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## EPITOME OF EVENTS

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

### ARE SHORT BUT INTERESTING

Brief Mention of What is Transpiring in Various Sections of Our Own and Foreign Countries.

#### Congress.

The estate tax bill passed the house unamended, 249 to 41.

The house passed a bill giving the president power to remove federal court clerks.

The house passed the rivers and harbors appropriation bill, carrying upwards of \$25,250,000.

Senator Hoke Smith balked at speedy disposition of private pension bills, but was voted down.

A bill protecting women in rights acquired to public lands before marriage passed the senate.

Representative Hanna introduced two bills to meet "legalized monopoly" decisions of the supreme court.

Representative Steadman declared cotton and labor report criticizing cotton mills of south was absolutely untrue.

Chairman Adamson of the Interstate Commerce commission favorably reported the Panama canal government bill.

Senator Cummins introduced a bill for a national primary law, providing for the first national primary July 8.

The house accepted a resolution authorizing government participation in the exposition at Columbus, S. C., 1912.

Representative Jones introduced a bill proposing "provisionary independence" for Filipinos from 1912 to 1921.

Chairman McChamber, of the pension committee, announced he would try to clear the calendar of all pension legislation this week.

Chairman Emery told finance committee it would take two years for tariff board to investigate all schedules of present tariff law.

President Taft asked congress to adjourn Saturday, March 23, and in body attend memorial services for battleship Maine victims.

The interstate commerce committee decided to appoint a sub-committee to consider the bill to extend the Erdman act to coal mine owners.

Chairman Moss of Agricultural department expenditures committee announced investigation into affairs of the department would be continued.

Civil service and consular reform representatives advocated before the foreign affairs committee the Sulzer bill, providing against political affiliations in consular service.

A minority of the Interstate Commerce committee filed a report against the Panama government bill, contending the assessment of tolls against American ships would aid railroads.

#### General.

Supporters of Taft will dominate the Indiana state convention.

The wool bill is the next knotty problem for house democrats to tackle.

Practically all the victims of the mine disaster in Oklahoma have been accounted for.

University of Chicago faculty members and their widows are to be the beneficiaries of a pension system with an endowment of \$2,000,000.

At Philadelphia a homeopathic professor advertised for a few persons to try out a new cure for warts. Two thousand answered the advertisement.

Business men of Nelson, B. C., are on the verge of a panic because of the supposed operations of incendiaries. Three buildings are believed to have been set afire recently.

A suspension of proposed advances of freight rates on cement by western railroads, was made by the Interstate Commerce commission from March 20 until September 30.

At Chicago Rev. John M. McGain has ordered his electric signs for his church and parish home. "To show people where we are at night and what we are doing."

At Spokane, Wash., Oliver S. Griffin, said to be a professional wrestler, is under arrest charged with being a fugitive from justice. He is wanted at Osceola, Neb., for arson.

President Taft promised four senators, Martin of Virginia, Bacon of Georgia, Fletcher of Florida and DuPont of Delaware to look into the cases of five cadets recently dismissed from West Point for drunkenness.

Positions as singers in motion picture shows are attracting so many choir boys that churches in Chicago are considering installing choir girls.

One church, the Trinity Episcopal, already has substituted girls for the choir of boys.

The interstate commerce commission ruled that wood pulp should take ordinarily a lower freight rate than lumber.

What is to be the world's largest egg has been laid by an Elgin, Ill., hen. The egg measures eight and a half by six and a half inches in circumference and weighs fifteen ounces.

Mrs. Kathleen Leslie Doyle Lorillard, wife of Beckman Lorillard of Asheville, N. C., committed suicide in New York by hanging herself in the bathroom of the apartments she and her husband had occupied at the Holland house.

The senate military affairs committee added \$275,000 for equipment of coast artillery companies of the militia.

The motion of Mrs. Mary A. Laverder to have her suit against Rev. E. B. Crawford of Omaha, former pastor of her church in Chicago, dismissed was denied by the appellate court.

There were more than a hundred men killed in a mine explosion in Oklahoma.

Vice President Wood of the Pennsylvania railroad says the steel corporation should quit carrier business.

Ben Lewis, aged 25, business manager of the Quincy, Ill., Journal, committed suicide.

Investigation of an alleged coal trust has been undertaken by the government.

General John W. Noble, secretary of the interior under President Harrison, died in St. Louis.

Miners at Cleveland rejected a proposal of operators to continue at the present scale of wages.

The result in North Dakota is cold comfort for political managers of Taft and Roosevelt.

The home rule bill is not to be introduced into the house of commons before Easter.

A wholesale dynamite plot was thwarted, according to the police, by the arrest of six men.

A presidential primary may be held in Illinois by the ruling of Judge Windes at Chicago.

The right of the people to rule was the theme of an address by Theodore Roosevelt at New York.

Senator LaFollette is the beneficiary of the first presidential primary to be held in any state.

Progressive democrats gathered in Lincoln at a birthday banquet to do honor to Bryan.

John P. White, head of the united mine workers, can see no other outlet than a strike April 1.

Senator LaFollette has a substantial lead in the North Dakota presidential preference primary.

There is to be no resumption of mining in Great Britain until the minimum bill has passed the commons.

If an amendment to the government canal bill is adopted, railroad-owned ships cannot enter the waterway.

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The statewide prohibition bill prepared by the anti-saloon league of Maryland was passed by the house of delegates.

Senator Smoot introduced a bill for consolidation of all federal health agencies into the United States public health service.

A resolution of regret at the resignation of Dr. Wiley offered by Senator Martine, was objected to by Senator Gallinger.

The remains of the heroes recovered from the wrecked battleship Maine, in Havana harbor, were laid to rest at Arlington.

Woman suffrage and the election of United States senators by direct vote were defeated in the Massachusetts senate by a close vote.

Senator Simmons advocated a reading and writing test for immigrants as an amendment to the Dillingham general immigration bill.

James J. Hill, railroad builder, paid \$100 for a city directory of St. Paul, Minn., of 1857 in which his name appears as a clerk in a brokerage office.

Two bills amending the patent laws and intended to meet the "legalized monopoly" decision of the supreme court were introduced by Representative Hanna of North Dakota.

Representative Kahn of California introduced a bill to appropriate \$100,000 to establish a small arms target range for the navy on the Pacific coast.

Representative Jones of Virginia chairman of the house committee on insular affairs, proposed "provisionary independence" for the Philippine islands from July 4, 1912, to July 4, 1921.

At least thirty-two men were killed and parts of their bodies strewn for blocks around when a big passenger engine in the Southern Pacific shops blew up at San Antonio, Texas.

Charges that railroads of the central west have discriminated in the distribution of coal cars in favor of their own mines are to be investigated by state officials from Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois.

Senator Cummins of Iowa introduced in the senate a nation-wide presidential primary bill, the effect of which would be to do away with local state and national conventions of the various political parties.

Senator LaFollette is to follow up his North Dakota victory.

Rear-Admiral George W. Melville succumbed to heart disease.

Grover Cleveland's birthday anniversary was observed in New York city.

Return of former President De LaBana to Mexico is feared by Maderists.

Secretary of State Knox is receiving a warm welcome in southern countries.

A. P. Wilder, consul general of the United States at Shanghai, arrived at San Francisco.

Colonel Roosevelt was accused of being too hasty in championing the New York employers' liability law.

The women's Roosevelt league of California was organized temporarily at San Francisco.

Senator Kern spoke in favor of Sherwood "dollar-a-day" pension bill and denounced Smoot substitute.

President Taft insists that there be no more personalities in the campaign, so far as his side is concerned.

Governor Marshall of Indiana was formally launched as a democratic presidential candidate.

Clark and Harmon men are displeased at the action taken by progressive Nebraska democrats at Lincoln.

Out of a total of 22,106 stockholders of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, 13,294, or 60 per cent, are women, trusts and guardians.

Mr. Bryan said at Kearney that he would not go to the national convention as a delegate if Harmon is the choice of Nebraska.

Attorney General Wickham has decided that a collector of customs cannot refuse clearance papers to a vessel in which opium has been found, pending the payment of fines imposed by the collectors for alleged smuggling.

# HORSE'S KICK FATAL

LINCOLN TELEPHONE GIRL TAKES HER LIFE.

NEWS FROM OVER THE STATE

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

Madison—Jacob Bahn, residing six miles west of Madison, was kicked by a horse and instantly killed, Friday morning. He was struck in the chest just over the heart with such force that his body was hurled against the barn door, breaking it from its hinges. Mr. Bahn was sixty-eight years of age and leaves a wife and three sons to mourn his sudden departure.

To Be Finest in the West.

Hastings—The new Catholic church of Hastings promises to be one of the most beautiful in the west, according to the plans shown by architects and furnishers who have contracted for the various parts of the edifice. One of the features in the furnishings of the church will be the altars, for which leading altar companies from all parts of the United States competed.

Forty Pupils Suspended.

Beatrice—Forty members of the senior class of the Beatrice high school were suspended for ten days because of their having observed "sneak day" on Tuesday of last week. In order to be reinstated the pupils must apply to the superintendent and principal, must take examinations on the lessons missed during the ten days and must take all future examinations offered.

Result of Domestic Trouble.

Lincoln—Mrs. Vella Scott, a young married woman employed at the Y. M. C. A. building as telephone operator, committed suicide Wednesday night by swallowing the contents of an ounce bottle of carbolic acid. The act is thought to be the result of long brooding over marital troubles.

Dropped Out of Sight.

Havelock—Arthur G. Harris, residing at Twenty-seventh and W streets, disappeared Wednesday, and since that time he has neither been heard from nor seen by friends. He was employed at the Havelock shops of the Burlington. He left home at 6:15 Wednesday morning to go to work. That was the last seen of him.

New High School Building.

Chadron—Chadron's new west high school building has been turned over to the school board for occupancy, and 200 pupils are made happy in modern quarters.

Fremont—Temporarily insane over religious subjects, Morris Christensen, a car repairer, heated a poker till it was red hot and then announced that he would kill his young wife and infant child. Mrs. Christensen escaped to the home of a neighbor with her child.

NEWS FROM THE STATE HOUSE.

A present valuation of \$104,000,000 has been placed upon the property of the Burlington railroads in Nebraska by the state railway commission's physical valuation bureau. The department estimates that it would cost \$122,000,000 to replace the property new. The less amount was arrived at by estimating depreciation.

Governor Aldrich has, since his election to the office of governor, received callers at any hour of the day and frequently at night, but he finds that he cannot attend to his official correspondence if he continues this practice. He has announced that he will require one hour, from 9 to 10 in the forenoon, to attend to correspondence.

Only about fifty towns in the state are taking advantage of the amendment to the Slocumb law, passed last winter, providing for the submission of the license question separately and distinctly from the election of city officials, according to Superintendent H. F. Carson of the State Anti-Saloon league. The annual election in practically every city of the state except Lincoln and Omaha will be held April 2.

A monthly bulletin at the expense of the state will hereafter be issued by the state board of health. It is proposed to make Secretary C. P. Fall of Beatrice editor of the bulletin.

President Hayes of Peru normal has been elected a member of the national council of agricultural education to be composed of one representative from each state, and will consider wages and means for bringing this great industry into closer relations with the schools.

The fifty Oregon trail markers ordered by the last legislature are now completed and will be set in place as soon as the weather permits. An additional twenty-five markers are being planned and will be placed some time during the summer. The shafts are all alike, each one bearing the inscription, "Oregon Trail, marked by the state of Nebraska, 1912."

Commandant H. E. Yates and regimental officers of the cadet battalion are making tentative plans for a cadet encampment about the middle of May.

Secretary of State Walt has received a letter from Daniel Chester French, the designer of the Abraham Lincoln statue, stating that the bronze founders have hastened the work of casting and the statue will be completed the first week in April, so there is no doubt of its being ready to unveil May 15 or earlier if the state commission desires an earlier date.

State Superintendent Delzell has completed all arrangements for junior normal schools to be held at Alliance, Alma, Broken Bow, Geneva, McCook, North Platte, O'Neill and Valentine from June 3 to July 26.

## BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

Lincoln is to have a city market. The women of Rosalie have organized a woman's club.

Whooping cough is prevalent in the community around Bancroft.

The Keith county fair will be held at Ogalalla, September 24, 25 and 26.

The Otoe Democratic club has postponed its fourth annual banquet to Tuesday, March 26.

Peter Zumbur, a gardner farmer living near Columbus, was bitten by a dog and died within thirty minutes.

Clarkson—The old commercial club at Clarkson, which has been dormant the last five years, has been revived.

The village council has passed an ordinance fixing a fine of \$25 on any person conducting a dance hall in Peru.

William Spradling, an old resident of Auburn, was found dead in his room, death having resulted from heart failure.

Parties from Iowa are negotiating with the Pawnee City Commercial club for the building of a modern fireproof hotel for that place.

The case of Miss Meyer, who sued Nebraska City for \$3,000 for injuries received in a fall on an icy walk, has been settled out of court.

Wymore claims to have the champion egg sucker of the state—Harry Campbell—who ate twenty-four raw eggs at one sitting recently.

Mrs. W. Broylili accidentally fell from the hayloft at her home near Dakota City and sustained several injuries, breaking two of her ribs.

Word has reached Fairbury that John Friesen, formerly of that place, recently committed suicide in Denver by drinking a quantity of carbolic acid.

No stock loss has been reported as a result of the recent storm, nor were there any trains into Burwell for two days and mail routes have all been tied up.

Driven to despondency through his inability to find work, Alexander Bernstein, an 18-year-old Omaha boy, shot himself through the head at his home, dying instantly.

Mrs. Cyrus Black, wife of former State Representative Black, editor of the Enterprise, died at her home at Hickman after a lingering illness from Bright's disease.

The recently organized mothers' club of Wymore will establish a rest room down town. Popular subscriptions are depended on to furnish the necessary funds.

The first mail received at Syracuse since Wednesday was brought in from the east Saturday afternoon after a snow plow had opened the track on the line of the Burlington.

The young men of Glenville have organized a gymnasium society of sixty members and propose to physically develop themselves as well as entertain the Glenville public.

Joseph Hamilton, for fourteen years county judge in Boone county, and at one time a member of the Wisconsin legislature, is dead at his residence in Albion of pneumonia, at the age of eighty-five.

Grant Mears, sheriff for ten years in Wayne county, who retired voluntarily last fall, has filed for the republican nomination for the office of representative in the lower house of the legislature.

J. Jerabek of Sterling has located a brother he had not seen for twenty-two years and who he thought dead. Mr. Jerabek found his brother in business in St. Joseph and he left for there at once.

There were 1,441,800 eggs shipped from Syracuse last year, thirty dozen to a case, making 4,005 cases; live poultry, 123,335 pounds; 34,888 gallons of cream, 581 head of horses, 7,095 hogs and 1,346 cattle.

Nearly all of the Sterling people have taken down their base-burners, as there is a famine in hard coal. Coal can only be had at one neighboring town, but as the roads have been almost impassable no one can be found to haul the coal.

The funeral of Mrs. Hannah Martin of the Tecumseh woman who died at Pasadena, Cal., March 1, was held at the Christian church, Tecumseh. It was conducted by the pastor of the church, the Rev. Rodney McQuary, and was largely attended.

Lincoln—Former County Treasurer William McLaughlin of Lancaster county died Saturday morning at his home here, after a long illness which confined him to his bed for the last six months. Mr. McLaughlin was 72 years of age. He has been a resident of Lincoln for nearly forty years, and one of the best known residents of Lincoln.

When Ralph Scott of Lincoln returned home for lunch Saturday he found no one at home, and thinking it strange, started in to search for his mother, who usually awaited him. Having searched the house, he went into the cellar and found his mother lying dead at the foot and a little to one side of the steps. He immediately notified the coroner, who conducted an investigation and concluded that death was due to a fractured skull, caused by a fall in descending the steps.

An epidemic of chickenpox prevails at Oxford. No severe cases have occurred, and comparatively little other sickness prevails.

After having been through a minister for a year, the Christian church at Plattsmouth has called the Rev. A. L. Ziak, who was a pastor at Colorado City, to the charge.

A petition signed by over nine hundred Lincoln citizens has been filed with the board of education asking that the teaching of German be started in some of the ward schools next fall and that this matter be considered in connection with next year's budget.

Students of the Grand Island college will undertake, with the assistance of some experienced workmen, to build a gymnasium of cement blocks 60x80 feet in dimension. Work is to be commenced as soon as the snow is off the ground.

Last year proved so successful to growers of sugar beets around Scotts Bluff that the field men for the factory are this year swamped with applications for acreage. Last year there was about 11,000 acres grown, and this year there is already 15,000 acres signed up, with others still looking for available lands.

# RULES ARE UPHELD

DECISION THAT RAILROADS MUST DISREGARD STATE LINES.

FEDERAL AUTHORITY SUPREME

The Principle of Justice to All Communities is Sustained by a Vote of Four to Three.

Washington—The Interstate Commerce commission in an opinion just made public established the far-reaching principle that a railroad must so adjust its rates that justice will be done between communities regardless of state lines. If a railroad makes a low rate upon traffic wholly within a state, even when forced to do so by a state commission, it must accord the same rate to interstate traffic moving under substantially similar conditions.

The principle was laid down by a vote of four to three. The minority held that the powers of congress were usurped by the majority opinion and that the remedy for such a situation should be applied through additional legislation as in the case of the railroad commission of Louisiana against the St. Louis & Southwestern railway and other carriers operating between Louisiana and Texas.

The case practically precipitated a conflict between federal and state authority over the control of interstate traffic. The opinion of the majority of the Interstate commission, prepared and handed down by Commissioner Lane, is a definite assertion of the supremacy of national regulatory authority over the powers exercised by any state. It is the first time this assertion has been made distinctly by the commission. In making it Chairman Prouty and Commissioners Clark and Meyer concurred with Commissioner Lane and Commissioners Clements, Harlan and McChord dissented.

The proceeding brought by the Louisiana commission placed in issue the right of interstate carriers to discriminate in favor of state traffic and against interstate traffic.

"The gravamen of the complaint," the opinion says, "is that the carriers defendant make rates out of Dallas and other Texas points into eastern Texas which are much lower than those which they extend into Texas from Shreveport, La. A rate of 60 cents carries first-class traffic to the eastward from Dallas a distance of 160 miles, while the same rate of 60 cents will carry the same class of traffic only fifty-five miles into Texas from Shreveport."

Asks Proof of Bryan.

Columbus, O.—Prior to his departure for Nebraska, E. H. Moore, chairman of the Ohio Harmon campaign committee, gave out an open letter to William Jennings Bryan, in which he calls upon the latter for proof of "insinuations that Governor Harmon is the candidate of Wall street interests."

Crisis This Week.

Cleveland, O.—A crisis in the coal situation, determining whether more than 450,000 miners in the bituminous and anthracite fields shall strike on April 1 or suspend until new wage agreements can be effected, is expected this week.

Stephenson Will Retain His Seat.

Washington—Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin, whose election has been under investigation, will retain his seat by a safe majority, according to a canvass made by the regular republican leaders, who predict that between forty-six and fifty senators will vote for him.

Bad Men With Big Guns.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Two armed men who had terrorized passengers on Burlington train No. 43 from Kansas City, were captured by Police Officers Berenberg and O'Brien after a battle in the chair car as the train drew into the union depot here.

Taft in Lead in Indiana.

Indianapolis.—According to complete, but unofficial returns from the republican primaries held in Indiana Friday and Saturday, Roosevelt won in six and Taft in seven of the congressional districts.

Foreign Official Assassinated.

Constantinople—Andre Kepassis Efendi, prince-governor of the island of Samos, was assassinated Sunday by a Greek, who fired several shots at him. The assassin was arrested.

Vote by Proxy.

Chicago, Ill.—Nearly 20,000 Jews will vote by proxy at the state and county primaries here April 9. The date is a Jewish holiday and members of the faith are forbidden to write.

Going Back to New York.

San Francisco, Cal.—Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., departed for New York to take up his duties with the brokerage firm there with which he now is associated. For the last two years he has been in the carpet business in this city.

General J. W. Noble Dead.

St. Louis, Mo.—General John W. Noble, who was secretary of the interior in President Harrison's cabinet, died here on Friday. He had been ill a month.

Wool Bill by Minority.

Washington.—Republican members of the ways and means committee introduced a minority bill revising the woolen schedule of the present tariff law in accordance with their interpretation of the report of the tariff board as recently given out.

Women in the Unions.

Copenhagen.—The men's trade unions of Denmark have opened their ranks for the admission of women. Equal pay will be demanded for women who do men's work.

# WONDERS OF THE DEAD SEA

Interesting Trip Around This Body of Water Told by Jacob E. Spafford.

Jerusalem.—An interesting trip around the Dead Sea was made in a motor boat by Jacob E. Spafford, a member of the American colony in Jerusalem.

In circumnavigating the lake four or five very fertile plains or ghors were met with. "These plains," writes Mr. Spafford, "naturally bring to mind the connection of the Dead sea with Sodom and Gomorrah, the 'cities of the plain,' that were overthrown. They have been variously placed on every side of the sea.

"These plains and the small oasis at Engedi are the only points where life of any kind and water are to be

had. This evidently was a little paradise in the time of Solomon and is frequently mentioned in the Old Testament.

"About ten miles from Engedi lies the peerless natural fortress of Macada (Sebbeh), first fortified by the Maccabees, then used as a place of refuge by Herod. At the foot of the tableland can be seen the Roman wall of circumvallation and the two Roman camps on either side of the small ravine.

"The fortress, which is 1,700 miles above the sea, has steep sides at about an angle of 75 degrees and cannot be approached, except from a connecting neck called the Serpentine. A more inhospitable place or one more disadvantageous to besiegers could not be imagined.

"Eight miles away is Jebel Udsum, a mountain of rock salt rising to a height of 500 feet. In this mountain is a large cave which was explored to the extent of about 200 yards, at which point a tapering cylindrical shaft of about 20 feet in diameter was discovered, piercing the solid rock salt 80 feet high, as though through polished marble, evidently the effects of the rain.

"Great snow white stalactites hung from the ceiling. The approach to this mountain presents most fantastic appearances of walls, buttresses, parapets, projecting towers, etc., caused by the stratification and lay of the salt boulders.

"A little south of Masada lies the rich Ghor-el-Mizra. Here and elsewhere about the apple of Sodom described by Josephus."

## CHEESE DENOTES THEIR RANK

Swiss Family Found Without Aged Variety of Delicacy Is Scorned.

Lucerne.—The English, the Germans, and the Norwegians are great consumers of cheese, but the people of Switzerland surpass them all. The cheese of Zermatt is so hard that one is obliged to scrape it out of chunks with a hatchet, and its use is considered most important on all ceremonial occasions. The rank of a Swiss family is known by the age of its cheese, and the more affection or respect a guest inspires the harder is the cheese which is cut in his honor. It is said that there are families in Switzerland whose cheeses date from the first French revolution, and these are served only at baptisms, weddings and other funerals.

The larder in every family is guarded with care and the cheese is named upon the birth of a new heir a cheese is made that takes the name given his mother, and that particular cheese is never under any circumstances cut until the boy or girl grows up and is married. On such occasions each of the guests takes a piece of cheese from the bridegroom and from the bride and drinks to their felicity, the cheese held aloft.—Harper's Weekly.

## Girls Steal a Bath.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Chief of Police Renfro and three policemen were called to a barber shop late at night to arrest burglars. With drawn revolvers they opened the door of a bath room where the "burglars" were hiding, and were amazed to find two pretty young women, nude, bathing in the tub. Feminine screams startled passersby. The two girls threw water into the chief's face and he beat a retreat. Later he arrested them for stealing a bath. They gave their names as Miss Kathryn Reid and Miss Jessie Hoover.