PLATTSMOUTH, - NEBRASKA

A BOILING DOWN OF THE NEWS OF THE DAY.

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The Busy Reader Can Absorb in Few Moments a Good Deal of Information.

Congress.

A bill relieving Frontier county, No braska, farmers has been favorably reported.

President Roosevelt vetoed the senate bill authorizing the secretary of the navy to mitigate or remit the penaties of loss of citizenship imposed upon deserters from the army and navy. The objection is based upon the infringement of the executive's power of pardon.

For nearly six hours the house of representatives discussed the bill materially changing the methods of administering the Panama canal zone and constructing the canal, Amendments almost without number were gimed at the measure, but with one or two exceptions they failed of adop-

Secretary Garfield sent to congress today at the direction of the president the draft of a bill providing for the disposal of all unallotted land in the Omaha Indian reservation in Nebeasks.

The "insurgent" resolution amending the rules, presented in the house recently, was signed by twenty-nine cast Tennessee line to the Texas republicans, including all from Nebraska, and Hubbard, Hepburn and Nebraska, whose amendment was in relation to curtailing the power of the speaker as to the appointment of committees, said that he did not look involved. for any action on the resolution at this session.

An attempt will be made at the next session of congress to change the interstate commerce law.

President Roosevelt sent another veto message to the house. With it he returned without approval a bill which would advance in rank Lieutenant Commander Kenneth McAlpine of the navy

Representative Hall appeared before the public lands committee of the house to advocate the passage of will carry out the survey plans of the a bill for the establishment of a new Salt creek valley in Nebraska withtand district in South Dakota, with beadquarters at Lebeau. The committee of the house has ordered a tavorable report and this practically secures the passage of the bill by both bouses of congress at this session.

Senator Allison of Iowa was eulogized by members of the senate at a special memorial session.

The house passed a number of amondments to the national bankruptcy law.

Senator Newlands of Nevada urges national legislation to deal with the Japanese question.

Wednesday the senate and house met in joint session to declare the result of the presidential vote.

Senator Burkett has received complaints from attorneys in Nebraska analust the delay of cases in some divisions of the federal court by reason of the law providing all issues of a lawsuit must be tried in the division where they originate.

The senate agreed to the conference on the urgent deficiency bill. It carries \$150,000 to continue the fight on foot and mouth disease.

The president vetoed the bill providing for the next census because it ignored the competitive system.

General.

Taft was received with much ceremony on his arrival at New Orleans. The Nebraska senate voted to accept Carnegie's pension fund for university professors.

The senate passed the bill reducing the salary of the secretary of state to \$8,000 a year.

Speaker Cannon refuses to consiler a proposition to elect him United

States senator from Illinois. was cetting the idea that the United

States was afraid of her. The body found burned in the German legation at Santiago, Chile, was not that of the German minister.

King Edward was accorded the un-

usual honor of being made guest of Wright and Wilson, Governor Wilson the municipality of Berlin.

is attracting more than can get in were speakers at memorial exercises the court room. Czechs and Germans had a collision | Ky.

in the Austrian parliament. The log cabin in which Lincoln was horn was dedicated by a large crowd bishop of Wyoming. and President Roosevelt laid the cor-

ner-stone for the Lincoln memorial at Hodgenville, Ky. The one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln was Nebraska senate by a small vote.

observed all over the country on the Elith.

filed a mort tage on all its property to J. Bryan secure \$110,000,000 Issue of refunding bonds.

Representative Hepburn of Iowa declares the reports that he will withdraw from his contest against Senator W. D. Jamieson are lies. He will in the Taft cabinet.

fight to a finish.

congress this session.

Robert T. Lincoln was an honored guest at Springfield, Abraham Lincoin's old home, and William J. Bryan delivered the principal address on Friday.

Taft and Sherman were formally declared elected president and vicepresident of the United States.

President-clock Taft was the guest of the citizens of New Orleans at an elaborate banquet. In the afternoon he addressed a mass meeting of ne-

Representative Lovering charged in the house that the charges of corruption against President-elect Taft, William Nelson Cromwell and others are the result of a blackmalling plot by which II was hoped to extort a large sum from Mr. Cromwell.

Alderman Joseph P. Kohout of Chicago, disappointed because his ward ciub refused to endorse him, committed suicide.

Count Midsuno, Japanese consui general, in a speech at New York, said war talk does not represent the real sentiment of the people of Japan or the United States.

The Indiana house passed the bill repealing the county option law. Secretary Carfield wants an additional \$100,000 to prosecute land and

timber thieves. The Danish rigsday approved treaties of arbitration with the United

States, Norway and Sweden. Jerry Howard has a bill in the Nebraska legislature to segregate Japanese laborers in the packing houses. The Chinese of San Francisco complain that the president discriminates

in favor of the Japanese.

Senator Rayner complained that the senate had no power under the Roosevelt regime. President Roosevelt in a message

sent to congress gives a report of the country life commission. France and Germany have entered into an agreement concerning Mor-

seen: About twenty persons were killed by a storm which extended from the

Panhandle. A special from Livingston, Mont., Haughen of Iowa. Judge Norris of says that a theft, said to involve \$50, 000, has been discovered in that city. adopted by the insurgent conference and a large number of conductors, brakemen, engineers and firemen of the Northern Pacific are alleged to be

> The American battleship fleet left Gibraltar for the last lap of the 45, 900 mile trip around the world.

The house passed Representative Boyd's bills enabling the Omaha and Winnebago Indians to propect their ribal lands from overflow, sald lands being located within the boundaries of any drainage district in Nebraska.

The British premier has a hard task to make the income of the country meet the necessary expenditures.

Expectation that the government cerned has been dissipated. The gov ernment will bear the major part of the cost, but about five hundred dollars must be contributed by the people in the valley or the work will not be done.

Washington.

The bill to permit Omaha and Winnebago Indians to drain their lands passed both houses. Senator Burkett seeks to secure denatured alcohol still for Nebraska university.

Miss Marthena Harrison, granddaughter of the late ex-President Harrison and of the late Senator Alvin Saunders of Omaha, led the cotillion at the fashionable Chevy Chase club given by a party of dancing bachelors and benedicts.

The senate concluded consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill, carrying an aggregate of about eleven and a half millions of dollars. A conference report on the urgent deficiency bill was agreed to. It appropriates \$12,000 for the "purchase, care and maintenance of automobiles for the president," and \$150. 000 to enable the secretary of agriculture to continue to combat the foot and mouth diseases in horses and cat-

The friends of Representative J. F. Boyd of the Third Nebraska district will be pleased to learn that his wife, who was taken ill a week after the commencement of the pres- thus clearing up the incident. ent congress, has now almost re

covered her health. Miss O. L. Padget of Laramie. Wyo., has been appointed clerk in the

forest service at Ogden, Utah. Moses G. McNaughton of Burling An Oregon state senator said Japan ton, Ia., has been appointed guard at the Leavenworth, Kan., United States penitentlary.

Personal.

President Roosevelt. Generals of Kentucky, former Governor Folk The Lemp divorce case at St. Louis of Missouri and Bishop Galloway on Lincoln's farm at Hodgenville,

Dr. Nathaniel S. Thomas of Philadelphia has been elected Episcopal

The makeup of Taft's cabinet is still in the dark and will so remain until March 4.

Woman suffrage was killed in the William H. Leavitt will come to America to fight the divorce proceed-The lilinois Central railroad has ings of his wife, daughter of William

> An effort will be made to make Sen ator Knox eligible to the office of secretary of state.

The name of Franklin MacVeagh is connected with the treasury portfolio from the house at night. Thompson

Senator Burkett has accepted an in-There is every prospect the postal vitation of the Atlantic City Board of Edith Homan, and took her to Coloavings bank bill will be put through Trade to speak before that body at a banquet on February 20.

LINCOLN'S OLD HOME

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT LAYS CORNERSTONE OF MEMORIAL

CABIN ON GROUND

A Great Tent Spread Under Which Over Six Thousand People Attend Exercises,

Hodgenville, Ky .- Henceforth the strthplace of Abraham Lincoln is to be marked by a pile of stone. The emancipator of a race, and, more than that, the liberator of the thought of a nation, builded his own monument in the hearts of the world, and appropriately the physical structure which has now found a beginning at the place where Lincoln first saw the light takes the simpler name of a memorial. It is to be a simple but classical building of granite, and it is hoped that it may be completed some time next fall, when the then president, Taft, will officiate in dedicating it, as the present president, Theodore Roosevelt, on Friday officiated in laying its foundation stone.

The corner-stone laying took place after appropriate forensic ceremonies, which were participated in by the president of the United States, Gov. Wilson of Kentucky, former Gov. Joseph W. Folk of Missouri, president of the Lincoln Farm association; Hon. Luke E. Wright, secretary of war, who spoke as an ex-confederate soldier; Gen. James Grant Wilson of New York, who represented the union soldiers, and I. T. Montgomery of Mississippi, a negro and an ex-slave. With one exception the oralors represented not only the conflicting sides in the great struggle, but the present generation as well; the two principal parties and the white and black races as well as the different sections of the country, spoke from the same platform, and with the same flag, a splendid new specimen of the stars

and stripes, fluttering over them. The ceremony was full of interesting and novel features apart from the oceasion which inspired it and not the least interesting of which was the character of the crowd that composed the celebration. There were probably 6,000 or 8,000 people present. Many of them had come in on special trains centers, and some had been attracted from Louisville and other Kentucky centers, and some had been attracted to the scene as far as Texas. The bulk of the assembly was composed, however, of the country folks from Larue and adjacent countles. The site of the birthplace of the great American is an out-of-the-way corner of the world but while there was cor trast in the appearance of the countrymen and the city-bred dignitaries there was no marked difference in deportment. There was a notable absence of negroes in the crowd present, but those present were wedged in among the whites, showing that none had been kept away because of race prejudice. Among those who had been expected to be present was Mrs. Ben Hardin Helm, the only surviving sister of Mrs. Lincoln. 92 years old, but she was kept at her home in Louisville much to the regret of all, by her infirmities.

Said to Be Former Nebraskan.

Denver, Colo.-Charles O. Charles ton, said to be a former member of the Nebraska legislature, and of the Chicago board of aldermen, was arrested here, charged with numerous forgeries of checks.

Plot to Depose Sultan. Berlin-The recent changes in the Turkish ministry are due to a discovery of a plot against the sultan that had for its object his deposition, according to the Constantinople correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung. The plan was to dethrone the sultan while he was riding to the selamlik celebration and proclaim as sultan Prince Issedin, the eldest son of the late sultan. The publication of the correspondence with Prince

NO REVISION, SAYS BRYAN.

Declares Present Congress Will Make No Reduction in Tariff.

Pensacola, Fla.-William J. Bryan, in a speech here, said:

"This country need not hope for a revision of the tariff at the hands of the present congress. There will be no revision, for the reason that the republicans cannot afford to lower the tariff, for every man who has a schedule has contributed to their campaign fund and must be protected. It is true that the contributions to the national fund were published, but moneys received by the congressional fund were so tainted that the republicans dared not pub-

lish them even after the election. "While there may be talk of revision and a lower tariff, there will absolutely be no change.

Soldier Drowned.

Leavenworth, Kas. Private Robert F. Waller, Company F Thirteenth infantry, was drowned near here while skating. The body was recovered.

Wife Murder at Waverly, Ia.

Waverly, Ia -Hidden behind a tree Frank Thompson shot and killed his wife, 18 years old, as she stepped then committen suicide. A year ago Thompson married the girl, who was rado. She left him and returned to Waverly Saturday.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Interest Taken From Here and There Over the State.

The store of Mr. Jennings at Axtell was destroyed by fire. Loss \$6,000. Mr. and Mrs. J. Dillon of Vesta celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary.

Prof. Gamble has been re-elected to the head of the Plattsmouth schools for another year.

W. S. Ferguson a grocery merchant of Franklin, was fined \$9 for selling

tobacco to children under age. A wolf hunt is being organized in territory just north of Mead, to take place on February 20. The wolves are reported as being numerous. A brakeman new at the business,

failed to close a switch completely. consequently the engine of a freight train that was doing some work at Dorchester, went off the track. Farmers should all have telephones. Write to us and learn how to get the best service for the least money.

Nebraska Telephone Company, 18th

and Douglas streets, Omaha. "Use the Bell." B. M. Behrends, a banker of Juneau, Alaska, is in Nebraska City, on a visit with relatives. This is the first visit to his one nome in seventeen years. He is one of the wealthy men of that country and went up

there some twenty-five years ago, An effort is being made in Wymore to capatilaize a company for \$50,000 to bring water to that city from the springs north of Blue Springs. It is thought Blue Springs will sell a rightof-way for a main through the corpor-

Farmers in the vicinity of Cortland held a meeting and organized what is to be known as the Cortland Farmers' Grain and Coal company The authorized capital stock is \$10, 000 and a greater part of this amount

is already subscribed. The members of the Christian church of Beaver City held their annual meeting. Over 200 were present and a pleasant and profitable evening was spent. Reports were made from each department of the church work which showed that great progress has been made the past year in every line.

While the Ravena school board were at the school building the fire alarm was unexpectedly sounded to test the efficiency of the fire drill which has been practiced in the school during the past three months. The building was entirely vacated by the nearly four hundred pupils and teachers in one and one-half minutes.

Vice President Mohler of the Union Pacific denies vigorously a story printed in a Denver paper which represents him as intimating that the purpose of the extension to Fort Collins was to head off the Colorado & Southern from building a link between Wellington and Cheyenne and thus to compel the Hill road to rew its trackage agreement betwee Denver and Cheyenne.

Land is touching high mark in price in and around Minden. Something like ten to fifteen farms have been sold at \$100 per acre as far out as eight and ten miles from town. These are not bringing that price because of the good improvements, but because the farmers have come to realize that land that can raise wheat, corn, alfalfa, cattle and hogs is the best in

the United States. Parties entered the chicken house of Ed Highland about four miles south of Clubertson and took away with them several chickens, Mr. Highland tracked a buggy from his place to the resident of the Swartz boys and later had Harry and Fred Swartz arrested for stealing chickens. The trial came up before Judge Knowles and they were bound over to the dis-

trict court in the sum of \$200. Following is the mortgage record for Johnson county for the month of January: Farm mortgages-Number filed, 18; amount, \$62,281,15; number released, 17: amount, \$35.816.20. Town and city mortgages-Number filed, 10; amount, \$6,496; number released, 8: amount, \$6,860. Chattel mortgares-Number filed, 61: amount, \$20,727.17; number released,

66; amount, \$30,798,36. Hiram Chase, the Indian candidate for county attorney of Thurston county who won in the last election over Waldo E. Whiteomb, has been declared by the court entitled to the office. The court holds the election was fairly conducted and that the plaintiff, Whiteomb, is estopped from questioning one validity of the election because of his advice to the election board and his apparent participation in their act of changing the

place of election. Andrew J. White of lyons arrived there the other day from San Francisco, making the last lap in his journey around the world. Mr. White left Lyons in August, 1908, accompanied by his daughter Grace and son Frank, who is one of the general superintendents of the schools in the Philipplace islands. Starting via New York they passed through the various countries of Europe and Asia and as the guests of his son Frank Mr. White and daughter made a prolonged stay in the Philippine fislands, with headquarters at Manila.

Eighteen students of the Beatrice school were hauled into police court on the charge of stealing ten gallons of ice cream from the home of George Ward, where a class party was to be held.

The ploneers of Nebraska City are arranging to celebrate the fiftieth auniversary of the first fair held in this state. It was held in Nebraska City in September, 1858, and 12 was a county fair and held in the city park. The following year the territorial fair was held there and it is this last event which will be celebrated by the pioneers at the new city parks.

GOT THROUGH HOUSE

MEASURE DEALING WITH GEN-ERAL REVENUE IS PASSED

A BILL OF MUCH IMPORTANCE

Woman Suffrage Favorably Recommended by the Senate-General Legislation Matters.

A bill of utmost importance on the general revenue, that dealing with the taxation of real estate mortgages, the voters of the state shall be filed passed the house by a vote of 68 to 21.

Several bills dealing with the same general subject were introduced, but that by Taylor of York was the one selected for consideration,

This bill, if it passes the senate and becomes a law, will have a tremendous effect upon the system of collecting revenues of this state. R is probably one of the most important and far reaching changes ever made or ever attempted to be made in the revenue system of the state. The measure follows:

"A mortgage, trust deed, contract, or other obligation by which a debt is secured on real estate situated within this state shall for the purposes of assessment and taxation be deemed and treated as an interst in the real estate affected thereby except as to railroads and other quasi publie corporations. In case of debts so secured, the value of the real estate affected by such mortgages, trust, deed, contract or other obligation, less the value of such security, shall be assessed and taxed to the owner of such real estate and the value of such security shall be assessed and taxed to the owner of such security, in the county, city, village or district in which the real estate affected thereby is situated.

"The taxes so levied shall be a lien on the real estate and also on the security and may be paid either by the owner of the real estate or the owner of the security. If paid by the owner of the security, the tax paid upon the real estate affected thereby shall become a part of the debt so secured. If the owner of the real estate shall pay the tax so levied on such security, it shall constitute a payment thereon and as to the amount of such payment a full discharge thereof. If any such security or indebtedness shall be paid by such debtor or debtors after the assessment of such security and before the tax is levied on the same the amount of such levy may be likewise retained by such debtor or debtors and shall be computed according to the tax levy for the preceding year."

Woman Suffrage. The first round on the woman suffrage bill was fought out in the house and suffrage won, the bill being placed on the general file for dis cussion in committee of the whole after a vigorous effort to secure its indefinite postponement. The antisuffragists were put completely to rout, preferring to withdraw from the field rather than stand the test of a vote. The bill under consideration is that of Jerry Howard of South Omaha which provides for the submission of a constitutional amendment making "all persons" instead of all "male persons," with the usual exception of age, imbecility, insanity and the like, voters. The judiciary committee recommended the bill to the general file and Fries of Howard opened the attack on the bill by a motion to indefinitely postpone. A dozen speeches were made on the bill after which Mr. Fries withdrew his motion.

Primary Bill Recommended. The senate committee on privileges and elections has recommended the Ollis primary bill for passage, with amendments and this probably will be the party primary bill. measure provides the primary shall be held the second Tuesday in August and for the open vote and rotating ballot, every voter being confined to his party column, however, Precinct committeemen are to be elected at the primary in the same manner as party candidates, instead of being selected by the county candidates as at present. County committees will meet and organize the second Saturday after the primary. At the same time they will elect delegates to the state convention, There will be one delegate from each county which cast less than 5,000 for the party candidate for governor and one for each 5,000 or major fraction thereof. The state convention will meet in Lincoln on the first Tuesday in September, thus giving the delegates an opportunity to attend the state fair.

Telephone Bill Dead.

The Holmes bill to prevent tele phone companies from charging more than \$4 a month for any telephone was indefinitely postponed by the standing committee of the house,

Pensions for Disabled Firemen, Senator Ransom's bill providing for the pensioning of disabled firemer was recommended for passage by the senate committee of the whole, I provides that any fireman permapently or temporarily injured in the service shall receive a pension of \$50

School Tax Levy.

n month.

The bill providing for a school tax levy of 40 mills instead of 25 mills. which was introduced by Senator Howell, was passed by the senate by a vote of 23 to 3. _

BILL IS INTRODUCED.

Initiative and Referendum in Lower Branch.

Miller of Custer county introduced in the house the much talked about bill for a proposed constitutional amendment providing for the initiative and referendum. The bill provides that upon a petition signed by 8 per cent of the voters of the state filed with the secretary of state, asking for certain legislation, that officer shall submit the question to the voters. The petition must be filed four months before the general election and it shall contain a full text of the proposed legislation.

For the referendum it is required that a petition signed by 5 per cent of with the secretary of state within ninety days after the adjournment of the legislature asking that the law en-

acted be set aside. Bills to be passed upon by the people shall have for an enacting clause: "Be it enacted by the people of the state of Nebraska." The governor shall have no power to veto any law enacted by the people.

Reciprocal Demurrage Bill.

A reciprocal demurrage bill will be drafted by a joint subcommittee of the joint railroad committee of the legislature to embody features that may bring closer relations between shippers and rallroads in Nebraska. This was decided upon after a session of the joint committee to listen to railroad experts. Demurrage was discussed by Arthur Hale of Chicago, chief of the bureau of statistics of the American Railway association, car service department and formerly superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, and also by A. W. Dickson, assistant superintendent of the car service department of the Burlington railroad of Chicago. The side of the sheppers was precoal dealers.



W. H. SMITH

Secretary of the Nebraska Senate. Opposes Change in Pure Food Law. The Loose-Wiles Biscuit company of Omaha is opposed to any change in the pure food law and it has mailed

the following letter to members of the Omaha delegation in the house: We understand that a bill has been introduced under No. 222 which will modify the existing state food law in such a way that it will give manufacturers outside of the state privileges

ellowed those located within the state. We beg to say that we are satisfied with the pure food law now in force and we will appreciate it if you will vote against the bill above referred to. We have a large investment in the state and trust that you will encour-

Sunday Base Ball Still Dead. Scheele of Seward lost out in an at-

age us by allowing the pure food laws

to remain undisturbed.

tempt in the house to get his Sunday hase ball bill recommended for passage. Scheele had denatured his measure to the extent that it provided that games could be played outside of the limits of a city, but it did not help the matter.

Constitutional Amendments.

By a vote of 19 to 12 the senate passed S. F. No. 15, by Tanner of Douglas, to give the governor the right to designate newspapers in which the secretary of state shall publish proposed constitutional amendments. This means that this pie will go to democratic papers for a couple of years at least. Giving out of this patronage has heretofore been in the

Reciprocal Demurrage.

The joint railroad committees of the two houses of the legislature decided to recommend Senator Banning's reciprocal demurrage bill and this was done in the senate. The provisions of this bill are exactly similar to those of the Noyes bill introduced in the house. The agent is required to receive freight immediately and start it on its way and from one day after its receipt it ty miles a day.

Sackett Law Discussed.

Howell's bill to repeal the Sackett aw, one similar to which was recently killed in the house, was discussed for a time in the senate and final action was deferred for the present. The bill was first on general file and Senator Howell moved it be recommended for passage, when Senator King called the attention of the senate to the character of the bill. after which Senator Howell explained it more in detail. He said he was representing his constituents when he asked for the repeal of the law.