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## NEWS NOTES CONDENSED

A Boiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

### Congress.

President Roosevelt sent a special message to the house, vetoing the bill to permit the construction of a dam across the James river in Missouri.

The matter of increasing the president's salary to \$100,000 a year was discussed in the senate without definite action.

Nebraska national bankers are said to be coming around to favor the postal savings bank bill.

Mr. Tillman in another speech in the senate made further denials and explanations regarding his connection with Oregon land deals.

Mr. Carter offered an amendment to the postal savings bank bill, fixing the rate of interest on deposits at 2 per cent.

Senator Bacon declares in favor of a bill providing for right of senate to demand papers of any department.

Senator Burket's bill to allow the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri valley railroad permission to change its route was refused.

The authority of congress to direct heads of executive departments to send to the senate or house information in their possession was the subject of an extended speech in the senate.

Senator Cummins of Iowa is first to make his first fight and his first speech in the senate, in behalf of amendments to the postal savings bank bill, which he considers absolutely necessary if the measure is to pass. He is determined to oppose the measure unless the amendments are adopted.

Objection was made in the house to the use of the pension building for the inauguration ball.

Opponents of a large river and harbor appropriation contend the treasury is too low to stand it.

Senator Tillman says he will soon expose the "dark and crooked ways of President Roosevelt."

Senator Burket introduced a bill previously presented to the house by Representative Boyd, enabling the Omaha Indians to protect from overflow their tribal and allotted lands within the boundaries of any drainage district in Nebraska. The lands sought to be drained lie in Thurston county.

Representative Hull has introduced a bill authorizing the president to appoint one additional professor of mathematics in the navy.

Congressman Hinshaw has returned from a visit to Panama. He regrets that he was not in Washington to cast his vote against the resolution tabling that portion of the president's message having reference to the secret service.

The house of representatives appointed a special committee to investigate secret service work in all departments of the government.

Senate galleries were crowded to listen to Senator Tillman reply to the president's charges against him in connection with land grabs.

### General.

Thornton Hains, charged with aiding his brother, Captain Hains to kill W. E. Annis was declared not guilty by the jury after twenty-two hours' consultation.

The order of hat manufacturers removing labels from all hats is the cause of a strike which involves thousands of workers.

A statement from Denver says General Superintendent W. L. Park is to become head of the operative department of all Harriman lines, with headquarters in Chicago.

Ten persons were killed in a wreck on the Denver & Rio Grande.

At Denver John C. Beatty, aged 65, of New York, said to be a wealthy land owner was found dead in a bath tub in which hot water was running.

One man was killed and fourteen persons injured in a fire which destroyed Copeland hotel at Topeka, Kas.

Mrs. Edward Pomeroy of Sidney, Neb., gets half of big estate of John R. Platt, late of New York.

John W. Kern in a formal statement charges his defeat for senatorship in Indiana to special interests who are using the party for selfish ends.

Prof. Abbot L. Lowell is recommended by corporation for president of Harvard as successor to Charles W. Eliot.

Nebraska landed more prizes than any other state at the Corn Show, with Iowa a close second.

Judge Anderson is to preside at the retrial of the Standard Oil case.

Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad, will pay fare on his own road hereafter when traveling in Minnesota.

John F. Stevens, former engineer of Panama canal, has been offered presidency of Colorado & Southern, recently acquired by the Hill interests.

The New Cuban congress met. Among the first bills to be introduced will be one legalizing cock fighting and one creating a national lottery.

Rev. J. H. Carmichael, a former Nebraska preacher, killed himself at Carthage, Ill., leaving a letter admitting the murder of Browning.

The commander at Messina issues orders to shoot looters.

An explosion in the Lick Branch colliery, West Virginia, caused the death of probably sixty men.

Depletion of government revenue is the greatest barrier to systematic revision of the tariff.

Union Pacific announces fast daily local trains between Omaha and North Platte, which will relieve the Overland Limited.

One of the interesting measures to be considered in the New York legislature is one proposing that the state assume control of the police in all of the cities of the state.

An ancient church in Switzerland collapsed. Forty dead and sixty injured have been taken from the ruins.

Many deaths have marked the emigration of Richardson (Neb.) county people who emigrated to Canada. It is a great country for pneumonia harvests.

The Nebraska legislature reannounced the vote on the amendment providing for four new supreme court justices.

Rev. John H. Carmichael of Adair, Mich., committed suicide at Carthage, Ill., after writing a letter confessing he killed Gideon Browning in the church at Adair. Carmichael formerly lived in Nebraska.

"Work, peace and progress" is declared to be the new motto of Turkey.

The Irish universities act and the housing act passed by the British Parliament are two measures that will prove a great benefit to the people of the Emerald Isle.

Search in the ruins of Messina are occasionally rewarded by the finding of living victims.

Return of balmy weather permits earthquake sufferers at Messina to live in the open.

Governor Mason received a hearty welcome in his tour of Cuba.

The Illinois legislature has a deadlock on that threatens serious possibilities.

Twenty-five men were killed by an explosion of gas in the Lister coal mines at Ziegler, Ill.

### V. Washington.

The president sent to the senate the following nominations of postmasters: Nebraska—George Young, Cedar Bluffs; Benk W. Showalter, Davenport; Spicer E. Ellis, Elmwood.

Representative Hinshaw made a request upon the Agricultural department that one of the expert road builders of the department now operating in Nebraska be assigned to the fourth congressional district.

The senate committee on Agriculture authorized a favorable report on the McCumber bill providing for the inspection and grading of grains. Under this bill national inspection and grading of grains is provided for and the Department of Agriculture is authorized to fix definite grades.

The senate passed a bill permitting the use of the pension office for the inaugural ball in connection with the inauguration of Mr. Taft. Senator Scott, in charge of the measure, explained that it contained the usual provision for special police, etc., "to provide for the pickpockets and others who come here on occasions of inaugurations."

Taking evidence in the suit to dissolve the Standard Oil combine will be finished in a day or two. Final arguments will be heard in St. Louis in April.

The military affairs committee of the house authorized a favorable report on the bill granting the Chicago & Northwestern railway the right to change its right-of-way over the abandoned Fort Niobrara military reservation, and giving said railway permission to construct a new bridge across the Niobrara river in conformity with the new right-of-way.

The Civil Service commission announced examinations will be held this spring for departmental service in Washington at the following places: In Nebraska and Iowa: Beatrice, March 17; Grand Island, March 19, 29; April 14; Lincoln, March 10, 29; April 14; Omaha, March 10, 27, April 14; in Iowa—Ames, March 10, April 14; Burlington, March 10, April 3; Davenport, March 10, April 14; Des Moines, March 10, April 13, 14; Du Buque, March 10, April 5, 14; Iowa City, March 10, April 14; Mason City, March 10, April 6, 14; Sioux City, March 10, 26, April 14.

A statement from Taft that there will be no more cabinet announcements until March 4th gives the outside cabinet makers full swing and a clear field on guessing.

As shown by the annual report of the commissioner of immigration for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908, the work of the bureau was in many respects the most comprehensive and interesting ever performed. During the year there was a decrease of 29 per cent in immigration.

### Personal.

Ex-senator Dietrich of Nebraska favors a postal savings bill.

Dr. George E. Howard of Nebraska university contends that divorcees are a good thing.

Tributes were paid by the house of representatives to the memory of the late United States Senator Redfield Proctor of Vermont.

Eighteen hundred people in Cleveland, O., pledge themselves to live for one week "as Jesus would."

T. B. Hord, the most extensive cattle feeder in the world, stricken with paralysis at his home in Central City, Nebraska.

The supreme state court refuses to grant a rehearing to Captain A. G. Fisher of Chadron, Neb., who was disbarred from practicing law for a year.

## DAYS OF TOLERANCE

PRESIDENT-ELECT TAFT DISCUSSES RELIGIOUS WORK.

WARM PRAISE FOR Y. M. C. A.

Believes the Association Has Brought About More Tolerance Than All Other Agencies.

Augusta, Ga.—Introduced to a big audience of men, comprising the negro Young Men's Christian association of this city, Sunday, as the "most popular and conspicuous citizen of the United States, America's great statesman, our uncrowned king, for whom we wish a successful administration," President-elect Taft discussed the Christian uplift of the Young Men's Christian association work.

Dr. Walker, known as "Black Spurgeon" who introduced Mr. Taft, said the negroes of Georgia, owned 1,900,000 acres of land in the state and paid taxes on \$20,000,000 worth of property.

This report Mr. Taft regarded as most encouraging. It gave him an illustration for the oft expressed belief that the race question must be settled by the negroes themselves becoming indispensable to the community in which they lived. This meant industry, education and thrift, acquired by constant individual effort. He dwelt at length upon the advantage of Young Men's Christian association work to bring out this end and illustrated his point by picturing the temptations and depression of Americans in the Philippines and the help which the association is rendering there to afford wholesome ways of entertainment for the leisure hours.

It was his belief that the Young Men's Christian association had brought about in this country more tolerance between the various religious denominations. As an example of this he gave a detailed account of the situation in which the government found itself with regard to the friar lands in the Philippines. Concurrence, he said, had been obtained from a body of clergymen, representing the various denominations that no protest would be made by them when the government should take up with the pope the negotiations necessary to acquire title to these lands. Their purchase for \$7,000,000 he said, had saved what would have been a bloody revolution in the Philippines, which would have cost the country millions more and many lives.

"Forty years ago," he said, "it would have been impossible to have obtained this concurrence. There would have arisen among the denominations an objection to it, on the ground that it was a recognition of the Roman Catholic church contrary to our traditions."

After he had described the Young Men's Christian association work of the Isthmus of Panama, where four clubs are running, each under the direction of an experienced Young Men's Christian association secretary, paid by the government, where ten or a dozen ministers are also employed by the government with a plan endorsed to establish two or three more clubs. Mr. Taft remarked: "It is possible we will be charged with having fished that money from the public treasury. But if we have, we have accomplished a good work with it."

TRIPLE TRAGEDY IN SEATTLE.

W. L. Seelye Kills Wife and Daughter and Commits Suicide.

Seattle, Wash.—W. L. Seelye, an attorney and former national bank examiner for Illinois under Comptroller of the Currency Eckles, his wife, Mrs. Kate M. Seelye, a member of the national society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and his daughter, Miss Rene Seelye, a student at the University of Washington and a member of the Delta Gamma society, were found dead in a bath room of their home in the fashionable Capitol Hill district Sunday.

The victims had been dead since the previous Thursday. The women, each of whom was clad in night robes, had been murdered by being struck on the head, evidently with a hammer. There was no mark of violence on Seelye. That Seelye killed his wife's daughter while insane over financial worries and then committed suicide is the theory of the coroner and the police.

Mr. Bryan Will not Attend.

Tampa, Fla.—Word was received from W. J. Bryan, that he would not attend the inauguration of President Gomez in Cuba, but instead would extend his visit in Tampa until that time.

Cuba to Rule Itself.

Havana—January 23, at noon the Cuban people will come into their own for the second time at the hands of the American government.

Iroquois Theater Cases.

Chicago.—It was made public here that after five years of litigation settlements had been made in the cases of thirty of the deaths caused by the Iroquois theater fire. It is stated that \$750 a case is to be paid by one of the firms responsible for the fire in the theater, prosecutions against the company in these cases having been withdrawn from court. In one instance a man who lost his wife and three children in the fire, received \$750 for each death. Many other suits against firms are still pending.

Try to Tamper With Jury?

Pittsburg, Pa.—George W. Worley, brother-in-law of J. B. F. Rinehart, accused of wrecking the Farmers' & Drovers' National bank of Waynesburg, Pa., whose case was being deliberated upon by a jury Thursday night, and James L. Smith, a prominent business man of Waynesburg, were arrested by United States secret service operatives on a charge of attempting to tamper with a jury. It is alleged they attempted to reach one of the jurors in the Rinehart case, but it is understood were unsuccessful.

PHOTOGRAPHS FROM RECENT QUAKE IN ITALY.



The Upper Picture Shows Soldiers Carrying Injured Victims from the Ruins and the Lower a Camp of the Injured and Homeless.

## FIRE RAZES TOPEKA HOTEL

ONE MAN KILLED IN BURNING OF COPELAND HOUSE.

Was One of Oldest Hoteltries in Kansas and Rallying Point of Politicians.

Topeka, Kan.—With walls blackened by smoke, bulging to the danger point and threatening to cave in at any time on an interior of utter ruin, all that remains of the Copeland hotel, the rallying point of the Republican party of Kansas for years, is a mere hulk of a building, the result of a fire Thursday.

The body of Isaac E. Lambert, ex-United States district attorney for Kansas, was found in the ruins Thursday night with the head, arms and legs burned off. The body was found in the northeast corner of the building. Lambert's room was on the fourth floor directly above. Fourteen of the guests were more or less seriously hurt.

The hotel is a complete loss, estimated at \$120,000. Insurance was carried to the amount of \$41,000. The porticos are intact and the front of the building was not burned out. But inside is complete ruin, all four of the floors have caved in. An attempt was made last night to wreck the walls with a stream of water, but it proved fruitless.

The Copeland hotel was of brick construction, four stories in height. It was situated at the corner of Ninth and Kansas avenues, one block from the state capitol, and was one of the oldest hotels in Kansas. It had a roomy lobby and wide hallways, and was plentifully supplied with fire escapes. The main stairway, however, was built around the elevator, and the flames shooting up the shaft soon shut off this means of escape. The fire started shortly after four o'clock in or near the kitchen, apparently from escaping gas. The flames had gained great headway when discovered and when the fire apparatus first arrived the rear stairway had been cut off as a means of escape.

Must Pay Fare on His Own Road.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, will pay on his own road hereafter when traveling in Minnesota. He informed Gov. Johnson Thursday that he would accept appointment as a member of the state highway commission, and his name was sent to the senate Friday. The attorney general has ruled that persons holding any kind of state position are absolutely barred from accepting free transportation, even if they are railroad officials.

Noted Russian Admiral Dead.

St. Petersburg.—The death is announced of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, who was in command of the Russian fleet in May, 1905, when it was practically annihilated by the Japanese in the battle of the Sea of Japan. The death of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, which occurred in St. Petersburg Thursday, was due to neuralgia of the heart.

Turkey Accepts Austria's Offer.

Constantinople.—Through the suggestion of his majesty, Sultan Abdul Hamid I, the Turkish government has accepted the Austro-Hungarian offer of \$2,500,000 Turkish (\$10,000,000 indemnity for the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, thus removing every possibility of war.

Two Engines Fall Into River.

Vancouver, B. C.—Brief news of an accident on the Canadian Pacific railroad reached Vancouver Friday afternoon. Two locomotives and four cars are believed to have jumped into the river near Spuzzum. Engineers Foster and Kinzaden were killed.

Former Iowa Solon Dead.

Fort Dodge, Ia.—Former State Senator Thomas D. Healey died Friday evening of pneumonia. He was born near Lansing, Ia., and moved to Fort Dodge in 1883.

## WATER POWER IS IN DANGER

SO SAYS PRESIDENT IN VETOING A BILL FOR A DAM.

Considers Himself Bound to Prevent Monopoly of Public Resources If He Can.

Washington.—President Roosevelt Friday sent a special message to the house with his veto of the bill providing for the construction of a dam across James river, in Stone county, Missouri, the purpose of the dam being to get water to create electric power. He declared that the movement to secure control of the water power of the country is still in its infancy, but that "unless it is controlled by the history of the oil industry will be repeated in the hydro-electric power industry, with results far more oppressive and disastrous for the people."

"It is true," he added, "that the great bulk of our potential water power is as yet undeveloped, but the sites which are now controlled by combinations are those which offer the greatest advantages and therefore hold a strategic position." He says that "the bill gives to the grantee a valuable privilege, which by its very nature is monopolistic, and does not contain the conditions essential to protect the public interest."

"I consider myself bound," he continues, "as far as exercise of my executive power will allow, to do for the people, in prevention of monopoly of their resources, what I believe they would do for themselves if they were in a position to act."

The message was received at the close of the day and was received differently. After its reading it was referred to the committee on interstate and foreign commerce.

### CARMICHAEL WAS INSANE.

Examination of Brain Reveals Evidence of Acute Mania.

Detroit, Mich.—The brain of Rev. John H. Carmichael, who killed Gideon Browning in the Rattle Run church and committed suicide at Carthage, Ill., was examined by four physicians here last night. At the conclusion of the autopsy, the physicians stated that they had found unmistakable evidence of insanity. The doctors who held the post-mortem examination were County Physician William J. Stapleton, E. B. Smith, C. B. Ray and Arthur W. Klipp.

"We find that Rev. Mr. Carmichael had been suffering from acute mania," said the physicians. "The blood vessels of the brain were all congested. There was an adhesion of the coverings of the brain to the cranium, which showed an anæmia of the right side of the brain, and we found granulations of the superior, posterior surface of the cerebrum. It is evident that Mr. Carmichael had suffered several attacks of acute inflammation of the brain."

### PANIC IN NEW ITALIAN QUAKE.

Several Severe Shocks Felt in Number of Cities.

Rome.—A slight earthquake was experienced throughout Lombardy, Venetia and Tuscany. No damage was done, and no one was injured, but owing to the general uneasiness resulting from the recent visitations in Calabria and Sicily, the people for a moment were thrown into a condition bordering on panic. According to the records of the observatories, and especially the establishments maintained at Florence by the Jesuit Fathers, the center of the disturbance was near Leibach, Saxony. The quake was strongest in Italy at Treviso, 16 miles north of Venice. Rieti, the birthplace of the present pope, reports that some territory. The first reports that came into Rome were alarming, and people feared a repetition of the catastrophe of December 28; but prompt use of the telegraph soon brought out the fact that the shocks had not been severe, and that no damage or loss of life resulted.

### AMERICAN GIRL WEDS A PEER.

Miss Beatrice Mills Becomes the Countess of Granard.

New York.—Miss Jane Beatrice Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, and granddaughter of the well-known financier, D. O. Mills, was married to the eighth earl of Granard Thursday, thus becoming a British peeress.

The marriage took place at 3:30 in the afternoon at the city home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Thomas J. Cusack of St. Stephen's Roman Catholic church, in the presence of 250 relatives and guests. The gifts to the bride were said to be worth about \$500,000 and included a check for \$100,000 from her father.

Freed From Russian Prison.

New York.—After having passed a year in a Russian prison under suspicion in connection with a Russian murder, Adolph Fischer of 170 Jefferson avenue, Chicago, is now on his way home. Fischer, who returned from Libau on the Russian steamer Estonia, went to St. Petersburg about a year ago on business. He was arrested and imprisoned in one of the smaller Russian cities and was not allowed to write letters. Finally information of his plight reached the American ambassador, who secured his release. Fischer was ordered to leave the country, but before complying began a suit for \$75,000 for false imprisonment.

Presidents' Widows Honored.

Washington.—By unanimous vote the house of representatives Friday granted the franking privilege to Mrs. Benjamin Harrison and Mrs. Grover Cleveland.

Kills His Wife and Himself.

Alliance, O.—Albert Lazineford, 50 years old, a farmer who lived near Bergholz, shot and killed his wife, 53 years old, and then himself on the road near Amapolis. Jealousy is supposed to have been the cause.

Bars Out All Lobbyists.

Boston.—The Massachusetts senate, without debate, adopted Friday a recommendation presented by the committee on rules, excluding legislative agents and counsel from the senate chamber and corridors.

## T. J. HAINS SET FREE

FOUND NOT GUILTY OF MURDER IN KILLING OF ANNIS.

CROWD CHEERS VERDICT

Defendant, Overjoyed, Carries News to His Brother in Jail, Who Probably Never Will Be Tried.

Flushing, N. Y.—After reviewing the evidence for 22 hours and taking 15 ballots before all were agreed, the jury in the trial of Thornton Hains Hains Friday afternoon found the prisoner not guilty as a principal with his brother, Capt. Peter C. Hains, Jr., in the killing of William E. Annis.

For the second time in his life Thornton Hains has been found not guilty of the charge of murder, he having been acquitted of murder in shooting a companion named Edward W. Hannigan in an open boat in Hampton roads 17 years ago.

Thornton Hains had an affecting greeting with Capt. Hains in the Long Island jail, where he hurried in a motor car after the verdict to bring his brother the news. Old Gen. Hains and his wife, who had been anxiously waiting to learn the verdict in the Hotel Astor, in Manhattan, since the jury went out at five o'clock Thursday night, heard the news from their son.



Thornton J. Hains. Thornton, who telephoned his parents as soon as he left the courtroom. Mrs. Hains nearly fainted from joy at the news.

Rarely in any court of law has such a demonstration been witnessed as that which occurred when the jury made known its verdict, which came like a thunderbolt. The packed courtroom of spectators rose as one man and cheered and applauded with such mighty vigor that the gavel falls of Justice Crane on his desk could not be heard.

Officials of the district attorney's office in Queens county are quoted as saying that the verdict in this case probably means that Capt. Hains will never be brought to trial and that he will be surrendered into the care of his family or the federal government.

"Under this verdict it is perfectly safe for any person who is ingenious enough to frame up a defense to go out and kill. Private vengeance seems to have taken precedence over the people's law," was the only comment that Prosecutor Darrin had to make.

### HORROR IN HUNGARIAN MINE.

Scores of Men Killed by an Explosion and Fire.

Veszprim, Hungary.—In an explosion of fire-damp in the Anka coal mine here Thursday, which was followed by a dust explosion and fire, 240 men were entombed.

Sixteen living miners and the bodies of 45 dead persons thus far have been brought out of the pit.

The fire has been held to one locality and it is hoped that the remainder of the entombed miners will be rescued alive.

The town of Veszprim lies 60 miles southeast of Buda Pest and has a population of some 15,000, composed mostly of Magyars.

### Shively Is Indiana Senator.

Indianapolis, Ind.—B. F. Shively was chosen on the twentieth ballot for United States senator in the caucus of the Democratic members of the legislature after many weary hours of balloting.

John Worth Kern, recent candidate for vice-president on the Democratic ticket, made a gallant fight and led in the early balloting. Once he gave the field a scare, when on the third ballot he jumped to 32 votes.

### Portuguese Mob Fights Troops.

Oporto.—The distress in the port wine growing regions arising from a crisis in the wine trade culminated Friday in rioting. At Reson the troops that were preserving order were fired on by an infuriated mob and replied with a bayonet charge.

Found Dead in Bath Tub.

Denver, Col.—John C. Beatty, aged 65, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., said to be a wealthy land owner, was found dead in a bath tub into which hot water was running Friday. The body had evidently been in the water since midnight.

Quakes in South Africa.

Cape Town.—Several earthquakes have occurred recently in various parts of South Africa. One was felt Friday at Johannesburg, but no damage was done.