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FOR THE BUSY MAN

NEWS EPITOME THAT CAN SOON BE COMPASSED.

MANY EVENTS ARE MENTIONED

Home and Foreign Intelligence Condensed Into Two and Four Line Paragraphs,

General.

President Taft favors co-operative banks for the farmers.

two convicts who escaped from the Wyoming penitentiary were killed by a posse of pursuers.

Three children aged 7, 5 and 3, of Frank Gerrish, burned to death at Malbrita, Saskatchewan. Chicago police claim to have a con-

fession from Mrs. Conway that her busband killed Miss Singer. Latest returns show that the conser-

vatives carried all the provinces in the recent election in Cuba. Allies in the Balkan states will demand the fruits of victory in the

event of defeat of Turkey. Mrs. Grover Cleveland authorized

the announcement of her coming marriage to Thomas Joseph Preston. With the national campaign closed there was a general exodus of political leaders from headquarters in Chicago.

Testimony was given to show that foreign-made bullet killed Anna opizzo at the Lawrence, Mass., riots. Millers will fight the milling-intransit rule made by the interstate commerce commission some time ago. Bulgaria has won a decisive victory over Turkey, and belief is expressed It London that the war is about over.

According to the reapportlonment tot of 1911 the electoral college will east 531 votes, of which 266 will be necessary to elect. Mrs. Louise Lindloff, clairvoyant

and trance medium, charged with the poisoning of her son, Arthur, may know the jury's verdict Monday before night fall.

At Washington juvenile court Judge Delacey prescribed "wash tub exercise" for a college graduate who was "too tired" to find work and support his wife and children.

When Governor Hiram Johnson starts back to California he will carry with him a number of presents that admiring progressives have given him during his ten weeks' campaign tour.

Joe Davis and "Buck" Burdolff were arrested at the village of Blocker. Okl., charged with implication in the robbery of a Missouri, Kansas & Texas passenger train which was held up

Indications are that the New York and the Mare island navy yards will divide between them two big contracts for naval construction that will give employment to several hundred men for a year or two.

Without announcing decisions in either the hard coal trust, state rate or Union Pacific merger cases, the United States supreme court adjourned after handing down one decision-that in the newspaper law case.

Two of the captured officers of the staff of Felix Diaz were shot by the federal troops after being sentenced to death by summary court martial. The execution was carried out with absolute secrecy.

Joseph J. McKenna, deserter from the United States army, found guilty of strangling to death 6-year-old Sigrid Eckstrom at New York, was sentenced to die in the electric chair during the week of December 9.

Premier Poincare and Tomasso Tittoni, the Italian ambassador to France, signed an agreement reciprocally recognizing France's right of entire freedom of action in Morocco and complete liberty in the government of Libya.

The decision of the arbitrators in the wage dispute between the eastern railroads and their locomotive engineers will not be ready before next week at the earliest, is indicated by Chairman Van Histe of the arbitration commission.

Under the plans of Captain C. C. Marsh, U. S. N., a draft of legislation is being prepared for submission to the next session of congress for the formation of a national naval reserve, to include all of the ex-naval sailors who can be reached and other mariners whose services would be of value to the navy in case of war.

President W. H. P. Faunce of Brown university will start from New York on a six months' tour that will take him around the world. He plans to go direct to Egypt and from there will visit the countries of the far east. He will make a study of the religious and educational problems in India, China and Japan.

The amount of overdrafts in national banks was lower on September 4, the date of the last call, than ever before. Comptroller of the Currency Murray, who recently urged national banks to eliminate over-drafts, made

that announcement. Lord Decies won ten prizes at the national dairy show at Chicago, with an exhibit of ten cows from Ireland of the Dexter-Kerry breed.

Edward H. Winter of Boston has asked for a diverce, charging his wife with wanting to earn her living and doing her full share of the work, even after marriage.

Frederick Vernon, one of the leading French engravers, died at Paris, aged fifty-four.

The conviction of Charles Becker for murder in the first degree is a startling event in American criminal history. The whereabouts of the Turkish

army is a matter of speculation. Germany is said to be seeking a coaling station in an island adjacent to Chile.

Reinhold Meyer, a retired Los Angeles banker committed suicide at The price of Indiana crude oil went

above the dollar mark for the first time in eight years. The serious condition of Vice Presi-

dent Sherman opens the possiblility of selecting a new candidate. The mammoth government wireless plant, the most powerful in the world,

has been completed at Arlington, Va. Fight thousand dollars in pay checks were stolen from a messenger boy and partly cashed at Minneapolis.

Stocks and jewels belonging to the late S. W. Wilson, valued at \$105,000, were stolen from the safe of the Wilson Lumber company at Fort Worth,

Pat Crowe, kidnaper, was arrested in Des Moines at the request of the Omaha police. He is wanted there for breaking jail while serving a short sentence for vagrancy.

The national committee of the socialist party collected for the present campaign \$42,735.48, according to a statement filed with the clerk of the house of representatives by Treasurer Branstetter.

At Alpena, Mich., the fifteen school teachers who threatened to strike if their wages were not increased, won, The school board announced a slight increase at once and promised still more money next year.

The will of David Lonely Bruce-Brown, the automobile race driver killed near Milwaukee, places the value of his personal estate at \$50,000 and over \$50,000 real property. All is left to his mother, Mrs. Ruth Bruce-Brown of New York.

Charles E. Rush of St. Joseph was elected president of the Missouri Library association and P. L. Windsor of the University of Illinois was names president of the Illinois Library session at a joint meeting of the tow associations held in St. Louis.

At Newark, N. J., the grand jury exonerated the managers of the Valsburg motordrome for criminal responsibility for the accident of September 6, when a motorcyclist and his machine plunged into crowd during a race and eight persons were killed.

The Department of Justice has decided there is no ground for prosecuting Robert G. Vallentine, former commissioner of Indian affairs, on charges that he carried whisky on an Indian reservation during a tour of inspection while he was at the head of the Indian bureau.

Fifteen aviators were killed during October, according to the record posted at the Aero club in Paris. Among them was the first airman ever killed in battle. Nicholas Popoff, Russian, vas killed October Adrianople, Turkey, by Turkish shell while scouting for the Buigarian army.

One of President Taft's cabinet officers will not vote for his chief Tuesday-not because he wants some one else for the chief magistrate, but simply because he can't vote for anybody. This is Secretary of the Interior Fisher, who discovered that because he had been so busy on his job he overlooked the matter of registering in Illinois.

Forty-eight horses were burned in a fire in the Western Transfer company's barn at Sloux City. The loss is \$30,000. Mrs. La Plount and her baby, which was born the day before, were in a bedroom across an alley from the blaze and were nearly suffocated by smoke. They were not rescued until the window frames in the

bedroom caught fire. From now on the men who enlist for service in Uncle Sam's army will enlist for a period of seven years instead of four years as heretofore. This is in accordance with the longterm provision of the new recruiting law. Only four years of active service are to be required, however, after which the soldier who does not care to re-enlist will be transferred to the army reserve, without pay or allowance, but subject to recall at a mo-

ment's notice. Lawrence O. Murray, comptroller of the currency, issued a statement indicating that the resources of the banks in the United States, national, state and private, are the highest in history. According to reports of their condition on June 14, the comptroller announced 25,000 of the 29,000 of the banks in the country show aggregate resources of \$24,955,000,000, an increase of \$1,324,000,000 over the resources of 24,000 banks which made returns in 1911.

Personal. Jack Johnson is about to leave Chicago, the city becoming too hot for

Methodist bishops, in session at Toledo, O., planned a campaign of pub-

General Menocal is believed to have won in the presidential contest in The story told by Explorer Steffen-

son of a tribe of blonde Eskimaux bas been fully corroborated. A witness told how independent

plants were acquired by the International Harvester company. Sheridan Pitt Read of New York, formerly United States consul at Tien

Tsin, China, died in London. Governor Hadley is suggested vorably as Mr. Sherman's successsor

for the office of vice president.

GUARANTY BANK LAW

NATIONAL BANKER SAYS BAD RESULTS NOT APPARENT.

ENACTMENT NOT FULLY TESTED

The Conditions, So Far, Not Favorable to Determining Complete Protection for Depositors.

J. C. French, cashler of the Stock Yards National bank of South Omaha, in reply to an inquiry from the state of Washington in regard to the guaranty law of Nebraska has written that the law has not brought about some of the bad conditions predicted and that conditions under which the law has been enforced have not been favorable to determining whether or not the law will afford to depositors the desired protection in times of trouble. A similar law is proposed in the state of Washington, and bankers of that state have been seeking information in Nebraska. Mr. French expresses his view as follows:

"While it is true that the law has been in operation here for the past year or two, it has been under conditions which have not afforded an opportunity for judging of its practical working or testing its merits in time of stress. Nebraska is an agricultural and live stock raising state, and has enjoyed for a period of years almost untinterrupted prosperity. In addition, we feel that the banking interests of the state at large are in the hands of men of character and experience, as well as of more than average ability in their chosen profession. As a result of this combination of favorable conditions and careful management no state bank has failed in Nebraska in over five years, and only one failure has taken place in nearly eight years. A good state banking law and a banking board of exceptional excellence have materially aided in making possible this excellent show-

"Viewed from the standpoint of the average depositor, there is no doubt that any measure that promises to him additional security meets with his approval and commands his support, but the writer has always felt that the underlying principle involved in the guaranty law is unjust, unsound and inequitable, and would fail to accomplish the desired results should any general or widespread trouble overtake the banking business of our state.

"I think that many of us were apprehensive that the adoption of the law would result in a large number of new banks being started by irresponsible and speculatively inclined parties, but so far I am free to say we have been agreeably disappointed in this respect. The secretary of our state banking board, Mr E. Royse, in his last report urged an amendment to the present banking law, permitting the board to exercise its discretion in granting charters to applicants for new banks, where in their judgment, after full investigation, the field was already adequately supplied with banking facilities of the right kind. Such discretionary power would enable the board to be of material assistance in protecting established bankers against the very kind of dangerous competition which a guaranty law without such a safeguard might not only invite but bring about.

"In summing up I would say that the Nebraska guaranty law has not brought about some of the bad results which we most feared it would, and conditions have not been favorable to determining whether or not it will afford to depositors the desired protection in times of trouble."

Nebraska Forest Reserves.

Two national forest reserves may be opened in western Nebraska early next year, according to information at the Lincoln land office. The land was reserved for purposes of forestation, but the experiment of planting jack pine trees thereon was unsuccessful. One of the reserves is in Cherry county and contains about 144 square miles of land. Part of this will likely be purceled out under the new law allowing only 160 acres to each settler, while the balance will likely be subject to homestead entry under the Kinkaid act.

Telephone Rates Settled.

A hearing on the application of the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company to change rates at Havelock was settled amicably before the state railway commission. It was agreed that the proposed rates should be established for temporary purposes and that another adjustment would be effected before the rates become to be in custody in Jefferson county, final. The latter step will be taken Nebraska. The men broke into a after the consolidation of the two store and took clothing, suit cases, systems in Lincoln takes place.

Guard Wants Reward.

T. J. Doody, formerly a guard at the penitentiary, was at the state house to file a claim for \$50 reward for turning an escaped convict, whom he arrested, over to Warden Melick. At the governor's office he was referred Guye was interested in having action to the warden. At other offices he taken looking to the prevention of an was referred to the governor's office. Mr. Doody is one of the guards who was shot and wounded when Shorty Gray and his two convict companions used dynamite and shot their way out | the secretary of the state irrigation | of the penitentiary, killing three penitentiary officials in their way.

GREAT APPLE STATE.

Nebraska Orchards Veritable Mines This Year.

Charles G. Humphrey, editor of the Verdon Vedette, was a caller at the office of the clerk of the supreme court, says a Lincoln correspondent of the Omaha Bee. Mr. Humphrey is one of the many Nebraska men who are boosting Nebraska as the best appl state in the country, and as an evidence of that fact had with him a sample of the Ben Davis apple raised in Richardson county. The apple measured nearly a foot in circumference and was a beautiful deep red color.

"I have just been talking with some apple buyers from Chicago and St. Louis," said Mr. Humphrey, "and they told me that the apples grown in Nebrasks, and especially southeastern Nebraska, command better prices and there is a greater demand for them than any apple grown. The apples raised in the celebrated Hood River valley in Oregon, which for years enjoyed the distinction of being th best apple grown, do not compare in flavor with the apples grown in southeastern Nebraska.

"In Richardson county alone," continued Mr. Humphrey, "there has already been shipped out nearly 600 cars, and the shipping season is not over yet. One of our heaviest apple growers, A. J. Weaver, who has about 200 acres in apple trees, will realize over \$35,000 from his orchards. E. L. Bowen, another man who has an eighty-acre orchard, will receive for his crop over \$10,000.

"Somehow our Jonathan apples," sald Mr. Humphrey, "have a flavor which no other apple-growing section seems to have. Our soil and climate and our manner of looking after the orchards has a tendency to give those apples just the right kind of flavor that makes them so much desired. Another apple that we raise down there is the Grimes Golden. I could show you samples of these apples which are so clear that you can hold them up to the light and they seem to be nearly transparent. They have a pleasing flavor which, somehow, no other section gives them and they almost seem to dissolve in the mouth.

"Men who own these orchards have a richer gold mine right at their door than the Klonidke ever produced, and it does not need the hard work and the privations of an Alaskan climate to develop it."

Mail Clerk Goes Wrong.

According to information received by Assistant Chief Clerk Charles A, Beach of the Lincoln division of the railway mail service, Rudolph H. Miller has made a written confession of stealing letters from the mail on his run between Aurora and Sargent. In this, it is said, he admits having stolen letters during the last three months, saying that he was in financial difficulties and was tempted and for twenty-three years and his repu- hat into the ring last spring. tation has always been of the best until his recent He was taken before the United States commissioner at Grand Island and bound over to the grand jury.

Addition to Penitentiary.

The number of guests at Warden Melick's institution at Lancaster was increased last week when Deputy Sheriff Wright of Douglas county brought three prisoners down from Omaha for stays behind the big gray walls. The crowd contained a white man and a colored man and woman.

Bonds Registered.

Howard county court house and jail bonds to the amount of \$75,000 have been registered by the state auditor. The bonds were offered to the state for sale many months ago and are now near the head of the list. The state is now short of funds and may not be able to accept the bonds for

Postal Savings Bonds.

Application for postal savings bonds which are to be issued January 1, must be made before December 2, according to a bulletin just issued by the postmaster general and sent to the various postal banks. By making such application, the depositors in the postal savings banks may exchange their deposits, in whole or in part, receiving in return United States registered or coupon bonds. The bonds come in denominations of \$20, \$100 and \$500, and will bear interest from January 1, at the rate of 2 1-2 per cent., payable semi-annually and redeemable at the pleasure of the government after one year from the date

Extradition Asked.

Extradition papers have been asked by the governor of Kansas for Jacob New and Grover Welch, wanted for burglary in that state and supposed etc., amounting to about \$185.

Irrigation Matters.

· Labor Commissioner Guye and State Engineer Price have returned from Bridgeport, where they were in attendance at the annual meeting of the state irrigation association. Mr. increase in prices for land which he says takes place when colonists are sent to western Nebraska. Plans were made for listing salable lands with association. A fee of to cents will be against George A. Newett, editor of s charged for this.

THE TURKS RETREAT

TO LAST FORTIFICATIONS OUT-SIDE THE CAPITAL.

PORTE APPEALS TO POWERS

Bulletin Is Issued Practically Admitting Defeat and Asking for Intervention.

Constantinople.-The Turkish army is retreating to the last line of fortifications outside the capital. This was announced in the first bulletin admitting defeat in the great battle, which the government issued.

The porte has applied to the powers for mediation with a view to the cessation of hostilities, and for the negotiation of peace. Application has been made to the embassies here and by circular to the Ottoman represenatives in the European capitals.

The fighting on Saturday south of Lule Burgas was of the most murderous character. The Turks offered a splendid resistance, but were finally overwhelmed by the Bulgarian artillery fire. This was terrific and compelled the Turks to withdraw to the last lines of Tchataija. There the Turkish troops intend to make a supreme effort to save the capital.

Reports place the Turkish loss at more than 20,000 killed and wounded. The following bulletin has been issued by the Porte:

"The fortunes of war are variable and it is not always possible to be successful on all sides. A people who accepts war must submit with resignation to all its consequences. To Shippers, Nebraska Creamery assooverlook this obligation is to fail in ciation, Nebraska, Grange and Neone's duty. Consequently, while it would be unwise to unnecessarily be arate and distinct organizations, but proud over victories, it likewise would be incorrect to be alarmed at want of success.

"For instance, in the present war with the four federated states the imperial troops are defending themselves with success in the environs of Scutari and Janina, but the eastern army in the neighborhood of Visa and Lule Burgas felt obliged to retire to the lines of defense at Tchatalia. In order to facilitate a successful defense it has naturally been decided to It had sold over 5,000 sacks in one avert all efforts to safeguard the interests of the fatherland."

Last Appeal by Roosevelt.

Oyster Bay, N. Y .- At the end of the hardest campaign of his career in politics, Colonel Roosevelt Sunday made a final appeal to the voters of the country on behalf of the progres- ture. Under this plan schools are insive ticket. Except for two speeches Monday, in his home county he had ended the struggle which has kept ing and heating and qualifications of fell. Miller has been in the service him hard at work since he threw his

Convicted of Kidnaping Americans. El Paso, Tex.-Charged with kidnaping two Americans on American soil and delivering them to a foreign army is the unique charge of which Ramon Nunez stands convicted. The jury of a district court here late last Sylvia Reed and George Merchand night recommended a sentence of four

years. President Leaves for Home.

New York.-President Taft left this city shortly after 8 o'clock Sunday night for Cincinnati, where he will cast his vote. He held conferences with National Chairman Hilles and State Chairman Barnes, his last 1912 campaign talks with leaders of his

Hadley for Vice President.

New York .- Eighteen out of twenty-four members of the republican national committee who have notified Chairman C. D. Hilles of the choice of a vice presidential candidate to ceed the late James S. Sherman favor Governor Hadley of Missouri.

General Healy Dies.

Chattanooga, Tenn.-General Robert W. Healy, one of the wealthiest business men of Chattanooga, dropped dead of heart disease in his apartments here. General Healy was born in Chicago, October 22, 1836.

Election in Cuba.

Havana.—Returns from Pinar Del Rio show that the conservatives have carried the province, assuring the election of General Mario Menocal as president.

General O'Reilly Is Dead.

Washington.-Major General Robert Maitland O'Reilly, former surgeon general of the United States army, personal physician and intimate friend of President Cleveland, died here Sunday of uremic poisoning.

as by birth, Genevieve and Jeannette Wiley, twins, two months old, were Friday morning found dead in their

Twins United in Death.

New Ship Channel Open. Detroit, Mich.-With the booming of guns and the blowing of steamship whistles the Livingston channel from the lower Detroit river into Lake Erie was formally opened to commerce and a fleet of fifteen vessels

passed through. Roosevelt Sues an Editor. Marquette, Mich.-Suit for \$16,000 for libel was filed by a Detroit accorney, acting for Theodore Roosevelt.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

August Wilkening of Nebraska City who left his family and was residing alone, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. He was 76 years

The fiber conduit for the new electroller lighting system at Beatrice has arrived and the work of laying it was started. This conduit should have been received several weeks ago and the delay has caused the city commissioners to postpone the repaying of the business district until next spring.

The contract has been let for the building of the new court house at St. Paul, Howard county, for \$72,535, including plumbing, heating, wiring and furniture. The bond issue was \$75,000 and a number of business men of St. Paul are pledged to the people of the county to meet any expense over that

figure. H. T. Oxnard, who founded the best sugar business in Nebraska and several other western states and who still retains an interest in the factories, was in Grand Island. He said he was pleased with the present season's work. The factory in recent years has had much less difficulty in the matter of adjusting its affairs with the growers.

H. F. Carson, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, has filed a petition with Governor Aldrich asking that Sheriff Felix McShane of Douglas county be ousted from office. In the petition Superintendent Carson states that Sheriff McShane has wilfully neglected to do his duty, that he has connived in law violations and abetted in the violation of laws that he was sworn to enforce.

Dates for the Nebraska Country Life congress, as the several conventions are designated, are set for December 16, 17, 18 and 19, at Omaha. This includes the Farmers' congress, Farmers Co.Operative Live Stock braska Farmers' union. All are sep-

meet at the same time. Fremont grocers, by an agreement partially signed up, will endeavor to bring the merry war on flour prices to a close, at least as far as Fremont is concerned. Swamped with orders for flour at a dollar a sack, Fremont grocers have been working overtime. They say the flour market for six months has been practically ruined and that they have made no profit. One Fremont mill ran all day Sunday.

day. Labels on country school houses showing whether or not they are up to the standard is an Illinois device which promises to be taken up in this state if advocates of the plan have success in laying their ideas before the next session of the state legislaspected as to grounds, sanitation water supply, ventilation, library, buildthe teacher.

of age and came to the city from Germany some ten years ago. He leaves a widow, four sons and two daughters, William Reed of Nemaha county, convicted of assault and battery upon White Goings and ordered to pay a fine of \$100 has appealed to the supreme court. He and his wife and were defendants in the lower court. The others were found guilty of as-

sault with intent to do great bodily

harm, but have appealed. The Burlington Railroad company ant out over Nebraska 350 bushels of choice new variety of beardless winer wheat, the average of which was sixty-two bushels per acre this year. As an experiment they placed five bushels in each locality selected. Through the influence of R. H. Monroe, the local agent at Sargeant, five bushels were secured and planted near the depot. It was planted October 10 and the soil being in perfect condiion it came up without delay and is now looking fine and in good condition.

Rev. Brooks and the members of he Hastings First Methodist church gave a banquet to the aged people of that Hastings city. The Fraternity hall, where this "sunset social" was held, was appropriately decorated. In the north end of the assembly hall was a large booth and canopy. This was decorated with sheaves of grain with autumn leaves all about. Hanging on the wall in the background was a large painting representing a sunset view. There were 161 "Sun Setters" present. This is the sixth of these socials.

The Union Pacific track crew laying the rails on the Hastings to Gibbon cut-off reached the Platte river about 6 o'clock in the evening, says a Shelton dispatch, and as soon as the last rail was spiked a long blast of the engine whistle could be heard for miles. The track laying crew started from the main line at Gibbon the fore part of the week and have now com-Chicago.-United by death as we'll pleted the road to the river, a distance of about seven miles. Work on the bridge across the river will commence at once but it will probably be six weeks before it is finished.

H. E. Coleman, county assessor of Sheridan county, was found dead in the engine room of the Nye-Schneider elevator at Rushville, Mr. Coleman was a young man and leaves a wife and three children.

A seventy-foot drop in a construcelevator in Grace M. E. church at Lincoln caused the death of twelveyear-old Robert W. Schaepe, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Schaepe. As the heavy platform sped down the partly finished steeple of the new church a large iron, wheel followed, striking the boy's hip and inflicting injuries which

resulted in his death.