

Condensed News of the Week

On September 26, D. Cady Herrick, the democratic nominee for governor of the state of New York, said farewell to the members of the Albany county bar, preparatory to entering the campaign. Justice W. O. Howard will take his place.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Havana, Sept. 26, says: "R. A. Hamel, former paying officer of the city of Montreal, who is charged with cashing a forged check for \$10,000 and who has been living in Havana in the belief that he could not be extradited, was arrested today on the request of the British foreign office, the Cuban government complying with the request in lieu of an extradition treaty."

Reports from Augusta, Ga., say that on account of the scarcity of labor, cotton pickers will work by moonlight from sundown to midnight for which they will be given extra pay.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Berlin, Sept. 26, says: "President Roosevelt's announcement Saturday of his intention to call a second peace conference of the nations of the world whose work should be supplemental to that of The Hague arbitration conference attracts much attention here. The foreign office expresses itself generally as sympathetic toward the idea, but expressed the hope that the president, when he extends the invitation, will fix a date so that the meeting will take place after Japan and Russia have arranged for peace."

Although 106,000 people registered in the rush for Bonesteel lands there are still 1,100 good farms that have not been selected. These will be open for anybody to file upon after November 10.

Referring to the number of recent railroad accidents in the United States, an English paper, the Pall Mall Gazette, comments as follows: "They are far too common in America, especially of late. The fact that it is a large country with plenty of room for them to happen in is not sufficient to explain them. Probably the fundamental cause is the hasty and imperfect construction of the lines, the makeshift arrangements for saving time and the general rush of strenuous, national life."

Referring to the gold production in Alaska for the past year, the Associated Press says: "There are a few shipments of treasures yet to come. On the whole it has been a good season for gold diggers. The gold production of the entire northern district for the present year is estimated as follows: Klondike, \$11,000,000; Nome, \$10,000,000; Tanana, \$3,000,000; all other districts, \$6,000,000, making a total of \$26,000,000."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Washington, D. C., Sept. 27, says: "Secretary Taft, under authority of the act of congress of April last, today served notices on the city of Chicago and the street railway companies owning or controlling the tunnels under the Chicago river, to alter all the tunnels so that there shall be a depth of water of at least twenty-two feet over them. April 15, 1906, is fixed as the date when the lowering shall be completed."

Brigadier General Frederick D. Grant relinquished command of the department of the lakes at Chicago and left for New York to assume command of the department of the east. General Grant will be succeeded in Chicago by Brigadier General Frederick Funston, at present in charge of the department of the Columbia, with headquarters at Vancouver barracks, Wash.

The supreme court of Wisconsin has rendered a decision holding that under Wisconsin laws the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of America is not a benevolent organization and therefore any property it holds is not exempt from taxation, under the statutory provisions exempting benevolent associations.

Charged with violations of the naturalization laws, 260 alleged offenders were arraigned yesterday at a special session of the criminal branch of the United States circuit court in New York. The federal judge also handed down 148 additional indictments in naturalization fraud cases.

Mount Vesuvius, which has been in eruption the past two weeks, is quieting down and the

authorities have relaxed the restrictions upon the people.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of New York, Sept. 27, says: "With the intention of ruining the hull of the battleship Connecticut, which will be launched at the New York navy yards Thursday, some person or persons placed an obstruction on the ways. When it was placed there or by whom is not known, for it was not discovered until divers were sent down to make an investigation. This investigation was made as a matter of precaution and the navy officers then learned that an obstruction had been placed on the ways that would have destroyed the work of months."

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Shanghai, Sept. 27, says: "Reports received from the northwestern part of the province of Shantung say that the Shotuan 'Boxers' are openly distributing prospectuses, couched in the same language as those circulated before the uprising of 1900. These prospectuses order precisely similar observances and fix October 17, next, as the date for the extermination of all foreigners."

It has been definitely announced that the national democratic committee will have no headquarters in the west, the establishment of such headquarters being deemed unnecessary.

The attorneys for Will J. Davis and other officials of the Iroquois theater have asked for a change of venue to some other county. They declare that their clients could not secure a fair trial in Cook county because of the prejudice against them.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Dresden, Sept. 29, says: "King George of Saxony is much weaker. All the members of the royal family living in Dresden have assembled at Phillnitz, the summer residence of the Saxon court. A court bulletin, issued September 27, said that King George, who is 72 years of age, was experiencing increasing difficulty in breathing, with recurrent spasm-like periods that yielded reluctantly to remedies."

The police at Gomel, Russia, have discovered another secret printing press, from which revolutionary proclamations have been issued. Four arrests were made.

Milt G. Barlow, the original Old Black Joe of the minstrel stage, for many years widely known as "Uncle Tom," and later with the Texas Steer company, is dead at a private hospital in New York city from cancer, aged 65 years.

The French minister of agriculture estimates the wheat yield of France at 104,523,453 hectoliters, against 128,385,530 last year. The official estimate settles the controversies growing out of the recent unofficial estimates of the National Association of Millers.

The Association of the Chamber of Commerce of the United Kingdom, at a meeting at Birmingham, England, passed a resolution urging the government to conclude an arbitration treaty with the United States.

Having accidentally shot his friend while examining a revolver, Edward Hartman of Peoria, Ill., is violently insane. He sat by the side of his friend constantly since the accident which occurred September 25.

The white residents of Harrodsburg, Ky., have taken the race problem into their own hands and have deported eighty negroes from the town. The blacks will not be allowed to remain in Harrodsburg.

With gorgeously robed priests and a choir of a thousand voices, the Russian people gathered in a square at Moscow on September 28 and prayed for victory for the Russian army.

The total attendance at the World's Fair from opening day to September 24 was 11,792,848.

An awful disaster occurred on the Southern railway near New Market, Tenn., on September 24. The accident, which was due to misreading of orders, resulted in the death of fifty-eight people and the injury of 162.

Hector Van Doorslaer, one of the members of the Interparliamentary union at Washington and clerk of the house of deputies of Belgium, was found dead in his room on September 24. Heart trouble caused his death.

Six hundred lawyers attended at the twenty-seventh annual convention of the American Bar Association at St. Louis.

George H. Crocker of New York and San Francisco has filed a complaint against a well-known Paris surgeon to recover \$20,000. This amount had been paid in advance for cancer treatment for Mrs. Emma Crocker, who instead of being benefited, died in a short time. Mr. Crocker has instructed his attorneys to turn over any sum they can recover to the Pasteur institute for its use.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Moscow, Sept. 28, says: "Count Sergius Tolstoy, the brother of Count Leo, is dead. He was the very antithesis of Count Leo, residing on his estate in lordly style and living the life of a veritable self-indulgent epicure, while his brother, clad in homespun, leads the life of an ascetic."

A report from Mukden, not the center of operations in the Russo-Japanese war, says: "A great change in the situation has occurred. The Japanese now appear anxious to act on the defensive and have fortified a position northwest of the Yental mines. According to the best estimates obtainable, the Japanese army confronting General Kouropatkin comprises a grand total of 150 battalions. Allowing 800 men to a battalion there are 144,000 infantry. In addition there are 63,000 cavalry and 680 guns. The distribution of the Japanese forces is as follows: One division at Bentslaputze, two divisions at the Yental mines, four divisions on the railway a little further north of Liao Yang, one division westward near Hiameadenz and one division at Sandepu."

It is formally announced that Secretary of State Hay will remain at the head of the state department in the case of the re-election of President Roosevelt.

A rather novel bequest was that made by James Callanan in his will. Mr. Callanan directs that \$20,000 be set aside to establish a home for drunkards' wives in the state of Iowa.

An Associated Press dispatch, under date of Washington, D. C., Sept. 29, says: "Postmaster General Payne, it is admitted tonight, has been in a critical condition during the day, but tonight is resting easier. The physicians gave out a statement this evening saying that Mr. Payne had decided symptoms of heart trouble and that they were very serious during last night and the early part of today, but was resting easier now."

The Ontario parliament has dissolved. The general election will take place November 3. The leading issue will probably be the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, which has received favorable legislation from the government. The proposed route of the Grand Trunk Pacific is about 250 miles north of the Canadian Pacific.

An authoritative statement is made that Governor Odell will not resign as governor or retire from the chairmanship of the republican state committee of New York.

Acting Secretary of State Loomis has cabled Consul General Goodnow at Shanghai permission to return immediately to the United States to answer charges preferred against him of maladministration of the affairs in his office.

The Boston Chamber of Commerce received a cablegram from the associated chambers of commerce of Great Britain, to the effect that the organization had just passed a unanimous resolution in favor of a standing treaty of arbitration with the United States.

Senator George Frisbie Hoar, senior senator for the state of Massachusetts, died at his home in Worcester September 30, at the age of 78 years. Mr. Hoar had been ill for two months before his death, and the end came without a struggle. He leaves a son and daughter.