

The Chief

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The straw hat usually shows which way the wind blows.

Even beef on the hoof has apparently taken to a gallop.

The Mexican porter handles loads of 400 pounds with ease.

It has been estimated that a London fog weighs 3,000,000,000 tons.

And now the price of rice should go up, and old shoes take on a sentimental value.

There's a big difference between a man's worth as estimated by himself and as shown by his salary.

The Madrid police have at last cleared the streets of the plague of beggars, the blind alone being allowed to remain.

The man who rails most at the extravagances of fashion is usually the first to be caught by the woman who follows them.

If the peekaboo waist had not been received with such an open welcome, the director's gown might seem to have not a leg to stand on.

Rev. Forbush's opinion is that we can't afford to have hell next door, but it is understood that this does not refer to the neighborhood phonograph.

When the ocean steamer large enough to hold a half-mile track is built the racetrack people can scorn us and send back betting dope by wireless.

A granddaughter of Bismarck proposes to marry the man she loves and now European society doesn't remember when it ever got such a shock before.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with all his troubles, is better off than Mr. Asquith. He doesn't need to use the back door because an army of suffragettes is encamped on his "stoop."

As President Castro's proclamation did not succeed in driving the bubonic plague from Venezuela, he may be induced to take more sensible sanitary steps to destroy the visitor which defiles him.

The old square pianos have lost caste to such an extent that dealers no longer take them in part payment for new pianos. And they are too heavy and cumbersome to put in the attic. Their name is Ichabod.

M. Tournay, a Belgian engineer, has been commissioned by the committee for the international exhibition at Brussels in 1910 to erect a tower at Ixelles which will be much higher than the Eiffel Tower. The cost is estimated at \$240,000.

Visitors at a Paris hotel were disagreeably surprised one morning to find that the boots they had left outside their doors had been stolen by a burglar. Only one pair was left, on which was a paper with the words: "Not good enough for me."

A beautiful and appropriate gift is the chapel bell presented to Tufts College chapel bells are more devoutly and attentively listened to now than they were in the old days when student attendance at all the religious exercises was more insistent and compulsory.

A man can take a pretty girl to a baseball game and spend two hours trying to show her the difference between a foul strike and a base hit, says the New York Press, but if she's his wife and can't see the first time how much better his currency idea is than congress' he goes wild.

A new method by which the audience at a theater can show its approval or disapproval of a play without disturbing the performance is being introduced by the Italian dramatist, Traversi. Before leaving the theater every person is to drop a ticket into one of three boxes marked "good," "indifferent" and "bad."

A German scientist has discovered that bachelors are more liable to insanity than married men, and says that investigation in lunacy wards in hospitals shows that 80 per cent. of the inmates are unmarried. Everyone will agree that the man who is immune against the blandishments of the more charming sex has something radically wrong in his mentality.

In addition to other natural wealth its vast volume, it turns out that Alaska has great deposits of coal and also veins of petroleum, the quality of which is still to be tested. But there is no doubt of the immediate availability of the coal, and as the territory has had to import most of the fuel used there the importance of the find will be apparent. Alaska's possibilities apparently are just beginning to be comprehended.

Dr. Darlington, health commissioner of New York city, has been compiling and studying statistics of heart disease in this country, and says the highest death rate from this cause, 18.47, is found in Massachusetts, while Indiana has the lowest. He ascribes the increase and extent of this disease to the pace Americans are traveling. It will cause Indianans some surprise to learn that their pace is slower than that of any other state, but under the circumstances they will perhaps not wish to dispute the doctor's statement.

NEBRASKA POINTERS

STATE NEWS AND NOTES IN CONDENSED FORM.

THE PRESS, PULPIT AND PUBLIC

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska.

A special election is soon to be held in Valentine to vote bonds for water works.

The Wymore opera house has changed hands, F. E. Crawford becoming owner and manager.

The next term of the federal courts for Omaha will begin the fourth Monday in September, when both federal grand and petit juries will be assembled.

The old settlers reunion will be held in Union August 14 and 15. Excellent programs consisting of oratory, band music and sports have been prepared.

Fifty dollars reward will be paid for the arrest and detention of Fred Gardner, who broke jail at Valentine on the night of July 10, stealing a black horse and saddle to get away on.

J. W. Brooks, northeast of Beatrice, brought a small lamb from his peach orchard to the city which contained 100 peaches. He says he will have 1,000 bushels of this variety of fruit for sale this year.

In anticipation of the early establishment of the free delivery system of the Postoffice department in McCook, the city officials are arranging for a new system of naming the streets of the city.

Secretary of State Junkin has received a jar of bugs. These insects came from Hershey and along with the conignment was a note stating that the bugs ate up everything in sight. Prof. Bruner will be given a chance to catalogue the pests.

Solomon Rowe, residing east of Plattsmouth, stated that during a storm a bolt of lightning struck his residence and blew out one end of the building and ruined almost everything in it and the carpets and rugs were burned and discolored. Mrs. Rowe was badly stunned, but not injured.

The flouring mills at Genoa owned by H. E. Fonda & Bros., a plant valued at \$15,000 was burned to the ground. Mr. Tellme and E. T. Christy, the two millers, were the only occupants of the building at the start of the fire. Christy was burned to death.

As a result of the recent litigation between Clifford C. Pierce and Lester F. Wakefield of Sioux City against the Omaha, Decatur & Northern Railway company, Judge T. C. Munger of the federal court has appointed L. R. Slonecker of Omaha receiver for the railroad.

The York High school has lost a number of its most efficient teachers. Mr. Dallas, the principal, has accepted a position as principal at Sheridan, Wyo. Charles Wray, teacher of mathematics, has accepted a similar position in the High school at Ogden, Utah, and Miss Gertrude Rowen will go to Milwaukee, Wis., as teacher of history.

Charles Johnson, a young fellow about twenty-seven years old, was drowned in the Blue, between the two mill dams at Crete. In company with Fred Macca he was rowing down the swollen stream when the boat was carried by the current into a tangled clump of willows. Johnson attempted to swim ashore and was drowned.

The first annual exhibit of the Thurston County Agricultural society will be held at Bedford, September 17, 18 and 19. It is noticed that a very liberal premium list has been prepared by E. F. Chittenden, pioneer homesteader and printer of Thomas county, covering a wide field of industry and productiveness, and those who visit the fair on the dates mentioned will no doubt be as much surprised as they will be pleased by what that rapidly developing section of Nebraska is able to show.

The members of the order of the Knights of Phythias in Nebraska are planning to celebrate at Omaha on the 23d of November next, the fortieth anniversary of the organization of the first lodge west of Pennsylvania—"Nebraska No. 1"—which was instituted at Omaha in 1868. The famous "Dayton Team," consisting of 100 well drilled and uniformed Knights, has been engaged at an expense of \$4,000 to give a dramatic rendition with beautiful electrical effects of the famous play of Damon and Phythias upon which the Order is founded, and during the celebration upwards of 1,000 men will be initiated. Lodges from nearly every western state have signified their intentions to attend, and it is conservatively estimated that not less than ten thousand members of the Order will visit Omaha on that occasion.

The farmers of Adams county are jubilant over the fact that wheat yields in that section are exceeding all expectations. One farmer residing ten miles west of Hastings threshed and marketed his poorest piece of wheat, it producing twenty-five bushels per acre, which he marketed at 79 cents per bushel.

Congressman G. W. Norris of the Fifth Nebraska district, has received credentials as one of the American members of the Interparliamentary union, which holds its next sessions in Berlin, Germany, beginning September 10.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Greater or Lesser Importance Over the State.

The county assessment of Douglas county totals \$32,793,424.

Corn brought more money on the Omaha market Saturday morning, says an Omaha paper, than in Chicago—for the first time in the history of the Omaha market, according to grain dealers. On the floor of the exchange J. B. Swearingen sold eight carloads for 75 cents per bushel. It was No. 3 corn and a few minutes after the sale was closed Mr. Swearingen was offered 75 1/4 cents for 8,000 bushels. The highest price in Chicago was 74 cents.

Mrs. Amelia Barr of Plattsmouth received a telegram saying that her youngest son, aged 16 years, was drowned Sunday in Pennsylvania.

William Walter, blacksmith of Burress, a village seven miles south of Exeter, was accidentally shot with a 22-caliber rifle in the hands of his 19-year-old son, the ball passing entirely through the thickest part of his thigh, causing considerable hemorrhage and pain.

Rev. F. M. Sturdevant, for the last four years pastor of the Tecumseh Baptist church, has resigned, asking that his resignation take effect October 1. There is no discord between the pastor and the church members, rather quite the contrary. However, Rev. Mr. Sturdevant desires to make a change.

Sheriff T. W. Carroll came to Republican City from Alma and arrested Oscar Kent on a peace warrant sworn out by his wife. Kent was taken before County Judge Shelburne and placed under \$300 bonds. Kent, it is alleged, has been abusive to his wife, on more than one occasion has struck her and threatened to take her life.

While putting up hay on his father's farm near Fullerton, George N. Carter, aged 20, was overcome by the heat. When Dr. Barber arrived he found the young man's eyes set and body rapidly growing cold. He brought him to the Carter home in town and after much work was rejected to see a change for the better in Carter's condition.

At Ravenna the "fats" played the "leaves" a game of baseball and won by a score of 9-8. The proceeds of the game, nearly \$100.00 were donated to the "good roads fund." A club of fifty members has been raised and much more will be secured from time to time, as the road question is the most serious one Ravenna business men have to contend with.

A freight train No. 76, eastbound, on the Burlington ran over and killed August Crumroy of Culbertson, three-quarters of a mile east of that place. Crumroy was walking in the middle of the track and was practically ground to pieces by the engine and cars. The man was evidently very hard of hearing, as he paid no attention to repeated whistling by the locomotive.

Albert H. Evans, a liveryman of Wray, Colo., was tried before Justice of the Peace H. H. Berry of McCook charged with adultery, and was held to appear at the next term of the district court; his appearance bond being fixed at \$300. A Mrs. Brady of near Wray is the woman in the case, and the crime is alleged to have been committed at McCook, May 23, 1908.

Boston dispatch: Arthur O. Kelley of Franklin, N. H., expects to assume this fall the position of professor of biology at Doane college, Neb. Mr. Kelley is a graduate of Dartmouth, with the degrees of A. B. and A. M., and last year was an instructor in biology in that institution. Mr. Kelley comes of New Hampshire stock and is one of the most brilliant young men in that state.

The greater per cent of the wheat crop in Johnson county has been cut. Most farmers seem to think the crop will be a fair one. Corn on the hills where it has been dry enough to work is being freed from the weeds and, after a week of dry weather, the lowland corn can be worked. Some farmers who have lands on the extreme lowlands have lost their crops as a result of floods.

That Merriek county is to have a drainage ditch, constructed on scientific principles and extending the whole length of the county and reclaiming 100,000 acres of land which during every wet season like the present one are more or less useless for agricultural purposes, seems quite probable of realization if the recommendations of the government experts, who are there going over the proposed route of the ditch, are heeded.

New York dispatch: Forty-three school teachers, forty-one of them from Nebraska and thirty-nine of them women, went to Ellis Island and saw how immigrants are received. They are stopping at the Cosmopolitan hotel. I. A. Downey, state inspector of normal training in high schools in Nebraska, is in charge of the party and Mrs. Sarah Brindley is chaperon. The teachers were selected from various towns in Nebraska by school boards. They are studying pedagogy and psychology in the various places they visit.

An incident of the big flood in Wheeler county was the destruction of the dam which C. A. Stitzer was building at Ericson.

The Central City boys' band, an organization under the direction of Father Delfosse, for several years in succession a feature at the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities in Omaha, has been re-organized. After the departure of Father Delfosse for Robinson, Ill., last fall the organization of the band was dropped for a while. Now Prof. Fritz W. A. Paul, who comes from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., has been secured as

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Most Important Happenings of the Past Seven Days.

Interesting Items Gathered From all Parts of the World Condensed Into Small Space for the Benefit of Our Readers.

Miscellaneous.

Mexico is in the throes of a financial panic. Lack of free coinage of gold is blamed for the situation.

Three deaths from heat occurred at Coffeyville during the recent hot spell. Attorney General Wade Ellis of Ohio is said to be slated to succeed Milton B. Purdy as assistant attorney general of the United States.

An effort to regain possession of the thousands of acres of public school lands which have been sold in recent years is to be made by the state of Kansas. Much evidence of fraud has been secured by State Accountant Gafford.

Dr. W. A. Hemphill, accused of complicity in the death of Miss Lizzie Gleason, whose deathbed statement incriminated the physician and Rev. Clyde M. Gow, was convicted of manslaughter at Troy, Mo., and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Six persons were killed when a train on the Pennsylvania railroad struck an automobile at Columbia City, Ind. A joint board of the war department and bureau of forestry has taken up the matter of preserving the forests on military reservations.

The government is to make a military and naval exhibit at the proposed exhibition at Albuquerque, N. M. The Arab patrol of Ararat temple of Kansas City was awarded first prize in the competitive drill of the Shriners at St. Paul.

The Standard Oil company has made overtures to the administration at Washington to consent to a nominal fine in each of the cases against it, on the principle that this was its first offense. The administration's reply was an emphatic "no."

The excess of this country's exports of merchandise over imports in the 12 months ending June 30, 1908, was \$66,500,000, making a new record for a year's trade balance.

The deathbed accusation of Elizabeth Gleason, who died in Elsberry, Mo., from the effects of a criminal operation, has cost Rev. Clyde Gow his license to preach as a Methodist.

Striking miners fired on a train containing strikebreakers at Jefferson, Ala., mortally wounding a deputy marshal. Several of the strikers were also wounded. State troops have been ordered to the scene of the disturbances.

The Interstate Commerce commission reports that during 1907 the railroads of the country killed one passenger for every 1,432,631 carried, and injured one for every 67,012 carried. A total of 122,855 persons were either killed or injured during the year.

A pleasure launch carrying 75 persons was caught in a typhoon in Manila bay and 25 of those on board were drowned. Three Americans were among the lost.

In the federal court at Chicago Judge Kohlsaat handed down a decision upholding the anti-pass law and declaring that railroads could not exchange transportation for newspaper advertising.

A suit involving \$36,000,000 worth of bonds with interest has been filed in the federal court at San Francisco against the various Pacific railroad companies and E. H. Harriman.

The Democratic candidate for president and vice president have issued a joint appeal to the farmers of the country for campaign contributions.

The Krupps have bought all the rights outside of Sweden for the Uge torpedo, one of the deadliest instruments of destruction yet invented.

Herbert Cutler, president of the Cutler Paint & Glass Co., of Kansas City, committed suicide by taking acid in his private office. Business reverses caused by floods is given as the cause.

A dynamite bomb was exploded in a fashionable apartment house in New York where 40 families resided. The building was badly damaged, but no loss of life occurred.

The emperor of China is reported ill again in Peking.

The Democratic national committee has adopted a resolution declaring no campaign contributions will be accepted from corporations, and that no one may give more than \$10,000. All gifts of more than \$100 will be made public on October 19.

The Shriners have selected Louisville, Ky., as the place for the 1909 meeting.

In attempting to escape from the Nebraska penitentiary at Lincoln J. G. Farrell was drowned.

According to a statement issued by the bureau of labor the average wages in 1907 were 3.7 per cent higher than in 1906. During the same time the average price of food advanced 4.2 per cent.

Senator LaFollette is to discuss the record of Senator Long of Kansas in a political speech at Emporia on August 1.

The railroads comprising the South-eastern Freight association and the Southeastern Mississippi Valley association have agreed on an advance in freight rates amounting to from four to ten cents a hundred pounds, to take effect on the first of September.

The Atchison (Kan.) Oatmeal and Cereal company mill, the only "anti-trust" mill in the west, has been sold to the Battle Creek Breakfast Food company.

The Western Federation of Miners and the United Mine Workers of America have reached an understanding regarding a complete and uniform exchange of working cards.

Steve Adams, a member of the Western Federation of Miners, has been acquitted of the charge of killing Arthur Collins, a Colorado mine superintendent.

The Santa Fe railroad is reported to be handling 50 cars of new wheat a day in southwestern Kansas. Most of it is going to Kansas City.

The fire which has been raging in the Santa Maria oil fields of California has been finally brought under control.

An explosion in a powder magazine at Cle Elum, Wash., caused the death of nine persons and serious injuries to a number of others.

The Prohibition national convention at Columbus, O., nominated Eugene W. Chafin of Chicago for president and Aaron S. Watkins of Ada, O., for vice president. Rev. W. B. Palmore of St. Louis was first named for vice president, but declined. The platform adopted is the shortest on record, containing only 350 words.

The thousand-mile relay race from New York to Chicago by members of the Y. M. C. A. started on time from the city hall in New York. Two thousand boys, each to carry the message from Mayor McClellan to Mayor Bussage a half mile, engaged in the race.

Gulseppe Alia, the murderer of Father Leo Heinrichs in a Denver church, was put to death in the state prison at Canon City, Col. He was bitter to the last and went to the scaffold calling down maledictions upon the Roman priesthood.

The Modern Woodmen of America have filed a suit in the federal court at Des Moines to recover \$420,755.49 which was on deposit in the First National bank of Chariton, Iowa, at the time of its failure. The receiver and the comptroller of the currency are made defendants.

Chairman Hitchcock has arranged for a series of conferences with Republican leaders of the various sections of the country to map out the campaign plans. The first meeting is scheduled for Colorado Springs July 20 and 21.

The city council of St. Joseph has passed an ordinance creating a public utilities commission over the veto of Mayor Clayton.

Judge Dabbs in the circuit court at Carthage, Mo., set aside a deed to a fifth interest in the Carter estate of 538 acres of valuable mining land near Webb City, on the ground that the deed was obtained through misrepresentation.

Personal

William H. Taft has been elected a member of the International Society of Steam Shovelmen.

Col. William H. Rossmore, for many years one of the most prominent members of the Kansas bar and a powerful force in politics, died suddenly at his home in Topeka. His daughter found him dead in his library on returning from a short automobile ride.

Mrs. Mary Holliday, widow of the late C. K. Holliday, projector of the Santa Fe railroad, is dead in Topeka of old age.

William F. Walker, the New Britain, Conn., abscorder, has at last arrived in this country from Mexico. He will be returned at once to Connecticut for trial.

Miss Ethel Roosevelt, second daughter of the president, recently celebrated her eighteenth birthday with a fancy dress party at Sagamore Hill.

John M. Kern was warmly welcomed upon his arrival at St. Paul in Indianapolis by a nonpartisan gathering of citizens. Vice President Fairbanks escorted the Democratic candidate from his home to the public square and made the address of welcome.

Thomas D. Jordan, formerly comptroller of the Equitable Life Assurance society, and who was under indictment in connection with the Armstrong insurance investigation, dropped dead in the subway at New York recently.

Prof. Edward G. Frazier of the Kansas university has resigned to accept a professorship at Rochester university at Rochester, N. Y.

The Shriners had 10,000 men in their annual parade at St. Paul. Many novel effects were produced by the uniforms of the 36 Arab patrols in line.

Mr. Bryan will be officially notified of his nomination for president in Lincoln, Neb., August 12.

While trying out a spirited horse Gov. Fort of New Jersey was thrown heavily to the ground and painfully bruised.

A non-partisan welcome was given Gov. and Mrs. Haskell on their return from the Denver convention by the citizens of Guthrie.

A GOOD SHOWING

NEBRASKA'S OUTPUT LAST YEAR EXCEEDS \$151,000,000.

THE PACKING HOUSES LEAD

Less Than 500 Institutions Report Payment of \$8,371,748 in Wages to 13,358 Employees in 1907.

According to the Nebraska state bureau of statistics 494 manufacturing institutions in the state last year turned out finished products worth \$151,286,926. This announcement has been received with considerable surprise by those who have been of the opinion that Nebraska manufacturers were insignificant in comparison with agricultural products. The 494 institutions reporting have a capital stock of \$43,569,675, employ 13,358 persons to whom were paid \$8,371,748 in wages and paid \$81,463,998 for material. Slaughter houses and meat packing is the chief manufacturing industry. Labor Commissioner Ryder in giving out the statistical information for publication, said:

"The grand total value of product of the almost 500 manufacturing plants, \$151,000,000, in round numbers, makes a good showing when we keep in mind that the total capital represented is but \$43,500,000 in round numbers. And the \$8,371,748 paid out in wages is scattered into houses extending almost from boundary to boundary of the state."

ACCIDENT AT FREMONT.

A Burlington Bridge Man Loses His Life.

D. C. Woodring, superintendent of bridges and master carpenter for the Lincoln division of the Burlington railroad, lost his life at the Platte river bridge of that railroad near Fremont, Neb., at 11:15 a. m. Saturday. The breaking of a chain threw him from a temporary bridge into the water, 30 feet below. In falling his head struck the edge of a steel bridge girder and two ugly wounds were made. He dropped into the water, was seen to come to the surface about 15 feet away, face down, and to disappear again. It was 2:15 p. m. when the body was finally taken out of the river, three-fourths of a mile down stream, after the workmen had dragged the bottom of the river for hours.

Protest Over Cattle Dipping.

There is general indignation around Alnsworth, and presumably in the entire western part of Nebraska, over the enforcement of the cattle dipping problem. This indignation is, first, against an order that requires cattle to be dipped when they do not have the disease and have not been exposed; second, at the requirement for dipping at this time of year—the hot season; and, third, because the dipping and the state inspection do not seem to be final—a government inspector having to pass on them before they may safely go to market without risk of being run into quarantine. Several head of cattle are reported to have died from the results of dipping.

Drowning Near Snyder, Neb.

August, son of Herman Zahn, was drowned Saturday evening in the Pebble creek near Snyder, Neb. Young Zahn was fishing in the company of several other boys and in some way he fell into the stream which was 20 feet deep at the point where they were fishing. The other boys were unable to save him. The body was found several hours later. The boy was 18 years old and was a son of Herman Zahn, who was killed in his saloon about eight years ago by the Crowell gang, which was later sent to the penitentiary.

Turkish Soldiers Revolt.

It is rumored that 7,000 Turkish soldiers in the Monastir district are in open revolt and that 32,000 troops have been ordered to the scene of the outbreak. It is also reported that a number of officers of the Third army corps have threatened that unless the officers now awaiting court martial on the charge of assisting the "young Turkey" agitation are immediately liberated, all the generals in Macedonia will be killed and the army will then march to Constantinople and demand the re-establishment of the constitution.

Schuyler City Hall.

Fully 2,000 or more people assembled Saturday afternoon at the site of the new city hall at Schuyler, Neb., to witness the laying of the cornerstone. Good music was given and good speeches were delivered. The hall is to be a \$15,000 building and one of the best of its kind in the state.

Boy Plans Foolish Prank.

Phil R. Coniglio, a 15-year-old Italian boy, son of a fruit dealer of Lincoln, Neb., was arrested Saturday, charged with having tried to wreck a train between Ashland and Greenwood. He admits having placed a tie on the rails but denies that he wished to wreck the train. He says he was walking between Ashland and Greenwood on his way to Lincoln when he took the notion to place the obstruction on the rails. As a reason for the deed the boy says: "It was just baby work, that is all I can say about it."