

HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK

Latest News Told in Briefest and Best Form.

PERSONAL.

A message just received from Dr. Frederick A. Cook, written February 26, says he was making a straight line for the pole.

David W. Hill of Poplar Bluff, Mo., has resigned as a candidate for the Republican nomination for United States senator.

Horace D. Taft, principal of Taft school at Watertown, Conn., and brother of William H. Taft, refused a nomination for representative in the state legislature.

Harry K. Thaw was sent back to Matteawan Hospital for the Criminal Insane by order of Justice Mills of the New York supreme court.

Col. Ike T. Pryor of San Antonio, Tex., was elected chairman of the executive committee of the trans-Mississippi congress.

Col. William F. Stewart, the Fort Grant "exile," was retired by direction of the president.

John H. Buckner pleaded guilty of election frauds in St. Louis and was given three years in prison.

BULGARIAN SITUATION.

Germany has assured Turkey she will follow the lead of England in the matter of the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, so that Austria-Hungary stands alone. The Servian government believes war will be avoided.

Belgrade, the storm center in the present Balkan situation, has quieted after a long secret session, the national assembly has taken no definite action with regard to making war upon Austria-Hungary. The city itself has quieted down, the people apparently realizing that war would mean the destruction of Servian nationality. All the great powers are awaiting the result of the conferences which have been going on at London between M. Iswolsky, the Russian foreign minister, and Sir Edward Gray, the British secretary for foreign affairs, and King Edward himself.

Prince Ferdinand, as the "czar of the Balkans," made his triumphal entry into the capital amid scenes of patriotic enthusiasm. Great Britain receded from her original position and is now willing that the proposed conference of the powers to settle the crisis in the near east shall take under advisement other questions in addition to those involved in the annexation of Bosnia and Bulgarian independence.

A Turkish cruiser and three torpedo boats arrived at Saloni on the way to the Island of Samos, a Greek possession. This is Turkey's answer to the proclamation by the Cretans of union with Greece.

GENERAL NEWS.

Two more of the balloons in the international race for the James/Gordon Bennett trophy have descended on the North sea and one, the German entry Busley, manned by Dr. Niemeyer and Hans Hiedemann, has not yet been heard from.

Chicago's National league team—the Cubs—are still champions of the world. They captured the fifth game of the series from the Detroit Tigers by a score of 2 to 0, thus winning four games, to one for the Detroit.

Col. William F. Tucker, assistant paymaster of the United States army, on whom a warrant was served at Decatur, Ill., early Tuesday, charging wife desertion, left St. Louis for Hot Springs, Ark. He is a very sick man and may not survive long.

Henry Standing Bear, a full-blooded Sioux Indian, who is a graduate of the Carlisle Indian school and formerly was a fullback on the Carlisle football eleven, was accused of bigamy by Hazel M. Moran of St. Louis, a graduate of Smith college.

Louise H. Chamberlin, a sister of Perry S. Heath, former assistant postmaster general and later editor of the Salt Lake Tribune, was burned to death at Albuquerque, N. M.

Thomas Howell, aged 67, shot and killed Mrs. Ben Davis at Drummond, Mont.

The twelfth annual convention of the National Grain Dealers' association opened in St. Louis.

Detroit Tigers defeated the Chicago Cubs, 8 to 3, in the third ball game of the world's championship series.

Harry Cahill, alias James Cole, said to be the son of an Alaskan delegate in congress, was arrested by the Chicago police on a charge of robbing a bank at Ladysmith, Wis., of \$3,000.

A madman climbed to the pinnacle of the Brooklyn tower of the Williamsburg bridge, was cornered in a small space at the top by two policemen and a bridge employee, and, after a terrific struggle, was prevented from slashing his throat and then throwing himself into the river.

Mr. George Collier of Occidental, Cal., fell into a vat of wine and was drowned.

Three companies of South Carolina militia fought a mob of 1,000 persons in Spartanburg and saved a Negro who was accused of assaulting a white girl.

Greensboro, N. C., began the celebration of the centennial of its founding.

Before concluding its nineteenth annual session in San Francisco the trans-Mississippi congress defeated in derision of the parcels post proposal, 140 to 60.

James S. Kennedy, a New York banker, has given \$1,000,000 to the Presbyterian hospital of that city of which he is president.

Baseball writers connected with the leading daily papers of every major league city except Brooklyn formed an organization to be known as the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Government chemists were said to have solved the problem of making paper from cornstarch.

President Roosevelt issued an executive order that extends the classified civil service to numerous government offices, future appointments to which must be made under civil service rules.

Fire in Davenport, Ia., destroyed a grain elevator and other property, the loss being \$150,000.

The silver jubilee of Archbishop P. W. Riordan was celebrated by the Catholics of the city.

Owing to the pacific condition of the country, full martial law has been raised in all the provinces of Poland with the exception of Pietrkow, in which the great industrial center of Lodz is located.

The American balloon St. Louis, in the international race, descended in the North sea in the night and its pilots, N. H. Arnold and H. J. Hewitt, narrowly escaped death, being rescued by a lifeboat. The America II, piloted by Capt. McCoy, landed in a tree top a few feet from the steep cliffs on the shore of the Baltic.

A ten-pound note of the English colony of New York, issued February 16, 1771, has been presented to Comptroller Metz of New York with a request for payment. Its redemption, with interest, would cost the city about \$39,000.

John and Peter Bohli, brothers, of Ingalls Crossing, N. Y., were murdered by robbers.

In the fourth game of the world's baseball championship series, Chicago defeated Detroit, 3 to 0.

The Pacific fleet, towing torpedo boat destroyers, arrived at Honolulu from Samoa.

A mob of many thousands of persons, called together by the suffragettes, besieged parliament and kept 5,000 police busy for hours.

The federal court at Pittsburgh ordered the Matteawan asylum authorities to produce Harry Thaw in the bankruptcy proceedings in the former city.

A large part of the town of Stettler, Alberta, was destroyed by fire, the loss being \$250,000.

William Wirt, aged 83, a well-known resident of Youngstown, O., was buried out of \$5,000 by two swindlers.

The large Jenkins lumber mills at Blaine, Wash., were burned, the loss being about \$500,000.

Chancellor Andrews of the University of Nebraska forbade class fights and other students' pranks on pain of expulsion.

The district attorney of Queens county, New York, threatened to close all the courts in his jurisdiction because the funds at his disposal were exhausted.

Putnam county, Ohio, voted to retain saloons.

Albert E. Tucker of Warsaw, Ind., married the divorced wife of his son.

Twenty-two members of the "Ichinoh," the pro-Japanese society of the University of Nebraska, were killed by Japanese gendarmes.

Two Chicago men fought a duel with knives for a woman's love and both were fatally wounded.

Capt. Monroe and five of the crew of the British schooner Sirocco, who were supposed to have been lost when their vessel was wrecked off the Florida coast on October 1, were landed at Boston by the fruit steamer Horatus.

With all nine justices present, the supreme court of the United States went to work again after a vacation of more than four months. It will continue in session until June of next year.

A. Holland Forbes and Augustus Post, American aeronauts, had an escape from terrible death that was little short of miraculous. They started in the international balloon race from Schengenford, near Berlin, and at a height of 4,000 feet their balloon, the Conqueror, burst. For 2,000 feet it shot down like a bullet, and then the iron silk bag assumed the shape of a parachute, and the rapidity of the descent was checked, the men landing on a top, little injured.

In 1903, W. M. Danner, then general secretary of the Denver Young Men's Christian association, presented the great need of the association to its friends and the public. It was then that Mr. and Mrs. David Brothers responded by giving to the association their 34-acre farm, on which they had lived many years, and the only condition of the donation was that it would always be used as a health farm for young men of the Young Men's Christian association needing open-air treatment.

The kindly act of the rancher and his wife stirred others. Dr. E. P. George, responding to a paragraph commanding the idea, promptly subscribed \$5,000. Other donations amounting to \$4,000 enabled the association to start the project formally in May, 1903, and the health farm has been maintained ever since as a department of the Denver Young Men's Christian association.

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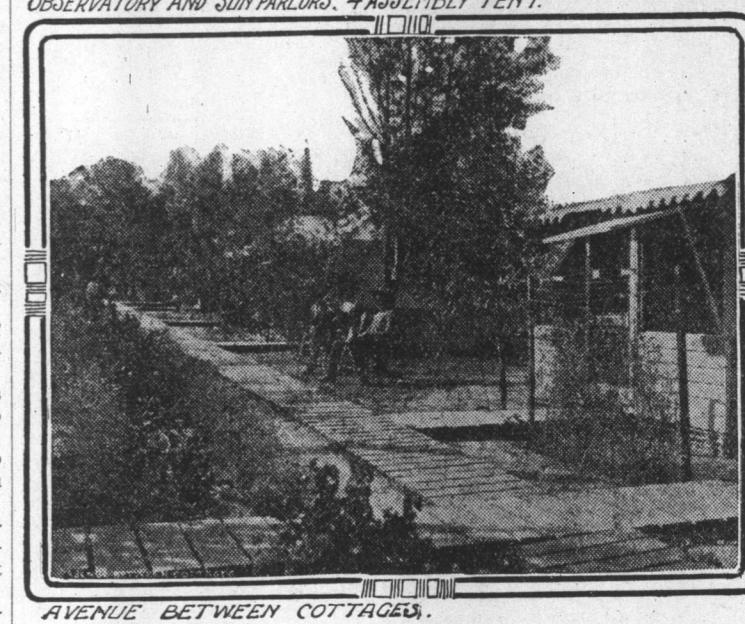
HEALTH FARM FOR MEN WHO NEED IT

DENVER Y.M.C.A. HAS ONLY INSTITUTION OF THE KIND IN THE WORLD

500 CONSUMPTIVES RESTORED IN 5 YEARS



1. PAVILION (NEARLY COMPLETED). 2. HORSE AND COW BARN. 3. WATERTOWER. 4. OBSERVATORY AND SUN PARLORS. 5. ASSEMBLY TENT.



AVENUE BETWEEN COTTAGES.

To the sacrifice made by a kind-hearted Colorado farmer and his wife five years ago more than 500 men from 40 states of the union and seven foreign countries owe their lives, as evidenced by the latest annual report of the Denver Young Men's Christian Association health farm.

The sanatorium consists of an infirmary with beds for 16 men, where a patient must spend a few days a week, as the case may demand, in absolute rest.

The idea of the management is not to receive men who are in need of hospital attention, but rather to encourage men who are run down or, because of tubercular trouble, need a few months' rest, and who are able to take care of their own tents and come into the dining room for meals.

There are 42 of these individual tents into which the patients "graduate" from the sanatorium, and these are comfortably furnished and constructed in the most scientific manner for outdoor living. Each case is given individual study and care by the physician, and the results are obtained through proper food, fresh air, rest and discipline. The health farm is conducted as a home wherein the residents themselves adopt a high standard of conduct and honor, and the spirit of the association and the general care of the Denver Young Men's Christian association is exercised over the health farm all the while.

The social life of the health farm is an attractive feature and constantly being improved, as is the religious feature of the camp. In the assembly tent there is no scarcity of games, and in addition there is a splendid croquet ground which is popular with the men as a healthful outdoor recreation.

A splendid library of about 500 miscellaneous volumes is maintained, and donations of books are solicited and are being received from time to time.

The definite religious work is receiving the proper emphasis. A committee has been appointed among the men who will have charge of meetings, Bible classes, etc., and at present two services are held every Sunday, at 8:15 a. m., and a twilight service at 4:45 p. m. These meetings are always well attended and deeply appreciated by the men, and the services have long since proven as helpful as the association men's meetings in the cities.

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THREAD USED IN SURGERY

Different Kinds to Meet the Exigencies of the Wound.

Geons use needles shaped like spears, javelins and bayonet points.

Poetry and Prose.

A school book publishing company in New York recently received the following, written on a postal card, from a dealer in "General Merchandise":

"Please send by return mail without fail to Miss Ida Vall at Indian Trail one copy of Blanks' *Geography*."

The publishing house replied as follows:

"We regret that we are unable to acknowledge receipt of your order of the 17th inst. in language couched in a poetical form, our office poet being out of the city. Hence you will kindly pardon the prose in which we beg to advise you upon receipt of \$1.25 we will be pleased to accede to your request for one copy of Blanks' *Geography*."

A man never surfeits of too much honesty.—German Proverb.

THE JOY OF FORGIVENESS

Sunday School Lesson for Oct. 25, 1908

Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT.—Psalm 32. Memory Verses 1, 2.

GOLDEN TEXT.—"Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sin is covered."—Psalm 32:5.

TIME.—David's sin and repentance, a little beyond the middle of his reign, about B. C. 1034 according to the margin of the King James Version. His capital palace was at Jerusalem. David was about 30 years old, a general and a statesman. The author of the Psalm was probably David, with possible additions in later times to adapt it to special occasions, or to occur in our hymns.

PLACE.—Jerusalem.

Comment and Suggestive Thought.

Some time in David's later life, looking back from the Beulah land heights of the restored favor of God, as the Prodigal Son after he had returned to his father's home and love, King David puts into a hymn his own experience for the comfort and encouragement of all who have sinned and long to be restored to their father's home and heart. For like Adam and Eve, he had been driven out of Paradise for disobeying God, and the flaming cherubim had kept him from the Tree of Life. But he had at last found the waters of rest and the green pastures of forgiven sin. So he sings: "V. 1. 'Blessed.' The word here, as in Psa. 1:1 and Prov. 3:13, is in the plural, Oh the blessedness of him whose, etc., etc.—'to denote the most supreme and perfect blessedness,' and 'to express the manifold nature of the blessedness, at all times, from all sources, in all departments of life, in all circumstances; blessed in body and in soul, in time and in eternity.'

"Transgression . . . sin . . . iniquity." (2.) "Sin is here (as in Ex. 34:7) spoken of under three appellations, so as to include the whole idea of sin in all its manifestations."—Perowne.

"Forgiven." That is given away, removed. "This is, according to the Hebrew conception, the taking up of transgression as a burden, a heavy load, resting upon the sinner, and breaking it away from him to a place where it will trouble him no more."

C. A. Briggs, in Int. Crit. Com. "Covered," so as to hide it and obfuscate it. "It is commonly used in connection with sacrifices, as staining and defiling the divine altars, was covered over by the application to them of the blood of the victim of the sin offering."—Prof. C. A. Briggs.

V. 2. "Imputeth not." Does not estimate, consider, or think of in connection with the sinner."—Professor Briggs. "In whose spirit there is no deceit, 'who conceals his sin neither from God nor himself.'—Prof. S. R. Driver. Other Biblical words for forgiveness are remit, send away, destroy, wash away, cleanse, make them as if they had never been.

V. 3. "When I kept silence." Trying to hide his sin; refusing to acknowledge it to himself, to others, or to God. "My bones (the most solid and enduring part of his body) waxed (became increasingly) old." Exhausted, enfeebled, worn out. The secret sin wore him out and made him sick.

"Through my roaring all the day long." The figure is drawn from the loud and unrestrained outcries of one suffering intolerable and unremitting pain. He was enduring an agony which forced him from his bed and groans that he could not stifle."—W. H. Green.

"A sin concealed is like a hidden fire. It eats into the very life."—Van Dyke.

"The Spartan boy hid the fox beneath his coat, and denied the theft until he dropped dead, the fox all the while gnawing at his vitals. David felt the gnawing of remorse, and it was