EPITOME OF EVENTS

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

ARE BRIEF BUT INTERESTING

Record of What is Going on in Congress, in Washington and is the Political Field.

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Senor Nilo Pocanha, president of Brazil, gave a banquet to William Jennings Bryan, at which the American ambassador, Irving B. Dudley and Mrs. Dudley and the members of the embassy were present.

The department of justice will accept the offer made by Pierre Garven, prosecular of Hudson county, New Jersey, to furnish the government evidence, he has on hand in the beef trust case and has asked him to forward to Washington copies of the indictments recently found there.

A new bill providing for the erection of American embassies abroad was reported by Representative Lowden from the foreign affairs committee. The bill, which takes the place of the one defeated on the floor of the house last Wednesday, provides a limit of \$150,000 for any one building, including grounds and furnishimage.

A year and a half have elapsed since an official state act was published announcing the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovnia and the grant of a constitution to those provinces. Now the emperor has given his sanction to this constitution, which, after long negotiations between the Austrian and Hungarian governments, is at length agreed upon.

A company of distinguished Britons, with many American residents, gave a banquet in London to Former Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks, under the auspices of the Pilgrim society. The Earl of Salsbury presided despite his eighty-four years and talked eloquently of Bunker Hill and Anglo-American friendship of late days. The speech of the evening was made by Mr. Fairbanks.

General.

Westen, the pedestrian, is now hiking through Kansas. Roosevelt's arrival at Khartoum

was the occasion for much enthus-Congress will look into butter

prices, but that won't change the price. Hogs established a new top record

in South Omaha Saturday, reaching President Lewis of the United Mine

Workers, believes a strike can be averted. President Taft's congressional pro-

gram is by no means certain of being carried out. Weary of the long strife, the people

of Philadelphia have united in a demand that the strike end.

On account of railroad washouts, wagons are being used for the transportation of mails in Nevada.

Convicts in the penitentiary at Pittsburg, Pa., maintained composure while a fire raged fifty feet away. Pressure is strong for the passage

of the McCall bill providing for the publicity of campaign contributions. The railroads are much concerned over the amount paid by the govern-

ment for the transportation of the H. W. Barker, a state senator, has

announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for governor of Wisconsin. The legislative, executive and judicial bill, carrying appropriations of

nearly \$34,000,000 has been passed by the house. Louis Pauthan, angered at the patent infringement suits against him,

has packed up and prepared to return to France. Town elections in New York show many democratic gains. Glen Falls,

Dolgeville and Waterloo elected democratic mayors. President Taft is soon to sound the

party slogan for the next congressional campaign. At Boxboro, N. C., John Wagstaff,

his wife and eight children colored. were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home. The annual report of the bureau of animal industry shows that the an-

nual loss caused by tuberculosis in food producing animals is \$24,000,000. Pat Crowe is in jail at Clinton, Ia., charged with an offense of intoxica-

tion. Crowe is widely known as the alleged kidnaper of young Cudahy. The Manitoba government Saturday issued \$2,000,000 in bonds for the

purpose of making a start at buying out the present elevator systems in the province.

More than 6,000 steerage passengers have left Southampton for the United States within a fortnight, breaking all records. Every steamer has taken her full capacity.

liarney Oldfield, with his 200-horse power Benz, showed great form at Dayton, O., by driving a mile in 27 2-5 seconds, which is four-fifths of a second better than the world's record

Senator Cummins spoke against the administration railroad bill in the

Peary's claim to honors received still another setback before the house

Ex-President Roosevelt positively declines to discuss European or American politics. Crude drugs, dyes and chemicals

comprise a large portion of the United States import trade. A run on a Cleveland savings bank

was met by prompt payment of all depositors who appeared. Congressman G. M. Hitchcock has formally announced his candidacy for

the United States senate. W. L. Parks of the Union Pacific

has been elected vice president of the Illinois Centra. Senator Burkett says he is confi-

dent of re-election and will depend upon the rank file of the party. Nicholas Tschaikovsky was acquitted and Madame Breshkovskaya sen-

tenced to exile, in St. Petersburg. Three of the defendants with Mabray in Council Bluffs pleaded guilty

and tow may turn state's evidence. Manuel Taylor, a negro, confessed that he killed Mrs. Mary Albert, the proprietor of a grocery store in Kansas City, Kas.

General Estrada, the head of the Nicaraguan revolutionary faction, is now ready to accept any reasonable terms as a basis for peace.

The house committee on naval affairs has favorably reported a bill appropriating \$500,000 to raise the wreck of the battleship Maine in Havanna harbor.

United States Commissioner Mark A. Foote ordered the deportation of Bob Leong of El Paso, Tex., convicted last summer before Judge Laudis of smuggling Chinese into this country.

Only one of the large citles of the country, Chicago, showed so large an increase in the postal receipts at the postoffices as did Kansas City, according to the figures for February.

Mrs. "Jack" Cudahy, whose husband attacked Banker Jere Lillis at Kansas City, said that she had received scores of offers to go on the stage, but had declined them all.

By an equally divided court the supreme court of the United States affirmed the decision of the federal court of California which held the grazing of sheep without permission on forest reserves was not a violation of the law.

Federal Judge K. M. Landis of Chicago, sentenced violators of the federal laws regulating the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine. The court fixed the punishment of Samuel Driesbach, who pleaded guilty, at a fine of \$15,000 and six years imprisonment in the Fort Leavenworth, Kas., penitentiary.

Robbers dynamited the safe of the Bank of Edna, Kansas, securing an amount estimated at \$3,000, and escaped on a handcar after exchanging shots with a number of citizens. One of the citizens was shot, but it

is believed not seriously wounded. The house committee on naval affairs reported unanimously the bill introduced by Representavtie Hobson of Alabbama, prohibiting, by fine and imprisonment, the exclusion of soldiers and sailors from hotels, restaurants, theaters, dance halls and other public places.

Washington.

The prince regent of China, according to official advices from Pekin, has issued an edict reiterating in the strongest terms of the former, declaration that a constitutional government and a parliament shall be opened in China at the end of the nine year period of preparation fixed by the late empress dowager.

The sum of \$237.66, spent by the state department last year in shoeing horses, was characterized as extravagance by Representatives Hamlin and Clark (Mo.) in the house. They failed, however, to have the appropriation cut. "What should be said if we undertook to curtail the horseshoeing bill of the secretary of state, whom we intrust with even the great question of whether we shall go to war?" inquired Mr. Mann (Ill.)

derisively. Three officers who were attached to the Twenty-fifth infantry at the time of the shooting at Brownsville, Texas, have been ordered before the military court of inquiry investigating the affair here. Captain Edgar A. Macklin, Captain Samuel P. Lyon and Second Lieutenant George T. Lawson are the

Senator Burkett had added to the Indian bill an amendment permitting the claims of Omaha Indians to be submitted to the court of claims. He also had added to the bill authorization for the construction of three new buildings at the Genoa Indian school.

Personal

Politics in New York will be allowed to simmer until Roosevelt returns. Krank B. Kellogg arraigned the Standard Dil company before the supreme court.

The construction placed on Congressman Hitchcock's statement is that Bryan is to never again seek

Private Edward L. Simpkins, stationed at Fort Russell, Wyo., shot and killed himself at St. Louis.

President Taft called Senators Burkett and Brown to learn their attitude on the pending railroad bill.

Harmony was the keynote of the annual convention of the Illinois Republican Editorial Association, held in Springfield.

IOWA RATES LOWER!

ATTORNEY GENERAL REPLIES TO RAILROAD'S COMPLAINT.

WHYNEBRASKA RATES ARE GOOD

The Enactment Cutting Them Is Not Invalid-Other Matters at the Capital of the State.

In his answer to the complaint of the Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul & Omaha railroad, which alleged in the federal court that the rates provided in the legislation enacted in 1907 were confiscatory, Attorney General Thompson shows in figures a comparison of the earnings in 1907 and 1909 and also a comparison of the rates now charged in Nebraska and in other states.

The suit has to do with the 2-cent fare law and the Aldrich freight rate law, which decreased freight rates 15 per cent.

Discussing freight rates, the answer says:

"The rates provided for the transportation of lumber in carloads in Nebraska is 11.9 cents per 100 pounds per 100 miles; in lowa the rate is 6.3 cents per 100 pounds per 100 miles. The rate on wheat in Nebraska is 11.48 cents; in Iowa it is 8.1 cents. The rate on corn in Nebraska is 10.2 cents, while in Iowa it is 6.8 cents. On cattle the rate in Nebraska is 13.6 cents, while in lowa it is 10 cents. The rate on hogs in Nebraska is 17 cents, while in lows the rate is 11 cents. The rate on apples in Nebraska is 13.6 cents, while in Iowa the rate is 8.4 cents. The rate on potatoes in Nebraska is 11.9 cents. while in Iowa the rate is 7.2 cents. The rate on coal in Nebraska is \$1.02 per ton, while in lowa the rate is 74 cents.'

The answer sets out that while the revenue from intrastate freight shipments has been increased since the law went into effect, the expense of operation has not been increased. The revenue from intrastate shipments for the year ending June 30, 1908, was \$430,359.75 and for 1909 the reve Due was \$657,149.23.

The earnings of the freight department for the year ending June 30. 1907, amounted to \$1,202,353.79, while for the year 1909 the revenue was \$1,245,149.23.

The freight earnings in Nebraska for the year ending June 30, 1907, amounted to \$1.79 1-10 per train mile, while for the year 1909 the earnings per train mile amounted to \$1.827. The earnings per ton of freight handled in Nebraska in 1907 amounted to \$1.23; in 1909 the carnings per ton of freight amounted to \$1.47. The freight earnings per ton mile in 1907 amounted to 16.5 mills, while in 1909 the earnings amounted to 17.63 mills. This amount, the answer says, was almost double the average earnings of the entire line, 9.03 mills.

The operating revenue of the railroad for Nebraska in 1907 was \$1,-725,298.46, while for 1909 the operating revenue was \$1,807,738.42. The expenses for 1907 were \$1,199,581.95 and for 1909 the expenses were \$1,-231,933.21. The net income for the business done in Nebraska in 1907 was \$525,716.51 and for 1909 it was \$585,805.21. The net income from operation for 1907 per mile was \$1,-854.91, and for 1909 the net income was \$1,899.56.

Governor Folk to Talk.

Ex-Governor Joseph W. Folk of Missouri will speak in Lincoln in August during the Epworth assembly,

Want Governor to Investigate.

The mysterious disappearance of O. F. Hamilton from the town of Mullen has caused a number of citizens of that place to file affidavits indicating foul play with Governor Shallenberger. The affidavits very evidently suspect that Hamilton has been murdered, because he assisted secret service agents of the government who were investigating charges of land frauds.

A mob burned Hamilton's team and barn and wrecked his place of busi-

Bishop Has Returned.

State Superintendent Bishop has returned from Indianapolis, where he attended the national meeting of su perintendents and principals, and reported a most beneficial meeting. Ne braska was represented by about thirty instructors, and Superintendent Davidson of Omaha was elected president. Mr. Bishop believes Omaha will get the meeting for the year after the coming meeeting. Mobile gets the coming meeting.

State Institutions' Expense.

Land Commissioner Cowles has prepared a quite lengthy table showing the expenses of state institutions which are under control of the state board of public lands and buildings for December, January and Febru-

Deputy Warden Resigns. James Delahanty, for the last nine years deputy warden at the state penitentiary, has resigned, to take up PAID TO RAILROADS.

Statistics Showing Revenues They Have Received.

Statistics showing the revenue received by the railroads from the sale of tickets, freight forwarded and freight received for the last year shows the ambitious smaller cities of the state line up in this position: Grand Island, first, \$924,839.79; Fre mont, second, \$638,813.90; Beatrice, third, \$621,670.62; Hastings, fourth, \$608,430.99; Kearney, fifth, \$445,597.

22; Nebraska City, sixth, \$424,939.12. In the above group Nebraska City shows a decrease of about \$20,000 compared with the year before, while Fremont shows a decrease of about \$30,000. The other towns mentioned all show an increase.

Compared with last year Omaha and Lincoln show increases, while So. Omaha shows a decrease. For 1908 Omaha paid out to the railroads \$10,-108,917.29, compared with \$10,392,-994.34 for the last year; Lincoln paid to the railroads in 1908 \$3,030,936.08, compared with \$3,079,093.48. In 1908 South Omaha contributed \$6,010,449. 99, compared with \$5,875,971.18.

Of the smaller cities Schuyler made the greatest increase of any town in the state, its increase being \$224,000. In the amount of the increase Schuyler ranks next to Omaha, which increased its expenditures with the

railroads some \$284,000. The total revenue for the entire state received by all the railroads for 1908 was \$48,112,241,66. For 1909 the total revenue amounted to \$50,640,-187.75. Omaha and South Omaha contributed almost one-third of the rev-

Alfalfa Rate Stays Down.

The Burlington railroad has been refused permission to increase the rate on alfalfa hay from Scott's Bluff to Omaha from 20 to 23 cents. The order refusing this permission was issued by the railway commission a few days ago, after having received protests from the Omaha Commercial club and the Omaha Alfalfa Meal ompany.

It was set out by the company that when the Peters company's plant at Omaha burned some time ago the rate on alfalfa hay was reduced from 23 to 20 cents per 100 for the benefit of that company. Now that the company has got on its feet again the railroad desires to restore the old rate. and with its application was filed a statement from the Peters company waiving objection to the increase.

Those who protested, however, set out that the Peters company had established mills out in the state and was now shipping to Omaha the finished product and no longer was it interested in the rate on alfalfa hay.

Missouri Pacific to Fight. The Missouri Pacific railroad will fight the Bartos act, which provides that railroads shall maintain at denots a telephone for the convenience of the public. That is if the rallway commission insists upon the installation of a telephone at Burr.

Night Races at Fair.

The state fair board is figuring on having races at the state fair this year. The plan is to have the races and a display of fireworks each evening. Heretofore the board has been having the fireworks put on by a company, but it has discovered that it can put on the show itself and this will be done this year.

Conservation Congress.

The state conservation congress, called by Governor Shallenberger to be held in Lincoln the last of March, promises to be a big meeting. The committee chosen to arrange the details have issued notice regarding the number of delegates to be chosen by the different political divisions and elected officers

Many Autos Registered. Pleasant weather has turned the minds of many people to automobiles.

The secretary of state is registering twenty and fifteen a day. Telephone Company Request.

The Lincoln Telephone company has asked permission of the railway commission to sell stock to the amount of \$355,800. Of this amount \$20,000 will be spent in Gage county and the remainder will be spent is and around Lincoln.

Express Rates on Ponies.

It is just as cheap now to ship an undersized pony by express as it is to express an oversized colt. The railway commission issued an order that hereafter the express companies should charge \$5 for shipping a 700pound pony or a colt not crated, and where crated and the weight is 900 pounds the charge shall be the same, if the express companies handle the shipment each shall receive \$2.50. If. the animal weighs more than 700 pounds it is to be expressed as a horse and given the horse rate.

Insurance Rates Differ.

State Auditor Barton is making an effort to prevent discrimination in rates charged for fire insurance by companies in Nebraska. He has received evidence that many companies charge less for a policy in some localities than in others on the same class of risks and even in the same localitles he has evidence that there is discrimination. It has been reported that while there is a rate war on at Hastings insurance is being written his residence on his farm near Clay for 10 cents a hundred, while in Lincoln the rate is \$1.20 a hundred.

WILL TAKE NO PART

FIGHT IN HOUSE NOT HIS FUNER. AL, SAYS TAFT.

NO WAR ON THE INSURGENTS

President Gets News of Struggle at Washington While on the Way to Rochester, But Makes No Comment.

Ashtabula, O.-On his way from Chicago to Rochester, where he is to speak before the chamber of commerce, President Taft made a brief stop here. Up to the time of leaving Chicago the president had received but meager news of the fight against Speaker Cannon. This had come part ly in cipher dispatches from the white house and partly from newspaper bulleting that were given to Mr. Taft.

The president eagerly read the morning papers put aboard his train at Cleveland, but would not comment on the matter in any way. He felt that his information was not complete enough for this, but it was doubtful that he would say anything under the circumstances even if he were in Washington. At any rate it was said the developments in the house would in no way alter the plans for his

The president all along has let it be known that he would not interfere with any fight the insurgents might make on the speaker or on the rules of the house. He has insisted, howover, that the insurgents give the administration's bill loyal support if they are still to be regarded as republicans and desires to share in the patronage that a republican president can give.

So far the insurgency in the house has not extended to any of the prestdent's measures recommended in fulfillment of party pledges. In face, many of the insurgents have pledged him their support and until they show some disposition to break this pledge the president will keep "hands off."

Fail in Peace Pact.

Chicago.-After two days of almost continuous argument the mediation between the representatives of 27,-000 firemen and the general managers of forty-seven western railroads was still unconcluded up to a late hour Friday. It will be impossible to tell when the federal mediators will complete their work.

That the firemen are anxious for a prompt decision was made known by W. S. Carter, president of the brotherhood of locomotive firemen and enginemen, who said the union's plan to call a strike Monday morning had not yet been abandoned.

It was learned that the railroads are still determined to "stand pat" on their refusal to submit to arbitration certain rules governing discipline and authority, while Matrin A. Knapp, the chairman of the interstate commerce commission, and C. P. Neil, United States labor commissioner, were confident the mediation would result in a clear understanding as to what shah be arbitrated. The government officials, however, declined to comment on the situation.

Disfranchises Negroes.

Guthrie, Okla.-The house of representatives Friday approved the "grandfather clause," amendment to the Oklahoma constitution, which has already been approved by the senate. If it is approved by the governor, the amendment will be voted on by the voters of the state, provided the requisite number of voters first petition that it go on the ballot.

The amendment, if adopted, will probably result in the disfranchisement of many negroes.

About Abandoned Hope.

Washington-There is reason to believe that the state department officials have practically abandoned hope of any adjustment of the tariff differences between the United States and Canada and believe that it is altogether probable that the maximum rates of the Payne-Aldrich act will go into operation against that country automatically within two weeks.

No Attempt to Fix Prices. Washington, D. C.-Continued denials that the American meat packer's

association discussed or attempted to fix prices in any way were made by George L. McCarthy, publisher of the association, in concluding his testimony before the senate high cost of living committee.

One Tariff War Averted.

Rochester.-President Taft has announced that a complete agreement had been reached with France on all tariff differences and that at Albany he would sign a proclamation giving France the 25 per cent reduction of rails provided for in the Payne-Aldrich tariff law.

Both Sides Holding Out.

Cincinnati.—Relief in the form of a two days' recess came Friday to the operators and miners of the central competitive field who have been battling here for the last ten days. Following the report of the scale conmittee to the joint conference of miners and operators that it could not agree, the conference referred the matter back to the scale committee and the committee announced that it would not meet until 10:30 o'clock Monday morning.

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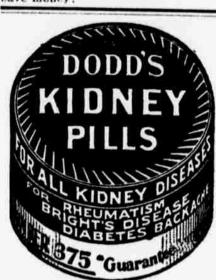
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