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COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA.BRIEF NEWS NOTES
FOR THE BUSY MANMOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF
THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN
CONDENSED FORM.

ROUND ABOUT THE WORLD

Complete Review of Happenings of
Greatest Interest from All Parts of
the Globe—Latest Home and For-
eign Items.

Tornadoes devastated the towns of
Tyler, Tex., and Mossville, Soso and
Service, Miss., blowing down many
houses and causing a number of
deaths.

The American fleet of 16 battle-
ships, under the command of Rear Ad-
miral Evans, passed Valparaiso, Chile,
where it was reviewed by President
Montt and thousands of Chileans, and
continued on its voyage northward for
Callao, Peru, the next stopping place.

The Wisconsin delegation to the na-
tional Democratic convention at Den-
ver, Col., was instructed to vote as a
unit for William J. Bryan as the
Democratic nominee for president,
first, last and all the time.

Damage amounting to probably \$75-
000 was done, oil paintings of judges
who have presided in Brooklyn in the
last half century were water-soaked
and valuable records narrowly escaped
destruction when fire swept through
the upper part of the Kings county
courthouse in Brooklyn.

An explosion of a boiler in the base-
ment of the public school at Adrian,
Mo., tore away the floor of the pri-
mary department and precipitated a
teacher and 60 pupils into the base-
ment, burning and scalding many of
them in a frightful manner.

Prof. W. F. C. Hasson of the Aca-
demic force at the naval academy at
Annapolis is dead.

Seventy-two men, representatives
of all the classes of labor employed
on the New Orleans river front, and
who compose a union known as the
Dock and Cotton council, were in-
dicted by the United States grand jury
on the charge of conspiring to restrain
trade in violation of the Sherman
anti-trust law.

Deputy Chief Charles W. Kruger of
New York lost his life while leading
his men in a desperate fight against
flames in Canal street. He fell
through a trap into a water-filled
basement and drowned.

The American ship Emily Reed was
wrecked on the Oregon coast, ten of
her crew perishing.

Adolph Stewmetz, paying teller of
the National Bank of Commerce of
Minneapolis, was arrested for an al-
leged shortage of \$3,450.

There was an unconfirmed rumor in
Vienna that the shah of Persia had
been assassinated.

The will of Mr. Rylands, widow of
John Rylands, of the famous Manches-
ter (Eng.) cotton firm, bequeaths
\$2,355,000 to various charities, includ-
ing \$1,000,000 to the John Rylands li-
brary at Manchester.

An explosion in a coal mine at
Glencoe, Natal, cost 67 lives.

Macon county, Georgia, went dry
by a majority of 900. Seventy of the
114 counties of Missouri have now
voted for local option.

Following the indicated preference
at a primary vote, the Republican
county convention at Lincoln, Neb.,
adopted a resolution declaring for
Theodore Roosevelt for president and
instructing its delegates to the state
convention to work to that end.

Dr. Leo Danziger, a prominent Ger-
man physician, was shot and instantly
killed in Cincinnati by Robert Gott,
the uncle of Anna Bell Stangley, a 17-
year-old girl, at whose bedside the
physician was giving medical atten-
tion.

Wes Summerlin and his son Charles
were hanged at Carrollton, Ga., for
the murder of Jethro Jones, a wealthy
farmer.

Women suffragists of London went
to jail for six weeks rather than give
sureties for their good behavior.

Because of interference with plans
for marrying his sister, Henry Bean,
a prosperous young farmer of Pritch-
ard, W. Va., was shot through the
head and instantly killed by Virgil
Hatten.

A. C. Tidelle of Chicago, who is
charged with accepting deposits after
his private bank had become insolvent,
surrendered himself to the police.

New York detectives hunted in vain
for Henry S. Snow, former treasurer
of the New York and New Jersey Tel-
ephone company, who was indicted by
the grand jury on a charge of grand
larceny.

Leavenworth, Kan., by a majority
approximately 500, adopted a commis-
sion form of government patterned
after that of Cleveland.

Fred Wigle, an actor, shot and in-
stantly killed his wife, Maud, and then
committed suicide at a boarding house
in Cleveland, O.

For signing the Viborg manifesto,
Feodor Feodorovich Kokoshkine, a
son of the ancient Rurik dynasty,
now a professor in Moscow university
and a prominent leader of the consti-
tutional democrats, was expelled from
the Moscow nobility by a vote of 269
against 92.

The Farmers' and Mechanics' bank
at Rich Hill, Mo., was dynamited and
robbed.

William H. Zinner, for 47 years in
the employ of the banking house of
Drexel & Co. of Philadelphia, and for
many years teller, committed suicide
by swallowing carbolic acid.

Thomas Thomas, pioneer of "Green-
wich village," now a part of New
York, died on the doorstep of the
house where he was born nearly 75
years ago.

The Filipino assembly unseated
Senator Gomez and declared his election
void.

Herbert Jordan, aged 35 years, who
was private secretary to ex-Gov. Willis
J. Bailey when the latter was in con-
gress, was mysteriously assassinated
in Kansas, Kan.

Chief Gleason, an inmate of the In-
dian asylum at Eagle, Ill., committed
suicide by cutting his throat with a
piece of glass.

The Oklahoma house killed the hotel
bill which required 3-foot sheets on
beds and provided a penalty for the
use of cracked cups.

Lieut. Gov. Dickinson of Nevada, or-
dered 50 carabines from a Chicago firm
for the new police force to relieve the
federal troops at Goldfield.

By direction of the president, Act-
ing Secretary Oliver ordered a com-
pany of infantry from Fort Gibbon, in
Alaska, to Fairbanks, in that territory,
to preserve order during the mining
strike in that section.

Indictments alleging perjury were
returned in New York against former
governor of New Jersey, Foster M.
Voorhees, and Frank H. Combes, fol-
lowing a grand jury inquiry into the
acts of these two men while they were
officials of the Bankers' Life Insurance
company.

It was stated on what was believed
to be good authority that W. B. Hidge-
ly, comptroller of the currency, has
decided to accept the presidency of
the reorganized National Bank of
Commerce of Kansas City, Mo., which
suspended payment during the late
financial stringency.

Mrs. Martha Anderson was found
dead, lying on a cot in her room in
Janesville, Wis., with her throat cut
from ear to ear. Investigations by the
police indicate she was murdered.

George H. Norman, who as an offi-
cer on the gunboat Gloucester during
the Spanish-American war took Ad-
miral Cervera of the Spanish fleet off
the burning flagship Infanta Maria
Teresa, died in Brookline, Mass.

Newton Edmunds, former governor
of Dakota territory and president of
the Yankton National bank, died at
Yankton of paralysis, aged 58 years.

The 11 laundries in Cincinnati under
indictment for organizing a combine
to raise prices pleaded guilty and each
was fined \$50 and costs. The trust
also agreed to dissolve.

Violation of the postal laws by car-
rying first-class mail matter was
charged against the American Express
company in a suit filed in the United
States district court at Cincinnati by
District Attorney McPherson.

Clyde Gant of Belleville, Ill., was
convicted of the murder of Henry
Dickerman and sentenced to 14 years
in the penitentiary.

That the fight of the administration
against the Standard Oil company was
"only a bluff" was asserted in the
house of representatives by Mr.
Raney of Illinois, who spoke at length
on his bill placing on the free list
petroleum, crude or refined, or its
products.

John E. Venson set a new American
record by jumping 116 feet on skis at
the Duluth tournament.

Sir James Knowles, founder and
proprietor of the Nineteenth Century,
died in London.

The Mississippi senate passed the
house statutory prohibition bill.

It is announced that there is a pros-
pect of Raisuli, the Moroccan bandit,
appearing on the variety stage in Lon-
don.

The Chicago, Cincinnati & Louis-
ville Railway company was put in the
hands of a receiver.

Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman, president
of the Missouri W. C. T. U.,
Kansas City after a long illness, aged
55 years.

Charles Pecorino, said to be the
leader of a Black Hand society which
caused the murder of a wealthy Italian
at Lake Charles, La., was arrested at
Hastings, Col.

The British steamer Roda, Capt.
Burdiss, from Huelva for New York
with a cargo of iron ore, went ashore
during a thick fog abreast of the Jones
life-saving station, just below Amity-
ville, Long Island.

Capt. E. B. Underwood has been
chosen for the command of the cruiser
Colorado, vice Capt. Sidney Stanton,
who will be appointed a member of
the general board of the navy.

One boy was stabbed to death and
three wounded during a fight among
inmates of the correctional institution
in Randall's Island, New York.

After an exciting debate lasting six
hours which developed into a riot on
the floor of the Japanese house of rep-
resentatives, the financial budget was
passed by a majority of 102.

Col. Andrew Wendell, a member of
the squad of soldiers which captured
J. Wilkes Booth, the assassin of Abra-
ham Lincoln, and who was present
when Booth was shot, died at his
home in Chicago.

Arthur Sullivan, a pioneer of south-
ern Montana, died at Dillon, Mont.,
aged 90.

The Michigan Republican state cen-
tral committee fixed May 12 as the
date and Grand Rapids as the place
for the state convention to elect dele-
gates at large to the national Republi-
can convention.

A. H. Cline, a prominent lumber-
man, was shot and instantly killed by
Luke Banner, a wealthy merchant of
Elk Park, N. C.

Henry C. Mowry, former president
of the Illinois Grain Dealers' associa-
tion and for more than 40 years a
grain dealer in central Illinois, died at
his home in Forsyth, Ill.

The announcement that about 1,000-
000 robins have been killed by this
winter in Louisiana, which is a
winter home for these birds, was
made by Frank M. Miller, president
of the Louisiana Audubon society.

The Russian ministry of war is pre-
paring plans for the speedy conversion
of Vladivostok into a first-class for-
tress, involving expenditures of about
\$4,000,000.

Gen. Bompiani and Baron Vin-
cenzo Negri fought a duel with swords
at Reggio de Calabria, Italy. Bompiani
was seriously wounded.

Miss Maud Ashford of Washington
announced that she was no longer en-
gaged to former United States Sena-
tor Henry G. Davis, the Democratic
candidate for vice president in the last
national campaign.

A squad of police raided Sherry
Shomayim synagogue in Winnipeg,
Man., and stopped a wedding being
performed there on the ground that
the Lord's day act says no work must
be done on the Sabbath.

James W. H. Wallace of Kansas
City, who has been enforcing the Sun-
day observance law, announced him-
self as candidate for the Democratic
nomination for governor of Missouri.

The six automobiles contesting in
the New York-to-Paris race started
from Times square, Forty-second
street and Broadway, New York,
cheered by a throng of several thou-
sand people. Three of them arrived at
Hudson, N. Y., the first evening.

Lincoln's birthday was celebrated
with banquets and orations by dis-
tinguished men in many cities.

While exercising in the Phillips
Exeter academy gymnasium, Foster
Holmes of Minneapolis, Minn., sus-
tained injuries which were declared to
be very dangerous.

Six men were killed by an explosion
in a starch factory at Providence, R. I.,
and the building was wrecked and
burned.

Chauncey B. Geiger, president of the
Illinois state board of arbitration dur-
ing the administration of Gov. Richard
Yates, died at his home in Ashley, Ill.

Letters read in the Snell will case
at Clinton, Ill., told how a woman, al-
leged to be the wife of Rev. E. A. A.
Hamilton, bartered her soul and sold
into bondage her young daughter for
some of the old millionaire's money.

Frank Viza, treasurer for various
Bohemian fraternal organizations, who
fed several weeks ago, when he was
said to be many thousands of dollars
short in his accounts, returned to
Cleveland, O., and surrendered to the
police.

Gov. Davidson appointed Frederick
Thwaites and James F. Trotman of
Milwaukee as regents of the Univer-
sity of Wisconsin.

Haunted by a dream in which he
was accused of crime, Christopher
Fagen, a coachman, committed suicide
in Minneapolis.

Ruth Miller, the four-year-old daugh-
ter of Charles Miller of Kansas City,
Kan., died from the effects of eating
candy from a box of poisoned bon-
bons sent through the mail to an older
sister.

William Andrews, formerly of Sioux
City, Ia., committed suicide in the
county hospital at Chicago by stab-
bing himself with a pair of scissors.

Charles A. Coey, president of the
Aeronautical club of Chicago, pur-
chased a 100,000-cubic foot balloon
from Morris A. Helmann of St. Louis,
to be used in the Chicago balloon
races July 2, 3 and 4.

State Senator William McKay died
at Caro, Mich., after a year's illness
following an operation for the removal
of a tumor.

Acting Secretary Oliver announced
that the war department was at last
in position to completely arm the
organized militia of the country, 100,000
strong, with the new high-power
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VIEWS OF FOREIGN OFFICE

Action Regarding Railroad Violates
Agreement Entered Into and
May Cause Trouble.

St. Petersburg—Baron von Achren-
thal's reiteration of the determination
of Austria to build a railroad through
Novipazar, a connecting link for the
Austrian line through Bosnia with the
Turkish line to Salonki, and the an-
nouncement by the German foreign of-
fice of its financial support to this
plan, have left no illusions here re-
garding the fate of the agreement
looking to joint action in the Balkans,
negotiated by Emperor Nicholas and
Emperor Francis Joseph at Muerzen-
teger in the autumn of 1903, which
was the ground work of the subse-
quent program of reforms in Mace-
donia.

The attitude of the Russian foreign
office as learned through an inspired
press is that the agreement, which is
regarded as already violated in spirit
by the Austrian foreign ministers' ef-
forts to extend and consolidate the
Austrian sphere of influence by a pri-
vate bargain with the sultan for the
construction of the railroad, should be
abrogated. Russia is now left a free
hand to work out its own policy in the
near east. Negotiations are still be-
ing conducted to the end of inducing
Austria to withdraw its railroad
scheme, but no hope of their success
is held out on either the Austrian or
the Russian side. The principal efforts
at present are being devoted to ar-
ranging a new grouping of the powers,
it being thought here that Russia and
Great Britain might enter into an
agreement for joint action in Mace-
donia and that these two powers would
be supported by France and perhaps
by Italy.

The defection of such an important
power as Austria, which on account
of its geographical position, shared
with Russia the leading role in the
efforts to settle the Macedonian prob-
lem, renders the outlook dark. Since
the seriousness of the Russian op-
position to Austria's plan has become
evident, hints have been thrown out
from Vienna that Russia and Italy, as
the powers most directly interested,
would be allowed in the way of com-
pensation to construct railroad lines,
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is of Interest to the Readers
Throughout Nebraska.

Holdrege sewer bonds amounting
to \$20,000 have been filed with State
Auditor Searle for registration.

Charter day, commemorating the
thirty-ninth anniversary of the found-
ing of the state university, was ap-
propriately celebrated.

Captain Brown, formerly judge ad-
vocate general of the Nebraska na-
tional guard, called at the state house
last week. He lives at Dallas, Tex.

A big real estate deal involving
country property was consummated in
Freemont when Geo. M. Dodge sold his
farm of 314 acres in Pleasant Valley
township to Simon Choudelmeika for
\$36,000.

It has been definitely decided that
the Junior normal will be held in
North Platte this summer, instead of
at Ogallala. The differences existing
between the state superintendent and
certain parties there has been patched
up.

The banking house of A. W. Clarke
of Papillion, the oldest bank in Sarpy
county, has been converted into a state
bank, with A. W. Clarke president, I.
D. Clarke cashier and D. S. Fase as-
sistant cashier as officers and incorpo-
rators.

County Attorney Easterling has filed
complaints against William R. Herrick
and Charles Barrett, both of Shelton,
on a charge of selling liquor without
a license, and also for allowing minors
to play pool and billiards in their
place.

The Beatrice Driving association
held its annual meeting and elected
these officers: W. W. Scott, president;
W. A. Penner, first vice-president;
J. H. Hamt, second vice-president;
William Dunn, treasurer; H. V. Riesen,
secretary.

Heinrich Albrecht, a prominent Ger-
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of Gage county, was found dead on
the floor of his home. Death was due
to a ruptured blood vessel. He was 62
years of age and leaves a widow and
four children.

State Oil Inspector A. B. Allen has
reported the collection of \$2,257 in
fees during the month of January. He
had on hand \$1,100, expended \$1,027.75
for salaries and office expenses, and
paid the state treasurer \$1,174.25,
leaving a total of \$1,100 on hand.

The state debt was reduced last
week to \$22,405.03 by the calling in
of \$12,000 of state warrants. This is
the lowest point reached since the en-
actment of the Sheldon law for a one-
mill levy, the proceeds to be used for
the redemption of state warrants.

Police officers have warned Omaha
merchants to be on the lookout for
spurious \$5 and \$10 gold coins sup-
posed to be headed that way from
Denver. Specimens of the coins re-
ceived in Omaha show that they are
a bungling