

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Denver Times has been sold for \$110,000.

American troops in Cuba are being withdrawn.

John Field, an old-time Omaha contractor, died in Dubuque, Ia.

At Pittsburg, Pa., Michael Connelly quarreled with and killed his mother-in-law.

Reports from the sealing vessels indicate that the season's catch will be 270,000.

So far forty bodies have been recovered from the City of Pittsburg wreck at Cairo, Ill.

Miss Ellen M. Stone has been engaged to lecture at the Iowa Chautauqua meeting in June.

Mayor Crane of Denver, Colo., has just invented a rotary over-working machine for use in gold mines.

James M. Humphreys of Franklin, Neb., has been admitted to practice before the interior department.

Governor Yates of Illinois was recently in a wreck on the Illinois Central, but was not much injured.

Colored women of Iowa will meet at Ottumwa on the 23d and 24th of May to plan a permanent organization.

Congressman Mercer has secured a favorable report on his bill for a \$25,000 fish hatchery for Sarpy county, Nebraska.

Thirty ladrones, armed with Mausers, ambushed five of the constabulary near Manila, killing one man and injuring another.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson entertained President and Mrs. Roosevelt and a number of other guests at a reception and dinner party.

W. D. Lowell of Des Moines, Ia., was the only bidder for the erection of the tank and pumping plant for the Fort Bartholdi Indian agency, N. D., at \$6,440.

The nomination was announced by the president of R. M. Withrop of Massachusetts to be secretary of the United States legation at Brussels, Belgium.

Alfred Smith, colored, was strangled to death officially in the Moyamensing prison at Philadelphia for the murder of his wife last spring. She refused to live with him.

The King's Daughters' home, a charitable institution at Oakland, Cal., was destroyed by fire. William Bray, an ex-New York editor, lost his life in the conflagration.

Every white laundry is closed in Portland, Ore., on account of a strike of the employees, who demand recognition of their union and an 8 per cent increase in wages.

While J. P. Glass, cashier of the Bank of Brownsville, Or., was at dinner a robber effected an entrance to the bank and escaped with \$1,800, which was left outside the vault.

According to dispatches to the Colombian revolutionary junta in New York, Rio Hacha, a city on the northern coast of Colombia, has been captured by the revolutionary forces.

Manufacturers of burglar proof safes will test their safes with high explosives before the coming meeting of the South Dakota Bankers' association, to be held in Huron, May 21.

Bishop Frank R. Millsbaugh of Kansas will continue in the charge of the Episcopal missionary diocese of Saline until fall, on account of the refusal of Rev. Nathaniel Thomas to take the place.

The senate has passed the Flynn resolution, which has already passed the house, directing the printing of 5,000 additional copies of the last report of the governor of Oklahoma territory.

It is reported that the Santa Fe has purchased the St. Louis, Kansas City & Colorado line. This would give the Santa Fe valuable connections for the coming world's fair, and St. Louis an additional line to Kansas City.

The president has signed the legislative appropriation bill. Under its provisions the 1,000 or more clerks who were temporarily appointed during the war with Spain are given permanent employment and placed within the operations of the civil service law.

The discovery of copper ore in rush of prospectors from Guthrie, Okl. The report that he will resign is vigorously denied by Bishop James Conaty, rector of the Catholic university of the Wichita mountains has caused a city of America.

The machinists' strike on the Northern Pacific in Minnesota is at an end.

Morris Hickey, aged 77, is dead at St. Joseph. He was a railroad contractor and one of the originators of the Hannibal road in Missouri.

A \$50,000 fire destroyed the manufacturing district at Glen Falls, N. Y.

At Boston the international cable chess tournament between American and English college teams ended in a sweeping victory for the American team.

MOROS ATTACKED

EIGHTY-FOUR SURRENDER AFTER A FIERCE FIGHT.

SEVERAL CHIEFS ARE KILLED

Complete Triumph Secures Respect for Authority of the United States—Signal Victory for the American Troops.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—The war department has received a cablegram from General Chaffee indicating that the campaign against Sultan Bayan, one of the principal Moro chiefs, has been completely successful. The result was accomplished by a gallant assault on the principal Moro fort and its capture after a number of the leading Moros had been killed. The cablegram which was received was as follows:

'Adjutant General, Washington: The following is the full substance of Brigadier General Davis' message from Bayan:

'Eighty-four survivors of Bayan surrendered unconditionally this morning at 7. Sultan Bayan, Raja Muja Bayan, Sultan Pandapatan and all leading dattos dead and many of their followers. Assault on the principal fort, which surrendered last night, one of the most gallant performances of American arms. Colonel Frank D. Baldwin and his regiment deserve praise for hand-to-hand struggle in four lines of ditches under walls of fort. These trenches are lined with Moro dead from rifle fire. Have never seen or heard of any performance excelling this gallantry and grit.

'It is my painful duty to report that the overthrow of Mero power was not accomplished without severe loss. One officer and seven enlisted men killed; four officers and thirty-seven enlisted men wounded. Will telegraph the list later.

'After eighty-four survivors marched out this morning as prisoners, and it was understood they were all, eight others who had concealed themselves in rubbish inside the fort made a break for liberty, but none succeeded. Some Moro wounded tried to stab soldiers trying to help them.

'It is impossible to state the number of Moros killed. Many are lying in tall grass. The surrender saves us from siege and starving out. Impossible to have carried work without scaling ladders, which were ready. Intend to retain prisoners until two or three adjacent forts are occupied, then, with your consent, to retain as hostages eight or ten of the principals and release the rest.

'The force in line consisted of four mountain guns, 470 rifles. This was fully sufficient. We could not have used more men advantageously. Had we sent a strong column it would only have swelled the casualty list. One neighboring datto has already presented himself as a friend, and I expect a general coming in shortly. The dead were sent to Malabang for burial. In the light of present knowledge, we could have besieged the principal forts and in time forced surrender, but that probably would have resulted in a sortie for freedom and escape for many.

'By attacking them they have been completely crushed—the only kind of lesson these wild Moros seem to be able to profit by. I shall invite Sultan Tarlac to pay me a friendly visit, if he does not do it of his initiative. He has a fort further east, in plain sight, and of the same strength as was that of Bayan. On the beautiful tableland there are thousands of acres of fine upland rice and he is urging his people to return to its cultivation.

'The result to follow this action is very important, namely, it secures respect for United States authority in the center of Moro savagery.

'CHAFFEE'

Dr. Thomas Wilson.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Dr. Thomas Wilson, curator of prehistoric archaeology in the Smithsonian institution and the National museum for years, died here yesterday in the seventieth year of his age. Dr. Wilson was born in Pennsylvania, but at an early age moved to Iowa and studied law. During the civil war he was captain of a company in the Second Iowa cavalry. After the war he came to Washington and practiced law and later served for several years in the consular service. He was a member of various scientific bodies and had been decorated by crowned heads.

Perish in Fire on the Nile.

CAIRO, May 5.—The fire at Mit Gamr, a town on the right bank of the Damietta branch of the Nile, in which a number of lives were lost and thousands of native residences were destroyed, burned from Thursday afternoon until Saturday night. The inhabitants of the town were unable to escape from the flimsy wood and straw houses, and many lost their lives while trying to rescue their belongings.

Deserters Overpower Guard.

CHICAGO, May 5.—Two prisoners at Fort Sheridan made a successful attempt to escape. In a clump of bushes through which they were passing in the south end of the reservation they sprang upon the sentry who was guarding them and disarmed him. They tied his hands, put a gag in his mouth and at the point of his own gun marched him almost to Highland park and there turned him loose while they fled.

DEATH OF POTTER PALMER.

End Steals on Chicago Capitalist Before He or Family is Aware.

CHICAGO, May 5.—Potter Palmer, for nearly half a century one of Chicago's most prominent business men, died last night at his residence on Lake Shore drive. The exact cause of Mr. Palmer's death has not yet been determined. He had been suffering for several weeks from a nervous disorder, but he was able to be about the house and his condition was not thought to be serious. When he retired Saturday night he was feeling if anything better than for several days. During the night, however, he seemed to lose all his energy and next morning was unable to leave his room. He gradually grew weaker during the day and at 5:40 p. m. he suffered a sudden collapse, from which he expired.

THREE NEW STARS IN THE FLAG.

This Will Be Purport of a Bill Considered in the House.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—The principal feature of the program in the house this week will be the bill to place three new stars in the American flag. The omnibus bill, for the admission of Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona, to statehood, will be called up on Tuesday. The friends of the bill do not desire protracted debate on it and will try to secure a vote on that day.

There is considerable opposition to the bill on the republican side of the house on the ground that the territories are not yet fitted for statehood, but the friends of the bill entertain no doubt as to its passage.

Cuba is Selling Little Sugar.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5.—The insular division of the war department gave out for publication a statement showing in comparative form the commerce of Cuba for the eight months ended February 23, 1902 and 1901. The total value of merchandise imported during the stated period of 1902 was \$41,659,314, against \$42,920,814 for the corresponding period of 1901. Export figures show \$28,487,226 worth of merchandise in 1902, and \$34,098,270 in 1901. These returns show an increase of 4 per cent in imports and a decrease of 16 per cent in exports.

Merchandise coming from the United States to the island aggregated \$1,140,549 during the eight months ended February 28, 1902, a slight increase over the corresponding period of 1901. The exports from Cuba to the United States during the 1902 period amounted to \$18,158,540, a decrease of about \$3,900,000.

No Occasion for Worry.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—First Assistant Postmaster General Wayne received the first word that has come to this country direct from any of the officers of the United States steamer Chicago, arrested in Venice.

It was from his son Frank, who is captain of the marines on Chicago, and was in response to cablegrams sent when the first news of the affair reached this country, and was evidently dispatched at the first opportunity Captain Wynne had for communication with his home folks.

The cablegram stated that the sender had defended a brother officer from an attack by a mob and that there was no occasion for worry.

Congratulations from Roosevelt.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—The president sent the following congratulatory dispatch to General Chaffee:

'WASHINGTON, D. C., May 4, 1902.—Chaffee, Manila: Accept for the army under your command and express to General Davis and Colonel Baldwin especially my congratulations and thanks for the splendid courage and faithfulness which have again carried our flag to victory. Your fellow countrymen at home will ever honor the memory of the fallen and be faithful to the bereaved survivors who have themselves been faithful unto death for their country's sake.

'THEODORE ROOSEVELT.'

Report of Bank of Spain.

MADRID, May 5.—The report of the Bank of Spain for the week ended Saturday shows the following: Gold in hand, increase 142,000 pesetas; silver in hand, increase 1,844,000 pesetas; notes in circulation, increase 10,344,000 pesetas.

Oklahoma Drenched.

GUTHRIE, O. T., May 5.—Drenching rains have been falling over eastern Oklahoma, swelling rivers and creeks higher than at any other time this season.

Alleged Murderers Held in York.

YORK, Neb., May 5.—August F. Jahnke and Alfred Jahnke, father and son, who were placed in York county jail for safe keeping were brought here by Sheriff Reed of Alliance and will be confined here until the next term of court in that county. The Jahnkes strenuously assert that they are the victims of an excited community and that the death of Sierk on April 18 was the result of an accident and not a murder.

GROSS A BLACKENED MASS.

Business Portion of Nebraska Town Obliterated by Flames.

GROSS, Neb., May 5.—The business portion of this town was obliterated by fire, probably of incendiary origin, which started in the rear of Korab's saloon, never ceasing in fury until the work of destruction was complete. The combined efforts of the citizens against the awful conflagration was of no avail and buildings after building melted before the roaring flames.

This place was a thriving town, in spite of its having been left out of direct railway communication, but it will probably not rise from this body blow.

The following are the losses, which amount to nearly \$30,000, with but one-third that amount of insurance: Marcelus restaurant, bowling alley, Korab's saloon, Seller's harness shop, Blair's general store, M. E. Smith & Co., general merchandise; Gross Hardware and Furniture company; B. B. Gross, general merchandise; Bank of Gross and Simms' barn.

The Fancy Cattle Sale.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., May 5.—The auction combination sale of Aberdeen-Angus cattle was held at the sale pavilion. The cows averaged \$225 and the bullocks \$135 per head. This was considered satisfactory by the owners, as the offerings as a whole were not considered the very best. The top price was brought by "Blackbird Wellington," a cow owned by Smith & Baker, and sold to Cantine Bros., at Holstein, Ia., for \$3,010, the largest price ever received here.

Lays Down Law to Corporations.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 5.—Assessor Ackerman is compelling corporations to put in all of the difference between their real and personal property and paid up capital stock, deducting no indebtedness, as per the recent decision of the supreme court, and there is some talk of the corporations here getting together and compelling other property to be assessed on an equal scale.

E. L. Chenowith a Suicide.

OSCEOLA, Neb., May 5.—People here were greatly shocked to hear that E. L. Chenowith had committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart with a shotgun. The act occurred near his home, about two miles from town. He got up about 5 o'clock, telling his wife that he was going out back of the barn, and he took his gun with him. He was soon after found dead.

Pays Bounty on Eighteen Scalps.

BEATRICE, Neb., May 5.—The bounty on eighteen scalps was paid at the court house by County Clerk Plasters. Nine of the eighteen were coyotes and the others gray wolves. The animals were captured by C. H. Pfeiffer of Clatonia township, and Clarence and Arthur Laisure of Riverside. The bounty paid was \$39.50.

Child Drowns in Water Jar.

NORFOLK, Neb., May 5.—The year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. George Wheeler, during the absence of the mother from the house, fell into a five-gallon jar of water, and when the mother returned to the house all signs of life were extinct and all efforts to revive the child proved unavailing.

Falling Tree Kills Boy.

LEXINGTON, Neb., May 5.—Mr. Backhouse, a farmer living south of the Platte river and about six miles west of this city, lost his two-year-old son by accident. He was falling trees. His son was caught under one when it fell and he was instantly killed.

Albion Man Violates Game Law.

ALBION, Neb., May 5.—Alex Wilson of this city was arrested by State Game Warden McConnell and fined \$10 and costs for violating the game laws of the state.

Red Willow County Gets Rain.

INDIANOLA, Neb., May 5.—One-half inch of rain, which was pretty general over Red Willow county, fell here. Grain is looking well.

Western Roller Mill Burned.

WESTERN, Neb., May 5.—The steam roller mill at this place, the property of Charles Linn, was totally destroyed by fire.

The French battleship Gaulois must be off Annapolis, instead of in Baltimore harbor, during the Rochambeau statue dedication, because of possibility.

NEBRASKA CROP BULLETIN.

High Winds and a Lack of Precipitation Reported.

University of Nebraska—The past week has been dry, with nearly normal temperature. The daily mean temperature averaged one degree above normal in the eastern counties and two degrees below in western. Frosts were general the first days of the week.

The precipitation of the past week was below normal in southern counties and above normal in northern. Heavy snow occurred quite generally the first part of the week in western counties.

The high wind of the past week was very unfavorable for the growth of vegetation. The soil was dry and seed was blown out of the ground in some fields, while in other fields the grain was covered with dirt. Winter wheat has continued to deteriorate in condition in most parts of the state. In some southern counties considerable damage has been done and the crop will be very light under the most favorable conditions for the rest of the season. In most counties, however, generous rain soon would place the crop in good condition. Oats are a poor stand generally. The past week was especially unfavorable for the crop; besides the damage from wind and dust the frost in central and northern counties did some damage to oats. Grass and small grain have grown slowly, but the conditions were much improved in the counties north of the Platte river by the generous rain.

THE EDUCATIONAL FUNDS.

What is Set Forth in Auditor Weston's Monthly Statement.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 3.—The monthly statement of Auditor Weston shows that the uninvested portion of the permanent educational funds increased during April from \$131,000 to approximately \$265,000. This change in the condition of the funds was due to the extremely heavy disbursements from the general and current funds, upwards of \$200,000 being paid on warrants during the month. Over half of this amount is made up of warrants held by the permanent educational funds. The showing follows:

Table with columns: On hand March 31, April 29, General, Permanent school, Temporary school, Permanent university, Agricultural college endowment, Temporary university, University cash, Hospital for insane, Normal interest, Normal library, Normal endowment, State library, Penitentiary sp1 labor, Agricultural and mechanic art fund, Agricultural experimental station fund, Penitentiary land fund, Total.

RAILROAD RETURNS READY.

State Board Will Commence Fixing Valuation for Assessments.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 3.—The State Board of Equalization will meet Monday to begin the work of fixing the valuation of railroad, telegraph and telephone property for the purpose of taxation. Some headway may be made at this early meeting, but it is not likely that the task will be finished before May 15.

'All the railroad, telegraph and telephone companies have reported on their property and we have their figures prepared in tabulated form for the consideration of the board,' said Auditor Weston recently. 'The various companies have listed their property on prescribed schedules, but only a few of them have submitted figures as to valuation. That is what the board must determine.'

'Will the valuation of railroad property be raised?' 'I cannot say anything as to that. We intend to consider the matter thoroughly, but further than that I have nothing to say.'

The Board of Equalization is composed of Governor Savage, Auditor Weston and Treasurer Stuefer.

Sergeant Werner Home Again.

BEATRICE, Neb., May 3.—Sergeant William Werner of the Eighteenth United States infantry, who has been in the Philippines for the last three years, is home on a visit.

Married for Fifty Years.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., May 3.—The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Dimon was celebrated here.

Militia Encampment in Doubt.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 3.—The state military authorities are undecided as to whether or not to have an encampment of the Nebraska National guard held this year. The funds available are not sufficient to meet the necessary expenses of such a meeting of the reserve military forces, and because of this condition it is not likely that an encampment will be held. The State Military board will soon discuss the matter.

SURGICAL OPERATIONS

How Mrs. Bruce, a Noted Opera Singer, Escaped an Operation. Proof That Many Operations for Ovarian Troubles are Unnecessary.

'DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Travelling for years on the road, with irregular meals and sleep and damp beds, broke down my health so completely two years ago that the physician advised a complete rest, and when I had gained



MRS. G. BRUCE.

sufficient vitality, an operation for ovarian troubles. Not a very cheerful prospect, to be sure. I, however, was advised to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Sanative Wash; I did so, fortunately for me. Before a month had passed I felt that my general health had improved; in three months more I was cured, and I have been in perfect health since. I did not lose an engagement or miss a meal.

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