

THE COUNTY NEWS. Interesting Items From All Over Allen County. THE MOST IMPORTANT DEEDS DONE BY YOUR NEIGHBORS FAITHFULLY AND IMPARTIALLY SET DOWN BY REGISTER REPORTERS

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BETHEL.

July 26—There was an ice cream social at Jeddo, last Wednesday eve. Frank Fursman is quite sick at present.

Mamie Maxwell of Golden Valley visited friends and relatives in our vicinity last week.

The ice cream social, at Prairie Hall last Tuesday evening was quite a success.

If some of the Jeddo young men would not stay out on late on Sunday evening perhaps they would not get their buggies broken, and heads bumped so much.

Mr Boyer's of Maple Grove visited G. V. Seymour's last Sunday.

Rev. Smith of Humboldt preached at Jeddo last Sunday.

E. Trego's of Humboldt visited A. Buckingham's since our last.

Chas Hamilton went to Jo's Tuesday.

Saving Bros threshed for Messrs Brooks, Pence, Percy and Baker.

Fred Kessler keeps a livery stable and Hamilton's run a delivery wagon. If you don't believe it, ask Ed Welker.

Mr Gullet was in our vicinity buying stock.

The carpenters began work on Mr Hamilton's new barn last week.

Mrs Wicks, Mrs Bennett, Mrs Kilmer and daughter Laura visited Mrs Cunningham since our last.

Clara Keifer visited relatives west of Humboldt, last week.

Sabra Kinney of Iola is visiting ye scribe, this week.

A little son came to live with Mr and Mrs Strupart on the 19th.

Mrs Kilmer and Laura are visiting Mrs Seymour.

C. E. Convention.

The Seventh Annual Convention of all the Christian Endeavor Societies of the County will be held at Moran August 1 and 2, with the following program.

Tuesday Afternoon, August 1. 2:30—Reception and assignment of delegates—Presbyterian church.

3:00—Song and praise service. J. R. Jewell, Moran.

3:30—Special prayer service for convention.

3:40—Needs of Your Society. 4:00—Quiet Half Hour. Rev. Henderson, Garnett.

Tuesday Evening. Voluntary. 7:45—Praise Service. F. E. Smith, Elsmore.

8:00—Welcome Address. Gertrude Barton, Moran.

8:20—Address. Joan Dudley, Iola.

8:20—Address. Rev. J. L. Leonard, Iola.

Wednesday Morning, August 2. 6:00—Sunrise Prayer Meeting. Mary Reuschberg, Iola.

8:45—Song and Praise Service. Julia Irwin, Geneva.

9:00—Business Meeting. Appointment of Committees. Report of Secretary. Report of Treasurer. Report of Societies.

9:30—Conscience Our Judge of Duties. Neglected or Discharged. Deseau Courtney Leanna.

9:45—Paper—"The Quiet Hour." Ruth Ewing, Iola.

10:00—Open Parliament—"The Three-fold Element of the Pledge." (a) "Private Devotion." Rev. D. B. Shuey, Iola.

(b) "Public Worship." Hugh Ashbaugh, Savonburg.

(c) "Support by Our Church." Rev. Klinker, Iola.

10:30—Address—"How big is the Pledge Whate'er?" Rev. B. C. McQueen, Humboldt.

11:00—Report of State Convention. Edna Tredway, Allen Center.

11:15—Paper—"Some Part Aside from Singing." Estella Nelson, Savonburg.

Wednesday Afternoon. 1:30—Song and Praise Service. T. M. Willard, Moran.

1:45—Symposium on committee work. (a) "An Up to Date Prayer Meeting Committee." Chas McKnight, Humboldt.

(b) "An Up to Date Lookout Committee." E. V. Foust, Iola.

(c) "An Up to Date Social Committee." Mae Williams, LaHarpe.

(d) "An Up to Date Temperance Committee." Chas Verbees, Iola.

(e) "An Up to Date C. E." Ella Brown, Iola.

2:15—Junior Rally. Address, Miss Margaret Carpenter, Oswego, State Junior Supt.

3:15—Report of International Convention. Rev. B. C. McQueen, Humboldt.

3:45—Needs. (a) "Fruitful Buck, Elsmore. (b) "Mabel Keith, Gertrude Barton.

3:50—Paper—"The Use of the Bible." Lillian Smith, Carlyle.

4:00—Report of Com. Election of Officers. Wednesday Evening Voluntary.

7:45—Song and Praise Service. Mrs. Merrill, Moran.

8:00—Address—"The Strenuous Life." Rev. A. Henderson, Garnett.

Consecrated Meeting. Robt Lander, Humboldt.

FOUR KILLED

That is What it Cost General Hall to Capture a Filipino Town. Other Skirmishes

CALIFORNIAS COMING HOME

The Regiment Sailed at Midnight—Earthquakes and Volcanoes Doing Business in Hawaii

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

MANILA, July 27.—General Hall captured Columbia on the south shore of Laguna de Bay today after sharp fighting. The American loss was four killed and eleven wounded.

Advises from Balabac tell of a fight between a landing party from a gunboat and a small force of Filipinos, in which the native chief, his first officer and six men were killed and several wounded. The Americans suffered no losses. The natives had hauled down an American flag floating over a lighthouse and had hoisted their own. The American commander sent two officers and thirteen marines ashore and a stubborn fight followed but the rebels were driven off and their standard hauled down.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—This campaign Gen. Otis today.

The Sherman sailed at midnight with 1287 officers and men of the California regiment and 250 discharged men.

MORE TROOPS FOR MANILA

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—The transports Ohio and Newport sailed at midnight and the Tacoma this morning with troops and recruits for Manila.

EARTHQUAKES IN HAWAII

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., July 27.—The latest advices say that the Hawaiian islands have been violently shaken by an earthquake and that Mauna Loa continues in eruption. The damage by earthquake is estimated at five thousand dollars.

LONDONERS THINK IT MEANS TROUBLE. Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

LONDON, July 27.—Several correspondents of London papers say today that the situation caused by the disgrace of General De Negrier is graver than at any moment since the Dreyfus agitation began.

WILL VISIT AT HAVRE.

HAVRE, July 27.—The Journal de Havre says Admiral Dewey will visit that port on his way to the United States.

Luetgart Dead.

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

CHICAGO, July 27.—Adolph L. Luetgart, convicted nearly sixteen months ago for the murder of his wife and sentenced to life imprisonment as the culmination of one of the most remarkable trials on the annals of criminology, died at Joliet this morning. Investigation has been begun to ascertain whether death was due to heart disease or suicide.

The Pope Says No.

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

ROME, July 27.—The Pope has refused the request that the product of the Vatican Vineyard be exhibited at the Paris Exposition.

Big Slugger Gone.

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

NEW YORK, July 27.—Champion Jeffries called this morning for Europe. He was given a big reception as the vessel started.

The President at Champlain.

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

PLATTSBURG, N. Y., July 27.—President McKinley and party arrived at Hotel Champlain today, Mrs. McKinley, who is pale and weak, stood the journey well.

Want to be Annexed.

Scrapps-McRae Telegram.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—The morning papers say the natives of the island of Kusala in the Carolines want to be annexed to the United States. The King and several chiefs, it is stated, have forwarded a petition to that effect to the United States.

A NEW LABOR PARTY

A Call Issued for a Meeting of New York Labor Representatives.

COLORED MEN CALLED TO MEET.

Every State Invited to Send Delegates to the National Federation Convention in Cleveland—Senator Stewart's Plan to Prevent Senatorial Deadlocks.

New York, July 27.—The Central Federal union, through its corresponding secretary, last night issued a call for a meeting of representatives of labor organizations in this city, to be held on Monday evening, August 7, at which plans are to be formulated for the organization of a new labor party. The call follows: To All Trade and Labor Organizations of Greater New York, Greeting: After a considerable and interesting discussion at a regular session of this body on July 23, 1899, relative to the strike of motemen and conductors both in Brooklyn and Manhattan, and during which it was shown that the ten-hour law had been and was being violated by the trolley corporations, and that the authorities were apparently dormant and made no attempt to enforce the said law, it was unanimously decided to call a conference of all trade and labor organizations, to be held Monday evening, August 7, at eight o'clock in Clarendon hall for the purpose of formulating a platform on which labor candidates can be nominated. You are therefore, earnestly invited to have two representatives of your body in attendance at this conference.

COLORED MEN CALLED TO MEET.

Chicago, July 27.—A call was issued yesterday for an extraordinary session of the National Federation of Colored Men of the United States, to meet in Cleveland, O., August 10, to consider questions of vital importance pertaining to the colored race. The call, which is signed by Rev. Mr. William Gray, president; James A. Ross, secretary, and James T. Jones, attorney, says: We invite the co-operation, aid and influence of all who are lovers of the common brotherhood of man, as the National Federation was organized to advance and protect the welfare rights of the colored race of people of this country. We therefore invite every state in the union to send properly accredited delegates from their county and state organizations that are recognized by the National Federation and such societies and such associations will be admitted to these delegates upon their affiliation with the National Federation. Our patriotic women of this country will not be discriminated against; they will be admitted as delegates if properly elected. Let the local colored men and women of this country attend this meeting to be held in Cleveland, O., August 10. This will be one of the greatest meetings ever held in this country since the emancipation of the negro.

TO PREVENT SENATORIAL DEADLOCKS.

Washington, July 27.—Senator Stewart, of Nevada, said yesterday that, in order to obviate the apparent necessity of an amendment to the constitution to insure at all times a full representation of states in the United States senate, at the next session of congress he would offer relief by legislation which the senator says may prove satisfactory. He proposes that the following paragraph be added at the end of section 15, title 2, chapter 1, of the revised statutes: If, on the third Tuesday after the organization of the legislature, no person has received such majority, then on that day or any succeeding day the person receiving the plurality of the votes cast a majority of all the members elected to both houses, being present and voting, shall be declared elected.

ELKINS STANDS BY ALGER.

Washington, July 27.—Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, who was secretary of war under the Harrison administration, is in Washington. Discussing Secretary Alger's retirement from the cabinet, he said: Secretary Alger was a secretary of war during the most successful war in the history of the United States. It is a pity that his political and domestic connections, while he was at the head of his department, in a fact that should not most prominently and cannot be disputed, of course, there were mistakes. There are always mistakes, but in this particular was the mistake more intelligent and compared with the great results accomplished. Secretary Alger has been so completely vindicated by the course which he has followed since a series of misadventures, not to say blunders, occurred. He did not deserve the harsh criticism which he has been so heavily, and unjustly, and so far from the justice which might otherwise have been shown at the president. Time will vindicate him. There will be a reaction in his favor.

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More Insurance Companies Pay Fines.

Jefferson City, Mo., July 27.—The German-American and the German Alliance Insurance companies, of New York, and the Norwalk Fire Insurance company, of Connecticut, and the Providence-Washington Insurance company were the ousted companies to pay their fine of \$1,000 each to the chief clerk of the supreme court yesterday.

Dairy Farmers' Institutes.

Abilene, Kan., July 27.—The farmers of this county have secured Secretary Coburn, Prof. Willard and Prof. Cottrell to hold three institutes next month, one each at Woodbine, Enterprise and Navarre, devoted to creamery interests. Local speakers will also have a part on the programme.

Andrew Carnegie wired the Fort Worth (Tex.) Library association, donating \$50,000 to the association for the erection of a building.

LIBERIA COLONISTS.

Returned Negroes Tell of Their Sufferings in the African Republic.

WHY NEW YORK COMMERCE DECLINES

The Assertion Made That It Is Due to Failure to Improve the Erie Canal—Elkins Stands by Alger—Cuban Soldiers Demoralized.

New York, July 27.—Eight negroes, three women and five children, arrived from Sierra Leone and after wandering about the streets were taken in charge by a colored missionary, Mrs. Hattie Ross, who found them shelter and managed to get food for them. They are Mrs. Lucy Grayson, Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Similton, who, with their husbands and children, formed part of a large colony of southern negroes who sailed from Saratoga, Ga., in March, 1896, for Liberia. Gathered together by the International Emigration company, of Birmingham, Ala., they have been told that "Liberia was the Promised Land for the colored race." Hundreds sold their homes and joined the colony, sailing on the Labrador. Arriving at Monrovia, the colonists received the allotments of land that had been promised them, but learned that it would be several years before they could gather the first crop of coffee, which was about the only thing that could be raised. The agent in charge of the supplies, which were to have been furnished them for one year, sold them in the interior and left with the proceeds. Some of the colonists made their way inland and attempted to compete with the natives at starvation wages in the fields and as carriers. Serious succumbed to the fever, among them the husbands of Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Similton. They escaped to Freetown, Sierra Leone, where they were cared for by Dr. Williams, the American consul. It was by his assistance and that of two steamship companies that Mrs. Grayson, Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Similton were able to reach the city.

WHY NEW YORK'S COMMERCE DECLINES.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 27.—The examination investigating the causes of the decline of commerce of the port of New York heard witnesses here yesterday. George H. Raymond, an elevator owner, read a paper in which he stated that the decline had been almost exactly coincident with the decline of traffic over the Erie canal and was due to the failure to improve the canal. The railroads of the state, he declared, had no real desire to save the traffic of New York city and the only relief was in the improvement of the Erie canal, the locks of which should be enlarged to accommodate boats 125 feet long and 25 beam. Such boats could move wheat to New York at 1 cent per bushel. George E. Mary, representing P. D. Armour, of Chicago, said the elevators in New York were inadequate, and that he had to pay 2 cents more per bushel at New York than at Boston or Newport News, where direct loading was practiced. His firm exported grain directly via Montreal and Philadelphia. In reply to a question he said a difference of 1-10 of a cent a bushel would deprive New York of their grain.

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YEAGER Wants Your... Chic kens

Will pay the Very Highest Price, either in Cash or Trade. Butter and Eggs Wanted. A new, clean stock of Groceries at the lowest possible prices. YEAGER, NORTH SIDE SQUARE

What to do With Wool. This is a question that confronts the wool grower and the farmer who keeps sheep, with great regularity year after year. It is a question of more than ordinary importance too, being one that applies more directly to this crop than any product of the farm. The grain goes to the elevator; the live stock to the local buyer, etc., but what to do with the wool is indeed a puzzling question. Most persons who have wool to sell know that there are in all the large cities, persons or firms who will take and are anxious to secure wool under any conditions; firms who agree voluntarily to pay all sorts of prices and who agree to sort, grade, store and sell wool for almost no commission. Many persons know, however, from sad experience, that most of these so called wool commission firms carry their places of business around under their hats; that they have no established place of business, no facilities for handling, and practically no business standing or rating. We are justified in these statements by complaints which we have received in the past. We may say for the benefit of our readers who have wool to market however, that there are firms in this country who are responsible, that are engaged in the wool commission business. Men who have devoted the whole of their business lives to this one line. Men who are entirely above reproach in a business sense and who by their honesty of purpose and fair dealing with patrons have built up an enormous business. Men who by their long experience and intimate acquaintance and business relations with the woolen manufacturers can do for you things which you could not possibly hope to do for yourself. Such a firm are the Siberian Brothers of Chicago, who by persistent effort, honesty of purpose and business integrity have built up the largest wool commission house in the west. They have ample facilities for storage and ample capital to hold and carry your wool until a favorable opportunity offers for selling it. Their commissions for such service are as low as are consistent with the facilities they afford and good business. Write them for their wool circular, which will keep you fully informed as to prices, conditions of the market, etc. Please mention this paper in writing.

A \$10.00 Bicycle Given Away Daily. The publishers of THE NEW YORK STAR, the handsomely illustrated Sunday newspaper, are giving a HIGH GRADE BICYCLE each day for the largest list of words made by using the letters contained in "THE NEW YORK STAR" no more times in any one word than it is found in the New York star. Webster's Dictionary will be considered as authority. Only one list of words per day. Start your list on Monday. Two Good Watches (first class time-keepers) will be given daily for second and third best lists, and many other valuable rewards, including Dinner sets, Tea sets, China, Sterling silverware, etc., etc., in order of merit. This educational contest is being given to advertise and introduce this successful weekly into new homes, and all prizes will be awarded promptly, without partiality. Twelve 2-cent stamps must be enclosed for address labels. Send subscription with full particulars and list of over 800 valuable rewards. Contest opens and awards commence Monday, July 26th, and closes Monday, August 1st, 1899. Your list can reach us any day between these dates, and will receive the award to which it may be entitled for that day, and your name will be printed in the following issue of THE NEW YORK STAR. Only one list can be entered by the same person. Prizes are on exhibition at THE STAR'S business offices. Person securing bicycles will have the choice of Ladies', Gentlemen's or Juvenile's best model, color or size desired. Call or address Dept. "B." THE NEW YORK STAR, 235 W. 25th Street, New York City.

Some Paris Politics. Scrapps-McRae Telegram. PARIS, July 27.—The removal of General De Negrier from the Council of War is the most important move yet taken by the new government in the cause of discipline. It may be regarded as the supreme test of the government's strength. Nationalist papers are wild with rage over this latest affront to the army which they say has been beheaded. Famous Engineer Dead. Scrapps-McRae Telegram. BERNE, July 27.—M. Reinbauch, the famous Swiss inventor who built the great Rigi Mountain railway, is dead.

Root is In Now. Scrapps-McRae Telegram. WASHINGTON, July 27.—The President before leaving for his vacation, affixed his signature to the commission of the new Secretary of War. Word From Dewey. Scrapps-McRae Telegram. TRIESTE, July 27.—Admiral Dewey was invited to attend the funeral today of nine men, including two officers who were killed yesterday by an explosion on the Austrian torpedo boat. The Admiral has decided to go to Naples and will sail Tuesday. He expects to reach New York harbor Sept 30th and if he arrives too early will remain at sea until that date.