

NINE FOUND FROZEN

PART OF SUNKEN BOAT'S CREW BROUGHT TO PORT.

Ill Fated Bessemer and Marquette Steamer No. 2 Left Conneaut, O., Tuesday Morning Carrying Thirty-Two Men and Probably Foundered.

With her flag at half mast the state fisheries boat Commodore Perry, Capt. Gerry Driscoll, brought to Erie, Pa., late Sunday the dead and frozen bodies of nine of the crew of Bessemer and Marquette ferry No. 2, which left Conneaut, O., Tuesday morning carrying 32 men and which has probably foundered in the middle of Lake Erie.

As the Perry came abreast of the drifting and half water-logged yawl, the men gathered at the side of the fishboat saw that they had arrived too late. The nine occupants of the boat, which was marked "Bessemer and Marquette No. 4," were frozen stiff. Taking the yawl in tow, the Perry made all steam for Erie.

In the bow end of the boat was found complete clothing for one man, and it is the belief that the yawl originally contained ten men and that one becoming crazed had discarded his clothing and jumped into the icy waters of Lake Erie.

Albert J. Weis, of Erie, treasurer of the Keystone Fish company and the Bair State Iron works, was a passenger on the ill-fated boat, although his body has not been found. The officers of the car ferry company gave up all hope Saturday and since Thursday every available tug between Buffalo, Cleveland and other lake points had been searching the lake for some news of the wrecked craft.

FIRE LOSS OF \$650,000.

Racine Manufacturing Plant and Other Buildings Burn.

The big plant of the Racine, Wis., Manufacturing company, manufacturers of automobile tops and piano stools, together with the Danish Brotherhood hall, the Mitchell Wagon works and several residences were destroyed by fire Sunday, entailing a loss estimated at \$650,000, of which all but \$50,000 is borne by the Racine Manufacturing company's plant. The latter concern carried \$250,000 insurance. The origin of the fire is not known.

About 1,200 men will be thrown out of employment until the plant is rebuilt.

SPELLER MAY REMAIN.

Panama's President is Overruled by the Supreme Court.

The supreme court of Panama decided Sunday that the decree issued by President Obaldia expelling W. Spiller from that country was illegal and he may remain in Panama. Spiller was charged with inducing canal laborers to leave the isthmus and Lieut. Col. Coethals, chief engineer of the canal, requested the Panama government to deport Spiller. In order to meet the case President Obaldia issued an executive decree, declaring that the enticing of canal laborers from the country was a misdemeanor, punishable by expulsion.

FALLS FROM AEROPLANE.

Bleriot's Machine Strike a House and He is Injured.

M. Bleriot, the French aviator, whose flight across the English channel was one of the most remarkable achievements of the year, and who has had more narrow escapes from death than any other aviator, met with another serious accident in Constantinople Sunday. He was giving an exhibition in the presence of an immense crowd, when his aeroplane collided with a house. The force of the impact turned the machine completely over and Bleriot fell to the ground. He was hurt on the left side, and it is feared is internally injured.

A northbound passenger train and a southbound freight train on the Illinois Central collided head on near Pana, Ill., Sunday. Both engines were demolished, over 1,000 bushels of corn were dumped into the ditch, \$30,000 damage to the rolling stock was done.

Fire at Salem, Mo.

Fire destroyed buildings on the Main street of Salem, Mo., Sunday and caused \$100,000 loss. Citizens fought the flames with a bucket brigade.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top beefs, \$6.50. Top hogs, \$8.40.

Leopold Near Death.

King Leopold, who has been seriously ill for the past fortnight, but who was believed to be convalescent, suffered a sudden relapse Sunday and his condition is considered very grave.

"Pat" Sheedy Dead.

Patrick P. Sheedy, for many years one of the best known sporting men in the country, and more recently an art dealer, died at his home Sunday night of heart disease in New York

ZELAYA IN DEFENSE.

Complains of Treatment Accorded by Uncle Sam.

demns my administration," said President Zelaya in an interview with a staff correspondent of the Associated Press Friday. "I proposed to Secretary of State Knox that he submit the case to an investigation of his own choosing, agreeing to surrender my rights to the presidency if the charges in his letter to Isidore Hezera, former Nicaraguan minister to the United States, were sustained. Secretary Knox has not replied.

"Defenseless against the hostility of a powerful nation, I must submit, although I have been condemned unheard.

"The coercion of the United States will not redound to the credit of that nation, whose motives are questioned in all Latin-America. The shooting of Groce and Cannon was a pretext. Both were amenable to the laws of Nicaragua, which distinctly authorize the shooting of individuals commanding rebels. It is different if a person is captured during the course of an international war. The attempt of Secretary Knox to establish the inviolability of Americans participating in foreign revolutions will result in constant revolutions led by immune Americans."

"The initiative in the shooting of Groce and Cannon was not mine. I simply refused to extend clemency to them after a properly constituted military tribunal had passed upon the case."

President Zelaya then cited several instances of alleged hostility against him in the United States through paid articles appearing in American newspapers. In one of these instances, he declares, he had been endeavoring to raise a loan in France when his enemies persuaded the United States to interpose an objection through the French ambassador at Washington upon the pretext that the money sought was intended for the purpose of war materials, when in reality it was to have been used in the construction of a railway.

VICTIM OF FIENDISH PLOT.

Theory That Man Was Killed Through Own Carelessness Exploded.

The theory entertained in some quarters that S. A. Ash, the druggist who was killed in a man trap at his room in Cody, Wyo., a few days ago, was the victim of his own carelessness has been exploded. Under Sheriff Cusack has just completed an investigation and is convinced that the trap was deliberately set for Ash.

Entrance was effected into the room by the murderer or murderers by means of an ax and the gun placed so that it was only three feet from the druggist's breast when it was discharged.

Ash walked a block to a hospital after being shot, holding his hand over a huge wound in his abdomen to pre-his intestines coming out.

When dying he said: "Some dirty cur shot me."

TWO WOMEN SLAIN.

Another Found Dying in a Georgia Home.

Victims of a revolting crime, Mrs. Eliza Gribble, aged 70 years, and her daughter, Mrs. Carrie Ohlander, were found dead in their home at Savannah, Ga., Friday, while Mrs. Margie Hunter, aged 32, who was found just inside the front door of the house, is at the Savannah hospital, dying. Physicians state that Mrs. Ohlander was the victim of a criminal assault before she was killed.

One hundred and fifty negroes are prisoners in the police station, awaiting examination.

A reward of \$1,000 has been offered for the arrest and conviction of the slayer. The police believe that the slayer, using an ax, beat Mrs. Gribble to death, struck down Mrs. Hunter, and after assaulting Mrs. Ohlander beat in her skull with the weapon.

NOTED SIOUX CHIEF IS DEAD.

Red Cloud Passes Away on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Red Cloud, the famous old Sioux Indian chief, is dead. This information was received Friday by Superintendent Brennan, of the Pine Ridge Indian agency, who is in Washington attending the meeting of those interested in the education of the Indian.

Red Cloud was 86 years of age and for the last twenty-five years had lived at the Pine Ridge agency.

Dismissed from Army.

Beth Smith, formerly a lieutenant in the regular army, was arrested at Denver, Colo., Friday charged with passing several worthless checks. Smith, who served in the Philippines, has been dismissed from the army.

Taft Accepts an Invitation.

President Taft has accepted an invitation to attend the conservation convention to be held in Indianapolis some time in February. He will likewise make brief visits to Louisville, Cincinnati and Nashville at that time.

Forger Surrenders to Police.

Gilbert J. Creek, of Bloomington, Ind., surrendered to the police at St. Louis, Friday. He told the authorities that he is under indictment there for forgery.

Bishop Stringer Safe.

Episcopal Bishop I. O. Stringer, for whose safety anxiety was felt because of his prolonged absence on a mission tour that began last June, has arrived safely at Circle City, Alaska.

CROWD WHITE HOUSE.

Waterways Men Urge Their Projects on Taft.

Assurances that steps of an important character toward the development of a system of waterways improvement in the heart of the country would be taken by the present congress were given by President Taft to delegations which he received in the east room of the White House Thursday afternoon. To perhaps 300 committeemen, representing the Ohio Valley Improvement association, the president promised to bring what influence he could in favor of the improvement of the Ohio and later to the committee of 500 at the New Orleans Lakes to Gulf Deep Waterway convention he said that "something is doing," and that the interest of those in congress who heretofore have turned a cold shoulder to the entire subject of waterways improvement had been aroused.

Mr. Taft expressed to the Ohio delegation regret that his remarks before the rivers and harbors congress Thursday had cast a "wet blanket" over the convention, and said that he had only intended to help the gathering along by pointing out the practical method of accomplishing the object desired.

The object of the visit of the Ohio valley delegation to the White House was to enlist the president's support for a 9-foot channel from Pittsburg to Cairo all the year around. Its spokesman was Alexander Dempster, of Pittsburg. The president's response to those in the delegation was most encouraging.

SHIP BURNS ON LAKE ERIE.

Two Lost, and Fate of Thirteen is Unknown.

Two men lost their lives and the fate of thirteen others is unknown as a result of the burning of the steamer Clarion near Point Pelee, in Lake Erie, early Thursday. Six members of the crew were taken from the Clarion by the steamer L. C. Hanna and taken to Cleveland, O. They were rushed to a train and sent to Buffalo, the headquarters of the Anchor Line company, which owns the Clarion.

According to the story of the sailors, all attempted to leave the Clarion as soon as it was ascertained that she could not be saved. Capt. E. J. Bell, of Ogdensburg, N. Y., and twelve other members of the crew took to the lifeboat.

The mate was frozen to death. A vain effort was made by the six survivors to enter another lifeboat. One sailor fell overboard and was drowned in his efforts to launch the lifeboat. The men were forced to remain on the Clarion.

The Clarion is a 1,700 ton steel boat. She was bound from Detroit to Erie, Pa., to lay up when fire broke out.

Blackburn Has Resigned.

It was officially announced at the war department Thursday that former Senator J. C. Blackburn had resigned as a member of the Isthmian canal commission and that his resignation had been accepted by President Taft, effective December 4.

Pullman Rates Lowered.

The Oklahoma corporation commission Sunday ordered a reduction in Pullman sleeping car rates, effective January 1. The berth rate per night is reduced from \$2 to \$1.50, and the seat rate is cut about 40 per cent. The Pullman company has agreed to accept the new schedule.

Search for Missing Man.

The Chicago police were asked Monday to search for Graham C. Stevens, 23 years old, general superintendent of a branch of the American Iron and Steel company at Mo'ne, Ill., who left his office November 13, saying that he was going to Chicago.

\$300,000 for Invention.

Alvin K. Hoskins, of Alton, Ill., has been notified by the United States government that it has purchased his patent range finder and distance appraiser for \$300,000. The invention simplifies the firing of big guns in the navy.

Earon George De Reuter, of London, younger son of the late Baron De Reuter, who founded Reuter's Telegram company, and a brother of the present Baron De Reuter, managing director, died Monday. The widow is Maud, daughter of John Potter, of Philadelphia.

Disabled Warship Sinks.

The French battleship Iena, on which an explosion occurred in 1907, killing eighty and injuring hundreds of others, sank Friday while being towed into port.

Barke Would Sell Stock.

R. R. Burke, half owner of the Denver franchise in the Western Baseball league, has given an option on his stock to James McGill, of Denver, for twenty days.

Defaults Interest on Bonds.

The Chicago subway has defaulted on the interest on its \$17,000,000 bonds due Wednesday.

Cut in Coal Supply.

A \$1,000,000 cut in the appropriations for the supply of coal for the navy was recommended to the house naval affairs committee Thursday in accordance with the general policy of reducing all government expenditures.

Artist Kaubach Dead.

The death is announced of Hermann Kaubach, the German artist, at Munich. He was born in that city in 1846.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

News of the Week in Concise Form

SHOW THE FARMERS.

Message of James J. Hill to People of Nebraska During Omaha Visit.

The necessity of better farming was the message of James J. Hill, known as the builder of the "northern empire," in two speeches in Omaha Thursday. Before the Commercial club banquet given in his honor Thursday night, Mr. Hill spent two hours of earnest appeal for better agriculture, urging immediate steps and proposing a plan for the state to carry the science of the colleges out to the farms.

"There is but one way to educate the farmer—that is on his farm. It looks like a hard proposition to go out on to the farms to do all that is to be done. Now, if Nebraska will appropriate \$50,000 a year, \$10,000 of that for seeds of the right kind, and will hire 200 young men from the colleges and send them out ten days before the planting time with this seed to carry their message to the farmers something can be done. Each man can reach ten farmers at least. Now that would mean 2,000 farmers in the state of Nebraska. Let them by an actual demonstration show how crops can be improved, let them increase that farmer's crop for him and that farmer will have been taught a lesson that he will never forget. Let me tell you \$50,000 spent in that way will do more good than all the lectures in the world.

"You have got to have your colleges, but let them be the places of scientific experimentation and study, and let the farmers have the results. "Don't shoot over the farmer's head. Show him how to double his crop and you won't have to teach him again."

MARY PIERSON FOUND DEAD.

Woman at Pickrell Discovered by Husband in Closet.

Mrs. Mary Pierson was found dead about noon Thursday in a closet at her home at Pickrell by her husband, Geo. Pierson, upon his return home from work. Examination of the body developed that death had been caused from a bullet wound just above the right ear, supposed to have been self-inflicted. After finding the body, Coroner Reed and Sheriff Trude were notified. Upon their arrival at Pickrell Pierson was taken into custody and was held, pending an investigation by the coroner's jury. It is alleged when neighbors went to the house soon after the finding of the body Pierson refused them admittance. He said to the officers that his wife had recently threatened her life and upon leaving home he locked his revolver in his trunk and took the keys with him. Upon his return he found his will had secured the weapon by prying the lock off the trunk. Mrs. Pierson was 35 years of age and leaves a 5-month-old baby. She was not right mentally and Pierson is said to be affected in a similar way. He is only 26 years of age.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict that the death of Mrs. Pierson was caused by a self-inflicted wound. After the verdict was given, George Pierson was released.

WORK ON NEW SHOPS.

Cold Weather Interferes with Progress at Havelock.

Progress on construction at the extensions of the Havelock shops is delayed considerably by the unprecedented cold weather, and by lack of materials. The large machinery building, 300x600 feet in dimensions, already has the concrete foundation and the piers placed and is now awaiting the steel for the superstructure. It is to be an all steel and concrete building, with wire screen between the iron supports to be plastered with cement. It is thought the iron work will not be received before spring as the big steel companies of the east report orders far in advance of supply. This order was placed several months ago. On the power house the brick laying is progressing in spite of the cold.

INVESTIGATING CAUSE OF FIRE.

Recent Loss in Union Between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

All of the businesses that were wiped out by fire at Union Monday morning have opened up and the proprietors are fast getting things in shape. The loss caused by the fire is between \$15,000 and \$20,000. A fire inspector employed by the state was there Wednesday investigating the matter and the intention is to run down the cause of the fire. This makes the third fire at Union within the past eighteen months and there is a mystery as to how the fires started, and it is the intention of all to see that the matter is sifted to the bottom.

Mother and Baby Burned.

Mrs. Jennie Matilda Bulck, of Omaha, and her 1-year-old baby were fatally burned following the explosion of a gasoline stove. Mrs. A. E. Corvill, a neighbor, was seriously burned in rescuing the woman and child from the flames.

Farmer Drops Dead.

Joseph Sampson, a wealthy land owner living near Seward, dropped dead from heart failure Thursday.

BELLEVUE-HASTINGS UNION.

College to Be Moved to Western City by Synod.

At an adjourned session of Presbyterian synod of Nebraska in Kearney Tuesday for the purpose of receiving and acting on a report of the commission appointed to investigate the affairs of the college at Bellevue and Hastings, the following resolution was adopted, which will consolidate the two schools at Hastings:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of the synod that Bellevue college and Hastings college be united. That this united college be located at Hastings and shall be the synodical college and shall be known as Bellevue college or such other name as the board of trustees of the two institutions shall determine.

"That the board of trustees of Hastings and Bellevue colleges be authorized and directed as soon as possible to take such action as may be necessary for turning over the property of Bellevue college and the assumption of the debts of Bellevue college by the trustees of Hastings college. It shall also be provided that the work being done at Bellevue college should not be discontinued before the close of the present school year."

VETERINARIAN WILL KILL COWS.

Will Carry Out Duties in Omaha Herd That is Affected.

State Veterinarian Juckness will go to Omaha shortly to kill some tuberculous cows. Recently Dr. Juckness discovered some 21 cows with tuberculosis in a dairy herd at Omaha. Six of these were sold to the packers and were made into fertilizer. A second visit to the dairy farm showed that the owner was still selling milk from the diseased animals, though a pretense was made that the milk was pasteurized. The state veterinarian, however, discovered that the pasteurizing machine was out of fix and had been in process of repair for a week.

BODY FOUND IN A CELLAR.

Murder Suspected in Death of A. J. Brown, of Brunswick.

The body of A. J. Brown, a harness-maker at Brunswick, was found in the basement of his home Thursday. It is suspected Brown was murdered and thrown into the cellar. The top of his head had been crushed with some blunt instrument, and blood was found on the kitchen floor. Brown was a bachelor and lived alone. The motive for the crime was undoubtedly robbery. There is no clew to the assailant.

Fire at Bridal Shower.

A blaze that nearly resulted in a big fire occurred at the apartments of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hermon at Broken Bow on the occasion of a shower party given in honor of a lady soon to be married. In some way the flame from a candle set fire to the delicate draperies of a present and in an instant the whole affair was ablaze. The flames spread quickly about the apartments; but the guests worked bravely and by the time the department arrived had succeeded in getting the fire under control.

Plea in Bar for Chamberlain.

The attorneys for Charles M. Chamberlain, the ex-banker of Tecumseh, sprung a surprise in the district court at Beatrice by filing a plea in bar, a proceeding never before raised in that court. Until the matter is disposed of the case cannot go to trial the second time. It will take at least two days to argue the question, and should the case go to trial before a jury on the plea it may result in the defendant's acquittal.

State Has Bought School at Wayne.

The trustees of the Wayne normal school Wednesday morning notified the state normal board that they would accept the proposition made to them by the board for the purchase of the school by the board. The board's price is \$70,000.

Frank Chamberlain Free.

At his preliminary hearing Tuesday, on the charge of shooting Miss Mae Austin, his sweetheart, with intent to kill, Frank Chamberlain was released by Judge Spafford in county court at Beatrice. The court discharged the prisoner for lack of evidence.

Cody Farmers Institute.

In spite of a blizzard there was a number in attendance at the institute meeting in Cody Saturday. This year, in addition to the regular sessions, there was arranged a very creditable display of farm products for which to premiums were offered by the business men and others.

May Charged with Assault.

Alfred May was lodged in jail at Beatrice for assaulting and beating his sister-in-law, Mrs. Harry May. The alleged assault occurred at the home of the latter.

Wins Rhodes Scholarship.

In competition with six other candidates, Will Raney, of Hastings, has successfully passed the state examination for a Cecil Rhodes scholarship at Oxford.



The state normal board expects to issue diplomas to all the graduates of the two normal schools who are now teaching on certificates issued by the defunct board. The records of the present board show nothing of the graduates turned out last June, as the other board stepped in and issued the diplomas. Should a teacher's certificate be questioned, there would be nothing to show in the records that the certificate or diploma had been issued. The matter was brought to the attention of the board by a graduate who is now in another state. After considering the matter, the board decided to issue new certificates to all the graduates, permitting them to keep the others as a souvenir.

How the various state institutions will be able to get through the next eighteen months without serious deficiencies is a problem that is now worrying the governor. The first semi-annual report of the heads of the institutions, filed since the new appropriation became available, shows that in practically all of the institutions the expenditures are away beyond the amount that had been set aside for their maintenance for that period of time. The deficiency so far has occurred in the summer months, so when the goal bills are paid and the added expense of taking care of the institutions through two winters is considered, the deficiency is liable to be large.

Lincoln business men are just now interested in a proposition to advertise the town as a place for investment. A map from the east was there and spoke at the Commercial club and suggested the way to boom the town is to advertise in some national newspaper or publication, spending at least \$1,000 a month. The suggestion seems to have met with a very generous indorsement, though the raising of the money has not yet been started. No one has yet suggested spending that \$1,000 a month with the local newspapers, but that probably will be discussed before the money is actually spent.

Walker Smith, corporation clerk in the office of the secretary of state, is busy checking up the corporations which paid their occupation tax on the last day allowed them by law. As soon as possible he will prepare a list of the delinquent corporations and present them to the governor and they will be proclaimed out of business. Several corporations have telephoned the office of the secretary of state asking if there is some way they can pay up the tax and be reinstated. The answer in all cases has been that it will now be necessary for these corporations to file new articles of incorporation.

The promise of the Burlington to permit anyone to ride on freight trains will not suffice. The Burlington must come before the railway commission December 11 and show cause why it took off of its time table certain freight trains since April, 1908. The commission lately received a letter from General Counsel Kelly saying an order permitting people to ride on freight trains and asking if that would be sufficient to cause a dismissal of the case. He was answered as above set out.

The receipts in the office of the secretary of state for the last six months surpass any former period, so far as anyone around the state house remembers. The total receipts amounted to \$177,001.47. This was divided as follows: Articles of incorporation, \$130,495.32; notary commissions, \$380; motor vehicles, \$4,232.85; brands, \$224; certificates, \$390.45; corporation permits, \$39,160.85; penalties, \$2,010; trade marks, \$6; other sources, \$1.

The state normal board next year probably will print one big catalogue containing the course of study for the normal schools in place of a publication for each school. Next year the board expects to have four normal schools under its control and for that reason the printing bill will amount to considerable. By publishing a course of study for all of them the board expects to cut down its printing bill considerably.

T. J. Tooley, of Anselmo, has been appointed a member of the state normal board to take the place of D. W. Hays, of Alliance, whose term expired last June. The new member is a banker at Anselmo and has represented Custer county in the legislature and has twice been its county superintendent. Mr. Tooley will be eligible to go with the board on its trip to locate the new normal school.

A. V. Johnson, fire warden, has issued his sixth bulletin in his campaign to educate the people of Nebraska not to have fires which destroy business houses, dwellings and other property. His latest bulletin calls attention to the carelessness of people working with stoves and furnaces and the distribution of ashes. He urges these people to be careful and not pile hot ashes next to some place that will catch fire.