

Condensed News of the Week

The authorities at Washington have requested the Russian government to release the cargoes of the steamers *Arabia* and *Calchas*, seized by the Vladivostok squadron. Although the *Calchas* is a British vessel, it had an American cargo.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Brussels, Sept. 5, says: "The government of the Netherlands has finally decided to erect the palace of peace given by Andrew Carnegie in the woods of Scheveningen, on a hill overlooking the ocean.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Chicago, Sept. 5, says: "Wendell Miller, the 12-year-old son of George M. Miller, president of Ruskin university at Glen Elyn, Ill., was killed this afternoon by a foul ball while watching a baseball game. Young Miller was sitting in the grand stand, when the ball flew up and struck him on the temple. He died in three minutes."

The engagement is announced of Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany and the Duchess of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. Important reasons of state exist for this marriage. The German emperor wishes to bring the German court into closer relations with Holland and Denmark. Duchess Cecilia is a niece of the prince consort of Holland and her brother is married to a sister of the future queen of Denmark.

The democratic state convention for the state of Delaware met at Dover on September 6. After a bitter contest Caleb S. Pennewell, who is in his eightieth year, was nominated for governor and the remainder of the ticket was as follows: Lieutenant governor, J. R. Clements; attorney general, L. I. Handy; auditor, W. T. Carter, jr.; treasurer, J. T. Shallcross; insurance commissioners, F. D. Baldwin and W. R. McCabe; congressman, Edward D. Hearne; presidential electors, J. Harry White-man, Nicholas A. Johnson and Landreth L. Layton.

Ten thousand Knights Templar are in attendance at the conclave at San Francisco. King Edward sent a special representative in the person of the Earl of Euston.

Judge Kelsey of Chase county, Neb., is in a rather novel position. Two young people, F. B. Martin and Miss Maud Miller, had planned an elopement and took the judge into their confidence, inviting him to accompany them to Cheyenne. The judge accepted the invitation and now he is under arrest on a warrant sworn out by the mother of the girl, charging him with abduction. Judge Kelsey treats the matter as a joke.

The number of admissions to the St. Louis fair grounds on Labor Day was 207,504. This is 8,000 more than the number at the Columbian exposition on Labor Day.

Eight persons were killed and fifty badly hurt in a railroad wreck on the Wabash road at Pendleton, Mo. The accident was caused by the day coach leaving the track and plunging down an embankment carrying the dining car with it.

Governor Odell has set at rest all talk about himself as a candidate for re-nomination for governor of New York by declaring, during a conference of state leaders, that under no circumstances would he be a candidate and that he did not want the place.

American Minister Squires at Havana has cabled the state department that the Cuban senate has ratified the treaty of extradition recently concluded between this country and Cuba.

A chemical laboratory for the examination of imported food products has been opened in New York city by the department of agriculture.

The next Arkansas legislature will stand: Senate, democrats, 34; republicans, 1; house, democrats, 95; republicans, 5.

Democratic editors from all over the United States, who were present at the national confer-

ence in New York, paid a visit to Judge Parker at Esopus.

The democratic state convention for the state of Connecticut met at New Haven on September 7. Judge Robertson of New Haven was nominated for governor and the balance of the ticket is as follows: Lieutenant governor, Henry A. Bishop of Bridgeport; treasurer, John M. Ney of Hartford.

It is reported on good authority that Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky has been selected to succeed the late Minister Von Plehve of Russia, who was assassinated. The prince is now governor general of Vina and a military officer.

The democratic state convention of the state of New Hampshire was held at Concord on September 7. Henry F. Hallis of Concord was nominated for governor by acclamation and others were nominated as follows: Comptroller, Judge William Belcher of New London; secretary of state, James Huntington of Woodbury; congressman at large, William Kennedy of Naugatuck. Four presidential electors were named, and a resolution was adopted condemning the "action of the republican governor of Colorado in deporting citizens of that state with a view to the destruction of labor unions."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Chicago, Sept. 7, says: "A strike of upwards of 200 school children was declared at the Longfellow school today because the principal had been transferred since the close of the last term. The children say that they will not go to school until she comes back. Later the little 'strikers' decided to go back to the school and submit to the rule of the new principal. The end of the 'strike' followed a conference between the mothers of several of the dissatisfied pupils and the new principal."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Altoona, Pa., Sept. 7, says: "The extensive Pennsylvania railroad shops here were today ordered on full time of fifty-five hours a week. Fifteen thousand persons are benefited by the order."

Reports from San Antonio, Tex., say that a plague of mosquitoes is infesting the town of Eldorado. The insects are of enormous size and seem to stay near the swampy parts of the city. The residents are tortured by them and one woman has lost her reason as the result of being bitten.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of New York, Sept. 7, says: "Two thousand men were killed and 4,000 wounded in the recent three days' battle between the Uruguayan government forces and the revolutionists, according to a Herald dispatch from Buenos Ayres, Argentine. General Vasquez, minister of war, who led the government troops, is asserted to have been defeated and driven back, abandoning arms and munitions."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Washington, D. C., Sept. 7, says: "Major Peter R. Egan, surgeon in the United States army, brought suit today against W. H. Taft, secretary of war, to compel him to remove from the record of court martial proceedings, adjudging him (Major Egan) not guilty on charges of neglect of duty, the indorsement on the court's finding of Colonel Sanno, the reviewing officer, then commanding the department of Colorado, which indorsement the complainant says is in effect punishment for alleged offenses of which he was found not guilty at Fort Douglas, Utah, in December, 1901."

Something remarkable in the way of a cure for tetanus has been discovered at South Omaha, Neb. A little son of Mr. and Mrs. John McKeon became very ill a few days ago. His jaws and neck pained him severely and his speech seemed to falter. Dr. McCrann was called and upon examination found that the child was suffering from lockjaw as the result of a large splinter in his foot. The doctor then ordered that the child be taken to a room where the temperature was extremely cold, contending that the inhalation of cold air would be beneficial. Accordingly, after the wound was dressed, the boy was taken to the chilling room of the Jetter brewery, and a nurse

called. His terrible convulsions are gone and the doctor holds out hope of his entire recovery.

The president and Mrs. Roosevelt will give a dinner to the archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Davidson at the white house on September 24. The British ambassador and Lady Durand will entertain the archbishop and Mrs. Davidson in the same manner probably on the 26th.

The great packing house strike, which began on August 12, is at last settled. Mr. Donnelly in a conference with the allied trades, announced that he would order the butchers to return to work. The general body of the allied trades, however, were in favor of continuing the strike, but President Donnelly declared that unless it were called off the union would be disrupted and accordingly ordered the men to go back to work.

A dispatch from St. Paul, Minn., announces the death of Mrs. Sarah Stevens, an actress, at the age of 70 years. Mrs. Stevens belonged to the company that was presenting "Our American Cousin," the play which Abraham Lincoln was witnessing when he was assassinated.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 8, says: "The national Afro-American council in session here, representing over 10,000,000 of colored people of the United States, today issued an address to the country protesting against the 'inhuman and indiscriminate system of depriving citizens of our country of life and liberty without due process of law.'"

Referring to the democratic state convention for the state of Utah, which was held at Salt Lake City, Sept. 8, the Associated Press dispatch says: "The democratic state convention today nominated James H. Moyle of Salt Lake City for governor, Judge O. W. Powers for congressman, and adopted a platform which reflects the recent renewal of charges of church interference in Utah politics, and the reorganization of an anti-church party denying the right of any power to dictate political nominations."

The entire republican ticket was successful in the state election at Vermont and the republicans also maintain control of the legislature. It is said that the majority is fully 31,000.

The Arkansas state election was held Tuesday, Sept. 6. The democratic state ticket was elected by about 65,000 plurality. Governor Davis ran behind his ticket and his majority may go as low as 25,000.

The following figures are of interest in connection with the great packing house strike which has just been settled: Strike began July 12. Number of persons involved 53,000. Number of cities involved directly, 12. Wives and children of strikers, 250,000. Total duration of strike, working days, 57. Loss of wages to employes, \$5,000,000. Loss to packers, all cities (estimated), \$7,500,000. Loss to stock raisers, \$2,500,000. Loss to railroads, \$1,000,000. Paid to strikers in benefits (mostly supplies), \$100,000. Paid by packers in increased wages, \$250,000. Number of cattle tied up on ranges, 250,000. Number of sheep tied up on ranges, 275,000. Number of hogs tied up by strike, 350,000. Loss to public by increased prices of meat, \$5,000,000.

Following the capture of Liao Yang by the Japanese, General Kuropatkin has accomplished a successful retreat to Mukden in good order in spite of the harassing Japanese, sodden roads, and hampered by more than 12,000 wounded. Reports from good authority estimate the number of killed on both sides at 50,000 and in five days the Red Cross nurses have cared for 122,300 wounded.

A man named B. F. Slagel, under arrest at Topeka, Kansas, for burglary, has confessed that he is a deported miner from Colorado and that he took part in the dynamiting of the Independence depot where fifteen non-union miners were killed outright and several others were injured. Slagel also gives the names of others who were implicated.

President Roosevelt presented to the Oyster Bay free library the chair presented to him when he was governor of New York.