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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.

Domestic.

Massachusetts now has nearly 61,000 registered automobiles. Philadelphia has 547 vacant lots under cultivation by poor families.

United States in May imported \$1,155,037 worth of uncut gems mostly diamonds. Last year the Pennsylvania road carried 101,755,061 passengers with only four fatalities.

Charles R. Helke, former secretary of the American sugar trust, is dead at Seabright, N. J.

One miner was killed and another injured in a cave-in at Bingham, Utah, at the Utah Apex company's gold mine.

Secretary Bryan has practically completed the preparation of the State department's reply to the second and third Japanese note of protest against the California alien land law.

The wife of Representative Crisp is an acknowledged authority on parliamentary law in Washington. She gains her knowledge from her husband, who was parliamentarian under Speaker Clark.

Stones are found in Nevada which, when placed apart, begin to travel toward a common center. The presence of iodestone or magnetic iron ore is the explanation of the phenomenon.

Controversy over the postoffice at Gainesville, Ga., was settled when the senate confirmed the nomination of Mrs. W. J. Ham to succeed Mrs. Helen D. Longstreet, widow of the confederate general.

Misuse by Industrial Workers of the World of funds contributed for relief of strikers and their families during the great textile struggle at Lawrence is alleged by William Trautman of Chicago.

The total importations from the United States into London in 1912 aggregated in value \$92,427,361, of which amount \$83,960,400 represented non-durable goods and \$8,466,965 durable merchandise.

Preparations have been begun at the Brooklyn navy yard for laying the keel of the latest United States battleship, designated for the present as No. 39, for which there is an appropriation of \$16,000,000.

For quickly raising to the surface of the water a disabled submarine, an Englishman has invented a buoy to be released from the boat, carrying up hose through which air can be pumped to fill and lift the craft.

Minnesota clubwomen have now taken up the idea of helping the farm woman, and are establishing rest rooms in towns throughout the state, where farmers' wives may chat and rest while awaiting their husbands.

A bronze tablet marking the spot where General Braddock camped with his army en route to Fort Duquesne during the French and Indian war has been unveiled by a committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution at Washington.

The acid placed in the center of golf balls to give them resiliency which usually explodes when the balls are cut open by inquisitive persons was swallowed by Frank Wilbur Perry, a Chicago boy, with fatal results. The boy died from hemorrhage of the lungs.

Representatives of railroad companies and trainmen's brotherhoods will call on President Wilson to urge that he aid in preventing the threatened strike of 180,000 employees of eastern railroads by advocating immediate passage of pending amendments to the Erdman act.

By a decision of the California railroad commission made public the state takes unto itself the power to regulate the rates of steamship companies plying over regular routes from one California port to another, even though the ships making such trips traverse the high seas.

Claude Ball of Montgomery, Mo., has telegraphed Speaker Clark his acceptance of the appointment of attorney general to the territory of Hawaii. Ball was Champ Clark's opponent for congress last year and withdrew after the speaker failed to be nominated for the presidency.

A search begun a year ago for William Sand, aged 13 years, who mysteriously disappeared from his home in Germantown, Pa., has just been brought to a successful close in a South American country, according to advices received by the boy's parents.

George D. Hayes has been declared by the state supreme court to be the democratic nominee for governor of Arkansas.

The final hearing of the government suit for the dissolution of the International Harvester company of America, will be held in St. Paul on November 13.

Mining dividends paid in June by thirty-four United States companies totaled \$7,331,706.

All union waiters at leading St. Louis hotels and restaurants here been locked out. Four hundred white waiters were affected.

Massachusetts legislature, at its last session of 171 day, passed 1,000 new laws.

Secretary Garrison will start soon on a tour of inspection of army posts in the United States.

Milk and the yolk of eggs are the only foods which contain all the elements needed to maintain human life.

Pennsylvania is preparing to reforest wide areas of the 13,000,000 acres in the state unsuited to agriculture.

The employees of the Treasury department of the United States government number more than 11,000 persons.

Reports of the condition of Jack London, the author who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, indicate steady improvement.

Jacob Oppenheimer, whom criminologists have termed one of America's most extraordinary convicts, was hanged at Folsom, Cal., prison.

Lumber dealers in Ohio quit dealers who sold directly to contractors because they considered them competitors, according to O. H. Bachtel.

Miss Okie Painter of Jacksonville, Fla., succeeds her deceased father as head of the Painter Fertilizer company, a \$500,000 concern. She is 27.

Petitions bearing 18,000 signatures have been filed at Denver with the Colorado secretary of state for the referendum for the public utilities bill.

A Swedish scientist has advanced the theory that bearded grain, such as wheat, draws electricity from the air, and that the plant is aided in its growth thereby.

M. J. Dorsey of the University agricultural school has refused the offer to become head of the department of horticulture at the University of Arizona.

Philadelphia mint, August 23, 1912, to June 15, 1913, produced 766,899,881 ounces of gold coins, \$2,186,368.55 worth of nickels and \$1,936,199.75 in silver coins.

Patrick Quinlan has been taken to state's prison at Trenton, N. J., to serve not less than two years, nor more than seven, for inciting riot among the striking mill workers.

One county in Nebraska, one in Montana and eight in South Dakota have been ordered released from scabies quarantine among cattle. The order will take effect July 15.

Flying at the rate of fifty miles an hour, Glenn Martin's hydro-aeroplane dipped too close to the surface of Lake Michigan and was overturned when one of the pontoons struck the water.

Dr. B. K. Leach, a socialist editor, was driven out of Bandon, Oregon following a notice served on him at a mass meeting of 600 citizens that his presence would no longer be tolerated.

Mrs. Dee Worthington the first woman juror called in a court in San Francisco, asked to be excused because of urgent household duties. Her name had been drawn under the idea she was a man.

A dirigible balloon, piloted by Frank Goodale, lost its rudder while 2,000 feet above the Hudson river and was carried rapidly eastward, apparently beyond control, across New York and Brooklyn.

C. D. Taylor, United States consular agent at Guaymas, Mexico, has protested to the state department in Washington against the treatment of Americans by Mexican federalists in the invested gulf port district.

The decree of the United States circuit court judges sitting as the district court of Utah, dissolving the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger, has been entered on record in the United States district court.

Mrs. Adelaide Sherwood Soule, the late widow of Prof. Frank Soule of the University of California faculty, had a morial terror of being buried alive, and in her will she stipulated that within twenty-four hours from the time of her death, her heart should be cut and that her body should be held for burial seven days. Her request was carried out to the letter by her executrix.

Foreign.

The society of American women in London gave a luncheon at the Savoy hotel to welcome Walter Hines Page, the new United States ambassador and Mrs. Page.

According to official statistics covering the whole of the German empire, the employers' organizations now number 132,458 members, covering 4,378,275 workers of both sexes.

The Greek minister has withdrawn from Sofia after placing the Greek interests in the hands of the French legation. The Bulgarian minister is preparing to leave Athens.

Eight officials in the Alberta government land titles office at Calgary were arrested following the disappearance of large sums of money during a period from 1906 to the present. The government has ordered a thorough investigation.

The supreme court of Cuba has found indictments against General Asbert, governor of Havana province and Representative Arias on the charge of homicide, assault with firearms and resistance to authority. The indicted men are held responsible for the killing of General Armand Riva.

NO SIGN OF PEACE

GREECE IS DETERMINED TO AGENCE OUTRAGES.

POWERS NOT READY TO MOVE

Nations in Concert Notify Turkey They Will Not Permit Fighting Beyond Enos-Media Line.

London.—The Balkan states appear to be again in the melting pot. There is no sign of peace at present. Greece and Serbia have declined so far to agree to an armistice. The Turkish army is advancing by forced marches from Tehtalja and Bulair, apparently with the consent of Greece and Serbia, to attempt the recapture of Adrianople and Thrace.

Rumania is said to be proceeding to occupy a much larger extent of Bulgarian territory that it previously claimed, and Greece is burning to avenge the Bulgarian massacres, concerning which horrifying details continually appear in official reports issued from Athens and Saloniki. According to these reports ears and fingers of Greek women still bearing earrings and finger rings were found in the pockets of Bulgarian prisoners.

Powers Slow to Interfere. There is still talk of Russian interference, and it is reported from St. Petersburg that the powers in concert have notified the sublime port that they will not permit military operations beyond the Enos-Media line fixed by the London conference. But the European concert is slow in moving.

No fresh fighting is reported and it appears that rumors regarding a revolution in Sofia are without foundation.

The Bulgarian government accuses Greece of circulating false accounts of Bulgarian atrocities, with a view to preparing the ground for future territorial claims, and expresses itself as willing to submit the whole matter to an international investigation.

In Bulgarian official circles in London it is announced that an agreement has been reached with Turkey to regard the Enos-Media line as a provisional frontier, pending final delimitation by the international commission.

Strike Vote is Ratified. New York.—Whether a strike of upwards of 80,000 conductors and trainmen on forty-five eastern railroads shall be declared within the next few days depends upon whether the railroads recede from their present position and withdraw from their refusal to arbitrate the wage and other differences between the companies and the men.

This declaration was made in statements by the men's representatives after the grievance committees from the various roads, gathered here in conference, had ratified the strike vote of the men recently taken and had authorized A. B. Garretson, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors, and W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, to issue the formal strike order to their respective organizations.

Bryan's Salary Too Small. Henderson, N. C.—While lecturing here Secretary William J. Bryan declared he was compelled to deliver Chautauqua addresses to supplement his government salary, which he declared was not sufficient to meet his expenses.

"As this is my first Chautauqua lecture since becoming a member of the cabinet," said Secretary Bryan, "it may not be out of place to say that I find it necessary to lecture in order to supplement the salary which I receive from the government. As I have lectured for eighteen years, this method of adding to my income is the most natural one to which to turn and I regard it as extremely legitimate."

Will Rest Before Starting Long Ride. Williams, Ariz.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt will rest at Grand Canyon three or four days before starting on a 150 mile ride. He was met here by Nicholas Roosevelt, his nephew, who has been arranging the trip. The ex-president plans to cross the canyon by muleback, hunt bear and lions for a week or two and then ride to Gallup, crossing the Colorado river at Lee's ferry.

Bryan's Chautauqua Tour. Washington, D. C.—Secretary Bryan will leave here July 15, for a six weeks' lecture tour. His engagements are principally in Indiana, Illinois and Iowa.

New Placer Strike Excitement. Cordova, Alaska.—News of a placer strike on the Sushana river, a tributary of the White river, where two men recently took out \$900 in dust in one day, has caused a stampede to that section from Blackburn and Kenecott.

Job Printers Get Raise. Sioux City, Ia.—A raise in the wage scale of job printers of \$2 a week was effected by arbitration, concluded here recently between journeymen and employers.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

Charles Swanson of Dakota, Neb., en route to Sweden, was robbed of \$175 at Chicago.

Louis Hensling, one of the richest men in the state of Nebraska, died at his home in Bellwood following an attack of appendicitis.

H. B. Miles of Lincoln has secured the contract for the biggest share of the \$100,000 worth of coal which the state will consume next year.

Hotel Commissioner Ackerman estimates that the \$2 registration required of hotels, restaurants and rooming houses will produce \$9,400 a year.

John H. Reeh, a young farmer living four miles north of Brainard, was struck by lightning and killed instantly Sunday morning while harvesting grain.

George F. Morley has sold the *Decorative Herald* to Carl J. Aldrich, a local attorney. Mr. Morley will remain in charge of the mechanical department for the present.

A fifth of a million postal cards are used in the city of Lincoln each month. Yesterday a shipment of the cards, taking up the whole capacity of a freight car, was received.

The State Railway commission has handed down a decision refusing the request of the people of Plainview to compel the Northwestern and Burlington railroads to build a union station there.

The first of a series of monthly runs will be started by the Omaha motorcycleists on July 20, between Omaha and Lincoln via Ashland on the outgoing trip, returning through Louisville.

According to a report filed by Superintendent W. S. Faust of the state home for feeble-minded at Beatrice, he has saved considerable money for the state in the purchase of clothing for children.

According to Secretary W. H. Mellor of the state board of agriculture, the wheat acreage this year is 19 per cent greater than last year, with yields not differing per acre greatly from last season.

Omaha is to have a new amusement park to be called the Empress gardens. Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state showing that the company has capital stock of \$80,000.

Seventeen-year locusts have in flicted very little damage in Nebraska orchards, says Secretary Marshall of the state horticultural society, who has made a careful study of the insect and its habits.

In the government crop report Nebraska is credited with a gain of 5 per cent over the ten-year average in condition of winter wheat. Nebraska scores 86 per cent for 1913, while the ten-year average is given as 81.

The 18-year-old son of Fred Lehnhorst, of Humbolt, who fell from a swing, is in a serious condition. It was first feared that his neck was broken. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital in a paralyzed condition.

In a fire of such proportions that for a time it threatened the destruction of the entire plant, the beef house of Morris & Co., in the South Omaha packing house district was partially gutted, with a loss of \$200,000.

The special water bond election held at Humbolt resulted in favor of the bonds by a large majority. The issue will be in the sum of \$2,000 to draw 6 per cent interest, twenty years, with optional payment in ten years.

Sheriff Fischer has received notice of a confession made to the sheriff of Burlington, Kans., by Fuller Shellenberger, in which he tells of the murder of Julian Bahaud at Julian, in 1899, and Mr. Leonard, in Nebraska City.

The coroner's inquest over the body of Mike Mahoney and Elmer Hammon, killed in a collision with the Crete train, resulted in a verdict that the collision was caused by negligence of the train crew and carelessness of the handcar men.

A little-home made iron safe, found at Forty-eighth and Mayberry avenue in Omaha after the tornado of Easter Sunday by Councilman Thomas McGovern, who climbed twelve feet up a tree to get it, is the property of A. L. King of Manley, Neb.

While plowing a furrow in the road about three miles south of Hartington some men turned up three human skeletons, which were in an excellent state of preservation. There is no way of telling how long these skeletons had been buried there.

The following Nebraskans have been promoted in the geological survey service: Henry M. Kingswell, \$110 per month to \$1440 per annum; Oscar G. Boden, \$1,080 to \$1,200; Arthur B. Reeves, \$1,250 to \$1,440; Homer E. Grosbach, \$1,320 to \$1,440.

Henry T. Clarke of the Nebraska state railway commission has been named as the Nebraska representative on a committee of fifteen state commissioners which will co-operate with the interstate commerce commission in the physical valuation of railroads.

Governor Richard L. Metcalf of the Panama zone has left Lincoln with his family for Panama, going via Washington, where they will tarry a few days, before going to New York to embark for the canal zone, where Mr. Metcalf will begin his duties as governor.

Hitchcock and Merrick counties reported to Secretary Seymour of the State Board of Assessment with the biggest increases over last year yet reported. Washington county, which came in at the same time reported a good gain, the three counties making an increase of \$390,062.

WILL ENFORCE LAW

FOOD COMMISSIONER HARMAN HOLDS CONFERENCE.

MEASURE EFFECTIVE SOON

Law Requires Cold Storage Firms to Keep Records of All Articles and Make Quarterly Reports.

Lincoln—Commissioner Harman has been conferring with owners of cold storage plants relative to the new law which will go into effect July 17.

The new law, which was introduced by Senator Henry V. Hongland of Lancaster county, and is known as senate file 64, places cold storage and refrigerator plants under the jurisdiction of the state food commissioner for regulation. It applies to concerns handling foods, drinks or confections, commercially where articles are stored more than sixty days. It requires them to obtain licenses annually from the commissioner, the fee to be \$5.

The food commissioner is given full authority to inspect and order changes for improving sanitary conditions, and to revoke licenses. The law requires storage firms to keep records of all articles received and withdrawn and makes it unlawful to store any commodity that is unfit for human food, unless intended for different purposes and labeled as such.

It forbids keeping any article in storage more than one year except by special permit of the food commissioner; forbids sale of storage goods as fresh and provides for actual inspection at a fee of from \$10 to \$50, according to size of plant.

The penalty for the first offense is a fine not exceeding \$500; for a second offense not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment six months or both.

Assessments Reported. Five counties with a total increase in assessment over last year of \$392,399 reported to Secretary Henry Seymour of the State Board of Assessment this morning as follows:

	1913.	1912.
Red Willow	\$3,089,829	\$3,069,500
Burt	6,906,826	6,820,689
Cass	8,439,797	8,403,723
Dawes	2,267,310	2,122,823
Thurston	3,426,161	3,401,798

Stock Issue Allowed. The Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company has been given permission by the State Railway commission to issue \$1,000,000 special 5 per cent preferred stock upon the following conditions:

That stock shall be issued for money only and at a price to net company not less than 92 cents on the dollar.

That funds derived from the issue shall be used for the purpose named—acquisition of property, construction, completion, extension or improvement of its facilities, plant or distribution system and discharge or lawful refunding of its obligations or underlying securities.

That no investment in associate companies from the proceeds of said stock shall be made save and except such purchases as shall have been specifically approved by the railway commission.

The company shall file with the commission verified statements showing proceeds derived from sale of said stock and purposes in detail to which such proceeds have been applied, to be filed with the commission within thirty days of the time when the unreported amount of money realized or expended exceeds the sum of \$50,000.

Commissioners Issued to Militiamen. Governor Morehead has issued commissions to the following in the Nebraska National Guard:

W. E. Sanford, Lincoln, second lieutenant, reserve militia.

Jesse E. Holdeman, Fairfield, second lieutenant.

John F. Poucher, Stanton, captain.

D. Leonard Brown, Hastings, first lieutenant.

N. P. Hansen, Brownville, second lieutenant.

Leonard Robinson, North Platte, second lieutenant.

A Fair Investment. A Lincoln man purchased 300 acres of land in Buffalo county for \$2,800. The deal was made a number of years ago. The owner planted 280 acres in alfalfa and during the last two years he has been "letting the farm out on shares" to a nearby farmer. After taxes and other expenses were paid, the owner last year put away \$1,800, or 6 per cent on an investment of \$30,000.

Must Pay Their Fee. State Hotel Commissioner P. F. Ackerman is sending notices to owners of hotels, restaurants, rooming houses and apartment houses to pay the annual registration fee of one dollar. Such houses are to be inspected by the state and the public is expected to get the benefit of the fee by an improvement in accommodations. At Omaha Mr. Ackerman ordered fifteen rooming houses and hotels to put in fire escapes. Twelve complied without delay and the other three have just finished them.

DAIRY INTERESTS ON UPGRADE.

Both Cream Shipments and Revenue Received are Growing.

S. C. Bassett, former lawmaker and well known dairy man of this state, has a bone to pick with Sir Horace Plunkett who told the Nebraska farmers' congress at Omaha last November that dairying in this state was decidedly on the down grade.

Mr. Bassett has just concluded an exhaustive study of the situation and he is positive not only are there more milk cows in the state at the present time than in the past, but that the railroads as well as carrying more cream than they used to. He says:

"The United States census returns disclose that in the ten years from 1900 to 1910 there was an increase of 20 per cent in the number of dairy cows in Nebraska and an increase of more than 100 per cent in the number of pounds of creamery butter manufactured."

"Complete information as to cream shipments over all the railroads in the state are not available, but the Burlington and Northwestern have furnished statements in detail covering cream shipments for the years of 1911 and 1912. Both of these lines extend across the state and with their branches extend into ninety counties, these counties containing 97 per cent of the population of the state. It is estimated that that these two roads handle 90 per cent of the cream shipments. The combined statements of these two railroads in regard to cream shipments for the years 1911 and 1912 are as follows:

"Number of cans of cream shipped in 1911, 904,889.

Number of cans of cream shipped in 1912, 944,902.

"Number of cans increase, 40,000.

"Revenue received from shipments in 1911, \$266,838.42.

"Revenue received from shipments in 1912, \$285,484.61.

Increase in revenue received, \$18,646.19.

"From ten gallons of heavy separator cream can be manufactured approximately thirty pounds of creamery butter. On this basis the cream shipments above noted for 1911 represent approximately 27,000,000 pounds of butter and like shipments for 1912 represent approximately 29,000,000 pounds of butter.

Should Send Statistics. Agricultural statistics are now due from a number of Nebraska counties, according to the provisions of the Scott act, passed by the last legislature, a summary of the crop data, gathered by the assessors, should be forwarded to Secretary W. R. Mellor of the state board of agriculture by July 1.

The following counties have not sent their summaries to Secretary Mellor: Banner, Blaine, Box Butte, Boyd, Butler, Cedar, Cherry, Clay, Custer, Dakota, Dawes, Deuel, Dixon, Douglas, Fillmore, Franklin, Furnas, Gage, Garden, Greeley, Hamilton, Holt, Hooker, Jefferson, Johnson, Kimball, Lancaster, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Morrill, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Scottsbluff, Seward, Sheridan, Sherman, Sioux, Thayer, Thomas, Thurston, Washington, Webster and York. According to scientists the next visit of the locust may be expected in 1930.

Corn Acreage Increased. The corn acreage for 1913 in fifty-three counties of Nebraska shows an increase of 7 per cent over the reported acreage for 1912.

In the fifty-three counties the total corn acreage for 1912 was 3,871,981. Tabulations made in the office of Secretary W. R. Mellor of the State Board of Agriculture show that the same counties have 4,147,419 acres in corn this summer.

In 1912 the total acreage in the state was 6,076,657 and the average number of bushels of corn per acre is given as 27.05. The total yield for 1912 was estimated at 164,376,796 bushels.

Prizes For National Guard. Lincoln.—The Dupont Powder company has presented to the Nebraska National guard two beautiful prizes to be contested for by the two regiments of the guard. These prizes are in the nature of coats of arms, being of silver and stand about two feet high. The top of each is surmounted by a large eagle, while a couple of olive branches cross each other at the bottom. They are to be given as first and second prizes to the regiment showing the best scores in rifle practice.