

NEWS OF NEBRASKA IN CONDENSED FORM

Recent Happenings in Nebraska Given in Brief Items For Busy Readers.

Forty lodges will assist in the laying of the corner stone of the New Elks building at Omaha.

An "old fashioned" Fourth of July celebration is the aim of the Holdrege Commercial club.

A regional conference of national and state officers of the W. C. T. U. will be held at Scottsbluff, May 3 and 4.

The Beutree Y. M. C. A. is now out of debt, the last note for \$500 held against the association being burned last week.

Omaha Lions have started a campaign by which they hope to bring the 1924 national convention of Lions to that city.

Chancellor Avery will direct the plow which will formally break the ground for the new Nebraska university stadium at Lincoln.

Fifteen dogs suffering from rabies have been reported in the last two weeks at Omaha. There is no treatment, but ending their lives.



B. BREWER
The Omaha Daily Bee recently published an announcement that its general manager, Mr. B. Brewer, has largely increased his stock holdings, and is now vice president as well as manager of the Bee corporation. Mr. Brewer has been connected with the Bee since December, 1921. Nelson B. Urdike, who purchased the Bee several years ago, retains the presidency.

Altho the water has not been very high yet this year, the Missouri river is rapidly eating away valuable farms in Otoe county.

The post office at Arthur has been advanced from fourth to third class, the volume of business having greatly increased during the past year.

The state senate has confirmed Governor Bryan's appointment of W. H. Smith, former state auditor, as state tax commissioner, by a vote of 31 to 2.

A counterfeit \$20 Federal Reserve bank of Chicago note is in circulation in the middlewest, according to warning sent out by the Treasury department.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the York Roller Mills, with an estimated loss of \$110,000. Insurance was \$58,000. About 104,000 bushels of wheat burned.

About 3000 members of the State Travelers Protective association were present at the meeting at Omaha last week, and attended the ball and luncheon at the auditorium.

Captain Nelson Beckwith, football star and also pilot of the Beatrice High school track team, fractured the bones in his right arm in two places while participating in an interclass field meet at that place.

Roy C. Strong of Alliance, was elected president of the Nebraska division of the Travelers Protective association at the annual convention just closed at Omaha, and which decided to meet next year at Hastings.

The Seventh Annual Farmers Fair, given as a means of advertising the college, to give the students experience in managing a large affair, and as a celebration, will be put on at the State Agricultural college at Lincoln, May 5, and from present indications, will be the best ever.

The sugar beet acreage in the North Platte valley this coming year will be in excess of 52,000 as that amount has already been contracted for.

There is a shortage of labor in Nebraska according to a wide survey of the labor supply situation just completed by the national industrial conference board officials of the department of labor.

Two produce firms of Nebraska City shipped a car load of eggs to an eastern city one day last week. This made the second car load leaving that place in the last few weeks, in addition to a car of butter and cream.

One automobile every four minutes passes along the state highway between Nebraska City and Omaha.

Three dark numerals for extraordinary work on Nebraska high school tracks have been awarded to Marion Johnson and Frank Whitestone of Farnam, and Roy Houdersheldt of Columbus.

The lower house of the legislature recognized the homeopathic and eclectic schools of medicine when it passed the bill requiring the University of Nebraska regents to establish in the college of medicine chairs for the teaching of those branches.

FORESTATION THE SOLUTION.

State Forestry Association Hopes to Arouse Sentiment to Realize Future Needs of Nebraska.

"Arbor Day should hold for Nebraska people a more impressive quality this year than ever before," says T. W. McCullough, of Omaha, president of the Nebraska Forestry association. "They are just one year nearer to the time when our forests will be exhausted; they are paying higher prices for lumber than ever before; and may look for higher prices year after year, as the supply is less and less each year, and the source further and further away.

"Already the freight on a car of lumber to Nebraska from any source is greater than its value at the mill. Nebraska pays millions each year in freight on lumber needed for the many uses to which it is put, and for which there is no substitute.

"Only in one way can this situation be adequately met. Nebraskans must raise their own lumber. This can be done. Waste acres in the state, on which nothing grows, will grow pine trees. This is proved beyond question. Other waste acres will grow oak, hickory, walnut, elm, maple, cottonwood, many varieties of trees which can be put to use.

"Farmers can supply their home needs, or most of them, from woodlots, where both grass and trees will grow, affording pasture and timber for farm needs. Many farmers burn cow chips for fuel, when they could have wood. Many school houses stand bare and unprotected, where groves of shade trees should wave.

"This requires only systematic planting. Nebraska ought to furnish all its citizens with home grown stock, provided by state nurseries. Other states are doing it. In Massachusetts, a much smaller state, with far less unoccupied land, requests are made for more trees than the state nurseries can supply, and they have a capacity for furnishing more than 8,000,000 young trees annually. Pennsylvania showed a profit of over \$4,000,000 on the state forest reserve for ten years under the management of Gifford Pinchot, more than \$100,000 a year.

"The present legislature, like its predecessors, declined to pass a law establishing a Bureau of Forestry in connection with the College of Agriculture. The measure failed, not because it lacked in merit, but because of the cost of maintaining it.

"The Nebraska Forestry association will keep steadily on at its undertaking, hoping to arouse the sentiment of the citizens to a point where the great work of transforming the waste areas of the state into forest-producing areas will be a fact instead of a vision. The crop is not for today, or tomorrow, but for fifty years from now, for generations yet to come, for, as Joyce Kilmer wrote, 'Only God can make a tree.'"

"Short Change" artists are causing Nebraska City merchants a world of trouble.

A camp of Sons of Veterans with fifteen charter members has been organized at Neligh.

House roll 103, the Mears-Osterman bill to abolish the party circle, was killed in the state senate by an overwhelming vote.

A deserted still, and about forty empty bottles were found along the banks of the Blue river near Beatrice, by a boy who disposed of his find to a local junk dealer.

Incuriarism is blamed for a fire which caused damage estimated at \$100,000 in the business section of Nickerson, destroying seven store buildings and one residence.

Subscriptions totalling nearly \$5,000 were received from Jewish organizations at Omaha, to support the Palestine foundation fund for the rehabilitation of Palestine as a haven for homeless Jews.

Reduced railroad fares for traveling men over Nebraska roads by interchangeable scrip coupon books now seem certain to come into effect on May 1, following the customary sixty days' notice by the interstate commerce commission.

At a meeting of K. S. P. highway officials and good roads boosters from Franklin, Hildreth and other points south, held at Kearney, plans were perfected for extension of this highway south from Kearney, a distance of 8 miles, to connect with the Ocean to Ocean highway in Kansas.

One of the largest classes ever leaving the Nebraska City high school, and one that will be especially noted because of having more boys than girls in it, will close May 13, when forty-seven will receive their diplomas.

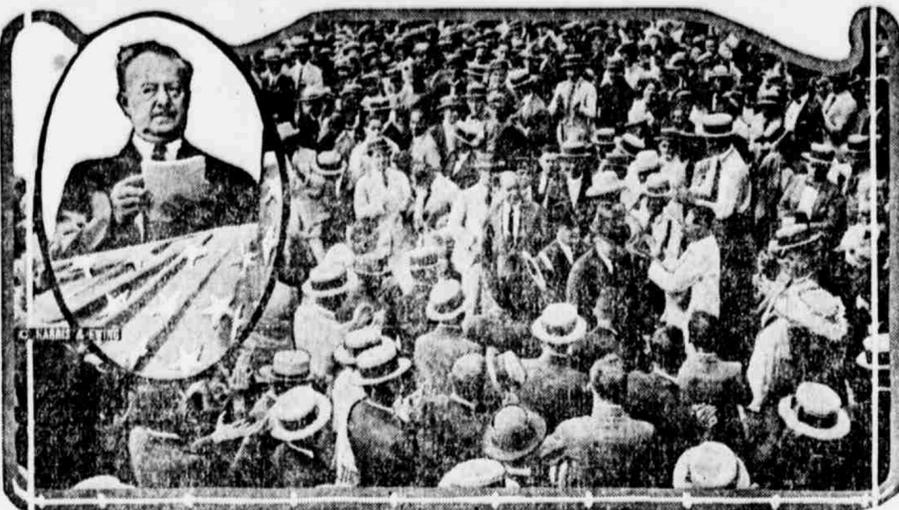
Henry Hermesmeyer, a farmer near Scottia was instantly killed when a horse kicked him, striking him in the temple. Mr. Hermesmeyer leaves a wife and eight children.

Miss Mildred Mowery, a teacher at Broken Bow, suffered a broken nose, a fractured cheek bone and a badly disfigured face, while pitching in a ball game with some of her pupils.

Beauty Girl Gerben Re-Becky owned by the University of Nebraska at North Platte is reported as producing 2885.0 pounds of milk and 108.43 pounds of butterfat in thirty days. This fat production is equal to 135.500 pounds of butter.

First honors in the state historical peace contest held in Lincoln, were won by Ralph G. Brooks of Nebraska Wesleyan university. Second place went to Dean Shoffer of Hastings college. Five state colleges had representatives—Grand Island, Nebraska Wesleyan, Nebraska Central, Hastings and York.

Inauguration of Governor Towner of Porto Rico



The illustration shows the immense throng that greeted Horace M. Towner in San Juan on the occasion of his inauguration as governor of Porto Rico, and, inserted, Governor Towner delivering his address.

Lay Claim to Part of New York City



The Whitehall building, Trinity church and a number of skyscrapers are a portion of what Warren Edwards, a Cincinnati policeman, and George Spleer claim as their property. They are descendants of Robert Edwards who was rewarded by King George III with a 100-acre farm, comprising what now is a part of the financial district, for bravery in Indian wars.

MILTON LOVES TO KNIT



Thomaston, Conn., doesn't understand Milton Grimbshaw. He is "too sensitive" and has none of the coarse ways of this world. Milton has attained six feet and two inches of height and 140 pounds of weight during his twenty years of existence; but, as his mother says, "He's too gentle for the boys and there aren't any girls that he likes down in the clookshop where he works." Milton just loves to knit and, says Mother Grimbshaw, "he is fond of designing women's clothes and making dolls and artistic things like that." So Milton put an ad in a New York paper, asking that some rich family adopt him. He wants to travel and educate himself.

Fort Sheridan Post Gets New Colors



High Compliment to General Allen



On his last day of active duty in the United States army, Maj. Gen. Henry T. Allen, who commanded the American army of occupation in Germany following the armistice, reviewed a dress parade of all troops in the District of Columbia on the Monument grounds. The troops were paraded as a special compliment to the retiring general.

CAMP MERRITT MEMORIAL



Robert I. Atkin, noted sculptor, putting the final touches on his great work, called "Detail," which is the base for the obelisk to be erected at Camp Merritt, Tonawanda, N. J., as a memorial to the 1,500,000 troops who passed through there on their way to French battlefields. The work is one of the exhibits shown by the National Sculpture society in New York.

WORLD'S LARGEST ELK



W. T. Brinson of Waycross, Ga., who weighs an even 600 pounds, is the largest Elk in the world. Mr. Brinson is going to attend the Elks' convention to be held this summer at Atlanta.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL

Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR MAY 6

SAMUEL—JUDGE AND PROPHET

LESSON TEXT—1 Sam. 12:1-5.
GOLDEN TEXT—Only fear the Lord, and serve him in truth with all your heart; for consider how great things he hath done for you.—1 Sam. 12:11.

REFERENCE MATERIAL—1 Chron. 28:2-29:28; Ps. 68; Jer. 13:1; Ho. 11:2, 3.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Samuel, the Boy Who Served in God's House.
JUNIOR TOPIC—The Boy Who Heard God's Call.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Samuel, the Upright Judge.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Samuel, the True Prophet.

Samuel means "asked of God." God gave him in answer to his mother's prayer. She promised to give him back to God. In his early childhood, his mother cared for and taught him. There is no teacher or nurse like the mother of the child. At an early age, she handed him over to the care of Eli to minister unto the Lord in the tabernacle. While ministering unto the Lord in the tabernacle, God called him. He responded to this call and spent a long life in useful service to God and his nation as judge and prophet. Our lesson today is his farewell address.

After Saul was made king, he retired and turned over the authority to the newly-chosen ruler.

I. Samuel's Challenge to the People. (v. 1-5).

1. Reminder of the Way the King Had Been Given. (v. 1). He showed that they were directly responsible for the change in government. Though keenly feeling the rebellion upon himself and their ingratitude to God in their demand for a king, he has not resisted their wish. He reminded them that they now had what they wanted.

2. Review of His Own Administration. (v. 2-5). (1) Walk from childhood (v. 2). Samuel's was a remarkable life; from childhood to old age he had lived an upright and pure life. How satisfying it must be to come to the end of life and to look back even to childhood days without regrets. (2) Career as judge and ruler (v. 3). He boldly chastened them to show where and how he had even in the smallest matters defrauded or oppressed anyone. He courted the most searching investigation of his life, even calling upon the Lord Himself to bear witness.

3. The Vote of Confidence by the People. (v. 4, 5). It was Samuel's right as he laid down the reins of government to have his record vindicated and to have his integrity established beyond a doubt so that no evil-minded man could ever be able to cast reproach upon him.

II. Samuel Reviews God's Dealings from the Time of Moses. (v. 6-15).

He reviewed with them concerning the good hand of the Lord upon them from the time of Moses. Though they with ingratitude turned from the Lord and demanded a king like the other nations, he had acceded to their request and set a king over them.

1. National Prosperity Conditioned by Obedience. (v. 14). Though they had displeased God in choosing a king, if they would fear the Lord and render obedience, national prosperity would still be given. The nation which will not walk in God's way cannot expect God's blessing.

2. Disobedience to God Meant the Nation's Ruin. (v. 15). It is folly to ask God's blessing upon a nation while it is living in rebellion against Him. True statesmanship is to find out God's will concerning the nation and so direct it that in all its laws and customs there may be harmony with that will.

III. Samuel's Own Vindication. (v. 16-19).

This was such a critical hour in the history of the nation that Samuel sought to indelibly impress this moment on their hearts. This he did by means of the thunder and rain out of season. Harvest time was not the season for thunder and rain so when it came at the call of Samuel, the people were frightened. The sign had its designed effect. The people confessed their sin of asking for a king and besought Samuel to pray for them.

IV. Samuel's Gracious Response. (v. 20-25).

1. "Fear Not—Serve the Lord With All Your Heart." (v. 20-22). Samuel did not minimize their sin but assured them if they would serve the Lord wholeheartedly, He would not forsake them.

2. "God Forbid That I Should Sin Against the Lord in Ceasing to Pray for You." (v. 23). Though the people had rejected Samuel, yet he had such magnanimity of soul that he had not allowed their ingratitude to keep him from interceding for them. Such failure on his part he regarded as sin.

Paganism. To worry about carnal things is pure paganism. He who has done such grand things for the soul will not starve the body.—W. L. Watkinson.

Letting Go. Shall I hold on with both hands to every paltry possession? All I have teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen.—Emerson.

When We Build. Too low they build, who build beneath the stars.—Young.