

# Today

What Their Heads Need. Munsey's Three Forties. The Ice Is Coming. Lion and Faun.

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Look around. You will see 1,000 young men, each with a new straw hat. How many of those young men have bought a new book recently? Thirty buy a serious book, perhaps, for a thousand that buy a straw hat. The dear little head must have a new hat. It can get along without books.

Sir Arthur Keith, British scientist, back from studying gorillas and gibbons in Africa, says the brains of human beings are used only to one-half capacity.

"Most of us have more brains than we know what to do with."

The neglected brain crop is the greatest loss in modern civilization, but the straw hat crop is doing well.

Frank Munsey, who is to newspapers what Herod was to babies, has bought the New York Globe. If you love that little paper, tremble. Its days probably are numbered. Sometimes Mr. Munsey keeps a paper for a while, then kills it.

Sometimes he builds a paper up to gigantic successes. About the Globe, he is uncertain. He may kill it, combining it with the Evening Sun; he may spare it for awhile.

Just now he is saying "eeny meeny miney mo" to decide its fate.

Whether he makes a thing go magnificently or slaughters it because it refuses to go at all, Munsey defies criticism, for he is able to tell his life history in six words: "Forty years, forty failures, forty millions."

He has worked the forty years and more; he has had the forty failures and more; he has got the forty millions and more. The last statement answers everything in this land of the free.

A new glacial period is coming. The MacMillan expedition in the Arctic will measure the ice and tell how fast it is creeping down to spread over half the fertile fields of Europe and the United States, a deadly blanket of cold, and drive us toward the equator.

You needn't hurry to sell your real estate, like those who gave their land away in the year 1,000, when they thought the world was ending. That ice won't come for many a day. We'll all be beyond the reach of cold, at least, before it gets here.

But it is coming to repeat the visits that have marked the world's ancient days, with the swinging of the poles.

Some time, when men become real rulers of this earth, they will use the heat of the equator to keep the ice in its place, and the cold from the north to temper equatorial heat. But this is still beyond us. We're only squatters, not earth conquerors.

Political strategists hope to solve the perplexed political situation by persuading Hiram Johnson to run for republican vice president, and Henry Ford, vice president, democratic.

It's a nice program. You could solve the problem of the jungle if the lion would walk meekly behind the bleating fawn and the black leopard peacefully follow the little lamb. But those wild animals don't always follow the program you map out for them.

In Germany there is great revival of enthusiasm over Frederick the Great. Voltaire, who lived with Frederick at Potsdam, and tried without success, to teach Frederick to pronounce French correctly, shares the honors with the great Prussian king.

Germans should look up the letter that Jean Jacques Rousseau wrote to Frederick, who invited him to come to Potsdam, at a time when he was selecting all the French celebrities.

Rousseau said in substance: "You are inviting me to come to Prussia to live in a palace, eat your food and share your bounty. Are you sure there are no poor people in your kingdom, that lack bread and shelter? After you have provided bread for all of them it will be time enough to invite me."

Voltaire wrote many witty letters to Frederick the Great when they were friends and carved him up cleverly when they became enemies. But he never wrote him as good a letter as Rousseau's.

De Valera officially notifies the army of the Irish republic that the fight is over. They are beaten and must give in. Alken, the army's chief of staff, confirms the news, and says, "we are beaten." This does not necessarily mean peace. As long as there is one dissatisfied Irishman, there is apt to be one Irishman fighting. The announcement, however, will probably mean for the free state a chance to show what it can do. That is what the great majority of Irish men and women want.

## Chess Game on 64-Acre Field, Plan

### Players to Direct Moves from Captive Balloons Anchored 1,000 Feet Above "Board."

Washington, May 29.—Chess, played on a chess board covering 64 acres, with pieces the size of a house mounted on floats!

The playing of this gigantic game will be but one of the features of the gathering here in June of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The Shrine chess championship, according to an announcement just made, is to be fought out over this literal "battleground" and this is how it will be done:

A board will be laid out on the Ellipse, a circular park just south of the White House, and into the Mall as far as necessary, each of the 64 squares of which will be an acre in size. The corners of each square will be marked and if possible the side lines as well.

Pieces will equal a small house in size and will be mounted on motor-driven floats. The opponents in the huge match will direct the plays from captive balloons run up to heights of about 1,000 feet over the playing field.

The balloons will be in communication with the ground by radiophone and motorcycle couriers will be sent out from the central phone headquarters to transmit directions for the movement of the floats.

Decision to hold this match came as a result of an intercity chess-cribbage controversy with Stirling Kerr, secretary of the Scottish Rite bodies in the district, champion chess, and Gene Skinkle of Chicago, sponsoring cribbage.

Taunts of Skinkle that he would play cribbage on a ten-acre lot, using telegraph poles as pegs, brought about Kerr's chess decision.

Kerr, who regards chess as the noblest of all sports, characterized cribbage as "an advanced stage of mumble-peg, only you don't pull the pegs with your teeth, and added:

"There have been chess games on boards so large that human figures were used to represent the chess men. I recall one game played on a tennis court, with the players on elevated platforms, and with men and women costumed to represent the pieces.

"We will outdo all that. Our pieces will be as large as a small house and will be mounted on floats. Of course, we haven't got time or money to do the thing as elaborately as it might be done, but you can rest assured that it will be the world's 'biggest' chess game."

## Conviction "Frameup," Says Clara Phillips

(Continued From Page One.) Canada to Mexico. What she learned, she refused to say, adding that she would await a conference with her attorney in Los Angeles. Mrs. Phillips would say little concerning the details of her escape, but in reply to a query as to whether she was in communication with her husband during her period of freedom said "not all the time." So careful was she not to say too much that she declined to reply to a question who asked whether she slid down a rope used in the get-away, or whether she came down "hand-over-hand." "I had rather not answer that question," she said.

Tells of Escape. She went to St. Louis from Los Angeles, then came to New Orleans and remained here nine days before taking passage for Vera Cruz, Mex. During her stay in New Orleans, she occupied an apartment in the home of Anthony J. Hackelmuller, a prominent real estate dealer, but she said he did not know her identity. She posed as Mrs. Jesse Carsen and

## Woman Weeps in Suit Against Aged Father



Mrs. Bertha Weizler, wife of an electrician at the smelter, broke down several times in District Judge Troup's court where she testified in her \$50,000 damage suit against her aged father, Lawrence Michaelis.

She was asked by her attorneys, Isidor Ziegler and Sam Beber, regarding the attack with which she charges her father. She was picking apples in an orchard which she had leased from the Peters Trust company, administrator of the estate of her mother, when her father entered and struck her, she said. Her child was dead when it was born shortly thereafter.

As the parties left the court room at noon Mrs. Dora Gray, a sister of Mrs. Weizler, seized the latter by the wrists and caused her to fall in a faint on the floor of the corridor. Mrs. Gray also slapped the husband, son and daughter of Mrs. Weizler.

admitted that Carsen, who saved the bars of the window of her cell, was here at the same time. Mrs. Phillips said she went about freely in New Orleans without fear of detection, but asked for the names of persons she became acquainted with while here, declined to answer.

She and Carsen after reaching Vera Cruz went to Mexico City, where her sister joined her. There, she said, Carsen's drinking and other actions attracted attention to them and they moved further south, finally stopping in Honduras. On departing from Honduras, she left Carsen in jail awaiting investigation by the Honduran authorities of a report that he had become implicated in a revolutionary plot.

She would not say much about Carsen. Asked if he was a "friend of the family, and if so, for how long," she smiled and said that she did not think she would answer.

Mrs. Phillips and her guards will leave here at noon tomorrow on the Southern Pacific's Sunset Limited, which is due in Los Angeles Friday night.

Man Takes First Auto Ride Since Back Was Broken

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Superior, Neb., May 29.—Fried D. Gibson, paralyzed from the shoulder down since March 8, 1921, when his back was broken, can now use his right arm and move his feet. He can light his own pipe and move checkers in playing a game. In an operation, November 15, last, parts of the vertebrae was removed. Today he took his first automobile ride since he was injured, and it was the third time he had been outdoors in over two years.

Are you reading the Brisbane column daily appearing in this paper?

## U. P. to Stage Safety Rally

### Thousands Will Attend Meeting at North Platte Thursday.

North Platte will be the scene of the biggest railroad safety rally ever staged in the United States next Thursday when special trains from Omaha and Cheyenne, Wyo., will bring an estimated 5,000 visitors into the thriving central state city for "Union Pacific day."

President Carl Gray of the Union Pacific will talk to the farmers of Lincoln county about the relation of the railroads to the farms, in the forenoon, and in the evening he will make an informal address at the banquet, which is to be served by prominent railroad officials' wives in the depot at North Platte. The entire waiting room will be converted into a dining room for the occasion.

Other features of the program include a parade, a barbecue, two safety meetings and a visit to the experimental farm. Three hundred automobiles will be provided to carry the city's guests to and from the farm. Six reels of motion picture film will be shown during the afternoon, all of them dealing with safety subjects.

Besides President Gray, the following general officers of the Union Pacific will speak: E. E. Calvin, H. M. Adams, William M. Jeffers, A. L. Konold and W. N. Deak.

Talk on Irrigation. D. W. Davis, assistant to the secretary of the interior, will talk about irrigation. Director D. P. Hogan of the Federal Land bank, and W. G. Edens, of Chicago, will explain the bankers' angle.

## Hastings Juice Rates Cut; Extensions Are Planned

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Hastings, Neb., May 29.—The horizontal cut of 20 per cent in the electric current rates, ordered by the city council last night, is believed here to give Hastings the lowest electric rates in Nebraska. The schedule ranges from 6 1/2 cents for household consumers, to 1 1/2 for large power users. The municipal plant has a considerable surplus and the estimated revenue under the new rates allow ample funds for extensions.

## First Oregon Trail Marker to Be Dedicated on July 4

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Grand Island, Neb., May 29.—The first of six markers indicating where the Oregon trail crossed the present highway will be dedicated July 4. The location selected for the ceremony is on the South Locust street road, half a mile south of Grand Island. The granite slabs will be inscribed with a suitable legend that they mark the place where the transcontinental emigrants passed in the days before the country was settled.

## Aged Citizen Establishes Fund for Student Preachers

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Humboldt, Neb., May 29.—Joseph K. Cornelius, "Uncle Joe" as he is familiarly known, who will be 93 June 29 has recently placed in the hands of the trustees of the Christian church the sum of \$10,000 in government bonds, the interest of which amount is to be used by them and

## Training Camp Benefits Explained by Duncan

Gen. George B. Duncan, commander of the seventh corps area, urged Rotarians to advise young men of Omaha to attend the free citizens' military training camps this summer, in his talk at Hotel Fontenelle Tuesday noon.

General Duncan pointed out the benefits of this training, and called attention to the fact that the preamble of the country's constitution is outstandingly filled with statements regarding national defense.

L. E. Hertz completed the Rotary club program with a talk on dairying, in which he related the growth of the Fairmont Creamery company since it was founded 40 years ago, and particularly emphasized the benefit of cold storage to humanity.

## Nebraskans Pensioned.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Washington, May 29.—Nebraskans granted pensions are: William H. Woerner, \$12, Omaha; John Estephen, \$18, Lincoln; Caroline Hewitt, \$30, Havelock; Otto Otradovsky, \$12,

Chrysler; Melissa D. Chandler, \$30, Ansley; Lillie M. McCartney, \$30, Omaha; Elizabeth S. Fitch, \$30, St. Paul; May Myers, \$30, Lincoln; Allie E. Bell, \$12, North Platte; Merle H. Prudeaux, \$12, Lexington; Edna Roberts, \$20, Burkett; Mary E. Daley, \$30, Omaha; John T. Morford, \$12, Crete; Harriet M. Nichols, \$30, Washoe; Flora L. Tracy, \$30, Cairo; Eli I. Sisson, \$12, St. Edward; and Sara W. Williams, \$30, Geneva.

## School Patrons Sued by Nebraska Teacher

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Cheyenne, Wyo., May 29.—Alegine slander, Nina Lemaster, a Nebraskan, filed in federal court here today two \$20,000 damage suits against patrons in Goshen county, Wyo., school district in which she taught last year. She names Milan A. Beaty and Arthur E. Berg.

Miss Lemaster alleges that on April 4, Beaty, in presence of several persons, uttered defamatory words.

Set forth further that three days later he accused her, in presence of others, of stealing lunches from children, referring to lunches which had been taken from baskets at school. Similar charges are made against Berg.

## Dairying Profitable on Irrigated Areas

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Washington, May 29.—Dairying on irrigation projects of the western states is developing into an active and profitable industry, it was indicated at the Department of the Interior today.

The large amount of alfalfa hay grown by the farmers in these reclaimed regions now represents about 40 per cent of the cropped area, according to the latest estimates of the reclamation service, and 20 per cent of gross value of the crops. As cows are fed alfalfa almost exclusively, the large production of it means that the settlers on irrigation projects do not have to make a cash outlay for mill feed for cows and dairying has, therefore, been profitable.

In the new lands irrigation project in western Nevada 1,000 cows in 70 herds produced during April over 27,000 pounds of butterfat. At current

prices the butterfat and skim milk from these herds were worth locally nearly \$15,000, or something over \$200 per month per herd. Reports from other projects where dairy activities have been started show similar satisfactory figures.

## Doane College May Be Moved to Beatrice

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Beatrice, Neb., May 29.—There is a possibility that Doane college, established at Crete 50 years ago, will be brought to Beatrice. Negotiations are now pending between the Beatrice Chamber of Commerce and President Bennett and the board of trustees of the institution.

The college this year had an enrollment of 350 and it is regarded as one of the strongest educational institutions in the state.

The Chamber of Commerce has called a meeting for next week to consider the proposition.

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