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## News of the Week

Eugene A. Byrne of Buffalo, N. Y., a member of the West Point Military Academy football team, died as the result of injuries received in a game of football between West Point and Harvard University. Colonel Hugh L. Scott, superintendent of the Academy, announces that there will be no more football for West Point during the remainder of the season.

Senator Cullom of Illinois has suggested that former Vice President Fairbanks be appointed minister to China.

Sir Thomas Lipton, the Irish yatchman, in a newspaper interview says that all the talk about a war between England and Germany is "just rot."

In the course of a speech at Jackson, Miss., President Taft said: "Now I have got 'Mac' Dickinson in the cabinet. I wanted him because I wanted to give an earnest example to the south of the truth of my declaration that I was anxious to bring you closer to the government at Washington. I wanted that Panama canal built, and I knew if he took hold of it it would go. One of your great heroes of Mississippi is Jefferson Davis, and I am glad the administration at Washington has wiped out the evidence of that extreme partisan bitterness of Cabin John Bridge and that his name is restored there."

The dinner that was to be given to former minister to China, Crane, by Chicago business men, has been abandoned at Mr. Crane's request, because he is about to sail for Europe.

Bishop Warren A. Chandler of the southern Methodist church declares that Rockefeller's gift of one million dollars for the cure of the "hook worm disease" is an insult to the south.

John Stuart Kennedy, a New York City banker and eighty years of age, died of whooping cough.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt and her children visited Rome and were given a private audience with the pope.

A New York reader of the Evening Post suggested Judge Alton B. Parker for justice of the supreme court to succeed the late Justice Peckham.

Lee McClung has been installed as treasurer of the United States, succeeding Charles H. Treat.

In addressing a gathering of women at Birmingham, Ala., President Taft said he was not in favor of suffrage for women until convinced that all women wanted the ballot.

Three persons were fatally injured and sixty others seriously hurt when a crowded street car jumped the track at Des Moines, Ia.

The national geographical society at Washington has awarded a gold medal to Commander Robert E. Peary. The society will yet pass upon the records of Dr. Cook.

The postal deficiency for the year ending June 30 last amounts to \$17,479,770. This is an increase of half a million over the preceding year.

Mrs. Emilene Pankhurst, the noted English suffragette leader visiting in this country, says that her cause will triumph in America at an early day.

The methods of the ice trust were disclosed at a hearing in New York

of the case against the American Ice company, for alleged violation of the anti-monopoly law. Special Attorney General Osborne read a letter written by John D. Schoonmaker, vice president of the company in January, 1900, to the manager of a branch in New York, saying: "I understand that one dealer has gone and taken his ice route with him. I think that we should take measures to shut him off from getting ice anywhere, not only in this state, but also in New Jersey." Another Schoonmaker letter suggested how large profits could be realized by distribution of the ice crop among the various cities in which the American Ice company had obtained a footing.

It is feared that the criminal courts building at New York, costing two million dollars and only nine years old, will collapse. The building has been abandoned.

Utah republicans claim that while President Taft was in their state he was monopolized by the Mormons. Senator Smoot denies the charge.

San Francisco wants to have an exposition in 1913. The California legislature recently appropriated \$500,000 a year for five years, conditioned that citizens raise \$2,500,000, thus making a total of \$5,000,000 available from the state. The governor vetoed the bill saying it was too early for such a measure but promising that he would sign a similar bill at some later session.

C. L. Warriner, former local treasurer at Cincinnati of the Big Four railway, has confessed to a shortage in his accounts variously estimated at from \$5,000 to \$100,000. He said that his shortage was due to his paying blackmail to a man and woman who had knowledge of an earlier shortage in his accounts.

Breathitt county, Kentucky, was under martial law as the result of disturbances resulting from night riders and oldtime family feuds.

Martin Kaufman of New York was arrested in Berlin, Germany, on the charge of fraud amounting to \$107,000 in connection with the cotton goods converted company of New York. An Associated Press cablegram says: "The case has many ramifications. Kaufmann was for a long time considered one of the most trustworthy business men of New York. His partner, M. A. Isaacs, had such implicit confidence in Kaufman's integrity that, according to him, he induced a number of his friends to take shares in the busi-

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