or local traffic as soon as the Union Pacific begins detouring its through trains over this route.

Halvor Swensen, an aged German residing in Otoe county, had but little fatih in banks, and so kept over \$1,200 In money in his home. A few days ago he went to look for the money and it was gone.

The pyro-aero sensation of the century. Pain's stupendous thrilling "Battle in the Clouds." At the State Fair, four evenings, September 6, 7, 8 and The most entertaining oven air creation ever conceived.

The Midwest Life of Lincoln offers | the home libraries. good commission contract to agents to represent it locally. This is what edition, says about The Midwest Life: non-participating policies. The cost return.

The executive committee of the Otoe County Live Stock association held a meeting and decided to have their annual parade on September 21, 22 and part of the state.

Joseph Richardson came to his death at the hands of Ernent Stout by being brutally beaten, according to a coroner's jury inquiring into the case at Grand Island. All the witnesses who were at the scene of the killing were examined.

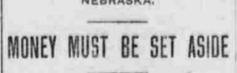
While at work widening the Belmont canal west of Bridgeport, H. A. Molte's force of men uncarthed a human skeleton, and while nothing was found to identify the romains it is believed to be all that is left of a cowboy, who died and was burled in that

vicinity eighteen years ago. A sensation in the shape of a series of roberles has just developed at Wyengineers and brakemen in the employ of the Burlington have been called on the carpet and discharged

from cars in transit. Frank Gregory of Reynolds lost a \$400 team of horses in a peculiar manner. They ran away with a load of sand, bringing up against a freight car. The momentum of the load liter- o'clock each day, prominent agrially crushed the horses, there seem. culturists having been secured for this purpose. ingly being but few whole bones in the



IN EVERY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN NEBRASKA.



Much Work Now Being Done in Institutes in Furtherance of Legislative Plans.

Free circulating libraries in every chool district in the state of Nebraska will soon be in order, because of a recently enacted law which compels each district to set aside annually the sum of 10 cents per pupil of school age for the upbuilding of the library. This ranges from \$3 a year to an amount several times as large in the villages; and in the smaller citles of the state, up to the point where there are 5,000 or more pupils, when the compulsory feature fails to operate.

In addition to the small libraries that may be thus built up in the rural districts and small towns, the state traveling library commission is working in co-operation with the school authorities and will send collections of books around the circuits of schools desiring them, to supplement

It is a matter of much concern with the state and county school autnori-Best's Insurance Reports, Life, 1909 ties now to get a right start in the new libraries, both in the selection of "its policy contracts are liberal and desirable books and in such instrucfair. It writes both participating and tions to the pupils to encourage them to use the libraries and to read with of management is extremely moderate profit to themselves. For that reason a large amount of work being inches of rainfall is the official record of insurance is low. The investments done in the county institutes this are of good character and yield a good season is devoted to instructions concerning the libraries.

Miss Charlotte Templeton, secretary of the state traveling library commission, has been informing the teachers of the extent of co-operation 23. This is an annual affair and is that may be received from the comthe bigest stock show held in that mission, and the best way to go about it to get that help.

State Fair Programs.

Programs for the state fair are now in the hands of the printers and will be issued within a few days One of the drawing cards on Wednesday of the fair will be a debate between Mayor Dahlman of Omaha and Senator W. R. Patrick of Sarpy county. These two will speak before the Women's Christian Temperance union meeting in the auditorium at noon.

The first day, Sunday, there will be given a sacred concert by Liberati's band at 2:30 o'clock. After 2:30 o'clock that day admission to more, where a number of conductors, the grounds will be 25 cents instead of the usual price, 50 cents. A new feature this year on the race track will be a vaudeville stunt between for taking silks, clothing and shoes each race. At 10 o'clock each day Johannes Magendoz will give a piano recital in the auditorium preceding the Liberati concert. No admission will be charged this year to the auditorium. Speeches will be made at 3

THE TWO CENT LAW.

The Authorities Are Encouraged by the Outlook.

Attorney General Thompson feels much encouraged as does the state railway commission regarding the showing they expect to make in the cases involving the 2-cent fare law, the Aldrich freight rate reduction and the Sibley express rate laws, and the longer the hearing is put off the bettor shape the state will be in to make good in its case. For over a year the commission has been getting weekly station reports, made out by the station agents showing the freight shipped in and out, the express sent in and out and the ticket sales. These statistics are being compiled in the office of the state railway commission and the compilation shows a remarkable increase in the amount of revenue paid to the corporations. Whether expenses have also increased in the same proportion of course the commission has no way of knowing except by the annual reports of the corporations. But the income of the rafiroads and express companies the commission has first hand and the fact that the railroads are offering reduced rates to Omaha, Lincoln and the state fair the commission believes is another indication that the 2-cent fare rate has not injured the railroads financially. Testimony in the cases is to begin shortly before a referee appointed by the federal court.

Getting Ready for Fair.

Secretary Mellor and a force of clerks are busy getting the final work done preparatory to the opening of the state fair, September 6. O. E. Mickey, superintendent of cattle, notified Secretary Mellor that enough entries had been made to fill the new barn, which has stalls for 636 head, but that the entries justified the construction of an addition to the barn. The barn south of the new structure will hold sixty head and this will be filled, as will the nursing cows' barn, which has room for sixty. The addition sugested by Mr. Mickey will be erected as a temporary arrangement and all cattle entries will be taken care of.

Secretary Mellor has closed the contract for five state bands in addition to the Liberati band, which will give four concerts daily as follows: 10:30, 1:30 and 4:30 in the auditorium and 7:15 before the grandstand proceeding Pain's fireworks. The state bands which have contracted to furnish music are the following: Geneva, Monday and Tuesday; Nelson, Tuesday and Wednesday; Aurora and North Platte, Wednesday and Thursday; Stromsburg, Thursday and Friday.

Corn Acreage Higher.

Nebraska corn acreage is only 2 per cent greater this year than last, according to the figures compiled by the bureau of labor and industrial statistics. The government report showed an increase in acreage of over 15 per cent, but the state report disputes The figures compiled by Deputy this. Commissioner Maupin's office are gathered from assessors each spring and are presumed to be as accurate as can be procured. The government reports are not held in high estimation by many grain men and for this year the fact that discrepancies in the figures appear does not worry the deputy.

surance. Local agents wanted in evry town in Nebraska. Good commisstons are paid. Write the president,

President Taft formally accepted the invitation to visit President Diaz in Mexico in October.

President Taft is preparing some speeches that he will deliver on his southern and western jaunt.

and second places for the supreme indgeship in Nebraska. Hamer and Fawcett are running close, and the re sult is uncertain.

One state trooper, one deputy sheriff and three foreigners were shot and killed in the wild riot at the Pressed Steel Car plant in Schoenville, Pa.

Returns from eighty-three counties in Nebraska, sixty-one of them official. give Fawcett a lead for supreme judge. which Hamer cannot overcome.

The Canadians announce with an air of surprise and regret that during of George Manville Fenn, the novelist. the last ten years the Indian population of the dominion has increased 10.000.

The supreme court must decide constitutionality of Hepburn rate law this fall.

Army men of Beverly have prevailed upon the president to change his resolution and review them.

Unconscious and believed to be dying of apoplexy, Mrs. Robert Potts, wife of Rear Admiral Potts, U. S. N. retired, arrived on the steamer Minnetonka.

Herbert Latham broke the record for distance and time in his acreplane flight at Rheims.

The federal circuit court at Chicago made a ruling in what is known as the Missouri river rate cases. It favors the railroads.

D. E. Thompson of Nebraska deples he is noting for Harriman in

Washington. It is likely the supreme court will pass before many months on the question whether the Hepburn rate law is constitutional with respect to that feature of the law which gives the interstate commerce commission

the power to regulate rates. Acting Secretary of the Interior Pierce designated 50,450 acres more land as coming within the enlarged homestcad act in the state of Montana, making the total up to date 26,080,530 acres so designated in the state of Montana.

The general land office has announced that LeBeau, S. D., will be one of the places of registration for the surplus lands of the Cheyenne river and Standing Rock Indian reservations to be opened to settlement. It was announced at the navy department that Rear Admiral William T. Swineburne, recently detached from command of the Pacific and now on duty at the navy war college at Newport, R. I., will be transferred to the retired list.

The porte has decided to recognize Sedgwick and Darnes will have first King Ferdinand's title as king of Bulgaria.

> It is regarded as certain that the interstate commission will take an appeal to the United States supreme court from the decision of the United States circuit court at Chicago in the Missouri rate case.

Personal.

It is said cadets dismissed by the president for hazing have no show for getting back.

The death is announced in London He was born in 1831.

Theodore Roosevelt has received many letters from the United States containing all kinds of requests with which it is impossible to comply and which it is equally impossible for him to answer.

Governor Shallenberger on his western trip refused to talk politics.

Secretary Ballinger, It is declared, has had nothing to do with coal land entries in Alaska.

Edward Markham, whose "The Man With the Hoe" brought him the highest laurels of popular approval seven years ago and who has since lived in the east, is going back to the Pacific coast.

Mary D. McNickle of Chicage may be considered one of the luckiest young women in the country, having drawn No. 2 in Uncle Sam's big letreprotiations for the Pan-American tary for land in the Spokane Indian reliroad of Mexico.

Machine Driven On to Track in Front of Passenger Train. animals bodies.

\$156.115.

St. Louis .- Five persons, four of them closely related, were killed when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a fast passenger train of the Rock Island railroad two and a half miles west or Vigus station on the Creve Coeur lake road, St. Louis country. All the victims of the accident were residents of St. Louis.

The two men were brothers and officials of the White Hardware company, one of the oldest mercantile establishments of the city. Mrs. Klinge was their sister-in-law.

JOHNSON DENIES BEING SICK.

Has Not Been Operated on and Does Not Intend to Be.

Chicago .- "I am not sick and have had no operation performed for appendicities nor any other disease, nor do I intend to have any," said Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota, who arrived here. "Just how the report got out that I was seriously ill and that an operation would be neces sary I cannot imagine. I was weak and worn out for several days, but I am nearly well again."

FAIRBANKS MEETS REGENT.

Received in Forbidden City by Acting Ruler of China.

Peking .- Charles W. Fairbanks, former vice president of the United States, and Rear Admiral G. B. Harber, United States Navy, were received in separate audience by the prince regent in the forbidden city. They were presented by Henry P Fletcher, the American charge d'affaires.

Idaho Town is Destroyed.

Butte, Mont .- Grand Forks, Idaho, was destroyed by fire in an hour Sonday. The bystanders looted the three burning saloons. Three hundred people are reported homeless and without food supply.

Holds Statute is Void.

Montgomery, Ala .- Declaring that it denies equal protection of the law and the state constitution, Judge Jones of the United States court hald that the denying of a foreign corporation the right to remove suits from state courts to federal courts is void.

Rice's First Clewn Dead.

Newton, N. J .- William Shafor, the first clown that tranveled with Dan Bice's cirons, died here Sunday, szed \$3 years. For years he had lived the the last note dies away the crowd al-

Will Prowett, jr., of Fullerton, aged twenty-one, has been in the Philippines since last November. He has been engaged in the treasury department \$1,200 per annum. Word was received recently that he has already tions, prices and other needed infor been promoted to the government

num in salary. Under the terminal tax law the Union Pacific Railroad company will have to pay taxes on \$3.527.253 invested in terminal property in the cities and villages of the state. Last year of \$3,371,233. This is an increase of by this means.

The music at the State Fair at Lincoln, September 6 to 10, will be all that the music lovers could desire. A splendid Auditorium and Liberati's superb band and company of Grand Opera Singers. The overture to William Tell, the master creation of Rossini, is always rendered by this band in a superb manner. Any one of these great concerts is worth all that it costs to go to the State Fair.

The primary election was an expensive thing for the taxpayers of Custer county. In Elm township there were but eight ballots cast in all, the taxpayers having to pay \$38.75 for the votes, besides the printing of the ballots, amounting in all to about \$5.00 per vote. It is also stated that there were two townships in the county which polled but two votes each, even the members of the election board refused to vote.

THE MIDWEST LIFE.

Insurance in force......\$1,735,705

Dr. B. B. Davis, Omalia. . Vice-President A. J. flawyer.....Socretary Dr. M. H. Everett ... Medical Director C. R. Easterday Actuary J. H. Mockett, Jr. Supt. of Agents Liberati and his famous haad and

grand opera singers makes music very popular at the State Fair. They will be heard at Lincoln in four concerts every day, September 6 to 10. They never disappoint the crowd, simply hold them spoll bound during the entire program. The cornet solos by the great leader or the solos by the other artists always well rendored. No matter whether the band renders "Andre "Chentey" a number so tremendous that it taxes the full musical power of the band or "Unele Sais's March as

ways cheer.

Preparing for the Fair.

The Commercial club is preparing again for the state fair. The secretary is receiving all notices of rooms to let to visitors, is finding out loca-

mation so that when the first day of bank with an increase of \$800 per anthe fair arrives he can turn these lists over to the information bureau. Experience in the past has proved that the aid of the club is invaluable in that it furnishes lists of rooms that are reliable, back of which the club stands as sponsor. Complaints this property was assessed at a total of high prices charged for service have been rare from rooms assigned

Governor Returns Home.

Governor Shallenberger and the members of his staff returned to Lincoln after a visit to the Seattle exposition and the northwest. "It was a delightful visit,' said the governor. 'and we enjoyed every day of it. On Nebraska day at the exposition we had the biggest crowd of any state except New York on New York day, when Governor Hughes spoke."

Missouri Pacific Terminal Tax.

The assessed value of the terminal sroperty of the Missouri Pacific rail road has been decreased this year compared with last year \$11,679. This decrease is due to a decrease in the average value per mile of the franchise property rather than to any decrease in the value of depot property. The total assessed value this year is \$411,892 and last year it was \$423,571.

Rehearing Asked in Indicial Case. A motion has been filed in the supreme court asking for a rehearing in the non-partisan judiciary case, in which the court held the law invalid. The motion was signed by Attorney General Thompson, Deputy Attorney General Grant Martin and Arthur Mullen.

Tri-State Land Company.

H. G. Leavitt of Omaha promoted the Tri-State Land company and was president of the company until last year, when E. A. Cudahy of Omaha become president. A short time ago the J. G. White Construction company of New York took control of the company and made one of their officials its president. In addition to its canal the Tri-State companowned about 30,009 acres of land in this vaffey, which it has lately been Baposing of, it being reported that 10,000 acres have been sold.

Judge Good's Expense \$10.

Judge B. F. Good, of Wahoo, candidadte for supreme judge on the democraffe ticket, filed his campaign expense statement with the secretary of state. His expenses comprised the \$10 filing fee and that aws all. Judge Good was the first to file his statement.

Picnic on Labor Day.

The labor unions of Lincola will unite unite in a picnic at Capital beach, September 6. The usual parade will not be given, but at the beach there will be speaking and boating and a general good time.

Cash Grain Market.

With a view to establishing a cash grain market in Lincoln, four grain merchants signed themselves as incorporators of the Lincoln Grain Exchange and filed articles of incorporation, with a nominal capital of \$25,000, with the secretary of state.

Clerk Drops Dead.

Lon Welch, clerk in Fallen's drug store at Seward, dropped dead while waiting on a customer in the store. He had been subject to fainting spells and it is thought that he died from heart disease.

Fire Commission Gets Busy.

The new fire commission, of which A. V. Johnson is chief warden, has landed B. C. Martin of Belden. Martin is charged with arson, the charge following an investigation conducted by the new department.

Oiled Driveway to Fair.

Lincoln has a block of oiled road, the first of her thoroughfares to be coated with asphaltic oll, and the experiment will be extended to make a driveway to the state fair grounds.

Agitation for Commission Plans.

Mayor Love, who has just returned from a vacation trip spent in Iowa, has announced himself for an early agitation in favor of a commission form of government. In Des Moines, he said, he found the plan working well and satisfactorily. He was told, he said, by the editors of the three newspapers, tuat it was the only thing they could all agree upon-That the commission form of government was good. These editors spoke in favor of the system regardless of the men who composed the administration.