

FOR THE BUSY MAN

NEWS EPITOME THAT CAN SOON BE COMPASSED.

MANY EVENTS ARE MENTIONED

Home and Foreign Intelligence Condensed into Two and Four Line Paragraphs.

Foreign.

Graham White, the English aviator who started on a biplane flight from Wormwood Scrubs, London, for Manchester, in an attempt to win the prize of \$50,000 offered by a London morning newspaper, had accomplished more than half of the journey when compelled to descend on account of the intense cold.

Madam Tetrazzini has been attacked with sudden illness and she was able to appear, as billed in "La Traviata," at the opening of the opera season at the Covent Garden theater in London.

Edmund Heller, the zoologist of Riverside, Cal., who accompanied Mr. Roosevelt on his African hunting trip, has decided that the sable antelope killed by Kermit Roosevelt is a new species peculiar to the Mombasa region, and not heretofore described. It will be named the Roosevelt.

A telegram from Belgrade reports the death of Colonel Maschina, who, with a band of officers, forced his way into the palace on the night of June 10, 1903, and massacred King Alexander and Queen Draga and those who sought to defend their majesties.

General.

The national party prohibition convention may be held in Des Moines in 1912.

The south reports millions of dollars lost by cold weather in destruction of fruit.

Gov. Hughes of New York has been tendered and accepted appointment as an associate justice of the supreme court of the United States.

Former Judge S. F. Balliet, for twenty years a resident of Des Moines, died in Tonahap, Nev., at the age of 73 years.

Dr. Eilhu B. Thomas, 83 years old, father of Augustus Thomas, the playwright, died at his home at St. Louis, Monday.

M. De Volent, Russian minister to Mexico, has been retired because of ill health and will be succeeded by Dr. A. De Stavisky, a present secretary of the Russian legation at Berne.

Official announcement was made at Baltimore of the authorization of a mortgage on the Baltimore & Ohio Chicago terminal property to secure an issue of \$50,000,000 of 50-year 4 1/2 per cent bonds.

The Kansas apple crop has been greatly damaged by cold weather. Colonel William H. Bixby, United States engineer corps, will be appointed chief of engineers, succeeding Brigadier General William L. Marshall, who will be retired June 11.

Four of the six convicts who escaped from Leavenworth have been recaptured. Of the two still at large, one of them was engaged in the Union Pacific overland hold-up.

Senator Hale denied that fear of defeat prompted his announcement of coming retirement from the senate.

More than 5,000 men who receive pensions for service during the civil war live outside of the United States.

There will be no strike on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad. Everything has been amicably arranged.

Congress will adjourn before the middle of June and possibly by June 1, it is believed by President Taft and the administration leaders. And before that time it is expected most of the so-called administration measures now before congress will have been passed, or, if not, they would be in such shape that they can be enacted into law soon after congress meets in December.

The Pickett conservation bill authorizing the president to make withdrawals of public lands for purposes of conservation, was passed by the house.

A large increase in the number of casualties on American railroads is shown by the interstate commerce commission report.

The Burlington sustained a loss estimated at \$100,000 in a fire in the Lincoln yards at Lincoln, Nebr.

Mr. Bryan, it is stated, will help in the Missouri prohibition campaign when it is fully on.

Three more bodies were taken from the mines at Mulga, Alabama, making a total of thirty-nine recovered. It is now believed by the inspectors that there are no more bodies in the mine.

In the next general election Nebraska will vote upon an amendment to the present voting laws.

Agents of the department of justice and the treasury are looking into certain features of the beet sugar industry in the west.

William Randolph Hearst praises President Taft's administration. He says he is doing things that Roosevelt ought to have done.

Though having lost one large fortune, Mark Twain died worth a million dollars.

Samuel Langhorne Clemens, "Mark Twain," printer, soldier, reporter, miner, lecturer, editor, publisher and author, died at his home, Stormfield, near Redding, Conn., of angina pectoris and cardiac asthma. He was 75 years of age. His last words were to his daughter, "Give me my glasses." He leaves money and estate valued at \$1,000,000. His burial took place beside his wife at Elmira, New York. With his death passes the writer who, more vividly than any other, portrayed the typical American boy, and gave his readers an adequate impression of the homely, large, spontaneous life led by native Americans.

Judge William H. Upton for years a leading Ohio politician, died at Akron.

Denial of any rivalry among the beef packers was made by a witness at the St. Louis hearing. Believing he has all the evidence needed to begin the oyster proceedings against the meat packing companies, Attorney General Major brought the meat investigation to a close at St. Louis.

Thomas Taggart, former chairman of the Democratic national committee, formally announced that he would be a candidate before the general assembly next year to succeed Albert J. Beveridge in the United States Senate.

There was general expression of regret all over the country over the death of Mark Twain.

Senator McCumber of North Dakota, though still very ill, will, it is said, recover.

The president will name a New York man for the supreme bench to succeed Julius Brewer.

Senator Burkett celebrated Arbor day in the United States senate by introducing a bill providing for the establishment at Nebraska City of a national school of forestry.

Congressman Pollard of Nebraska says he will not be a candidate for reelection.

Rev. Dr. James Barton, foreign secretary of the American board of commerce for foreign missions, fears some misfortunes may have befallen those missionaries who have not been reported as arrived at Hankow.

While engaged in collecting data for the federal census, Rev. G. W. Pratt, pastor the Methodist Episcopal church at North Riverside, Ia., a strong denial was made of reports that Guatemalans are in revolt against the rule of President Cabrera.

Both Senators Hale and Aldrich will step out in 1911. Neither of them desires re-election to the upper house.

Robbers blew the vault of the First National bank of Spring City, Tenn., and escaped with more than \$10,000. The Philadelphia street car strike has been permanently settled by concessions on both sides.

W. J. Bryan made a call on President Taft, and was closeted with him for an hour.

Washington.

Secretary Ballinger of the department of the interior has withdrawn from entry approximately thirteen and a half million acres of coal lands in southeastern Montana, believed to contain valuable deposits, pending examination and classification as to their values. The secretary also has ordered 400,000 acres of land in Montana into the enlarged homesteads, as not being susceptible of irrigation, from any known source of water supply, and has applied a like order to 28,000 acres in New Mexico.

Under the provisions of an amendment to the rivers and harbors bill introduced by Senator Brown of Nebraska and agreed to unanimously by the senate committee on commerce having the bill in charge the secretary of war is directed to make experiment between Omaha and the mouth of the Platte river with sand bags and brush for the purpose of protecting the banks of the Missouri river.

Why pork chops and pork roasts cost more now than two, three and four years ago was the subject of expert testimony given in the senate food probe by Peter W. Peterson of Clay county, South Dakota. Mr. Peterson said he sold hogs at prices ranging from \$4.50 a hundred pounds in 1900 to \$6.53 in 1909. The price then jumped to \$9.30 as the average from January 1 to this week.

President Taft informed Senators Brown and Burkett that he would have to defer his decision about accepting their invitation to visit the Commercial club at Lincoln some time between October 6 and 11.

Personal.

Woman suffragists descended on members of congress with petitions demanding the right to vote. A French newspaper writer at Paris viciously attacked Mr. Roosevelt.

Daughters of the American revolution were addressed by President Taft.

Conditions at Chang Shae are still disturbed and foreigners have fled. Seven days after Dr. B. C. Hyde gave Miss Stella Swope a box of candy, the young woman developed typhoid fever, testified Miss Anna Houlihan, a nurse at Kansas City.

Senator Burkett introduced a bill to establish a school of forestry at Nebraska City.

Senator Purcell criticized the president in his maiden speech. Dr. Hyde was painted in black colors by the state at the opening of his trial at Kansas City.

State Senator Aldrige of New York state was beaten for congress in the Rochester district.

Victor E. Berger, the Milwaukee socialist leader, announced the plans and principles of his party.

STATE FIRE WARDEN

SEEKS TO HAVE INSTRUCTION IN THE SCHOOLS.

SHOWS WHERE DANGER LURKS

Children Should Be Taught Dangerous Use of Gasoline, Kerosene and Other Explosives.

A. V. Johnson, state fire warden, has written a letter to State Superintendent Bishop suggesting that a day or an hour of some day each month be set aside for the teachers to instruct their pupils about how to prevent fires and what to do in some emergencies. It is Mr. Johnson's idea that if the children are taught the dangerous use of gasoline and kerosene and what to do in case of explosion, as well as how to prevent fires by keeping refuse burned and the danger of permitting old papers to be stacked in an attic or closet that the lessons now learned will remain with them always.

Mr. Johnson gave out the following statement: The Nebraska Fire commission, whose business it is to do everything possible for the prevention of fire waste desires to direct public attention to the necessity of a general cleanup during the spring time. Debris that has accumulated during the winter months should be thoroughly cleared away. The reasons for this are obvious, one which might be mentioned is that this debris is often responsible for spontaneous combustion, which, more prevalent during the hot summer months than during the cold period, is generally regarded by experienced fire fighters as one of the chief causes of what are called "unknown fires."

Too often houses are built without giving proper consideration to attic ventilation; the hot summer sun beats on the roof, the heat in the attic becomes intense and with the attic filled with rubbish, dust, oily rags, highly varnished pieces of furniture or other accumulations spontaneous combustion is a natural result.

Closets are often used for storing away greasy overalls, old clothes and oily rags, such closets should be thoroughly cleaned and this is particularly true of the closet under the stairway, which is too often permitted to become a fire trap immediately under the only way of escape from the upper stories of the building.

This is the season for varnishing and painting, hence old rags used for wiping greasy wood and varnished surfaces should be burned; if they must be saved for future use they should be kept in an iron receptacle substantially covered and set away from the wood buildings.

Paint and oily rags, varnish and waste, used to wipe machinery are particularly liable to spontaneous combustion.

We desire to suggest that when people are removing their stoves for the summer months, if they would be careful to see that the hole in the chimney was stopped with a metal thimble and not with paper or rags it would prevent a great many fires.

New Fraternal Organization.

The Clansmen of America, of Omaha, a new fraternal organization, has been licensed to do business in this state. The rates of the new company are not up to the fraternal congress standard and consequently did not meet with the approval of the auditor. Nevertheless, under the insurance law a license must be issued when 250 applications have been signed, no matter what the rates may be.

Money for Soldiers' Homes.

Governor Shallenberger received from the government warrants for \$9,175 for the use of the two soldiers' homes. The money is apportioned at the rate of \$100 for each member of the home. At Grand Island there are 255 members and at Millard 112.

Missouri Pacific Losses.

Maggie Wollenburg, who won a damage suit against the Missouri Pacific in the district court of Douglas county, after having been tossed some sixty-five feet by an engine, won out also in the supreme court.

Cost of Life Insurance.

Figured on the basis of the vote cast in 1908, every man in Nebraska who has attained his majority spent \$13.70 for life insurance last year. This represents an increase over the preceding year.

New Lieutenant.

The adjutant general's office has authorized the election of a second lieutenant in the Gatling gun section at Beatrice, that section having recently increased its strength to thirty men.

Go to Fort Riley.

There will be no state camp for the Nebraska national guard this year, excepting the rifle teams. All the rest of the guard will be taken to Fort Riley. Adjutant General Hartigan has refigured the expense of taking the guard, amounting in all to about 1,100 men, and believes that he can send all of the boys to Fort Riley on the \$30,000 that is available for the purpose. Some of the companies may, however, be left behind unless they are able to show a strength of at least forty-three men.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

Jeff L. Stone, a former newspaper man, died at Holdrege. The water works system at Sargeant has been completed.

The farm house and barn on the farm of Richard O'Hara, four miles west of Bradshaw, burned. The loss is \$4,000.

The Van Buren elevator and flouring mill in Fairbury caught fire and burned to the ground.

Editors of Cass county held their annual meeting and elected officers for the ensuing year.

The cornerstone of the new \$15,000 Methodist Episcopal church at Wymore, now being constructed, was laid with appropriate ceremonies.

Owing to the prevalence of scarlet fever at Scribner the schools have been closed and the board of health has ordered that no public meetings be held.

The entertainment committee of the Wymore Boosters' club is engaged in raising \$1,000 to be spent in open air entertainments on the downtown streets during the summer.

A peculiar case has developed in district court and is now pending at Kearney, Nebr. A few days ago Anna Husselton asked for a restraining order enjoining Peter Fisher, her father, from hauling sand from a piece of land belonging to the daughter. The father, who is quite old, states that he deeded his land over to his daughter under an agreement that she should care for him until death and that she has not done so. Now he petitions the court for cancellation of the deed.

Fire started in F. H. Gilgrees' lumber and coal sheds at Overton and in less than two hours the whole lumber yard was in ruins, also a house belonging to Mrs. Rucker and several barns and outbuildings, making a total loss of about \$25,000.

North Bend has a second big fire. It caught in Kern's ice house, south of the tracks, about 3:30 and before it was under control other buildings adjoining, including Cusack's feeding barn and sheds, were destroyed. The loss is \$6,000.

The subscription list circulated to place the West Point Speed association on a sufficiently sound financial basis to insure the success of the race meet in July has reached the sum of \$3,300, much more than enough to guarantee the carrying out of the intentions of the management.

Carl E. Veline, who for some time has been facing charges of selling mortgaged property, both in Phelps and Harlan counties, was turned loose at Holdrege after having settled all the fines and costs in both counties.

The farm house of Mrs. Rosena Graff, two miles west of Beatrice was destroyed by fire, with its contents. A daughter of Mrs. Graff, who occupied the place is seriously ill and was removed from the burning building with difficulty.

Prof. A. B. Huckins, of Nebraska City, one of the best known horticulturists in that part of the state, makes the announcement that alfalfa makes for better greens, when properly prepared with a slice or two of bacon than dandelions or anything of that nature. He has an acre field which he uses for no other purposes and cuts the tops off of the plants when they are young and tender.

Deputy Land Commissioner C. C. Boslaw, while in Broken Bow, stated in an interview that the state board of education was soon going to open a campaign through the press and other channels, to urge the public to use its influence on the state legislature in order that that body act favorably on a bill for the sale and disposal of state school lands. Mr. Boslaw says the board has prepared figures showing that 6 cents per acre per year is about the average income from the leased land.

The city council at a meeting last week took the initial steps to establish another water works station in the western part of the city, to be operated in conjunction with the present one as long as feasible.

The funeral of Major Thomas Frank Powers of the Sixteenth infantry was held in Gordon. The body was brought from Kansas City for interment beside his wife and eldest daughter. Two children remain, and were present at the services.

Arbor day was celebrated in a number of towns by the planting of trees. The long continued dry weather is causing uneasiness among farmers and truck gardeners.

An inquest was held in Holdrege over the body of Henry Swanson, who was shot and killed at a charivari party given at B. C. Lindenston's home for C. M. Nordenstam and his bride. The jurors decided that the shooting was accidental by some unknown party.

Following the lead of merchants and other business men, photographers at Rushville have advanced their prices 25 per cent during the past thirty days, claiming that this action is taken because of the fact that it costs more to pay living expenses than it did one year ago.

MUST PROTECT SOIL

SECRETARY WILSON ARGUES FOR PROPER CONSERVATION.

IS THE ONLY MEANS OF RELIEF

Mississippi Valley Furnishing Food for East and South and Robbing of Soil Will Result Seriously.

New York.—Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture urged proper conservation of the soil as the only permanent means of relief from the continuation of increase in the cost of living. "We cannot afford to buy food from foreign countries," he said, "and we must see to it that our western farms produce enough, not only for home consumption, but also to sell abroad and square up the balances of trade." Secretary Wilson said, in part: "The cost of living calls for a careful inquiry into the causes that have operated to bring about conditions that are new to us as a people. We have had great abundance of food prices that were lower than most other countries with which we compete in commerce and manufacturing. Compensation for skill and labor has been comparatively high in our country, but increased cost of living has become a disturbing factor that cannot be adjusted at present to the satisfaction of those concerned.

"The major part of our people in the east are being fed from the Mississippi valley and the states of the south draw much from the same source. I am well satisfied that the soils of that valley are being sapped gradually to the same unwise treatment that so seriously reduced the soils east of the Alleghenies and south of the Ohio.

"The necessity for education of the farmer is impressed on our people and steps are being taken in all our states and territories to this end. Sciences are being applied and research made into causes and results. Education is being extended into primary schools in many of our states. Federal and state governments are spending money freely for this purpose and students are multiplying. The results of research are being printed and a literature of the farm is growing.

"The states east of the Alleghenies are foremost in commerce, manufacturing, arts and sciences, wealth and influence. They have overlooked agriculture, permitting their soils to deteriorate and are reaching out to the west for food products. The soil robber began his baleful practice there, and has gone westward until the light rainfall regions refused to yield profitably. The deterioration of eastern soils would have been prevented long ago had there been no cheap, rich soils in the Mississippi valley or had demand been closer up to supply. Western lands are dearer and have gone beyond the reach of poor people. The lands of the east and south are reduced in productive power, but they are cheap, they are convenient to good markets, they can be improved and they will be, but the methods by which a farm is improved is quite different from that by which it was reduced. Ignorance permitted the soil to become unproductive, the highest intelligence is required to bring back fertility.

"Importation of food will bring about a change in our economics, a revolution in our policies, which may be avoided by better farming and a comprehensive view of the situation by those who deal in big things, whether carrying, commerce, manufacturing or finance.

"Our people are not grouped to advantage. Too many grew crops during the last half of the nineteenth century. Farming was poor business during that period and did not invite people. The abundance of meats and grains and low prices for them gave little encouragement to the young farmer to devote his life to agriculture. The farm went to the renter and poverty because the renter rarely had the capital to remove conditions that would keep up fertility. He had a short lease and no inducement to improve.

"Whoever rents land to be handled this way abandons his farm there, and then it becomes poorer each year until it ceases to yield profitably.

"Every state should organize to conserve fertility of its soils."

W. J. Bryan For President.

Nashville, Ill.—The prohibition county convention here Wednesday endorsed William J. Bryan of Nebraska for president, despite the fact that some of the delegates were skeptical as to whether he would consent to run under their banner. The movement for Bryan was started by Rev. J. W. Smith of Ashley, who delivered a lengthy address.

Assassination Attempted.

Victoria, B. C.—Details of an attempt to assassinate the prince regent of China on April 3 were received by steamer Wednesday. The prince regent, with some officials and attendants was crossing a small bridge in the palace garden in Peking when a bomb was exploded by means of wires. Two attendants walking in advance were killed. Guards arrested fourteen Cantonese dressed in western clothing. Several other bombs were found in different parts of the garden.

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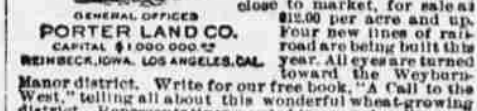
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