

# NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

## DATES FOR COMING EVENTS.

- Sept. 4 to 7.—Nebraska State Fair at Lincoln.
- Sept. 11-15.—Southwest Nebraska District Fair at Maywood.
- Sept. 12-16.—Central Nebraska Fair at Grand Island.
- Sept. 13.—Annual Convention State Federation of Labor at Fremont.
- Sept. 13 to 15.—Old Settlers' reunion at Mitchell.
- Sept. 17-22.—Women's Christian Temperance Union annual convention at Omaha.
- Sept. 26-Oct. 7.—Ak-Sar-Ben Fall Festival at Omaha.
- Oct. 2 and 3.—State Equal Suffrage association convention at Hastings.
- October 2 to 7.—National Swine Show at Omaha.
- Oct. 3 to 6.—State Federation of Women's Clubs convention at Hastings.
- October 11-12.—State Meeting Grand Lodge Degree of Honor at Lincoln.
- October 17-20.—I. O. O. F. State Convention at Lincoln.

An entire new feature has been added to the Nebraska State fair better baby department. A child specialist has been secured to give advice concerning all babies who enter, especially those starting life under physical or mental handicap. Parents will be given private conference and expert advice on their children's ailment and each child will be assigned an hour for examination. The class of "Specialists Advise Only" will be limited to one hundred babies.

The first radium operation ever performed in North Platte has proved successful. Mrs. Mary Radcliffe of Maywood, 65 years old, underwent an operation for cancer of the breast, an Omaha physician inserting two tubes containing 64 milligrams of radium valued at \$10,000, after the operation had been performed by Dr. Lucas. The radium was removed after seven hours. Mrs. Radcliffe is now pronounced well on the way to recovery.

Ralph Ellison, a farmer living near Cadams, eight miles northeast of Superior, has the banner on the whole county for raising seventy-three and one-half bushels of wheat per acre off of a five-acre tract of land. This wheat tested sixty pounds and brought \$520.82 or \$104.16 per acre. The land was old alfalfa land that has been broken up and planted to oats one year, corn one year and was idle last year.

Shippers gave \$10.35 per hundredweight for the choicest hogs on the South Omaha market last week. This is a new summer record and the highest price paid for hogs on the South Omaha market since April, 1910, when hogs brought \$10.80. In March, 1910, the market record of \$10.85 was established.

Arrangements are being made to start up the Haarman vinegar plant at Pawnee City about the middle of September. Although the apple crop is rather short in the immediate vicinity, the adjacent territory has a very good crop, and a good run is anticipated for this season.

Hogs on the South Omaha market last week sold for the highest price paid this summer reaching \$10.75 per hundredweight. The highest price ever commanded by hogs in a former August was \$9.35. In the spring of 1910 the record price of \$10.85 was reached.

Members of the Western Kriegerbund, veterans of the German army or navy, from the states of Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota and part of Minnesota will hold their annual Kriegerfest at Lincoln September 2, 3 and 4.

Fire completely destroyed the plant and contents of the Hastings Milling Co., at that city, entailing a loss estimated at \$75,000. About forty thousand bushels of wheat and over 500 sacks of flour were burned.

Colonel Roosevelt is being urged to devote two speeches to the campaign in Nebraska by Chairman Frank Corrick of the progressive state committee and Chairman Ed Beach of the republican state committee.

John Crandall, a farmer living eleven miles southwest of North Platte, is in a critical condition from injuries sustained when he was thrown to the ground and severely mauled by an enraged bull.

In spite of adverse conditions and the payment of \$1,500 to Madam Schumann-Heinsk for a single hog, the Hastings chautauqua, held just recently, paid all expenses. The chautauqua will be continued another year.

Nebraska hunters, who were eagerly watching for a month's additional shooting of game birds in March, may be doomed to disappointment. Federal Game Warden R. P. Holland of Kansas intimated during a visit at Lincoln recently.

Nearly three bushels of corn was taken from the stomach of a valuable milch cow belonging to George Ainsworth, near Fremont, when the animal died following a visit to the cornfield. The cow was valued at \$100.

A committee from the Commercial club of Hartington will meet with Dan V. Stephens at Fremont in the near future to urge Mr. Stephens to help them secure a new government postoffice building at that place.

Citizens of Cozad voted bonds to the sum of \$81,500 for the construction of a modern school building.

A musical program at the fair grounds at Lincoln, which begins Sunday, September 3, will informally open the forty-eighth Nebraska state fair, closing Friday, September 8. The formal opening will take place at 8 o'clock Monday morning. Monday's sports are given over to automobile racing and a number of the best professional drivers and racing cars have signed up. Throughout the week, afternoon and evening, Miss Ruth Law, aviator, will demonstrate hair-raising loop the loops in her tractor biplane. Her night flights will be with calcium lights and the burning of fireworks to mark her course. Horse racing will begin promptly at 2 o'clock on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, with three harness and two running events scheduled for each day. Secretary Mellor has received word that automobile and agricultural exhibits will be unusually noteworthy, but practically all of the space has been reserved in all of the departments.

Three men, Fred Mercure and N. D. Mercure, of Seneca, and J. F. Sweeney, cattle dealer of King, a small village in Cherry county, were almost instantly killed when an automobile in which they were riding was hit by a Burlington passenger train near Greenwood. The accident occurred at a sharp crossing of the road and railroad tracks about fifty yards from Stevens creek, known as Martin's crossing. The train was traveling at the rate of fifty miles an hour; the automobile thought to have been going at perhaps thirty. The machine was crumpled into a mass of wreckage and the three men buried beneath it.

The appraiser of the estate of the late John W. Bookwalter has fixed the value of the lands in Gage county at \$490,000. This is an average of \$75.50 an acre. It is estimated that the personal property will total \$500,000. The value of the Thayer county lands was fixed by the appraiser at \$175,000, which is nearly \$73 an acre. The value of the lands in Pawnee county, 13,800 acres, was fixed at \$880,000.

The Dodge county board has fixed the county levy at 18 mills, which is the same as last year's levy. This action, in view of the erection of a \$150,000 court house on the site of the old burned country structure at Fremont came as a surprise to many citizens, who had complained that taxes would be high. The board will meet the interest on the court house bonds through the medium of reductions in other funds.

Nebraska's suffrage showing will be sufficiently encouraging to warrant the national association in centering its efforts in 1918 in the equal suffrage fight in this state, according to Mrs. W. E. Barkley of Lincoln, president of the Nebraska Equal Suffrage League. The work of completing a poll of the state is going steadily forward and will be finished by next October in time for presentation to national suffrage workers when they visit this state.

Harry Rogers, who has returned to Fremont from the Bloomington, Ill., tractor show, says that a number of the firms are dropping out and will not finish the circuit, which has two more shows scheduled, one at Indianapolis and one at Madison, Wis. Many of the tractor men are in favor of having one tractor show and holding that at Fremont, when it will extend over two weeks instead of one.

So successful were the auto races at the Nebraska state fair in 1915 that Secretary W. R. Mellor is arranging for speed battles between the noted circular dirt track stars on September 4, the opening day of the big 1916 exposition at Lincoln. Entries are now arriving at the office of Secretary Mellor and judging from the manner in which the luminaries of the game are sending in blanks the list will be a long one.

Complaint against the action of western and northwestern lines in discontinuing peddler car service, by which perishable commodities were sold from freight cars to consumers, has been made to the Interstate Commerce commission by the Nebraska State Grange and the Nebraska Farmers' union.

Ground for Fremont's new \$200,000 hotel was broken last week. The hotel will occupy a conspicuous corner opposite the postoffice. Business men in the vicinity of the location of the hotel subscribed largely to the fund, which still lacks a few thousand dollars of being sufficient to complete the building free from debt.

Beatrice will soon vote on the proposition as to whether or not to issue bonds in the sum of \$25,000 for the construction of a municipal light plant. The city commissioners have instructed the city attorney to draw an ordinance calling such an election.

A petition signed by 750 voters of Beatrice has been filed with the city commissioners asking that the present ordinance which prohibits Sunday amusements be so amended that it will permit Sunday moving picture shows.

Wallace Larkin of Wahoo has resigned as pastor of the Presbyterian church and will move to Omaha about September 15, where he will take charge of the church at Papillion and two city missions.

Nebraska farmers are urged to look out for swindlers who purport to represent farm loan banks. No farm loan associations have been authorized as yet, according to an official announcement.

The Norfolk corn canning season has opened and the factory is employing 127 persons.

## ENEMY OF GERMANS

ITALY DECLARES WAR AGAINST HER FORMER ALLY.

## ENDS ABNORMAL SITUATION

Move Became Inevitable When Rome Sent Troops to Aid in Balkan Campaign.

London.—Germany and Italy are at war. Italy has ended the anomalous situation that has existed for months by declaring that henceforth she considers herself the enemy of her former ally.

The declaration of open conflict was transmitted to the Swiss government with the request it be forwarded to Berlin.

Italy and Germany have been drifting steadily toward war. The declaration became inevitable when Italy recently sent troops to Saloniki to cooperate in the campaign of the entente allies on the Macedonian front, as Germany is directing the opposing forces and has troops on this battle line.

Italy's position in regard to Germany has been an anomalous one since Italy withdrew from the triple alliance May 23 last year and declared war on Austria. Although by this act she arrayed herself against her former allies, Germany and Austria, she remained officially at peace with Germany until Aug. 28. Before Italy took this step Germany exerted every effort to induce her to remain neutral, sending to Rome as an ambassador Prince von Buelow. The prince for some time advocated war between Austria and Italy, and when he saw a rupture was inevitable took steps toward preservation of an official peace between Germany and Italy. He negotiated a special agreement under which, in case of war between Austria and Italy, Germany and Italy pledged themselves to respect the property and lives of their respective subjects in each other's domain.

Eleven Racing Cars Wrecked. Kalamazoo, Mich.—Two men were killed and eight others injured, one of them fatally, when eleven of fourteen automobiles piled up at the first turn during the 100-mile race at Recreation park here last Sunday.

The dead are: Marion Arnold, mechanic, Chicago, decapitated; Jack Peacock, driver, Brooklyn, both hips broken and head crushed; died in hospital. Among the others injured is Jimmy Alexander, Sloux City, Ia., mechanic, badly bruised. The accident occurred when Peacock's car, leading in the race, skidded and struck the fence at the first turn. It was overturned and thrown across the track. Before track attendants could signal the other drivers, ten of the machines going at a terrific clip plowed into the overturned car. Five of them were completely demolished.

Passenger Train Hits Auto. Council Bluffs, Iowa.—In a grade crossing accident two miles south of Tennant in Shelby county, forty miles northeast of here, an automobile driven by Albert Hanson, a farmer, was crushed, his 3-year-old daughter Agnes was killed, his wife received injuries that may prove fatal, his 7-year-old daughter Lucille was painfully hurt and Hanson was badly bruised. The car was hit by a passenger train on the Great Western. Hanson was on his way to his home, several miles west of Tennant, and failed to see the approaching passenger train. The automobile was thrown nearly fifty feet.

Bulgars Take Greek Fort. London.—Heavy fighting continues between entente and Teutonic allies in the Macedonia theater from the region of Lake Ochrida eastward to Kavala. Berlin reports that Bulgarian forces operating to the west of Lake Ochrida have captured Malk in Albania and along the Struma. Paris admits the Bulgars have taken all except one of the forts at Kavala, on the Aegean.

Says Allies No Nearer Berlin. Berlin.—Notwithstanding the number of German positions which have been captured by the French and British troops on the Somme front, Major Morant, military critic of the Tageblatt, says the entente allies are no nearer to breaking through the German line than when the offensive was inaugurated.

Worth \$6,000,000; Suicides. Chicago.—Henry J. Furber, 76 years old, formerly a wealthy real estate operator, who shot and killed himself in St. Luke's hospital, left a fortune estimated at \$6,000,000.

Fire Burns Score Buildings. Alexandria, Va.—Fire destroyed nearly a score of buildings in Occoquan, Va., a historic village on the Potomac river, near here, causing damage estimated at \$50,000. It was in Occoquan that George Washington traded while living at Mount Vernon.

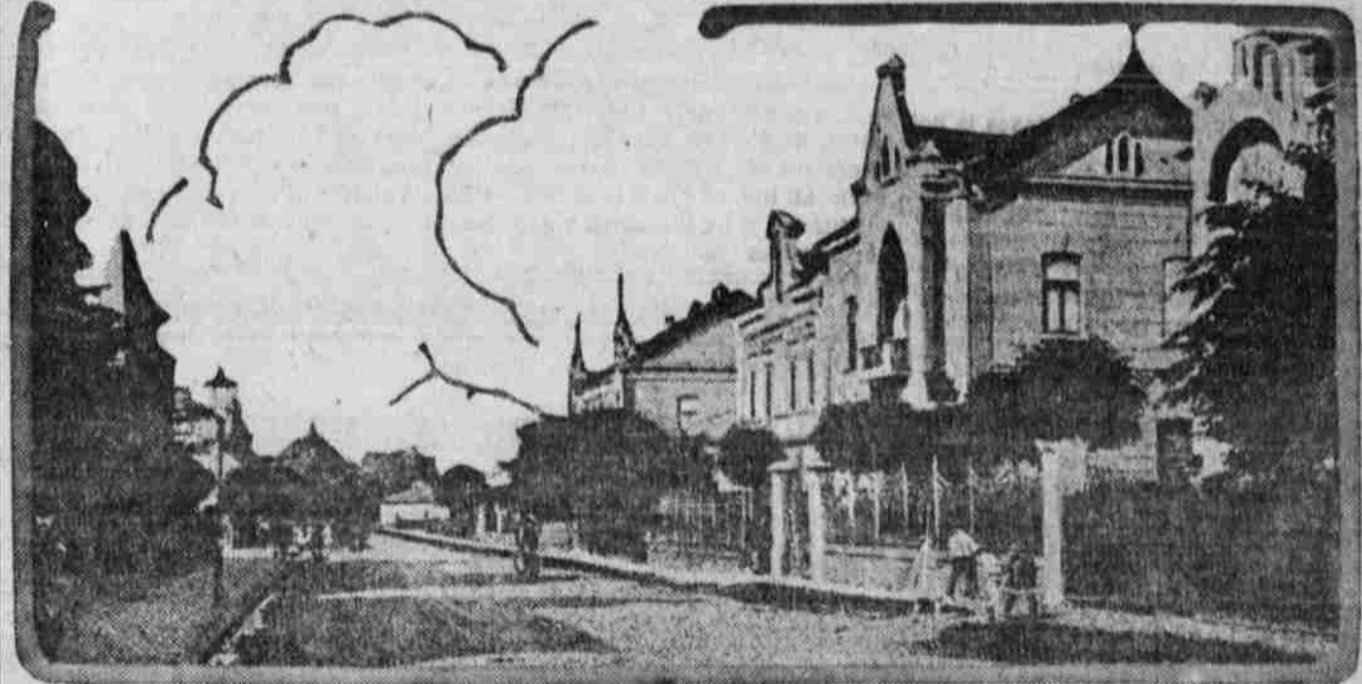
Can Handle Own Affairs. New York.—The republican national committee plans to establish a precedent in the presidential campaign this year by permitting women to have charge of their own politics.

## CAMERA MEN SWARM AROUND WHITE HOUSE



There are probably more photographers to the square foot on the White House grounds when a picture of the president is to be made than any other single spot on earth. This picture shows above a part of the battery lined up to photograph President and Mrs. Wilson and his campaign managers, and below the picture they made.

## GALICIAN CITY CAPTURED BY THE RUSSIANS



View of Killinski street in Stanislaw, the important Galician city captured by the Russian forces. Stanislaw is a great railroad center and of immense strategic value.

## AMBASSADOR SHARP AND HIS DAUGHTER

## SENATOR JAMES D. PHELAN

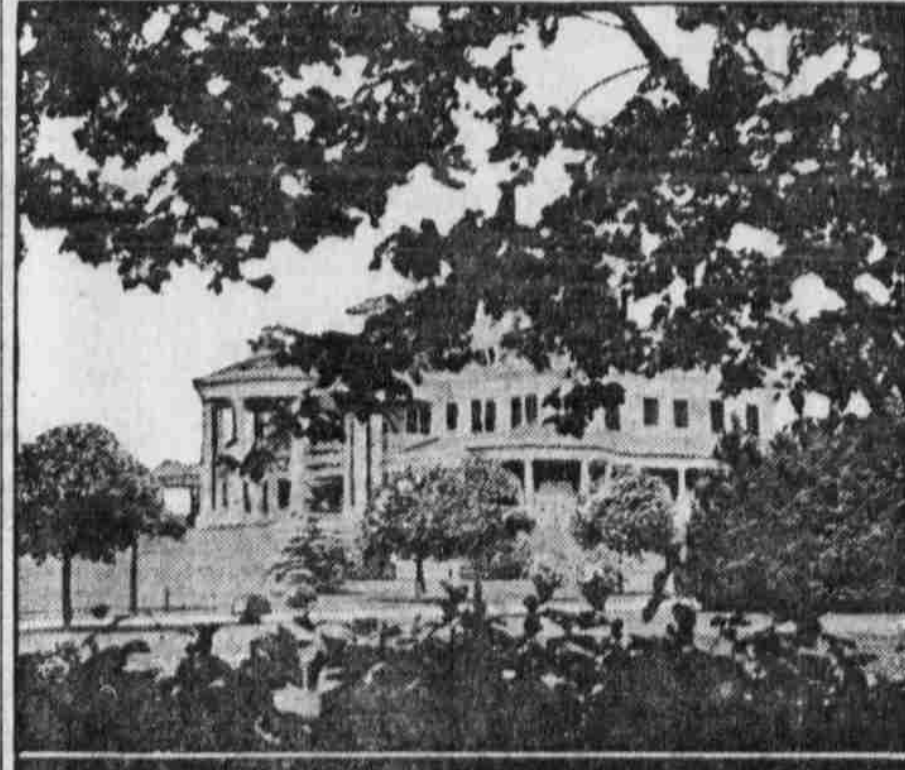


William G. Sharp, United States ambassador to France, and his daughter Margaret on their arrival on the French liner Lafayette. Ambassador Sharp is here on a short vacation and to confer with President Wilson and Ambassador Page, who is also in the United States.



Snapshot of Senator Phelan of California taken on a warm day in Washington.

## WHERE MR. WILSON WILL BE NOTIFIED



Pretty view of Shadow Lawn, the summer White House, between Asbury Park and Long Branch, N. J., where President Wilson will receive the formal notification of his renomination by the Democratic party. Mr. Wilson has made little use of Shadow Lawn so far this summer.

## Air Fighters Stay Far Apart.

As everyone probably knows, the principle of suction accounts for a great many marine disasters. Two ships run close to each other and suction brings them together. It is the same with aeroplanes; only that in the nature of things the suction is a hundred times more powerful. When I hear those stories about aeroplanes attacking each other within 40 yards, I always cross my fingers. Two machines approaching each other at that distance would come together and smash. The men who run the apparatus de chasse understand that better than I do. In maneuvering to attack they try never to approach nearer than a hundred yards.—Saturday Evening Post.

## War Killing Off Birds.

War has killed thousands of migrating birds, the poisonous gases emitted by cannon spreading to great distances through the air. Crops are likely to suffer in the south of Europe from the lack of insect destroyers, and in Great Britain also there is lack of usual summer visitors. Zeppelin and aeroplanes are said to be mainly responsible for the death of birds in Ireland, which is to be inquired into by a special commission.