

Nebraska

HOWARD SOON TO BE GOVERNOR OF ALL NEBRASKA

News From Military Headquarters Comes Like Bomb Into Camp of Politicians Who Supposed Fight Over.

Lincoln, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—That this is a cruel old world has been demonstrated more than once in the recent past, but not more so than in the announcement made today that the seventh regiment has been given the right again to assume the name of "Lucky Seventh" and that just as Lieutenant Governor Howard had gotten over his "shuddering" at the thought of being governor, he must suffer a relapse and continue to shake and shake and shake.

Not very long ago when a man began to shake he could call on the justly celebrated medical experts Drs. Thomas and Jeremiah and receive an antidote, but now it is a long time past May 1 and the only thing left for a man to do since the specialists moved away, is to resort to hot foot baths.

Lieutenant Governor Howard cannot be said to be alone in his shuddering. Others are shuddering at the prospect of the lieutenant governor being promoted to the executive chair. But their shuddering comes from a different cause. The lieutenant governor shudders, so he says, because of the immense amount of the daily of his ability to meet the requirements.

The other fellows shudder because they fear he will be able to fill it, but not the way they would like it filled. They fear when they come to the state house, the executive latch string will not be hanging so it can be pulled and that other strings they would like to pull will not also be in evidence.

They fear that if there are any strings to be pulled a certain very fine looking gentleman named Charles Bryan, who goes about his daily avocation wearing a skull cap, will have a monopoly on the string pulling and that is what causes the "shudders" around the camp of the men who fought long and hard in 1916 to keep him from being governor of Nebraska. But it might be just as well now to prepare for what is coming for it is generally believed now it will be but a short time until the "Lucky Seventh" is an officially recognized regiment, and but as short time longer until it will go marching off to war with Governor Neville at its head and Lieutenant Governor Howard will assume the gubernatorial chair.

Samuel Carr to Have Chance To Be Heard in Court

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Samuel Carr et al. owners of a small tract of land which was needed by the city of Omaha for park purposes and condemned, will have a chance to be heard.

The owners of the land would not accept the value placed on the land by the appraisers and while the matter was being held up in court pending settlement outside the judge of the district court, through mistake, dismissed the case. The owners brought action for reinstatement and the court sustained their motion. The action was appealed and the supreme court commission sustains the district court.

Brainard People Give More Than \$6,000 to Red Cross

Brainard, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The people of Center township showed their loyalty to their country, and their devotion to the Red Cross society Monday.

The parish of St. Francis' Catholic church, working with the Red Cross finished the work in one day. The members of St. Francis' church also donated \$2,000. The donations from the drive will amount to \$6,000.

Table Rock News Notes.

Table Rock, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—The United States civil service commission has announced an examination for Pawnee county to be held at Pawnee City on January 11, to fill the position of rural carrier at Burchard.

The membership of the home guards has been increased to 125 members. The members of military age were drilled by Captain Will Porter and First Lieutenant Jack Daily. The following appointed officers, which had been named, were also confirmed: First sergeant, Joseph Kovanda; quartermaster sergeant, E. Taft; sergeants, Ray Brown and L. R. Trout; bugler, Ralph C. Cotton. Frank A. Harrison of Lincoln was present, as bugler.

Carl Bredemier from the vicinity of DuBois, south of here, has this year lost by hog cholera, 56 out of 120 head of 200-pound hogs almost ready for market.

A. E. Henry, mayor of Pawnee City, owing to the shortage of coal in that city, has been selling in 300-pound lots to residents of that city, coal which will only be one while the coal dealers of Pawnee City are unable to supply the demand. The coal is being delivered only by the city at the prices fixed by the fuel administrator.

Grand Island in Line.

Grand Island, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Statements by Chairman Ryan of the Hall county chapter and David Kaufmann of the city campaign to the Red Cross membership drive reveal that Grand Island and Hall county have again oversubscribed their quota in this latest war effort. Hall county's quota is about 3,600. The city chairman expects to see a total of 5,000 for Grand Island alone and a total of at least 6,000 for the county.

Adams County Drive.

Hastings, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Incomplete returns of the Adams county Red Cross drive showed a total of \$6,292 with several districts yet to hear from. This city alone is expected to go over the \$5,500 mark.

Three Scenes From Russian War Drama Shown by Map



From Finland (1) former Premier Kerensky is reported to be advancing on Petrograd with several thousand troops. Far across the nation, at Rostov (2), on the River Don, the Bolsheviks have suffered a serious defeat at the hands of the rebellious Cossacks. In the meantime, at Brest-Litovsk (3), in German occupied territory, Russian delegates are holding peace parleys with high representatives of the Berlin and Vienna governments.

ARMOUR DENIES FEDERAL CHARGES

Brands as False Accusation That Packing Company Concealed Its Connection With Chicago Stock Yards.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 25.—J. Ogden Armour last night said the statement made Sunday by counsel for the Federal Trade commission, which is investigating packing plants, to the effect that Armour & Company did not disclose its ownership of an interest in the Chicago stock yards until federal agents seized correspondence between F. H. Prince of Boston and Mr. Armour was controverted by the records, Mr. Armour said.

Our records show that on October 30 we delivered to an examiner for the Federal Trade commission, H. H. H. by name, a written statement, compiled at his request, under the heading 'miscellaneous corporations' there was included the specific item, showing that we had acquired by purchase one-fifth of the capital stock of the Chicago Stock Yards company. Denies Stock Increase.

Deaths in American Army Reported by Gen. Pershing

Washington, Dec. 25.—The following deaths were reported today by General Pershing: JAMES D. PAULL—First lieutenant, Pittsburgh, Pa., aviation section, signal reserve corps, died December 20, as the result of an airplane accident. CANEY A. MEADORS—Private, Krupp, Ky., infantry, killed in action November 13. HARRY MEYERS—Private, Indianapolis, infantry, killed in action, November 18. EARL E. AURAND—Private, Harrisburg, Pa., died November 15 from wounds. EDWARD C. KOSTBADE—Private, Hobart, Ind., infantry, killed December 22 by an explosion. JOHN E. WHITE—Private, New York, ammunition train, died December 23 from gunshot wounds. These deaths from natural causes also were reported by General Pershing: CHARLES E. GALAVAN—Sergeant, telegraph battalion, signal corps, December 23, lobar pneumonia, Chicago, Ill. WILLIAM A. ELSLIE—Private, engineers, December 20, broncho pneumonia, Fort Bragg, Cal. SAINT CLAIR WILCOX—Private, infantry, December 23, pulmonary tuberculosis, Winterset, Ia. LAWRENCE I. ANDERSON—Private, engineers, December 20, broncho pneumonia, Detroit, Mich. ERNEST E. MARSH—Private, aero squadron, December 22, meningitis, Stroudsburg, Pa. JOHN J. DU BLANC—Private, supply train, December 21, pneumonia, Austin, Tex.

News Notes of West Point.

West Point, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Marriage licenses have been issued to Edward Pagels and Miss Ella Krueger of West Point, and Herman Weichmann and Miss Olga Kube of Beemer. The local branch of the Catholic Knights of America have elected officers for the coming year as follows: President, Rt. Rev. Joseph Rezac; vice president, Frank Rezac; treasurer, William Stieren; financial secretary, Ferd. Walter; recording secretary, John H. Lindale; sergeant-at-arms, Theodore Gentrup; trustee for three years, Henry Gentrup. This election marks the 34th year that Mr. Lindale has been elected to the office of secretary of this organization, the longest continuous period of service attained by any fraternal officer in this section of the state. The marriage of Lumir Wostopal of this city to Miss Mabel Ernest of Neligh was solemnized at the latter city on Thursday, by the Congregational minister.

F. G. NEWLANDS, NEVADA SENATOR, DIES IN CAPITAL

Succumbs to Heart Disease After Illness of Few Hours; Death Stunning Blow to Friends.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Senator Francis Griffith Newlands of Nevada, died of heart disease at his home here last night, after an illness of a few hours.

He was stricken while at work in his office at the senate office building during the afternoon, but was able to



SENATOR FRANCIS NEWLANDS, who came home and the capital knew nothing of his illness until the announcement of his death.

No one realized the seriousness of the senator's condition and a physician was not called until late this evening. Then the heart attacks had become acute. The end came suddenly at 10:45 o'clock as Mrs. Newlands and her brother watched at the bedside.

Worked Night and Day.

For several weeks Senator Newlands, working almost night and day on his preparations for an investigation of war time transportation problems, had been in a weakened state of health. He kept at his desk, however, in spite of his 69 years, appeared alert and active.

The senator was a native of Mississippi. He was born near Natchez, August 28, 1848, and lived in that state until he went to Yale in 1867. After nearly two years at Yale, he entered the Columbian college law school here and graduated, being admitted to the District of Columbia bar before he received his diploma.

From Washington he went to San Francisco, where he practiced law until 1888. He then became a citizen of Nevada and was elected to the fifty-third, fifty-fourth, fifty-fifth, fifty-sixth and fifty-seventh congresses. During his 10 years as a member of the house he served on various important committees.

As chairman of the joint congressional committee on transportation problems as well as of the interstate commerce committee the senator had been prominently identified with consideration of what the government is to do about the railroads during the war.

He had conferred with the president several times and at the president's request deferred hearings the interstate commerce committee was preparing to start until after the Christmas holidays, when the president is expected to submit his solution of the railroad problem to the congress.

As author of the Newlands act, which has provided a plan of land improvement in the arid west by development of waterways, he also was well known. He had for a long time pressed legislation for expenditure of many millions of dollars for waterway and irrigation improvements, recently witnessing partial fruition of his hopes in the appointment of a special commission authorized by the congress for a comprehensive study of American waterway development. Colleagues of Senator Newlands felt that his loss will be peculiarly felt at the present time. Only today he was engaged on preliminary work of the investigation ordered by the senate of the Interstate Commerce commission recommendations for dealing with the railroads. Leadership in this task now probably will devolve upon Senator Smith of South Carolina, next in rank to Senator Newlands on the interstate commerce committee.

FAMOUS MORSE CASE CAUSE OF NEW SUIT

Reid Shows He Prevented Wife of ex-Banker From Using Unwise Measures to Obtain His Release.

New York, Dec. 25.—Walter E. Reid, of Portland, Me., who is suing Charles W. Morse for \$150,000 for alleged breach of contract has filed in the federal district court supplementary particulars demanded by the defendant in elaboration of the plaintiff's claim that he had prevented Morse and his wife from engaging in "improper and unwise enterprises," in their efforts to obtain the banker's release from the federal penitentiary at Atlanta.

Morse's sentence of imprisonment for 15 years for misapplication of the funds of the National Bank of America, was commuted January 18, 1912, by President William H. Taft, after the prisoner had served a little more than two years of his sentence.

Mr. Reid, in his additional particulars filed today, said: "In the spring of 1910, at the New York office of the defendant, Mrs. Morse stated to the plaintiff that she was going to invite Robert Taft to New York to spend a week and offer him \$10,000 to use his influence in procuring defendant's release. Mrs. Morse also stated she would get Robert Taft to see Justice White. Plaintiff prevented Mrs. Morse from carrying out this plan.

After relating several other instances in which Mr. Reid alleged that he prevented Mrs. Morse from using "undisclosed means" to obtain her husband's release, the supplementary bills of particular enumerate a list of influential men who it alleges were interviewed by the plaintiff in Morse's behalf.

Plaintiff also wrote to President Taft and corresponded with and interviewed officials of the Department of Justice, acting under direction of Attorney General George W. Wickersham," says the supplementary bill of particulars.

Although Morse in his answer to Reid's suit denied that the plaintiff had ever rendered any services for him, the plaintiff asserts that the contract sued upon—a verbal one—covered the period from August 10, 1909, to May 1, 1913, and that his disbursements in Morse's behalf approximated \$13,400.

Xmas Does Not Interfere

With "Y. W." War Campaign Festivities attending Christmas time will not be allowed to interfere with the activity of the Young Women's Christian association war work campaign. With \$30,000 already subscribed, the committee is out in solid ranks again hustling for the other \$50,000. The goal set is \$85,000, and the committee hopes to have this by Friday.

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NOTORIOUS SPY CAUGHT WITH GOODS IN ERISCO

San Francisco, Dec. 25.—Federal officials announced tonight the arrest on a presidential warrant of Franz Schulenberg, alleged to be one of the cleverest and most dangerous German spies operating on the Pacific coast. According to army officers, he planned to destroy government docks and shipping in most of the big coast ports.

Military authorities said Schulenberg, under instruction from Lieutenant Wilhelm von Brincken, formerly military attaché at the local German consulate, purchased a ton of dynamite in Seattle at about the time of the explosion of a barge loaded with munitions in Puget Sound. There is evidence, it was stated, of close association by Schulenberg and Franz von Papen, former head of the German secret service in the United States, and with Ram Chandra, who is on trial in the federal courts on a charge of violating the neutrality of the United States.

In an automobile in which Schulenberg was caught the authorities found a German Luger pistol and a hi-power rifle, both loaded. Further investigation disclosed a cache containing 240 pounds of dynamite, three alarm clocks and attachments for detonating explosives said to be the property of the prisoner. Schulenberg deserted from the German army in 1914. He was arrested in Sydney and turned over to the German naval attaché there. He was enlisted in the navy and deserted six weeks later in Shanghai. He is a cabinet maker by trade.

1,500 Dead, 4,000 Hurt Is Total of Halifax Toll

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 25.—Fifteen hundred killed, 4,000 seriously injured, 20,000 homeless and total property loss amounting to \$50,000,000, was the estimate today of destruction and damage caused by the explosion of the munition ship Mont Blanc on December 6, which wrecked and burned an area of two and a half square miles in the north of Halifax.

The estimate was prepared and submitted to the general relief committee by J. H. Wingfield, an expert, who made detailed examination. The figures, while not accepted as final, were regarded by the committee as conservative.

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GERMANS WELL ADVISED OF MOVEMENTS OF U. S. WARSHIPS

An Atlantic port, Dec. 25.—That the crew of a German submarine made prisoner after their vessel had been destroyed, knew when a large steamship carrying army officers had left the United States and that the submarine lay in wait to sink her, was the statement of several enlisted men of the American navy who were passengers on a liner that arrived today. According to the German prisoners who were taken to England they knew "all about the departure of the steamship," but the submarine had failed to sink her because of the vigilance of her convoy.

Fine Success at Boelus.

Boelus, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—In the Christmas membership drive, the Boelus Red Cross chapter has obtained 425 members and last Saturday's Red Cross sale and entertainment netted \$1,000.

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