THIS IN NEBRASKA

EVENTS OF INTEREST OF MORE OR LESS IMPORTANCE.

Some Figures on the Corn Crop in Nebraska—Custer County First in Production.

Nebraska Corn Crop Figures.

LINCOLN—According to statistics issued by the state labor bureau, the total production of corn in Nebraska the present year is 241,383,537 bushels, as compared with 243,713,244 bushels in 1905, or a decrease this year of 2,329,707 bushels. There was an increase in the acreage of corn this year of 368,418 acres over 1905, but in spite of this the total production of the crop was lessened by hail in various sections, together with a period of dry weather at a critical time in the crop's growth. The average yield last year of 27.65 bushels per acre was extremely high and the yield of 25.28 bushels is nearer normal, but a high yield also. This decrease in the production decreases the total value $8,173,388.92 from the value of the 1905 crop, which reached a total of $79,485,297.60. The 1906 crop is valued at $89,311,908.92.

Lancaster county ranks first in acreage with 243,475 acres, and an average yield of 32.2 bushels per acre.

Custer county ranks first in production, with 8,251,158 bushels, and Lancaster county takes second place, with a production of 7,839,895 bushels. Saunders county takes third place, with 7,434,003 bushels produced.

County.	Acreage.	Av. Yield per Acre. Bush.	Production. Bush.
Adams	80,764	31.7	2,560,218
Antelope	115,583	31.1	3,594,786
Banner	2,927	18.2	53,564
Blaine	5,515	28.7	158,230
Boone	102,487	35.5	3,638,288
Box Butte	4,108	27.5	112,970
Boyd	60,009	36.8	2,208,331
Brown	23,535	30.7	722,524
Buffalo	181,267	39.0	7,069,413
Burt	77,564	43.7	3,389,546
Butler	121,581	35.1	4,267,492
Cass	125,059	37.5	4,685,712
Cedar	123,851	39.6	4,904,499
Chase	30,184	23.8	718,379
Cherry	24,223	28.1	680,666
Cheyenne	7,900	28.1	221,990
Clay	109,877	38.3	4,208,289
Colfax	74,379	40.0	2,975,160
Cuming	102,448	42.1	4,313,060
Custer	232,427	35.5	8,251,158
Dakota	44,175	45.1	1,992,292
Dawes	4,282	28.0	119,896
Dawson	131,947	40.8	5,383,437
Deuel	16,491	33.8	557,395
Dixon	72,375	40.2	2,909,475
Dodge	99,775	37.1	2,701,652
Douglas	68,191	38.2	2,604,896
Dundy	42,110	24.2	1,019,062
Fillmore	121,726	37.6	4,576,897
Franklin	85,492	29.6	2,530,563
Frontier	122,757	35.4	4,345,697
Furnas	106,757	37.1	3,960,634
Gage	188,531	33.5	6,315,788
Garfield	19,018	30.5	580,649
Gosper	87,105	35.0	3,048,675
Grant	49	25.0	1,050
Greeley	58,382	28.8	1,637,461
Hall	80,242	33.6	2,696,121
Hamilton	113,173	38.3	4,334,535
Harlan	139,875	42.0	5,454,750
Hayes	52,494	25.0	1,312,350
Hitchcock	28,246	28.5	805,011
Holt	93,223	26.3	2,451,764
Hooker	2,205	22.6	50,715
Howard	76,690	37.6	2,958,714
Jefferson	112,922	26.2	2,958,556
Johnson	79,013	32.8	2,591,626
Kearney	84,554	35.3	2,984,756
Keith	12,308	32.5	400,010
Keya Paha	28,775	29.2	840,230
Kimball	828	17.5	14,490
Knox	224,393	31.5	7,068,379
Lancaster	243,475	32.2	7,839,895
Lincoln	50,710	29.1	1,475,661
Logan	10,498	29.5	309,557
Loup	13,768	31.1	428,122
Madison	96,580	31.0	2,993,980
McPherson	.....	....	.....
Merrick	57,306	31.0	1,776,486
Nance	67,068	36.7	2,461,395
Nemaha	70,752	38.2	2,702,726
Nuckolls	116,205	35.6	4,136,898
Otoe	143,568	37.0	5,312,016
Pawnee	71,374	32.1	2,291,106
Perkins	17,832	25.8	448,739
Phelps	85,805	47.2	4,012,971
Pierce	81,636	30.0	2,440,080
Platte	136,020	38.2	5,193,964
Polk	86,122	38.8	3,341,532
Red Willow	73,297	28.6	2,096,294
Richardson	98,537	38.0	3,752,286
Rock	15,028	28.4	426,795
Saline	119,039	35.1	4,166,334
Sarpy	52,806	36.8	1,945,432
Saunders	180,876	41.1	7,434,003
Scott's Bluff	2,196	30.0	65,880
Seward	119,901	37.0	4,436,237
Sheridan	14,949	30.0	448,470
Sherman	58,502	34.5	2,018,319
Sioux	2,006	19.2	38,515
Stanton	78,290	34.5	2,701,005
Thayer	116,579	29.7	3,462,590
Thomas	1,925	25.0	48,125
Thurston	66,789	38.4	2,564,697
Valley	72,301	35.7	2,581,145
Washington	78,490	36.8	2,888,432
Wayne	92,866	37.2	3,447,100
Webster	109,945	34.2	3,771,113
Wheeler	12,709	29.5	406,510
York	130,782	37.6	4,541,779
Totals	9,540,905	25.28	241,383,537

Consolidating Two Homes.

An effort will be made this year to consolidate the Girls' Industrial home at Milford with the Home for the Friendless at Lincoln, the united home to be at Milford. This will leave the entire building now used for the Friendless and the Orthopedic hospital for the use of the latter. The Orthopedic hospital needs more room, and Superintendent Lord will recommend a large appropriation for a new building, but as a lot of legislators will object to this expenditure, the consolidation likely will be effected.

Change in the State Normal.

LINCOLN—A resolution will be offered at the next meeting of the State Normal board which, if adopted, probably will make unnecessary the appropriation asked for to increase the capacity of the Kearney Normal school. This resolution, which will be offered by State Treasurer Mortensen, will provide no students can be admitted to the normal school who have not passed the tenth grade.

Nebraska Insurance Companies.

Blanks asking for information in regard to the business of the last year are being sent out to all insurance companies by Insurance Auditor John L. Pierce. Life companies receive blanks containing thirty-six pages. Minute explanations as to the manner of conducting business may be made by companies which have been in the state only one year. They must tell how their money is invested, give an itemized account of their gains and losses and show the exact cost of obtaining new business.

The School Census.

The school census, as shown by the reports on file in the office of Superintendent McBrien, gives the number of children of school age in Nebraska as 331,885, and on this basis will the school apportionment be made. The amount to be divided among the various districts is $951,006.54, giving each district $2.87 each for each child of school age. The census of this year and of last December shows a decrease of 5,612. This is because enumerators have probably kept closer to the rule than usual.

NEBRASKA BRIEFS.

Geneva has purchased three trained bloodhounds to chase criminals.

The series of religious meetings in Harvard were disappointing as to results.

Butler county sim voing in the matter of organizing a county agricultural society.

Della Clark, an employe of the Morton hotel, Nebraska City, attempted to commit suicide by taking laudanum. Doctors saved her with a stomach pump.

William H. Bush was arrested by Sheriff Bauman of Dodge county on the charge of stealing a horse from John Hebebrand, a farmer near Hooper.

George Hill, who escaped from the Dodge county sheriff, while being taken to jail to await trial on a charge of attempt to murder, was arrested in Council Bluffs, Ia.

At Rulo, Melvin and Bill Foster were arrested and taken to the county jail in Falls City, being charged with burning the barn and corncrib on the Alois Dannecker farm.

A man en route from New York to San Francisco attempted to commit suicide on train No. 5 east of Lexington, and was taken off the train and put in charge of a physician.

Arthur Cremer, who has been in the vicinity of Ashland for several months, and has attracted much attention by his queer actions, has recently been adjudged insane.

The Cass county mortgage record for November is as follows: Mortgages filed on farm property amounting to $20,654; released, $17,610. Amount of mortgages filed on city property, $4,100; released, $3,228.

A Underwood, a Virginian, who had been in Deadwood, S. D., several weeks, came to Alliance. He became intoxicated and while in a rooming house insulted Mrs. F. J. Dunn, who shot him. He will not die.

Many contests on land are being filed at the United States land office at North Platte. These contests are on land in Cheyenne and other western counties, where homesteads were taken and later abandoned.

Miss Ella E. Lawrence has started suit in district court of Platte county against the Monroe Independent Telephone company for $20,000 damages. She received a serious shock, and so will the company if she wins her case.

Newspapers at Columbus have received notice from the Burlington railroad that no more transportation will be issued in payment for advertising and that whatever the papers print for them on their order will be paid for by the company in cash.

Reports of cattle dying in the northeast part of Antelope county from cornstalk disease are current, in one case a man losing five head. There is seldom danger after the middle of January and the presumption is that continued freezing removes the cause.

A party of surveyors has recently looked over the territory from Octavia on west along the south side of the Platte river. They carefully surveyed the grounds, leaving stakes on several points along a line west from Octavia. Everybody is anxious to know the nature of this survey.

The case of Mrs. Sarah Young of David City against R. L. Berndg and the Metropolitan Mutual Bond and Surety company of Omaha for the sum of $5,000 damages for the excessive sale and giving away of liquor to her husband, Lee Young, which caused his death on February 22, resulted in a verdict of $1,500 in her behalf.

The West Point Farmers' Institute society has decided to hold a competitive corn exhibit during the institute, which is to be held in West Point February 7 and 8. Ten prizes will be awarded, five on yellow and five on white corn. Twenty ears of corn must be shown by each exhibitor, the judging and scoring to be done by state experts.

The stockholders of the Webster county fair association held their first annual meeting at Bladen. The management was highly pleased with the reports of the different departments. Premiums were all paid in full. Nearly $4,000 has been expended for improvements during the past season and the treasurer still shows a nice balance on hand.

Capt. W. S. Noyes, aged sixty-five years, a resident of Hastings for twenty-five years, dropped dead shortly after entering the Bostwick barber shop. Mr. Noyes asked Lou Egelhoff, a barber, to assist him in removing his coat, and as Egelhoff turned to take the coat, Noyes said: "I might as well give it up, I'm going to die." He was caught in Egelhoff's arms as he fell and soon expired.

A draft for $7,067.25 was tendered to the county treasurer of Lincoln county, by the Burlington Railway company through its attorney, J. J. Halligan, in payment of the company's taxes for the year 1906. This tender was $3,815.43 less than the amount due and was therefore refused by the county treasurer until permission is given by a court of competent jurisdiction to accept a partial payment without invalidating the collection of the full amount.

Tony Prebyl, a farmer living near Barneston, brought specimens to Beatrice, which were taken from the craw of a duck by Mrs. Prebyl while she was engaged in dressing the fowl. The sample were pronounced a fine quality of placed gold.

The new government road in Nemaha county is completed. Two miles of macadamized road now stretches to the east from the foot of Central avenue in Auburn. This covers the strip of ground that has always been impassable in the spring when the water is high.

Otoe county boast of the tallest and smallest officials in the state. Sheriff John Donovan stands six feet and six inches in his stocking feet. John Elrod, elected constable, is forty-two inches in height and weighs seventy-five pounds.

A warrant has been issued and is now in the hands of the county sheriff of Adams county, which will in all probability result in the arrest and return to the county of William J. Oldfather, former county clerk of that county on the charge of wife desertion.

THE PRESIDENT IS NOW "SPEAKING GENTLY."

Minneapolis Journal.

PROOF OF BAILEY CHARGES

DOCUMENTS IN CASE AGAINST SENATOR MADE PUBLIC.

Attorney General of Texas Shows How Former Received Money from Big Oil Magnate.

Austin, Tex. — Attorney General Davidson issued a statement Friday night in which he gives the documentary proof of his charge that Senator Bailey had received money from the president of the Waters-Pierce Oil company.

The first voucher is dated at St. Louis, June 30, 1900, and is on the Waters-Pierce Oil company to H. Clay Pierce, debtor, for demand loan of $3,000 to Joseph W. Bailey, and is indorsed "account Texas cases."

Another is on Henry Stribbing, of Waco, Tex., for account of expense in trust civil case of the state of Texas versus Waters-Pierce Oil company at Waco, $1,500."

In connection with this voucher is the following:

"Lake Lebagamon, Wis., June 12.—To Andrew, St. Louis: If Johnson approves Bailey to loan Stribbing on his note fifteen hundred. Bailey should quiet all Texas parties. Tell him I will see him soon.

"H. C. PIERCE."

The following notation was written on the telegram:

"S.—Draft drawn by Bailey for $1,500."

Another voucher read:

"Waters-Pierce Oil company, to H. C. Pierce, Dr. Amount paid J. W. Bailey account Texas cases, $200."

Among other documents made public in the statement is a note signed by J. W. Bailey payable to the order of H. C. Pierce for $8,000 dated Washington, March 1, 1901, "for value received;" a letter signed by J. W. Bailey addressed to H. C. Pierce asking him to send New York exchange for $1,700, and another addressed to J. P. Gruet, secretary and signed by H. C. Pierce, president.

The letter follows:

"Please send New York exchange for $1,750 for Joseph W. Bailey, Gainesville, Tex., and charge against legal expense, account of Texas legislation.

"I sent this amount personally to Mr. Bailey in response to his inclosed letter of March 28. Since then Mr. Bailey has returned the amount to me, and it is now proper for the company to make this payment.

"Attach Mr. Bailey's letter to your voucher and merely inclose the draft to him without the voucher. His inclosed letter will be your voucher."

SHAW'S PLAN TO CHECK PANICS.

His Report Recommends a Restricted Credit Currency.

Washington. — In his report to congress, Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, reiterates his recommendation of a restricted credit currency and suggests that if more power is granted the secretary panics can be prevented or their evil effects greatly reduced.

He points out the danger of the "central bank" plan, and urges his own methods to increase circulation when there is a stringency in the money market, and to contract the currency when money is redundant.

A taxed credit currency he considers the best method, supplemented by power granted the secretary to handle a $100,000,000 reserve fund, sending it into the market when needed and withdrawing it when not needed.

Respite for Aggie Meyers.

Jefferson City, Md.—Gov. Folk Thursday announced that he had granted a respite until January 10 for Mrs. Aggie Myers and Frank Hottman, of Kansas City, who were convicted of having murdered the husband of Mrs. Myers, and were sentenced to be hanged.

Rear Admiral Asserson Dies.

New York.—Rear Admiral Peter Asserson, U. S. N., retired, died suddenly at his home in Brooklyn Thursday.

Girls Burned in Explosion.

Indianapolis, Ind.—In a panic and fire that started from an explosion of thousands of paper matches at the factory of F. A. Rathbun & Co., West Indianapolis, Wednesday, eight young women were seriously burned.

Elevator Falls; Three Killed.

Chambersburg, Pa.—Three men were killed and one was fatally injured and five others were seriously hurt at Waynesboro Wednesday, by the fall of an elevator in the Geiser Manufacturing company's shops.

GILLETTE IS CONVICTED.

Found Guilty of Murdering His Sweetheart, Grace Brown.

Herkimer, N. Y.—The jury in the trial of Chester E. Gillette for the murder of his sweetheart, Grace Brown, at Big Moose lake, on July 11 last, Tuesday night returned a verdict of guilty in the first degree.

The jury, which had deliberated for five hours, sent word at 11 o'clock that a verdict had been reached. A moment later it filed into the courtroom and at 11:15 o'clock an officer who had been sent for Gillette, returned with the prisoner.

It was learned that the jury had some difficulty in reaching an agreement and six ballots were taken before the 12 men agreed. Up to that time the jury had stood 11 for conviction and one for acquittal.

There are, and have been for some time, all kinds of rumors that Gilette has been overheard to make some kind of a confession that he killed Grace Brown. Some of these stories are that jail officials heard him confess to his lawyers; others that he told a visitor who called on him that he had struck the girl and that the visitor told the district attorney. Nobody connected with the case in any way will confirm any of these stories.

District Attorney Ward refused to confirm or deny the report that Gilette was overheard to make a confession to his attorney that he struck Grace Brown at Big Moose lake.

COUNT BONI IS SNUBBED.

Many French Deputies Leave Chamber When He Speaks.

Paris. — Count Boni de Castellane spoke in the chamber of deputies Thursday during the debate on the Algeciras treaty. Half the members of the chamber of deputies abruptly left the house when the count ascended the tribune.

The snub was given deliberately in the presence of the diplomatic corps and the entire cabinet.

Count Boni stood, hands in trousers pockets, with a flippant smile on his face during the confusion occasioned by the withdrawal of more than 200 deputies.

When quiet was restored Boni addressed the chamber, apparently not having been disconcerted by the rebuke. He was jauntily attired, wearing a lavender colored waistcoat, a red necktie, and he spoke easily, almost airily. He argued that France was continuing the policy of ex-Foreign Minister Delcasse, which aimed at the conquest of Morocco.

Then he took his seat, in the midst of almost deathlike silence in the chamber. No one applauded him or replied to him. He was treated with contemptuous indifference.

The chamber ratified the Algeciras treaty by unanimous vote.

Oil Magnates Are Subpoenaed.

New York. — John D. Rockefeller and six associates who control the Standard Oil company, have been served with subpoenas to appear before the United States circuit court in St. Louis on Monday, January 7. United States Marshal William Henkel served the papers. Besides Mr. Rockefeller subpoenas were served on Henry H. Rogers, Henry M. Flagler, Charles M. Pratt, Oliver H. Payne, William Rockefeller and John D. Archbold.

Preacher and Negro Hanged.

Valdosta, Ga.—Rev. J. G. Rawlins and Alf Moore, a negro, were hanged here Tuesday morning for the murder of Willie and Carrie Carter in July, 1905.

Robbers Cremate Invalid.

Zanesville, O.—Robbers are believed to have murdered Miss Sarah Wiley, a life-long invalid, and then set her home on fire to hide their crime. The house was burned and the woman's body incinerated.

Suit to Break Lybrand Will.

Delaware, O.—Lucius Lybrand, of Terre Haute, Ind., one of the heirs of the late Edwin G. Lybrand, of this city, filed suit Friday to break the will. The deceased left $25,000 to the Ohio Wesleyan university here.

Seven Hurt in Railway Wreck.

Salt Lake City.—East-bound passenger train No. 4 (the Atlantic express on the Union Pacific railroad), was derailed Wednesday near Church Buttes, Wyo., 140 miles east of Ogden. Seven persons are reported injured.

Sent to Prison for Fraud.

Toledo, O.—On a plea of guilty to the charge of using the United States mails to promote a scheme to defraud, Charles Whitney Norton was sentenced to the Ohio penitentiary for 18 months and to pay a fine of $100.

HORROR AT CORNELL

FOUR STUDENTS AND THREE TOWNSMEN PERISH IN FIRE.

CHI PSI HOUSE BURNED

Great Heroism Is Displayed by the Boys and Volunteer Firemen in the Work of Rescue.

Ithaca, N. Y.—The $300,000 mansion of the Chi Psi fraternity at Cornell university—the finest chapter house in the world—burned early Friday, and seven persons perished in the conflagration. Of these four were students, and the others prominent townsmen who had responded to the alarm in the capacity of volunteer firemen.

The bodies of the dead, with the exception of those of W. H. Nichols, of Chicago, and F. W. Grelle, of East Orange, N. J., were recovered. Friday night it was decided to dynamite the ruins to facilitate the search for the missing bodies:

The dead are:

Attorney Alfred S. Robinson, hook and ladder company No. 3.

John C. Rumsey, hardware merchant, hose company No. 5.

E. J. Landon, salesman; hose company No. 4.

F. W. Grelle, of East Orange, N. J., '10.

O. L. Schmuck, of Hanover, Pa., '07.

W. H. Nichols, of Chicago, '07.

James McCutcheon, Jr., of Pittsburg, Pa., '09.

The injured are:

H. S. Decamp, of New York, '09.

Henry M. Curry, of Pittsburg, Pa., '09.

R. R. Powers, of Atlanta, Ga., '10.

W. W. Goetz, of Milwaukee, '09.

H. A. Uihlein, of Milwaukee, '07.

G. R. Sailor, of Pittsburg, Pa., '07.

C. J. Pope, of East Orange, N. J., '10.

The heroism of the volunteer firemen who died attacking the fire was matched by the heroism of Schmuck, who reentered the burning building in a futile effort to save Nichols, his room-mate, and who died later from his injuries, and by the courage of McCutcheon, who remained in the flames until fatally burned, to assist his comrades to escape. Pope, the freshman, received his injuries while seeking to rescue other members of the fraternity.

Among those earliest on the scene, and who contributed most of the work of rescue from the flames which had already converted the first floor of the doomed dormitory into an inferno, were several Cornell football men. All did effective work. It has been declared that the work of Sam Halliday, the old fullback, and of Earle and Gibson, the halfbacks of the season ended, united with that of the Chi Psi men who risked their lives that their brothers might live, will be remembered long in the annals of Cornell.

The cause of the fire will probably never be discovered. The building is an unsightly wreck, with no particle of its inner furniture remaining. Cornell is deprived of one of its landmarks, for the lodge was built in 1881 by Jennie McGraw Fiske, at a cost of $130,000. The daughter of the lumber king, John McGraw, who was one of Cornell's early great benefactors, never enjoyed her palace and entered it only after death.

Around the house have clustered the memory of the great fight for the Fiske millions waged between Prof. Willard Fiske, the husband, and Judge Boardman, as the representative of Cornell, to which Mrs. Fiske had left the bulk of her estate.

LYNN FACTORY BLOWN UP.

Eleven Persons Are Injured and Many Buildings Burned.

Lynn, Mass.—The explosion of a boiler Thursday in the four-story factory building of the P. J. Harney Shoe Manufacturing company on Alley street and the fire which immediately followed destroyed 14 buildings in the West Lynn manufacturing district, causing a total loss estimated at about $520,000. Eleven persons were injured, one, Miss Celia Tradenburg, an operative in one of the burned factories, being in a critical condition at a hospital. In addition to the direct loss, the shoe manufacturers will suffer severely from the interruption to their Christmas business.

The fire swept over several acres, burning three other factory buildings, the Boston & Maine railroad station and a number of small dwellings.

Kansas Grain Law Void.

Kansas City, Mo.—The Kansas grain inspection and weighing law was declared void Thursday by Judge S. R. Peters, special master appointed by Judge Pollack of the United States circuit court.

Physician to Pope Dead.

Rome.—Dr. Lapponi, physician to the pope, died at seven o'clock Friday morning. He had been ill for some time with cancer of the stomach and, pneumonia setting in, he could not withstand its ravages.

Four Killed in Collision.

Lewiston, Me.—Four persons were killed and three others seriously injured in a head-on collision between a special and a regular train on the Maine Central railroad near the small station of Annabessacook.

Indians Near Starvation.

Grand Marais, Minn.—Many of the Chippewa Indians at Grand Portage reservation are on the verge of starvation. They expected the customary allowance of flour and pork from the government, but did not get it.

Six Year Term for President.

Washington.—A term of six years for the president and vice president of the United States is proposed by Senator Cullom in a joint resolution introduced Thursday providing for an amendment to the constitution.

INDICTED FOR LAND FRAUDS

TRUE BILLS RETURNED BY GRAND JURY IN UTAH.

Railroads and Officials Charged with Discriminating Against Certain Shippers.

Salt Lake City.—The federal grand jury that is investigating coal land frauds in Utah and charges that railroad corporations have discriminated against certain shippers made a partial report Friday afternoon. Indictments were returned against the Union Pacific Railroad company, the Oregon Short Line Railroad company, the Union Pacific Coal company, the Utah Fuel Coal company and several of the highest officials representing the Harriman and Gould corporations in Utah.

Bench warrants for the arrest of persons accused in the two indictments were issued. Bonds in the case of each individual accused was fixed at $3,000.

Fred R. Maynard, of Washington, assistant attorney general, who has been conducting the investigation before the grand jury, is authority for the statement that two other indictments charging perjury before the grand jury have been returned.

The lands were filed on in March, 1905.

Assistant Attorney General Maynard stated that when the grand jury reconvenes after the holidays the inquisition will be resumed. The indictments returned Friday, he said, mark only the beginning of the government's probing operations in Utah and Wyoming, and the violations of laws alleged in these indictments are only incidents of a gigantic system of fraud that has been in operation in the west for many years.

The indictment against the Utah Fuel company and the six agents of that company is based on the methods used in acquiring about 1,400 acres of coal lands in Sevier county, Utah.

The two men indicted for perjury proved to be Theodore Schulte, the employe of an insurance firm, and Thomas A. Moore, abstractor in the county recorder's office. Both were arrested Friday night and released on $2,500 bail.

The other defendants have not been formally arrested, but have, it is given out, arranged to appear before United States Commissioner Baldwin today.

GREAT DISTRESS IN CLIFTON.

Town Swept by Flood Is in a Most Deplorable Condition.

Solomonville, Ariz.—Late details of the Clifton flood disaster indicate a most deplorable condition among the inhabitants and tremendous loss of property. Practically every building in the town is damaged. Many were swept entirely away. Numerous escapes from death are reported. Two men were swept through the streets and saved themselves by catching the awnings of a store and breaking through the plate glass front. Patients in the hospital were placed in a car and sent to higher ground before the flood reached the building.

Monday night in Clifton was a night of terror, as practically the entire population stood upon the hills unsheltered. It is believed that many persons in the Mexican quarter of whom no one has any record were drowned

CONVICT-MADE GOODS HIT.

House Passes Law That Permits States to Bar Them.

Washington.—By a practically unanimous vote the house Friday passed the bill limiting the regulation of interstate commerce between the several states in articles manufactured by convict labor or in any prison or reformatory.

The law abrogates the interstate commerce law as at present applied to convict-made goods, thereby affording to the different states and territories the right to inhibit the shipping of convict-made goods within the confines of any state or territory.

Louisville Dairymen Plead Guilty.

Louisville, Ky. — Aaron Kohn, representing 100 dairymen, against whom charges were brought under the pure food law, of feeding swill to cattle, pleaded guilty for his clients Thursday, and accepted a suspended sentence of $100 fine and a jail sentence of 50 days against each defendant. The fine and jail sentence will be annulled only on condition that they clean up their dairies by April 1 and quit feeding swill to cattle.

Six Miners Buried Alive.

Bakersfield, Cal. — Six miners were entombed Friday morning by the caving in of a shaft leading to the big steel pipe conduit of the Edison Power company's plant, 18 miles from this city. Two weeks will be required to reach the bodies.

Fifty Years in a Madhouse.

New York.—"Aunt Becky" is dead at the age of 103, at the Long Island state hospital for the insane. She was Jeanette Rothschild. She was committed from Manhattan when she was 53 years old.

Two Indian Boys Executed.

Reno, Neb.—Johnny and Ibapah, Indian boys convicted of the murder of Fred Foreman, a white man, at Montello, Nev., on December 27, 1905, were executed Friday in the penitentiary at Carson.

Robber Beats a Girl.

Kansas City, Mo.—A robber early Thursday rendered Miss Zona Heckert, night operator at De Soto, Kan., on the Santa Fe, unconscious with a blow from a wagon spoke and robbed the station money drawer.

Big Advance in Cost of Living.

New York.—Figures giving the average cost of living on Dec. 1, compiled by R. C. Dun & Co., show that there has been an advance in price as compared with November 1, from $106.68 to $108.17.

SHOT BY A WOMAN

SHE ATTEMPTS TO KILL FORMER SENATOR BROWN.

THERE IS NO HOPE FOR VICTIM

Women Says Mr. Brown's Attentions Caused Her Husband to Get Divorce and that He Then Refused to Marry Her.

WASHINGTON — Former United States Senator Arthur Brown of Utah tonight lies in a critical condition in Emergency hospital from a pistol shot wound in the abdomen, inflicted by Mrs. Anna M. Bradley of Salt Lake City, who arrived here Saturday from that city. The shooting occurred in Senator Brown's apartment in the Raleigh hotel, where Mrs. Bradley had registered under the name of "A. B. Brown." She was arrested.

Senator Brown was conveyed to the hospital, where he was immediately put on the operating table. Two shots were fired, one grazing his left hand and the other entering the abdomen and lodging in the pelvic cavity. After working over him for nearly two hours the surgeons decided that for the present at least they would make no further attempt to find the bullet. It was stated tonight that, while Senator Brown's condition is critical, there is reason to believe that he may recover.

Mrs. Bradley arrived shortly after noon. After being assigned to a room she immediately went to Senator Brown's apartment. There were no witnesses to the shooting, but a maid heard the shots and at once notified the management.

According to her statement tonight at the police station, where she talked freely with the newspaper men, Mrs. Bradley came to Washington to demand that Senator Brown marry her. She said that their relations were well known in Salt Lake City.

"I asked him if he was going to do the right thing by me," she said, maintaining a remarkable composure. "In reply he put on his overcoat and started to leave the room and I shot him. I abhor acts of this character, but in this case it was fully justified."

While expressing no sorrow for her act, she declared that she was glad to know that Senator Brown might recover.

"I was practically penniless when I got here today," she said, "having only $1.25, and after paying the cabman, all the money I had in the world was $1."

She said she urged Senator Brown to marry, her that he had been instrumental in the divorce between her husband and herself, and, that as his wife was dead, he could "do the right thing" by her. This, she said, he refused to do.

BROWN IN CRITICAL CONDITION.

Former Utah Senator Has Little Chance of Recovery.

WASHINGTON — Former United States Senator Arthur Brown of Utah, who was shot by Mrs. Anna M. Bradley of Salt Lake City in his apartments at the Hote' Raleigh, Saturday afternoon, lies in a critical condition at the Emergency hospital. The doctors announced Sunday night that he has a chance of recovery, but his friends admit there has been a change for the worse during the day and thought his recovery is extremely doubtful. There are symptoms of peritonitis, which the physicians fear may lead to blood poisoning.

Mrs. Bradley is held without bail on the charge of assault with intent to kill. She will not be given a preliminary hearing until the extent of Mr. Brown's injuries are known.

Ballooning Over the Alps.

MILAN—The aeronauts, Usselli and Crespi, who recently crossed the Alps in a balloon for the first time on record, have just made public details concerning their voyage across the mountains. The distance from Milan to Aix-les-Bains, measured in a straight line, is 160 miles, and this was covered in four hours and five minutes. The highest speed attained was sixty-two miles an hour. At a height of 5,000 meters the aeronauts were compelled to have recourse to oxygen to enable them to breath.

Peary Talks on Arctic Trip.

NEW YORK—Commander Robert E. Peary gave a public lecture Sunday at the Museum of Natural History upon his latest attempt to reach the north pole. He said in the course of it that he was satisfied that there is a body of land somewhere about a hundred miles northwest of Grantland. His party, he said, found driftwood a hundred miles from Grantland in the open Polar sea, which he was convinced could only have come from rivers flowing through land not yet placed on any map. He believes the pole can be reached by sledges.

Two-Cent Fare in Missouri.

KANSAS CITY—According to the Star, Governor Folk, in his biennial message to the legislature, will recommend that the railroads reduce their passenger rate to 2 cents a mile, except on their branch lines.

Grover Cleveland Is Ill.

NEW YORK—Grover Cleveland is ill at his home in Princeton of acute indigestion. He has been sick a week and still remains unimproved. His physian said that he was not in a very serious condition, but was in pain.

Sunday Closing Commended.

WASHINGTON—Senator Burkett is daily receiving letters from all sections of the country commending his suggestion that the postoffices should remain closed during the entire day of Sunday.

Italian Builds Airship.

ROME—Count Armigho of Schio, who since 1874 has been experimenting with airships, believes he has found the solution of aerial navigation. His new machine, which is in the shape of a ship, contains a fifty-horse motor and a rudder ten yards square.

Cornell Is in Mourning.

ITHACA, N. Y.—Cornell university went into formal mourning Sunday for the four students and three volunteer firemen who lost their lives when the Chi Psi fraternity house was burned.