

# THE BEST NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

## End of a Wild Debauch.

William Hatten, a farmer on the Niobrara river south of Merriam, filled up on liquor at Merriam and started home at nightfall, boasting that he would kill his wife and mother-in-law. Upon reaching home about 11 o'clock he shot at his wife with a revolver. Frightened by his actions and the report, she fell over as though dead, though not hit at all. Thinking her to be dead he then fired at his mother-in-law, the bullet passing through her clothing, but only grazing her body. Hatten then placed the muzzle of the revolver in his mouth and fired, dropping dead instantly.

## Want Dinsmore Released.

There is a concerted effort being made to secure a new trial and acquittal of Frank Dinsmore, now under sentence to be hanged for the murder of Fred Lane at Odessa. Failing in a new trial, an appeal will be made to the governor for executive clemency. The grounds for making this move is that Mrs. Lane, the alleged accomplice, has been allowed to go free without even a complaint being filed against her, notwithstanding the evidence is claimed by them to be as strong against her as against Dinsmore. She claims that Dinsmore hypnotized her.

## Grain-Dealers Have a Grievance.

The Nebraska Grain-Dealers' association closed a two-days' meeting at Lincoln recently. Among the topics under discussion was the manner in which Nebraska shippers are treated at terminal points in the manner of weights. A general complaint went up regarding the methods in vogue, especially at some of the southern points. It is charged that at St. Louis weights have sometimes been 80 bushels per car less at the terminal point than at the starting point.

## Train Ran into a Landslide.

Robert Moore, fireman on Burlington train No. 8, the Omaha-Pacific Junction local, was pinned underneath the cab of his locomotive and severely injured when the train ran into a landslide near Gibson station. Moore saw the danger ahead and jumped, but was caught by the falling engine and imprisoned nearly three hours while a gang of men exerted every energy to release him. Engineer Moore stuck to his post and escaped uninjured.

## County Trying to Recover Funds.

At Columbus suit has been brought against the bondsmen of ex-County Treasurer James W. Lynch to recover \$30,000 in which he is still in default. Lynch served two terms and each set of his bondsmen is sued for the full amount, evidently on account of the inability of the county attorney to determine when the default took place.

## A Mania for Committing Crime.

Forty-four years on earth and 20 years of that time in state penitentiaries is the record of Harry King, now under arrest in Omaha awaiting trial on a charge of larceny. This, too, without taking into account the innumerable sentences he has served in city and county jails and reformatory institutions.

## Street Fair for South Omaha.

A street fair, beginning July 2 and ending July 13, will be held at South Omaha. Aside from a largely inhabited midway, it is proposed to have one or more bull fights as attractions. As Gov. Savage is not only a South Omaha man, but an oldtime plainsman, no opposition is expected from him.

## Burned by Exploding Chemicals.

Herbert Lound, a drug clerk at Winside, was compounding a prescription for horse medicine in which chlorate of potash was an ingredient. He undertook to pulverize it in a mortar and an explosion resulted. Both eyes and one hand were burned and his whole face was singed.

## On a Salary Basis.

The Nebraska supreme court has upheld the validity of the law placing clerks of the district court upon a fixed salary instead of allowing clerks to retain fees. The law was enacted two years ago, but was attacked on the ground that it was not regularly passed.

## Promotion for Lincoln Man.

Frank M. Woodward, of Lincoln, has been promoted to \$1,800 and made chief clerk of the agricultural division of the census office in Washington.

## Lives to a Great Age.

Death recently removed one of the remarkable characters of Humboldt, Mrs. Mary Chaffin, aged 93. She left 128 descendants.

## Gov. Savage Will Speak.

Gov. Savage has been secured by the G. A. R. post at Beatrice as the orator for Decoration day.

## Must Attend Teachers' Institutes.

A new law passed by the legislature places United States history among the requirements for a third grade certificate; reduces the number of third grade certificates to which one person is entitled from three to two; makes attendance at teachers' county institutes compulsory; and after July 1, 1903, requires a knowledge of the elements of agriculture for a second grade certificate.

## License Fight at Humboldt.

The city administration-elect at Humboldt is in favor of license and the retiring council last week sought to prevent the establishment of saloons there by repealing the license ordinance, working on the theory that the new board cannot enact because the council will be evenly divided and the mayor, while a license advocate, has no vote on the passage of an ordinance.

## Large Increase in Deposits.

The second quarterly report of the Nebraska state banking board shows an increase of deposits in the state banks of more than 25 per cent, compared with the second quarter of the previous year. The secretary of the board asserts that the country banks are fairly running over with money, the heaviest depositors being farmers who now have money to lend.

## Caught in the Quicksand.

As a funeral procession crossed the Loup river bridge near Columbus a team of horses was discovered floundering in the quicksand below the bridge. All the men with the team could do was to keep the nostrils of the horses above the water until help from the procession reached them. The team would have perished very soon if help had not come.

## New Schoolhouse at Lincoln.

It has been decided that the proposition to vote \$80,000 in school bonds was legally carried at the recent election in Lincoln. The money is to be expended for the erection of new school buildings and additions to present buildings according to a general plan of location which has already been agreed upon by the board and published.

## Victim of Peculiar Accident.

Mrs. W. B. Barrett, of Seward, while walking across the room, accidentally caught the heel of her shoe in the carpet, throwing her violently to the floor and breaking her arm.

## Child Falls on Shears.

Near Hildreth the baby child of George Rice fell with its face on the open points of a pair of shears, the blades penetrating the brain between the eyes, killing the child instantly.

## Sold for \$50 an Acre.

Fred Marconitt bought of George W. Cornett 434 acres in the Little Nemaha river bottom near Auburn, paying \$21,787 therefor. The land is almost without improvements.

## Wagon Ran Over Him.

Henry Huff, a prominent farmer 4 1/2 miles northeast of Pleasanton, was accidentally thrown from his wagon and the wheels passing over his body crushed the life out of him.

## York Council Accepts Park.

Citizens of York purchased and donated a park to the municipality, which has been accepted by the council. A board of park commissioners was appointed.

## A Plea for Books.

The chaplain of the state prison has made a plea for books and magazines for the penitentiary library, for all of the 4,000 volumes were lost in the fire.

## Big Land Deal at Blair.

Soren Jensen, one of the wealthy farmers of Washington county, bought the Stewart stock farm a mile north of Blair for \$34,875. It consists of 775 acres.

## Child Ate Hollyhock Seed.

The three-year-old child of Neal Page, living near Wahoo, died from poisoning, the result of eating hollyhock seed.

## Bad Fire at Fairmont.

A blaze at one o'clock at night destroyed the Reesor block at Fairmont, occupied by several business houses and offices. The loss is \$25,000.

## Opera House Project at Columbus.

A project is on foot to build a \$15,000 opera house at Columbus by the formation of a local stock company, shares to sell at \$500 each.

## Dead at the Age of 93.

Ezra Mitchell, one of the pioneers of Nebraska, died at Weeping Water, aged 93, a victim of smallpox. He had resided in that vicinity 40 years.

## Wisner Votes Water Bonds.

At a special election citizens of Wisner voted \$3,500 bonds to extend the present water system.

## PLAN NEW BRIDGE.

Eastern Capitalists Buy Winner Piers at Kansas City and Will Erect a Three-Deck Structure Across Missouri River.

Kansas City, Mo., April 19.—The Winner bridge piers across the Missouri river here, and all of the property of the Kansas City & Atlantic Railway company were sold under mortgage at Harlem for \$100,000 to Theodore C. Bates, of Worcester, Mass.

After the sale has been confirmed Mr. Bates will go ahead with his long-cherished plan of completing the bridge and building a union depot in the north end. The syndicate of which Mr. Bates is the head has gained possession of some extremely valuable railroad and terminal property, but it will be unprofitable to the syndicate unless it is improved and put on a going basis. Mr. Bates says that the bridge can be finished in six months after the contract is let and the new company proposes to let the contract this summer. On one point Mr. Bates is positive—the bridge is to be finished soon. Plans have been prepared for a three-deck steel superstructure for the piers. The superstructure will cost \$1,000,000 and will have a draw span. The bridge will have two tracks for steam railroads, a 28-foot roadway for vehicles and street car lines and a separate passageway for foot passengers.

## INVENTS ARMY RATION.

Mrs. L. O. Ferson, of Chicago, Patents a Condensed Pork and Bean Biscuit Which Attracts Attention.

Chicago, April 19.—Mrs. L. O. Ferson has invented a condensed food, or emergency ration, which is said to possess great merit. The Japanese government has negotiated for a supply, and the Russian government also has investigated the food. Lieut. Evelyn Baldwin has ordered 30,000 pounds of it for use on his polar expedition, while the United States government, Mrs. Ferson expects, will give it a test. The new condensed food, Mrs. Ferson explained last night, is a simple compound of pork and beans, compressed into a cake. Unlike pemmican and other compressed foods, there is nothing at all unpleasant in its appearance, the inventor says, and it is not unpalatable. Mrs. Ferson is a graduate of Vassar, and prior to coming to Chicago resided at Council Bluffs, Ia.

## SIX YEARS OF DROUGHT.

Whole Districts of Australia Have Been Depopulated and 50,000,000 Sheep Have Perished.

London, April 19.—It is unfortunately not true that the great six years' drought in Australia has broken up. Rain has fallen in many parts of New South Wales, but only scantily, and in central Queensland and the north and northwestern portions of New South Wales the drought is still as severe as ever. In the meantime the sheep industry in Queensland has been brought to a desperate pitch. Runs of 250,000 sheep have been reduced to 5,000, and whole townships in Queensland and New South Wales have had no rain for two years, and the sheep have been reduced in six years by some 50,000,000.

## TO CLEAR HIS RECORD.

President McKinley Is to Appoint Russell B. Harrison a Major of Volunteers in the Regular Army.

Washington, April 19.—President McKinley has decided to appoint Russell B. Harrison a major in the volunteer army. It is said Maj. Harrison will serve in this capacity until June 30, the date on which all volunteer commissions expire, and he will then be given a commission in the regular army. The appointment is practically a reinstatement, and this action will be taken by the president for the purpose of removing any stigma that now rests upon the military record of Maj. Harrison and the Harrison family generally.

## LARGEST IN THE WORLD.

Anti-Trust Match Factory at Terre Haute Will Have Capacity of 150,000,000 Matches a Day.

Terre Haute, Ind., April 19.—It is now disclosed that a large building just completed and supposed to be a warehouse for a cereal food mill is to be the largest match factory in the world, is to be anti-trust, and is to be in operation by June 1, and for which the machinery has arrived from Germany. The factory will have a capacity of 150,000,000 matches a day.

## EMPRESS' PALACE BURNED.

Von Walderssee's Magnificent Headquarters at Pekin in Ruins and One of His Staff Incinerated.

Washington, April 19.—The state department has received a cablegram from Mr. Quire, charge d'affaires at Pekin, confirming the report that the empress' palace, occupied by Count von Walderssee, was totally destroyed by fire and that a member of Count von Walderssee's staff was burned to death.

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## NERVOUS PROSTRATION.

"For two years I suffered from nervous prostration, the result of female weakness. I had leucorrhoea very badly, and at time of menstruation would be obliged to go to bed. Also suffered with headaches, pain across back, and in lower part of abdomen. I was so discouraged. I had read of Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound, and concluded to give it a trial. I wrote to Mrs. Pinkham, and received a very nice letter in return. I began at once the use of her Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier, and am now feeling splendid. I have no more pain at monthly periods, can do my own work, and have gained ten pounds. I would not be without your Vegetable Compound. It is a splendid medicine. I am very thankful for what it has done for me."—Mrs. J. W. J., 70 Carolina Ave., Jamaica Plain, Mass.

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