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STATE SECOND IN ALFALFA

Last Year's Crop Had a Cash Value of Over \$21,000,000—President Wilson and Secretary Bryan Have Conference.

Washington. — Announcement by Chairman Simmons of the finance committee that sub-committees considering the various schedules of the Underwood tariff bill had determined to grant more time to protesting manufacturers than was at first intended has aroused considerable interest at the capital. Although the effort of senate republicans to force public hearings was defeated by a vote of 36 to 41, the minority leaders see in the changed tactics of the democrats a concession which they claim resulted from the denunciation of secret consideration of the bill.

Hold Lengthy Conference.

Washington—President Wilson spent his Saturday "holiday" closeted all afternoon in an important conference with Secretary of State Bryan. They discussed everything from alien land bill to zeal of democrats in seeking patronage, from shortly after 2 o'clock until 5. "A multitude of subjects was discussed during the first opportunity the president has had for a good long talk with Mr. Bryan," was the statement given out at the White House after the confab.

Second in Alfalfa Crop.

Lincoln.—Alfalfa might be queen of Nebraska if corn is to be king, according to the state board of agriculture. Kansas is first in production and Nebraska second, with all other states trailing along well in the rear. Regarding this valuable crop in Nebraska, the department says: Alfalfa has become one of the sturdy supporters of King Corn in Nebraska. In the year 1912, according to figures on file with the state board of agriculture, the alfalfa crop had a cash value of \$21,188,490. Nebraska is the second state in the union in production. Kansas takes first place with an acreage of 1,000,875.

Crop Prospects Brightest Ever.

Lincoln.—The week ending Saturday night brought reports from every section of Nebraska indicating that the prospects after three weeks of closely observed growth still indicate a crop larger than has been harvested in years. At no time, within comparatively recent years at least, have the prospects been as bright as they are now. Corresponding periods in these years never before, as they do now, promised a crop ranging from 115 to 120 per cent of an average crop.

Norris Denounces Valorization Scheme

Washington. — The international bankers who furnished the money for the Brazilian coffee valorization scheme were denounced by Senator Norris during the tariff debate. He declared they had sought to stand at the door of every home demanding an unjust tribute from "God's poor." "In my opinion a man who has wealth and would do that has more to answer for than the man who violates man-made laws," said the senator.

Mine Explosion Entombs Sixteen.

Caldwell, O.—A double explosion in the Imperial mine at Belle Valley, four miles north of here, caused the worst mine disaster in the history of the district. At least sixteen men are entombed, and it is believed they are dead. One man, a member of the rescue trip, is dead. Two miners escaped from the pit more dead than alive.

New Head of Lincoln Police.

Lincoln.—James Malone, formerly city detective, later chief of police and for some years at the head of the Burlington secret service with headquarters in Lincoln, has been selected by Commissioner King to serve as chief of police for this city.

Favors Government Owned Railroad.

Washington.—Secretary Lane of the interior department has placed himself on record as favoring a railway system in Alaska constructed, owned and operated by the government.

Telephone Wire Deals Death.

Johnstown, Pa.—Paul Acken, a mine foreman, is dead, and Dr. C. B. Jones is dying in a hospital here, the result of an electric feed wire crossing a telephone line.

Lincoln.—Rev. John M. McDonald, retired Presbyterian minister, died Thursday afternoon as the result of injuries received when he was struck by the Rock Island passenger train near Twenty-seventh and A streets. Mr. McDonald was seventy-five years of age. Although he was conscious when picked up after the accident and removed to the hospital, not much hope of saving his life was entertained by the physicians in charge. His left arm had been completely severed from the body and his chest was crushed onto his lungs.

SEWARD PAYS LAST SAD RITES

TORNADO VICTIMS ARE LAID IN LAST RESTING PLACE.

CLOSED DURING CEREMONIES

The Injured Are Getting Along Famously—Three Services Held Saturday—No Appeal For Outside Assistance.

Seward.—Among the tornado victims who have thus far been able to leave the hospital are the little Steinbeck girl and William Hassinger. The rest of the injured are getting along as well as could be expected, considering the seriousness of their injuries.

The funeral of Mrs. Hassinger was held from the Presbyterian church Saturday forenoon and that of Mrs. Wasserman was held from the Lutheran church at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Samuel Crim was buried at 4 p. m.



Wreck of home of Henry Figard. Barn was blown into house, but family escaped serious injury.

from the home of his brother, George Crim, a mile north of the city, and the funeral of Gustav Scholz and daughter was held Sunday at 2 o'clock from the German church.

Another meeting of the citizens was held at the Commercial club rooms Friday night and a survey of the work done and to be done was gone over. As a mark of sympathy and respect for all who were bereft by the tornado, all business houses and public offices were closed from 1:30 until 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

In the days that have elapsed since the storm much has been done for the relief of the destitute, and the rebuilding of homes. Seward people have contributed liberally, and the committee having charge of the work is making a careful computation and estimate of the amount that will be necessary. No appeal has been made for outside aid, but numerous checks have been received from individuals, and notably from wholesale houses, through their customers in this city. Assistance coming in this manner has been gratefully received by the committee, and all such funds will be put to the best use. About \$5,000 has so far been subscribed by Seward people.

York, Neb.—Travelers in the path of the tornado in the southern part of York county have witnessed countless freaks of the wind. One country home near Blue Vale was lifted just above the floor line. The floor was left intact. A lone rocking chair was left in the middle of it. The rest of the house and the furniture were blown away. A large barn on the farm of Ned Rea, near McCool was blown away. Efforts have been made to find portions of the structure but without avail. Not a single board or even a shingle can be found. Trees along the country highways are twisted into all sorts of shapes.

Seward, Neb.—Eight people were killed and many injured by a tornado which swept through Seward at supper time Wednesday. The eight dead are all that have been recovered, although the list may be greater than that. Homes were torn up and hurled long distances and the injured will probably be large.

The storm hit the city near the fair grounds park, and sweeping in a northeasterly direction, tore a path

Severe Hail at Valparaiso.

Valparaiso, Neb.—One of the severest hail and wind storms of the season, accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain, struck Valparaiso and vicinity Wednesday about 5:30. The storm came up from the southwest, accompanied by a terrific roar, and for a little while it was feared that there would be a bad tornado. People took refuge in their cellars and caves. Hail fell so thick that the ground was covered in a short time. There were lots of hail stones an inch in diameter, which did lots of damage to the fruit

from one to two blocks wide. From here it tore across country in the direction of Germantown, northeast of here.

The storm struck the fair grounds, northwest of town, where it did minor damage. It then followed the line of the Northwestern tracks through the north edge of the city, finally veering off toward the northeast as it trailed out of the city limits.

Approximately one-fifth of the town was in the path of the storm. Twenty-two houses were totally wrecked and a huge list of barns and other outbuildings was added to the toll of property ruined by the wind's fury.

It was shortly after 5 o'clock that the big storm clouds formed in the west. Many people hurried home, but others pronounced the clouds harmless and did not make any preparations for a storm. At 5:30, however, the clouds appeared more ominous, and twenty minutes later the storm was sweeping on its course through the town. Had it come half an hour or an hour later it would have claimed a greater toll than it did.

Seward, Neb.—Awakening to a realization of the catastrophe which pounced upon their city Wednesday evening, Seward people began immediate plans for cleaning up the wind-swept district and for providing shelter for those whose homes were wrecked by the tornado.

Mayor Calder, seconded by President

Gustav Scholz and family started for the cave, but were struck before getting far. Mr. Scholz was found with his head crushed and a seven-year-old daughter dead from flying timbers.

Rushed to Cellar.

Many people saw the tornado coming and rushed to cellars. Others thought nothing of the dark clouds which came rolling up and were at supper when the twister hit. Crashing through houses and tearing up trees it swept through the city and those who had not been watching the clouds had no time to flee before the storm was upon them.

All the doctors in the city have been busy and a call was sent out for undertakers from Lincoln to help the local men take care of the bodies. Practically the entire population is on the scene of the accident, working in the wreckage. A number of people are yet to be accounted for.

Had the storm struck a little further south it would have crashed through the heart of the city. As it was, it swept through a portion more thinly settled than the remainder of the town. This will probably hold the loss of life down.

Only One Fire Started.

Twenty-two houses were totally destroyed by the storm and numberless barns and outbuildings. Only one fire started in the path of the storm, that being at the residence of K. C. Framp-ton. It was quickly extinguished by neighbors, however, without the aid of the fire department. A fire in the kitchen stove where supper was cooking ignited a bundle of papers in the kitchen. The fire spread rapidly to the wreckage roundabout but was discovered by people who were starting out to aid in relief work.

The storm was heard approaching for a considerable time. Darkness fell and the usual roaring accompanying a tornado gave many people warning to go to their cellars or tornado caves. Many lives were saved in this way.

The storm was of short duration. Then followed a scene of great excitement. The people rushed from the main part of the town to give assistance to those who had been more unfortunate. The sight that met their eyes in the northern part of town was terrible. Houses were wrecked, trees were uprooted or denuded of leaves. Many houses not in the direct path of the storm were injured. Some of them lost roofs and projections.

Formed West of Sutton.

Sutton, Neb.—The tornado which is reported to have done considerable damage farther east and north of here, seems to have formed almost directly west of Sutton. The clouds accompanying the storm were a very unusual sight and were watched by hundreds of people. When it was west of Sutton, masses of clouds were flying in all directions, sometimes sinking and sometimes rising. Only once, however, was there anything in the form of a funnel observed from town and that was when a great mass of clouds seemed to suddenly sink to the ground. For a time the main part of the storm seemed to be coming directly toward town, but later changed its course, going north and seemingly following the Blue river. When the storm had passed to the northeast the funnel of the tornado was plainly visible to

Devastation Grows.

The devastation resulting from



Ruins of home of F. C. Fricks. His wife was found unconscious in cellar among ruins, but uninjured.

Wednesday night's tornado grows as the ruins are carefully surveyed by families and friends of the sufferers. The cloud had the usual cyclonic appearance, accompanied by the roar which made known its nature. The fact that a large number took refuge in cellars and caves accounts for the comparatively small number of fatalities. Near the fair grounds park and the Northwestern railroad is located the Scholz home, where two members of the family lost their lives. This is where the cloud seems to have first dipped and close observers say that it raised and lowered in its mad passage up the little valley.

and beat the gardens down even with the ground. Rain fell in torrents for about fifteen or twenty minutes after the hail.

Eugene T. Lies, representative of the National Red Cross society, arrived from Omaha at noon Thursday. He chanced to be in Omaha in connection with the relief work there when the news of the Seward disaster reached him. He went over the field and says he is ready to make any recommendation to the Red Cross for relief funds that the case may warrant.

TRY HONOR SYSTEM

GOSSIP FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources and Presented in Condensed Form to Our Readers.

Will Try Merit System.

Warden Fenton will introduce the merit system at the state penitentiary provided it meets the approval of the board of control. The custom of throwing a prisoner in the "hole" and stringing him up by the arms or any other kind of cruel punishment is a thing of the past at the state prison. A few men have been placed in the "hole" since he has been there, but he hopes in time to be able to abolish this practice entirely. For six weeks not a prisoner has been sent to the "solitary." Warden Fenton explained that the merit system means that the prisoner will be put in a position where if he disobeys the prison rules he punishes himself. For every month that the convict's record is good he will be given a merit mark. If he breaks a rule he will be deprived of this mark and will be required to work another month before the merit will be granted and his conduct during the second month must be above reproach. For a serious infraction of the rules no merits will be given for a period of six months or more.

Many Survivors of Gettysburg.

A count of the men who fought in the armies of either the blue or the grey at the battle of Gettysburg and who are now residents of this state shows that there are more Nebraska survivors of that engagement than even the state Grand Army department had cognizance of a few weeks ago. The number has now reached 260 and replies are still coming in, indicating that more are yet to be located. The increase, it is believed, will give the commission appointed to apportion the \$4,000 for payment of railroad fares back to the memorial a deal of trouble before the matter is satisfactorily adjusted. The appropriation was made by the late legislative session on the supposition that not more than ninety or a hundred veterans could be found who would be eligible to take the trip.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Food Commissioner Harman, who finds himself busied daily with attending to the duties of the food, drug, dairy and oil departments of the state, is soon to become state sealer of weights and measures under a bill lately enacted. He has started to prepare for his work along this line and has acquired a miscellaneous lot of standards which the government shipped to the state a quarter of a century ago. The paraphernalia has been in the possession of the university for many years past and much of it is too antique for use. The old standards will be exchanged for new under an agreement entered into with the federal government.

Board of Mediation.

Governor Morehead has named the members of the board of mediation in industrial disputes, according to a new law passed by the recent legislature. The are: F. M. Coffey of Lincoln, Robert Cowell of Omaha, now a member of the tornado relief commission, and H. E. Reische of Chadron. Mr. Coffey represents the employer, Mr. Cowell the employee, and Mr. Reische represents neither. The law requires this division in the commission. The board has no other power than to try to effect reconciliations in strike problems and to force testimony in reaching the facts in the matter before them. Its members also have the power to spend \$2,000 in the next two years, \$5 a day and expenses each being their personal reward.

Early Closing Races.

The early closing races for the Nebraska State Fair, held Sept. 1 to 5, close on May 19, and are a 2:30 and 2:20 trot, each for a purse of \$1,000; a 2:25 and a 2:14 pace, each for \$1,000 and a 2-year-old and 3-year-old trot, the latter for colts eligible to the 2:25 class, and a 2-year-old and 3-year-old pace, the latter for colts eligible to the 2:25 class, each for \$500. The entry fee is 3 per cent, 1 per cent with nominations.

Low Shoes Barred.

Adjutant General Hall, of the Nebraska national guard, has issued an order barring low shoes in the state encampment of the guard to be held this summer. The order relates only to shoes worn by members of the Nebraska national guard. "Low shoes are absolutely forbidden," says the order. Members of the guard are to be required to wear well fitting russet leather shoes, laced, high topped and heavy soles, which must have been worn at least two weeks.

Cash Prizes for Corn Growers.

Contestants who are interested in the Boys' Acre Corn Contest should not fail to forward their names to Secretary W. R. Mellor of the state board of agriculture, Lincoln, Neb. This should be done without delay as the time limit for entering this contest expires May 20, 1913.

Plans are being made at the university for the entertainment of some three hundred visitors from over the state who will attend the university's annual fete day.

Backache Is a Warning

Thousands suffer kidney ills unawares—not knowing that the backache, headaches, and dull, nervous, dizzy, all tired condition are often due to kidney weakness alone.



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REALISM CARRIED TO EXCESS

Lack of Drapery Would Seem to Have Furnished Excellent Incentive for Maternal Slipper.

A mother in Worcester, Mass., who had orthodox views, had told her children the Garden of Eden story. The children were greatly impressed. One afternoon, returning from town, the mother found the palms and ferns had disappeared from the veranda. Going into the darkened living-room she saw one of the boys, minus clothing, reclining under a big fern, while another, equally clothesless, was standing by a palm. They enlightened her by explaining that they were playing Adam and Eve in the garden.

At that minute her youngest boy, not three, came into the room as nature had first given him to the world, except that he wore a silk hat on his head and carried a cane.

"And pray who are you?" asked the mother.

The little one looked up at her and smiled as he said: "I am the Lord God Almighty walking in the garden in the tool of the day."

Life's Tearfulness.
"Did you ever cause your wife any tears?" "I don't think so. Certainly not as many as leading actors and actresses at matinees have caused her."

Man's Preference.
"Men in youth, or age, or middle age, will sooner kiss a pretty mouth than a clever brow any day, or every day."—"Wisam," by S. C. Netherole.

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