

NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

INTELLIGENCE HERE GATHERED
COVERS WIDE AREA.

GREATER OR LESSER IMPORT

Includes What is Going On at Wash-
ington and in Other Sections of
the Country.

WAR NEWS.

The Russian government announced
that instruction had been given the
ministry of finance to issue a second
internal loan of 1,000,000,000 rubles
(\$500,000,000).

A dispatch from Cracow to Geneva
says that the losses of the Austrians
and Germans since May 1 amount to
165,000 officers and men. Losses of
the Russians in prisoners are placed
at 50,000.

A dispatch to the Exchange Tele-
graph from Rome says it is officially
announced that that part of the triple
alliance treaty concerning Austria,
was abrogated May 4.

The German war office announces
that in the recent fighting in Galicia
and Russian Poland 143,500 Russians
have been captured. It also states
that sixty-nine cannons and 255 ma-
chine guns were taken.

Another battleship, the Goliath, the
third that the British have lost since
the attack on the Dardanelles began,
has been torpedoed by the Turks, and
of the crew of 700 or more only 180,
including twenty officers, were saved.

Viscount Haldane, lord high chan-
cellor, in the British house of lords,
intimated that the government was
considering the necessity of depart-
ing from the voluntary system of mili-
tary enlistments and resorting to
draft service throughout the kingdom.

Newspaper dispatches from Swit-
zerland report Austrians and Ger-
mans are fleeing from all parts of
Italy. A Geneva dispatch asserts
that six hundred thousand Italians
have been concentrated at Verona,
twenty-five miles from the Austro-
Hungarian frontier.

The cost of the war in British ships,
not including warships, thus far has
been 201 vessels. The loss of life
has been 1,556. Dr. Thomas J. Mac-
Namara, parliamentary secretary of
the admiralty, gave these figures in
the house of commons in response to
a question from Lord Charles Beres-
ford.

Germany has expressed regret to
the United States for the loss of Amer-
ican lives in the Lusitania disaster,
but it is declared that Great Britain,
by reason of her "starvation" prac-
tices against the German civilian
population and because her merchant-
men are armed and carry contraband
of war, is responsible for the sending
of the liner to the bottom.

GENERAL.

New Orleans was named as the
1916 convention city and officers were
elected at the final session of the Na-
tional Retail Grocers' association at
San Francisco.

Former Governor Baldwin of Con-
necticut, a recognized authority on
international law, in a statement at
New Haven, says President Wilson's
note paves the way for this country
and Germany to refer their differ-
ences to The Hague.

Peter Krakus, who was said by the
police to have been implicated in the
murder of a priest and his house-
keeper in New Britain, Conn., several
months ago, was hanged at Wilming-
ton, Del., for the murder of a police-
man at Wilmington.

The national committee of the so-
cialist party concluded its annual busi-
ness meeting at Chicago. It was de-
cided to raise a campaign fund of
\$10,000 by appeal to members, and to
observe the first week in May here-
after as socialist week.

A proposal to refer the federal gov-
ernment dissolution suit against the
Associated Bill Posters and Distribu-
tors of the United States and Canada
to the recently organized Federal
Trade commission was rejected at
Chicago by Judge Landis.

Tales of industrial wars from Penn-
sylvania to California during the last
thirty-five years were recounted be-
fore the Federal Industrial Relations
commission by Mrs. Mary Jones, the
"Mother" Jones of scores of strikes.

Alexander Grunwaldt, who asserts
he is only 17 years of age and has
walked once around the world and is
on his second trip, passed through
Omaha recently, on his way to San
Francisco. The lad declares that if
he makes San Francisco by July 26
this year he will receive \$50,000.

A verdict of acquittal was returned
by the jury trying Mrs. Florence C.
Carman at Mineola, L. I., on the
charge of murdering Mrs. Louise Bal-
ley at Freeport on the night of June
20 last.

Thirty-five thousand harvest hands
are wanted in Kansas to handle the
1915 bumper wheat crop, the state
free employment bureau estimates.

Admiral George Dewey is the new
commander of the Vermont comman-
dary of the Military Order of the
Loyal Legion. He was elected at the
annual meeting at Burlington.

According to investigations by
George A. Dean, state entomologist,
at Manhattan, Kan., the damage to
the wheat crop by the Hessian fly
will amount to \$10,000,000 in that
state.

Ten million pounds of canned meat
was bought from Chicago packers by
the British government last week. Ar-
mour & Co. had the bulk of the order.
Shipments were begun at once.

After consideration lasting several
months the Federal Reserve board
has virtually decided that it will al-
low state banks to enter the federal
reserve system with the right to with-
draw and surrender membership if
they so desire.

Oklahoma will need from 16,000 to
18,000 men to gather the wheat crop,
Labor Commissioner Ashton an-
nounced at Oklahoma City. Wages
will range from \$2 to \$3 a day. Cut-
ting will start from June 1 to 12, ac-
cording to location.

Colonel Jared L. Sanderson, aged
94, organizer and chief owner of the
stage coach company which first es-
tablished a passenger and freight
traffic from Kansas City through
New Mexico and the southwest to
Los Angeles, died at Boulder, Colo.

Mayor William Hale Thompson of
Chicago has issued a proclamation
fixing July 27 as Chicago day at the
Panama-Pacific International expo-
sition. It was said Mayor Thompson,
Governor Dunne and United States
Senators J. Hamilton Lewis and L.
Y. Sherman would attend the expo-
sition on Chicago day.

Charitable work in behalf of the
sufferers in America and abroad was
the principal topic discussed at the
final session of the forty-third biennial
convention of the Order of British
Abraham at Philadelphia. The dele-
gates voted to tax each of the 72,000
members of the order 25 cents apiece
This fund will be for the aid of the
Jewish war sufferers.

Whether Baptists should join with
other denominations in various phases
of Christian work became a para-
mount question before the Southern
Baptist convention at Houston, and
opponents of such co-operation were
victorious when the committee on
Sunday school work announced its op-
position to the world-wide Baraca and
Philathea classes found in many Bat-
tist Sunday schools.

SPORTING

A bill to legalize ten round boxing
matches in Michigan was vetoed by
Governor Ferris.

Iowa Falls High school won the
state championship in debating at
Iowa City, defeating Pomeroy.

Yousiff Hussane and Charley Cut-
ler wrestled three and one-half hours
at Louisville, Ky., without a fall, in
a match said to be for the heavy-
weight wrestling championship of the
United States.

Two university world's records were
broken in track for co-eds at Lincoln
when Miss Koch made a fifty-yard
dash in 6 4-5 seconds, and Miss Reed
made a four-foot high jump.

Princeton's crew won the race for
the Child's cup at Princeton, N. J.,
by a half a boat's length. Columbia,
the favorite in the race, was second
and Pennsylvania third. This is the
first time Princeton has won the cup
since 1831.

John Freberg, the Chicago heavy-
weight wrestler, proved no match for
Joe Stecher in their match at Fre-
mont, Neb. Stecher won in straight
falls, the first in one minute and ten
seconds and the second in three min-
utes and thirty-six seconds.

WASHINGTON.

The federal reserve board will es-
tablish on May 24 a clearing system
between reserve banks, to reduce the
amount of money kept in transit and
thus held out of circulation.

In the local areas of Kansas, Mis-
souri, Oklahoma and Nebraska, the
Hessian fly, during the past fortnight,
has been found in large numbers in
the wheat fields, according to reports
reaching the Department of Agricul-
ture. Some farmers have become
alarmed to the extent of replanting
some of their fields of corn.

Carranza troops have reoccupied
Panuco, in the oil well region, near
Tampico, according to the state de-
partment. The Villa force evacuated
May 5 and the Carranza force march-
ed in.

Cotton used during April was
513,610 bales, exclusive of lintels, com-
pared with 489,646 in April last year,
the census bureau announced. Dur-
ing the nine months ending April 30
cotton used was 4,991,285 bales
against 4,264,856 in the same period
the previous year.

EXPENSES ARE LESS

BOARD OF CONTROL EFFECTS
SAVING FOR NEXT 2 YEARS.

4,762 WARDS BEING CARED FOR

Increase of Eleven Per Cent Since
1913—Feat Considered Triumph
for That Body.

Lincoln.—A total of 4,762 wards of
the state are now being cared for at
the fifteen state institutions under
charge of the state board of control,
as compared to 4,318 wards in No-
vember, 1913. The figures are com-
piled from a recent report of the
board. The number, in both in-
stances, includes the children listed
with the dependent home. The latter
institution was not actually in the
board's control list at the time the
first report was made, but since has
become a part of its list.

Despite this increase of approxi-
mately 11 per cent in the inmate
numbers, the board will run the in-
stitutions on less money during the
coming two years than was required
during the two years just past. The
feat is a real financial triumph for
the board, inasmuch as its work gov-
erned the legislature exclusively
when the lawmakers had their appro-
priations under discussion.

The success of the board in man-
aging the institutions and in look-
ing after the welfare of the inmates—
charitable, penal and otherwise—is
proof abundant that the people of the
state acted wisely when they put the
affairs of the institutions under its
control.

The institutional population, as re-
ported from the various homes, is as
follows:

Where the State Wards Are:	Nov. April 1913.	1915
Beatrice feeble minded	453	486
Geneva girls' industrial	82	100
Grand Island soldiers	483	476
Hastings hospital	1,093	1,137
Kearney boys' industrial	157	216
Kearney tubercular	21	30
Lincoln hospital	669	718
Orothopedic	90	116
Penitentiary	336	371
Milford women's home	94	67
Milford soldiers	132	105
Nebraska City blind	55	53
Norfolk hospital	419	477
Omaha deaf school	164	168
Dependent children	70	243
Total	4,318	4,762

Interurban Losing Money.

The formal complaint of the Omaha,
Lincoln & Beatrice Railway Co., filed
with the state board of equalization,
would make it appear that the path
of interurban railway development in
Nebraska under present restrictions
is a rough and rocky one. The com-
pany reports a net deficit of \$4,515 in
the operation of the road since the
time of its building in 1907. In ad-
dition to this it has outstanding in-
debtedness of other kinds amounting
to \$28,490.

Bar Defectives From Marrying.

Dr. W. S. Fast of Beatrice, speaking
before the Nebraska State Eclectic
Medical association, advocated that
defectives be barred from marrying.
He said that, should such marriages
be wholly discontinued, two genera-
tions would see the complete elimina-
tion of feeble-mindedness, criminality,
delinquency and extreme poverty. He
urged the doctors to use all their in-
fluence against marriages between
the unfit.

Section Hand May Receive Legacy.

Alfred James Bourn, soldier of for-
tune, section hand and believed to be
heir to his uncle's estate in Australia,
has been found in Lincoln. He will
go immediately to claim his legacy.
Bourn was trailed for weeks by an
Australian detective, employed by the
administrator of the uncle's estate.
He has established his identity. He
said he had served with the American
troops in the Philippines and in the
Boxer troubles and had been around
the world four times.

Want Aid in Keeping Up Highway.

Farmers along the Omaha-Lincoln-
Denver highway and automobile own-
ers will be asked to co-operate in
maintaining the highway and making
it popular for tourist travel. It was
decided at a meeting of good roads
boosters in Lincoln.

Avery On Peace Commission.

Chancellor Avery of the state uni-
versity has been requested by Sec-
retary of State Bryan to serve as one
of the five members of the permanent
peace commission provided for in the
treaty with Sweden.

Road Wants to Drop Motor.

Permission of the railway commis-
sion to remove from its service the
Columbus-Spaulling "one-way-a-day"
motor has been asked by the Union
Pacific. The matter will come to a
hearing within a short time. This
service was put on the road at the
order of the commission. The Union
Pacific claims now that while the
motor service in itself has paid, the
regular passenger train service on
the line has been seriously impaired.
It says that it cannot run both the
trains and the motor.

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

A Thayer county baseball league is
being formed.

Work has started on the Bellevue
gymnasium.

Aurora is after the next meeting
of the state G. A. R.

Lamuel Brown, aged 19, drowned at
Kearney last week.

A \$15,000 theater is to be built at
Clarkson this summer.

Chinch bugs are causing farmers
much trouble around Falls City.

Crete's new Carnegie library was
opened to the public last week.

The new \$14,000 Methodist church at
Elmwood has been dedicated.

Miss May Sheldon was crowned
Miss queen at Hastings college.

B. S. Carey has been appointed
postmaster at Leymoine, Keith coun-
ty.

Work on the Security State bank
building at Broken Bow will begin
soon.

The postoffice at Caldwell, Scotts-
bluff county, is ordered discontinued
June 15.

The Schuyler company of the Ne-
braska National Guard is to be re-
organized.

The citizens of Merna will soon
vote on electric light, water and
park bonds.

The Fiese Motor company is erect-
ing a large cement block garage at
West Point.

Eight young wolves were found in
a hay stack near Julian by the Gram-
ma brothers.

John Joseph, retired merchant of
Wahoo, was badly injured in an au-
tomobile accident.

The Nebraska State bank, capital-
ized at \$25,000, has opened for busi-
ness at Valentine.

Two of the men who will make a
soil survey of Dawes county have
started their work.

Six hundred dentists are expected
to attend the state convention at
Omaha, May 17 to 20.

J. H. Wenburg, wealthy Oconto far-
mer, died of injuries received when he
was kicked by a horse.

A new canning company, incorporat-
ed at \$50,000, will be established at
Blair this summer.

The Nebraska State Golf associa-
tion decided to hold its tournament
at Omaha, July 7 to 10.

The Lincoln Telephone and Tele-
graph company will soon erect a new
building at David City.

One hundred delegates attended
the O. L. D. good roads' convention
at Hastings last week.

Miss Olive Jones of Hastings has
received word that she has won a
free scholarship at Yale.

The cornerstone for the new Ger-
man Reform church at Harvard was
laid with imposing exercises.

J. W. Wolvington has taken up his
duty as postmaster at Wolvington, a
new office south of Chadron.

All card tables, slot machines and
dice boxes have been ordered out of
Crawford by the city council.

The ten thousand dollars' worth of
fall bonds missing for nine years at
Seward have been recovered.

C. P. Johnson of Elm Creek was
instantly killed when he was struck
by a passenger train at Kearney.

Mrs. William Catherwood was se-
riously injured when thrown from a
buggy in a runaway near North Bend.

The Northwest Nebraska High
School Athletic association will hold
its annual meet in Hartington May 21.

The body of William Jacobs, Sr.,
who disappeared from Council Bluffs
last February, was found at Lincoln.

The Library board of Tekamah ac-
cepted plans for the Carnegie build-
ing. Work on the structure will start
soon.

Five hundred delegates attended
the Eastern Star convention at Hast-
ings. The next meeting will be held
at McCook.

The Wood Lake cornet concert
band will give open air concerts al-
ternate Saturday evenings through
the summer.

A new rural route out of Morrill to
the south side of the river will go in-
to effect in June, providing a tri-weekly
service.

Over three hundred Elks attended
the state convention at Fremont.
Omaha was selected as the next meet-
ing place.

Reports are there will be no peach
crop in the southern part of the state,
but prospects are good for a bumper
apple crop.

Judge George F. Cocoran of York
was elected state deputy of the
Knights of Columbus for Nebraska at
their convention at O'Neil.

An election will soon be held in
Seward to give the citizens a chance
to express their choice on the loca-
tion of the new \$50,000 high school.

The affection and loyalty of a dog
to his master was never better illus-
trated than when an English bulldog
returned to Leon Cummings of Howe
from Kansas City, a distance of 126
miles.

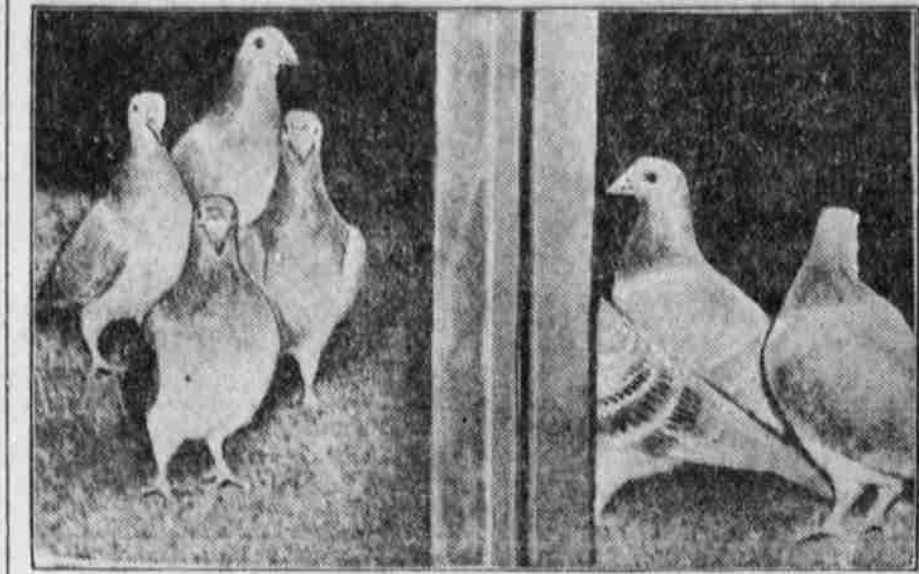
The new Hastings directory gives
that city a population of 15,540, a gain
of 5,000 in three years.

B. E. Leedom & Son, proprietors of
the Gordon Journal, will begin the
erection of a modern newspaper build-
ing soon.

The Nebraska state board of nurse
examiners will hold examinations for
the nurses at the state house, Lincoln,
June 15 and 16.

The first Adams county grand jury
in twenty years is investigating
charges in connection with the John
O'Connor case at Hastings.

PIGEON-RAISING IS MOST PROFITABLE

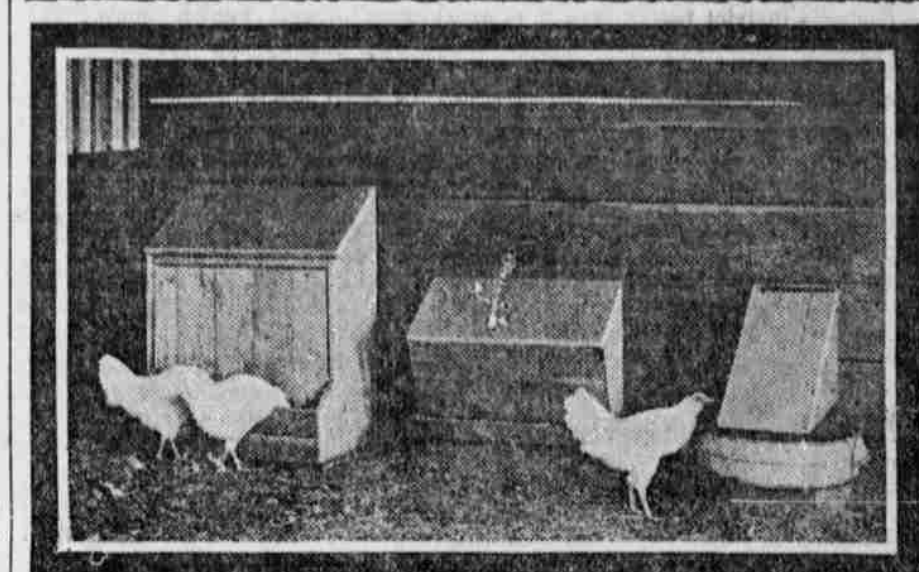


Loft of Homer Pigeons.

With squabs selling at from 35 to 50
cents each it would seem that pigeon
raising would be highly profitable, but
our advice is to go slow before engag-
ing in the business to any consider-
able extent.

Pigeons require perfect ventilation,
roomy quarters, because overcrowding
is fatal. They must never be ex-
posed to bad weather, and improper
feeding will quickly destroy a flock.

GOOD REASONS FOR POULTRY ON FARMS



Interior of Modern Poultry House.

(By JAMES G. HALPIN, Secretary of
Wisconsin Poultry Association.)
The principal reason for keeping
poultry is to furnish fresh eggs and
fresh meat for our own tables.

The best way to get most farmers
interested in poultry is to get them
to settle down to some particular var-
iety. As soon as the flock is all of
one size, shape and color visitors will
begin to admire them. The owner
will begin to pay more and more at-
tention to them, and this extra atten-
tion will mean more winter eggs. Be-
cause as soon as the owner begins to
get proud of the flock he fixes up the
house, nails on the loose boards,
cleans out the filth, puts in fresh
straw, whitewashes the house and
does everything possible to make it
comfortable for the hens. He changes
his attitude entirely and instead of
kicking the hens out of the way gives
them time to get out of the way. He
begins to look at each hen as an in-
dividual and as a producer of eggs that
are worth money.

Too many general farmers depend
on their women folks to do all of the
work about the poultry yards. It is
true that a large part of the work is
often better done if left to the women
folks, but there are certain things
that should be done by the man. He
should at least see to it that the
house is kept well cleaned and occa-
sionally sprayed or whitewashed. He
should also see to it that the house
is kept in repair and the necessary
fixtures made and so arranged that
the work of caring for the flock is
reduced to a minimum. The old hen
likes to range about the barnyard on
good days, but she should have plenty
of straw in her own house so that she
can busy herself digging in it when
the weather is bad. He should be just
as careful to see to it that the hens
are well bedded as any other live
stock on the farm. On stormy days,
especially, the man of the house
should do the feeding and take a gen-
eral interest in the production in-
stead of limiting his interest to the
consumption of the groceries pur-
chased by the eggs.

The reason that farm poultry pro-
duces practically all of the poultry
and eggs sold here in the central West
is because practically all of the hens
are either on general farms or town
lots. We have very few poultry farms
and less poultry plants. The few are
often written up but they are not
numerous enough so that they affect
the general market by their produc-
tion. The general farm is the natural
place for the hen; she will produce
more dollars' worth of eggs on less
"chargeable" feed under general farm
conditions than under any other con-
ditions because the hen naturally fits
into the scheme of general farming,
utilizing feed otherwise wasted, help-
ing to destroy insect pests, etc.

Insect pests is a subject that is
getting to be of greater and greater
importance. In many sections we find
that the birds that are the natural
destroyers of insects are getting
thinned out to such an extent that
some substitute must be found. The
farmer's flock of chickens can be used
to splendid advantage as grasshopper
catchers and at the same time prove
profitable. Thus we have troublesome
insects removed from the farm and
converted into egg or poultry meat.
The farm grows larger crops and the
chickens have fuller "crops" made up
largely from the natural waste on the
farm.

While oyster shells are necessary in
poultry diet, they must not be given
with the idea of taking the place of
grit. They are too soft for that pur-
pose.