

## UTAH STATE NEWS

It is believed that the decision in the Spokane rate case will result in a readjustment of rates in the state of Utah.

The graduates of the Cache county schools number this year 202. Fifty more than have ever graduated before in a single year.

Smallpox is raging in the town of Fairview, twelve cases being reported in four families, and the whole town has probably been exposed.

In attempting to alight from a rapidly moving street car in Salt Lake injured, his face being badly cut and his arms and legs bruised.

The Elks of Ogden have filed articles of incorporation, preparatory to erecting a handsome club house for the exclusive use of the members of that lodge.

In a stabbing affray which occurred at Murray between Jim Ritor and Mike Crickvitch, laborers, the latter sustained several severe cuts about the neck and shoulders.

A monster inter-state Labor day celebration is to be held at Ogden next fall, and every following fall, according to the plans of the Ogden Trades and Labor assembly.

It is probable that the Salt Lake tabernacle choir will attend the irrigation congress to be held at Seattle and sing for the edification of the visiting delegates and the people of Seattle.

While attempting to steal a ride on a gravel wagon in Salt Lake City, Donald Nagely, aged 6, was caught between the brake block and back wheel of the wagon and his foot and leg badly lacerated.

Clarence Ernst, the negro proprietor of a pool room in Ogden, will have to stand trial for murder, for the killing of Charles Staples, another negro, three weeks ago, during a fight between the two men.

There is a smallpox scare at Willard, one man having broken out with the disease, and about a dozen others having been exposed. Drastic measures have been taken to prevent a spread of the disease.

Utah county now has formal possession of the state central experiment station at Lehi. The farm consists of eighty acres, all under a high state of cultivation, there being from fifteen to twenty acres of fruit trees.

Springville is to have a system of waterworks in the near future, an option having been secured on the Burt Springs for water works purposes, and part of the money for installing the system having already been raised.

The county commissioners have passed an ordinance increasing the county saloon license in Salt Lake county, outside Salt Lake City, from \$750 to \$1,200 a year, beginning July 1. Thirty-six places of business are affected.

Ogden business men claim that the effort to obtain the removal of the capitol from Salt Lake to Ogden is no bluff, and as an evidence of their good faith propose to raise \$250,000 for the erection of a capitol building in the Junction city.

Since the new law went into effect, reducing the poll tax from \$3 to \$2, almost one hundred persons have paid their tax in Salt Lake City at the \$3 rate. The department will be under the necessity of refunding \$1 to each person who has thus overpaid.

C. W. Eddington, a machinist, was painfully injured in Salt Lake City while inflating the tire of an automobile. The tire exploded and a part of the rim struck him a terrible blow in the stomach. He is in the hospital, with every indication of recovery.

The Miners' Union home in Salt Lake has been offered for use by the visiting Grand Army men to the encampment to be held in Salt Lake City this summer. The building contains about 100 rooms, and will accommodate a large number of the visitors.

Governor Spry has issued a proclamation setting apart Monday, June 14, the one hundred and thirty-second anniversary of the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the flag of the United States, as flag day, urging its general observance throughout the state.

The annual convention of the "Old Folks" of the state will be held in Salt Lake City on June 29 next. All over 70 years of age from Brigham City on the north to Payson and Provo on the south will be given free transportation by the different railroads.

It is charged that the change in handling the mails, which are now delivered by way of Dragon into the Utah reservation country, is working a great hardship on all the settlers in the reservation district, and that the mail route should be changed back to Price.

The attorney general holds that the law authorizing partial conversion of the university permanent land fund into cash to pay for an administration building at the university, at a cost of not to exceed \$250,000, is unconstitutional, as it would pass the state debt limit.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. George Mullen of Ogden fell into an irrigating ditch and was drowned last week. The parents had left the child on the sidewalk, in front of their home, for a few moments, and when they returned, found the child in the ditch, dead.



Mehmed Reshed Effendi, brother of Abdul Hamid, has been placed on the throne as sultan of Turkey by the Young Turks. According to a Constantinople correspondent in describing him, he is not unprepossessing, although his face has a bloated appearance, owing to good living and lack of exercise. The new sultan bears a remarkable resemblance to his dethroned brother. His lips are thick and slightly protruding; he has the same curve to the nose and his hair is untinged with gray, but in other ways he shows signs of time's ravages.

## NOW HORSE ASYLUM

Historic Dent Farm Made Haven for Tired City Animals.

Was Owned by Father-in-Law of Gen. Grant and is Place Where He as a Young Lieutenant, Did His Courting.

St. Louis.—The historic Dent farm, just outside St. Louis, where Ulysses S. Grant, then a young lieutenant at Jefferson barracks, went a-courting, and where he wooed and won Miss Julia Dent, a daughter of the farm's owner, has been turned into a retreat for tired horses. It is an old-fashioned, "down south befo' the wa'" sort of place, and the 50 horses that have worked hard and faithfully for the city of St. Louis are now luxuriating in riotous ease out in the 40-acre field, with its long sweep of wooded valley, through which young Grant and Miss Dent used to canter on their handsome, high-spirited thoroughbreds.

There is ample shed and barn room to afford protection against winter blasts, to say nothing of the barns bulging with hay and grain.

The farm was owned by Col. Frederick Dent, father-in-law of President U. S. Grant. Up to the very day of the emancipation act Col. Dent owned slaves, but the time came when the old colonel called himself a Grant man, and he died in the White House, a guest of his illustrious son-in-law, during Grant's second administration.

It was in 1821 that Col. Fred Dent came into possession of this farm. There is still standing on it is a block-house, constructed with portholes, used for the purpose, doubtless, of resisting Indian attacks. The building was constructed originally of stone and logs, but it is now weather-boarded.

The farm itself is about four miles south of the city and about eight miles west of Jefferson barracks.

Grant and Fred Dent, Jr., afterward Gen. Dent, had been roommates and classmates at the United States Military academy, and when Grant went to Jefferson barracks young Dent made him promise to call on his folks. So one day Ulysses rode over to the 1,200-acre farm, where a warm welcome awaited him. He met the three other Dent boys and three of the Dent girls.

Miss Julia happened to be up in the city, and young Grant was destined to make several calls before he finally met the young woman who was to play so important a part in his future life. And then, as Grant himself always frankly confessed, "it was love at first sight." After that meeting there was no longer any doubt in the minds of any one regarding the young lieutenant's choice. And as the parents watched him ride away they both were agreed that some day the young man would be heard from.

Just before the outbreak of the Mexican war, when his regiment was ordered south into Louisiana, Grant came galloping over the fields to the Dent place to ask the question that no one but Julia Dent could answer. The dauntless young wooer had added nothing to his personal charm by having to ford the swelling creek in the teeth of a tempestuous storm of rain and wind, but this in no way detracted from his words in the eyes of the young woman he had come to woo.

After resigning from the army, Capt. Grant, as his rank then rated, erected a small dwelling made of

logs on the land owned by his wife, which they continued to make their home until the needs of his country again demanded his service. It is this land that Street Commissioner Travilla of St. Louis has turned into a retreat for tired horses.

## GRANITE SPHERE TURNS OVER

Greatest Scientists of the Day Puzzled by Movement of Huge Boulder in Ohio.

Piqua.—A phenomenon for which the greatest scientists of the day have thus far failed to give a cause is a huge five-ton granite sphere in the top of a monument which was gradually turned half-way over from the south toward the north during the last four years, has been discovered at Marion.

No one can offer an explanation, unless it be that the revolution of the earth around the sun has changed the huge granite sphere which is gradually showing.

The sphere was placed in the cup-shaped cavity of the shaft of the monument when it was erected four years ago. It was not long until the rough edge of the broken seal showed the line upon which the ball originally rested.

By some unknown power and without the aid of human hands the ball has made the revolution. About two years ago it was noticed to be turned about one-fourth of the way around, and now it is almost half way around.

Massinger: Soar not too high to fall, but stoop to rise.

## MONUMENT TO ADAM

Marylander Erects One to Memory of First Man.

Declares He Was Hero Who Had His Troubles in Eden—Thinks It High Time Pioneer Was Honored.

Baltimore, Md.—Believing that it is better late than never, John P. Brady, a contractor and builder, has had erected at his country house, Hickory Grounds, near Gardenville, a monument to the memory of Adam, the first man.

After spending much thought upon designs for the monument, Mr. Brady came to the conclusion that nothing could be more fitting than a plain square shaft of concrete, surmounted by a sun dial.

Without saying that women will not be admitted Mr. Brady wishes the occasion of the dedication to be distinctly masculine. He has no intention at any time to erect a memorial to Eve. The monument bears two opposite panels, which read:

THIS, THE FIRST SHAFT IN AMERICA, IS DEDICATED TO ADAM, THE FIRST MAN.

In circular form, surrounding the sun dial is the Latin quotation: "Sic transit gloria mundi."

"After all, there is no serious reason why there should not have been thousands of memorials to Adam," said Mr. Brady. "Some of us may blame him for the misfortunes which we get in this world, but few of us wish that we had not been brought here. It was kind of Adam to appear in the world. He paved the way and should receive the homage which we pay to pioneers in all fields. There seems to be glory enough to go around for every one who ever did anything, and many monuments and other tributes have honored men who never did anything."

"It being so easy to get one's name graven in stone, I thought it was high time that Adam had something to show for having been here. Adam had a pretty hard time of it. He was something of a hero, after all. Just think of it—to be here on this big earth—not a soul until Eve came, and then—"

## BIG HATS; MORE HAIR NEEDED.

American Women, Compelled to Fill Giant Headgear, Buy Switches of Celestials.

Washington.—While it is well known that much of the hair displayed by the American woman in her handsome and stylish coiffure is "grown" in China, the officials are surprised by figures showing the magnitude of the imports of this article of commerce. Vice-Consul General Fuller, at Hongkong, reports to the bureau of manufactures that 207,414 pounds of human hair were invoiced for shipment to the United States from that port last year.

The year previous only 56,133 pounds were exported to this country. Then came fashion's edict requiring massive headpieces. In consequence the women had to have more hair to fill them and the surplus hair of the celestial kingdom's 400,000,000 at once became a marketable commodity.

"The hair reaches Hongkong, from the interior," said Consul Fuller, "and is cleaned and sorted according to length and quality. It is then packed and stored or disinfected and shipped to New York. It is said here that the hair can be so treated in New York as to alter its color and texture, and that it is used to make the switches curls and bangs so fashionable in the United States at present."

## STATUE TO LONGFELLOW.



Photograph by Underhill, Washington, D. C. Memorial to the famous poet presented to the city of Washington, D. C., and recently unveiled in that city.

Because Mildred Payne McComb, his 17-year-old wife of a year, had left him and refused to return home. Friday, August 13, has been set apart as governors' day at the irrigation congress to be held in Spokane. A five-year-old boy is alleged to have started fires in south Portland last week that did damage estimated at \$150,000.

The next session of the Dry Farming congress is to be held at Billings, Mont., beginning October 25 and lasting four days.

J. W. McComb, aged 38, a street car conductor of Seattle, shot and killed the girl wife as she lay asleep in a rooming house, and then sent a bullet into his brain.

Fire which broke out in a River stable in Eugene, Ore., not only destroyed that building, but a number of others, the monetary loss being about \$75,000.

Karl Kline, aged 63, has been convicted at Red Lodge, Mont., of the murder of John Christanson, October 24, 1908, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

Burglars blew open the safe in the postoffice at Manhattan, Mont., securing about \$200 in cash and some postage stamps. It is believed the robbery was the work of amateurs.

W. W. Duncan, a fisherman, and his 6-year-old son, were drowned at Spokane. Their boat capsized while anchored in mid-stream, and Duncan was drowned in a futile endeavor to save his son.

That work on the proposed Butte-Helena electric railway will begin during the summer is a statement made by H. Gerry, Jr., chief engineer of the Missouri River Power company of Helena.

Fifteen pounds of ice was sent by mail from Reno to Hawthorne, Nev., one day last week, but the experiment did not prove a startling success, as eleven pounds was lost by shrinkage in transit.

Albert Harrington, said to be a paroled prisoner of the California state penitentiary and a man whom the police of the west have been looking for the past year, has been arrested and lodged in jail at Reno, Nevada.

A dispute over the ownership of a small piece of rope caused the death of J. M. Corp, a rancher, who was shot and killed on Jackson prairie, twelve miles south of Chehalis, Wash., by Joe Ware, another rancher.

Yeggmen blew open the safe in the depot at Rhyolite, Nev., on the night of May 25, securing \$1,100. The robbers worked with dispatch, making two shots and muffling each so that it was heard but a short distance away.

Oscar De Long was struck by lightning near Miles City, Mont., one day last week, and seriously injured, but will recover. His horse was instantly killed. De Long's coat was ripped from his back, and his underwear was full of holes.

Al Gaines is dead as the result of a fist fight with a man named Van Wye on the streets of Dayton, Wyo. Gaines was knocked down and in falling his head struck the curb, crushing his skull. Van Wye will be charged with murder.

A tramp giving the name of L. U. Steinhoff has been arrested at Cheyenne, on suspicion of being an accomplice in the Union Pacific mail robbery near Omaha. When arrested bank notes to the amount of \$800 were found on the prisoner.

The anti-gambling crusade reached its climax in the criminal court in Butte last week, when Deputy Prosecutor Baldwin announced that hereafter the state will agree to no fine less than \$500, or 250 days in jail, for gamblers who plead guilty.

The laying of the cornerstone, last week, for the Methodist church at Hawthorne, Nev., marked the invasion for the first time of that town's precincts by a place of worship of any denomination of Christian faith. Hawthorne has a population of 1,500.

Officials of the state of Oregon are protesting to the management of the Seattle exposition against the Japanese building, declaring it would result in congregating large numbers of Japanese about the place, and thus detracting from Oregon's showing.

Walter Mesch, aged 40 years, prominent mining man, committed suicide at Sheridan, Wyo., by stabbing himself in the heart with a pocket knife. Mr. Mesch had not been feeling well for some time past and, it is believed, was not in complete possession of his faculties when he did the desperate deed.

Frederick Byrd, a small coal operator, was found guilty at Red Lodge, Mont., last week, of murder in the second degree and sentenced to twenty-five years in the penitentiary for the killing of his partner, Rasmus Vestland, near Joliet, November 22, 1908.

Charles A. Strauss, former cashier of the Portland postoffice, has been convicted of embezzling funds of the office. Strauss pleaded in defense that he knew nothing of the shortage basing his plea on the condition of his eyesight. The amount involved was \$4,000.

The Spokane & Inland Empire railroad is considering plans for a branch line twenty miles long into the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation, which is to be opened in August. An electric road will leave the main line near Oshlari, Wash., and run to Plummer, Idaho.

Hadji O. Mohammed Signi, an oriental merchant and authenticated descendant of Mohammed, who has attended every world's fair since the Philadelphia exposition of 1877, died at Seattle, May 25, at the age of 60. He had come to Seattle to attend the exposition.

Four miners were killed by falling rock in a mine near Joplin, Mo.

Mistaking her for a burglar, George W. Thompson of Indianapolis, Ind., shot and killed his wife.

Between fifteen and sixteen passengers were injured when two street cars collided in Baltimore.

As the result of the explosion of a nitro-glycerine factory near Bradford, Pa., two men were blown to atoms.

A bank guaranty bill, patterned after the Oklahoma law, has been approved by the Florida legislature.

A passenger and freight train collided near Wister Junction, Okla., during a blinding snowstorm, nine people being injured.

Daniel Loganstan, a farm hand, shot and killed Mrs. James Abel at her home near Topeka, Kans., and then killed himself.

Three men have been arrested at Omaha, charged with complicity in the Union Pacific train robbery near that city on May 22.

A passenger steamer while entering the harbor at Buffalo, N. Y., sank the tug Princeton, drowning the engineer, fireman and another man.

A cloudburst at Verdigris, Neb., caused a number of families to desert their homes, and a number of railroad bridges were washed out.

Two cantaloupes, the vanguard of the 1909 crop from the Imperial valley, shipped to Los Angeles last week, sold in that market at \$5 each.

A testimonial to the memory of Henry H. Rogers, offered by Judge Gary, has been adopted by the directors of the United States Steel corporation.

While wrestling on the deck of a steamer on the Skeena river, northern British Columbia, Lee King and Eli Rice fell overboard and were drowned.

It is announced that the Salvation Army is making arrangements to send missionaries to China in an endeavor to convert the Chinese to Christianity.

Miss Lizzie York Chase, the well known writer of verse and prose, author of "There is No Unbelief," died at her home in Baltimore, May 25, at the age of 72.

Phillippe H. Roy, former president of the Bank of St. John, Quebec, convicted of falsifying returns, has been given the maximum sentence of five years' imprisonment.

Masons of Indiana on May 24 dedicated the new \$750,000 Masonic temple in Indianapolis, which they declare is the finest building devoted to Masonry in the world.

John Hays Hammond has definitely declined the tender of the minister-ship to China, declaring that for the sake of his growing children he prefers to remain in America.

Fred Vanbilder was arrested at Fairbairn, Minn., last week in a cellar, where he had been hiding since last September. He is wanted in Montana and North Dakota on a charge of horse stealing.

Andrew Carnegie has arranged to give a million dollars for the establishment of a "hero fund" in France, under practically same conditions as govern the fund in the United States, England and Scotland.

On the eve of his trial for murder, Irving Carter of Huntsville, Mo., committed suicide, shooting himself in the head. A year ago he shot and killed Thomas Bagby because Bagby had wronged his sister.

A number of residents of Panora, Iowa, have recently received mysterious letters containing \$100 bills, five persons having admitted they have received a total of \$1,100, one woman, a widow, having received \$225, wrapped in a note signed "Your friend."

With his leg fractured by a fall from his wagon, S. C. Coffman, 65 years old, of Zeal, S. D., drove ninety miles to Philip, the nearest railroad station, where he took a train to Rapid City to seek medical attendance. He traveled two days and one night.

A mob took Albert Aiken, a negro, from the jail at Lincoln, Ga., and hanged him, after which they pinned a card to his breast declaring that the same fate would overtake all negroes in the county under similar circumstances. Aiken had murdered a white farmer.

Charged with sending letters, in which he demanded \$100,000 from A. Douglas, a millionaire mining man of Bisbee, Ariz., who is residing temporarily in Pasadena, Cal., Sam Le Roe, alias Fred Riviera, was arrested at the ranch of B. Barriault, near Redondo, Cal.

Roland Rich, 23 years old, was arrested at Bay City, Mich., an hour after he had been married, charged with the murder of his grandmother, whose dead body was found a couple of hours before the wedding, the aged woman having been beaten to death with a club.

The supreme court of the United States has decided the case of the Adams Express company vs. the Commonwealth of Kentucky, involving the right of the company to ship liquor into a local option county, contrary to the law of the state, in favor of the company.

William E. Darragh, the chauffeur who ran down and killed Ingvard Trimble, the eleven-year-old son of a prominent Kentucky lawyer, in New York City, March 27, was found guilty of manslaughter in the first degree. The maximum penalty is twenty years' imprisonment.

The editor of a San Juan, P. R., newspaper given over to the publication of caricatures has been arrested, charged with sending improper matter through the mails. The charge is based on a cartoon of President Taft and a reference to his recent message on Porto Rico.