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RED CLOUD. - NEBRASKA

Carrier pigeons are largely used in the German army, which has the most complete pigeon service in the world. Hardly any German town of import ance is without its pigeon loft, and the kaiser distributes numerous prizes for long and rapid flights.

The duke of York will be the nineteenth English prince of Wales, if that title be finally conferred upon him. It is, of course, impossible that he can break his father's record as heir to the crown. The present King Edward VII. was heir-apparent for ten weeks over fifty-nine years.

One of the most notable feats of memory recorded in the past century was that of Col. Chorretie, an English sportsman. The well-known Englishman once learned by heart, for a bet, the whole of the London Morning Post of a particular day, and repeated every word of it, including the advertise-

A St. Louis man stood in the rain and watched three street cars pass him without so much as hesitating. When the fourth came along he heaved a stone through a window, and it stopped. Then he climbed aboard. The conductor had him arrested, but the police judge, after having fined him, remitted the fine out of heartfelt sym-

Near Pere Marquette, Mich, an old for several years in the stump of a tree. The tree was a great linden that bills. had been sawed off about fifteen feet from the ground, and the old man has used the skill of his craft to make the interior of his strange abode comforthas both door and window.

Recently the king of the Belgians £6,000. It will contain three roomsa parlor, a bedroom and a servants room-and will develop a speed of forty-five miles an hour. Since he has become an automobilist King Leopold has discovered that most of the Belgian high roads are in a deplorable condition, and he has had some of them repaired at his own expense.

Probably the only man who ever revenue cutter service, who died the committee work. other day. Rear-Admiral Thomas U. Selfridge, however, has been on the in 1804, was appointed a midshipman in 1818, participated in the official on the retired list since 1863.

are engaged in investigating cases of voluntary multilation practiced by a band of quacks and sharpers in the district of Quercy on young conscripts. By means of a bandage these quacks rate their transfer to the auxiliary services. Each of these operations brought the operator a fee of from 1,000 to 1,500f.

An epidemic of suicide appears to be one of the evil results of the Paris Paris is very large at present, and the Nobody was injured. chief cause is thought to be the general retrenchment following the exposition, which has thrown many people out of work. Throughout France, however, suicide seems to have been increasing for some time. In the five years ended January 1, 1901, the number of suicides was no less than 27,000.

The largest sign in the world is being erected on the factories of a sewing machine company at Elizabeth, N. J. It is to be 683 feet long and 15 feet Verdi. high; is of the wire screen order, and upon the screen are to be wooden lettle or bobbin, will be the size of an or- to 199 votes. dianary rowboat. The sign will weigh about fifty tons. The wooden letters will all have been carved by hand,

Pressed steel freight cars have come into general use within a very few not bind the future government. years. Now, with the design of making passenger cars more durable, builders are making the experiment of punitive expeditions of Indian troops covering them with copper. They say the South American roads will wel- pedition will advance about the end of diality since, owing to the destructive Aden. climate, their cars now have to be covered with mahogany, which is not Korea, with Japanese support, desired so enduring but is almost as expensive to borrow 5,000,000 yen, mortgaging as copper. To the traveling public its custom receipts as security thereeverywhere the interior of the cars is for, to purchase shares of the Seoulthe more important consideration. Ev- Foran railway; that the Russian reperyone has more or less fragrant memories of ears that were much too enduring.

A sad romance of avarice has just come to light at Ferrol. A man named Antonio Varela Brandaris, living in the utmost misery, had been missed from his usual haunts and on the hovel which he occupied being entered, his dead body was found lying on the floor in a decomposed condition. A dector certified that death must have taken place three days before at least, and that it had been caused mainly by want. In the hut were bonds, title sion flower, and referred the matter deeds, and money representing a total to the committee on education. walue of £25,000.

TELEPHONE RATES

The Senate Places a Charge Bill on File.

IT MAKES A ONE-QUARTER REDUCTION

Three Bills Go to the Governor for Approval - House Kills Tax Deed Bill-Committee Reports.

A Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 28 dispatch

Both houses of the legislature were quiet and sedate yesterday. The senate spent the entiae day receiving committee reports and passing bills and listening to bills on first and second reading. Quite a number of house bills came up for first reading. A bill for a 25 per cent reduction in telephone rates was reported with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, but the senate rejected the report and placed the bill on the reneral file. Those who favored its postponement argued that many independent or mutual telephone companies were operating in this state at cost and could not stand a reduction. The bills passed included Trompen's bill making it unlawful for any one to buy or sell the carcasses of swine that have annum and three deputies at a saldied of disease. The bodies must be ary of seventy-five dollars per buried or barned. Steele's bill in the month with traveling expenses, and form of a new military code for the one secretary at a salary of seventy-militia and Nebraska national guard five dollars per menth. The provision was passed. The others provide for deputy county attorneys in Lancaster Near Pere Marquette, Mich, an old and Douglas counties and lor appeal man, an ex-cabinet maker, has lived in cases of forcible detention of real property. The two latter are kouse

> The following bills were reported enrolled and were taken to the goversor for his approval: House roll 38 by Fowler, making it

able and even luxurious. The stump the duty of land owners to destroy weeds on public highways.

House roll 89, by Warner, providing for county examinations of applicants ordered a motor gypsy van to cost for admission to the Peru normal school.

> House roll 204, by Swanson, to transfer the state sinking fund to the general fund and to provide for the eredit of this fund direct hereafter.

The house passed bills all the morning, sending through a number of chickens is school bills. The bill for tax deeds one mouth. was killed.

The committee on public lands and buildings reported what improvements drew a salary after he was 100 years are needed at the Norfolk hospital. An old was Capt. Francis Martin, of the early adjournment was taken to permit

Murder and Jail Escape.

There was great sensation in the navy pay-roll for 83 years. He was born city of Paris, Ill., the other day. Parby Toller, a notorious character of Brockton, a neighboring town, had a sorrow expressed by the navy when quarrel with Charles Boswell, in which once. George II. died in 1822, and has been Toller crushed in the skull of Boswell with a brick, causing his death. Toller was lodged in jail, but succeded in The magistrates of Moissac, France, making h s escape, though a sheriff's osse is in pursuit of him.

Shriners at Kansas City

The party of 160 Mystic Shriners. headed by Lou B. Winsor, imperial produced anchylosis of the toes, caus- patentate of the United States, en ing infirmities that necessitated the route to Honolulu, were in Kansas City discharge of the young men, or at any on the 20th, and were given a reception at the Coates hotel by the local members of the order.

Fire in Chicago Hotel.

One hundred guests of the Rober hotel on Robey and West Madison streets, Chicago, were thrown into a panie by a fire which partially de-Exposition. The number of suicides in stroyed the building. Loss, \$50,000.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Spain's queen regent signed a decree appointing Rear Admiral Cervera to be a vice admiral.

Vice Admiral Cyprian Bridge has been selected to succeed Sir Edward Seymour as chief of the China station. The remains of Verdi, the composer,

were removed with much ceremony from the cemetery at Milan to the home for aged musicians, founded by

The house of commons, after a lengthy debate, passed the second readters nine feet high and four feet wide, ing of the bill restricting the work The trademark of the company, a shut- of miners to eight hours daily by 312

The scheme of relations between the United States and Cuba was publiely approved last Wednesday by the constitutional convention, however, clearly proves that its action would

It is reported that the British government has decided to dispatch strong against the Ogaden Somails. The excome the innovation with special cor- March from Berber, on the Gulf of

> Information comes from Seoul that resentative in Korea, M. l'abloff, believing the road to be unprofitable. prevented the transaction.

Best Kind of Advertisement. Burglars recently broke into a store at Centerville, Mo., but did not take anything. The storekeeper at once advertised lavishly, saying his prices were so low it would not pay any one to steal his goods.

Arkansas Checking State Flower. Arkaness legislators could not decide whether the state flower should be an apple blossom, cotton blossom or pas-

THE LEGISLATURE.

LINCOLN, March 1 .- The surprise of the day yesterday was the appointment of a sifting committee. It aroused a storm of protests in the senate.

It is not customary to appoint such a committee until late in the session. As the republican caucus had nothing to say about the selection, some of the members are inclined to object and there is talk of an effort to secure a reconsideration of the motion. Some objection is also made to the action of the lieutenant governor because he ignored all the active second term repub-

licans in the senate. McCarger, of Saline, is the only second term member on the committee but he has never been regarded as an active worker. The second term members who were ignored in the selection were Currie, Owens, Allen, Arenda and Newell.

Though many object because of the manner in which it was appointed and not because of the personnel of the committee, it is not certain that any effort will be made to reconsider the

appointment. The house yesterday listened to standing committee reports and in the afternoon spent the entire time with the game bill. This was not finished and it will come up for further consideration the next time the house goes into committee of the whole. As far as the house has gone, it has approved the sections for two game wardens at a salary of \$1,200 per against having game birds in one's pessession was approved as was the provision making it necessary to secure permission to hunt on the premises of any person. The proposition in the nature of amendment of the bill, making it illegal to shoot quail at any season was under discussion when the

committee rose and was not settled. The bill makes it necessary for sportsmen to secure licenses to hunt except in their own countles and specifies how many birds may be transported by any person person, the number to be indorsed on the hunter's license, the provision being that the hunter must travel on the same train with the birds. No game is allowed to be transported in any other manner. Market hunting is thus prohibited en tirely. The open season on prairie chickens is made two months and quail

Woolen Mills Burned.

The woolen mills at Lacon, thirty miles north of Peoria, Ill., the principal industry of that town, were burned to the ground. All the stock and machinery were lost. The damage is variously estimated at from \$35,000 to \$40,000, with insurance of \$25,000. The mills were owned by John Grieves & bons, and were established thirty years ago. The company will rebuild at

To Launch Torpedo Boat.

On next Saturday one of the new torpedo boat destroyers at, built by cisco, will be launched This boat, which has heretofore been known as torpedo boat destroyer No. 12, will be named the Preble, in honor of Commodore Preble. It will be christened by Miss Ethel Letitia Preble of North Berkeley, who is a decendent of Commodore Preble.

Only the Captain Drowned. The British steamer Chamois, which

was in collision near Newarp lightship, three miles east of Yarmouth, has arrived at Gravesend in tow. She is considerably damaged and her forepeak is full of water. The vessel with which the Chamois collided was the Britis steomer Samuel Laing. The latter foundered and her captain was drowned. The rest of her crew are on board the Chamois.

Dies in Electric Chair.

With no diminution of the wonderful nerve that has been characteristic of the man since the time of apprehension for the premeditated murder of Charle Lane last August, Rosslyn Ferrell, walked calmly to the electric thair of the Ohie penitentiary at Columbus and expisted his crime.

Many Checks Stolen.

Checks to an estimated value of \$75,-500 have been stolen from various live stock firms with offices in the exchange building at the stock yards in Chicago. The thief, whose operations have covered periods of a week, has so far eluded the police, as well as the private detectives employed by the company.

Murderer Dies in Flames.

A farmer named Henry Wren, living near Denison, Ia., murdered his son William, aged twenty-one, and set fire to the house and all farm buildings, He then kept neighbors away at the point of a revolver and died in the

Self-Inflicted Wounds Kill.

A Toledo, O., dispatch says: Thomas H. McLean, manager of the Toledo Traction company, died of pueumonia, superintended by wounds in his throat, self-inflicted last Saturday.

Socialists Arrested.

A Buda Pesth, dispatch says: Two well known socialists caused excitement in the lower house of the diet by showering from the gallery a number of pamphlets entitled, "Bread and the rights of the people." The socialists were arrested.

Strike of Longshoremen.

The strike of the longshoremen at Marseilles, France, continues, The wharves are deserted and merchandise is accumulating in the sheds awaiting shipment, while the dock laborers are idling in the vicinity.

LEGISLATIVE LORE

Work of the State Senate and the House.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SESSIONS HOT

Warm Discussion in the Upper Chamber Over a Bill--High Wave of Anger Sadly Wrecks Dignity of that Body-House Debate.

Lincoln, March 2 .- While in commitcee of the whole late in the day yesterday the senate dug down into the bills on general file to award the bill asking an appropriation for two new normal schools, but did not succeed in getting much deeper than the bill making an appropriation of \$75,500 for a new building at Peru normal school. This latter bill was recommended for passage without objection from any quar-

A bill to regulate fraternal insurance companies, known as the fraternal congress bill was indefinitely postponed on recommendation of the insurance committee. The same bill was

killed in the house some time ago. The charter bill for cities having not less than 5,000 and not more than 20,-900 inhabitants, was committed for amendment on motion of Senator Haramendment for the safe keeping of

city funds. The house has decided to appoint a sifting committee. A motion made by Laffin of Gage yesterday afternoon provided for the appointment and the speaker, in whom the appointing power s vested, says he will probably make the names public on Monday. Mr. Laflin will undoubtedly be chairman. The members feel that it is a trifle early for the appointment of such a committee but as the action had already been taken by the senate, some of the representatives wanted to get the matter disposed of at once for fear that it might at some time come up unexpectedly in the house when those who are keeping close tab on legislation and in a manner directing it might be map

Lincoln, March 4 .- A wave of anger swept over the senate Saturday forenoon, culminating in several wordy encounters, during which Ransom of at the Peru normal school, and one ex-Douglas gave notice that he would ask empting town, precinct and school offifor a time for the trial of Owens of cers from the provisions of the elec-Dawson for words used on the floor of tion law commonly called the corrupt the senate, and at one time President practice act. Steele ordered the floor cleared of all but members of the senate. All this turmoil grew out of a report signed by three members of the judiciary committee recommending the indefinite postponement os senate file No. 108, a bill by Martin to fix the salary of the phases. McCarthy of Dixon offered clerk of the clerk of the supreme court an amendment providing that no more

In the storm that followed this report Owens and Ransom crossed swords repeatedly. Crounse, of Washington, resented an intimation from Currie that he sought to smother the bill. Martin, of Richardson, scored Ransom and Crounse and several other opponents of the bill, and later questioned Clerk Herdman in open session. This unusual procedure created a scene of excitement, The answer given by Mr. Herdman placed Martin in the position of asserting an untruth, much to his embarrassment until an explanation brought out the fact that each misanderstood the other. Politics was dragged into the discussion al grounds and the argument consumand the question of placing the clerk of the supreme court on a salary was in a measure made a political issue. As a result of all the time and oratory spent the entire forenoon was taken up and an adjournment was taken on the report of the committee.

The members of the house had subject up for discussion Saturday that promised well for sensations. It came through the consideration of a bill in committee of the whole providing that only incorporated religious societies shall have their property exempted from taxation. The bill merely adds the word "incorporated" to the present law which exempts the property of all religious organizations. After a considerable talk the real intent of the bill came out.

McCarthy of Dixon said the measure would compel the incorporation of churches of all denominations which desired to take advantage of the act and would prevent one man from holding title personally to all the property in his church in his diocese. The remarks were directed towards the Catholic church and the one man to whom Mr. McCarthy referred was the bishop. It came out later in the discussion that the power of holding title to the property is a great assistance in the controversies that have occurred between the bishop and members of the church congregations. Examples were cited to show this by Coppoc of Holt. During his remarks Mr. McCarthy, who is himself a Catholie, took a decided stand in favor of the bill.

Fire in Lexington Hotel. Fire in the Phoenix hotel at Lexington, Ky., caused a panic among the guests of the hotel, but all got out of

aned to Meglone's clothing store, which sustained a loss of \$50,000. Damage to the hotel is \$10,000. Fall Breaks His Neck. W. C. Clark, recretary of state of Colorado in 1876, tripped while coming down the stairs in the Ward block at Denver. He fell to the bottom, break-

CONTEST BECOMING FIERCE

Senate Still Debating the Normal Schools

Lincoln, March 6.-The flercest fight waged over a bill in many years is going on in the senate. A bill authorizing the location of two new normal schools, one in the Fifth and the other in the Sixth congressional district carrying an appropriation of \$100,000. is championed by Allen of Furnas and ably supported by Currie of Custer and other members. The opposition is led by Crounse of Washington, Harlan of York, Young of Stanton and Oleson of Cuming. Senator Arends of Otoe, chairman of the committee on finance, ways and means, has also taken part with the opposition.

The bill has already passed the house. following closely upon the heels of a bill appropriating \$75,000 for a new building at the Peru normal school. This latter bill glided through the senate yesterday with practically no opposition, but the fight on the two new school bills is still on. Both sides make charges and counted charges.

Those who champion the bill deny all this and allege that two new schools are demanded as the just due of the western part of the state, where the young people are practically deprived of educational facilities offered by the state in the eastern part, that a dozen or more private normal schools have men here lobbying to kill the bill in order to cut off competition, that these schools are able to hire able lawyers to help them in their fight, and that members of the senate have threatened to injure other state institutions if this bill is lan for the purpose of adding an not defeated. The supporters of the bill believe they have enough votes to pass the bill, but they charge the opposition with endeavoring to kill it by amendments or by dilatory tactics. Both sides occasionaly inject a little polities into the debate.

An amendment adopted in the committee of the whole yesterday substitutes the board of public lands and buildings for the state board of education as the body to select the sites. A fight will be made on this when It comes before the senate for adoption. If the amendment is adopted the bill will have to go back to the house and there run the chance of being killed O'The senate indefinitely postponed Martin's bill placing the clerk of the supreme court on a salary of \$2,500 year and requiring all fees to be turned into the state treasury, five or six republicans and a majority of the fusionists voting in the affirmative.

Six bills were passed by the senate. among the number being the bill to appropriate \$75,000 for a new building

The house committee of the whole had a desertation on constitutional law yesterday. The senate bill providing for the appointment of mine commissioners of the supreme court was talked over at length in all its at \$2,500 a year, and to require all fees than five of the commissioners shall be appointed from the majority party in the state and no more than four from the minority parties. This was opposed by the fusionists as a partisan measure and it was said on their part that they hoped the bill would go through without any poliities in it. The amendment was adopted by a party vote after the republicans explained that the action was no more than proper in such a bill as it was the duty of any party passing the bill to so distribute the commissioners as the people would distribute them were the proposition submitted to them. Whitmore of Hamliton opposed the bill from constitutioned a great deal of time. The measure was finally agreed upon and recommended for final passage.

> Suffrage for the Women By a vote of fifty-two to thirty-five the lower house of the Indiana legislature adopted the Neal joint resolution for a constitutional amendment providing for women suffrage in this state. After the vote a motion to reconsider was voted down to finally clinch the matter. Mr. Neal says he has canvassed the senate on the proposition and has assurances that the resolution will be adopted.

Stere Burned. F. W. Wurzburg's department store, occupying the entire five story Grinnell block at Grand Rapids, Mich., was damaged to the extent of \$25,000 by fire. It is fully insured. The fire caught from the furnace. Last summer the basement was flooded and \$10,-000 damage done by the breaking of a city water main. A few weeks ago Mr. Wurtzburg made an assignment for \$90,000.

McCook Residence Burned. Mrs. Amelia Rider's residence in West McCook, Nebr., was totally destroyed by fire. Loss, \$800, insurance, \$600. Mrs. Rider lives in Crete, this state. The renter, I. M. Smith, lost about \$300 on household goods, fully covered by insurance.

Mills to Besume Work. The McKenna steel mills at Joliet, Ili., after an idle...ss of two months, will resume work.

Mellowing Mask meleas in Southern Italy In southern Italy musk melons are at best much inferior to the American fruit, lacking the sweetness and flavor of our fruit. Strange to say, however, the building safely. The fire was conthis inferior melon, when saved for winter consumption, becomes of an excellent flavor. The melons are pulled from the vines while green and hung in the open air until winter, when they are eaten. The melon treated thus becomes not only far superior to the ripe fruit of summer, but equal to the American melon in sweetness and ing his neck. Mr, Clark was sixty-

ONE DEATH IN THE FIRE

Life Term Convict Prefers Death to Serving Term.

One life was lost in the penitentiary fire, George Pfluger, a life term convict, was suffocated in a cell. He was released with the other convicts Asthey walked out of the burning cell house he stepped to one side. Unnoticed, he made his way back to the cells and laid down in one of them. With his face down he awaited death, which came quickly. He was missed just before daylight by the convicts who were being herded in the open court. They informed the guards that he was absent and a search was made of the ruins. During the morning hours his remains were found.

He had not gone back to his own cell but had stepped into one in another part of the building. It is believed that he deliberately committed suicide. He was sent up from Cuming county eight years ago for killing his wife. It is said that during all this time he has never uttered a word. He shunned the companionship of other convicts, and was morose, and for these reasons he was quickly missed sooner than others might have been.

The loss to the state by the burning of the old cell house and the administration building cannot be accurately estimated. To rebuild such a building as ib needed to take the place of the old ones will cost in the neighborhood of . \$250,006. These estimates are placed by those familiar with the cost of medern prison buildings. It is conceded that the state should never again house convicts in an inflammable

Members of the state board do not sonaider it necessary to send any of the convicts to be cared for in other state penitentiaries. Unless something unforsees happens to bause a change in the plans the prisoners will be kept in the new cell house until a new one is constructed. It may be possible for the legislature to provide for fitting up that building with eells and other prison furniture se that it may be used permanently. This house was never equipped with cells and was rarely used for any purpose. As all the shops and power house are unharmed the prison routine will be conducted as usual as soon as the prisoners are settled in their living quarters.

VETERANS WILL MARCH.

Dispute Over Inaugural Parade Agreeably Settled.

The dispute between the inaugural committee and the war veterans over the matter of precedence in the inaugural parade has resulted in a compromise by which the veterans will take part in the ceremonies. At a conterence between Secretary Root, General Greene, grand marshal of the parade, and Gen. D. E. Sickles, it was decided that the local and visiting Grand Army veterans will form the honorary escort to the president from the white house to the capitol on the fourth of March

MRS. NATION BACK IN JAIL

sed to Remain Until A

Carrie Nation, the Kansas joint smasher, has returned to Topeka from Peoria, Ill., where she went to edit a newspaper for a day. She went at once to the county jail, where she gave herself over to custody. The \$2,000 bond which Mrs. Nation was required to give before she left the city was

Killed by City Marshal.

April term of the district court.

canceled. Her trial comes up at the

While resisting arrest at Cantrall, Ill., John Golden, a miner, was shot and instantly killed by George Johnson, city marshal and formerly marshal at Olive Hill, Ky. After committing the act Jonnson gave himself up and was placed in jail, awaiting the verdict of the coroner's jury. Golden, while intoxicated, was creating a disturbance, when Johnson arrested him. On arrival at the prison Golden showed fight and in a scuffle Johnson drew a revelver and fired. The ball entered Golden's back and death resulted in half an hour.

To Make War on Grasshoppers.

Professor Bruner of the state university, spoke at Trenton, Neb., on the destruction of grasshoppers and chinch-bugs. For the past three years the grasshoppers have been the cause of almost total failue of crops, but the last two years the farmers have been using paris green and a machine called the hopper catcher with good effect and this year with the aid of Professor Bruner will, by hard, constant work succeed in destroying what remain.

Fire in Confectionery Store.

The stock of confectionery, canned goods and eigars, belonging to T. A. Clements, at Wilbur. Neb., was almost tetally ruined by fire, and his restaurant furnishings badly damaged by smoke. It is insured for \$800 in the Seward Mutual company. This sum will not cover the loss. The damage to the building, which belongs to Frank Janauch, is not serious, and is covered by insurance. The fire started from s eigar stub and smouldered all night.

More Meacy for Library.

Hen. C. H. Hackley, the millionaire lumberman of Muskegon, Mich., offered the board of education \$25,000 for the enlargement of the Hackley public library, which was originally presented to the city by him at a cost of \$125,000 and to which he subsequently added an endowment fund of 75,000.

Fire at Baltimore.

The extensive establishment of Herschberg, Hollander & Co., dealers in paints and oils, at Baltimore, Md. burned, entailing a loss of \$100,000.