

Red Cloud Chief.

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RED CLOUD, NEBRASKA

Young King Alfonso seems to regard Spain as quite a neat plaything.

A man who is too poor to own an automobile escapes the danger of driving one.

Many a man would rather give his wife \$200,000 (if he had it) than go shopping.

On second consideration the French have decided not to have a revolution at this time.

If the Boer generals like to hear shouting let them wait until they come to this country.

The latest combination naturally leads to the inquiry, "What shall the harvester harvest be?"

In Venezuela the rebels want to be the government a while and to let the other fellows be the rebels.

The boy who wants to be like Tracy should seriously reflect whether he would like to end like Tracy.

And poor old William Waldorf Astor didn't even have a chance to stand outside and hold the horses.

Experience has shown that it is possible to organize a trust so big that one human brain can't manage it.

The new "inconspicuous" uniforms of our soldiers will not serve to make their deeds of daring less noticeable.

A Philadelphia man has been asleep ten days. Nothing like the profound quiet of that town to induce slumber.

Those who have investigated the noiseless mosquito say it is fully equipped in all its business departments.

The Fair relatives have been so busy quarrelling over the \$10,000,000 estate that they have had no time to shed tears.

A leading American actress has just ordered fifteen wonderful Paris gowns for the elevation of the drama next winter.

It is said that the Chinese, although a musical people, have no national air. Mr. Sousa should promptly remedy this deficiency.

By this time King Edward should be well enough accustomed to his new crown to leave it on the hatrack when he goes in to dinner.

The man who has bought Santos-Dumont's airship now has a chance to get his news in the papers—and maybe on a tombstone, too.

Young Willie K. Vanderbilt says he's going to quit being an automobile searcher. He must know of some other fast game that is less dangerous.

One of the old settlers says Chicago is derived from an Indian word meaning strong. Perhaps the Indians got their first impression from the stockyards.

The crown that King Edward wore for a short time may be worth \$4,500,000, but there is no question that a 50-cent hammock hat is much more comfortable.

A man in Topeka went to a dentist to have a tooth filled and robbed the dentist of all his gold. Evidently the dentist didn't properly kill the patient's nerve.

Commend us to the Paris Matin for journalistic gallantry. The only thing "doing" in the world of continental news, and the story killed at the request of a woman!

No father of a 5-year-old will say that the \$10,000 just paid by a New Jersey street railway company for causing the loss of a little girl's hand in a trolley car accident was too much.

A Japanese philanthropist is to the fore with the discovery that the leaf of the coffee plant, rolled in a cigarette and smoked, will produce an intense dislike for tobacco. Smokers should take warning.

The king of Sweden threw off his coat the other day and assisted in rescuing twenty-three persons from drowning. He is the kind of king that would have thrown off his crown had he happened to have it on at the time.

The refusal of the government to give back to Spain artillery taken in Cuba "has created a bad impression in Madrid." Considerable anxiety will be aroused throughout America when this is generally known.

A corn crop of fully 2,500,000,000 bushels is now assured, thus making certain that there will be enough corn for making whiskey, with a lot left for those who prefer corn bread.

Much interest is displayed among the brethren of the road in the case of the Lockport man who eats, drinks and sleeps at one and the same time.

Dr. Bourcart, the Swiss minister to London, has refused to come to Washington. It will now be necessary for Washington to go to the mountain.

ISLAND IS SHAKEN

Mindanao, of Philippine Group, Feels Earthquake

DISTURBANCE VERY SEVERE

Falling Walls Kill Twenty Natives—American Soldiers Escape Injury—Military Situation in Territory Is Quiet—Other News

The war department Wednesday received a cablegram from General Chaffee, at Manila, reporting the occurrence of a series of earthquakes on the island of Mindanao. Twenty persons were killed by falling walls, the victims all being Moros. The Americans in the vicinity escaped and the dispatch says there were no reports that any of the soldiers occupying that portion of the island affected sustained any injuries. The upheaval occurred, presumably, about five days ago, in the country adjacent to the lake of Lanao, in the Moro section of the island, near Camp Vickers, which is now the headquarters of the American forces stationed in Mindanao. General Chaffee says the mountains and rivers were considerably disturbed and much damage done. This is the first serious earthquake reported from that country during American occupation of the Philippines. The most important previous was in 1872 in Mindanao, closely following the eruption of the volcano of Makaturin. General Chaffee also cabled that the military situation in that section remains quiet and unchanged.

WEATHER BAD FOR RICE

Prospects for Good Yield of Japan's Staple Product Is Gloomy

The extraordinary weather this year in Japan makes the prospects of a good rice crop—the main food of the people—very gloomy. The thermometer has hardly reached 80 degrees in the open, and has been generally dodging around 65 to 75 degrees. Heavy rain has been falling, culminating in typhoons on July 10 and 11. The wind blew at hurricane velocity, the rivers rose six and eight feet, embankments were carried away, whole villages were inundated and the reports of loss of life and damage to property are daily growing. Luckily the rain, which is so dangerous there, fell at the right time in Korea. A magnificent crop of barley, which has already been harvested, together with full rice fields, will put Koreans in an enviable position.

MUST STAY ABOARD

Chinese Not Allowed to Land Pending Treasury Decision

A San Francisco, Cal., August 27, dispatch says: The 250 Chinese intended for the crew of the Pacific mail steamer Korea arrived here on the steamer Gaelic. Collector of Customs Stratton has again notified the steamship company that the Chinese must be detained on the Gaelic and not even allowed to go into the detention shed, pending a final decision in the case by the secretary of the treasury and the commissioner general of immigration. The sailors' union of the Pacific has entered a strong protest against the transfer of these Chinese to the Korea. The union contends that Chinese cannot be transferred to the Korea without bringing them ashore to be signed before the United States shipping commission, and that the act of bringing them ashore would constitute a violation of the Chinese exclusion act.

Escaped for a Purpose

Ton O'Brien, an escaped convict from the Montana state prison, has written the authorities that a statement of the crime for which he was incarcerated be made public. He says that his only object in escaping was to kill Deputy Morgan, whose testimony convicted him. The letter states it was written behind a rock while the writer was surrounded by officers. The hand writing has been identified.

Castro Refuses Portfolio

Fernandez Castor, ex-civil governor of Havana and leader of the autonomist party, has declined the secretaryship of agriculture in Palma's cabinet, made vacant by the resignation of Emilio Terry. Palma has offered the portfolio to his brother-in-law, General Rius Rivera, collector of customs at Havana.

Spain Figuring on Loans

A council of the Spanish ministers will hear the report of the ministerial sub-committee on the possibility of Spain opening negotiations with New York bankers for the re-establishment of a bill of credit system on the bank of Spain in New York. It is understood in Madrid that a Wall street syndicate has offered to open a credit for a million pesetas provided the interest is paid quarterly.

Boers Agree on Division

The Boer leaders are so satisfied with the progress of the settlement of affairs that they will not need to return to the continent after they visit England. An agreement has been reached among them as to the disposal of the money now held by Former President Kruger and Dr. Leyds. What this agreement is, is not yet known.

DECLARE IT A TRUST

Action Against Master Plumbers Association at Kansas City

The master plumbers' association is declared to be a trust operating in violation of the Missouri anti-trust law in a petition filed at Kansas City Wednesday in the circuit court by R. Young, a local plumber, who alleges that his business has been ruined by members of the combine who have refused to sell him supplies because he was not a member. Young asks \$20,000 damages.

THEY CAN DO SOME

Postmasters Can Dip Just a Little Into Politics

The ethics of "political activity" on the part of postmasters has been expounded by Assistant Postmaster General Wynne, who has answered an inquiring government official, who wanted to know if he had a right to act as a delegate to a convention. "You are not prohibited from joining a political club nor making voluntary financial contributions outside of the government building, nor from acting as a delegate to a county, state or congressional convention," says Wynne's letter. "You should not, however, serve as chairman of a state or county committee, nor take an active part in conducting a political convention, nor make yourself unduly prominent in local political matters."

HIGGINSON'S REPORT

Advices Installation of Wireless Outfit on Every Vessel

The navy department has made public Admiral Higginson's report on the capture by his squadron of the vessels under Commander Pillsbury. The admiral says Pillsbury's fleet was deficient in speed, but his evasion of the outside scouts and arrival on the coast undetected was very creditable to him. The result of the operation, the admiral says, was to gather very valuable information for the intelligence office concerning the capabilities for defense and means of communication along the New England coast from Cape Cod to Portland. He urges the establishment of all naval vessels, regardless of expense, of a wireless outfit.

BODY IS RECOVERED

River Gives up the Remains of Superintendent C. P. Olson

A message received at Burlington headquarters at Lincoln, Wednesday afternoon, gave the information that the body of C. P. Olson, the late superintendent of bridges, who was drowned Monday at Burlington, had been recovered. Ever since the accident occurred the search has been vigorously prosecuted. At noon Wednesday the river gave up its dead, and the remains were found at Montrose, twenty-three miles below Burlington. The body will be brought to Lincoln.

COULDN'T TOUCH US

No Danger of Foreign Fleet Getting Foothold Along Long Island

According to advices received at the war department, the shore defenses of Long Island sound, at Newport, New London and Narragansett have been put in such good condition in anticipation of the coming maneuvers that, if actual war was impending, and if the United States navy co-operated, they would be absolutely impregnable to the attacks of the combined navies of the world. Such is Major General MacArthur's opinion after a careful inspection of the forts defending that stretch of coast.

The Smiths Were There

The Holstein, Ia., fair, which opened Wednesday had a novel attraction for its first day in the nature of a reunion of the great Smith family. This is the first reunion of the kind ever held. An invitation was extended to every man, woman or child named Smith, Smythe, Smyth, Schmidt, Schmitt or Schmid. Some of every denomination were there and much merriment was the result. The fair management gave premiums to the homeliest Smith, the handsomest Smith, the tallest Smith, the shortest Smith, the oldest Smith, the youngest Smith, the largest Smith, and the smallest Smith.

To Get Clear Title

Attorney-General Knox called for Europe Wednesday on the oceanic. "I am going abroad for the purpose of obtaining a clear title to the property of the Panama Canal company," said Mr. Knox. "I shall also investigate the treaty between the Panama Canal company and the Colombian government, which is to be transferred to us. I have no doubt that everything will go through all right."

Drowned at Battle Creek

Five employes of the Battle Creek, Mich., sanitarium, nurses, probationers and stenographers, were drowned at Lake Gogone Wednesday evening as a result of a collision between the steamer Welcome and a rowboat containing a party of young people. Five girls had been out for a row about the lake with a young man and were returning to the sanitarium villa.

J. H. Harley Injured

J. H. Harley, a well-known Lincoln druggist, suffered a broken leg and possibly internal injuries Wednesday forenoon at Malcolm. The horse he was driving took fright at a hand car, turned suddenly about, upset the carriage and threw Mr. Harley violently to the earth. His left leg was broken just above the ankle.

A Fatal Fight

Lizzie Hall, twenty-six years old, and Joseph Campbell are dead and an unknown man is dying in Bellvue hospital, New York, as the result, the police say, of a quarrel in the woman's apartments. According to the police, the two men entered the apartments and the quarrel ensued, during which four shots were fired.

Nebraskans for Navy

The academic board of the naval academy at Annapolis have recommended that the following be accepted as having passed their mental examinations for admission as midshipmen: Class of 1906—E. A. Wallason, Illinois; M. F. Dreimal, Nebraska; S. A. Taffindor, Illinois. After firing two ineffectual shots at his wife, Dora, and his step-daughter, Lillian Choen, David Segal killed himself, says a Boston dispatch. It is said his mind was unbalanced.

MORTALITY LARGE

Cholera Strengthening Its Grip in the Far East

THE PEST IS SPREADING

Outbreak Extending Farther Than Ever Before—Java the Worst Stricken, and People Dying by the Hundreds Daily—Other News

A Victoria, B. C., August 28, dispatch says: The epidemic of cholera is reaching alarming proportions on the other side of the Pacific, the outbreak extending further and having more victims than ever before reported.

It extends from the island of Java to Japan, and almost every city on the coast and many from the interior are affected. The disease, too, is being contracted by Europeans as well as natives. In Hong Kong, from the first of the outbreak to August 6, there had been 525 cases, six of the patients being Europeans, and 511 deaths, of whom four were Europeans.

In Tien Tsin, the last report placed the number of cases for the year at 1,049 and 764 deaths, within the city walls, and 1,015 cases and 593 deaths outside the city walls. In other places in China the proportion of cases and deaths is just as great.

A dispatch says hundreds have died in Java. A writer from Kuelin Kwansi province says:

"I write from a city stricken with a violent epidemic of cholera. People are dying by hundreds daily. Outside the city over 1,000 have died. Whole families are reported to have died."

In Japan the disease is working fearful havoc.

RECEIVES HIM KINDLY

The Dowager Empress of China Greets Commissioner Barrett

A Tacoma, Wash., August 28, dispatch states: Oriental advices just received state that the audience granted at Peking by the emperor and empress dowager of China to John Barrett, commissioner general for the St. Louis world's fair, was exceptionally notable and remarkable. It was the first time in the history of the Chinese court that their majesties have ever received any commissioner from a foreign land on a similar mission, but this innovation was followed by a still more striking one. At the conclusion of addresses the empress dowager, in violation of all precedents, invited the minister and commissioner to ascend the throne dais, where she engaged them in private conversation through a high official. After asking many questions about America, the president and the world's fair, she stated that China would take part and send an imperial commissioner in order to promote the commerce and the friendly relations of both countries, and particularly requested Mr. Barrett to convey to President Roosevelt China's deep appreciation of the generous attitude of the United States toward that country during the recent troubles.

RAINS ARE TIMELY

Falling Moisture Saves Lower California From Becoming a Waste

Timely and abundant rains, the first for three years, have saved the southern end of the territory of lower California from being a barren waste. J. W. C. Maxwell, who has arrived at San Francisco from the Mexican coast on the steamer Curacao, reports that up to the time the steamer left Cape San Lucas, at the very extremity of the peninsula, over six inches of rain had fallen during the last few weeks.

The creeks and arroyos were full and many canyons which had been like furnaces for many months had running streams.

Early this year there was a large exodus of people from the barren districts, only the men remaining, in order to guard their lands, in the hope that rain would fall and prevent a total loss of their small holdings.

ARMY GETS READY

Prepares to Demonstrate the Safety of Long Island Sound Cities

A dispatch says: The entrance to Long Island sound is on a complete war footing and the army is prepared to show that it is next to impossible for an invading fleet to force a passage and move down upon New York and the other cities along the sound coast. The statement was made this morning by General MacArthur, who commands the army that is to repel the attack of the navy, maneuvers beginning Friday night. Upon the signal corps under Gen. Greeley falls the chief work at present. Gen. MacArthur went off shore this morning on his yacht Kanawa to direct further target practice today at the forts. Searchlight practice is being maintained at night from the various forts, making the sound as bright as Broadway at night. Admiral Higginson has proceeded to sea.

Swimmer Holbein, who stated to swim the English channel from Cape Grinez to Dover, was taken from the water off Dover parade, one mile from shore Thursday morning. Frank Holmes, of Birmingham, started at 5 o'clock this morning to swim from the English side, but six miles out was seized with sickness and abandoned the attempt.

The western tide was very strong and impeded Holbein, who was too exhausted to complete the last three-quarters of a mile. He had been in the water twenty-two hours and twenty-one minutes.

MAY IMPEACH PALMA

Charges May Arise From Certain Executive Concessions

Charges against President Palma, arising from certain executive concessions, preferred by the house, have been prepared and printed and impeachment proceedings against the president are liable to be sprung any day. The anti-Palma element is canvassing the senate. The president and Minister Squires are holding daily conferences on the matter. The specifications have been handed to Squires. Neither will speak for publication.

The state department announces that although it is in daily communication with Minister Squires it has not been advised of any crisis in Cuban governmental affairs, or of any effort being made to impeach President Palma.

ELIMINATE THE NEGRO

North Carolina Republicans Declare for White Rule

A Charlotte, N. C., August 28, dispatch states: The republican state convention met at Greensboro today and endorsed the candidacy of Thomas H. Hill, of Halifax, independent, for chief justice of the supreme court, and left blank the positions of associate justices. The convention adopted a resolution accepting the constitutional amendment of disfranchisement, and binding the party not to contest the amendment's constitutionality.

The convention was composed entirely of white men. Contesting delegations of negroes were in every instance defeated. Chairman Charles Price, of Salisbury, made a speech congratulating the republican party on the elimination of the negro from politics in North Carolina, saying that they were now released from "the body of death."

BADLY BURNED

Young Man Steps Into a Tank of Red Hot Grease

J. D. L. South, an employe of the Lincoln Gas & Electric company, Lincoln, Neb., was the victim of a peculiar accident. He was putting in a pipe at the power house when the forman called him to make some repairs on a boiler. It was very dark there and to reach the corner where the boiler was stationed it was necessary to walk along a pipe about a foot wide. Accidentally slipping, his right foot plunged into a tank of hot grease. This tank is being continually filled with hot water and refuse from the engine, finding its way to the sewer through a pipe in the bottom. The young man quickly pulled his foot out and his cries for help speedily brought other employes to his assistance.

Buried in a Winding Sheet

Burial in a winding sheet only characterized the funeral of Miss Mary Redmond Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin, of Llewellyn Park, N. J. The interment of the body in Rosedale, without a casket or a box, was a matter of private concern, the family said, and they refused to discuss it. When the hearse reached the cemetery the remains were carried to the grave and dropped below in a winding sheet. Miss Martin was twenty. The Martins are well known and wealthy.

Deposit of Asbestos

A valuable deposit of asbestos has been proved up near the Ropes gold mine, several miles from Ishpeming, Mich., and a local company has been organized to develop the find. Numerous test pits have been dug and the asbestos has been found to exist in a deposit 800 feet long by 200 feet in width. There are many thousands of tons of the mineral in sight. The fiber is worth \$40 a ton.

Hurt Himself to Death

Mrs. Eva Wendt, hysterical with fright, leaped from a window of the fourth floor of a burning flat house in New York City and was killed. Four men were injured, none seriously. Another woman, in a paroxysm of fright, severely bit the hand of a fireman who was carrying her out.

Unique Souvenirs

Laborers in the subway excavation at the corner of Lafayette and Astor Places, New York, unearthed a town crier's bell made of brass with ivory handles, a bronze powder flask and an officer's sword hilt, evidently once studded with gems and inscribed "Third New Jersey regiment, 1774."

Depots Burn

The Great Northern passenger and freight depots at Sioux Falls, S. D., burned at noon Thursday. Loss, several thousand dollars. A strong south wind was blowing and the fire department could do nothing. Considerable freight and baggage in the depots was consumed.

Cuts Throats of Children

Mrs. Reese Wagner, wife of a citizen of North Little Rock, Ark., and her two children, aged three and six years, were found dead in bed with their throats cut. It is believed Mrs. Wagner killed the children and then cut her own throat.

Letters have begun to pour into the office of State Superintendent W. K. Fowler in response to a notice that Nebraska was in need of school teachers. Thirty letters came Monday of last week from Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, and Illinois. One or two came from Chicago. One man wrote that he was working for an express company for \$50 a month, but he thought he might better his condition by coming to Nebraska and resuming his profession. The wages paid in country schools in this state range from \$30 to \$60 a month.

PATHOS IN A TRUE STORY

Mother of Little Fellow Had No Time for Petting.

The following may have bearing on the general conditions of the present day in our cities. It is a true story:

A friend of mine, a physician, has given much of his energy and scientific skill to work among poor children. One of his methods of helping them is to take them on a week's camping expedition in the country. One night as he sat around the campfire with his little friends, telling them stories, he beckoned to him one of the littlest boys, who was sitting apart from the others, and who somehow invited a "mothering" without asking for it.

"Climb up here in my lap," said the doctor, and the child did so so eagerly, snuggling to his friend with a sign of contentment.

Presently he looked up into the doctor's face and said thoughtfully, as though he had been considering the subject for some time. "My mother never holds this."

"Never holds you in her lap, you mean, Arthur?"

"No—never does." "Well, why not?"

"Dreadfully, but with entire resignation, the child answered: "She works."

Mothers, sociologists, kind people everywhere, do you hear the child's answer? He has missed not only education, good times, a pleasant home, careful bringing up, but he has also missed that small, inalienable right of children—being mothered a little in the hour when the evening shadows fall, because "she works."—James O'Donnell Bennett in Chicago Journal.

HORSE WAS A TRUE SPORT.

But It Is Doubtful If His New Owner Appreciated Him.

A shrewd old Yankee horse-trader, after years of success of a kind to make David Harum look small, got badly stuck on a nag so feeble and spiritless that it squatted like a jack-rabbit every time its ribs were touched. The new owner felt very sore, but determined to do what he could to retrieve. He invited a deacon of the village church for a ride, and himself rode the new horse. Seeing a rabbit, he jabbed the horse with his heels, and the animal promptly squatted. When the deacon inquired the cause, the trader explained that the horse had the faculties of a setter, and set whenever he saw game. A rise of partridges brought forth another manifestation, through the trader's heels; and then the deacon insisted on trading his own horse and \$50 for the sporting equine. On the way home, the deacon rode his new purchase, fording a stream, he raised his feet to keep them dry and accidentally jabbed the horse in the ribs, whereupon the animal sat down in the water, wetting the rider from feet to chest.

"What's the matter, Zeke?" called the deacon. "He can't see no birds nor rabbits now!"

"Fish, deacon," explained Zeke, solemnly. "That critter's a sport thru' and thru'!"

GAVE THE SNAP AWAY.

Embarrassment Caused by Answer of Thoughtless Youth.

A young lady who had been pouring tea at a function in a suburban New Jersey town, having toward the end of the affair become somewhat fatigued, sat down in a quiet corner of the room, where she witnessed the following incident:

A young man came in and made his way to the hostess, greeting her and apologizing for his lateness.

"Awfully glad to see you, Mr. Blank," said the hostess. "So good of you to come. And all the way from New York, too. But where is your brother?"

"I am commissioned to tender his regrets. You see, we are so busy just now that it was impossible for both of us to get away, and so we tossed up to see which of us should come."

"How nice! Such an original idea! And you won."

"No," said the young man, absently; "I lost."

Explanation of Little Value.

An editor on a daily paper has laid himself open to unkind remarks by trying to take up a collection in his office. Happening to want a small coin, he turned to a fellow-worker and asked for a quarter.

"Haven't got it, but here's a dollar," the man replied, as he tossed it over. The editor put the dollar in his pocket and immediately turned to a special writer at the next desk and said:

"Miss —, could you lend me a quarter?" Then, seeing the man from whom he had got the dollar grin, he added, hastily: "Oh, never mind; I just got a dollar from Brown."

In analyzing his conduct he said that Brown's reply that he did not have a quarter was apparently the only part of the transaction that made any impression upon him. But he is under suspicion in that office, and will probably never be able to live it down.

Work of Making Cashmere Shawls.

Cashmere shawls are made from the wool of the Cashmere goat, which lives in the Cashmere valley, Tibet and Tartary. Only the summer wool is used, and this is bleached by a preparation of rice flour. For each colored thread a different needle is used. The process is so slow that when the design is elaborate, the completion of one square inch will occupy three persons for a day, and a shawl of remarkable beauty would take this number a year for its execution.