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Most Important Happenings Told in Brief.

Washington

By a vote of 265 to 89 the Canadian reciprocity agreement was passed by the house of representatives. No amendments were allowed to the bill, which was very similar to the one passed last session, except that it carried an added section which "authorizes and requests" President Taft to obtain further reciprocal trade relations with Canada. Ten of the opposing votes were cast by the Democrats and the other 79 by Republicans.

Formal demands made by insurgent Republican senators that they be recognized as an organization distinct from the Republican majority in the United States senate and that they be given one-fourth of all the majority memberships of the committee and control of these assignments were rejected by a vote of 7 to 4 at a meeting of the senate committee on committees.

The majority report of the way and means committee on the so-called farmers' free list bill, submitted to the house by Chairman Underwood, shows that the bill would reduce the tariff revenue \$18,016,495, based on importations for the last fiscal year.

Representative Berger, Socialist, of Wisconsin, wants congress to have power to call a constitutional convention. He introduced a resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution granting that authority and characterized the Constitution as "antiquated and obsolete."

Former Speaker Cannon in a speech in the house vigorously assailed the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreement and declared it as dangerous to American trade, inimical to the best interests of American farmers and certain to result in depreciation of American farm lands.

Action in the United States senate indicates that the direct vote for senators bill is going to have a stormy time of it. An effort was made to refer the house measure to the judiciary committee and the plan failed, at least temporarily.

Domestic

Glenns Alongi, accused of sending threatening letters through the mails, was fined \$1,000 in the United States district court at Chicago and taken to the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., to serve a five-year sentence.

Gold watch cases, said to be valued at \$20,000, were stolen from an express wagon of the Parmelee Transfer company at Chicago when the driver left the wagon standing in an alley. No trace of the perpetrators of the bold daylight robbery has been found by the police.

The last word in insurance was sprung at Dallas, Tex., when the Temperance Insurance company was organized. The company will insure insubstantiates at 50 per cent. less than the regular solar patrons.

Citizens of New Orleans, friends of Cardinal Gibbons, have taken steps to assist the movement started in Baltimore to raise a fund for the erection of a Cardinal Gibbons memorial hall.

Joseph Clancy, son of an Oswego (N. Y.) merchant, fell dead on the brink of a newly-dug grave in St. Peter's cemetery. He was talking with the grave digger, who had just finished his work, when heart disease ended his life.

That the agreement entered into by 16 manufacturers of sanitary enameled ware, charged by the government with violating the Sherman anti-trust act, was advantageous to jobbers and consumers was testified to by prominent manufacturers from various parts of the country at the bathtub trust hearing.

The Ohio Democratic delegation in congress after scanning the political horizon to the east and to the west, decided to "shuck" coats and go to work in earnest for Gov. Judson Harmon, their candidate for the presidential nomination in 1912.

Will Potter, a negro, was the central figure in a tragedy at Livermore, Ky., when 50 men dragged him upon the opera-house stage and, after hanging him, riddled his body with bullets. Potter had shot and killed Frank Mitchell in a quarrel.

Twelve election officials of New Orleans who pleaded guilty recently in the so-called "ballot-box stuffing" cases, to charges of violating the state election laws, were sentenced to eight months' imprisonment each in prison.

The report that Booker T. Washington and a number of northern negroes would try to gain control of the International & Great Northern railroad, was denied by Emmet J. Scott, private secretary to the negro educator.

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Mrs. Matthew T. Scott of Bloomington, Ill., was reelected president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution at Washington, D. C., by a large majority over Mrs. William S. Storey of New York.

That a check for \$10,000 toward a "jackpot" for the election of Senator Lorimer was contributed by C. F. Weihe of Virginia, Minn., a prominent lumberman, was the direct statement made before the Helm investigating committee at Springfield, Ill., by William Burgess, an electrical contractor of Duluth, who said he had the story at first hand from Weihe, who is a brother-in-law of Edward Hines, the lumberman.

New Jersey police are searching for clues to the principals in an Ontario & Western express car robbery which resulted in the loss of over \$1,000 in cash and the disappearance of \$5,000 worth of valuables at Weehawken.

Personal

Victor Morawetz of New York and Miss Violet Westcott of Syracuse, a daughter of the late Edward Noyes Westcott, author of "David Harum," were married at Mayfair, London.

The engagement is announced at Akron, O., of Mrs. Burke Roche, daughter of the late Frank Work, and fourth cousin of B. G. Work of Akron, to Robert Seton Beresford, brother of Lord Decies, who married Miss Vivian Gould.

William A. Day was elected president of the Equitable Life Assurance society by the board of trustees at New York city.

Edward A. Moseley, secretary of the interstate commerce commission and originator of much labor legislation, died in Washington after a long illness. He was sixty-five years old.

Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, who was stricken with vertigo at the pension office and was taken to a hospital, has sufficiently recovered to return to his hotel in Washington.

Dr. C. G. Abbott, director of astrophysical observation in the Smithsonian institution, was presented with the Draper medal in Washington for making the discovery that the sun is a variable body and that its heat and light vary.

Setting forth her own experiences in the divorce court and creating a character like that of her former husband, it is said, Edna Goodrich, who until her recent divorce was the fourth Mrs. Nat Goodwin, has written a book called "The Deynard Divorce."

Former President Roosevelt returned to New York from a seven weeks' tour of the west and middle west. As he stepped from a train from Chicago he came into contact with a crowd of outgoing Easter visitors, many of whom greeted him with cheers.

Rev. Charles Taze Russell, known as "Pastor Russell" of the Brooklyn tabernacle, Brooklyn, N. Y., has accepted the pastorate of the London tabernacle, Paddington.

Sporting

Packey McFarland, the Chicago boxer, had the better of his ten-round bout with "Harlem" Tommy Murphy before the Fairmount Athletic club at New York city. It was a case of speed and cleverness against a man of the more rugged type and the former proved the superior in a short bout.

Foreign

The Moroccan rebels have stormed Fez and massacred the garrison, according to a message received at Madrid, Spain, from Tetuen. It is also stated that the sultan has fled to the French consulate for safety.

Mrs. Malvina Drummond returned to England on the Lusitania without having discovered any trace of the \$120,000 worth of jewels lost on her recent trip to this country on the Amerika.

Many priceless works of art, including paintings and gobelins, were destroyed when the city hall at Schaerbeek, a suburb of Brussels, Belgium, was destroyed by fire. Two firemen were killed.

If Porfirio Diaz does not resign as president of Mexico at once the insurgent army surrounding Juarez, Mexico, will open fire on that city and the most destructive battle of the war will be on. Announcement of the fact was made by Francisco I. Madero, the rebel leader.

The owner of a large Munich beer-house was sentenced to six weeks in jail and to pay a fine of \$750 and five of his waiters to terms of from one to three weeks in jail, for serving too much foam on beer.

BURNS EASTER HAT

SPARKS FROM LOCOMOTIVE SET IT AFIRE ON WEARER'S HEAD.

HAPPENINGS OVER THE STATE

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska and Vicinity.

Central City. — When Mrs. D. H. Burke, living west of the city, was driving home from the city Saturday afternoon, she met with a peculiar mishap.

She was wearing a fine new Easter hat, and the sparks from a passing locomotive lodged in the elaborate trimmings and set them on fire.

Mrs. Burke had difficulty in removing the hat from her head, as it was stayed by several hat pins, and she was somewhat scorched in the operation. However, she succeeded in getting it off and throwing it out of the buggy before it did any great damage.

To Give Course of Lectures. — Prof. H. B. Duncanson of the state normal school has received an invitation from the state of Washington to give a course of lectures at the marine biological station at Friday harbor, San Juan island, in that state. He has accepted, and has been granted a leave of absence from the summer school for the purpose.

Elk Creek Has Paper. — Tecumseh.—Elk Creek, this county, is to have a weekly newspaper. T. W. Lally is moving his plant from Sterling, where there are two papers, to Elk Creek, and will publish the first number of "The Elk Creek Citizen" next week.

Tornado Destroys Live Stock. — Stella.—A tornado Wednesday afternoon formed at the farm of George Helmy, almost demolishing the house, and the barn was destroyed. Many hogs were killed. The loss is \$2,000. No other serious damage from the storm is reported. Telephone wires are down south of town.

Merrick county wants a new court house.

George W. Wheeler died suddenly at Table Rock.

Fire damaged C. O. Banion's cigar factory at Chadron.

Rev. J. B. Able of Hickman was injured in an automobile smashup.

The value of Nebraska lands has more than doubled the last ten years. Falls City seems to be growing so rapidly people cannot get houses in which to live.

Former Governor A. C. Shallenberger will deliver the commencement address at Howells, May 23.

Mrs. Pospisil, living five miles east of Pierce, was burned to death Saturday evening at the home of her son, Vaclas.

Oxford held a meeting to discuss the agricultural college location, and considerable interest and enthusiasm was aroused.

The York public schools recently gave a county fair for the benefit of the cadet encampment. The affair netted the boys \$236.

Mrs. John Smith, living west of Norman, committed suicide by drowning herself in the water tank on the farm. She had been in bad health for some time.

Poisoned by eating a dish of greens last Tuesday, Mrs. M. W. Crozier, living four miles west of University Place, is dead and her husband is in a serious condition.

Werner Gerhard, a 15-year-old Lincoln boy, was accidentally shot Saturday morning when a revolver in the hands of a friend was discharged as he was examining it.

The comptroller of the treasury has granted a charter to the Farmers' National bank of Wakefield.

While hunting near Stanton, George A. Thoms, a telegraph operator, was accidentally shot in the left leg near the knee.

An \$80,000 high school building is being erected at Nebraska City.

Fire on the B. & M. right-of-way at Holdrege destroyed several warehouses, mostly belonging to brewery companies.

At the Easter service at the Presbyterian church at Lyons, Mrs. Samuel Shaw had a stroke of paralysis and had to be carried from the church to her home in an automobile.

Two hundred and forty-five wagonloads of tin cans, ashes and rubbish were removed by the street commissioner's department in response to requests to help clean up Omaha.

The National Nebraska Guard military board will meet in Lincoln April 24 to decide on the date and place of the next annual encampment. The encampment will probably be held in August.

Governor Aldrich has issued an Arbor day proclamation, designating April 22 as the day when trees are to be planted and the memory of J. Sterling Morton freshened in the minds of Nebraskans.

While riding around the campus of the Wesleyan university on a motorcycle with Harry Baker, a Havlock boy, Irene Wilson, aged 18 years, was seriously burned by ignited gasoline that leaked from the motorcycle tank.

A remarkable record is being made by two Holstein cows in the Badger & Frost dairy at Central City. One, a registered 4-year-old, is producing eight gallons of milk daily, and another, a 2-year-old, is producing twenty-two quarts.

William Fuller, a shopman employed by the Lincoln Traction company, was crushed while repairing a journal, the heavy car breaking loose from the set brakes and descending on Fuller with its full weight. He died two hours after the injury.

L. E. Wething, a well known Lincoln man, was held up and relieved of some cash and a fine gold watch. The bandits were chased by officers and an exchange of shots took place, but they made their escape.

Roman Weidman, who resides south of Fremont in Saunders county, was found in an unconscious condition on his farm by a neighbor who noticed his prostrate body in the yard. Weidman had been chopping down trees and a heavy maple fell upon him. He will recover.

STATE CAPITAL LINCOLN CHAT.

James Delahunty, formerly deputy warden, has been commissioned warden of the penitentiary by Governor Aldrich. The appointment is to take effect immediately. Mr. Davis, who was warden several years ago, is to be deputy warden. An invoice of the property at the prison is now being taken and the property will be turned over to Mr. Delahunty when that work is completed. In the meantime Mr. Delahunty is warden.

Game Birds Confiscated. — Chief Game Warden Miller has a big case on hand in a prosecution against the manager of the Millard hotel at Omaha. The game warden confiscated 135 game birds in storage in the basement of the hotel. If the fine required by law is imposed for each of the birds found in possession of the hotel it will amount to \$675.

Secretary Mueller of the state board of agriculture has planned to build a dyke on the west side of the state fair grounds which it is believed will stop any ordinary overflow of the little creek bordering on the grounds. The embankment is to be one to eight feet high, eight feet across on top and 1,200 feet long and will cost \$2,000.

The first state convention held in Nebraska by the Knights of the Macabees of the World will be held in Lincoln Tuesday and Wednesday, April 25 and 26. From three to five hundred people are expected to attend from every section of the state.

Governor Aldrich has issued a mothers' day proclamation asking for the observance of May 14 and the wearing of a white flower as an outward indication of observance of the day.

The governor has pardoned Dr. W. H. Johnson of Lincoln, who is serving a term of two years in the penitentiary for a criminal operation.

The state oil inspector's office, which was crowded into the governor's office during the session of the legislature, has been removed back to its old place, the private office used during the legislature by Lieutenant Governor Hopewell.

Harry Thomas, Printing Commissioner. — Harry G. Thomas of Harvard, state printing expert, has been appointed commissioner of printing at a salary of \$1,500, the governor having previously signed the Leidig printing bill. Thomas prints a newspaper at Harvard. It was proposed that the commissioner of printing should spend his entire time on the job, but this phrase is not in the enrolled bill and the practice of allowing the commissioner to spend half his time on the job will probably be continued.

Chaplain Johnson Reappointed. — Representative P. C. Johnson of Johnson county, member of the legislature, was reappointed to his former position of chaplain of the penitentiary. The appointment has been announced by Governor Aldrich.

Bucket Shops Closed. — Reports received indicate that about all bucket shops in the state have closed. The Lincoln Commission company quit business as soon as the new law was signed by the governor and the Omaha houses all closed.

VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR

GOVERNOR ALDRICH ATTACHES HIS VETO TO THESE BILLS PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE.

The following is a synopsis of the bills vetoed by Governor Aldrich, which had been passed by the recent session of the legislature.

S. F. 36—Bartling—Permitting the playing of baseball or golf on Sunday.

S. F. 91—Tanner—Provided that all proposed amendments to the constitution shall be published in two papers in each county at the price now paid for printing in one paper; also that the papers designated shall be of opposite political parties in each county.

S. F. 167—Tanner—Extending terms of office of members of school board in South Omaha for one year.

S. F. 316—Tanner—Providing for a commission form of government for all cities within the state of Nebraska, having more than 25,000 and less than 40,000 inhabitants.

S. F. 324—Lee—Non-partisan judiciary act, providing for nominations of judges of the supreme, district and county courts, without party designation.

H. R. 24—Neil—Amending sections 8803 and 8805 of Cobby's Annotated Statutes, by providing that the term of office of mayors and councilmen in all cities in Nebraska, except those of the metropolitan class should be extended one year, making the term of office two years.

H. R. 82—Taylor—Dolezal stock yards bills, designating stock yards as "public markets."

H. R. 101—Bailey—An act regulating the business of real estate brokers or agents, providing for a state license for the persons so engaged and to appropriate the receipts from said licenses and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

H. R. 294—Clayton—A bill amending section 13 of article 1 of chapter 77 of the compiled statutes, exempting all bonds from taxation which are issued by the state, county, township, precinct, city, village or school district; also property used exclusively for religious and charitable purposes.

H. R. 337—Minor—A bill for an act to declare all persons, corporations and associations operating telephone lines or exchanges within the state of Nebraska to be common carriers and to give the state railway commission of the state of Nebraska power and authority to regulate the rates and service, and exercise a general control over the same, and to require connection of telephone lines, and interchange of telephone companies, and to permit the consolidation of competing companies and to prohibit the granting of franchises in cities where there is in operation a company engaged in the furnishing of telephone service without first securing the consent of the state railway commission.

H. R. 573—Gerdes—Provided that the officers of all state institutions supported by public funds should make monthly reports of the condition of such state institution or board to the auditor of public accounts and required the auditor to condense such reports and place them, each month, in the hands of the governor, and establishing a uniform system of book-keeping.

H. R. 574—Gerdes—A companion bill to 573, providing that a uniform system of bookkeeping shall prevail in all state offices and that an expert accountant be appointed to examine into the condition of each state office or state institution.

H. R. 575—Gerdes—Providing for a state board of supervision of maintenance funds, whose duty it shall be to look after and have a general supervision of the disbursement of funds appropriated for the maintenance of executive departments or offices.

Taft May Go to Texas. — Washington.—If congress adjourns during the spring months, President Taft may go to Texas to see the federal troops maneuver. The president answered an invitation to witness the maneuvers extended by Governor Colquitt of Texas. He said in substance that he would like to see the maneuvers but that it depended on congress whether or not he could go.

Andrew Carnegie has presented Sioux City, Iowa, with \$75,000 for a public library.

Annapolis.—In memory of the French soldiers and sailors who gained no individual fame like Lafayette, Rochambeau or Steuben, but who helped the thirteen colonies gain their liberty, a statue has been unveiled here on the grounds of St. John's college. The president and Mrs. Taft, Ambassador Jusserand of France, Secretary of War Dickinson and Secretary of the Navy Meyer were among those who witnessed the ceremonies.

B. F. Bush has been elected president of the Missouri Pacific railroad.

TOSSED BY WIND, GIRL MEETS DEATH

DRAWN INTO VORTEX OF WHIRLWIND AND THEN DASHED TO GROUND.

London.—The extraordinary death of Mary Bailey, a 16-year-old school-girl, in a school play ground at Bradford, during a recent gale was the subject of a coroner's inquest.

To combat a theory of suicide which had been suggested, it was proved that the girl had not been to the top-story of the school and that she was in a very cheerful frame of mind.

George Parsons, a commercial traveler, said he was near the school when he saw the girl in the air with her skirt blown out like a balloon. She was 25 or 30 feet high and she fell with a crash. She was on a level with the



Tossed by Wind.

school balcony, but she had not come from there. The wind was the worst he had known for 15 years.

The mother of the girl said her daughter wore a skirt to just below the knees.

Her injuries, a doctor stated, were concussion of the brain, fracture of the right arm, wrist, thigh and jaw.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death, the result of a fall caused by a sudden gust of wind.

So severe was the gale in the channel that the Folkestone-Boulogne steamboat service was diverted to Dover and Calais.

While three horses with a farmer's wagon were passing through Great Hallingsbury, Essex, a large elm tree was blown down and fell across the vehicle. The driver, a man named Sapsford, sustained a broken leg and the two shaft horses were felled to the ground and injured.

BULL PUP LIKES FRESH MILK

Dog Supplies His Own Daily Rations by Milking the Cow Himself.

Underwood, Wash.—A farmer living near here had a bull puppy shipped out from Boston. The puppy's principal diet had been milk served from the bottle. During the first day on the farm the puppy was intensely interested in the operation of milking the cows, and for several days never failed to watch his master closely during the milking time, morning and evening. When one of the cows be-



Likes Fresh Milk.

gan to fall in her usual supply of milk, investigation disclosed the fact that the puppy was supplying his own rations three or four times a day by milking the cow himself.

Servants to Be Auctioned. — Salem, Ore.—Two servant girls from Wisconsin will meet with a warm reception when they reach Salem.

They will be auctioned to the highest bidders, so many applications having been made for their services to A. F. Hoffer, manager of the Salem board of trade, who announced that the two girls were coming to Salem looking for positions.

Matrons of the capital city began to swamp Mr. Hoffer with applications, until 40 families had spoken for the services of the two girls.

Then the auctioning scheme was hit upon. If the girls agree they will be disposed of on the block and the premiums obtained for their services by this method will be paid to themselves.

A TRUCE IS SIGNED

MOVEMENT OF TROOPS TO CEASE FOR PRESENT.

AN ARMISTICE OF FIVE DAYS

Other Settlements Expected Soon that Will Result in Ending of the Conflict.

El Paso, Tex.—An armistice of five days, beginning at noon Sunday, and affecting the district between Juarez and Chihuahua and west of the latter, was made effective in an exchange of identical letters signed by General Francisco I. Madero, Jr., for the rebels and General Juan Navarro for the government.

The truce provides there shall be no movement of troops of either side during the next five days, and that provisions and medicine may be brought to either camp from the United States without payment of duty.

It is noted that Ojinaga, where a small federal force is besieged, is not covered in the armistice, the insurrecto activities in that district being largely independent. It is expected that in the event of the settlement of the rebellion in Chihuahua, the situation at Ojinaga and other scattered places throughout the republic will receive attention.

The moral effect of the cessation of hostilities in Chihuahua is regarded as certain to make settlements in other parts of the country simple.

It was known that a truce was agreeable to Madero, and a telegram from Mexico City informed General Madero that General Navarro had been instructed by President Diaz to enter into the agreement.

The concessions which the government is willing to make have been known for two weeks to General Madero, ever since Frederico Moya, a business man of Chihuahua, visited General Madero at Rancho Bustillos. They were discussed in the meeting by the leaders and members of the peace mission. Those present were:

Francisco Madero, sr., father of the rebel leader; the latter's brothers, Alfonso, Gustavo and Raul Madero; Pascual Orozco, the original field leader of the revolution; Pancho Villa, former banker and present staunch supporter of Madero; Giustipi Garibaldi and General and Senora Madero.

The last named is accounted a warm supporter of taking Juarez and then talking peace. She feels her husband would be in better position to talk peace from Juarez than from the hills around it. A representative from the Associated Press was present by invitation, having been with the insurrecto forces much of the time since the revolt started.

Much of the discussion was of a nature the publication of which is not desired at this time. It may be said, however, that General Madero has the most authentic assurance of a liberal attitude on the part of the government.

For Gibbons Memorial Hall. — Washington.—Announcement was made by Bishop Corrigan, treasurer of the fund for the Cardinal Gibbons memorial hall at the Catholic university, that more than \$45,000 has already been subscribed in Washington and in Baltimore and other Maryland towns.

Thompson Appeals for Help. — Washington.—All the Americans in Acapulco, including David E. Thompson, former ambassador to Mexico from Nebraska, have presented a petition to the United States government saying an attack on that city is imminent. The consul says 100 rebels have taken Ometepe and are holding it. They have also appeared in San Marcos.

Lorimer the Bugbear. — Washington.—More than one member of the United States senate is trembling in his boots against that day and hour when some aspiring statesman back home is certain to arise, point a finger at him and exclaim: "He voted for Lorimer."

Given Life Term. — Hutchinson, Kan.—Henry Bowers, arrested last Tuesday in Ottawa, Kan., on a charge of robbing a box car, confessed that he murdered Thomas Fowler, secretary of the Kansas Anti-Horse Thief association here last December. He pleaded guilty and was given life imprisonment.

General A. J. Baker Dies. — Centerville, Ia.—General A. J. Baker, Iowa pioneer, and one who had had the distinction of serving as attorney general of two states, Iowa and Missouri, died at his home here Sunday. He was 79 years of age at the time of his death.

Democrats as Arbitrators. — Washington.—Democrats of the senate may be called upon to arbitrate the difference between the republican regulars and progressives over the question of committee assignments.

New Record Made. — Muskogee, Okla.—W. F. Seaver, a Muskogee lawyer, has established a reputation for professional speed by filing his own petition for divorce, having it recorded, pleading his own case and getting a decree in about five minutes.