

NEWS OF NEBRASKA IN CONDENSED FORM

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

STANDING OF BALL TEAMS AT END OF WEEK.

WESTERN LEAGUE			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Wichita	52	30	.635
Tulsa	52	35	.598
Omaha	46	40	.536
Oklahoma City	44	38	.536
Des Moines	46	43	.517
St. Joseph	35	51	.407
Knox City	32	50	.390
Denver	34	54	.386

NEBRASKA STATE LEAGUE			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Norfolk	40	28	.588
Lincoln	40	34	.541
Fairbury	38	36	.513
Grand Island	39	40	.494
Beatrice	34	42	.448
Hastings	30	41	.423

All grade schools built hereafter in Omaha will be named after the presidents of the United States.

Viola Patton, 15, was drowned when a companion, in a playful prank, pushed her into a swimming pool at Omaha.

A shortage of \$26,000 was found in the First National bank at Nickerson, following a check made by state bank examiners.

Two test wells for oil will be started near Kearney immediately by men who have leased 20,000 acres in mineral rights.

Children at play along the Elkhorn river near Emmet, in Holt county, unearthed the skull of a supposed prehistoric man.

Gust Rutenbeck of Utica has been named superintendent of the state fish hatcheries at Gretna to succeed W. J. O'Brien, resigned.

The annual convention of the State Bankers' association will be held in Omaha this fall, with an estimated attendance of over 1,200.

Mrs. John Heinz of Fremont, was painfully burned about the face and body while attempting to extinguish flames in her home starting from an electric iron.

Dates for the tri-county tennis tournament to be held in Bloomfield have been set for August 9 and 10. The district includes the counties of Pierce, Cedar and Knox.

Baby Raymond Aaron Benash, 4 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Benash of Schuyler, is the fourth living generation on each side of his parents' families.

The first new wheat was marketed in Fairbury last week, the price opening from 80 to 82c a bushel. Thomas Walsh threshed fifty acres testing 60 to 62 averaging twenty bushels an acre.

All hands in Nebraska are invited to take part in the Mid-West band contest to be conducted during the fall festival of Ak-Sar-Ben, October 2-4, during which \$2,000 in cash prizes will be awarded.

In the 2:20 race to be held at the State fair September 2 to 7, 29 horses are entered, among them being several which are well known to race fans in this section. The purse for this event will be \$1,000.

It is understood that the Burlington railway is to build a new brick depot at Hubbell at once, taking the place of the old frame one destroyed by fire June 3. Material has been ordered and specifications drawn up.

Records at the office of the state division of automobile registration show that there are 27,000 more cars in Nebraska than there were last year, and that there is now one automobile for every six people in the state.

A 500-word essay on "What Camp Gifford Means to Me" submitted by Bernard Lindberg, Troop 43 of the Omaha council of boy scouts, won him a 14-day trip, all expenses paid, to Itasca Park, Minn., next August.

Ted Funnus, of Hooper, farmer, is in a critical condition, and his brother, Otto, suffers from painful burns as a result of the explosion of a steam threshing engine which they were driving from Winslow to Hooper.

Jake Snyder, of Columbus, suffered a seriously burned eye while attending a marshmallow roast, when a girl in front of him flinging her marshmallow fire, tossed it over her back from the end of a stick, the blazing mass striking Snyder in the face.

Frank Vogt, a farmer near Wolbach, was very sleepy. He lay in the shade of one of his horses in the field. But Vogt's horse, seeing his master asleep also grew drowsy and lay down beside him. Vogt awoke with three broken ribs and a tale no one will believe—although it is true.

A stampede of colored waiters, cooks and kitchen help with the Hagenbeck, Wallace circus occurred at a performance in Omaha, when "Teddy," keeper of the storeroom, and "Goldie," head waiter, unlimbered their guns and "shot out" a quarrel over a can of washing powder.

Walter W. Head of Omaha was elected a vice-president of the National boy scout organization.

Albert Ross of O'Neill died in a local hospital from lockjaw. The boy's hand was burned when he discharged a toy pistol. Tetanus set in causing death.

As part of a lighting system to guide night air mail fliers, a 600,000,000 candle-power beacon is being installed on the air mail landing field at Fort Crook. Lights of this kind, it is said, can be seen by pilots from a distance of 120 miles. The mammoth beacon can be flooded, used as a spot light, or rotated.

Fred Owens, son of Joseph Owens, of Geneva had his right foot almost severed from the leg by a mowing machine.

The Country club at North Platte will hold its first annual western Nebraska open golf tournament July 17-18-19-20.

A dope fiend entered the office of Dr. C. W. Walden, at Beatrice, and secured a quantity of narcotics and \$15 in gold coins.

Yeggmen robbed the Bloomington State bank of approximately \$1,300 in silver and bonds of an undetermined amount, and escaped.

Donald Peter Hill, 2, son of a farmer living near Lincoln, died after swallowing kerosene from a can with which he was playing.

The formal transfer of Arbor Lodge at Nebraska City to the state for use as a park and historical museum will take place September 27.

Michael Dempsey, Chief of Omaha police, died in a local hospital, as a result of heart trouble, brought about by a nervous breakdown.

The North Eastern Nebraska tennis tourney, will be held at Randolph this year, according to plans formulated at a meeting of local tennis men.

The 2½-year-old son of E. K. Pierson near Broken Bow, was badly hurt by hogs, when he wandered a half mile from home into a large hog pasture.

Nettie E. Holcomb, daughter of former Governor Holcomb was married last week to Major Lawrence E. Hall, U. S. A. at Bellingham, Washington.

The city administration of Kearney is considering plans calling for the construction of a new storm sewer system, at a cost approximating \$200,000.

Ninety students representing the various colleges of the University of Nebraska, graduated at the close of the first six months' summer term last week.

Approximately \$10,000 worth of damage was done at Wisner by fire which burned the West Brothers building threatening the entire business block.

Donald Brewer, 9-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brewer of Fremont was drowned in a wash tub of water which had been left on the rear porch of the family home.

Land prices in Nebraska may be on the increase according to the price of an eighty acre farm sold recently in Burt county. The property was sold for \$200 an acre, or \$20,800.

A check of automobile licenses issued in Douglas county up to April 1, disclosed that more than 5,000 persons in the county and city of Omaha had failed to list their cars for taxation.

On account of the growth of Plainview and on the grounds of its commercial and sanitary needs, the city council has passed a resolution making provision for installing a sewerage system.

Several cases of typhoid have been reported in University Place attho physicians added that they believe the cause of the disease is under control since a chlorinator has been installed in the city reservoir.

Rev. James B. Brown, who has resigned from the pastorate of the Westminster Presbyterian church, at Lincoln, moved his family to Hastings where he will do college extension work for Hastings college.

The adjutant general of the Nebraska National guard has issued an order for a four-day school of instruction for officers and enlisted noncommissioned officers at Ashland to begin August 2 and end August 5, the day before the annual encampment begins.

Directors of Ak-Sar-Ben are making plans whereby Omaha will become center for the stock shows in future years. Facilities for such shows may be had at Ak-Sar-Ben field and it is the plan to hold the shows in connection with the fall festival.

The worst scourge of flies south-western Nebraska has ever had is causing much loss to farmers. Milk production has been cut down one half, all live stock is rapidly losing weight and farm operations have been interfered with. Local dairies have had to import milk to supply their customers.

Twenty-six contracts for floats have been received by Chairman Webster of the Ak-Sar-Ben patriotic pageant and parade committee. Tentative arrangements have been completed for an additional number from Omaha institutions, and several from Lincoln. Chairman Webster says that there will be forty bands in the parade and more than 7,000 people marching. Practically every organization in the city will be represented.

Following wheat and oats harvests in Pawnee county, it is said the chinch bugs are entering the corn fields close to small grain fields in large numbers. Whether they have hatched out in sufficient numbers to damage the corn generally throughout the county is not yet known.

Floyd Wheeler and William Draeger, swimming in the Elkhorn river near Norfolk, in shallow water, caught a catfish weighing fifty-seven pounds. The fish got in a hole and the men fished it out with a hook. It is the largest catfish caught in that part of the state for many years.

The State press association will hold its next meeting at Omaha August 10, 11 and 12.

Palmira will have a Baby Bee Club show this fall.

In a mad frenzy to get water for a drink and to shake myriads of pestering flies, a herd of 165 cattle on the John Powers farm, near Miller stamped, broke down a fence surrounding a large reservoir and plunged into the cool pool. By the time a hired man had been attracted by their bellowing and arrived on the scene, 100 head of cattle valued at \$10,000, had been either drowned or trampled to death.

The American Legion

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HIS IDENTITY IS IN DOUBT

Soldier Patient in Toledo (Ohio) Hospital May Be Martin Lyons or Bert Jordan.

Is Martin Lyons, a patient in the Toledo (O.) hospital for the insane, a soldier of the United States army prior to 1917, or is he the man whose identity he has at times claimed—Bert Jordan, a World War veteran?

This is the question which has puzzled authorities of the American Legion and other agencies for the relief of the ex-service man since the man was found wandering about the streets of Toledo two years ago.

As Lyons, he has been identified by the War department as having served in the army in 1915. Finger prints aided in the establishment of this identification.

When discovered in Toledo he gave the authorities the name of Bert Jordan, said by War department officials to have been an officer of the World War. Cards and letters in the man's clothing bore this name. Since then he has become paralyzed and lost use of voice and hands, but has indicated that his correct name was Martin Lyons. He once claimed California as his home state, and when found carried a photograph of a Salt Lake City (Utah) restaurant in his pocket.

Through the agency of the Red Cross it has been determined that such a man was a patient in a Stockton (Calif.) hospital, but was discharged or escaped. He is then thought to have enlisted in the United States army at Alameda, Calif., in 1915, but was dropped two months later as "mentally deficient."

He is now hopelessly bedridden, due to the paralytic affliction, and is in the Toledo institution, the ward of the women of the American Legion Auxiliary, who believe that he is a World War veteran. The injury which caused his illness is due to a depression of the left side of the skull, but his arm from wrist to elbow shows signs of skin grafting. The man claims this resulted from service in France.

About six feet in height, the man is of splendid physique, weighing in the neighborhood of 190 pounds. He has sandy hair, blue eyes and strong, refined features. When found he stated that he was thirty-three years of age, and indicated since that he has two brothers and two sisters. Any information as to the man's identity or as to his family should be sent to Mrs. F. C. Conrad, 1207 East Broadway, Toledo, O., chairman of the hospital committee of the Ohio department of the American Legion Auxiliary.

TO PREVENT AIRPLANE FIRES
John Gose and Others of Committee on Aeronautics Invent Fireproof Gasoline Tank.

HAVING lost his right leg and suffered severe injuries caused by a burning airplane in the World War, John Henry Gose of Washington, D. C., a member of the American Legion's national committee on aeronautics, with other aviators, who had received similar injuries, set to work to devise a system to eliminate for others the dangers that caused their own injuries.

The result was the invention of a fireproof gasoline tank, containing a fire-resisting chemical which extinguishes any fire that may start from a leak in the gasoline tank system. Another flask containing acid is installed over the engine of the airplane. This flask releases its acid as soon as a certain temperature has been reached. The invention is built in much the same manner as a thermos flask is constructed.

Mr. Gose entered the service at Fort Meyer, Virginia. He served for a time in a battery of field artillery until he obtained a transfer to the aviation service. He received training with the Canadian Royal Flying corps at Toronto, and completed his course at Hicks, Tex. Commissioned a first lieutenant, he went overseas with the Twenty-second aero squadron. Later he was detached for service with the British Royal Flying corps. It was while he was with the British that he suffered the accident.

Flying at an altitude of between 500 and 600 feet, a sheet of flame shot from underneath the front gasoline tank of his plane. Lieutenant Gose immediately put the machine into a sidship to put the flames out, and also to make a landing. The plane crashed on one wing and the pilot was pinned in the burning wreckage. Struggling to get free from the blazing plane, he broke both legs in the attempt. Meanwhile the fire was burning around his legs and body. Eventually, comrades, risking their lives, succeeded in pulling the lieutenant from the plane. What was left of his right leg had to be amputated.

"My one thought during the 19 months I was in the hospital was to find a fire-prevention equipment that would save other flyers from my own experience," Lieutenant Gose stated.

An organizer of the American Legion group at Bristol, Va., Lieutenant Gose has been connected with the ex-service organization since the early days of its existence.

Plan to Capture World Markets for America



"We'll 'sell' the world!" said Dr. Julius Klein, director of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, shown here, third from left, with his assistant directors as they completed their preliminary work for the 1923-24 Hoover program for making the world America's market place. Left to right, they are: Thomas R. Taylor, Louis Domeratzky, Dr. Klein, O. P. Hopkins and Robert A. Jackson.

SOME SHORTHAND WORK



William M. Day of Washington, president of the Shorthand Reporters' association, standing beside 60,000 pages of shorthand which he personally recorded during the proceedings of the commission for the adjustment of foreign claims in London.

Cherokee Princess Is a Seer



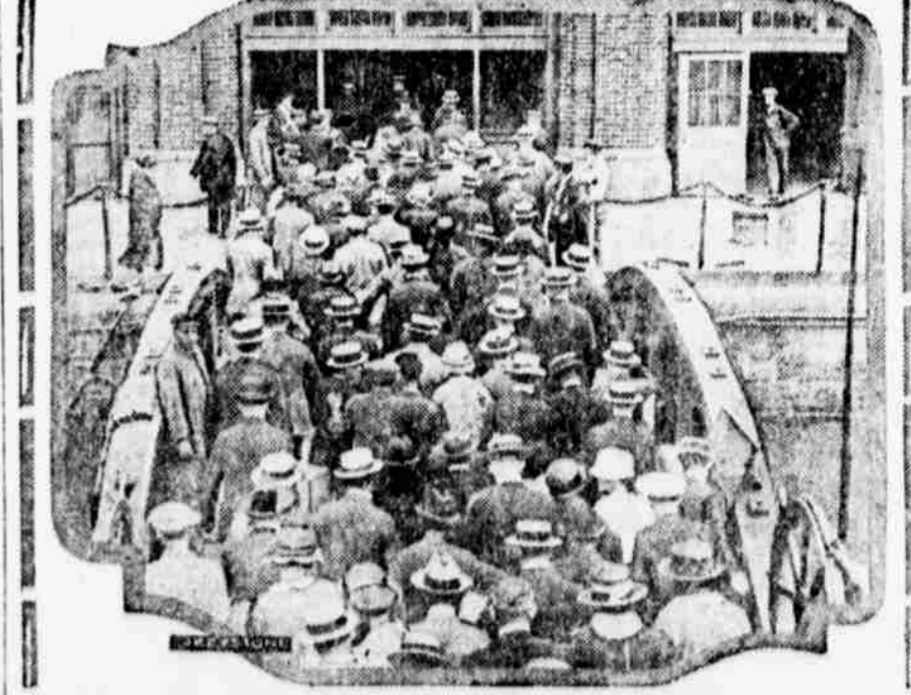
Princess Wahletka, of the Cherokee Indian tribe, who is a halfbreed, her father being a French Canadian and her mother a daughter of Spy Buck of the Cherokees, has just proved before such research workers as Dr. Walter F. Hodge and others, that she possesses peculiar powers of seeing into the future and also delving into the past. Her ability to read minds is remarkable. She is seen here reading the mind of Mrs. John Westfield in New York.

Celebrating Green River Day



Starting with a pageant of the overland trail, in which pioneers, trappers and pony express riders took part, the "Green River Day" celebration at Green River, Wyo., finished with a good old-fashioned western barbecue. This photograph shows "Doc" Fry, famous cook, making coffee for 5,000 assembled ranchers, shippers and railroaders.

Immigrants Thronging Into America



Already the new quotas of immigrants have been filled in the case of most foreign countries, and many will have to return to their native lands. Here are a lot of fortunate ones who have passed the examination at Ellis Island and are going ashore at the Battery, New York.