

THE BEST NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Roll of Greenbacks Unearthed.

While some children were playing in the dirt near the scene of the railroad wreck a short distance from the town of Hubbell, they unearthed a roll of greenbacks which measured four inches through. They were so badly decomposed by their contact with the earth that they were falling to pieces. By the use of a powerful glass one of them was found to be of \$1,000 denomination. The money will be sent to Washington. The Hubbell wreck occurred 15 years ago. The wreck was planned with the intention of robbery, and a man by the name of Vorhees was sent to the penitentiary for the crime. The theory is advanced that he stole the money at the time of the wreck and buried it.

Reunion at Hastings.

Preparations are being made by the local committee for the entertainment of all visitors at Hastings during the state Grand Army reunion, which will be held in that city August 26 to 31. Among other things secured for the benefit and comfort of the visitors is a mammoth tent, which will be put up on the grounds and chairs and settees will be placed in it. Camp Lawton is finally located on high rolling prairie just north of the city and is an ideal spot for camping and drilling.

Nebraska in Hall of Fame.

State Superintendent Fowler has been asked to submit names of two men to represent Nebraska in the Hall of Fame at the Louisiana Purchase exposition. It is the desire of the exposition authorities to select the names of those who rendered the most distinguished and valuable service for their state. All living men are barred. Mr. Fowler requests pioneer and early settlers of Nebraska to suggest names of men who, in their opinion, are entitled to a place in the hall.

Nebraska City Stays "Open."

Mayor Mattes, of Nebraska City, announced Saturday that the proclamation in regard to Sunday closing, which was issued over a week ago, would not be enforced Sunday. The announcement came as a surprise to a large majority of the citizens, as he declared emphatically all through the week that he would enforce the order to the letter until the members of the Law and Order league, who were in reality responsible for the proclamation, had had enough.

Fatal Results of a Storm.

A thunder and hailstorm occurred a few miles northwest of Alliance Saturday. J. S. Warner, manager of the county poor farm, while hoeing in a garden, was struck on the temple by lightning and instantly killed. Eldredge Wells, the 12-year-old son of J. A. Wells, was caught out in the storm with a team and so badly battered by the hail that he has been under a physician's care since.

May Sue for Damages.

It is said the family of J. B. Gooch, the engineer who was killed near Tecumseh two weeks ago by going through a bridge with the traction engine outfit, will put in a big bill for damages against the county. There seems to be a difference of opinion as to whether Gooch took proper precautions of planking the bridge before attempting to cross with his heavy load.

Pullis Soon to Get Commission.

Charles C. Pullis, of Lincoln, who was recently recommended by the president for a lieutenant's commission in the regular establishment, has returned from the Philippine islands, where he served as captain of company E, of the Fortieth volunteers. He has successfully passed the examination and in a few days he will go to Washington to receive his commission.

Gov. Savage Wants to Know.

Two more convicts escaped from the penitentiary at an early hour Saturday morning by scaling the walls and dropping to the ground on the outside. The men are Ed Kennedy and Henry Sadler, both short term prisoners working in the bakery at night. Gov. Savage has begun an investigation of the numerous escapes recently.

Ranchman's Son Fatally Hurt.

While Earl Pettijohn, the 14-year-old son of a ranchman at Long Pine, was driving cattle at the stock yards, a steer struck him in the abdomen. The injury resulted in peritonitis, causing his death.

Wesleyan Debt Raised.

The debt of \$72,000 on Wesleyan university at Lincoln has been subscribed in full and the school will not be closed. Bishop McCabe is given credit for raising the sum.

Aid for the County Fair.

The Douglas County Agricultural society is to receive \$3,250 from the county in aid of its fair, to be held at Omaha in conjunction with the Ak-Sar-Ben carnival.

Plain Talk by Dr. Parkhurst.

At the Nebraska Epworth assembly, held at Lincoln the past week, some of the best pulpits orators of the country were on the programme. Rev. Dr. Parkhurst, of Chicago, who had charge of the Bible exposition department, delivered a sensational address on what he declared was the disregard of women of the present day of wifely duties. He took for his subject "Godless Motherhood," from Genesis vi., 1-7. He spoke strongly against women marrying without accepting all the sacred obligations of wedlock. God, he said, instituted marriage as the foundation of the home, and a married woman who deliberately refused to have children committed legalized adultery. Dr. Parkhurst said he had no sympathy with the so-called Christian women who wished to assist in the conversion of heathen children, but murdered their own offspring. A rising vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Parkhurst in appreciation of what was declared his courageous presentation of the truth.

Severe Storm in Gosper County.

A terrific wind, rain and hailstorm swept over Gosper county. The rain varied from one to five inches and caused much damage, while the hail fell so thick in spots that it formed cakes of ice a foot thick. Four miles north of Elwood a tornado passed through the country, leveling the buildings on the farms of Mose Tucker and Matt Lux. Grain in stacks was scattered for miles about the country and horses and cattle were picked up and dashed about like toys. On the Lux farm, a wagon tongue was driven squarely through one of the largest trees on the place.

Discordant Church Factions United.

Negotiations which have been pending for several months resulted in a reconciliation of the two discordant branches of the Christian church at Lincoln. Reorganized, the church has over 500 members. It will continue under the name of the First Christian church and steps have been already taken toward the construction of a temple at Fourteenth and M streets on the lots which D. E. Thompson offered to donate to the city as a site for the Carnegie library. The ground was purchased recently by the church for \$4,000.

Thief Gets a Good Haul.

A sneakthief entered Attorney M. A. Hartigan's house at Hastings the other night, and, after making his way to Hartigan's sleeping room he carried off the gentleman's trousers, which contained over \$50 in currency and \$4 or \$5 in silver. The thief took plenty of time and was somewhat particular, as he left the pocketbook and a plugged dime on the refrigerator, where he stopped to partake of refreshments before departing.

Windstorm at Kearney.

A terrific wind and rainstorm struck Kearney about 8:30 Saturday evening and continued in its fury fully three-quarters of an hour. Plateglass windows were blown in, numerous outbuildings blown over and chimneys blown down. Many trees were blown down and limbs and boards scattered promiscuously. Trees became entangled with the electric light wires and the city was put in darkness.

School Money Invested.

Records of the state treasurer's office show that there is \$4,582,977.47 of permanent school money invested in interest-bearing bonds. The revenue on this investment aggregates 3 1/2 per cent, and all money so derived is credited to the temporary school fund, which is apportioned twice each year among the schools of the state.

Mrs. Knapp Burned to Death.

Mrs. Ed Knapp, of Nemaha, accidentally broke a jug of gasoline in a cave at her home and the ground was soaked with oil. Later in the day she had occasion to go into the cave and, as it was dark, struck a match, which ignited the gas. She ran out in the air, but did not extinguish the flames until fatally burned.

New Masonic Lodge at Wausa.

Grand Master Evans, of Dakota City, and Grand Custodian French, of Kearney, instituted Wausa lodge No. 251 at Wausa. About 100 masons were present from neighboring towns.

Big Land Deal in Lincoln County.

The Union Pacific has sold to a syndicate of Milwaukee capitalists 50,000 acres of grazing land in Lincoln county, near the Gothersburg canal.

Curs Kill Young Lady.

Miss Lizzie Smith was struck by a passenger train at a crossing in a big cut south of Tekamah and instantly killed.

Small Bruise Causes Lockjaw.

Bert Ferris, of Grand Island, fell on a picket and bruised his hand. Blood poison set in and he died of lockjaw.

STILL NEEDS THE ARMY.

Gen. MacArthur Gives an Interesting Report on the Conditions in the Philippines Up to June 30, 1901.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The annual report of Maj. Gen. MacArthur, dated July 4, 1901, the day that he relinquished command of the division of the Philippines, has been received at the war department. The period covered by the report is from October 1, 1900, when the last report from Gen. MacArthur was dated. He reviews the policy of the Filipinos, who were hostile to the Americans, saying that their action since the practical collapse of the insurrection has been a perplexing problem. With the disbandment of the insurgent field armies the Filipinos organized desperate resistance by banding the people together in support of the guerrillas. Gen. MacArthur reviews the manner in which operations were carried on against these guerrillas and says he hopes the policy adopted will in time conciliate the natives and make them friendly to the United States. Gen. MacArthur says the proclamation issued December 20, firmly declaring the intention of the United States to hold the islands and to have the laws obeyed, had a good effect and the secret resistance was much abated.

A considerable portion of the report is devoted to the field operations of the army, showing that on October 1, 1900, it occupied 413 stations, which was of necessity increased to 920 stations, every command being in contact with some hostile force. Gen. MacArthur gives the following statistics from May 5, 1900, to June 30, 1901 (during which time there were 1,206 contacts between American troops and insurgents), which show the casualties on both sides: Americans—killed, 245; wounded, 490; captured, 118; missing, 20. Insurgents—killed, 2,845; wounded, 1,193; captured, 6,572; surrendered, 23,095. During the same period, the following material was captured or surrendered from the insurgents: Rifles, 15,693; rifle ammunition, 296,265 rounds; revolvers, 869; bolos, 3,516; cannon, 122; cannon ammunition, 10,270 rounds.

Gen. MacArthur gives a brief capitulation of the conditions in different provinces and says that at present the molding force in the islands must be a well-organized army and navy. "Anything," he says, "in the immediate future calculated to impede the activity or a reduction of the efficiency of these instruments will not only be a menace to the present, but put in jeopardy the entire future of American possibilities in the archipelago." Gen. MacArthur says the capture of Aguinaldo may be regarded as the most momentous single event of the year.

FOUTZ MUST DIE.

Private Soldier Who Stabbed to Death a Filipino Girl Gets No Mercy from the President.

Washington, Aug. 9.—For the first time since the outbreak of the Spanish war President McKinley has approved the death sentence in the case of an enlisted man. The case is that of Private Phineas Foutz, company K, Nineteenth infantry. This soldier was convicted by general court-martial at Cebu, P. I., of the murder of Ceneviva Torres, a native Filipino girl, by stabbing her to death with a sword cane in her home at Mandaue, Cebu. The court sentenced the accused to be hanged. The case being one requiring the action of the president, he confirmed the sentence and directs its execution at such time and place as may be designated by the commanding general, Department of the Visayas, Philippine islands.

WOODS MAY LOSE IT.

A Contest Filed on the Homestead of the Grasping Individual Who Crowded Out Miss Beals.

Fort Sill, Ok., Aug. 9.—John R. Woods made the mistake of his life, apparently, when he attempted to gobble the 160 acres of land running the entire length of the Lawton townsite. John L. Calvert, of Guthrie, one of the oldest lawyers in the territory, filed contest papers at the land office. Associated with him is C. H. Drake and 500 persons who are doing business on McCoy avenue. The petition recites that Woods violated both the spirit and the letter of the homestead act. He entered under the homestead law for a piece of agricultural property at a time when 1,000 persons had established themselves in business in the adjoining townsite.

Monument to Ex-President Harrison. Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 9.—The Harrison monument commission has \$30,000 in the fund and hopes to raise \$150,000 to \$250,000 when the style of the structure has been determined. Members of the commission incline toward a memorial arch to cost \$200,000.

School-Teachers Pass Honolulu. Honolulu, July 31.—The United States transport Thomas, having on board over 500 school-teachers bound for the Philippines, arrived here today from San Francisco. She will take coal here and will probably continue her journey on August 2.

THOUSANDS DROWNED.

The Yangtze River in China Overflowed, Causing an Immense Loss of Life.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 8.—Great floods, caused by the overflowing of the Yangtze, have caused the deaths of many thousands in China. The river has risen 40 feet and for hundreds of miles the country is a great lake with only the tops of trees and an occasional roof showing. At Anking the town is flooded, some of the houses to their roofs. At Kin Kiang the native town is flooded and two feet of water stands in the foreign settlement. Lower down the river towards Wu Hu the destruction was greater and boatmen estimate that 20,000 were drowned in that district. Cheng Teh was wiped away by flood and 10,000 drowned there and many other points have been inundated, involving awful loss of life and great destruction of property. It was feared that the embankments built by Chong Chih Tung, near Wu Chang, would break and if it did floods would drown hundreds of thousands.

TO RESTORE THE FARMS.

House of Commons Will Vote Nearly Thirty Million Dollars for Building Up the Transvaal Colonies.

London, Aug. 8.—The house of commons discussed a vote of £6,500,000 as a grant in aid of the Transvaal and Orange river colonies. Mr. Chamberlain said he quite agreed that the government's first duty was the relief of the loyalists, and he declared that no money would be spared for that purpose. "It is also a matter of imperial policy," continued the colonial secretary, "to give the necessary support to those of our enemies who come into our hands. One million of the vote is for extra rolling stock. A large sum will be devoted to reinstating the Boers on their farms, and an experiment will be made in the direction of agricultural settlements."

ALL DEBTS WIPED OUT.

Eighty-Fifth Annual Report of the Congregational Educational Society Shows Advancement for the Past Year.

Boston, Aug. 8.—The eighty-fifth annual report of the Congregational Educational society was made public Wednesday. It states that greater sums have been raised in the west than before, and that the society has given considerably more to academies and missions than last year, and has paid all outstanding claims, is clear of debt and has a small working balance.

A GUNBOAT TO COLON.

United States Will See That the Revolutionary Movements in Colombia Do Not Stop Isthmus Traffic.

Washington, Aug. 8.—The navy department has ordered the gunboat Machias, now at Boston, to proceed to Hampton Roads and thence to Colon, at the eastern terminus of the Panama railroad, to look after American interests there. This is in connection with the reports of disturbances and interruption of traffic at the isthmus.

A BIG CONCERN.

Kansas City Stock Yards Company Makes Application for an Increase of Capital to \$8,250,000.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 8.—Notice of increase of the capital stock of the Kansas City Stock Yards company from \$7,500,000 to \$8,250,000 was filed with the recorder of deeds Wednesday. The notice states that the assets of the company are \$8,500,000, not including the capital stock, and that the liabilities are only \$750,000.

Three Parties to Fuse in Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 8.—Meetings were held yesterday evening by the democratic, populist and free silver republican state central committees and fusion of the three parties was practically agreed upon, the state conventions of all being fixed for September 17 at Lincoln. W. J. Bryan addressed the democratic and populist committees and spoke strongly for fusion.

Want Prohibitionists to Leave City.

Fort Scott, Kan., Aug. 8.—At a mass meeting here Tuesday night, which was attended by 3,000 people, the chairman was induced to appoint a committee of 50 to see to the execution of a resolution adopted demanding that those who are insisting upon the enforcement of the prohibitory law leave the city.

Fifty Horses Burned to Death.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 8.—Fire broke out at 2:50 o'clock Wednesday morning at the Oregon livery and feed stables at the northwest corner of Sixth and Couch streets, and the structure was destroyed. About 50 horses were burned to death.

Number of Filipino Captives.

Washington, Aug. 8.—The total number of insurgents in the Philippines captured or surrendered from the beginning of the war up to June 18, 1901, aggregate 41,020. No record has been made of the number of natives killed.

IOWA REPUBLICANS.

A. B. Cummins, of Des Moines, Nominated for Governor—What the Platform Contains.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Aug. 8.—With the following ticket the republicans of Iowa will go into the next campaign: Governor, A. B. Cummins, of Des Moines; lieutenant governor, John Herriott, of Stuart; judge of the supreme court, S. M. Weaver, of Iowa Falls; railroad commissioner, E. C. Brown, of Sheldon; superintendent of public instruction, R. C. Barrett, of Osage.

Cummins swept the board. He and his followers took everything that they went for and from the first rap of the gavel to the putting out of the lights there was no time when they did not have the situation well in hand.

At 11:15 the convention was called to order by Chairman Weaver, of the state central committee. At the conclusion of the invocation by Rev. S.



ALBERT B. CUMMINS.

B. McCormick, of this city, Chairman Weaver introduced J. C. Davis, of Keokuk, as the temporary chairman. Mr. Davis, in accepting the position, delivered an address which was well received. The greatest outburst of applause that greeted Mr. Davis' remarks followed his assertions that the Nicaragua canal should be constructed on American soil and protected by American fortifications and American guns. So vigorous a cheer of approval greeted the speaker as he spoke that there could be no doubt of the stand assumed by Iowa republicans on the canal subject.

The platform indorses the McKinley administration and views with satisfaction the work of the Fifty-fifth congress; opposes disfranchisement of negroes; favors protection to home industries and the policy of reciprocity; asserts the right of the people to regulate large corporations; favors giving more power to the interstate commerce commission to regulate railroad rate making; views with pride the course of its representatives in congress and indorses the administration of Gov. Shaw.

WORK OF EX-CONVICTS.

Police Have a Theory That the Big Smelter Robbery Was Hatched in State Prison.

San Francisco, Aug. 8.—The daring and skillfully-executed robbery of the Selby smelting works at Crockett or Vallejo junction still puzzles the police and no clew has been obtained as to the whereabouts of the \$280,000 in gold bullion which was taken from the vault. It is now the theory of the police that some of the plunder is secreted in the hills back of the smelting works. A great effort is being made to learn the movements of Dick Phelan, a paroled convict who is under suspicion. A search warrant was obtained at midnight and a sloop lying off the Contra Costa shore was searched but no trace of the gold was found.

There is a theory that the plot was hatched in the state prison at San Quentin, and attention has been called to the fact that "Sir" Harry Westwood Cooper, the notorious convict, went to the neighborhood of the smelting works immediately after his release from the penitentiary. Dick Phelan, the man whom the detectives suspect, was in prison with Cooper. He appeared in Crockett immediately after his release and hung around there for several days and then disappeared. The clues so far obtained strengthen the suspicion that Phelan, the paroled convict, may be the man wanted.

NEGROES AIDED WHITES.

Cremating of a Negro at Enterprise, Ala., for Heinous Offense Participated In by Both Races.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 8.—John Wesley Pennington, a negro, was burned at the stake near Enterprise, Ala., before a crowd of 500 enraged and determined citizens of Coffee county yesterday. The mob was composed of both whites and blacks. Pennington had committed a brutal assault upon Mrs. J. C. Davis, the wife of one of the most prominent farmers of Coffee county, and confessed his guilt. The crime was committed Tuesday afternoon while Mrs. Davis was gathering vegetables in her garden. She was choked into insensibility and left lying in the garden.