

Oil Tank Blaze Threatens Town Dykes Thrown Up to Halt Spread of Blazing Liquid.

Taft, Col., April 29.—Five hundred men are frantically throwing up dykes to prevent the spread of burning oil from four burning General Petroleum company tanks near here to the city of Taft and the smaller communities of Ford City and Cooc.

Burgess Bedtime Stories

Jerry Muskrat Moves. There was no doubt about it, the time had come to move. The water was already up around Jerry Muskrat's ankles in his bedroom. "Well," said Jerry to himself, "I guess I've got to go. This water may not last long in here, but it will be pretty damp for a while. I'm glad I've got that snug room high up in the bank. If I hadn't I would have nowhere to go."

Nebraska News Nubbins

De Witt—Junior-senior banquet of the De Witt high school was held in the M. E. church basement. The second senior class play, "Cranberry Corners," was given in a large and appreciative audience two evenings.

Keeney—Prof. L. E. Burton, since 1917 head of the department of industrial training at the State Teachers college, has resigned to accept membership in a firm of general contractors and builders at Muncie, Ind.

Franklin—Before a crowd of nearly 2,000 here, an Oklahoma speaker delivered a lecture, setting forth the principles and ideals of the Ku Klux Klan. The lecture was given for Sten Park people, many driving 30 miles to hear him.

Ellis—Funeral services for the late Mrs. Mary Powell were held today from the Methodist church at Ellis, and burial was in Ellis cemetery. Mrs. Powell was 80 years of age and is survived by a daughter and several sisters and brothers.

Hebron—William L. Mitten, formerly of Gage county, died at his home here after a brief illness. He was a brother of J. B. Mitten, old resident of Holmesville, to which place the body was taken for the funeral and burial Tuesday afternoon.

Beatrice—Mrs. Bessie Ward of Red Oak, Ia., who has been employed by the Western Telegraph company for the last eight years, has been appointed local agent to succeed L. A. Simmons, transferred to Grand Island.

Byron—Fire, which started from burning papers and kindling in a coal bucket in the C. F. Voss hardware store Sunday evening, caught the flooring and did a small amount of damage before it was put out by citizens. It is supposed that a match or a cigarette stub carelessly thrown into the coal bucket caused the fire.

Church Assails Smith Candidacy for Presidency

Methodist Committee Calls Him "Personification of Spirit of Tammany" in Statement.

Washington, April 29.—The board of temperance, prohibition and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal church, in a formal statement yesterday assailed the candidacy of Governor Al Smith of New York.

"The newspaper discussion of the possible nomination of Al Smith, a candidate for the presidency, is surely intended only as a space filler," the statement declared. "Mr. Smith is the very personification of the spirit of Tammany. His nomination would inevitably cause the next election to be fought and won on the issues of simple patriotism. Party lines would disappear."

Boys' Week in Columbus Directed by Rotary Club

Columbus, Neb., April 29.—"Boys' week" is being observed in Columbus. The activities are under the general direction of the Columbus Rotary club aided by the pastors of the various churches.

Widow Awarded \$4,800. Red Cloud, Neb., April 29.—District Judge Blackledge has announced a decision awarding Mrs. Ermina Bruner compensation of \$4,800 for the death of her husband, according to information received by the plaintiff's attorney, F. J. Munday, of this city.

Clothing Store Robbed. Nebraska City, April 28.—The J. C. Penney department store here was robbed of 75 suits of clothes early Monday morning. The goods were removed from the city in a car owned by W. H. Brown, proprietor of the Grand hotel, and taken from the garage of the Morrow Auto company.

Falls City.—Rena Cox and Georgia Burlingame, 15-year-old runaway girls for whom a widespread search had been conducted for several weeks, were picked up here and held for their parents.

WIFE OF ACTOR TO SEEK DIVORCE

New York, April 29.—I expect to file suit for divorce within a month, but I will name no respondent," Mrs. Bert Lottel, wife of the well-known screen star, declared today.

Littel arrived here yesterday from the west. He refused to deny or confirm reports that he planned to marry actress Winona, his beautiful leading lady, if the divorce proceedings are successful.

Constitution Menaced. McDonald Tells Women

Keosauqua, Neb., April 29.—Having prepared themselves by taking up discussions of the Declaration of Independence and the constitution at previous meetings, the League of Women Voters, together with the Professional Girls' club, gave N. P. McDonald an attentive audience when he spoke on the constitution.

Business Men Discuss Harding Highway Route

Nebraska City, April 29.—At a dinner held at the Grand hotel last night the route of the proposed Harding Memorial highway, passing through this city, was discussed by Chamber of Commerce men and Shenandoah and Sidney (Ia.) business men.

Rebel Force Routed. Vera Cruz, April 29.—Gen. Anaceto Lopez, with 600 federal troops, attacked and routed a force of 300 men under the rebel Gen. Juan Lechuga yesterday at La Feria plantation, near San Francisco, on the interoceanic railway.

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TROOPS REVOLT AT CUBAN POST

Havana, Cuba, April 29.—Disaffection long smoldering in Santa Clara province came to a head today when a detachment of the rural guard revolted and fled from their post near Santa Clara.

Denton Returns to Old Burlington Railroad Job

Stirling, Neb., April 29.—William P. Denton of Lincoln, general chairman of the Order of Railway Telegraphers for the past nine years, returned to this place as station agent for the Burlington railway today, displacing Harvey R. Grimes, who has been acting as agent here for the station agent here in 1915, when elected by the organization as its general chairman.

A Console of High Quality for \$69.50. Look over the following list of Choice Bargains with FREE RECORDS: Victrola 35 21.00 Columbia 125 48.50 Pathé 125 59.50 Brunswick 150 85.50 Victrola 150 87.50 Kimball 175 97.50 Victrola 225 137.50

Father Confers Masonic Degree on Fifth of Sons

Wood Lake, Neb., April 29.—At the last meeting of Wood Lake Lodge No. 211, A. F. & M., when John P. Kreytek received his Master Mason's degree, the principal officers were filled during the ceremony by the father and four brothers of the candidate.

Man Found Dead in Barn

Stromsburg, Neb., April 29.—An old man, 72, died of heart failure at the home of his daughter, John Kreytek, in this city. He had gone to the barn and was found dead by a neighbor. Mr. Kreytek had lived in the county 43 years. He was 68 when he was first married to his wife, Mrs. Harry, who lives near this city.

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LUMCO. DANDRUFF destroys the hair. A 7-cent bottle of LUMCO will stop it. Lumco tonic makes the hair grow thick and strong. TO-NIGHT Tomorrow Alright. Are You in Need of a Tonic? Health is Wealth. You Cannot Afford to Overlook a Word of this Letter.