

Brief City News

Have Best Print in New Season From Metal dies, presswork, Jubilee Mfg. Co. Elec. Fans, v. 50—Burbles-Granden. Platinum Wedding Rings—Edholm. Alleges Nonpayment—Lulu L. Fisher, suing Arthur Fisher for divorce in district court, alleges nonpayment.

Try the noonday 35-cent luncheon at the Empress Garden, amidst pleasant surroundings, music and entertainment.—Advertisement.

Return From California—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Shackelford have returned from their visit to California and are now at home at the Blackstone.

Fraternal Union—Banner Lodge No. 11, Fraternal Union, will hold a picnic in the hall, Nineteenth and Farnam, Labor Temple, Tuesday evening. It will be for members, their families and friends.

Attends Chautauque—Lee G. Kratz, professor of music at the Young Men's Christian association, has gone to Lake Madison, Wis., where he will spend his vacation as platform manager of a chautauque.

Denies Divorce Action—Julia A. Shamp, matron of the Florence House of Hope, emphatically denied that she is seeking a divorce. Her name was confused with that of Stella Corina Yarnon, former cook at the old House of Hope.

Take Larger Quarters—The West Disinfecting company has had to obtain larger quarters on account of increasing business. Gustave J. Blaha, the manager, announces the company has taken larger quarters at 209 South Eighteenth street.

Passes Through Omaha—Howard Bruner, chief clerk for the director of traffic of the Union Pacific at Chicago, passed through Omaha Saturday with his family, en route to Long Beach, Cal., to spend the summer. He is a former Omahan.

Omahan Gets Order—John Baderer has received an order from the Chicago & Northwestern Railway company for 100 sets of his Baderer Metallic piston packings for locomotive engines. Baderer is manufacturing his new invention in Omaha.

High School Girls Volunteer—Twelve high school girls have volunteered to make a card catalogue system for the membership certificates at the Red Cross headquarters. "We need very more help from girls who are good, legible writers," said Secretary Ure.

Priest Goes to Cleveland—The Rev. Father Theobald Kalamaja left yesterday for Cleveland to conduct a retreat for the Franciscan fathers in that city. He will also take part in the ordaining of a young priest who was formerly a pupil in his school. He will return in about three weeks.

Royal Neighbors—Benson Royal Neighbors Lodge held its annual memorial services Thursday evening. The local degree team did the work and a program of music and reading was given by Mesdames W. Buford, W. E. Yarton, E. Sunneland, J. W. Parsons, J. C. Campbell and J. Uneks and Miss Margaret Zanton.

Whipperman Succeeds Besley—Frank Whipperman was Friday noon elected member of the board of directors of the Omaha Manufacturers' association to succeed B. W. Besley, who has associated himself with the Table Rock Brick and Tile company, and has moved to Table Rock.

Mistakes Poison for Medicine—Mrs. Dorothy Wright, the young wife of Dr. Wright, 1814 Maple street, narrowly escaped death Saturday night when she accidentally took bichloride of mercury tablets instead of headache tablets. Dr. Shook, who was summoned, reports her out of danger.

Message to Garcia—A young member of the regiment of railway engineers of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway, which will probably leave for "somewhere" in France in a few days, received a copy of "A Message to Garcia" Friday morning. The little booklet was sent to the engineers by A. J. Earling, president of the road.

Would Place America in Charge of Big Territory—London, July 1.—Suggestions that the United States should govern various disputed lands as the trustee for civilization are being advanced by European publicists with increasing frequency. The destinies of Palestine, Syria and even the Suez canal have been thus arranged by enthusiasts.

Josiah Wedgwood, who was on the staff of General Smuts in East Africa last year, proposes in an article in the Nation to give the United States the largest order yet framed.

All German African colonies, Mr. Wedgwood says, would be pooled with the Congo Free State and the Portuguese colonies by the payment of \$200,000,000 to Belgium and \$20,000,000 to Portugal. This territory of 4,700,000 square miles should be administered by an American commission, but nominated by the guaranteeing powers, with equal opportunities for all whites, free trade and a progressive, non-exploiting land policy up to the best modern pattern as exhibited in the Philippines.

King Bars Spanish Ports to Submarines—Madrid, July 1.—King Alfonso has signed a decree dealing with submarines, with a view to avoiding a repetition of incidents such as that of Cadix, where a German submarine took refuge and later was escorted out of the port by Spanish torpedo boats.

The text of the decree follows: "Article 1. The submarines of all the belligerent powers are forbidden to navigate within Spanish territorial waters or to enter Spanish ports.

Article 2. All such submarines which enter the Spanish zone for whatever reason will be interned until the end of the war.

Article 3. The submarines of neutral nations which enter Spanish territorial waters must navigate on the surface with their colors visibly displayed.

Costs England \$50 for Every Man Put to Work (Correspondence of The Associated Press.) London, June 10.—It has cost the government about \$50 for every man it has placed on work of national importance, according to figures given in the House of Commons the other day on the results of the National Service scheme.

Now Cheaper to Raise Whiskers in Frisco—San Francisco, July 1.—Three hundred and twenty barber shops, members of the Barbershop proprietors' association, announced here today that beginning July 15, the price of hair cuts will be increased from 35 to 50 cents, and shaves from 15 to 20 cents. Advance in price of "everything a barber uses" was given as the reason for the raise.

FRENCH SCIENTISTS TO AID U. S.—Five of the foremost scientists in France are now in Washington. The distinguished Frenchmen from left to right are: Back row, Captain Dupoue and Lieutenant Peterno; front, Commandant Fabri, of the University of Paris; Captain de Gramant de Guiches and Commandant Henri Abraham of the University of Paris.



FRENCH SCIENTIFIC MISSION

GERMAN DRIVE ON VERDUN CONTINUES

Tectonic Forces Making Serious Assaults Over Ground That Last Year Saw Their Defeat.

(By Associated Press.) The scene of heaviest fighting on the western front is now the Verdun sector.

Over the same ground on which they met with such a serious check at the hands of the French last year the Germans are making serious assaults with picked forces. For the most part their efforts have been ratified by the French, but the Germans succeeded in retaining some conquered ground on the west slope of Dead Man's hill.

On the Aisne front also the Germans are on the offensive. They attacked last night near Cerny and Corbeny, meeting with a devastating French fire, which all but annihilated their storming detachments. North-east of Cerny they succeeded in gaining a salient which had been leveled by artillery fire.

Whether these operations marked the resumption of a sustained offensive by the Germans is not yet clear. The official German statement throws no light on this subject, merely mentioning the capture of 500 meters of trench line east of Hill 204 and of several French lines south of La Boivre farm on the Aisne front.

There are indications of a return of active operations on the Russian front. The German war office reports that the Russians, apparently influenced by pressure exerted by their allies, are maintaining a strong fire over the front of forty miles in eastern Galicia and that a Russian attack evidently is imminent.

Agnello Pass, which the Italians captured recently in their advance on the front below Trent, has been evacuated. A Rome dispatch announces the Italian advanced forces have been withdrawn on account of prolonged and violent bombardment of the Austrians, but that the Italians still hold the eastern end of the pass.

Fletcher to Return to Confer With Lansing

Mexico City, July 1.—Henry P. Fletcher, the American ambassador to Mexico, left here today for the United States, traveling by way of Laredo. He intends to confer with Secretary Lansing on affairs concerning the two republics before the secretary goes on his vacation early in July.

No significance is attached to the ambassador's departure at this time other than the desire of Mr. Lansing to discuss with him questions that require more amplification than cable communication permits.

Mr. Fletcher expects to reach Washington July 6. Ambassador Fletcher had a long interview with President Carranza today and discussed with him many things of interest to both Mexico and the United States. The president has placed a special car and an escort at Mr. Fletcher's disposal.

Call for Help to Fight Reservation Forest Fire

Laramie, Wyo., July 1.—Calls for help in fighting the forest fire in Medicine Bow reservation, sixty miles west of here, have been sent to Cheyenne and several Colorado towns. The fire is said to have divided into three sections and is spreading. Every available man in the district is fighting the flames.

Soldiers Chase Bandits Over Mexican Border

Laredo, Tex., July 1.—Word was received today that four bandits who crossed from the Mexican side and raided the store at the Las Escobas ranch near Zapata Thursday, escaped over the Rio Grande, though pursued by United States soldiers.

Two Men Charged With Starting Prairie Fire

White River, S. D., July 1.—(Special.)—Rearrested on the charge of setting a disastrous prairie fire which last fall swept over a considerable territory in Mellette and Todd counties, two young men named Biggest and Mattus, living near here, have been held for trial in the state circuit court. It is charged they started the fire for spite. They were first arrested last fall, soon after the fire, but finally were released on a technicality.

CAUSES FOR GROWTH OF UNI OF NEBRASKA

Environment and High Standard of Education Among Reasons for Phenomenal Showing Made.

A registration in 1917 of 130 students has become in 1917 a registration of 5,405 students. This is the development of the University of Nebraska during its 46 years of service. What is the cause of such remarkable growth? The evolution of the state would account naturally for a certain growth, but when comparison is made with the University of Missouri, University of Iowa, University of Indiana, University of Colorado, a registration surpassing by almost a thousand, the largest of these causes one to look further for an explanation.

In the last bulletin of 1911 of the United States Bureau of Education, a classification of all the universities and colleges of the United States is given. The basis for this classification is the ability of a graduate to obtain a Master of Arts degree in a specified time; one year is the minimum time and, therefore, the universities placed in Class I are those ranking at the top of the list. In Class I we find the University of Nebraska in company with Brown, Chicago, Columbia, Dartmouth, Howard, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin. Here is another explanation, then, for the remarkable increase in registration at the University of Nebraska.

Another Reason. There are attracted to the University of Nebraska many students who have discovered that the peculiar location of this great school makes self-support possible. Special effort is made to find employment for those students who are not financially independent. Although exact statistics are impossible to obtain, it is reliably estimated by the Manager of Student activities, and also by the Manager of the Employment Bureau that approximately one-half of the students of the University of Nebraska support themselves either in whole or in part. The young man or woman, with but limited financial help from home, who really wants an education and who will work for it, is justified in coming to this University.

The pleasant environment, the excellent moral tone, the democratic spirit of the University of Nebraska, account for the additional attractiveness of this great school. In point of accomplishment the following are the names of a few alumni famous for what they are doing in the practical world today: Frederick Storrs and C. A. Fisher, prominent commercial geologists; Willa Sibert Cather, Associate Editor of McClure's and author of "The Song of the Lark"; Alvin S. Johnson, Associate Editor of New Republic and Professor of Economics at Leland Stanford; Willets Sawyer, engineer, Vice-President Clark, management corporation; Edith Abbott, Chicago School of Civics and Philosophy, probable success to Jane Addams; Albert Woods, president of Maryland Agricultural college; P. J. O'Gara, highest salaried botanist in the world; Rescoe Pound, Dean of Harvard Law college.

The very definite causes mentioned above explain the phenomenal growth of the University of Nebraska. During the year just closed there was a net increase of 579 students.

Bar Pink Lemonade At Pioneers' Picnic

The annual picnic of the Douglas County Pioneers' association was held Saturday in Miller park with all the trimmings that go with this great affair.

Under a shady grove of trees the white-bearded, white-haired oldsters were gathered, sitting on the grass or on benches spinning yarns of the olden days. The "cats" were abundant and were a continuous performance. Not unwholesome pink lemonade for the pioneers, but real life-preserving coffee was dispensed to all comers and askers.

"Billy" Kiersted was chairman and master of ceremonies and major domo and he circulated around in a handsome suit of white decorated with his Elks' pin and other emblems. "Billy" has been in these parts just half a century. He sold papers and such things on the first Union Pacific trains "way back in '67."

A. Hubbard, who came here in 1868, stated that he had just got up off a rocking chair to come to this picnic, which rocking chair he bought in Omaha in the year 1868 and which has been doing service ever since.

Mrs. Martin Dunham Attends. And here's Mrs. Martin Dunham, widow of a well known pioneer. She came to Omaha in 1857. Mrs. Jeff Bedford, wife of the commissioner; Mrs. Leta Withnell, mother of the city commissioner, and Anna K. Bowman were among the women pioneers. Miss Bowman came here in 1857 and used to run a boarding house, much patronized by early day printers.

Among the others present, with the years when they arrived in Omaha, were: J. N. Marston, 1855; Otto Wells, 1863; A. Traynor, 1866; James Crunkshank, 1872; Joel A. Griffen, 1856; J. C. Green, 1879; K. Barotthy, 1858; J. M. Counsman, 1861; G. M. Drexel, 1856; J. S. Taylor, 1867; J. P. Brown, 1864; C. H. Dougherty, 1855; J. B. Bruner, 1867; T. E. Price, 1856. Catherine Briggs was there, too. She has done pioneer missionary work in the sod houses and dugouts of the state and is still engaged in missionary work.

Moses P. O'Brien, president of the association, who came to Omaha April 27, 1866, was the principal orator of the day. There were other speakers who showed themselves good at oratory.

The weather was fine and the pioneers turned out in goodly numbers, some with their children and grandchildren to the fourth generation.

Raise Big Sum for Relief Of Jewish Sufferers

New York, July 1.—The American Jewish relief committee announced today that in the last six months it had raised \$5,250,000 for the relief of Jewish sufferers in the war zones of Europe. The committee is pledged to raise \$10,000,000 before November 1, next.

Which School?

Offers \$10 Prize for Best Catchy, Patriotic Song Poem

G. W. Summitt, 5363 North Thirtieth street, offers \$10 as a prize for the most catchy, patriotic song poem, appropriate to present time and conditions.

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