

FEDERAL BOARD IS EXTRAVAGANT, BANKER CHARGES

Woods Cones of Pierce Says Reserve Agents Are Maintained at Small Towns With Few Duties.

Gross extravagance on the part of the federal reserve bank in maintaining agents at many small towns to collect checks on state banks at par was charged by Woods Cones, president of the Cones State bank at Pierce, and C. A. McCloud, president of the First National bank at York, who were in Omaha yesterday on their way to a meeting of the National and State Bankers' Protective association in Washington.

"The Kansas City Federal Reserve bank keeps an agent at Pierce, paying him a large salary as well as his expenses, when he seldom has more than two checks a day to collect on Pierce banks," declared Mr. Cones. "All Pierce state banks are using the stamp making their checks not payable through the federal reserve."

Mr. McCloud, who is president of three national and seven state banks in York county, declared that every national and state bank in York county had subscribed to the cause of the state bankers who have refused to pay checks at par.

"We hope to secure an amendment to the federal reserve act which will clearly define the exact authority and jurisdiction which the Federal Reserve banks have over non-member banks," said Mr. McCloud. "There is no reason why the federal reserve should be a clearing house for non-member state banks."

Eleven Nebraska bankers and their counsel, J. P. Palmer, left Omaha for Washington last night. Members of the Bankers' association will appear before the banking and currency committee of the house Tuesday to voice objections to the present federal reserve system.

Prussia Holds Lead On France as to Population

Paris, May 1.—France continued to fall behind Prussia in population during the war, according to figures furnished by the National Alliance for the Growth of the French Population.

In the years 1875-76, when the first census after the Franco-Prussian war was taken in each country, France surpassed Prussia in population by more than 11,000,000. The low French birth rate enabled Prussia to gain so rapidly that Prussia had passed France several hundred thousand when the world war broke out.

During the war the population of France diminished by 973,440, while that of Prussia diminished by only 312,827.

Child Begs Admittance To Home for Children

Greenville, O., May 1.—Nearly everybody has known, or heard of children escaping from a children's home. Here, however, is a story about a girl who ran away from home and begged to be admitted to a children's home.

Little Nellie Hartzell, aged 11, surprised officials of the Drake County Children's home a few days ago when she appeared at the institution urging that she be taken in and declaring she did not want to remain at her home any longer.

She said that she ran away from her home at Dawn, this county, because her stepmother was cruel to her, she claimed.

Common Pleas Judge Mannix ordered that the child's wish be complied with, pending investigation.

Former Postal Chief of Carranza Under Bond

Laredo, Tex., May 1.—Cosme Hinojosa, former postmaster general of Mexico, who was arrested here Thursday charged with theft of Mexican government funds, was at liberty today under \$1,000 bond after his examining trial on the specific charge of receiving embezzled property. He was arrested on complaint of Melquiades Garcia, local Mexican consul, charged with the theft of \$50,000 in Mexican federal government revenue stamps. The stamps, which were recovered, are in possession of John Valls, district attorney.

Says Unrest Is Caused By Low Federal Wages

Washington, May 1.—Some of the recent industrial upheavals may be traced to the difference in wages paid in industries under government control during the war, the railroad labor board was told today by E. H. Fitzgerald, president of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees.

Grand Island Bachelor Dies at Age of 126 Years



Thomas Morris, Grand Island, Neb., May 1.—1794. The aged man never married and followed the profession of a cobbler for 100 years. He came to this country in 1871, locating at Streator, Ill., and moved to Custer in Berren, North Wales, January 15, 1886.



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U. S. is Falling Far Behind in Aviation

(Continued From First Page.) army and navy but should be consolidated under a single direction as a distinct organization of the armed forces of the nation co-ordinate with the army and the navy.

Congress Unconvinced.

Entertaining this view, General Mitchell did his utmost to bring about the establishment of a department of aeronautics as embodied in Senator New's ill-fated bill. The commission sent abroad by Secretary Baker immediately after the armistice with Assistant Secretary of War Crowell as chairman, made an exhaustive report of the tremendous progress in aviation made by the principal European nations and strongly urged the creation of an aviation department like Great Britain's air ministry.

Small Steamer Sinks in Western Mexico Port

San Francisco, May 1.—The small steamer San Mateo, en route San Jose, Guatemala, to San Francisco, sank in the harbor at Salina Cruz, Mex., today after having been pulled from the breakwater, where she had gone aground, according to its agents here. The message gave no word of the captain and his crew of 21, but it is believed they were saved.

U. S. Has Two Branches.

Secretary Baker, however, rejected the recommendation of a single air service and was backed up by General Pershing and by Navy department opposition. The result was that the New bill encountered chilly reception in the senate and the Indiana senator had it recommitted to the committee from which it was reported in order to save it from defeat.

SCRAY BOOK OF MARKET PRICES I SINTERESTING

Prices Paid in Omaha in Early '90's Shows H. C. of L. Has Not Always Been with Us.

A retrospect of an old scrap book of a local commission firm containing clippings of live stock prices and other things relative to the South Omaha live stock market in the early '90's and a comparison with present conditions, reveals some interesting facts and figures. For instance, February 10, 1896, the bulk of corn fed cattle sold for \$3.60 to \$3.75 a hundred pounds, with a top price of \$4. There was no snow or rain or no cold weather or ice up to that time. Corn is quoted at selling for 14 and 15 cents, with a national record of the largest yield ever had in the United States.

Following Are Records.

March 24, 1896. "No rain or wind up to the 17th, when a heavy damp snow fell all over the state and in some counties two feet. Snowed here again March 22, seven inches and was quite general. No change in cattle. Bulk of hogs, \$3.65; corn, 15 cents; fed western sheep, \$3.35."

Expect Big Pilgrimage of French Patriots to Rome

Rome, May 1.—The greatest assemblage and pilgrimage of French patriots in the history of Rome is expected next month when Joan Arc is canonized as a saint by the pope.

Pet Cat Causes Infant's Death; Sucked Its Breath

Osborne, Kan., May 1.—A pet cat was blamed here the other day for the death of little Darrel Waugh, two-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waugh.

Severe Fighting at Chita

Vladivostok, May 1.—Severe fighting is in progress at Chita, transbaikalia, between the forces of General Voitzevskoffsky, the sole remnant of Admiral Kolchak's army in transbaikalia, and the opposing bolshevik faction, according to reports from a Russian source. The Japanese are declared to be supporting General Voitzevskoffsky.

Nebraska Postmasters.

Washington, May 1.—(Special Telegram) Edward L. Spots is appointed postmaster, Bruns, Butler county, vice F. C. Fitts, resigned; Ashby, Grant county, Elizabeth Collins, vice John Hubbard, resigned; Meadow, Harp county, John C. Harby, vice Joseph L. Woolen, resigned.

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A Sale of Exceptional and Timely Interest. Fabric Section—Main Floor.



Millinery Fashions for Late Spring and Early Summer Wear

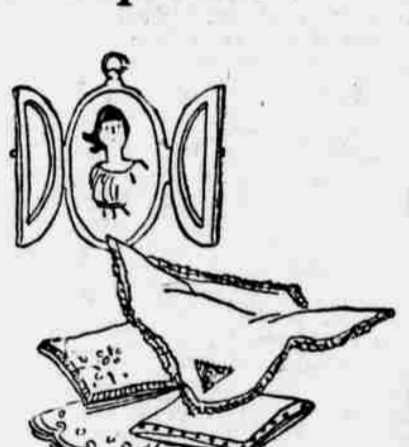
An authoritative forecast of the newest millinery conceptions for late Spring, as well as innumerable hints of Summer. Delicate hair-braid hats, Chantilly lace, maline, transparent effects, soft navy blue taffeta and lovely Georgettes. Hats of Viscal cloth are a new vogue. Sport hats that combine Tagal straw and narrow ribbon are a departure that is very favorably accepted.

Styles and colors are so inclusive that a successful choice is easily possible. Priced \$10 Upwards. Millinery Section—Fourth Floor.

A Legacy From the Empress Josephine

And the most necessary of our many needfuls is the handkerchief. Ladies of her court carried wee squares of delicate laces and fine spun linens—modern day ladies still continue the necessary custom, and to serve them, France and Ireland, Porto Rico and Madeira, all the far off corners of the earth send their treasures that we may include plain or initialed kerchiefs, queerly bordered squares, or filmy lace edged, exquisitely embroidered handkerchiefs in our interesting collection of accessories.

The every latest importation is a group of Armenian lace edged kerchiefs that are quite the daintiest things we've seen. Priced from \$1.50 to \$2 each. Pure linen, plain hemstitched ones are to be had for 35c, 50c and on up to \$1.25 each. An especially fine value is a pure linen cambric handkerchief, a fine heavy quality with an eighth or a quarter-inch hem that is priced 50c each. North Aisle—Main Floor.



A Host of Spring Costumes

So clearly demonstrating the superior fashion service which is rendered by this store

The best of the season's fashions and the newest of fabrics and colors combine to make these garments lovely, but their chief merit lies in the very evident distinction which so emphasizes a woman's charm. A gown is becoming only when it subordinates itself to one's own personality, if it obtrudes itself so that the gown is noted first, the designer is at fault. The desirable simplicity of Thompson-Belden garments, in which the richness of the fabrics and the artistry of the trimmings is carefully fashioned, commends them to women who perceive the value of restraint in selecting apparel.

Gowns Wraps Suits Blouses Sweaters and Separate Skirts. Apparel Section—Third Floor.

Children's Hose 75c Qualities, 50c

Silk lisle and fine cotton hose made with double knees, heels and toes. Fully ribbed styles in white, black and cordovan. Tomorrow 50c a Pair Main Floor.

Stylish Stout Corsets...

Improve the appearance by imparting a more slender figure. There are special models for every type of figure. May we suggest that in the selection of a new Corset you try a stylish stout first. Reasonably Priced Second Floor.

For Summer Wash Frocks

Organidies still remain favorites and the imported French organidies which we offer have a permanent finish which no amount of laundering can harm. And as for colors, there are three shades of blue, and pink, gray, yellow, smoke, heliotrope, maize, orchid and Nile green to choose from. The prices are \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75 a yard. Second Floor.

In trimming department on the main floor you will find some ruffled flouncings in many of these shades, which may help you in planning a frock. North Aisle—Main Floor.



Futurist Underwear for Particular Women

Futurist is not to be confused with ordinary athletic underwear. It is an exquisitely made, soft, perfect fitting under the corset garment, fashioned of silken fabrics, sheer nainsooks, batiste and voiles. Futurist undergarments in complete assortments are shown in the underwear section on the second floor.

Half Hose for Boys and Girls

The Hosiery Section is showing a most interesting array of half and three-quarter hose, in all the new shades—buttercup, reseda green, rose, orchid, pink, light blue, two-toned effects and white with colored tops; also sport socks for boys and girls, and silk socks in white, pink and light blue. Mothers and little folks will both enjoy seeing them. Hosiery—Main Floor.