

WORLD'S DAILY NEWS CAREFULLY COLLECTED AND CONCISELY STATED LIBERAL WITH CASH CONGRESS HAS NOT CHECKED SECRET SERVICE WORK.

Representative Smith Explains Some of the Abuses Which Have Grown Up Under the Wide Latitude Allowed Federal Detectives.

Members of congress who are inclined to resent President Roosevelt's criticism of the restriction it placed on the government secret service at the last session point out the fact that the same bill, in which appears the amendment that riled the president, appropriates half a million dollars for enforcement of the law against timber and land frauds.

This sum, now being used for the detection and conviction of land and timber grafters, is, in fact, four times the amount asked and voted to the secret service division of the treasury department about which the president has become so agitated.

The appropriation to thus protect the public lands and forests was doubled at the last session of congress, being increased from \$250,000 to \$500,000, every cent that was asked of congress for that purpose. The increase alone of the fund to prevent land frauds was double the entire amount asked and appropriated for the entire secret service.

Representative Wafer I. Smith, of Iowa, was a member of the subcommittee of the appropriations committee that had in charge the preparation of the sundry civil bill at the last session and aided in incorporating in it this provision for the punishment of land and timber grafters. In view of the half million appropriated for that special purpose he also upheld the amendment that the secret service division of the treasury department should be restricted from "loaning" or "assigning" detectives to other departments of the government, which were provided with funds of their own for whatever secret inquiries they have lawful right to make in the conduct of citizens or officials.

MARTIAL LAW IN CARACAS.

Soldiers Check an Outbreak Against Castro.

The people of Caracas arose Wednesday against Castro. An infuriated mob, unhindered by the police, swept through the city of Caracas, wrecking the property of his henchmen and friends. All statues and pictures of Castro in clubs and other semi-public buildings were burned in the Plaza Bolivar. Castro's rule in Venezuela probably is ended. In spite of Holland's warlike activity on the coast, there have been no demonstrations against the Netherlands; they all have been directed against Castro and Acting President Gomez.

A Train on Fire.

A Northern Pacific coast train was damaged by fire to the extent of \$40,000 while at the station at St. Cloud, Minn. A lighted match dropped by a passenger on a window curtain started the fire. The entire car was soon ablaze, and the fire spread to a second Pullman car. Both cars were burned to the trunks.

For Killing His Father.

The trial of Beach Hargis, charged with the murder of his father, Judge James Hargis, was called at Irvine, Ky., Wednesday. The members of the Hargis family are on both sides of the case. The wife of Judge Hargis is using the money left her to defend the patriarch.

Fanatics are Re-arrested.

Mrs. Della Pratt and William Englehill, 17, followers of James Sharp, a religious fanatic, were re-arrested late Tuesday night after they had been discharged by Justice Remley on the charge of conspiracy in the murders near Kansas City last December 8.

Four Persons Killed.

Four persons were killed by the collapse of a span of the new bridge across the Potomac river, at Martinsburg, W. Va.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Wednesday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$5.50. Top hogs, \$5.55.

HUGHES SEEKS LIGHT.

Appoints a Body to Inquire Into Stock Exchanges.

Gov. Hughes Monday night announced the appointment of a committee of nine, consisting of bankers, business men and economists, to inquire into the facts surrounding the business of the stock exchanges in New York and to suggest "what changes, if any, are advisable in the laws of the state bearing upon the speculation in securities and commodities; or relating to the protection of investors, or with regard to the instrumentalities and organization used in dealing in securities and commodities which are the subject of speculation.

The commission is to serve without compensation, and has been asked by the governor to report as early as practicable. To each member Gov. Hughes sent a letter, which said: "At the last session of the legislature I recommended that provision should be made for suitable inquiry into the facts relating to speculation in securities and commodities, with the view of ascertaining the manner in which illegitimate transactions might be prevented and legitimate business safeguarded. As I stated in accepting a renomination, I had in mind in making this recommendation such an expert inquiry as was made into banking conditions, the result of which was the passage of highly beneficial measures.

"In this commonwealth the vast commercial and financial transactions, which represent the activities of the entire country, it is of the utmost importance that legislation affecting business and exchange should be the result of deliberate study, and that we should neither threaten business stability by ill considered measures or on the other hand invite agitation or impair confidence by ignoring abuses and by failing to provide suitable correction."

HAINS' TRIAL BEGINS.

Brother of Army Officer is Arraigned in Court.

For the second time in his life, Thornton Jenkins Hains, college graduate, author and master mariner, was put on trial for his life Monday. He was arraigned before Justice Frederick E. Crane, of the supreme court, at Flushing, N. Y., charged with being accessory to the murder of William E. Annis, publisher of Recreation Magazine, on August 15, 1908. It is charged that Hains, with drawn revolver, intimidated spectators who saw his brother Capt. Peter C. Hains, Jr., United States army, shoot Annis, and aided and abetted his brother in the act.

The trial is expected to be the most sensational in the history of Queens county. It is believed that Mrs. Claudia Hains, wife of Capt. Peter Hains, Jr., will not appear as a witness at the trial, and that she will remain in Massachusetts, where a subpoena of New York courts is inoperative.

SCHLATTER IS DRIVEN OUT.

Mob of Citizens Forces "Divine Healer" to Leave Malcomb, Ill.

Declaring at a meeting at Malcomb, Ill., that President McKinley was an anarchist, that he had turned more people loose to prey upon society than any man in the world, and that the assassination of McKinley was all right, excepting it did not happen soon enough, the self styled "Divine Healer" Schlatter only escaped personal violence from a mob through the intervention of the police, officers escorting Schlatter to a hotel and to the first train out of town, followed by a mob of citizens, threatening to do violence if he did not leave at once. Schlatter went to Quincy, Ill.

Colorado Land Frauds.

The supreme court of the United States in the main reversed the verdict of the United States district court of Colorado discharging from custody a number of persons who were arrested on the charge of conspiring to defraud the government by entering timber and coal lands in Colorado contrary to law.

Glass Men Demand Raise.

A general increase of practically 25 per cent on their wage scale, to take effect December 19 next, will be demanded by the National Window Glass Workers. The new scale was announced Tuesday at the close of a five days' session of the national scale committee of the union at Cleveland, O.

Pacific Fleet at Panama.

The Pacific armored cruiser fleet arrived at Panama Sunday at noon and anchored in the harbor near the Yorktown, which preceded the big cruisers by one day. The voyage from Magdalena was without special event and all reported well on board.

Killed in an Automobile.

In an automobile accident at Baltimore, Md., Harry Kestler was killed and Frank Radford, Samuel Rosenberg and Wm. Reynolds were seriously injured.

Postoffice is Robbed.

Three unknown men entered the postoffice at Sault St. Marie, Mich., while Deputy Postmaster Higgins was making out the pay roll, knocked him senseless with a sandbag and then escaped with \$2,500.

Student Bursts Blood Vessel.

John Bruce Woodward, a student at the state university at Lexington, Ky., died as the result of bursting a blood vessel in his lung while blowing into a lung testing machine.

Aged Odd Fellow Dead.

Judge John L. Lennan, grandeur of the I. O. O. F. of the world, died at Nashville, Tenn., Monday night.

HOW DID IT HAPPEN?

Franking Law Violated in a Number of Cases.

Secretary Wilson's department may be put on the gridiron by the house appropriations committee to find out who is responsible for mailing 20,000 copies of a political speech by Gen. Sikes under a government frank during the recent campaign. It is admitted at the department of agriculture that some of the campaign documents "happened" to get into its envelopes marked "Official Business. Penalty for Private Use, \$300," but who put them there and how it came about is professed to be a profound mystery that the house committee on appropriations is anxious to solve.

The appropriations committee has had Third Assistant Postmaster General Lawshe on the rack also to explain how the country letter commission, of which Henry W. Wallace, of Des Moines, is a member, came to use the government frank on the thousands of letters it has sent out to the farmers of the United States. It is contended that the commission, which is an unofficial body appointed by the president, had no right to the free use of the mails.

In reply to an inquiry from the committee Mr. Lawshe said:

"The question may have been raised whether this commission on country life could make use of the franking privilege, or, rather, use the penalty envelope. If so, it was held that the commission could not use it, but that correspondence in regard to that commission which related exclusively to the business of the government of the United States, conducted by an officer of the government under the supervision of any executive department might under the law be transmitted free of postage under cover of a penalty envelope of his department."

RAPS THE TOBACCO TRUST.

Federal Court Decides for Government in Action Against Combine.

A decree of the United States circuit court at New York in the government suit against the American Tobacco company and others, which was filed late Tuesday afternoon, declares the American Shuff company, R. J. Reynolds company, Pierre Lorillard and Blackwell's Durham company, a monopoly engaged in an illegal combination.

The decree restrains these holding companies engaging in foreign and interstate commerce until competitor between them is restored. The decree denies the receiptists asked by the government.

SPEAKER CANNON WINS.

Members of the House Vote to Sustain Him After Spirited Contest.

After a vigorous contest in the house Tuesday a motion by Mr. Gardner, republican, one of the so called "insurgents," to amend the resolutions calling on the secretary of state for certain information that it would be simply a provision for the appointment of eight members to report on the question of revising the house rules had been ruled against by the speaker and his ruling sustained by the house the whole proposition was killed by laying the resolution on the table. It the vote to sustain the speaker twenty republicans voted against him.

Dutch Seize Another Ship.

The Dutch battleship, Von Heemskerck arrived in the harbor Tuesday morning towing as a prize the Venezuelan coast guard vessel De Mayo, captured Sunday. She is the unit of the Venezuelan navy, but her size and strength are insignificant. The De Mayo's crew was landed on the Venezuelan coast.

Michigan's Official Vote.

The state board of canvassers met at Lansing Mich., Tuesday and canvassed and announced the result of the November election. The average vote on presidential electors gives Taft and Sherman a plurality of 159,000. Gov. Warner ran over 100,000 behind the rest of the state ticket and received a plurality of 9,531.

Raised to \$18,000.

The reward offered by the Great Northern railway officials and the government for the arrest and conviction of the train robbers who held up and robbed train No. 4 near Hilliard, Wash., Wednesday night has been raised to \$18,000.

Biggy's Body Found.

The body of Chief of Police Biggy, of San Francisco, who was drowned in San Francisco bay on the night of November 30, was found Tuesday morning by the crew of a freight boat. The face was very much disfigured.

Famous Chef Dead.

Ferdinand Mella, one of the proprietors of a leading hotel at Leavenworth, Kan., famous as a chef, died Tuesday of dropsy. Mella was a personal friend of William J. Bryan.

Rob an Oklahoma Bank.

Robbers dynamited the safe of the First National bank of Eufaula, Okla., early Tuesday, and escaped with about \$2,700. Officers in all the surrounding towns have been notified and every effort is being made to capture the robbers.

Man Killed by Horse.

Anton Glotzen, of Nebraska City, was kicked by a horse in the back and his spine injured. He has been in a comatose condition since then and fears are entertained for his recovery.

Boy Injured by Gun.

George Frank of Grand Island, a lad of about 22 years of age, was accidentally shot in the ankle, the discharge broke his jaw. Examination showed the bone that amputation was necessary between the ankle and knee.

New Game Bird Thrives.

Reports are being received at the office of Game Warden Carter at Lincoln to the effect that the Hungarian partridges which were planted in Nebraska a year ago are doing remarkably well.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

SOLONS MUST GO IT ALONE.

Mr. Bryan Disclaims Role of Nebraska Dictator.

That William J. Bryan will not attempt to dictate the action of the Nebraska legislature this winter, but will act in an advisory capacity, is indicated by the following statement made recently: "I have only one interest in the legislature," said Mr. Bryan, "and that is to see every pledge of our platform carried out and this applies to the pledges made in our state platform and to such pledges in our national platform as can be carried out by the state legislature. I need hardly add that I shall take no part in contests for offices in the legislature or the offices to be filled by the governor. My one interest is to see the promises kept. This I am interested in because platform pledges are a contract made with the voter and also because I believe that the keeping of such promises is necessary if the democratic party is to maintain its position in the state."

Mr. Bryan said that he would spend his winters in Texas hereafter, but he had no intention of changing his residence from Nebraska. He denied that he had hunted bear in Texas, and also that he had been arrested and fined for exceeding the limit in duck hunting.

Regarding his interest in democratic newspaper ventures, Mr. Bryan said that he had no intention of extending his support to other ventures than his own paper.

BURGLARS BUSY AT HOLDREGE.

Five Places Visited, but Little is Secured.

Tuesday night was a busy one in Holdrege for night owls. Some time between midnight and morning the offices of the Phelps County Lumber company, Thomas Hufford, Delsher & Kronquist, implement men; C. A. Galloway and the Tidball Lumber company were entered and the offices thoroughly ransacked. They just failed to have been made at the office of the Phelps County Lumber company. Nothing was missed here except a screwdriver. From here they went across the street to the coal office of Thomas Hufford, where a bicycle was stolen. They next tackled the office of Delsher & Kronquist, the office was ransacked and \$2 or \$3 in postage stamps found, which were taken, as well as something less than \$2 in change which was found in the desk drawers. From here they went to the lumber office of C. A. Galloway and only a few cents worth of postage stamps taken. They then went across the street to the lumber office of the Tidball company and after going through the desks and cash drawer departed with two copper cents.

Complaints were filed and warrants issued and officers got on the trail, which was followed to Minden, where the parties got away. There were two of them and they were traced to the fair grounds just east of Minden, where they made their getaway. The supposition is that they went south.

PIONEERS' WINTER MEETING.

Will Hold Their Annual Session at the State Capital.

The winter meeting of the Nebraska Territorial Pioneers' association will be held at Lincoln January 12-13, in connection with the annual meeting of the Nebraska State Historical society.

The principal features of the meeting will be a banquet and exhibition of relics, curios and photographs, to be presented for the occasion by the pioneers from their private store of treasures. Further plans contemplate the organization of permanent quarters for the Pioneers' association in the new fire-proof building of the State Historical society which is now in course of construction at Lincoln.

Objects to Drainage Ditch.

The city of Fremont will put up a vigorous fight against the proposed Schroeder ditch north of town. The objection is based on the ground that the ditch would take all the water from Raw Hide creek, north of town, and as the city sewer empties into that creek about five miles southeast of the city, the sewerage would be obstructed and the city deprived of water necessary to carry it off.

Farmer Breaks Jaw.

While returning home Otto Obrest, an employe at the Jenny Bros. cheese factory near Leigh, met with a distressing accident a few miles south of town. He fell on his jaw, and broke his jaw. Examination showed a compound fracture. The man had been drinking.

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Correct Weight on Lard Pails.

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Royal Arch Masons Convocation.

At a convention of Sheba chapter No. 54, Royal Arch Masons, held at Alliance Friday night, a large class was advanced, after which was held a pretentious banquet.

Money for Public Schools.

The semi-annual school apportionment to be sent out this week amounts to \$267,122.91. The apportionment is made on a basis of 72,998 per pupil, there being 329,296 children of school age in the state.

Scarlet Fever at Girls School.

The industrial school for girls at Lincoln is to be quarantined for scarlet fever. Two girls were brought to the institution several days ago and since one broke out with scarlet fever. The girl is 7 years old.

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

From Day to Day Condensed FOR OUR EASY READERS

CORN SHOW BIG HIT.

Exposition Passes Unhappier Period and Assures Successful Results.

The success of the National Corn exposition at Omaha from every standpoint is now assured. From the first success of the educational and show features of the exposition were certain and the liberal attendance of the first four days forecasts a great influx of visitors for the last week of the show, and thus the financial success of the giant enterprise.

Men of national and international reputation have visited the exposition during the last week and one and all have been unstinting in their praise. Ambassadors from foreign lands, members of parliaments, governors of neighboring states, railroad magnates from a distance, all have been tubercle in praising the efforts of the management in assembling the largest and most exhibiting of corn and products ever shown in the United States.

RATES TO OMAHA EQUALIZED.

Northwestern Gets Permission to Meet Competition from Fremont.

The Fremont office of the Northwestern will be permitted to meet the rate of the Union Pacific and Burlington in the leading universities and agricultural colleges of the west. Over 200 persons gathered in the booth of the Iowa exhibit at one time Saturday afternoon to learn the proper method of corn propagation, and this was but one of the many of such groups in the different sections of the exposition.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED.

Goods Found in Their Possession Were Taken at Diller.

Two more alleged crooks who are thought to have been implicated in the robbery of two stores at Diller and Steele City were arrested in a rooming house at Wymore and taken to Fairbury and lodged in jail. The officers forced their way into the room occupied by the two, where they found a lot of merchandise. The property was later identified by Diller cases as the goods stolen from a store there. When the men were arrested they had in their possession two revolvers. They refused to give their names.

GREENE LIKES NEW PLACE.

Former Superintendent of Insane Asylum Returns on Visit.

Dr. James L. Green, formerly superintendent of the insane asylum at Lincoln, accompanied by Mrs. Greene, is visiting friends in Lincoln. They will leave soon and before going back to Illinois Dr. Green may go to Osceola and see former Governor Mickey. Dr. Greene is now superintendent of an Illinois asylum located at Kankakee, and he expressed himself as being well pleased with the place, though his heart still lingers around Nebraska and Lincoln.

Robert Metzler Not Guilty.

The jury in the district court at Ponca gave the verdict of "not guilty" in the case of the state against Robert Metzler, of Newcastle. Judge Groves dismissed the jury in the criminal court for this term. The court has tried five criminal cases, with four convictions and one acquitted.

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STATE CAPITAL LINCOLN

CANAL IS UNDERMINED.

Difficulties from Water at Panama Shown in Report of Commission.

With an average of 43,057 men on the pay roll for the last fiscal year and appropriations made to date of \$120,904,468.58 and expenditures of \$84,572,908.55, both inclusive of the original purchase price of the canal of \$40,000,000, the Panama canal construction is making progress, according to the annual report of the Isthmian canal commission, issued in Washington the other day. One of the significant features of the report is the fact that it is truly military in style. It makes no guesses, but is confined to statements of historical fact which cannot be disputed or become subjects of controversy.

One of the interesting chapters of the report is on the lock and dam construction. In view of the reported break in the Gatun dam, the experience of the commission in the construction of the Sosa-Coronal dam and the Gatun locks is important at this time as illustrating the unexpected obstacles being met with by the army engineers in charge of the work. It was found necessary to move the site of the Sosa-Coronal dam when supposedly solid ground shifted. In the former instance it became necessary to move the site of the dam because of the shifting of the ground when dumping was begun, and this despite the fact that the plans and specifications showed the foundation for the proposed dam to be a solid base. Borings at Gatun, where the reported break is alleged to have taken place recently, plainly indicated the presence of underground water, but the engineers were proceeding with the greatest confidence that the difficulty could be avoided and that the bottom was sound.

In the Culiebra cut division during the past year 12,905,158 cubic yards of earth and rock have been removed by fifty-nine steam shovels. Plans to divert the Chagres river, the Obispo river, and other streams on the east side of the canal have been carried on in conjunction with the work at this point and, in addition thereto, it has been necessary to take care of four large landslides, one of which was an inheritance from the old French company and amounted to 140,000 square yards. Large excavations have also been made at Empire City, Empire Hill, Gold Hill and the Pedro Miguel lock site.

Sanitary conditions on the canal continue to improve from year to year and have practically ceased to be a subject of newspaper comment such as characterized the beginning of the work.

STATE CAPITAL LINCOLN

FRANCHISES

French labor unions have a membership of 1,500,000.

There are about 330,000 laundresses in this country, according to the last census.

There are fifty-seven active labor unions in Santa Clara county, California, of which forty-one are in the city of San Jose.

The Chinese government has established a school at Shanghai to instruct the sons of fishermen in modern methods of fish culture.

In 1828 the Workingmen's party, a local political organization, appeared in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and other large cities.

Boston's labor movement is to have an eight-hour labor day of women members of Boston unions along the lines of the famed women wage earners' chorus of Chicago.

The law of New York forbidding boys and girls under fourteen years of age from selling newspapers in the streets between 10 p. m. and 6 a. m. has gone into effect.

About 150 labor measures will be presented to the next California Legislature by the State Federation of Labor, the State Building Trades Council, central bodies and individual unions.

Wages of the Cleveland (England) iron stone miners and Wardale quarrymen have been reduced by three-quarters of 1 per cent, a majority on a vote of the employes having agreed to these terms, sought by the employers.

Fifteen different municipalities of Alsace-Lorraine, ranging in population from 5,000 to 175,000, conduct employment bureaus which aim to keep in close touch with the various organizations of employers and employes.

Work toward the formation of a metal trades department of the Boston (Mass.) Central Labor Union has been started by locals of the international unions which are affiliated with that new department of the American Federation of Labor.

The State of California has sent out a special labor commissioner to the continent of Europe, New Zealand and Australia to study labor questions, especially as to strikes and lockouts, in order to find, if possible, some plan of averting them by legislation.

The first Japanese emigrants to Brazil, 753 in number, have just sailed for that country from Tokio. They will work on the Brazilian railroads. Brazil pays two-thirds of their passage money, and after six months will give each a grant of land to induce him to settle.

In Merz, Germany, with 65,000 population, there are three unskilled to every four skilled workmen. Muelhausen, with 100,000 population, has sixty-nine unskilled laborers in every 100. In Strasburg, with a population of 175,000, there are two skilled to every three unskilled.

In the fall of 1907 the pioneer union of the shoe workers was organized in Fallersleben. It grew to be considered a power, and in 1906 a strike in all the shops of the city was ordered to enforce a demand for an increase in wages. It lasted but a few days, the employes recognizing the demand.