

EMPRESS AN IS DEAD

REAL CHINESE RULER FOLLOWS EMPEROR TO GRAVE.

Passing of Monarch Marked by Observances of 3,000 Years Ago. No One Being Permitted to Approach Within a Rod of Beds.

Tze Hsi An, the dowager empress of China, the autocratic head of the government which she has directed without successful interference since 1861, and without protest since 1881, died at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

An official edict issued at 7 o'clock Sunday afternoon placed on the throne Prince Pu Yi, the 3-year-old son of Prince Chun, the regent of the empire.

The foreign legations were notified Sunday morning by the foreign board of the death of the emperor and the succession of Prince Pu Yi.

Troops have been in readiness for several days to quell any disturbances that might arise on the death of Kuang Hsu and the possibility of uprisings was made greater because of the fact that the death of the dowager empress was known to be close at hand.

Prince Chun, the regent, has ordered the viceroys and governors to take precautions for the continuation of the administration of the provinces as heretofore, and he has ordered a hundred days of mourning. The court will go into mourning for three years.

GOMEZ VICTORY DECISIVE.

Vote in the Cuban Electoral College Will Be Unanimous.

Practically complete returns of the election in Cuba show that the liberal victory was even more decisive than supposed. Official returns from 1,369 of a total of 1,498 polling places show that Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez received 183,823 votes, against 118,329 for Gen. Mario Menocal, the conservative candidate.

The victory of Gen. Gomez is generally interpreted as a verdict of the unqualified popular approval of the party of the revolution of 1906. The liberals constitute the entire new senate with the exception of two or three conservatives whose terms expire in 1910.

GIRL KILLS HER ASSAULT.

Shoots Negro Who Tries to Seize Her in Store.

Miss Corinne McCowen, 20 years old, a clerk in a confectionery store in the southern part of Kansas City, Mo., Saturday afternoon shot Newell Powell, a negro, inflicting wounds which caused his death half an hour later.

Ex-Congressman Hayden Dead.

Edward D. Hayden, vice president and secretary of the Boston and Albany railroad and a member of the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth congresses, died of apoplexy in his pew at the Woburn, Mass., Unitarian church Sunday.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$5.00. Top hogs, \$5.70.

Two Boys Drown.

While skating on the artificial lake of the Great Northern Power company at Duluth, Minn., Frank McLeod and Ralph Hynes, both aged 12, were drowned.

British Ship Wrecked.

The British bark, Falls of Halladale, from New York, Aug. 4, for Melbourne and Sydney, went ashore in Cardies inlet, near Melbourne, and probably will be a total wreck.

HENEY SHOT IN COURT.

Famous Prison Prosecutor is Seriously Wounded.

Francis J. Heney, a leading figure in the prosecution of municipal corruption in San Francisco, was shot and seriously wounded Friday by Morris Haas, a Jewish saloonkeeper, who had been accepted as a juror in a previous trial and afterwards removed, it having been shown by the prosecution that he was an ex-convict, a fact not brought out in his examination as a venireman.

The shooting occurred in Superior Judge Lawler's court room during a recess in the trial of Abraham Ruef, on trial for the third time for bribery.

At 6 o'clock Mr. Heney was conscious. He said: "I will live to prosecute him."

The physicians in attendance on Mr. Heney expressed the opinion that he would live. It has been ascertained that the bullet which had entered the right cheek lodged near the left ear and had not entered his brain, as was at first feared.

The attorneys for the prosecution and defense had returned to the room from a short conference with Judge Lawler in his chambers. Mr. Heney had resumed his customary seat and was conversing with Chief Clerk McCabe, of the district attorney's office, when Haas came forward. He approached Heney, and placing a revolver against his right cheek fired.

After Mr. Heney had been removed from the court room Judge Lawler called court to order and had Mr. Ruef placed in custody.

WRECKED BY BLACK HAND.

Bomb Placed on Doorstep of Home in the Italian Quarters.

The boarding house of Ignatius Spira in the Italian quarters of Philadelphia, was wrecked by a bomb placed on the front doorstep supported by Black Hand agents.

Gegoria Delando and his family of seven occupied front rooms on the first floor of the house and Delando and three children were severely hurt. The front of the house was practically blown in.

A few days ago Giuseppe Rocco, who lives near the Spira house, was warned in a Black Hand letter to place \$1,000 at a point indicated in the northern part of the city. An aunt, Ann Filipi, had just come to his home from Italy, supposedly bringing a good sum of money. When the threatening letter was received she left and went to the boarding house which was dynamited.

FOUND IN AN ASYLUM.

Former Weather Chief Hopeless Mental Wreck.

Prof. Mark W. Harrington, former chief of the United States weather bureau, who mysteriously dropped out of sight nearly ten years ago, has been found, a hopeless mental wreck in a New Jersey asylum for the insane at Morris Plains. He has been an inmate of the asylum since more than a year ago, when he was found wandering aimlessly about the streets of Trenton, N. J. Not until Thursday was his identity established. Then his wife visited the asylum and identified the man as her missing husband.

KILLED BY AN ASSASSIN.

Walter Amon, Wealthy New Jersey Banker, is Shot Down.

In view of hundreds of persons in the Pennsylvania depot Friday, Walter Amon, a wealthy dairy dealer, banker and club man of Jersey City, N. J., was shot three times by Andrew McGrath, and died on the way to the hospital.

McGrath stated he had been in the olomargarin business for many years and had trouble with Amon. Recently his business has been unprofitable.

Small pox in State Capitol.

The discovery that a recent visitor to the state capitol at Montpelier, Vt., is afflicted with smallpox led many state officials and members of the legislature to seek physicians for the purpose of undergoing vaccination.

Four Children Cremated.

The home of J. H. Wampler, dairyman, residing at East Alliance, O., was destroyed by fire early Friday and four children cremated. Wampler was badly burned.

Oklahoma's Coldest November.

The territory of Oklahoma is experiencing the coldest November weather in its history. The thermometer registered 17 above zero Friday.

Barnum's Brother-in-law Dead.

Benjamin Fish, 75 years old, brother-in-law of the late P. T. Barnum, is dead of heart disease.

Jackson Smith, of Missouri, Dead.

Jackson Smith, aged 71, for sixteen years judge of the Missouri courts of appeals, died at Kansas City Friday.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Friday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$6.20. Top hogs, \$5.75.

Ex-Mayor Tafel, of Cincinnati, Dead.

Former Mayor Gustav Tafel died Thursday night from a complication of diseases. He was elected mayor of Cincinnati on the fusion ticket in 1897 and served two years.

Two Trainmen are Killed.

An eastbound Wabash freight train ran into a switch engine at Springfield Junction, Illinois, Friday, killing D. W. Williams, fireman, and Homer E. Wolfe, Brazil, Ind., brakeman.

DIE IN WRECKED MINE.

Disaster in Germany Costs More Than 300 Lives.

There was an explosion of fire damp in the Radbod mine at Hamm, Westphalia, German Thursday morning which resulted in a heavy loss of life.

A total of thirty-five bodies have been brought to the surface. No hope is entertained for the 300 men still below the ground.

Four hundred men were working in the pit at the time of the disaster. About seventy of the men have been brought to the surface. Of these a majority were more or less injured, and one since has died.

The explosion, which was unusually violent, destroyed one of the shafts, which had to be partly repaired before the rescue work was begun. In addition the flames and smoke proved almost insurmountable obstacles in the early efforts of the rescuing parties. A special corps composed of the men who rendered such valuable aid in the terrible mine disaster at Courrieres, France, in March, 1906, arrived upon the scene shortly before noon, but were unable to enter the mine, being forced to await the result of the efforts of the firemen to keep the flames in check.

Meantime heartrending scenes took place at the mine when the dead and wounded were brought to the surface, and there were similar scenes in the town when the injured were transported through the streets to the hospital.

At 1 o'clock the fire had made great headway and later in the afternoon, after a consultation of the engineers, it was decided that any further attempts to rescue the entombed men would be in vain owing to the impossibility of entering the galleries. At the same time an order was issued to flood the mine.

SCORES NEAR DEATH.

Three Cars of East Train are Hurled From Track.

Three cars in the eastbound Twentieth Century limited, the New York Central's fastest train, were thrown from the rails just east of Rochester, N. Y., early Thursday, but strangely enough not one of the many passengers that were hurled from their berths were badly injured. A broken rail is said to have caused the accident.

The train was running about twenty-five miles an hour when the break came. The train consisted of six Pullman coaches, the three that were hurled from the tracks and turned on their sides consisting of the last half of the train. The third car in the train was not dented, although its trucks were broken. It was the next three in the line that suffered the brunt of the shock.

All the sleeping passengers were thrown from their berths, but no one was seriously hurt. Men and women scrambled through windows and doors with no thought of clothing other than that which they wore when they turned in for the night. Many passengers complained of bad bruises and jolts.

MADISON SQUARE TO GO.

Famous New York Place of Amusement to be Placed on Market.

Madison Square Garden, the home of the horse show and kindred big enterprises, and probably the largest and most widely known building in the country devoted exclusively to public entertainments, is likely to be lost to New York city as a public amusement place. The stockholders of the company which controls the garden have decided to place the entire block occupied by the big and architecturally beautiful building on the market. The stockholders' decision was based on their belief that there is no prospect that the Garden in its present shape will ever be profitable venture.

To Operate Six Days a Week.

The plant of the Iver Johnson company, of Pitchburg, Mass., manufacturers of fire arms and bicycles, will be operated six days a week, beginning Saturday. It has been running five days a week for several months. Six hundred hands are affected.

Magnus now on Trial.

Charged with desertion from the navy, Charles J. Magnus, the husband of Ada Gorman, daughter of the late Senator Gorman, of Maryland, was placed on trial at Philadelphia Thursday before a court-martial tribunal.

Admiral Goodrich Returns.

Rear Admiral Casper F. Goodrich, United States navy, arrived in New York Friday from Genoa. He is the commandant of the Brooklyn navy yard and will retire on Jan. 8, reaching the age limit.

Money to Buy Airships.

Secretary Wright has forwarded to the secretary of the treasury at Washington, the detailed estimates for the war department for the next fiscal year. The total amount was withheld. For the purchase of aerial machines \$500,000 is asked.

Death at His Bedside.

It is the consensus of opinion in Peking that the emperor of China is very sick Thursday. He is reported to be still sinking. He will not accept foreign medical attendance.

Gen. Dodge Re-Elected.

The Society of the Army of the Tennessee wound up its business sessions at St. Louis, Mo., Friday. Maj. Gen. Grenville M. Dodge was re-elected president.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS From Day to Day Condensed FOR OUR BUSY READERS

PERRY YEAST GOES TO JAIL.

Grant County Land Man Gets Three Months' Term.

Perry A. Yeast, of Hyannis, Grant county, was taken to the Hall county jail at Grand Island Tuesday by Deputy United States Marshal Logan Sammons and turned over to the authorities there to begin his three months' term of imprisonment for his complicity in land frauds in Banner and one or two other western Nebraska counties.

Mr. Yeast was convicted in the United States district court last spring of dabbling in soldiers' declaratory statements and procuring fraudulent land filings after a trial lasting several days. These filings had been procured from a number of inmates of the Illinois state soldiers' home at Quincy and the national soldiers' home at Danville, Ill., the soldiers testifying that they had given the statements for a consideration and with no intention of ever living on the lands. Yeast was convicted on most of the counts of the indictment. His motion for a new trial was overruled and the case was appealed to the United States circuit court of appeals, but the appeal was never prosecuted and Yeast had been sentenced in the meanwhile to three months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$1,000.

The appeal was recently abandoned and Mr. Yeast paid in his fine of \$1,000 Sept. 14, 1908, to the United States district clerk at Omaha.

His sentence of imprisonment will date from noon Nov. 10, 1908, and will expire February 10, 1909.

UNABLE TO STAND OFF SHERIFF.

"Happy Hooligan" Makes Good, However, with Town Authorities.

After terrorizing the town of Holstein, and defying arrest by the local constable and all the bystanders he could not help him. Oliver Flynn, familiarly known as "Happy Hooligan," was taken into custody by Sheriff McCleery and Special Deputy Mizen, who went from Hastings in response to a telephone call.

Although arrested on a warrant charging assault with intent to kill, Flynn was allowed to pay a fine of \$10 in full settlement of the demands of justice.

The row started when two employees of the Standard Bridge company, of Omaha, who had been at work on a nearby bridge, went into town to get some red paint. Flynn didn't like their appearance and consequently assaulted them with a heavy iron bolt. Both were quite seriously wounded. When the constable went to arrest him Flynn got a shotgun and told the officer to bring the whole town.

CRAFTSMEN WANT PROTECTION.

Much Legislation Will Be Asked For This Year.

Upwards of a hundred visitors attended the first annual convention of the Nebraska Blacksmiths, Horseshoers and Wheelwrights' association at Hastings. The chief purpose of this year's gathering is to plan a movement to secure legislation for the protection of the craft. First they want a mechanic's lien law similar to the one now in force for the building and other trades. Next to that they want a system of examination for members of the allied trades, in order to bar out incompetent workmen. An effort will be made to secure the enactment of such laws by the forthcoming legislature.

Humboldt Man's Escape.

Henry Sites, one of the pioneer residents of Humboldt, had a narrow escape from death through the caving of a treacherous sand bank in which he was working. While shoveling from the pit a heavy overhanging bank fell without warning, burying him. Fortunately he had with him a grandson of 6 or 7 years and a companion of the latter, and both children went to work with a will to remove the dirt from around him, succeeding to such an extent that the sanding was kept from smothering him, and he was finally extricated. His injuries consist of three broken ribs and a multitude of bruises, but the physicians think there was no internal injury. Mr. Sites is about 70 years of age and the shock was quite severe, his escape from death being considered almost miraculous.

Big Corn Exhibit.

There will be a big corn exhibit in Nebraska City Nov. 30 to Dec. 3. The exhibit promises to be one of the largest ever gathered in that section and after the exhibition is over the entire exhibit is to be taken to Omaha to be placed on exhibition there.

Hold Telegraph Franks.

The names of twenty Nebraska newspaper men holding Western Union telegraph franks have been certified to the attorney general by the state railway commission for prosecution under the anti-discrimination clause of the commission act.

Bedford Denies Killing Friend.

Deputy Sheriff Burke and L. D. Howell, prosecuting attorney of McHenry county, Ill., arrived in Beatrice with the necessary papers for the return of John Bedford, arrested near Ellis, for the murder of Oscar Hogganson, a farmer living near Marengo, Ill.

Two Huge Catfish.

William and Joseph Pearson, of Jonia, brought to Ponca two large catfish. One measured four feet and seven inches and weighed 89 pounds, and the other weighed 72 pounds and measured four feet and two inches.

Water Works for Cambridge.

A special village election was held at Cambridge to vote for bonds for water works for that city. There were 237 votes, of which number only 47 were against the much needed enterprise.

HOPPER WILL BEING TESTED.

Under Microscope of Law to Determine Its Legality.

The legality of the peculiar will made by William Hopper, a wealthy farmer of Elkhorn, is being tested in a contest before County Judge Leslie. Mr. Hopper made as a part of his will six deeds to property he owned, one deed to each of six of his children, Bryan B. Hopper, his son, and Mrs. Lomilla McLean, his daughter, were not included among those who received deeds. In his will he made a nominal bequest to Bryan Hopper and explained he did not need any more property because he had already advanced him considerable money for his business. He made provision for a trust fund for Mrs. McLean, but left her no real estate by direct bequest.

John Deere Plow company, creditor of Bryan Hopper, was the first to attack the deed provisions of the will. It asserts his method of leaving the property was not legal, but does not attack the will itself. Mrs. McLean, who is represented by Gen. John C. Cowin and Daniel Gilbert Hopper, a son, are also fighting the provisions of the will on the same grounds as the Deere company.

HERO TO LIE AT ARLINGTON.

Remains of Capt. Emmet Crawford Will Be Reinterred.

The remains of the late Capt. Emmet Crawford of the Third United States Cavalry, which have lain at Kearney since 1886, are to be disinterred and transferred to Arlington cemetery and there reburied with military honors next week.

Capt. Crawford was fatally wounded during the Apache campaign against the noted Apache chief, Geronimo, in January, 1886, and his body was buried that year in May at Kearney, where Capt. Crawford had some property interests and where his brother lived at the time. In the lapse of years all of his relatives have passed away and the grave of the hero has been neglected. Through the kindly comradeship of Brig. Gen. Charles Morton, who was then a captain of the Third Cavalry, the war department has been induced to have the body of Capt. Crawford removed to Arlington National cemetery.

WOMEN ARE HUSKING CORN.

Paying Church Debt in This Manner.

The ladies of the Methodist church are still husking corn, and if fields hold out to husk, they will yet pay off the balance of the church debt.

Friday, Elmer Phillips offered the fair huskers nine cents a bushel for all the corn they would husk. Over 300 bushels were gathered from his farm during the day.

Monday, Herman Taylor, a prominent farmer and stock feeder residing one mile south of Plainview, offered the ladies 10 cents a bushel for all the corn they would husk for him.

A number of Plainview's most prominent society ladies are taking an active part in this latest progressive husking bee. Delicate hands are becoming accustomed to the rough work. And the money that the society subscribed for the church is coming in faster and faster.

FAMILY SEEMS DOOMED.

Fatality Follows Closely After Toohy Family.

A peculiar fatality attaches to the Toohy family, up in Greeley county. A dispatch says that John Toohy, the last of three brothers, was injured so badly in a runaway accident at Primrose that he died next day.

Two years ago his brother, Ed Toohy, a farmer, was kicked in the head by a horse and instantly killed.

A month ago his brother William, who had prospered so that he had reached the point where he could afford an acetylene plant for lighting his house, was killed by an explosion of the gas tank a few days after he had installed it. John Toohy's death makes the third in the family of brothers in less than three years.

County Loses in Tax Suit.

Clay, Robinson & Co., of South Omaha, need not pay taxes on \$25,000, according to a decision of Judge Kennedy Monday in the suit in which the live stock firm asks for an injunction against the county to prevent its collecting taxes levied. The company asserts it has only a little more than \$700 worth of office furniture to be taxed in that county.

Long Fall Proves Fatal.

A. W. Taylor, a carpenter employed at the new John Deere Plow company building in Omaha, fell from the roof of the eight-story structure Monday morning and was fatally injured. A bad fracture of his left leg, a fracture of the right arm, numerous bruises and internal injuries were sustained, causing his death.

Favor "Dry" Nebraska.

Gov. Sheldon has made no definite statement regarding a special session of the Nebraska legislature. However, he had completed a poll of the members and admitted that he had pledged from a majority of each house, his friends agreeing to support a prohibitory measure.

Child Burned to Death.

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Parkhurst, of Blaine county, was burned to death Monday evening. The parents left the child sleeping in its crib when they went out to milk, and it is supposed the child woke up and in some manner upset a burning lamp, which set the child's clothes on fire.

Farmer Commits Suicide.

I. Hampen, a farmer of Hayes Center, committed suicide on account of domestic difficulty. He leaves two daughters.



Attorney General Thompson, in order to prevent the judgment of \$1,112 obtained by the state Dec. 1, 1903, against ex-Secretary of State William F. Porter, from becoming dormant, has made a request in the district court of Lancaster county for an execution for the purpose of levying upon property belonging to Mr. Porter, who is now a resident of Lincoln. The judgment is for fees collected for marks and brands, which Mr. Porter retained under a statute which provided he should. Attorney General Prout filed suit for the state in May, 1901, to recover, alleging that portion of a statute permitting a state officer to retain fees was unconstitutional. The district court dismissed the suit, the supreme court reversed this judgment as to Porter and affirmed it as to his bondsmen, who were parties to the suit. Judgment for \$1,112 was then levied against Porter by the district court and affirmed by the supreme court.

Treasurer Lindsay, of the public state committee, is busy with preparing his report of the receipts and expenditures of the campaign, to be filed with the county clerk of Pawnee county and for publication. The report will show that the national republican committee contributed \$22,500 to the Nebraska campaign. The bulk of this sum was received just before the election. No other money was received by any one in Nebraska from the national committee. Of this contribution \$5,000 was sent to Douglas county, \$2,500 to Lancaster county and the remaining \$15,000 was distributed between the chairmen of about 58 counties and was used exclusively in getting out the vote. D. E. Thompson, of Lincoln, contributed \$1,000 to the state committee, of which \$500 was turned over to the Lancaster committee. The state committee also paid several bills contracted by the Lancaster committee.

Mrs. Latkey, former grand chief of honor of the Degree of Honor, has filed suit in the district court at Lincoln to have set aside the election of Mrs. Cleever, selected grand chief of honor at the recent state meeting of the order. Mrs. Cleever was also named a defendant. She was elected by a majority of one vote. Mrs. Latkey contends that two more votes were cast on the second ballot than on the first and that fully twenty people were out in the hall when the votes were cast; that the ballots were collected in a hat instead of requiring the voters to walk to the front of the hall and deposit their ballots.

There is more than a well defined rumor afloat that Gov. Sheldon may be the successor of E. Benjamin Andrews as chancellor of the state university. The governor is a graduate of Harvard and ever since leaving the university has kept in close touch with educational affairs and since becoming governor has been especially interested in the state university.

In seventy-seven counties the socialists cast a total of 1,943 votes and the prohibitionists 3,255 votes on election.

Sabretache Racks. Among the curious objects now sold in the fashionable shops up town these days are gorgeous sabretaches that are used either for letter or newspaper racks in the sitting rooms of women who have money to throw away on such costly trifles. The sabretaches, which were originally designed for carrying military dispatches, are fitted with leather pockets, while the front is heavily embroidered with the insignia of the regiment to which the wearer belonged. The leather covers that protected the sabretaches while their wearers were on active service, without completely concealing the insignia on their front, are being made of either brilliant red or gray leather. When the officers who wore them were on parade it was their custom to remove the covers, so that all the glory and beauty of the gold and silver embroidery should not be concealed. As these sabretaches were most frequently used in the period of the Napoleonic wars their age may be easily imagined.

Delay in Divorces. "The underlying reason why so much time usually elapses between the filing of petition and the hearing or trial in divorce proceedings is not generally understood," remarked a lawyer who makes a specialty of this character of practice. "Perhaps it is within the circle of truth to say that in a majority of cases, if either husband or wife, whichever side be plaintiff, should 'stop, look, and listen,' as it were, the trouble would be adjusted out of court entirely. As a rule, judges are inclined to afford ample time for domestic partners to ponder well before pursuing further toward legal redress for matrimonial difficulties. 'Divorce in haste and repent at leisure' is a logical paraphrase. Of course, if after mature reflection a different opinion does not ensue, the average jurist would favor progress in the suit."

Would Not Pay Charges. He was an impetuous nobleman with air castles in sunny France. After much deliberation he sent the following note to the pretty heiress: "Dear Miss: I love you, but do not know how to express myself. How would you advise? Count De Rust." And the heiress pointed the following: "Dear Count: Express yourself any way you wish except C. O. D., as you are not worth the charges."