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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

- 1547—Edward VI., at the age of nine, crowned king of England.
1566—David Rizzio murdered.
1670—Frederick III. of Denmark died.
1674—New York surrendered by the Dutch to British.
1773—William Henry Harrison born.
1795—Treaty of peace signed by Franco and Tuscany.
1801—Treaty of Lunenburg signed.
1819—Canon Gregory born.
1838—Sir Evelyn Wood born.
1861—Jefferson Davis chosen president by the Confederate states.
1865—Gen. Robert E. Lee appointed commander-in-chief of Confederate army.
1867—Congress admitted Nebraska to statehood over president's veto.
1869—Passage by the U. S. senate of fifteenth amendment bill.
1871—Congress passed act for commission of fish and fisheries.
1881—Garfield and Arthur declared elected.
1886—Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock died.
1888—Mercury frozen in Montevideo, Minn.
1889—The U. S. Department of Agriculture created.
1891—Strike involving 10,000 miners begun in Pennsylvania coke region.
1893—Count de Lesseps and son found guilty of swindling in Panama canal scheme.
1895—Union depot and hotel burned at St. Joseph, Mo.
1900—Col. Richard W. Thompson, Indiana statesman, died, aged 90.
1902—Eleven lives lost in burning of Empire hotel, St. Louis, Mo.
1905—Ernstus Wiman, New York financier, died, aged 70.

Sentiment to be inculcated. Let reverence of law be breathed by every mother to the lisping babe that prattles in her lap; let it be taught in the schools, the universities and colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached from pulpits and proclaimed in legislative halls and enforced in courts of justice; in short, let it become the political religion of the nation.

STRONG MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

The spring elections in the municipalities in this state do not receive the attention in many cities that their importance merits. It is a half recognized fact that municipal matters conduct themselves, and especially that the city executive is a mere figurehead in administration affairs.

No greater mistake was ever made, and no other mistake can have such a disastrous effect upon the prosperity and progress of the city itself. It is important that members of the legislative branch of the city government be composed of men who are not only able to legislate for the present interests of the city, but who can see in the future, can comprehend the developments that are probable and so plan the public improvements that they can be adjusted to the changed condition of the future merely by enlargement rather than by reconstruction.

Public improvements must be made commensurate with the ability of the city to pay without taxation becoming burdensome, and causing it to be shunned by enterprisers seeking locations.

But this idea of conservatism should not be carried so far that it retards the progress of the city, suffer the streets to become good pasture from the growing herbage, the sidewalks to be eye sores and dangerous thoroughfares, and makes the whole appearance of the city something like the style of "Sweet Auburn" of Goldsmith fame.

Qualifications such as these are not found on every street corner, and their selection should be a matter of serious concern.

But the more important position is that of the executive officer. In his care is the present welfare of the municipality.

All the municipal statutes ever placed upon the ordinance books are worthless except as they are enforced and executed. It is therefore important to the welfare of the municipalities of this state that men of the very highest executive ability be selected for such places. Men who not only have the interest of their cities at heart, but who are willing to put that interest into effect.

They must be strong business men, endowed with judgment and above all, possessed of a firmness that can not be swayed by every harping critic, and free from the petty bickerings that

warp official independence. The cities largely reflect the character of the state, and the cities are largely what their executives make them.

It is plain, therefore, that the whole state is interested in the kind of officers who fill these positions, and this must come from the action of the electors themselves.

KEEP THE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL.

It is a regrettable fact that many of the larger pupils, especially the boys, are taken out of school in the spring to help with the work, and are thus deprived of a considerable part of the advantages of the school term.

The Evening Times does not believe that book lore alone is the passport to success in life, even if the commercialism be eliminated.

Education should be a development of mind—the power to comprehend new matters and solve new problems. It is not merely an accumulation of facts and the power to repeat rules.

These may be the foundation, but the appreciation of them to the things of everyday life is education.

It must be admitted that considerable of this application is learned in practical life. But the foundation—the development and growth—of the brain must be laid in the classroom.

It is the laying of this foundation that is hindered if not altogether prevented by the taking of the children from the schools in the middle of the term.

It is true that forty years ago, many of the successful men did not have the advantages of even a fair education, but it must also be admitted that the battle in life was less strenuous than that now, and that where one succeeded a hundred failed. The records of the former have survived because they were exceptional, while that of the latter have never been mentioned.

Now the majority must succeed while the failures are the exception. This condition is only possible because of general education. Men may succeed without it, but they would have succeeded better with it.

The practical may come from the farm, the workshop and the counting room, but without a comprehensive foundation there will always be a superfluity about it that will prevent progress and make the victim a servant rather than a leader.

There is but one time to lay this foundation, and that is when the mind is in the transitory stage and when development is not prevented or even prohibited by the efforts to apply that which is not known.

Once childhood is past, the golden opportunities will forever be gone and the mind will carry its impediment through life, struggling against fate and always outstripped in the race.

No matter how earnest the effort to overcome the obstacle, it can never be done.

The child is not his own master and his life should be shaped in childhood that it will be the most valuable to him in maturity.

WILL THE HOUSE DEFEAT IT?

It now lies with the national house of representatives to say whether or not the money necessary to successfully carry out the gigantic scheme of draining the Red river valley shall be available at once, or whether years of talk and planning shall yet be necessary before the garden spot of the great northwest shall be clear of its oily drawback.

Yesterday's dispatches stated that the bill had passed the senate, sequestrating one million dollars from the reclamation fund for drainage purposes. It is hinted in these dispatches that the California delegation in the lower house will oppose the measure, and from this the conclusion might be hastily drawn that the bill faces defeat. Time only can determine this.

But it would seem that there would have been as much opposition from this source in the senate. It must be remembered, too, that the California delegation is not the lower house of congress, and while that state may be in similar need of drainage in some parts, it must be remembered also that it is producing none of the public lands, or reclamation fund. This distinction is admitted by the majority of congress, and is the essential difference between legislation of this character which is somewhat local, and permanent improvements which are paid for out of the general fund and the treasury.

The United States has recognized this principle of justice in the granting of the public domain ever since the formation of new states began to be admitted.

In view of these facts it hardly seems probable that the lower house of congress will set aside the precedents of the century and refuse to pass the bill which has already passed the senate.

With the use of the funds provided in the senate bill, those who have so persistently, and zealously worked in the interests of irrigation would be able to carry their plans into rapid execution, and the country that is now producing small yields of grain would become one of the greatest harvest fields of the world.

Grand Forks Herald: The Hathgate Pink Paper says: "The editor of the Grand Forks Times must be a seer. He predicted that the 'reform' papers would not state why they failed to advocate reform in state matters which obviously need reforming, and they didn't."

Possibly the "reform" papers have not yet come to regard The Times as the official catechist of the state, or themselves as on the witness stand to be interrogated by it.

The Herald will no doubt know exactly what its attitude in that connection—and on other things—will be as soon as it can hear from King George I.

An interested public is anxiously awaiting for some explanation from the insurgent's bellwether, the Hon. Burleigh F. Spaulding, as to his reason for having delayed his exposure of the evil character of "the old gang" until he had been literally kicked out of that organization.

Lay of the Consumer. He's a chicken-hearted critter. He's a chicken-hearted critter. He's a chicken-hearted critter. He's a chicken-hearted critter. He's a chicken-hearted critter.

Consumer, consumer! You're a cheap skater an' a "bloomer." You haven't got no spirit, an' you haven't got no union. You haven't got no union. You haven't got no union. You haven't got no union.

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When politicians shave their mustaches it is an indication that they want to reduce their cigar bills.

When the rougher elements of football are abolished, the milder sport of bullfighting may become popular.

Those who kick about the abolition of passes should remember that Noah, as passenger agent of the first international excursion, barred the dead-beat.

AMUSEMENTS

A Thoroughbred Tramp. Elmer Walters' "A Thoroughbred Tramp" is a four act comedy drama brimful of wholesome comedy, excellent dramatic situations and exciting climaxes and will be here Saturday.

Anton Saunes.

It is very seldom a performance like Mr. and Mrs. Saunes put on can secure the good notices that have fallen to their share. The Fargo papers speak very highly of the performance and especially of Mr. Saunes' personal work. Mr. Rasmusson was a typical farm hand and never failed to score with his many comedy opportunities. Mr. Saunes and his company will appear in the Metropolitan tonight.

Grand Opera.

Francis MacLennan, the superb robust tenor who sang the title role in "Parsifal" last season is singing Lohengrin, Tannhauser, Siegmund in "The Valkyrie" and the title role in "Faust" with the Savage Opera company this season. Before returning to America last year Mr. MacLennan was leading tenor with the Moody-Manners Opera company for three years during the Convent Garden season.

Louis James.

Play goes of discernment and refined taste will welcome the announcement that one of our earliest attractions will be that distinguished actor, Louis James, in a pretentious revival of his great delineation, "Virginius." Mr. James stands almost alone as an exponent of the classic drama, a confession to be deplored, yet true. Would there were more like him. Wednesday, Feb. 14 is the date for Mr. James at the Metropolitan.

Pauline Hall.

Local theatre goes will hail with delight the announcement of the appearance of that celebrated prima donna, Pauline Hall and her big opera company at the Metropolitan theatre on Thursday, Feb. 15. "Dorcas" the new opera in which Miss Hall is appearing this year is by Harry and Edward Paulton, authors of "Erminie," in which the prima donna became a public idol during the long and latest Paulton success. However, Miss Hal appears to have hit upon the triumph of her life. While differing wholly in theme and treatment, "Dorcas," is said to possess all of the elements which contributed to the unprecedented success of "Erminie." Its charming love story is daintily mirth-provoking and its music dashing, tuneful and catchy. It has been staged in the most gorgeous manner, the various stage settings representing the very acme of the scenic artist's skill. The costumes are beautiful in extreme and add a wealth of color to the ensembles. When Miss makes her appearance here she will be surrounded by her original New York company without the slightest of change or elimination of production. While local theatre goes have had the opportunities of seeing many of the big New York successes, it has sometimes happened that they have suffered at the hands of an inferior cast, the presenting companies have been materially cheapened at the end of the New York engagement. Managers Nelson Roberts and Frank B. Arnold, under whose direction Miss Hall's present triumphant tour is being made, have not pursued this shortsighted policy, and as a result their star is everywhere being greeted by large and enthusiastic audiences.

A Certain Safeguard.

Pat Casey and his friend, Michael Cassidy, were unloading the van in their usual haphazard fashion, and were handling one barrel very carelessly.

"Hi, there," said the man in charge of the job, "be very careful with that! It's gunpowder!"

"And why?" queried Pat, taking the opportunity of an instant's rest and an argument. "Why should we handle gunpowder wid sich partic'lar care-are?"

"Well, don't you know that a barrel of that same gunpowder exploded last year, and blew 10 men to smithereens?" roared the foreman.

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Light It Three Times

A Good cigar is easily spoiled. Careless lighting will make it burn unevenly. Light your cigar is lighted, light it again. Then give it a third light. Try this and see how much more you will enjoy your smoke, especially if it's a WASHINGTON IRVING. Remember it's a 10 cent cigar and worth it.

Woods & Don, Distributors, Minneapolis, N. D.

that the battles referred to had been fought at places some ninety-five miles apart.

The "hero" immediately replied: "My friends, there is a traitor in the hall! Put him out!"

Gave the Snap Away. An officer of the Irish constabulary tells this story, according to the Dundee Advertiser: He was traveling recently on inspection in his district, and being met by the local constable at the railway station near a small village, put some of the usual questions to him. "How many licensed public houses are there in your beat?" "Four, sir." This, the officer thought, was a moderate number, and augured well for the temperate habits of the residents. "And how many houses are there altogether?" he continued. "Six, sir, and the other two have applied for licenses."

A Ripe Old Age. Senator Tillman and a colleague were discussing the question of the salubrity of various sections of the country.

"Well," said Mr. Tillman, "if the healthfulness of a region is indicated by the mere longevity of its inhabitants, then, I think that Asheville, N. C. must have the plum. As an illustration of how long lived the people are thereabouts, we Carolinians are fond of telling this story:

"A visitor from the north asked an old gentleman where he was born and how old he was. The old chap replied: 'I was born here in Asheville and am 70 years old.' 'Oh!' exclaimed the Yankee, 'as you appear to be as hale and hearty as a man of 40, I've no doubt you'll live to a ripe old age. How old was your father when he died?'"

"Father dead!" said the old man, looking surprised. "Father isn't dead! He's upstairs putting grandfather to bed."

Knew the Meaning of Space. Miss Frances Wilson, who recently became the wife of Charles Huard, a French artist, under circumstances charmingly romantic, was in her childhood a close friend of Eugene Field's.

The poet-journalist was very fond of children. To this fondness innumerable children's poems in his daily "Sharps and Flats" column bore witness. And in his frequent visits to the Wilson residence no one welcomed him more warmly than the little girl.

She said of him the other day: "I can still see his tall, gaunt figure, and I can still hear his musical and deep voice uttering jests gravely."

"He was always jesting. One night in May he was walking with a young lady and me. The young lady was so romantic. She looked up at the sky, spangled with stars, and said to Mr. Field:

"Space! Space! How wonderful it is! Does it not overwhelm you?" "Indeed it does," said Mr. Field in a deep, awed tone. "I have a column of it to fill every day."

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Advertisement for Money to Loan, offering services at lowest rates upon North Dakota farms, local agents wanted, partial payments permitted, GEORGE B. CLIFFORD & CO., GRAND FORKS, N. D.

Advertisement for FARM LOANS, unlimited funds for loans on good farms at lowest rate of interest and with on or before privileges, CALL OR WRITE DAVID H. BEECHER, Union National Bank Building, Grand Forks, N. D.

Advertisement for Smith Premier Typewriters, featuring an illustration of a typewriter and text: APPEAL TO YOUR SENSE AND YOUR SENSES. The Smith Premier is the most silent typewriter on the market. The action is quiet, no shift key. Endorsed by mechanical experts. THE SMITH PREMIER TYPEWRITER CO. SYRACUSE, N. Y. Branch Stores Everywhere.

Advertisement for The Northwestern Limited, featuring an illustration of a train and text: The Northwestern Limited Finest Train to Chicago. Not only ONE car, but every car in the train is new. Sleeping cars of new designs, with larger berths and more comforts and conveniences, not only the sleeping cars, but chair cars and coaches are more strongly built, having heavy steel frame re-enforced with steel girders in such a way as to secure a strength to stand any emergency. Besides the "NORTH-WESTERN LINE" is protected the entire distance from Minneapolis, and St. Paul to Chicago by the Block Signal System, the best known device for the safe handling of trains. Try the NEW NORTH-WESTERN LIMITED on your next trip to Chicago and be convinced of its superiority. TICKET OFFICES: 600 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, 200 Robert St., (Ryan Hotel) St. Paul. THE NORTH-WESTERN LINE.