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MUCH IN SMALL SPACE FOR THE HURRYING READER.

EVENTS COVERING WIDE FIELD

Something of Congress, Political Gossip Here and There, and News and Notes of General Character.

Political.

Returns from the primary in Nebraska struggle in extremely slow, but the trend is toward a constantly increasing plurality for Shallenberger (dem.) for governor overcoming the lead of Mayor Dahلمان in Douglas county.

Judge Taft and Senator Foraker met at a political meeting and dinner in Toledo. Each denied that there had been any feud or friction between them. Senator Foraker in his speech said he would give the republican ticket his hearty support.

Some Omaha democrats are strongly protesting against the World-Herald for the quality of its politics.

The Republican national committee began the distribution of campaign literature from the western headquarters in Chicago. The first documents sent out were Mr. Taft's speech of acceptance, Mr. Sherman's speech of acceptance, Mr. Taft's attitude on the labor question, Mr. Sherman as viewed by Secretary Root, and other literature in relation to the Republican candidates for president and vice president.

John Hays Hammond, a well known metallurgist, was elected president of the National League of Republican club at an executive meeting of the organization in New York to succeed General E. A. McAlpin, who recently resigned.

Senator Moon of Wappello and Representative Demar of Davis, Democrats, introduced jointly in the house and the senate of Iowa, a resolution asking that the assembly proceed to the election of a United States senator for the short term. The resolution followed a number of conferences held by the democrats.

General.

The wholesale district of New Orleans was swept by a \$2,000,000 fire.

The lumber cut in the United States in 1907 was the largest ever reported. Governor A. L. Cummins, in his message to the special session of the Iowa legislature, outlined the purpose of the session and urged the importance of amending the primary laws so as to permit republicans to make a nomination for senator this fall.

Charles Oliver Jones, the aeronaut who invented the June Bug, was killed by falling 500 feet. His dirigible balloon took fire while he was giving an exhibition at Waterville, Me.

The public auction sale of news print paper in New York realized \$21,340 on sales of 560 tons at an average price of 190 1/2 per 100 pounds. The successful bids included the Nebraska State Journal, forty tons of Cheyogyan paper at \$1.90.

Heferson, the South African distance runner, who finished second in the Marathon race in London last July, was given a banquet at Cape Town on his return to Africa. Members of the cabinet and the legislature and other prominent persons participated. Heferson, during the course of his remarks, spoke highly of the English sportsmen.

The Rose county local option law went into effect in Ohio on the 1st. The anti-alcohol league announces that petitions were started at once in twenty-eight counties in the state for an election to oust the saloons from these counties. The law requires that 35 per cent of the voters shall petition before an election is held.

Fifteen thousand Americans and Australians took part in a grand review and parade at Flemington, one of the western suburbs of Melbourne, Australia. The Victorian Journalists gave a reception in honor of Rear Admiral Sperry, who delivered a speech. It is probable that Mr. Taft will swing around the circle, making speeches here and there.

Over eight thousand veterans marched in the annual parade of the Grand Army in Toledo. Judge Taft, Governor Harris and both Ohio senators were in the reviewing stand.

Thomas L. Hisgen of the independent party for president and William R. Hearst have started on a country wide tour on behalf of the independent party ticket.

An edict has been issued in China saying that a constitution will be granted nine years hence.

The lid is on tight in Atlantic City for the first time in many years.

The United States government has issued its first bulletin of the irrigated farms open to settlement in the Big Horn Basin of Wyoming.

Democrats believe that Maryland is sure to be carried by Bryan.

It is believed that the successor to Count Komura as Japanese ambassador at London will be Baron Makino Nobuski, former minister of education.

The democratic national committee is having trouble in securing a man to manage the campaign in the eastern states.

County Judge L. N. Layport died suddenly at Valentine, Neb., from heart failure in his son's harness shop. The damage by floods in North and South Carolina and Georgia will reach into millions. The number drowned in the vicinity of Augusta is estimated at sixty.

RETURNS VERY SLOW

MANY PRIMARY BALLOTS ARE YET IN THE BOXES.

SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE FINAL

Sheldon Had No Opposition, While Shallenberger, Democrat, Seems to Be Ahead for Governor.

Omaha—Difficulty is being experienced in tabulating the returns of Nebraska's primary election. The figures were not gathered in the various county seats except where local contests called forth this activity by candidates and it will undoubtedly be several days after the official canvass in the counties before complete figures may be secured.

The governorship in the democratic party overshadows other contests, but in a number of counties no effort has been made, even by local democrats, to collect the figures and the opening of the ballot boxes will be awaited for their revelation. While Mayor Dahلمان of Omaha appears at present with a substantial lead, growing out of his big plurality in Douglas county, it is conceded that Shallenberger is making steady gains over the mayor in southwestern and the middle western counties wherever figures are obtainable. Dahلمان expects to make substantial gains in the northwest, but it has been suggested also that in some instances populist votes have been counted in with democratic votes for him. He made a killing in Butler and Sarpy counties, leading over Shallenberger. But in Butler, the home of the populist, Berge was high man. While Dahلمان men profess to be greatly encouraged, they are obliged to admit that Shallenberger's chances for victory appear well grounded.

The congressional ticket in the Third district between Edgar Howard and J. S. Latta, which at the outset tended toward Latta, now seems somewhat more close. Incomplete returns show the two candidates to be running neck and neck. Senator Alrich, who is running against E. H. Hinshaw in the Fourth district, threw up the sponge and conceded Hinshaw's nomination.

The Sixth district fight reveals Congressman Kinkaid well in the lead for renomination. He is apparently not to have any difficulty in winning. In the Second district Jefferies has a walkover for the republican nomination. Congressman Hitchcock (dem.) had no opposition.

In the First district McGuire, democrat, appears to be leading Fitzsimons for congress. The returns are still too incomplete in the Fourth to show the democratic winner. In the Sixth there is scarcely anything upon which to base a prediction, though Westover is running well in the lead.

Indications point to the nomination of J. A. Williams for railway commissioner. Contests on auditor, state superintendent of public instruction and land commissioner must await the opening of the poll books before they are determined.

Returns from 250 of the 1,700 precincts in the state, outside of Douglas county, indicate the nomination of Shallenberger for governor by a plurality of 10,000 provided the ratio of the earlier returns is maintained throughout the state.

Washington.

Announcement was made in special orders of the war department that by direction of the president a general court martial had been appointed to meet at Fort Wayne, Mich., September 9, 1908, for the trial of such persons as may be brought before it. The fact that the personnel of the court comprises some of the officers of the highest rank in the army indicated that an officer of high rank was to be placed on trial.

Interstate Commerce Commissioner Prouty, who has returned to Washington, expressed the belief that legislation may be expected next winter giving the commission power to pass on increases of freight rates before they become effective. This legislation was strongly urged last session. He believes that for the present a general increase of rates need not be feared. If rates are increased then he expects agitation for drastic legislation.

Secretary Wilson will depart for Maine Sept. 9 and will speak in that state several days before the Maine election, Sept. 15. On Sept. 15 he will speak in Boston. Secretary Garfield will be in Maine at the same time.

First Lieutenant Russell T. Hazzard, of the Seventh infantry, in whose case a court martial was ordered at Fort Wayne, Mich., in January last, has been wholly retired from active service in the army.

The navy department is considering the advisability of sending several vessels now on the home stations to meet the battleship fleet.

The national republican committee has begun sending out campaign literature.

Personal.

Judge Taft made four political speeches in his trip across Ohio. Colored voters are for Taft, declares Bishop J. S. Caldwell.

William J. Bryan will write each week until election a letter to be sent to every precinct democratic club in the country, giving advice and suggestion as to the line of campaign. This novel feature of a presidential struggle was made known by John L. Tomlinson, head of the bureau of club organizations of the democratic clubs throughout the eastern states.

At the Grand Army encampment in Toledo veterans are being entertained by citizens in their homes instead of being placed in tents.

President Roosevelt at a conference at Oyster Bay said that, speaking as a citizen of New York, he favors the renomination of Governor Hughes.

Germany suggests the recognition of Mulai Hafid as sultan of Morocco in the interest of peace.

The shah of Persia is defeated and his financial policy is being blocked by the money loaners of Europe, who ask for control of the finances of the empire.

Editors from different cities and representing 150 labor papers met in convention at Chicago. L. W. Quick of St. Louis presided at the opening session.

National Chairman Mack has announced the September speaking dates of Mr. Bryan.

NEVIUS IS ELECTED

CHOSEN COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF GRAND ARMY.

CHOICE MADE FIRST BALLOT

J. Kent Hamilton of Ohio Elected Senior Vice Commander—The Women's Relief Corps.

Toledo, O.—Colonel Henry M. Nevius of Red Bank, N. J., was elected commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. The election occurred on the first ballot, which gave Mr. Nevius 454 votes, compared with 254 for former Governor Van Sant of Minnesota and 90 for L. T. Dickson of Illinois. On motion of the former Minnesota executive the nomination of the New Jersey man was made unanimous. Other officers were chosen as follows:

Senior Vice Commander—J. Kent Hamilton of Ohio.
Junior Vice Commander—C. C. Royce of California.
Chaplain-in-Chief—J. F. Spence of Tennessee.
Surgeon-in-Chief—G. Lane Tannehill of Maryland.

J. W. Stebbins of Alabama made a fight for junior vice commander on the ground that the south, with its 150,000 graves of Union dead to care for, should be represented on the national staff. W. M. Scott of Atlanta, Ga., the retiring junior vice commander, declared that the south, represented by J. F. Spence among the national officers, had every reason to be satisfied.

The selection of a city for the next encampment will be made Friday, and although the weight of sentiment so far expressed is in favor of Salt Lake City, this city is certain to meet with opposition.

Colonel Nevius, a native of New Jersey, was studying law with the late Russel A. Alger of Michigan when the war broke out, and enlisted from that state with the Lincoln cavalry. Young Nevius rose to a commission with the Seventh Michigan and the Twenty-fifth New York cavalry regiments, and lost an arm in front of Fort Stevens when the union army was engaged with General Early. Colonel Nevius, besides being twice department commander of New Jersey, has been a judge and president of the New Jersey senate.

The Women's Relief corps elected Mrs. W. L. Gillman of Roxbury, Mass., president.

ATHLETES MEET PRESIDENT

OLYMPIAN VICTORS RECEIVED AT SAGAMORE HILL.

Each is Warmly Praised—Mr. Roosevelt Tells How Proud He Is of Their Achievements.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—With a gun from the local yacht club booming a rousing welcome, the American Olympic team, victors in the recent events in London, steamed into the waters of Oyster Bay Monday for their visit to President Roosevelt.

When they left their boat and reached the top of Sagamore Hill Mr. Roosevelt was on his veranda where he had been scanning them eagerly for several minutes as they approached, two abreast, whistling "A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight."

James E. Sullivan, the American commissioner, was first to be received by the president. He acted as master of ceremonies, presenting each one of his charges in turn. The president grasped each one by the hand and to each he spoke a few words of mingled greeting and commendation.

John J. Hayes, the Marathon hero, had the distinction of being the first to be presented.

"I am proud of you," said the president to him as he gave him a vigorous hand-shake, "your feat was marvelous. You won a great race and I am glad of it."

Tewanina, the Indian, who came in ninth in the Marathon race, pleased the president immensely.

"I am glad, indeed," he said to him, "that a real original American Indian competed for America and represented the country abroad. It was a fine showing that you made."

So it was with each and every one of the team that had made the trip and when the last man had been grasped by the hand and his heart cheered by the president's words and he had passed into the dining-room and partaken of refreshments, Mr. Roosevelt followed in, and then had to listen to some cheers for himself.

Some one proposed three cheers for "the greatest president the United States ever had, Theodore Roosevelt," and everybody responded. Mr. Roosevelt then addressed the athletes briefly.

Spanish War Veterans Meet. Boston—Over 3,000 veterans of the Spanish war are gathered in this city for the fifth annual encampment of the United Spanish War Veterans, which opened Tuesday. The Philippines were represented by a delegation that arrived by train from New York.

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NOW LET SOMEONE COME TO THE RESCUE.



The United States Government Has Filed a Claim for Thirty-Five Cents Against Two Railroads.—News Item.

MARCH OF VETERANS

PARADE OF THE GRAND ARMY IS A GREAT SUCCESS.

IS REVIEWED BY MR. TAFT

His Dramatic and Cordial Meeting with Senator Foraker Elicits Cheers from Old Soldiers and Spectators.

Toledo, O.—For an hour or more Wednesday the great parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, with its attendant throngs, served merely as the background of as dramatic an incident as has enlivened a political campaign in some years, namely the public meeting of William H. Taft and his erstwhile rival, Senator Joseph Benson Foraker.

The Republican leader and his antagonist politically of the pre-convention canvass met in the official reviewing stand, shook hands, smiled and exchanged greetings, while from thousands of throats came cheer after cheer as the significance of the incident dawned upon the beholders.

Mr. Taft, bronzed from much golf and some fishing in Middle Bass Island, ignorant of the impending meeting, arrived from the island on Commodore Richardson's power boat Jassamine at 10:30 o'clock in the morning. His progress along the streets in an automobile, accompanied by Gen. Corbin, President Lewis of the Middle Bass Fishing club, and Mayor Whitlock, was a continued ovation. The thousands in the reviewing stand stood when he entered, and for some time after he had become seated. Then Senator Foraker appeared and the two shook hands cordially and chatted together.

Parade a Great Success. The parade was remarkable for the absence of accidents and cases of exhaustion, and for the good order which prevailed, not only among the dense crowds along the line of march, but throughout the city. Mayor Whitlock stated that despite the crowd of 100,000 visitors there had been fewer accidents, fewer misdemeanors and less work for the police generally than on any average day of the year. Aside from a veteran who was slightly bruised by being hit by an ambulance, there were no accidents, and not more than a dozen visited the hospital as the result of fatigue.

Estimates of the number of veterans in line varied from 8,000 to three times that number, but it is doubtful if there were more than 12,000. The various posts marched with half a block between them, and the departments were even further apart. There was a good ten feet separating each row of marchers and it was this liberality of space which made it require four hours to pass the reviewing stand. Fully half the veterans wore the badges of either Michigan or Ohio.

Some Amusing Features. Some of the veterans, wise in experience of parades, carried camp stools over their arms, and whenever there was a halt they promptly sat down, to the envy of their comrades. The first amusing incident of the march came with the marching past of the Rhode Island detachment. Two veteran tars, in sailor suits and each carrying a broom bearing the placard, "Who won the battles of '61 and '65? We did," danced along the way and were the targets of many flowers. The Berdan sharpshooters carried their name on a 12-foot cloth sustained by poles at each end and borne by two men. The wind being brisk, propelled the bearers forward faster than they cared to go, and they were compelled to strain at the banner at every step to avoid being carried forward at a run.

AERONAUT DASHED TO DEATH. Falls 500 Feet Before Great Crowd at Waterville, Me. Waterville, Me.—In full view of 25,000 horrified spectators assembled on the Central Maine fair grounds here late Wednesday, Charles Oliver Jones, a well-known aeronaut of Hammondsport, N. Y., fell 500 feet to his death. Among the witnesses of the frightful plunge were Mrs. Jones and child, and they were almost the first to reach the side of the dying man. The aeronaut died an hour and a half after the accident.

Jones had made an ascension in a dirigible balloon. The gas bag leaked and sparks from the motor set the machine afire.

Gen. A. P. Stewart Dead. Biloxi, Miss.—Gen. Alexander P. Stewart, one of the last surviving lieutenant generals of the confederate army, died at his home here Sunday. Like the Lees, Gen. Stewart, after the close of hostilities between the states, gave himself up to the instruction of southern youth and served from 1874 to 1886 as chancellor of the University of Mississippi.

Publisher Kills Himself. Lewistown, Pa.—James S. Stackpole, the republican candidate for director of the poor, and a member of the firm of Stackpole Brothers, publishers of the Lewistown Gazette, while mentally unbalanced committed suicide near Millfintown by shooting.

Pittsburg Exposition Opens. Pittsburg, Pa.—The twentieth annual season of the Pittsburg exposition, the only industrial exhibit of its kind in the United States, opened here Wednesday night.

Cruisers and Tows Reach Honolulu. Honolulu.—The cruisers of the Pacific fleet, commanded by Rear Admiral Swinburne, finished the first stage of the cruise undertaken to test the practicability of towing torpedo boat destroyers when the flagship West Virginia, the Maryland, Pennsylvania and Tennessee docked at one o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the harbor and the remaining vessels, including the supply ship Solace, anchored outside. The arrival of the ships was witnessed by many residents of the islands.

Burglar's Conscience Hurt Him. Philadelphia.—Joseph G. Mantell surrendered himself to the police here Friday, declaring that he was wanted for robbing the home of Miss Bertha Brand in City avenue, Brooklyn, on October 28 last, and also the home of William Gluck, fourth assistant examiner in the patent office at Washington. The latter robbery was committed, he said, on November 9, 1907. "I have been tortured by my conscience and can get no rest day or night, so I want to face trial and end it all," Mantell told the detectives.

Council of Women Meets. Geneva.—The International Council of Women, which was organized by American women at the Chicago world's fair in 1893, and whose membership totals about 7,000,000, representing all parts of the world, held its opening session here Tuesday.

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