

**BRIEF
BRIGHT
BREEZY
BITS OF NEWS**

**KING OF THE HOBOES
TO RUN FOR PRESIDENT.**

New York, Jan. 12.—This being the open season for monarchs, Jeff Davis, king of the hoboes, has decided to abdicate and lay down his crown. Jeff has decided to become president of the United States.

"The boys are off that king stuff like a flea off a cast iron dog," said Jeff. "So I'm going to hock the crown for a 'combin people' hat like Bryan wears and run for president as candidate of the international nation of itinerant workers—the hoboes' union."

"I carry half a million votes on my hip. The hoboes and ex-hoboes are all mine, and that's enough to get my name on the ballot by petition."

"And I'll take the liquor vote, too, because, buddy, my platform is so wet it looks like a tank, and you have to have rubber boots to read it."

Jeff has his cabinet all picked out. It includes General Coxey of Coxey's army as secretary of war.

**MOTION PICTURE MEN
FAIL TO "GET" WILSON.**

Washington, Jan. 12.—Attempts of enterprising motion picture camera men to obtain photographs of President Wilson by using the method which resulted in pictures of William Hohenzollern, former emperor, in his garden at Amerongen, reaching the world, were frustrated by White House secret service officers.

The camera men concealed themselves in a wagonload of hay which was driven slowly by the White House while the president was on the lawn in his wheel chair. After the photographers had convinced the officers they had not had time to make pictures they were allowed to go.

**FIND GOOD WHISKY
CONCEALED IN LUMBER.**

Ferth, Ariz., Jan. 12.—Between 5,000 and 6,000 cases of Canadian Club whisky concealed in lumber and seized by revenue agents was shipped to the New York customs house. The "lumber" was consigned to "George W. Jackson Lumber Co." but there is no company of that name here.

**PATTI FAILS TO WILL
THROAT TO SCIENCE.**

London, Jan. 12.—The last will and testament of Adeline Patti, the famous singer who died recently, reveals that she failed to bequeath her throat to a London hospital as she had promised years ago. She stated at that time that she would be pleased to allow surgeons to her vocal organs for the benefit of students.

**LOCK OF NAPOLEON'S
HAIR BRINGS \$100.**

London, Jan. 12.—A single lock of hair from the head of Napoleon realized \$100 at a sale of Sotheby's the other day. The curl was presented by the late Corcoran's valet, and Capt. Henry Hollingsworth, captain of the 20th regiment, who was on guard at St. Helena at the time of the emperor's death.

A lock from the head of Nelson, Britain's famous admiral, was sold for \$95, but a button from an effort to make the price even in that paid for the Napoleonic relic. Despite the earnest entreaties of the auctioneer, however, the Nelson curls went for \$5 less than the head of the French emperor.

**RACE SUICIDE MADE
COMPULSORY IN DENVER.**

Denver, Jan. 12.—Race suicide is compulsory in some parts of Denver. Children are barred from more than 30 apartment houses in the fashionable capital hill district alone, according to incomplete returns from census enumerators who have been counting noses for Uncle Sam in the decennial population roundup.

Dogs and cats are welcome and many other pets flourish in the apartment houses, but children are barred.

Tenants who have the misfortune to bring another soul into the world, must find living quarters somewhere else. The apartment owners don't care where, but they insist that no children shall be reared in property they control.

**MAKE HAIR STAND, SAYS
MINISTER OF SOCIALISTS.**

Chicago, Jan. 12.—America has been asleep in the strides made by the socialists in North Dakota, during the last eight years, according to Dr. E. Lee Howard, president of Fargo College, Fargo, N. D., who addressed a meeting of Congressional ministers.

"Eight years ago the Nonpartisan league was formed and captured every political organization in the state," he continued. "In reality they are a group of socialists, whose principles, if known, would make your hair stand on end."

"At the last meeting of the legislature a law was passed making it possible for the governor to appoint a committee that could go through the records of any organization or society in the state to look for evidence on which to prosecute them for opposing the league."

**"THE SPORTING PARSON"
CALLED TO AMERICA.**

London, Jan. 12.—Rev. Everard Digby, known as "the sporting parson" who is vicar at St. Agatha's church, Finsbury, told the Associated Press he had an offer to go to the Church of Ascension in Brooklyn, N. Y., and that he also had been offered a "living" in Roslyn, L. I. He said he had not accepted either offer, but that he regarded the American field favorably.

Rev. Digby came into prominence in 1914 when he officiated as master of ceremonies of the fight at Olympia between Bombardier Wells, then English heavyweight champion, and Colin Bell of Australia. He was to have officiated in a similar manner July 7, that year, at a fight between Freddie Welsh and Willie Ritchie, but Rev. Dr. Paget, suffragan bishop of St. Stephen, protested.

NEBRASKA WOMEN'S CLUB ACTIVITIES ARE ADEQUATELY COVERED ONLY IN THE BEE.

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THE WEATHER:

Fair and colder Tuesday;

Wednesday unsettled.

temperatures:	
5 a. m.	28
7 a. m.	29
9 a. m.	30
11 a. m.	31
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9 p. m.	36
11 p. m.	37
12 noon.	38

BRYAN SEES PEACE BY FRIDAY

CLERK TRIES TO SHOOT BANK HEAD

Failure of Cartridge to Explode Saves Captain Madsen While Disarming Alleged South Side Forger in Bank.

John F. Coad, President of Packers National Bank, is Marked for Death by Employee—Clerk Confesses.

John F. Coad, president of the Packers National bank, and Police Captain Carl L. Madsen of the South Side station, narrowly escaped death yesterday when Robert J. Clark, 19 years old, 1114 North Twenty-fourth street, a clerk in the bank, attempted to shoot them after they discovered that he had forged a \$50 check and passed it.

The enraged man fired point blank at Mr. Coad, but the cartridge failed to explode and again while Captain Madsen was endeavoring to disarm him his effort to shoot the police officer was a failure. After falling in his effort to kill the two men the young man turned the gun on himself but the bullet was deflected by the captain and lodged in a desk.

Captain Madsen was called to the bank shortly after 4:30 yesterday afternoon by President Coad and while the two were conferring at the private desk of Mr. Coad, it is alleged Clark came up to the desk and said, "Yes, I forged that check," at the same time pointing a gun at Mr. Coad and Captain Madsen, with the threat he would kill them both.

Clark started to run out the front door when the captain attempted to seize him, but slipped and fell, with Captain Madsen on top of him. Clark is said to have pushed his gun in the police captain's face, but was unable to fire. He turned the revolver upon himself and a report of the gun being discharged was heard. The bullet missed Clark and went into a mahogany desk.

Clark was taken to jail where today he made a confession that he had forged the name of T. J. Fonda, of the Fonda Live Stock Commission company to a check for \$50 and had passed it on a north side grocer. After admitting the passing of the check his confession was written out and signed in presence of Mr. Coad and Police Captain Madsen.

Clark had been working at the bank but a short time, according to officials of the bank, and had come to them well recommended. A charge of forgery was placed against him and he will be given a preliminary hearing in police court today.

\$150,000,000 Credit Would Feed Europe Till Fall, Hoover Says

Washington, Jan. 12.—Establishment through the United States Grain corporation of \$150,000,000 in credits would feed Europe until the next harvest without imposing any burden on American taxpayers. Herbert Hoover told the house ways and means committee which began consideration of Secretary Glass' request for authority to advance that much from grain corporation funds. Early payment of the loans made could be counted upon, Mr. Hoover said.

JEANNE DE KAY'S BROTHER DROPS FROM SIGHT TOO

Not Heard of Since He Left Chicago to Hunt Sister And Trace Women.

New York, Jan. 12.—An international aspect was given to the search for Miss Jeanne De Kay, who disappeared mysteriously from Hull House, Chicago, December 30, when it was learned that her brother, John Wesley De Kay, Jr., had dropped from sight since he left Chicago, last Thursday to hunt for his sister by tracing two "Roumanian ladies" who recently accompanied the De Kays to this country from Switzerland. These Roumanians, Miss Dede Saller and her mother, vanished here last Friday, the day De Kay started from Chicago, saying they were "going abroad."

Identified With Huerta. John Wesley De Kay, sr., father of the missing brother and sister, was identified with the Huerta dictatorship of Mexico, when in 1914 he negotiated a loan in England for Huerta's government and with a part of the proceeds bought rifles and ammunition abroad for Huerta. Jeanne De Kay is about 20 years old and was a protegee of Miss Jane Adams of Hull House, Chicago.

JURORS TOLD TO CONFINE NEW IN AN ASYLUM

Man "Isn't Fit to Be Turned Loose on Community," Defense Urges.

Los Angeles, Jan. 12.—HARRY New, alleged murderer of his fiancée, Freda Lesser, should be permanently confined as an insane man, the jury trying him was told today by Judge R. Rush of counsel for the defense in an all-day argument. "We are not pleading temporary insanity, I want you to understand," Rush said, "we want this man placed in an asylum for the remainder of his life. That's where he belongs. He isn't fit to be turned loose on the community."

WILSON ISSUES FIRST CALL FOR LEAGUE MEETING

Will Be Held in Paris at 10:30 A. M. Friday—U. S. Won't Be Represented There.

Washington, Jan. 12.—President Wilson today issued the call for the first meeting of the council of the league of nations, to be held at Paris at 10:30 a. m., Friday. It was directed to the ambassadors of the fourteen nations, which have become a party to the exchanges of ratifications of the treaty of Versailles, and will not be made public until it has been transmitted by them to their governments.

Forest Department to Urge Jan. 6 Be Made U. S. Holiday

New York, Jan. 12.—A resolution urging that January 6, anniversary of the death of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, be observed nationally for emphasizing the need of forest conservation, will be introduced here tomorrow at the annual meeting of the American Forestry association.

Gift of Gold Cups

Cleveland, O., Jan. 12.—Myron T. Frick, former ambassador to France, has been presented with a set of gold cups by the emperor of Japan in recognition of the services rendered the Japanese government by the former ambassador, who took charge of Japanese affairs in France when the European war began. The gift came through the State department.

WILL RECALL U.S. TROOPS FROM SIBERIA

Decision to Withdraw American Forces on Completion of Repatriation of Czech-Slovak Soldiers Reached.

Washington, Jan. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Decision to withdraw American troops from Siberia on completion of the repatriation of the Czech-Slovak forces next month, has been reached by the American government.

HAVE BEEN PROTECTING THE SIBERIAN RAILROAD

With Departure of Americans Japan Will Be Left Alone to Assist Loyal Russians in Stemming Bolsheviki.

When the Czechs have been removed, the American railroad commissioner, headed by John F. Stevens, in Russia since before the fall of the former czar's government, will leave Vladivostok for home and the American soldiers under Major General Graves will follow as soon as transports are available. Presumably the same ships which are to take the Czech-Slovaks across the Pacific will be used. Two vessels, the President Grant and the America are expected to leave New York in a few days.

STRANGE MALADY AFFLICTING MANY IN MIDDLE WEST

Four Deaths Already Reported And Illness of Several Hundreds Noted.

Kansas City, Jan. 12.—Muskegee Okl., and Topeka, Kan., report numerous cases of the strange intestinal malady that has caused four deaths and the illness of several hundred persons near Skiatook, Tulsa county Okl.

POLICE CHIEF PLANS TO RETURN WITHOUT FINNS

Another Brother Arrested On Charge of Complicity in Benson Bank Robbery.

Chief of Police Eberstein will return to Omaha this morning from St. Paul, Minn., where he has been since last Monday in an effort to bring back William and Mike Finn, alleged to be two of the bandits who robbed the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Benson, December 31.

W. A. SMITH MADE PRESIDENT OF STREET CAR CO.

Began Service as Driver On Old Horse Cars in Omaha Forty-Eight Years Ago.

W. A. Smith, who has been acting president of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company since the death of Frank T. Hamilton last October, was formally elected to the presidency of the company yesterday afternoon at the annual meeting of the board of directors.



COLE TO APPEAL CASE TO U. S. COURT; GRAMMER TO ASK HABEAS CORPUS

Lincoln, Jan. 12.—Efforts to secure an appeal to the United States supreme court of the case of Alton B. Cole, under sentence to die in the electric chair here next Friday for the murder of Mrs. Lulu G. Voss of near Elba, Neb., were taken in state supreme court by Cole's counsel.

REPORT BLOODY BATTLES

New York, Jan. 12.—The secretary of the Syrian Union party at Cairo, reporting "bloody battles" between the population of Syria and French troops, was made public by the United Syrian societies.

ENVOY GOES TO BERLIN

London, Jan. 12.—Lord Kilmarnock left London today to act as British diplomatic representative in Berlin.

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BROTHER TESTIFIES AGAINST MAN CHARGED WITH POISONING DAUGHTER

Alliance, Neb., Jan. 12.—The preliminary hearing of Lawrence H. Lackey, charged with the murder of his eight-year-old daughter by giving her poisoned candy was held Monday before County Judge Tash.

WOULD BAR CHILDREN BORN OF INELIGIBLE PARENTS HERE

Washington, Jan. 12.—Senator Phelan, democrat, California, announced he would propose tomorrow, a constitutional amendment barring from American citizenship children born in this county of parents ineligible for citizenship.

RUSSIA'S WAR LOSSES

Warsaw, Jan. 12.—Russia's war losses in killed and wounded were reported 35,000,000, according to statistics of Kolchak government.

AGREEMENT IN SENATE PROPHESED

Commoner Explains Disagreement With Wilson as One of Method and Not of Purpose—Denies Split in Party.

5,000 PEOPLE HEAR TALK ON POLITICAL ISSUES

President Wilson's Plans and Government Ownership of Utilities Defended—Lincoln Friends at Meeting.

W. J. Bryan, in his Auditorium address last night before a gathering of 5,000 people repeated in substance his Jacksonian day speech delivered at Washington last Thursday night, asserting that he and President Wilson agreed in purpose but differed in method of ratifying the league of nations; denied the democratic party had been split; condemned everything republican, defended President Wilson, advocated government ownership of railroads and predicted that the treaty will be ratified next Friday.

Mr. Bryan was greeted with scattering applause when he appeared on the stage and was applauded by a few when he scored his points, but it was noticeable that he lacked his oldtime fire which made him famous as a western orator.

Many Attend Meeting. Mr. Bryan had not spoken here since his appearance three years ago. Many attended the Auditorium meeting to see if it was the same old Bryan of days gone by, but they asserted that he had lost much of his punch.

He arrived from Lincoln at 6:20, accompanied by his brother, Charles W. Bryan, members of the constitutional party had been selected as delegates of Lincoln citizens. The local committee, which met him at the station, comprised John Fitz Roberts, W. R. Patrick, H. B. Waldron, Joseph Hayden, F. L. Weaver and H. L. Mossman, members of the former Lincoln club of this city. Edgar Howard and G. W. Berge were in the party upon upstate.

Before the Auditorium meeting, Mr. Bryan attended a dinner at the Paxton hotel where he met 150 of his Omaha friends. At this function he stated that his thoughts were full of memories, referring to the Paxton as the scene of an address he delivered 30 years ago when he was elected to congress from this district.

"I came to Nebraska to write legal notes for a Lincoln paper and then I converted politics by accident and stayed in by design," he said at the Paxton hotel function. "A good deal of water has passed over the dam since those days."

"Blue Sky" Stock Selling Measure Introduced in U. S. Senate by Kenyon

Washington, Jan. 12.—A bill proposing a federal "blue sky" law to prevent flotation of worthless stocks and bonds was introduced by Senator Kenyon, republican, Iowa. Publicity through statements filed with every postmaster, giving all details of new securities, would be compelled and penalties of \$5,000 fine and five years imprisonment would be imposed for making false statements to investors through the mails.

Radical Raids in U. S. Hinder Census Taking

Washington, Jan. 12.—Radical raids by the Department of Justice have caused a slowing up of the 1920 census count in New York, Boston and other cities with large foreign born population, according to reports today to Sam L. Rogers, director of the census bureau. In order that foreigners may be assured that census enumerators are not Department of Justice agents, the director has ordered interpreters to precede enumerators in districts inhabited by foreigners.

Protests from Minneapolis that Los Angeles is counting tourists as residents is being investigated by the census bureau.