

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

DATES FOR COMING EVENTS.

- June 5 and 6—Pageant of Lincoln, presenting "The Gate City."
- June 6-7-8—State Undertakers' Convention at Hastings.
- June 5-6—Spanish War Veterans' State Convention at North Platte.
- June 12 to 15—Trans-Mississippi Bakers' Ass'n convention at Omaha.
- June 13-14-15—Annual convention of Nebraska Elks at Omaha.
- June 13 to 16—State P. E. O. Convention at Alliance.
- June 13-14-15—Great Western Handicap Tournament at Omaha.
- June 13 to 15—Nebraska Pharmaceutical Convention at Hastings.
- June 19-20-21-22—American Union of Swedish Singers, West. Div., concerts and convention at Omaha.
- June 20 to 24—State Stockmen's convention at Alliance.
- June 21 to 23—Fraternal Order of Eagles, state meeting at Lincoln.
- July 25—Nebraska Democratic convention at Hastings.
- July 3-4-5—Mid-Summer Race Meet at Kearney.
- July 5 to 8—State Golf Tournament at Omaha.
- July 10-11-12—Northwestern Hotel Men's Association Convention at Omaha.
- June 28-29—International Auctioneers' Association Convention at Omaha.

City commissioners of North Platte have let a contract for twenty-five blocks of vertical fiber brick paving to be laid this summer. The contract price totals approximately \$104,000.

William Jennings Bryan is not going to the Democratic national convention as an alternate from Nebraska, nor as a delegate from any other state, according to an announcement made in Lincoln.

The encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held at Lexington was the greatest affair of the kind ever held in the state. It is estimated that 12,000 visitors were in attendance. Columbus secured the encampment for next year and won out over Hastings and Wayne by a good-sized majority.

Another discovery of a technical error has just been made at Hooper with the result that another six weeks' delay will be necessary before the railroads can legally open. This time it has been found that the new ordinance drafted hurriedly by the Hooper council is defective in several particulars.

The biggest flag day ever attempted among the Elks will be the feature of the Nebraska convention, which will be held in Omaha, June 12, 13 and 14. Thursday, the 14th, is the national flag day of the organization. All Elks lodges in Nebraska are urged to send delegations.

The farm management association of Dawes county has purchased a load of dairy cattle for the use of the dairy farmers of the county, which consists of forty-one head of high-grade H-I steers to be sold to the farmers with out profit for the betterment of their dairy herds.

One hundred thousand yards of dirt are to be removed from the roads of Otoe county during the next twelve months, according to plans of the county commissioners, who have just let a contract for the year's grading.

Ralph Conyer, formerly of Excelsior Springs, Mo., died at Mitchell as the result of injuries received when he lost control of a motorcycle on which he was riding. He was thrown on his head.

Paving that will cost the city of Lincoln a quarter of a million dollars has already been ordered this spring. A total of 97,000 square yards has been authorized and most of it contracted for.

Ord held a special election just recently to decide the liquor question. Four hundred and fifty votes were cast, the drys winning by a majority of eighty.

The people of Creighton have just voted a liberal bond issue for the purpose of building a city hall that will be a credit to the town.

The big lumber sheds of J. Shumway & Son at Lyons, were destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated between \$15,000 and \$25,000.

A week's campaign against the dan dillon at Fairfield brought in a total of 1,200 bushels.

An amateur baseball league, which will embrace Kearney, Shelton, Elm Creek, Riverdale and other towns, has been established in Buffalo county. A schedule has been arranged to date from June 1, after which two games per week will be played.

It is reported that J. H. Morrison is to remodel his building that has been used for a saloon for years, at Superior, and make an up-to-date moving picture and vaudeville theater of it, giving Superior two moving play houses.

Marion B. Stahl of West Point won first, Louis Wirt of South High school, Omaha, second, and Nellie M. Schwab of McCook third in the ninth annual contest of the Nebraska High School Debating league at Lincoln.

Hastings lost 105 families until November, recently, when a special train left for Scottsbluff with those who annually work in the beet fields in that section.

The village of Syracuse, in Otoe county, has issued \$16,000 in bonds to build a municipal electric light plant.

The development of potash and its by-products will soon be one of Nebraska's chief industries, a pure article having been found at Hoffman, near Alliance, which necessitates little else than pumping, boiling and drying to make the best portion ready for the refinery, after which the finished article brings the heretofore unknown price of nearly \$500 per ton. The outlook in the potash lines seems to bid fair to be as important in Nebraska as the oil industry in other states. Nearly 100 men are employed in the plant. New residences and business buildings are going up in the little city at a most remarkable rate.

In a sweeping decision in the district court at Kearney, Judge James Hanna of Grand Island, sitting in place of Judge Hostetter, denied an injunction against the mayor and city council of Kearney, to restrain them from paving the city streets. He declared the constitutionality of the law passed by the last legislature providing for paving and assessing in cities of the first class. His decision directly affects over \$1,000,000 worth of paving improvements to be laid this summer in Kearney, Beatrice, Columbus, Fairbury, Fremont, Grand Island, Hastings, Nebraska City, North Platte, Plattsmouth and York.

If present plans of the state executive board of the Seventh Day Adventist church are carried out Hastings will be made the location of one of the most important denominational schools in the state. The school is preparatory in nature and it is expected will start with an enrollment of 100 students. The first building to be erected will probably cost in the neighborhood of \$25,000.

Nebraska's crop of winter wheat will total 59,341,000 bushels this year, according to the estimate of the United States department of agriculture, based on the condition of the wheat May 1. Last year the winter wheat crop of Nebraska amounted to 66,618,000 bushels. The condition May 1 last year was reported as 99 per cent, while May 1 this year it was 89 per cent.

Ray Wiggins, veteran engineer of the Rock Island railroad, and his 6-year-old son were drowned a few miles from Fairbury, while attempting to cross a creek. The stream, ordinarily nearly dry, was swollen to a torrent by heavy rains. The little boy fell into the water, his father dived after him and both were swept away.

A. C. Watson of Plainview was on the South Omaha market a few days ago with a load of beef steers, averaging 1,403 pounds, that sold at \$9.50, the extreme top of the year to date. This is also the highest priced bunch of cattle ever sold in the month of May at the South Omaha market.

The woman's annual metropolitan golf championship tournament will be staged at Omaha on the links of the Omaha Field club, July 10, 11, 12 and 13. The woman's tourney will follow immediately after the Nebraska state event, which will be held at the same links July 5, 6, 7 and 8.

In a high school track meet held at Superior, with Superior, Hardy, Edgar, Nelson, Hebron, Scandia and Republic City, Kas., contesting, Superior won first place with 35 points.

Joe Stecher of Dodge and Strangler Lewis will meet in the wrestling ring in Omaha on July 4.

Three carloads of postage stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards were received by the Omaha postal authorities just recently, to fill the needs of the Omaha office for the ensuing quarters. This consignment is valued at little less than \$500,000.

More than fifty crack runners from all parts of the state will go to Norfolk June 4 and 5, the dates of the first annual registered tournament of the Norfolk Gun club.

Sunday baseball can now be played in all parts of Dodge county as the result of action taken by the county board of supervisors at Fremont a few days ago.

Fremont was chosen as the meeting place for the Omaha Association of Congregational Churches in 1917, at the closing meeting of the convention at Uehling.

Hastings is to have a public market, operated and managed by boys in the agricultural department of the city schools.

At a special election held at Holbrook the electric light issue carried by a majority of twenty-five votes.

Talk of secession of five western counties of Nebraska on the grounds that the eastern part of the state is not in sympathy with the west in the fight for water rights, has been brought to Lincoln by a prominent attorney, who is interested in various water cases.

Plans are being laid for the ninth annual encampment and reunion of all Spanish War veterans to be held at North Platte June 5 and 6. There will be a camp fire, dance, rifle shoot, auto rides and banquet.

The town of Stella in Richardson county will hold a special election May 29th to vote on a proposition to issue \$5,000 in bonds to build an electric light plant.

The Civic Improvement League of Columbus is giving prizes every month for the best flowers produced in the gardens and on the lawns of the city.

County boards of Platte, Butler and Polk counties are making an effort to secure a state-aid bridge across the Platte river south of Columbus next year.

In Woman's Realm

Extremely Pretty Dress for Summer May Be Made of Plain and Dotted Organdie, Though Other Materials May Be Chosen—Selection of the Veil Is Most Important—Innumerable Patterns From Which to Choose.

A very pretty and summery dress of plain and dotted organdie achieves fine style by combining these familiar materials. Organdie in cottons, as tafeta in silks, has proved peculiarly well adapted to the styles of today. The originality of the model lies in combining the plain and dotted surfaces so that they play parts of equal importance, and it suggests the use of other goods in the same way.

In the model shown the body and skirt are of the plain organdie. Five

millinery. Those to be worn over the face are of unbroken mesh with all sorts of fancy borders, and are woven of fine batlike threads, so that they will not interfere with the vision. Others, to be thrown back, are purely an adjunct of the hat and show surfaces broken by big polka dots of flat sequins, or lace patterns in conventional and floral designs.

These small veil-trimmed hats are very chic, but this management of the veil is quite outside the real realm of



SUMMER DRESS.

graduated ruffles of the dotted organdie encircle it, the first and widest about the hem and the narrow fifth ruffle at the waist line. The underskirt is gored and gathered to flare. Its crispness and that of the ruffles is almost equivalent to the effect of crinoline.

The three-quarter length sleeves and square cape of the dotted organdie are edged with narrow ruffles made of it. The throat opens with a shallow V. A belt of ribbon in any color desired may be worn with this dress. White moire, corded near the edges, makes that shown in the picture. Silk stockings and white buckskin or canvas slippers will finish the pretty toilette suitably.

Among the new summer goods there are plain veils and lawns in beautiful

its usefulness. Veils are worn for two reasons, to keep the hair neatly in place and because they are becoming. There are so many patterns to choose from that a selection is a matter of trying them on as in choosing a hat or a color for a gown. One may buy a mesh in almost any shape, as square, round, diamond shape or hexagonal. Borders vary also and there are several colors to choose from. Taupe, brown, gray and purple tones, with several shades of dark blue, make it worth while to experiment, as they are adapted to varied complexions. Black remains most popular, but is not always the happiest choice. The threads of which veils, and especially black veils, of today are woven are incredibly fine, and the heavy veil has no following.



MOST POPULAR VEIL.

colors with which dainty interpretations of Scotch plaids may be found in light tints and varied colors. Something very distinctive and original might be made by combining these in the manner shown in this organdie dress. Then there are the crossbar and striped organdies, which might be used instead of the more familiar dotted varieties. They are sheerer than chiffon, the faintest of all cotton, weaves, and retain the crispness which distinguishes the plain material. Nothing could be better for a graduating gown.

A circular veil with hexagonal mesh and border of small chenille balls is one of many that have aided designers in the conception of new effects in

millinery. Those to be worn over the face are of unbroken mesh with all sorts of fancy borders, and are woven of fine batlike threads, so that they will not interfere with the vision. Others, to be thrown back, are purely an adjunct of the hat and show surfaces broken by big polka dots of flat sequins, or lace patterns in conventional and floral designs. These small veil-trimmed hats are very chic, but this management of the veil is quite outside the real realm of

TO GET CHOICE VIEWS

GUARDSMEN TO SEE EUROPEAN BATTLE FIELDS

DID NOT SANCTION CHANGE

Items of General Interest Gathered

from Reliable Sources Around the State House.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. The choicest views from European battle fields will be shown members of the Nebraska national guard encampment through the courtesy of Captain Donald G. Thompson, the Kansan who has gained a wide reputation as a photographer with the armies of the countries engaged in the great war.

Thompson, while touring Nebraska, was made a captain in the Nebraska national guard upon order of Governor Morehead and Adjutant General Phil Hall. By reason of his rank he will be able to secure more freedom with the countries at war in securing pictures. In appreciation of the courtesy of the Nebraska guard officials Thompson has informed Adjutant General Hall he had already sent 7,000 feet of film and would send another pictures which General Hall suggested.

Did Not Sanction Tax Reduction.

Governor Morehead is refusing to sanction a reduction of taxes for common carriers doing business in Nebraska, has influenced the state board of equalization to turn down a recommendation to its secretary, O. E. Bernecker, which would have had the effect of materially lowering assessments of the Standard Oil company, the Armour refrigerator car corporation and other companies operating private car lines. The board adopted another of Secretary Bernecker's recommendations by voting to assess the rolling stock and intangible property of railroad companies, under the terminal tax law, for exclusively municipal purposes on the same basis as a year ago. The members were assured that this would not bind them later on when they come to assess the railroads in their holdings, both physical and intangible, for general taxation.

When One May Go Fishing.

In reply to an inquiry, Assistant Attorney General Roe has given an opinion that an owner of land adjoining a stream may forbid others to fish from the bank where it runs through or past his property. He has the right, Mr. Roe finds, to prevent trespassing on the land. An exception to this rule is that on a navigable stream anyone may land from a boat or other vessel if the necessity should arise. As to whether a land owner can keep a fisherman from angling in a stream which runs through the land, where the fishing is done from a boat, there seems to be some question. Running streams are declared by state law to be public waters, and it is possible that an owner could not enforce his order against fishing except on the banks.

To Rearrange Freight Classification.

The state railway commission will meet June 13 to make the semi-annual freight classification. Changes in the classification of empty iron barrels, bananas, oxygen and hydrogen gas and regulations governing the use of ice are proposed. If a shipper removes ice from a refrigerator car at its destination after the car has been emptied it will be charged freight on the ice removed. Bananas are now shipped first class. If partially encased it is proposed to change to class D1. The change in classification of gas or air products are asked for by a New York firm. Gas is now shipped first class. It is proposed to ship it third class in carloads and to reduce the minimum weight from 24,000 pounds to 20,000 pounds.

Semi-Annual Conference of Officers.

The second semi-annual conference of officers of Nebraska state institutions with the board of commissioners of state institutions will be held in Lincoln Thursday and Friday, May 25 and 26. The Thursday meeting will be held at the state penitentiary and the Friday meeting at the orthopedic hospital.

"Nebraska has produced good citizens in spite of her school system rather than because of it," said State Superintendent A. O. Thomas in an address at the meeting of the Nebraska Academy of Science. "Civilization has grown space in the last twenty-five years, but the little country school remains the same unattractive, bleak, wind-swept institution that it was when first established. The teacher problem in the country school will solve itself when the situation is made attractive for the country teacher."

Marion B. Stahl, of West Point, was awarded first place in Nebraska High School Debating league at the university Memorial hall Saturday. Louis Wirt, representing South high, Omaha, was given second place, and Miss Nellie M. Schwab, of McCook, was awarded third. The debate was on the question, "Resolved, that congress should substantially adopt the recommendations of the secretaries of war and navy for increased armament." The argument was close, and the judges were closeted together for half an hour before their decision.

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