

Today

Another Little One.
The Year 5684.
The Lamp Went Out.
Mons. Paul Drank.
By ARTHUR BRISBANE

They kept white mice in the trenches to warn of poison gas. The mice noticed it in time to let men put on gas masks.

At Georgetown, D. C., a little instrument more sensitive than any white mouse, the "seismograph," tells when earthquakes shake the earth's crust.

Yesterday morning a slight tremble told of something wrong, somewhere on earth, and yesterday afternoon India told of an earthquake in Calcutta.

It only killed 50, shaking down a few hundred of the poor class and houses, and will hardly be noticed. Everything is comparative.

You continue to hear of Japan's earthquake. Heavy waves coming all around the earth wash out sand on the Atlantic coast, making deep pools and dangerous bathing.

Naval men believe it was a wave from the earthquake that sent seven United States destroyers on the rocky coast of California.

We will hear further from the earthquake later on, when the bill has to be paid. The earth is small.

This is Roshah-Shanah, the Jewish New Year, number 5684.

Christians call it the year 1923. Other religions and nationalities have other years and other dates, a majority believing that the world is about 6,000 years old, and ought to end soon.

If old earth told its real age, we should learn that many things happened here a thousand millions years ago. When it started, we don't know.

More interesting than the number of their year is the Jews' power, in comparison, to their numbers.

There are only 15,500,000 Jews on the earth, less than 1 per cent of the earth's total population. About 1,600,000 live in New York city. Three million live in the United States. Consider what has been done in the past, and what is being done today, by that Jewish 1 per cent of the earth's population.

Remove the Jewish establishments from the streets of any great city, and what would the streets look like?

In every line of effort, from Spinoza in philosophy to Einstein in astronomical mathematics, the Jews have shone and have excelled. They survived persecution such as no race ever endured. They win in philosophy, as they do in music, garment making and poetry. Some of their blood was in Columbus, and a great deal of their money was lent to help this country when it was establishing its independence.

And nations that have most viciously persecuted the Jews have gone down.

The little moon, traveling along 25 miles a minute, got between the earth and the sun yesterday and for 169 seconds the sun's light went out, entirely at certain places, to a limited degree elsewhere.

The moon was something like a child walking between you and your reading lamp. The eclipse was photographed by scientists on the earth, and from flying machines, but only savages were agitated. We don't believe, as they once did, that a dragon is eating up the sun. And we don't think that angry gods are warning us to behave ourselves.

In the old days they took eclipses so seriously that two armies, about to fight, turned tail and went home in a hurry when the sun began to disappear. It was a poor ruler that didn't have some kind of eclipse when he died.

The Reverend Increase Sather, who wrote his interesting essay on "Remarkable Providences," in the early Puritan days, found it easy enough to explain an eclipse in Massachusetts. He said it expressed the grief of nature at the death of President Chauncey of Harvard. Quite a compliment for Harvard.

We know that an eclipse means nothing at all, except that the moon gets in front of our sun lamp and shuts out the light for a minute. We have progressed in that way. But we don't yet know enough to stop murdering each other, as they did in the days of superstition and darkness.

Monsieur Paul Mercier said he could drink a quart of rum and a quart of curacao, and bet money on it. He drank the two quarts, but won't enjoy spending what he won. He was dying when last heard from.

Rum is bad enough. Curacao, the strongest kind of alcohol, flavored with orange peel and sweetened, is not a thing to be trifled with.

The human body can stand much, but there are limits, and some Americans now drinking bootleg liquor will realize it. A rich harvest is being prepared for the undertakers.

The estate of John W. Draper is willed to the public by a daughter, Mrs. A. Draper Dixon. Draper, in his book, "The Intellectual Development of Europe," left to the public a gift worth ten thousand estates of land and buildings. Get that book at the public library and read it, if you want to know something about the earth, men and human thought.

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Harvard Woman Dies.
Harvard, Neb., Sept. 11.—Mrs. Hans Johnson, well known among Harvard's old time residents and wife of one of the city councilmen, died of heart failure at a hospital in Hastings.

Beal Points Out Weakness in Statute

Inability to Hold Truck Driver for Death of Domenico Morbitto Is Attacked.

A motorist may go to sleep at the wheel of his moving car—Or watch an airplane soar high above while driving through crowded streets—

And still be safe from criminal action if he runs down and kills anyone.

In the opinion of County Attorney Henry Beal the failure of the statute to provide punishment for negligent driving was brought to light most forcibly when a coroner's jury decided Monday night that Domenico Morbitto, 45, employee of the street railway company, came to his death through an "unavoidable accident."

Defective Brakes Blamed.
Marbitto was run down by James Albing, Jr., 2412 Decatur street, who was driving a truck for the J. Robinson Fruit company, at Sixteenth and Leavenworth streets. Albing declared the accident was due to the fact that his car had no brakes. The windshield was also dirty, according to police. He was arrested and held on a \$2,000 bond. Marbitto died at the Lord Lister hospital Sunday morning.

"Had Albing been exceeding the speed limits he would have been subject to criminal prosecution," said Beal. "But the fact that the car had bad brakes and a dirty windshield makes no difference, according to the statute."

Investigation Started.
"I am investigating the complaints that the police surgeon who attended Marbitto refused to permit the Farnas to employ another physician for the injured man," said George Meecham, attorney, this morning. "The Farnas had cared for Marbitto for many years and they even had difficulty in seeing him after he was injured."

They believed he had a mother living in Italy, but were unable to ascertain where because of the obstacles placed in their way of seeing Marbitto. If things are as the Farnas say, it'll probably file a complaint against the surgeon before the city council and possibly before the state medical board. A surgeon has no right to refuse additional medical aid."

Fine Exhibits Are Shown at Knox County Fair
Bloomfield, Neb., Sept. 11.—The Knox county fair is in progress here and indications are that exhibits in all departments will be far ahead of previous years. Every pen in the five large hog barns has been taken and it will be necessary to build a number of temporary pens to house the overflow. Competent authorities claim that it will be the finest swine exhibit ever displayed in northeastern Nebraska.

Every stall in the cattle barn has been reserved and many of the animals have been brought in. The cattle exhibit will eclipse any previous one in the annals of the fair. Many exhibitors and concessions are here and indications point to a record-breaking attendance.

The school exhibit is the largest and best ever shown here. A new building was erected to house the school exhibit. Bloomfield and Osmond will play ball and the Plainview band will furnish music.

Ninety Cases Docketed for Trial at Hastings
McCook, Neb., Sept. 11.—District court opened here with 90 cases on the docket, Judge Eldred presiding. Among the lawyers from out of the county in court on important cases were: Former United States Senator E. J. Burkett, Lincoln; Gus Norberg, Holdrege, referee in bankruptcy; B. F. Butler and Walter D. James, Cambridge, and George C. Proud, Arapahoe.

Adams County Goes Over Top in Quake Fund Drive
Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.
Hastings, Neb., Sept. 11.—Adams county has more than subscribed its quota of \$1,500 of the Red Cross fund for sufferers in Japan. A check for \$1,550 was sent this morning to the central division headquarters in Chicago.

Two hundred and forty men aided in the canvas in Hastings while dozens took up the work in the county.

Farmers Near Fairbury Are Sowing Fall Wheat
Fairbury, Neb., Sept. 11.—Farmers in this section are busy plowing for fall wheat and drilling in the crop. The prospects for corn, outside the small area damaged by hail, were never better. It is estimated that the yield will run from 25 to 45 bushels an acre. The third crop of alfalfa is being cut. The quality is fine but the yield is rather light.

Funeral of C. E. Gaddis Is Held at Hastings
Hastings, Neb., Sept. 11.—Funeral services for C. E. Gaddis, father of Ivan and Vaughn Gaddis, Omaha newspaper men, were held here today. Mr. Gaddis died suddenly at Lincoln after having been taken ill at the state fair grounds.

Beatrice Man Buried.
Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 11.—Funeral services for Louise Smith, 32, of Beatrice, who died at St. Joseph, were held here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Smith. He is survived by his widow, his parents, and one sister, Miss Effie Smith.

Celebrates 77th Birthday.
Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 11.—W. R. Jones, former sheriff and one of the earliest pioneers of Gage county, celebrated his 77th birthday at Antelope park, Lincoln, where members of the family drove in their cars to participate in the event.

Sunday School Meeting.
McCook, Neb., Sept. 11.—Red Willow county Sunday school convention will be held at Marion, September 13 and 19. A number of state officers will be present and a full program will be carried out.

Girl Awakes from "Mythical Sleep" and Denies Chloroform Attack

Mrs. Daisy Paige Says Prowler Was Not So Cruel—Police Skeptical.



Denial that she was chloroformed by a prowler who entered her room Monday night was made Tuesday by Mrs. Daisy Paige, living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Elwell, 2022 Grace street.

At her home yesterday she expressed the opinion that the prowler might have been her former husband, from whom she was divorced two months ago. She said he was known as Harry Davis and employed at a local chop suey restaurant.

Detectives Treglia and Anderson, who investigated the case, expressed doubt that the prowler ever entered her room. They said the earth outside her window was tramped down and that the person who stood there had smoked several cigarettes, the stubs of which were found strewn about. They declared the man standing by the window in all probability carried on a conversation with someone in the room. The head of the bed is beside the window.

Detectives say that if the man had been a prowler, there would have been no necessity for his entering the room anyway, because several articles of jewelry were lying on a table within easy reach of the window. These were not disturbed. Daisy's story to her father Monday night was that she was awakened by someone pouring chloroform on a rag over her face and that after she screamed, the man struck her twice in the face and fled. Her face is unmarked.

Hastings to Give Light to 3 Towns

Contracts for Transmission Lines to Ayr, Holstein and Roseland.

Hastings, Neb., Sept. 11.—Contracts for building transmission lines from the Hastings light plant to Ayr, Holstein and Roseland have been let to the Henningsen Construction company of Omaha, and the work will be started at once.

These towns were included in the quartet of neighboring villages which sought electric current from the municipal plant in Hastings some time ago. They have held special elections since the city council here acted favorably on their proposal and in all cases the bond issue carried by a large majority.

Kenesaw was the fourth town in the group, but owing to the fact that the town is already carrying a large bond issue and the municipal plant, which is said to be operating at a loss, would have to be repaired extensively before it could be disposed of, the bond issue was voted down.

The transmission lines between Ayr, Holstein and Roseland will be owned jointly by the three and will be constructed from Ayr to the Hastings plant. The villages will receive current at the rate of 5-12 cents a kilowatt and it will be measured.

Fairbury Store Burns.
Fairbury, Neb., Sept. 11.—The Sid Hinest frame store building was destroyed by fire. The building was used for a soft drink emporium by R. C. Miles. This was one of the first buildings constructed in Fairbury, more than 50 years ago.

2 Omahans Die in Navy Wreck

Youths Who Enlisted Here Victims in Pacific Coast Disaster.

James W. H. Conway, 18, and August Zakrzewski, 21, both of Omaha, were among the victims of Sunday's naval disaster on the Pacific coast, in which 29 seamen were reported killed, it became known Monday night.

Young Conway is the son of James J. Conway, technical sergeant at Fort Omaha, who has been in the army 26 years.

Zakrzewski is the son of Joseph Zakrzewski, 4620 South Thirty-fourth street.

Conway, a second class seaman on the destroyer Delphi, enlisted in the navy in Omaha last December. His father took him to the recruiting station.

He was sent directly to the San Francisco naval training station and had made one voyage on the New York, to Panama. He was transferred to the Delphi just prior to the accident.

Conway is survived, besides his father, by four brothers, Edward, Richard, Melvin and Lloyd, all attending Miller Park school, and a sister, Alice, who is out of school.

His father, while deeply affected by his son's death, remained stoical.

August Zakrzewski re-enlisted in the navy at Omaha in January, 1922, following his discharge in September, 1922, from a two-year "hitch."

He was serving on the destroyer Young at the time of the accident. His father had not heard from him for four months.

He is survived, besides his father, by a sister, Rose, 17; a brother, Frank, 14, and a married sister, Mrs. Anna Gajewski, of Chicago.

Nebraskan Added.
Washington, Sept. 11.—The Navy department today issued an official list of the casualties incurred in the loss of seven destroyers on the Pacific coast, showing one dead and 22 missing and believed to be dead.

The names of E. W. Grady of Gretna, Neb., and E. Jones of New Orleans were added to the unofficial list issued last night, while the names of Henry J. Schrank of Milwaukee, Wis., and Joseph Silva of Cambridge, Mass., were eliminated from the first casualty list.

Place the cabbage or cauliflower in a bowl of salted cold water for a half hour before cooking and it will be much more tender and delicate when done.

Omaha Sailor Who Lost Life in Navy

Organization Is Formed for This Purpose at Red Cloud Meeting.



Red Cloud, Neb., Sept. 11.—A meeting was held here for the purpose of perfecting a district organization to nominate and elect senators and representatives who will work to create an executive body to standardize moving picture films and establish county and city welfare bureaus.

Six representatives were present from Webster county, nine from Franklin county and 11 from Nuckolls county. These three counties compose the twenty-seventh senatorial district.

J. H. Agee of Superior was elected president; P. J. Thiel of Franklin, vice president; Ed Portwood of Nelson, secretary, and E. C. Caldwell of Red Cloud, treasurer. C. O. Butler of Franklin was made finance manager.

Baby Clinic to Be Held at Pawnee County Fair
Table Rock, Neb., Sept. 11.—A baby clinic will be a feature of the Pawnee county fair in October, under the direction of Mrs. F. C. Thomann, former county Red Cross nurse, assisted by the doctors of Pawnee county and club women of Pawnee City. All children not attending school will be cared for free at the clinic.

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Hastings Family Hears Navy Commander Safe

Commander Leslie E. Bratton, Who Was in Charge of One of the United States Navy Destroyers that Crashed on the California Coast Saturday Night, Was Reported Safe in a Message Received by His Family Here Today.

Hastings, Neb., Sept. 11.—Commander Leslie E. Bratton, who was in charge of one of the United States navy destroyers that crashed on the California coast Saturday night, was reported safe in a message received by his family here today.

Seneca Man Is Paid \$8.75 a Hundred for Heavy Steers
A load of choice heavy steers averaging 1,357 pounds, brought to the stockyards yesterday by L. C. Beal of Seneca, was sold as beef at \$8.75 a hundred. Mr. Beal also brought in two loads of heifers for which he received a good price.

The BABY SHOP

Vanta Underthings For Wee Babies

Those Vanta vests that mothers have been asking for in the Baby Shop have just arrived. The double-breasted ones in silk and wool that fasten without pins or buttons are \$1.75 in size 2 and \$1.85 in size 3.

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