

Now is the time to have your straw hat cleaned.

For the sake of peace give the woman the ballot!

Why jeer at the spring poet when we all feel the same way?

Soon will be warm enough for the open-window cornet player.

The milliners have solved the problem: What shall we do with our wastebaskets?

It must be much pleasanter to pilot a war balloon before hostilities begin than afterward.

Now the price of liberty is quoted at the market rate of a sufficient supply of Drednoughts.

London complains of a shortage of doctors. The diploma mills must be more exacting over there.

A wise man will enjoy every pleasant day to the fullest extent, for he never knows what is coming.

The taxicab is after all an automobile, and it does not hesitate to run over the innocent pedestrian.

An English peeress has written a cookery book. Perhaps the reaction from the suffragette craze is coming.

The treasury department, it is said, is about to have new designs prepared for the nickel five-cent pieces and the more or less copper one-cent coins.

Each succeeding generation is better than the last. That is why we do not burn witches nor own slaves.

And we do many things which our children's children will think criminal and silly. Our youngsters have every indication of living in a better time than we have seen.

If the Chicago police have captured the leader of the Black Hand in that city, they have done an excellent work. It is said that this man has given information concerning his fellows. He was arrested in the act of taking money from an Italian physician, who had been threatened by the gang.

A looker-on in Venice—Illinois, not Italy—might well be surprised that the recent spanking of three boys in that peaceful village should be so elaborately treated by the metropolitan press. Time was when this was an almost daily observance in every home in the land that boasted young barbarians at play. "The old order changeth."

A railroad posts in its suburban cars warnings against "disembarking from the cars in the terminal yards." This, as the Frenchman observed, is most well; but might it not be worth while to join with it an admonition to the careless suburbanite to cease disembarking on the port side of the trains at stations where the platform lies to starboard?

The coast artillery companies at Fort Washington, Md., claim the world's record in mortar firing, having hit a target moving at the rate of five miles an hour six times in ten shots at a distance of from 4,000 to 6,000 yards, and the ten shots were fired in less than 6 1/2 minutes. With marksmanship reduced to an exact science the leviathan battleships will have to be wary.

An American company is to be formed to capitalize an expedition to search in the ocean for the hidden treasures of Capt. Kidd. As a hider that piratical gentleman is still holding the record. He would be worth his weight in his own gold at this day, when other hidden treasures are being dragged to light by probes, investigations and other forms of "trust-busting."

How culpably ignorant of the early history of our country the children are being kept is freshly illustrated by some examination papers filed at a recent college examination, in which it was stated that Gen. Grant and Admiral Farragut commanded in the British army and navy during the revolution. Apparently good work will be found for every post in detailing comrades to inspect the duties of the children in the schools.

The New York taxicabs having become established the inevitable result follows that their proprietors are feeling around for the highest charges that the traffic will bear. This is so usual as to create little surprise; but the public would like for once to see how it seems to encounter a public service novelty that is conducted on the effete notion of discovering the lowest prices that will yield bigger profits by multiplying the traffic.

Taxicabs have increased their rates in New York, but the old reliable cross-town horse cars still jolt along for a nickel.

Italy has got the Drednoughtitis, too! A bill has been introduced in the chamber of deputies calling for two 20,000-ton battleships. When they set two they will feel lonesome without four and with four it will be absolutely necessary to have six. And so the dreadful complaint continues to grow and fastens its insatiable money-sucking tentacles upon the nation.

"ADAM GOD" ON TRIAL

RELIGIOUS FANATIC WHO KILLED

KANSAS CITY POLICEMAN.

Witnesses for Defense Think That He

Cannot Get Impartial Trial Where

Deed Was Committed.

Kansas City, Mo.—Following a motion for a change of venue in the case of James Sharp, known as Adam God, charged with the murder of a policeman here last fall, nine witnesses were placed on the stand yesterday by the defense to show that a fair trial could not be given Sharp in this county.

"The general impression is that Sharp is a religious fanatic, that he is a crank and that he must be crazy, is it not?" Prosecuting Attorney Conkling asked several times on cross examination. The reply was usually affirmative.

"Then if the defense is insanity he has the people about half persuaded already, and the prejudice is in his favor," was the prosecutor's statement.

Sharp at one time arose, Bible in hand, and interrupted the proceedings of the court.

"These witnesses tell about what I did, and nothing is said about what was done by my enemies and the enemies of the Lord," he declared.

Judge Latshaw then explained to Sharp that he was not yet on trial and that no jury had yet been convened, and the defendant sat down. The prosecution will introduce testimony today to show why a change of venue should not be granted.

Owen Wants Duty on Crude Oil.

Washington.—Senator Owen yesterday announced his intention of voting for a tariff on crude petroleum.

Senator Owen said: "Oklahoma has an immense capital invested in thousands of oil wells, many of which are small producers that may be seriously injured, they advise me, if this leverage is given to the Standard. The independent producers represent to me that the Standard with its fleet of oil boats will deliver cheap crude oil from Mexico within our borders and reduce the price of crude oil below the point at which the independent producer can live, doing a ruinous harm to the production of the oil bearing areas of Oklahoma and to the consumers of refined oil in Oklahoma, because with an unlimited supply of extremely cheap crude oil in the hands of the Standard that great organization could break down the independent refiners, who have been growing in recent years, and having destroyed this competition would have the consumer still more at the mercy of the Standard."

"The consumers of refined oil in Oklahoma, where the oil costs less than one cent a gallon, can be efficiently protected by our state authorities and by the development of competition within the state."

"I believe from the information now before me that it is the wish of the people of Oklahoma that I favor a tax on crude oil from Mexico. I desire to represent the will of the people of my state and to protect every interest of Oklahoma. And unless I am immediately advised to the contrary in some authoritative way I shall vote for a substantial tax on the importation of crude petroleum. I have requested the governor to advise me of the sentiment of the people of our state, as he is on the ground and should know what it really is."

Hains Gets Eight Years.

Flushing, N. Y.—Unless some unlooked for legal obstacle is interposed, Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., U. S. A., who was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree for the killing of Wm. E. Annis at the Bayside Yacht club last August, will be taken to Sing Sing today and will at once begin serving the sentence imposed yesterday by Justice Garretson in the supreme court. The sentence is an indeterminate one, under which the minimum period of imprisonment will be eight years and the maximum sixteen years. And his time in prison must be spent at hard labor.

Counsel for Hains late yesterday practically agreed to their client's immediate transfer to Sing Sing, when they announced after consultation with General Hains, his father, and Major John H. Hains, his brother, that no application would be made for a certificate of reasonable doubt to act as a stay of execution. An appeal based on the general record in the case, will be taken in regular course, however.

Attacks Son, Then Suicides.

Salina, Kan.—Crazed by drink, Paul Walle, a wealthy farmer in this county, yesterday attempted to shoot his son with a rifle, drove his family from home in fear, and killed himself by drinking carbolic acid. When the family returned from the neighbors, where they had taken refuge, they found the man in a dying condition. Failing in his effort to shoot his son, Walle struck him on the head with a rock, inflicting a bad scalp wound.

KANSAS STATE NEWS

Kansas Knights Templar Elect.

The Knights Templar of Kansas elected these officers at the Independence convention: Marvin L. Truby, Independence, grand commander; Joseph D. Bell, Concordia, department grand commander; William F. March, Lawrence, grand generalissimo; John M. Kinkel, Hutchinson, grand captain general; Alexander A. Sharp, Larned, grand senior warden; the Rev. Charles H. Rogers, Hutchinson, grand prelate; William H. Martin, Parsons, grand junior warden; John McCullough, Galena, grand treasurer; Thomas J. Anderson, Topeka, grand recorder; Frederick Stearns, Wichita, grand standard bearer; Augustus O. Wellman, Topeka, grand sword bearer; William H. Martin, Parsons, grand warden; J. D. Milliken, Wellington, grand captain of the guard. Hutchinson is to have next year's convocate.

Rapid Growth at K. U.

Figures compiled by the registrar of the University of Kansas show that the institution is adding one-fourth to its total enrollment every two years. This year the enrollment is 2,230, against 1,786 two years ago, a net gain of a little more than 24 per cent. Nearly two-thirds of the increase for the two years was accomplished last year, amounting to more than 15 per cent. The panic cut the enrollment down considerably under what it would have been, especially in the engineering school, which shows an actual decrease in number since last year. The college, on the other hand, increased about one-eighth.

Kansas Eagles' Election.

At the recent session of the Kansas State Aerie of Eagles, the following officers were elected: President, C. H. Danner, Fort Scott; vice-president, W. A. Ditch, Parsons; chaplain, J. W. Allard, Osawatimie; secretary, C. D. Bickett, Coffeyville; treasurer, Frank Nimmo, Iola; conductor, James Brown, West Mineral; physician, Dr. H. H. Keith, Topeka; trustees, Guy Bogert, Caney; S. A. Smith, Winfield and Frank Bieth, Kansas City. Coffeyville was selected as next year's meeting place.

Women to Fight Phthisis.

The women's clubs of Kansas have already contributed \$1,000 for the anti-tuberculosis campaign in Kansas. The campaign is to be managed by the Kansas association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis. The state gave \$10,000 to do its share of the work. The clubwomen issued a call for money and the clubs of the state turned over the money to the society. No individual contributions of the clubwomen have been received and work to raise a large fund for the society is to begin soon.

Kansas Dentist Convention Ends.

The thirty-eighth annual convention of the Kansas Dental association was held in Wichita. The next convention will meet in Topeka. Officers elected were: E. Bumgardner of Lawrence, president; H. J. Renz of Leavenworth, first vice president; S. S. Noble of Wichita, second vice-president; H. W. Fessenden of Ottawa, secretary; E. H. Bellew of Dodge City, treasurer, and Dr. Woodruff of Wichita and C. A. Martin of Winfield, membership committee.

Kansas Has \$18,560,627.95.

J. C. Gafford, state accountant, has finished the annual checking of the state treasury and has found that the treasurer is the custodian of \$18,560,627.95 in state funds. This is made up of the following items: cash balances, \$1,044,224.96; bonds and coupons, \$15,379,424.47; bonds, securities and cash, \$2,136,978.42.

Church Repays its Debt.

The Friends of Lawrence have paid the debt on their church and the building now stands in the name of the church, entirely free from incumbrances. When the Friends moved up town to the building erected by the Christians, and abandoned their old meeting house, W. R. Stubbs advanced the money necessary to purchase the new building. The members of the church have raised the \$3,500 debt paid by Mr. Stubbs, who in turn deeded the property over to the church.

Grain Department Deficit.

State Grain Inspector White has not been able to keep the expenses of his department within its income. His monthly report shows a deficit of \$1,800 for April. The receipts were \$1,256, and the expenditures \$3,039.

Banking Job for a Woman.

J. N. Dolley, state bank commissioner, has named Mrs. Helen E. Eastman as chief clerk of the building and loan department in the bank commissioner's office.

Burglar Alarm in a Church.

Fearing that desecration of the blessed sacrament by plunderers might be attempted, Rev. Father William Farrell, pastor of St. Teresa's Catholic church at Hutchinson has installed a complete burglar alarm system in the church.

To Graft on New Skin.

Harry Kerper, who was badly burned by a gasoline explosion at Hutchinson, will have to have a skin grafting to save his hands, and volunteers will be called for.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Most Important Happenings of the Past Seven Days.

Interesting Items Gathered From all Parts of the World Condensed into Small Space for the Benefit of Our Readers.

From National Capital.

For the purpose of expediting the passage of the tariff bill the senate will meet at 10 o'clock each day instead of noon as is usual.

Experts of the United States navy will conduct experiments during the summer maneuvers of the Atlantic fleet by which they hope to send messages 3,000 miles.

Contracts have been let by the navy department for the transportation of 4,000 tons of coal from the Atlantic coast to the navy yard at Mare Island, Cal., at \$3.29 a ton.

Bitter personalities were indulged in during the discussion of the tariff in the senate. Mr. Root, coming in for a severe verbal castigation from Senator Money of Mississippi, who retorted the senator from New York "lecturing" older senators for doing too much talking.

Victory for the line has resulted from the long pending controversy between the line and staff of the navy by the appointment by President Taft of Lieut. Commander Hutch I. Cone to be chief of the bureau of steam engineering.

The senate by a vote of 61 to 24 agreed to a duty of 25 cents per ton on iron ore. The house placed on the free list. The present duty is 40 cents per ton.

Nominations sent to the Senate by President Taft included the names of Oscar S. Strauss as Ambassador to Turkey and W. W. Rockhill as ambassador to Russia.

Overwork while a clerk at the White house during the last administration is said to have resulted in a physical breakdown which caused Thomas H. Netherland, aged 46 to commit suicide by shooting.

Speeches by Senator Paynter of Kentucky, urging the removal of the duty on leaf tobacco and Crawford of South Dakota arguing for the removal of the tariff on iron ore, oil, lumber and coal were features of the session of the senate.

The president's summer home at Beverly Cove, Mass., will be guarded by secret service men night and day when occupied by the president this summer.

Senator Cummins was thwarted in his effort to amend the tariff by reducing the duty on round iron, the senate voting to sustain the finance committee by a vote of 42 to 35.

Because congress failed to provide funds for suitable improvements at Fort Myer the Aeronautical division of the army will conduct the experiments with airships and balloons at Fort Omaha.

Domestic Items.

The "lid" has been put on at Stillwater, Ok., so tight by the Socialist mayor that even bootblacks are not allowed to operate on Sunday.

About one hundred members of the St. Louis Merchants Association are making a trip visiting 50 towns in Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and Kansas.

Dr. Osler speaking before the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis stated that two or three generations will see tuberculosis controlled if not eradicated. But he said the problem was one for the public and not for the doctors.

A permanent station has been established at Wellington, Kan., for the investigation of insects and special attention will be paid to Hessian fly and green bugs which infest the wheat. E. O. G. Kelly will be in charge.

Members of the Kansas Woman's Relief Corps celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary at Ottawa.

A shipment of grain valued at \$10,000 has been seized and confiscated by the Texas pure food commissioner because bad grain was mixed with the good and all sold for good. The shipment belonged to a Kansas City grain firm.

Adjutant Gen. Lauck of California has issued an order forbidding athletic and other "inappropriate sports" on Memorial days.

The bureau of statistics in a report on gold production finds that the world's stock of gold has increased about one half in the last decade and doubled in the last 25 years.

A premature explosion in a quarry near South Bethlehem, N. Y., caused the death of at least 20 men.

A verdict of guilty was returned in the case of 14 men charged with being members of a night riders' organization and they were sentenced to ten days in jail and \$500 fine each.

A fire at Long Island, Kan., destroyed five buildings which with their contents were valued at \$100,000.

A statue of Chief Mohaska has been unveiled in the city park at Oskaloosa, Ia.

The American Museum of Natural History of New York has despatched to the interior of the Congo Free State the first American scientific expedition ever sent to that region.

The Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Association of America will hold its national convention at Birmingham, Ala., September 7.

The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis is holding its annual meeting in Washington.

A Great Northern passenger train was held up near Colbert, Wash., the engine and mail car were detached and run some distance from the balance of the train. After rifling the mail car the engine and car were turned loose by the bandits and allowed to run wild back to where they came in collision with the standing train. Twelve persons were injured in the collision.

A bell, weighing 500 pounds, which had hung in the tower of Butler college, Indianapolis, since 1874, broke loose while being rung and crashed through the roof narrowly missing a group of students.

A distinct earthquake shock was felt over a large scope of country covering the Dakotas and Western Canada. No serious damage is reported.

Independent oil refiners at their meeting at Independence, Kan., adopted resolutions asking congress to place a 50 per cent ad valorem duty on oil.

The Hotel Men's Mutual Benefit association met this year in Mobile, Ala.

The removal of dams in the Frazer river is believed to be the cause of the present large run of salmon which is expected to break all records.

Competition for the passenger traffic to and from the Northwest on account of the Seattle exposition has caused the railroads to increase their train service.

A statue of John Smith was unveiled at Jamestown, Va. It stands in front of the remodeled church the brick tower of which is all that remains of the original town.

Ambassador Takahira of Japan delivered an address before the Cosmopolitan club of Boston.

The famous John Brown battlefield at Osawatimie, Kan., has been purchased by the Woman's Relief Corps and by them presented to the state of Kansas.

Battery B. of the sixth field artillery at Fort Riley has been instructed to spend the month of July instructing the Missouri National Guard.

An anti-treating saloon is to be established at Des Moines where clerks in charge will induce drinkers to accept some substitute in place of liquor.

Thirty men attempted to cross the Ohio river just below Pittsburg in a gasoline launch when the overloaded boat sank and 20 of the number drowned.

The big Auditorium at Omaha, Neb., in which the Electrical Exposition is being held is lighted by electrical impulse from the wireless tower at Fort Omaha.

The Confederate flags captured by the Fourth Ohio cavalry on a battlefield near Selma, Ala., have been returned by representatives of the state of Ohio.

Foreign Affairs.

Official estimates place the number of cases of bubonic plague in Amoy, China, at 40 weekly.

Sojaki, the famous Buddhist temple, situated in Shiba park, Tokio, Japan, has been destroyed by fire. Next to the great temple at Nikko this was the most famous and popular temple in Tokio.

Diplomatic relations have been re-established between France and Venezuela on the same terms as those agreed upon by the United States and Venezuela.

Four earth shocks have been felt at Guayaquil Ecuador with little or no damage.

The new draft of the French tariff grants a large number of concessions to the United States.

A committee appointed to investigate the meat trade in the United Kingdom has made a report which says that while the combination that exists in this country has not as yet secured control of that market there is grave danger that they will do so in the near future.

A company has been organized at Berlin to build and operate aeroplanes on the Wright system.

Following a meeting attended by 6,000 postal employes a general strike of all postal employes was called in France.

A bill for the establishing of a national lottery has passed the lower house of the Cuban congress.

Cable connections have again been established between Venezuela and the balance of the world.

Personal.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon speaker of the house, hale and useful at 73, playfully shook his fist in the face of Dr. Osler at the National Tuberculosis convention in this city, at which both were speakers, and openly repudiated the latter's well-known old age doctrine.

James Roach, a member of the Missouri legislature from Jasper county, died at Jefferson City.

Senator Bailey of Texas in a speech in the senate said that if the officers of the law do their duty the steel trust will be dissolved and that he expected to see the officers of that corporation either in jail or fugitives from justice.

Former Gov. Crouse of Nebraska is dead at Omaha from arterial trouble.

Florence Nightingale has celebrated her 90th birthday.

Maj. Gen. Sedgely will succeed Gen. Kerr as commandant at Fort Riley upon the latter's retirement May 20.

Wilbur and Orville Wright have returned from Europe.

ONE AGREEMENT.



Mr. Henpeck—It's no use. We can't agree on a single subject. Mrs. Henpeck—You're wrong, dear. I always agree with you on the weather.

A Boomerang.

At a small country boarding-house sort "down in ole Virginia," this past summer, the girls decided to give a dance in the town hall on the mutual benefit plan, so to speak. Half of the expenses of the hall, music and refreshments, it was planned, should be borne by them and the other half by the men. The fair chairman of the refreshment committee, in exhorting the prospective dancers to make no mistake in the details agreed upon, wrote:

"The girls will furnish the sugar and the men will bring the lemons."

Sheer white goods, in fact, any fine wash goods when new, owe much of their attractiveness to the way they are laundered, this being done in a manner to enhance their textile beauty. Home laundering would be equally satisfactory if proper attention was given to starching, the first essential being good starch, which has sufficient strength to stiffen, without thickening the goods. Try Defiance Starch and you will be pleasantly surprised at the improved appearance of your work.

Standing Fad.

The wandering agent who was selling cigar-bands found Remus sitting on the porch mending his fishing lines.

"Do you have any fads down here in Dixie?" asked the agent.

"What am them, mister?" inquired Remus, curiously.

"Why, take the collecting fad. Do you make any collections of anything down here?"

Remus laughed.

"Oh, yeas, sah," he chuckled, "de same collections we've always made. De collection of pickaninnies en dogs, sah."

Only Sure Cure for Tuberculosis.

In view of the constant agitation and misrepresentation with regard to the treatment of consumption, the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis has issued a statement in which it states that the only sure cure for this disease is fresh air, rest and wholesome food. Hardly a week passes without some quack "doctor" or "eminent specialist" informing the public that he has at last discovered the sure cure for tuberculosis. After examining every one of these so-called cures, several hundred in number, the National association states that, one and all, they are misrepresentations or fakes.

WHERE PAT DREW THE LINE.

Patient and Long Suffering, But Not Man with a Face Like That Could Work with Him.

Pat had been at work for three days digging a well, and as the foreman wanted it finished within the week he had promised Pat another man to help him. It was getting on for 11 o'clock, and Towser, the foreman's bulldog, was looking over the edge of the pit, when Pat said to himself, "Smoke-o."

He had just filled his pipe, and was about to light it when he glanced up and beheld Towser's handsome features.

Slowly removing the pipe from his mouth, he said: "Be-egorra, Ol've wor-ried wid Germans and Hengarians, and Ol've wor-ried wid Ottalians and naygers, but if a man wid a face like that comes down here to work beside me, I gets up."

LIGHT BOOZE

Do You Drink It?

A minister's wife had quite a tussle with coffee and her experience is interesting. She says:

"During the two years of my training as a nurse, while on night duty, I became addicted to coffee drinking. Between midnight and four in the morning, when the patients were asleep, there was little to do except make the rounds, and it was quite natural that I should want a good, hot cup of coffee about that time. It stimulated me and I could keep awake better."

"After three or four years of coffee drinking I became a nervous wreck and thought that I simply could not live without my coffee. All this time I was subject to frequent bilious attacks, sometimes so severe as to keep me in bed for several days."

"After being married, Husband begged me to leave off coffee for he feared that it had already hurt me almost beyond repair, so I resolved to make an effort to release myself from the hurtful habit."

"I began taking Postum, and for a few days felt the languid, tired feeling from the lack of the stimulant, but I liked the taste of Postum and that answered for the breakfast beverage all right."

"Finally I began to feel clearer headed and had steadier nerves. After a year's use of Postum I now feel like a new woman—have not had any bilious attacks since I left off coffee."

"There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.