

Red Cloud Chief.

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Nebraska Notes

The Omaha newspapers are noting a brisk movement in real estate.

It is stated that the three express companies doing business in Beatrice pay less than \$12 taxes each.

Six coyotes were killed the other morning nine miles northwest of Fremont.

Arbor day was not observed in Fremont, only a few taking the trouble to plant trees.

Nebraska City is getting in style, claiming that "Jack the Huggler" has appeared there.

A number of Nebraska towns are already arranging to celebrate the Fourth of July.

The people of Norfolk are expecting great benefits indirectly from the opening of the Rosebud agency to settlement.

The plans for the new opera house at Howells call for a building 32x100 feet, two stories high, first class in all respects.

Eight thousand dollars of school bonds of the town of Wahoo and \$2,600 school bonds of Plymouth, Neb., have been registered with the state auditor.

Over four hundred dollars' worth of eggs were shipped out of Clarkson on one local freight, and such shipments and even larger ones are becoming quite common.

William Huxtable, aged 82 years, and for twenty-four years a resident of Hastings, died suddenly of heart trouble. The remains were sent to Washington, Ill., for burial.

A. A. Clarke, manager of the Ord Creamery company, gives it out that supplies have already been ordered for the immediate rebuilding of the company's creamery that was burned recently.

The Chapman Telephone association of Chapman, Neb., has incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000. The association will operate independent telephone lines and exchanges in the vicinity of Chapman.

The business men of Grand Island have completed the organization of a commercial club. Forty members have been secured and a meeting will be called in the near future to form a permanent organization.

The Ravenna Creamery company, C. A. Clark, J. S. Clark, and J. Clark, incorporators, has filed articles of incorporation. The concern has a capital stock of \$50,000 and the principal place of business will be at Ravenna, Neb.

State Veterinarian Thomas reports that within the last two weeks he has killed ten horses affected with glanders. They were in three different localities, and on six different farms. He is keeping a close watch upon other cases.

John B. O'Connor, recently of Wymore, and a former resident of Table Rock, but who went to Colorado last year, lost a leg in a railroad accident at or near Denver, from the effects of which he soon died. He was a former freight conductor out of Wymore on the Burlington.

The Fremont papers tell of a curious movers' wagon passing through that town. Instead of the old style prairie schooner the wagon consisted of a part of an old street car bulk mounted on spoke wheels. It was heavier for the horses to pull than the regulation vehicle, but must have afforded more comfortable riding to the occupants.

George Billstein of Boone county, who was arrested for the unlawful sealing of fish in Cedar river, Garfield county, pleaded guilty to the charge filed against him by the state game warden and paid a fine of \$100 and costs, amounting in all to \$150. Billstein was arrested with a party of sealers and his nets confiscated and destroyed.

Friends of Yamashita Yashichiro, for four years a member of Mr. Bryan's household, gave him a farewell party. Yamashita has completed his course in the state university. He will go to St. Louis and after serving a time with the Japanese commission will return to Japan. In his own country he will labor for the improvement of his countrymen.

The Swozy land purchased several months ago by the state board of public lands and buildings for the state farm in connection with the Hastings insane asylum, has been paid for. The board held a meeting and issued a warrant for \$3,208 in settlement of the obligation. The farm includes 70.37 acres of choice land adjoining the asylum property.

The Civic Improvement league, that wants to make Omaha beautiful, has collided with the curbstone signs at the first onset, and unless all signs fall, the federation will have to fight a battle royal to gain its point.

At Gordon Harry Wells brought in five sacks of alfalfa seed, which he sold for \$100. He has fifteen acres of alfalfa that has been growing for several years. It is not on low land, and he expresses great confidence in the hope of extensive growing in alfalfa in northwest Nebraska if people will just keep at it.

Deputy Game Wardens Smith and Hunger have returned from a trip to Greeley Center, Acord and Spaulding. Three men guilty of sealing were fined \$100 and costs. A lot of fish were confiscated and three seines, one trammel and four dip nets were destroyed.

Plenty of work, plenty of men and plenty of money to pay them with is the condition which the building contractors of Lincoln are congratulating themselves upon. In all parts of the city houses are fairly crowding themselves upon the builders and most of them have work ahead to last them late into the fall and winter.

WINDS AND RAINS

Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri Suffer from Storms

VERY SMALL LOSS OF LIFE

One Thousand Residents of Rosedale, Kan., Were Driven from Homes by Turkey Creek Flood

A special to the Fort Worth (Tex.) Record from Cisco, Tex., says:

It is reported that many people were killed and much property and live stock was destroyed by a tornado just south of Moran, eighteen miles north of Cisco. Wires are all down and it is impossible to get particulars at this time. Relief parties did not start on account of the impassability of the roads.

At Moreland, in Shackelford county, several people are known to have been killed.

A tornado is also reported in Parker county, near Weatherford, with lives lost.

A special from Bridgeport, Okla., says a tornado passed three miles west of that place, proceeding northward. It is also reported that Cordell was visited by a tornado and that much property was destroyed, but wires are down west of Bridgeport and rumors cannot yet be verified. No loss of life has been reported.

A telephone message to the Wichita Eagle from Carmen, Okla., states that a tornado started at Helena and passed through Timberlake, extending to Alva. It cut a swath sixteen miles long and one and a half miles wide, destroying crops and some buildings at Timberlake. Damaging hail fell in that section, but no lives were lost.

A rainstorm at Kansas City, Mo., was of extraordinary severity, its most serious results being the crippling of the city water service. A thirty-inch main leading from the Turkey creek pumping station was washed out and the other main, a forty-inch pipe, was bent. If this bent main gives way the water will be shut off entirely. As it is, much of the city is without water supply and the remaining portion has a limited flow. Street cars in the city were delayed on nearly all lines by high water on the tracks.

Electric lights were shut off in a large part of the city.

A thousand people have been driven from their homes in Rosedale, Kas., and Kansas City by the overflow of Turkey creek.

Dispatches from western Missouri, many sections of Kansas and Oklahoma report heavy rain and hail. The hail damaged fruit blossoms and the rain was not needed by crops. The lowlands were already too wet for corn planting.

Machine that Did Fly

Dr. August Greth, of San Francisco, accompanied by an assistant, started in his airship on a trip to San Jose, fifty miles south. The ascent was made from the grounds in Eleventh street, near Market, where the aerial craft has been located for some time. After reaching an elevation of several hundred feet, Dr. Greth, the inventor, who acted as helmsman, caused the vessel to circle about and move in various directions, demonstrating that it was under his control. He then headed it south, almost directly against the wind, and started on a bee-line for San Jose, at which city he hoped to make a landing. The airship, obeying the force of its light motor, made good progress and was soon out of sight.

After traveling about five miles some slight derangement of the machinery was discovered and the voyagers were forced to make a landing.

Narrow Escape for Tourists

A party of eastern tourists, traveling through Yellowstone park had a narrow escape from being dashed to death in a chasm along the Golden Gate road, which leads into the park from Gardiner. A coach containing five passengers slipped over the side of a precipice. It was caught by brush and its descent stayed for an instant, during which the passengers managed to extricate themselves and escape, clinging to the rocks and brush. The stage soon fell with a crash to the bottom of the canon, 700 feet below, killing the horses and demolishing the vehicle. All the passengers were painfully bruised.

Canning Season Coming

All grades of refined sugar were advanced in New York five cents a hundred pounds.

Thieves Fire Warehouse

A big tobacco warehouse occupied by B. M. Mowery & Co. and W. R. Cooper, dealers in leaf tobacco, at Lancaster, Pa., was badly damaged by fire and its contents were practically ruined by the smoke. An examination of the place disclosed the fact that a quantity of Sumatra tobacco had been stolen and it is believed the place was set on fire to hide the robbery. There is an insurance of \$100,000 and it is believed the loss will exceed this amount.

NEBRASKA'S IRRIGATION

Preliminary Report Gives Details Regarding Acreage and Cost

The census bureau in a preliminary report on irrigation in Nebraska in 1902, says that water was artificially applied to 245,900 acres, an increase of almost 66 per cent since 1899. There were 2,952 farms irrigated and the 627 systems employed were constructed at an initial cost of \$2,463,748. This sum includes the cost of the necessary hydraulic works, and of the 1,861 miles of main canals and ditches. The increase since 1899 in number of farms is 52.8 per cent, and in total construction cost \$8.0 per cent. The average first cost per irrigated acre increased from 8.82 in 1899 to 10.02 in 1902. Of the total irrigated area, 244,689 acres were watered from streams, 200 acres from springs, and 1,021 acres from wells.

OREGON MEN CONVICTED

The Leader of Land Frauds Fined Five Thousand Dollars

The cases of Charles Cunningham, the eastern Oregon "sheep king"; Glen H. V. Saling, Shelby Jones and Dallas O'Hara, charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States government of public lands, were brought to an abrupt and unexpected conclusion at Portland by pleas of guilty being made when the defendants were arraigned in the United States district court.

Mark Shackelford was the only one to plead not guilty, and his trial was commenced later.

Cunningham, as the ringleader, was immediately sentenced to pay a fine of \$5,000. The others being considered only tools of Cunningham, were let off with a fine of \$100 in each case. None were sentenced to a term of imprisonment.

E. S. Saves \$8,000,000

The court of claims at Washington decided that duties collected on goods shipped from the United States to the Philippines after the treaty of peace with Spain and before the establishment of civil government were rightfully collected although by military authority and not by law. The decision follows the insular decision of the supreme court in that the Philippines are United States territory. The cases decided was the claim of Warner, Barnes & Co., a British corporation, which sued the United States for \$81,126. Other claims resting on exactly the same foundation aggregate between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000. By the decision this amount will be saved to the government.

Forest Fires in Wisconsin

Forest fires are burning and spreading near Tomahawk, Wis., and along the Soo railroad. Homesteaders and farmers are suffering losses through the burning of buildings.

A dispatch from Eland, Wis., says travelers from the north report the woods full of fires. A message from Eidron, a village nine miles southwest of Tomahawk, says fire is creeping up on the buildings and asks for assistance. Dispatches from northern Wisconsin tell of destructive forest fires. Several houses and barns have been burned and many persons have had to move from the path of the fire.

A Vicious Man Shot

While defending two women from the attack of the husband of one of them, Marshall Scheff, 19 years old, shot and killed Edward Cardwell, 35 years old, at Alton, Ill. Scheff surrendered to the police and is held pending an examination. According to the story told by Mrs. Cardwell and her sister, Miss Kate Layton, Cardwell, without provocation, attacked the two women with a knife. Scheff interfered and was in turn assaulted by Cardwell. Scheff drew a revolver and fired two shots, instantly killing Cardwell.

Not to Tax Parsonages

Church parsonages are not assessable. The state board of equalization decided that parsonage property came within the class exempted by the constitution and was to be considered as used exclusively for church purposes. Any other property owned by churches and not used as a church or parsonage will be subject to the same taxes as other property of the state.

New Billiard Record

James Shea broke a world's billiard record at Chicago. In an amateur three-cushion tournament he made 50 points in 49 innings. The previous record was 50 points in 51 innings. Shea's highest run was 7 in the 13th inning.

Italians Sent Home

Judge Adams, in the criminal part of the United States circuit court of New York, ordered the deportation to Italy of twenty Italians who were arrested in connection with the federal naturalization frauds. The prisoners all pleaded guilty to indictments accusing them of participation in the frauds in having forged and bogus papers in their possession. Judge Adams suspended sentence in each of the twenty cases and the men were sent to Ellis island, where they will be kept until sent back to Italy.

RUSSIA LOST 2,000

Russian General Reports Loss to His Government

HARBOR MOUTH IS CLOSED

The Japanese Make a Daylight Attack and Succeeded in Closing Up the Port Arthur Entrance

Russian losses at the battle of Kin Ljen Cheng were 2,000 men and forty officers, far greater than previous reports indicated.

This is the official statement of Major General Kashtalinsky, who directly commanded the division, that suffered the brunt of the attack and whose report was received by the czar. Many are inclined to place the Russian losses even higher. General Kashtalinsky mentions also that more than 700 wounded had arrived at Feng Wang Cheng, and these may not be included in his calculations. He made no attempt to estimate the Japanese losses—merely saying that they must have been colossal.

General Kashtalinsky's report establishes the fact that the Russians sustained the greatest loss in order to save the two regiments which were occupying An Tung.

The London Telegraph's correspondent declares that the entrance to Port Arthur is "absolutely sealed," and adds that the Japanese fleet in effecting its purpose steamed into the entrance at full speed and that the naval officers who made the two previous attempts begged permission to carry out the next attack by daylight, that being easier, and their request was granted. "So determined were they to succeed," adds the correspondent, "that they decided, if necessary, to lose half their men. The number of casualties sustained by the Japanese has not yet been announced."

It is pointed out that previous attempts had left the channel at Port Arthur so narrow that a couple of vessels sunk in the fairway would probably suffice to seal up the entrance.

The reports which have been received at Tokio of the successful blocking of the entrance to Port Arthur by the Japanese, coming on the heels of the news of the victory on the Yalu, has stirred Tokio to another popular demonstration.

Cunningham is Caught

Charles W. Cunningham, who has been a fugitive from the state penitentiary for more than four years, will return to the institution at once. Cunningham was serving a sentence for burglary and escaped while on parole in 1899. He went to Iowa and was captured there while committing a burglary, receiving a penitentiary sentence which has just expired. Governor Mickey issued a requisition on the governor of Iowa for Cunningham's return and Warden Beemer has gone to Iowa to take charge of him as he emerges from the Iowa penitentiary. Cunningham forfeited his god time allowance in the Nebraska penitentiary, and will have about two years to serve.

Wolf Scalp Grifters

Madison county commissioners are after the wolf scalp bounty people who are incidentally scalping the people as well as the wolves. Madison county pays \$2 per scalp and all surrounding counties have quit it. The result is that all of the wolves of northern Nebraska are run into Madison county and are cauged. Not all—for the mother wolves are never caught. They just barely escape each time and run away to bring up more baby wolves, whose scalps are worth just as much as the adults. The business is getting so profitable with some of them that they don't do much else but raise wolves.

Big Reservoir in Wyoming

The secretary of the interior has set aside, provisionally, the sum of \$1,000,000 for the construction of the Pathfinder reservoir on the North Platte river in Wyoming. Construction will proceed contingent upon favorable reports from engineers in the field as to various details still under consideration and particularly as to whether an adequate area of irrigable land can be found in western Nebraska. The reservoir will be of sufficient capacity to supply all of the land under it in Wyoming, but it is considered necessary to increase this area by utilizing water in western Nebraska, where there are large areas of arid and semi-arid country to which water probably can be brought.

Want Two Thousand Members

The "hustling committee" of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben are busy at Omaha. With forty automobiles they canvass the city for new members. Mayor Moores and other city officials loan dignity to the occasion by their conspicuous presence. Every business and professional man in Omaha received a call, the city having been districted, with an assignment of money changers for each district. The Knights propose to bring their membership up to 2,000 this year.

NO RECORD FOR CRESCUS

His Wichita Record Nullified by American Trotting Association

The board of appeals of the American Trotting association at a meeting in Chicago refused to recognize the record of 1:59 2/5 claimed to have been made by Crescus on the grounds of the Wichita fair association at Wichita, Kansas, last fall. The finding of the association follows:

"From the evidence submitted by the Southern Kansas Fair association, Wichita, Kas., and George M. Ketcham, Toledo, O., we find that the performance of Crescus on the grounds of the Wichita Fair association at Wichita, Kas., on the 19th of October, 1903, was not conducted in accordance with the rules of the American Trotting association, governing performances against time, and that the time of 1:59 2/5 then and there claimed to have been made by said horse is neither a record nor a bar under the said rules.

"It is therefore ordered and determined that the application to establish such record be and the same is hereby denied.

"The sworn evidence presented to the board, covering all the circumstances surrounding the affair, shows irregularity and indicates that gross fraud was attempted, not only upon this association, but against the entire public and under the rules of this association it becomes our duty to nullify the effects thereof as far as possible.

"It is therefore further ordered that the secretary be and he is hereby directed to institute an action under our rules against the said Wichita fair association, its officers, attorneys, agents and all parties participating in said performance, to the end that they show cause before this board at its next regular meeting in December, 1904, why said Wichita Fair association and its officers, agents, attorneys and all such persons should not be penalized."

Cut in Railroad Rates

Notice has been given by the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad that a rate of \$3 would be made for the round trip between Chicago and St. Paul for the convention of the Women's Catholic Order of Foresters. The reason given by the St. Paul road for the rate is the existence of a \$10 rate offered by the Burlington.

Nebraska Was Third

Walter Lewis Ferris of Beloit college, the representative of Wisconsin university, won the interstate oratorical contest at Soua Bend, Ind., with Missouri second and Nebraska third. Eleven states were represented. The winner of third place was William A. Schall of Creighton university, Nebraska. He spoke on "Ulysses S. Grant, General."

Lancaster County With Bryan

The Lancaster county democratic convention followed the wishes of W. J. Bryan and adopted a platform in accordance with his desires. J. A. Maguire was recommended as district delegate from the First district and the delegation was instructed to use every means in its power to secure his election at the Omaha convention.

Sam Parks is Dead

Sam Parks, the New York labor leader, who was sent to Sing Sing prison some months ago after his conviction on a charge of extortion, died in the prison. He had consumption at the time of his conviction and had failed rapidly since he was sent to Sing Sing.

Union is Recognized

A threatened strike of the United Railroad lines in San Francisco has been averted by the acceptance by the Carmen's union of the terms of the company submitted through Mayor Schmitz. The company agrees to recognize the union and promises not to discriminate against any of its members.

Six Feet of Snow

A snow storm which practically suspended railroad traffic at Beuna Vista, Colo., broke out anew. Six feet of snow has fallen in the mountains. While the fall has been heavy in the valleys, only six inches remains on the ground, the rest having melted.

Opened With Grand Concert

The thirty-first general conference of the Methodist church was opened at Hazard's pavilion, Los Angeles, Cal., with a grand concert rendered by a large orchestra and a chorus of 300 voices. Delegates to the conference arrived throughout the day. Sixteen special trains contained their quota.

Discovery of Nouralgia Cure

Dr. Charles B. Nacred, professor of surgery in the medical department of the University of Michigan, has performed, with apparent perfect results, a simple operation for the cure of trifacial neuralgia. The operation consists in the injection of osmic acid into the affected nerve, after its exposure, by a trivial incision. This method has been introduced only a short time, and this was its first trial at the university hospital. By "Trifacial" is meant the nerve that supplies the upper portion of the face.

SHOT AS DESERTERS

TRAGIC INCIDENT OF THE CIVIL WAR RECALLED.

Fifteen Confederate Soldiers Paid the Penalty for the Gravest of Military Crimes—Youth Granted Pardon at the Last Moment.

Strenuous and interesting stories of service with the old Orleans cadets and with Fenner's battery are told by John K. Renard, cashier of the Lagarde Lime and Stone company, who served throughout the war in the New Orleans Picayune. Speaking of the organization of Fenner's battery, he says:

"In February, 1862, Capt. Fenner addressed a letter to J. P. Benjamin, secretary of war, and received a reply to the effect that a company of light artillery would be accepted, provided Capt. Fenner furnished the battery of guns. This list was rapidly signed by those in Jackson, though they found that there were obstructions in the way of reaching New Orleans. On the 16th of May the company was mustered into service for the war.

"We saw much service before and after the fall of Vicksburg in the campaigns against Grant, finally ending up in 1863 in the vicinity of Mobile, where we built winter quarters, but never went into them, owing to orders which carried us in November to Dalton, Ga., where we arrived just in time to see our routed army return from the battle of Missionary Ridge.

"One evening in the month of April, 1864, when the battery arrived on its drill ground, located on a small flat, surrounded by hills, we observed on one side a long trench, along the margin of which were sixteen posts with ropes attached through holes about half-way to the top. During the drill an infantry squad arrived to guard the place and when the drill was finished and the guns were sent back to the camp, the cannoners remained to witness the military execution of sixteen members of a North Carolina brigade who had been arrested, tried, found guilty of desertion and ordered by Gen. Johnson to be shot.

"We had no sympathy whatever for deserters in general, but when a mere lad of tender years, who was said to be only 15 years of age, was led forward and tied there was a murmur of general dissatisfaction, coupled with cries of shame. A detail of men stepped forward to blindfold the men so soon to be hurried into the presence of their Maker, but it was noticed that the eyes of this lad were not tied and a great load was lifted from our hearts when an officer stepped to the front and read the youth's reprieve from Gen. Johnson, giving him his life and ordering him back to his parents.

"The fifteen guilty ones remaining soon had firing squads in front of them. Then a strange thing happened. As the commands were given to 'make ready' and 'take aim' with one exception their knees gave way, and by the time the muskets were fired the most of them were only supported by the ropes. The exception was a tall, heavily bearded man, said to be the leader of the party and who was at the extreme end of the line near which we were standing. This man twisted around and managed to get his right hand high enough to pull the cloth from his face. Then he straightened up in his position and died calmly while looking down the barrels of his comrades' muskets. He was an atheist and insulted the minister while being prayed for."

Designs from Living Models.

At Weimar, where, since the days of Goethe, artistic tastes have been cultivated under the patronage of the Grand Dukes, some artistically inclined ladies recently had the clever and original idea of representing a number of objects of the industrial arts by living tableaux. This idea was carried into effect with much taste and the ladies taking part in the representation were greatly applauded.

To represent, for instance, a seal in gilt bronze, two ladies clad in dresses of the color of bronze were posed, bent over a Chinese bowl, in imitation of modern industrial art, which largely makes use of the graceful female figure. Brooches, combs, tie pins, pendants, belt buckles, etc., were shown in the same way. Reduced by photography into working size, these living pictures form pretty designs for jewelry.—Jewelers' Circular Weekly.

In Celia's Garden.

When Celia seeks her garden ground,
With smiling blue above her,
The little blossoms all around
Do lift their heads to love her;
And they with kisses cool and sweet
In fond embraces linger.
At rest upon her dainty feet,
Or on her snowy finger,
Now shall a thing of green and white,
That bids her sense nor seeing,
Be held more dear in Celia's sight
Than some poor mortal being?
Shall blue and red that fades apace,
In rainy breezes rocking,
Be counted worthy Celia's grace,
And I be made her mocking?
Ye foolish buds, that all a-row
With fabled smiles cajole her,
I pray you now on me bestow
The charm that shall control her.
My heart, doth each storm survive,
Nor any frost can harden,
May flourish yet, and bloom, and thrive,
A flower in Celia's garden.
—Pall Mall Gazette.

Orchid Hunter Writes Book.

Eugene Andre, "orchid hunter" to one of the Rothschilds, has written a book about his adventures in search of this flower.

Up-to-Date Auto Expressions.

The Britishers are not going to use "chauffeur" or "garage" any more. They will say "motorman" and motor-house."