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NEWS IN EPITOME

RECORD OF THE HAPPENINGS IN ITEMIZED FORM.

HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

Information Gathered From All Quarters of the Civilized World and Prepared for the Perusal of the Busy Man.

Foreign.

After having passed four days among the ruins in the districts laid waste by the earthquake, the king and queen of Italy have returned to Rome.

A correspondent from Berlin says that Senor Castro, former president of Venezuela, has grown suddenly worse and returned to Dr. Israel's hospital, where he will undergo an operation for some disease in the region of the kidneys.

By an edict issued Saturday Yuan Shi Kai, grand councillor and commander-in-chief of the forces of China, was dismissed from office and Na Tung was appointed to fill the position. The step is believed to be the outcome of a Manchu plot and there is an uneasy feeling as a result of his downfall.

W. I. Buchanan, the special commissioner of the American government to the government of Venezuela, has arrived in Caracas and was given a very cordial reception by the new government.

A dispatch received at the state department from American Consul Gale, at Malta, confirms the reported death of United States Consul Cheney and his wife at Messina. The bodies have not been recovered.

The sixteen battleships composing the American Atlantic battleship fleet, under command of Rear Admiral Sperry, which is cruising around the world, has passed through the port of Aden, Arabia, bound for Suez.

Western Europe is in the grip of an exceptionally cold wave. France has experienced a veritable blizzard accompanied by a heavy fall of snow. Traffic in the streets of Paris is paralyzed but the lakes in the parks are gay with skaters.

There is no confirmation from any source of the reported attempt upon the life of the shah of Persia.

The finance commission of the duma has decided to introduce an excise duty on liquor in the Russian part of the island of Sakhalin.

The North German Lloyd line has denied the report that it intends to establish a line of steamships between San Francisco and East Asia.

Domestic.

The official call for a national tariff convention to be held in Indianapolis, Ind., on February 16, 17, and 18, has been sent out.

A riot was precipitated at an Italian meeting at Lynn, Miss., held to raise funds for the earthquake sufferers. A socialist speaker charged that funds raised for sufferers by a previous earthquake had been misappropriated in Italy.

Eighteen hundred young people, members of the Epworth leagues and other young peoples' societies of Cleveland, O., are going to live as Christ would have lived for the next two weeks. The experiment will be watched with interest.

Half the business portion of the town of Kensington, Kansas, was destroyed by a fire that started in the Palace hotel. Loss \$50,000.

Indications are that U. S. Senator George C. Perkins will be re-elected by the California state legislature.

It is reported that the C., R. I. & P. railway has purchased a large block of stock in the Union Terminal Railway company, at St. Joseph, in order to secure an entrance to the stock yards at South St. Joseph.

Catholics in Chicago are taking active measures to raise a large amount of money for the relief of the earthquake victims at Messina.

Peter Marquardt, past grand master of the grand lodge of the Odd Fellows of South Dakota, was run over by a switch engine and killed in the railroad yards at Madison, S. D.

Sixteen monuments and fifty-three markers erected by the state of Indiana to the soldiers of that state who were killed during the civil war, were dedicated at Vicksburg, Miss., and formally transferred to the United States government by Governor Hanley, of Indiana.

W. M. Cavanaugh, of Little Rock, Ark., has been chosen to succeed himself as president, secretary and treasurer of the American Southern association of baseball clubs.

A fourteen-story building at Galesburg, Illinois, was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$75,000.

Executors of the late John V. Farwell filed an inventory of the estate, which shows \$8,000,000 worth of personal property.

President Roosevelt has applied to the Belgian government for a hunting permit in Belgian territory in Africa.

Daniel Freeman, the first homesteader in the United States, died at his home in Beatrice, Nebr., Wednesday evening, aged 82 years.

A petition has been sent by the representatives of 20,000 unionized workmen of Pittsburg, Pa., to President Roosevelt asking him to pardon Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, under sentence for contempt in the Bucks stove case.

The western part of Kentucky was visited by light earthquake shocks Sunday night.

The failure of H. W. Poor & Co., brokers and bankers of New York, has been announced.

The federal grand jury at Chicago has begun the hearing of evidence in the investigation of the packing house industry.

A young lady from South Omaha has disappeared at Winnipeg, Man., and a Polish priest is supposed to know of her whereabouts.

David F. Malowny, a wealthy business man of St. Louis, committed suicide Tuesday.

By a collision on the Big Four railroad at Knightstown, Ind., three men were killed and one seriously injured. Abraham Reuf, the San Francisco grafter, was sentenced to serve fourteen years in the San Quentin prison.

County Treasurer Michael Meier, of Woonsocket, S. D., was held up in his office by two masked men and robbed of \$5,087 in cash. The robbers then locked him in a vault and escaped.

A treaty of peace has been declared between Mexico and the Yaqui Indians.

The dates for the national encampment of the G. A. R. at Salt Lake City will be August 9 to 13. This announcement was made by Phil Cheek, Wisconsin's member of the executive council of the G. A. R.

Eight business buildings in Silver City, Idaho, were destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$40,000.

Ten men were killed and several injured by a cave-in at a blast furnace near Ennsley, Kentucky.

A famine in the news print paper market is likely to result if the dry weather continues much longer.

A family of six were poisoned at Kansas City by eating pork and beans.

The Delaware W. C. T. U. are planning to have the giant 20,000 ton battleship Delaware, which will be launched on February 5, christened with water.

Governor Hoch, of Kansas, has appointed a committee to join with a committee from Oklahoma to investigate the Kansas penitentiary and the charges of inhuman treatment, poor food and unsanitary surroundings.

Arthur F. Gill, of Spokane, Wash., was accidentally killed while on a hunting trip.

Count John Heinrich von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to the United States, has arrived with his family.

Washington.

Whether newspaper and magazine publishers may legally accept transportation over the railroads in return for advertising probably will soon be decided by the supreme court of the United States.

One of the first questions that Secretary Wright, of the war department, will be called upon to settle after returning from the holiday vacation, is whether the department will adopt the proposed system of inoculation of American troops against typhoid fever. A recommendation of a system has been made by a special board of experts and there is but little doubt expressed about Secretary Wright approving the recommendations.

The Red Cross society is planning to make the sale of the Red Cross Christmas and New Year's stamps a permanent American institution. It is estimated that 25,000,000 stamps were printed this year.

Max Baehr, formerly of St. Paul, Neb., and present consul of the United States at Cienfuegos, Cuba, has been offered the position of consul at Buenos Ayres, Argentina.

Following a custom made several years ago the naval observatory has made arrangements to flash the signal marking the instant the new year begins to the four standard time belts of the country. The time for each belt will be sent out from this city during the few minutes preceding the hour of midnight in each respective belt.

It has been learned that Bishop Dennis J. O'Connell, rector of the Catholic university of America, has been appointed bishop coadjutor of San Francisco.

Governmental appropriations to the states for reorganization of the rural school systems and improving country roads will be the recommendation of the commission on country life, if suggestions contained in 11,000 letters from farmers serve as a basis for the report the commission is now drawing up.

The house ways and means committee has completed its hearings on the proposed revision of the tariff and the sub-committee has begun the work of revising the present law into a tariff bill.

National bank examiners will be put upon a salary or per diem and expenses basis, and the present fee system will be abolished, if recommendations made by Secretary Cortelyou, Comptroller Murray and Deputy Comptroller Kane, of the treasury department, are carried out.

In the recommendation made by the joint committee on the business methods of the postal service fourth class postmasters are recommended to be placed on a salary basis and postal notes or money orders without advice are suggested for sums not exceeding \$5.00.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

Ex-Senator Millard of Omaha has purchased a \$65,000 residence.

Reports have reached Miller from the outside that a bank was robbed at that place, but these reports are wrong. There has been no bank robbery there.

Central City is preparing to make a strong bid for the proposed Odd Fellows home which is to be located somewhere in the state soon after the first of February.

Over \$6,000 has been raised in the \$8,000 fund for the purchase of an abandoned convent property at Hastings for a girls' academy, which the Dominican sisters propose to establish if the property is decided to them.

As a result of the wholesale burglaries in Fremont, the police are rounding up "undesirable" citizens, and deporting them, under penalties of vagrancy charges upon their being seen again in the city.

Fred Mahler, a Cumings county farmer, has invented an improved plow which has many valuable points over the ordinary plow. A company will be organized at West Point for its manufacture.

Governor Sheldon has commuted the sentence of J. D. Adkins of Omaha from five years to three years, six months and eighteen days, which releases him December 31. Adkins was sentenced for statutory assault. He is 64 years old.

Prof. George Carrington, county superintendent of public instruction of Nemaha county who was a candidate before the primaries for the office of state superintendent, has tendered his resignation, to take effect on the first of January, and will move to Lincoln.

While out hunting about one mile north of Plattsmouth W. D. Messersmith heard the report of a gun and soon after saw a large gray wolf, which one of the other hunters had partially filled with shot, jumped the fence, and make a straight line for him. "Posy" fired and the wild animal fell dead.

O. W. Brandt, a brakeman on a southbound Burlington freight, was killed near the coal chute in the Burlington yards at Oakland while coupling cars. The first attempt to couple the train failed and in adjusting the couplings for a second attempt in some way Brandt was caught between them, the coupling penetrating his abdomen, mangle him terribly.

On complaint filed by Miss Blanche Udey, Bert Haynes was arrested on the charge of assault. Both parties are well known in Neligh. The preliminary hearing was held before County Judge Nelson and when all the evidence had been heard, the judge bound the young man over to the district court in the sum of \$500.

John Innerman, from a ranch south of Johnstown, was in Atsworth to get some medicine for his horses. He says there is a disease among the horses in his neighborhood resembling swamp fever, which is a puzzle to all. A horse will be walking along apparently all right, and shortly, the ears will commence to droop and in a few hours the animal is dead.

A housebreaker entered the home of Frank Moore at Miller, betraying his presence by a light, and was discovered by Moore as he returned home at a late hour. Citizens surrounded the house to prevent escape and the sheriff was telephoned for. On his arrival it was discovered that the thief had outwitted the watchers and escaped. No booty was secured.

Dr. K. Koonz, a well known dentist of Alliance, was arrested at Bridgeport on a complaint charging him with assault upon a young woman patient. The charges are of a most revolting character. The victim is in a critical condition. The offense was committed in the dentist's operating room in a public rooming house. It is charged that the young woman was drugged.

The state railway commission will have a general round up with telephone officers from all over the state on January 15, for the purpose of gathering a lot of miscellaneous information with reference to some of the details of the telephone business, the service rendered by them, methods of classification of subscribers and system of accounting.

Secretary of State Junkin has received a letter from the Union Pacific railroad regarding that \$50,000 fee supposed to be due the state from the railroad on account of the adoption and amendments to the articles of incorporation of the road, which under the law must be filed with the secretary. The railroad has the matter under consideration and its decision in the matter will be known shortly.

City Clerk Bratton and City Attorney Button of Hastings, are preparing a measure for submission to the legislature providing for registration of voters in Hastings and other cities of from 7,000 to 25,000 population after the manner of that now provided for Lincoln and Omaha.

Henry Linenbrink, a young man residing west of Callaway, thinks that he has broken all corn husking records in the state for this season. During six continuous days of husking Mr. Linenbrink averaged just 105 bushels per day, or husked 630 bushels in the six days.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Greater or Lesser Importance Over the State.

All over Nebraska in the latter days of the old year, cupid was unusually busy.

Ponca's Presbyterian Sunday school, on Christmas day made a present of \$57 to the foreign mission fund.

No less than seven business houses in the main part of Fremont were entered by burglars in one night. They appeared to be after money rather than goods, and did not get rich for their trouble.

Becoming despondent because of ill health, Arthur Kloepper, 1 1/2 20-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kloepper, living two miles southwest of Clatonia, committed suicide by shooting.

Sheriff Kasper of Colfax county, armed with requisition papers, went to Des Moines to bring back to Nebraska one Donahue, who was charged with obtaining money under false pretenses at Schuyler.

At Webster City, while hurrying over a railroad crossing, Mrs. R. A. Carrington was struck by an incoming Northwestern train. She was hurled fifty feet and received injuries which will prove fatal.

The residence of Mrs. Nicholas Wellington, about six miles from Ponca, was burned. The only son who is living at home was attending a dance at the opera house when he learned of the fire. The loss is estimated at \$5,000 and was well insured.

Rev. Mr. Guy, who has been pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Blue Hill and at Ong, dividing his time between these two appointments, has resigned his pastorate and will leave for the west soon to make his home.

Charles Sams, until recently employed as farmer at the Feeble Minded institute, was in Beatrice looking for his wife, who has mysteriously disappeared. The couple had trouble and when Sams returned home from work he found his wife gone.

Camden Garlow, a young man living in David City, while riding a fractious horse in front of Hall's livery barn in that city, was thrown off and severely injured. He struck on his head, and an examination disclosed that he had fractured his skull.

Judge H. D. Travis of Plattsmouth has named the following dates for holding district court in the Second judicial district, for the ensuing year: Plattsmouth, January 18 and 25, May 17 and November 18; in Nebraska City, March 1 and 8, June 14 and September 20 and 27.

Because of the overcrowded condition of the Hastings High school building a movement will soon be started to secure a bond issue for an extension to the present structure. In the four years that the high school has occupied its present building the enrollment has increased 86 per cent.

Allen Hickman, a young man living near Seward was accidentally shot while out hunting. His wounds, while painful, are not dangerous. A gun in the hands of Arthur Wietman, a companion, was accidentally discharged, a bullet striking him directly over the heart.

Frank R. Huxtable of Broken Bow, well known throughout Custer county, made an attempt to kill himself, presumably by swallowing an overdose of chloroform or morphine. Huxtable had been trying for a reconciliation with his wife, from whom he was separated, and it is alleged that a failure to effect this was the cause of his despondency.

A social function of more than ordinary interest was held in Omaha when was effected the organization of the Nebraska Society of the United States Daughters of 1812, the first organization of a state society under the auspices of the national society of this order, and of which Mrs. Herbert Ellsworth Gates is the state president.

An agricultural and good roads meeting of great importance was held at the court house in Tecumseh, the attendance being good. The meetings which are being held in each county of the first district are under the auspices of Congressman E. M. Pollard. George L. Cooley of the national interior department spoke intelligently upon the subject of good roads and made some pertinent suggestions.

Colonel Cupid played havoc with schoolmarms around about the holidays, and as a consequence Buffalo county needs just an even dozen to replace those who have married or who have signified their intentions of getting married. This information was conveyed to State Superintendent McBrien through a letter from the county superintendent asking for an immediate supply.

The roundup for the wild animal which is running at large south of Callaway and killing stock almost nightly took place as scheduled. Although about 150 men and boys with guns and dogs took part in the roundup, nothing was seen of the animal. A large number of coyotes were caught in the circle, but nothing larger. Reports continue coming in as regards the depredations of the animal, however, and another hunt will be made for it in the future.

The Home Telephone company, which operates at Gretna, Papillion and Springfield, has been given permission by the railway commission to increase its rates as follows: Residential telephones, from \$1 to \$1.25; rural telephones, from \$1.25 to \$1.50; business telephones, from \$1.50 to \$2 a month.

Adjutant General-to-be Hartigan was in Lincoln and announced that the public is invited to the inaugural ball to be given on the night of January 7 in honor of Governor-elect Shallenberger. There will be no invitations issued.

FLEET TO AID ITALY

PRESIDENT FORMALLY TENDERS USE OF BATTLESHIPS TO STRICKEN NATION.

TWO SUPPLY SHIPS ON WAY

Over Hundred Thousand Dollars Already Forwarded by Telegraph Through the Red Cross Service.

President Roosevelt Saturday announced that he has sent two supply ships with \$300,000 worth of supplies to Italy, that he will ask congress for additional aid and that he has offered the use of the battleship fleet to Italy.

The announcement is made in a telegram made public at the White house, which he sent to Patrick F. McGowan, chairman of the American Italian general relief committee, New York City. The telegram follows:

"I earnestly wish success to the American Italian general relief committee in its great mass meeting at Madison Square garden. It is of course not possible for me to attend in person. I am doing everything that can be done to get aid to the suffering, and on account of the extreme urgency of the case have sent two supply ships with \$300,000 worth of foods and provisions without waiting for the authority of congress, being confident that congress will approve my action. I shall also ask congress for additional aid and throughout the coming week will keep in the closest touch with congress and through the state department with Italy, so that everything possible to be done by the United States may be done.

Furthermore, I have cabled the Italian government proffering the services of any or all of the battleship fleet, if such can be of use in this crisis.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT"

President Roosevelt was engaged Saturday in preparing the message which will be presented to congress when it convenes Monday. A large amount of data on precedents and generally regarding the aid that is being rushed from various quarters to southern Italy and the means of getting succor to the victims had been prepared for the president and was considered carefully by him.

The data prepared by the president showed that in the Mont Pelee catastrophe the government appropriated \$200,000 for the relief of the sufferers. A committee of distinguished citizens was designated to visit the scene and disburse the money. A similar plan appealed very strongly to the president, certain modifications being suggested, such as the selection of Americans now in Italy or delegation of the American ambassador or agents of the American Red Cross to attend the disbursement of the money. The question which the president first sought to determine was, whether aid given in this way would not reach the sufferers sooner than by means of the naval supply ships now on the Atlantic, but many days sail from Sicily and southern Italy.

Physical Test for Officers of Navy.

The secretary of the navy issued Saturday the general order prescribing President Roosevelt's physical test for the officers of the navy.

The test, which is designated for officers ashore, provides that all below the grade of rear admiral shall walk 50 miles in three consecutive days; or ride horseback ninety miles within the same time, or ride 100 miles on a bicycle. The walk must be made in a total of twenty hours, including rests. The ride on horseback must be made on two days, one day of seven hours and thirty minutes and one day of six. The bicycle ride must be made in a total of seventeen hours.

No officer is obliged to take the test before July 1 nor within two years of the retiring age.

Officers afloat will be required to undergo a physical examination once a year.

Islands Want Free Trade.

Secretary Wright will submit to Chairman Payne of the house committee on ways and means a petition of the Manila manufacturers' association containing about 200,000 signatures of business men and people in the Philippines, asking for free trade between the United States and the Philippine islands. It is expected the secretary will accompany it with a letter urging the removal of the tariff barriers in the interest of industrial development of the Philippines.

Burton Virtually Made Senator.

Theodore E. Burton of Cuyahoga county, for years one of the leaders of the house of representatives and chairman of its committee on rivers and harbors, is virtually senator-elect from Ohio, the successor of Joseph Benson Foraker. This is the result of caucuses of the members of the state senate and house who constitute the republican majority of those bodies, which were held Saturday afternoon.

Thinks Findings too Harsh.

Secretary Wright is disposed to exercise leniency, if possible, in the cases of several of the sixteen West Point cadets of the military academy who have been recommended for dismissal by the academic board for deficiently in studies or for exceeding the limits of demerit marks. It appears that in the case of a first class cadet he was referred for dismissal because he had one demerit mark in excess of the number allowed for safety. In another case the markings against the cadet were for being seen in a barber shop with his coat off awaiting his turn to be shaved.

DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 10, 1909. Specially Arranged for This Paper.

LESSON TEXT.—Acts 2:1-21. Memory verses, 2-4. GOLDEN TEXT.—"I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of Truth."—John 14:16, 17.

TIME.—May 27 or 28, A. D. 33, on a Saturday or Sunday morning. The day of Pentecost, 50 days after the Passover at which Christ was crucified. The modern Whitsunday.

CONNECTION.—Ten days after the last lesson, the Ascension, were spent in prayer and waiting.

PLACE.—Jerusalem. Perhaps the oft-mentioned upper room; perhaps one of the rooms in the temple courts.

Comment and Suggestive Thought. Three outward manifestations of the Holy Spirit's presence.—V. 2. "And suddenly." As they were praying. So the lightning breaks forth suddenly from the cloud, but the electricity that prepared for it had been gathering silently for hours. (1) The "sound from heaven" (its source) "as of a rushing mighty wind." More clearly in the revisions, "as of the rushing of a mighty wind." It does not say that there was any wind, but only a sound as of a wind. No "whirlwind shook the building." The audible sign filling the room announced the power represented by it as doing the same.

—Prof. Hovey. "It (the sound) filled all the house," and was heard beyond its walls by the multitudes (v. 6). (2) V. 3. The manifestation to the ear was followed by its manifestation to the eye. "Cloven tongues," not each tongue cleft into two parts, forked, but "the fire was in the form of tongues which distributed themselves over the company, a tongue settling upon the head of each one."—Rackam. "Like as of fire." It was not real fire, as an organ of destruction, but with the appearance and brightness of fire, like that of the burning bush which Moses saw.

(3) The third manifestation was through the gift of tongues. The Significance of the Symbols of the Spirit—the Symbol of the Wind.—The Greek word, as the Hebrew word for "spirit" is the same as that for "wind," which is a natural metaphor to represent the spirit. Jesus himself so uses it in John 3: 8. 1. It is an invisible power of which no one knows "whence it cometh or whither it goeth." But you cannot tell the causes, which are beyond our reach. Even to-day, when we have daily reports from the weather bureau, no one knows where and when a storm will arise. We see the storm and its direction, and can tell with probability to what place it is going and when it will get there. But for beginning and end we know not whence it cometh nor whither it goeth. 2. But we recognize it by its effects, in sound, in music, in force, in life.

3. It is essential to life. 4. It is all-pervasive. 5. It is very powerful. The air is so powerful that even free dynamite smiting against it on one side crushes the rocks on the other. The other day the air from an explosion of dynamite swept away nearly a whole village. 6. Yet it is very gentle and delicate, breathing around the rose, and gently touching the little child.

The Symbol of the Flame and Light. —1. It is mysterious in nature, ineffably glorious, everywhere present, swift winged, undefiled, and undefinable. 2. It represents the healing power of the Holy Spirit, changing night into day. 3. It expresses this purifying power. It is a disease destroyer, a refiner of gold. 4. It symbolized the comfort, warmth, cheer, fresh life, joy, peace, which the Holy Spirit imparts. 5. Fire is the symbol of intense energy and zeal. The Holy Spirit fills the soul with glowing enthusiasms and unconquerable energy and zeal. 6. Light convices the world of dust, of dirt, of a thousand evil things unknown in the darkness. For example, a ray of light in a dusty room, and Tyndall's ray through the glass tube, showing seed germs that no microscope could make known. So the Spirit convicts of sin, of the evils in the heart.

The truth of this lesson applies to boys and girls as well as to adults. It is said of the boy Jesus that "the grace of God" was upon him, while he "waxed strong, advanced in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." John the Baptist also was filled with the Holy Spirit even from his birth.

Children need the Holy Spirit to help them to be good, and enable them to be disciples of Jesus. The gift of tongues was an indorsement of the command to disciple all nations, an inspiration to obey it, and a pointer to the means. "The human tongue, illuminated and sanctified by fire from the inner sanctuary, was about to be the instrument of the gospel's advancement."

The Transformation of the Apostles.—One effect of this gift of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles was a wonderful change in them. It was almost a transfiguration experience. This is the power we need for our own growth in grace, and in every good word and work.

The great need of the church is a fuller reception of this power of the Holy Spirit. We are too cold, too afraid of deep feeling, too conventional, not too practical, but too inclined to let our practice of good works be barren of love and devotion.