

SUMMARY OF NEWS

CONDENSATION OF THE MOST IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS.

BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD

General, Political, Religious, Sporting, Foreign and Other Events Recorded Here and There.

Political.

Judge Taft and W. J. Bryan both spoke in Syracuse, N. Y., the same night.

The republican congressional committee estimates that the next house will contain 224 republicans and 164 democrats.

Mr. Bryan wound up the campaign with a speech at Lincoln, his home town.

W. J. Bryan made a speech at Albany, N. Y. He was introduced by former Governor David B. Hill.

United States Senator Cabot W. Lodge said at national republican headquarters that he estimated the plurality which Taft and Sherman will receive in Massachusetts at 90,000.

The following statement signed by William Hayward, secretary, and F. W. Upham, assistant treasurer of the republican national committee, was given out at republican headquarters: "We are informed that a person of the name of J. M. Bennington of the state of Washington is representing himself as an agent of the republican national committee for the purpose of soliciting funds and has written letters soliciting contributions. The republican national committee has no connection with Mr. Bennington; he is not a member of our committee and never has been and has no authority to solicit funds for this committee."

General.

Governor Patterson of Tennessee has announced that he has sufficient evidence to convict all members of the gang of night riders that hung Captain Rankin.

Speaker Canon, in answer to Methodist bishops, denies being responsible for the defeat of the Littlefield bill. Belgium is to assume sovereignty over the Congo which has been annexed by treaty on the 15th of November.

The treasury purchased 75,000 ounces of silver for delivery at New Orleans and 50,000 ounces for delivery at Denver at 50.264 cents per fine ounce.

Mrs. William Astor, who for thirty years has been regarded as the social leader of New York, died on the 31st of heart disease at her home on Fifth avenue. For nearly four weeks Mrs. Astor, who was eighty-two years old, has been in a critical condition.

The next national convention of the Women's Christian Temperance union will be held in Omaha.

Modern Woodmen decided to make no effort to establish a preferred claim for their funds in the First National bank of Charlton, Ia.

Many girls were injured as a result of a fire in a ten-story building in the Cincinnati retail district.

Both Bryan and Taft received the election news in their home towns.

Nicholas Tschakovsky, the noted Russian revolutionist, is released on bail.

The cabinet of Bulgaria has accepted in principle the demand of Turkey for compensation.

A substantial majority for Premier Laurier has been returned by the elections in Canada.

President Diaz of Mexico, rumors to the contrary, says he is not ready to retire.

A dispatch from Rome to a London news agency says the pope has decided that a special consistory shall be held for the nomination of new American cardinals after the reorganization of the American diocese.

A damage suit has been started at Louisville growing out of Kentucky night rider outrages.

Miss Mary E. Cheek of Toboso, O., is the only regularly appointed woman rural mail carrier in the state.

Mr. William Farren, the veteran actor, who has just died at the advanced age of 83, was the third in the direct line to bear what is probably the oldest name continuously connected with the English stage.

The government offers settlers a chance to secure irrigated lands on the Shoshoni ditch.

A receiver has been appointed for the Egg-O-See firm which recently went into bankruptcy.

Chairman Mack in a review of the political outlook says Bryan will have 301 electoral votes.

C. A. S. Blake, who bribed the juror in the Ruef case, at San Francisco, made a sensational confession after he had been found guilty.

Methodist missionaries were in session at Cincinnati to consider means of advancing the cause in the foreign field.

Records were broken in the naval target practice at Manila.

The examiner of the Providence Savings Life Insurance company says the management was extravagant.

Seven-eighths of the suffragettes have gone to an English jail rather than give the promise to behave themselves.

Prince Henry of Prussia, spent several hours in the air as the guest of Count Zeppelin, who made an ascension in his remodeled airship.

Vice President Fairbanks made the address on the occasion of the unveiling of the statue of ex-President Harrison at Indianapolis.

Servian reserves have been called out and King Peter has ordered 300 Maxim guns and 400 military automobiles.

Miners of Charleston, W. Va., barely escaped with their lives as the result of forest fires.

A semi-official statement issued in Berlin says Germany will not agree to discussion of any subject in proposed international conference that is objected to by Austria.

The Milwaukee road announces a fare of one and one-third regular rate to the National Corn exposition, and this is taken to mean the Western Passenger association has taken action, and all roads are included.

The emperor of Japan replied to the message of President Roosevelt.

Chairman Hitchcock, in an interview before leaving New York for Chicago, expressed himself as well pleased with the progress of the campaign.

The Canadian elections resulted in return of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to power for another five years with a slightly decreased plurality.

Washington.

"I suppose Heaven helped us to join hands firmly," said Japanese Ambassador Takahira with emotion, as he discussed the visit of the American fleet to Japan. Ambassador Takahira had a short time before returned from the white house, where he was the guest of President Roosevelt at luncheon, and to whom he delivered a message of thanks from the Japanese emperor for that which the president sent as the fleet departed.

The supreme court of the United States fixed January 4 as the date for hearing the argument in the commodities clause cases, and gave directions for the consolidation into one of all the twelve cases for the purpose of argument. The cases involve the constitutionality of the clause of the Hepburn rate law prohibiting railroad companies from carrying commodities of their own production.

The president will get busy on his message as soon as the election is over.

President Roosevelt has appointed Colonel Fred A. Smith of the Eighth infantry, a brigadier general, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Brigadier General Phillip Reade.

Colonel Smith was born in New York and appointed to the military academy from that state.

Treasury balances Oct. 23d were as follows: Available cash balances \$168,084,147; gold coin and bullion, \$41,294,531; gold certificates, \$37,956,700.

Business conditions throughout the country are quiet and not much change is expected until after the election is over.

Foreign.

In order that the prominent Americans who have taken passage on the steamer Mongolla may learn the result of the election in the United States, the departure of the vessel was held one day at Tokio.

The Chinese officials paid their welcome to the American fleet.

Henri Farman's aeroplane made a twenty mile trip from Mourmelon to Rheims in twenty minutes.

The latest sensation reported concerning the Duke of the Abruzzi and Miss Katherine Elkins is that the couple will marry privately and unknown to the public in order to escape the curiosity of the crowd.

The second squadron of American battleship fleet reached Amoy, China, on Thursday.

All the suffragettes with the exception of two, who were arrested during the disorders in and around the House of Commons, were arraigned in court and fined \$25 each. They refused to pay and were consequently sentenced each to one month's imprisonment.

The petition of Count Boni de Castellane for a modification of the decree of divorce obtained by his wife, who was Miss Anna Gould of New York, on account of her subsequent marriage to Prince Helle de Sagen, came up in the tribunal of the Seine at Paris, but at the request of the defense hearing was adjourned until November 4.

The British Aero club has awarded its gold medal to the Wright brothers of Dayton, O., for their remarkable achievements.

Personal.

Henry Bennett, a Kentuckian, who was badly beaten by night riders, has filed suit against a number of prominent citizens asking \$100,000 damages.

General Garlington finds Colonel Goethals free of the charge of favoritism in awarding the Panama contract.

"Ted" Burton, member of the band that hanged Captain Rankin at Reelfoot Lake, Tenn., made a confession in which he implicated forty men, over half of whom are already under arrest.

Mrs. Stevens was re-elected president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance union.

Hundreds of federal employes are leaving Washington for their homes to vote.

A monument to former President Harrison was unveiled in Indianapolis, Tuesday.

Thomas F. Ryan gave \$20,000 to the Bryan campaign fund.

The secretary of state of Colorado has been sent to jail for disobeying an order of the district court in Denver regarding the makeup of the ballots for election.

OFFICER SHOT DOWN

PROMINENT CITIZEN OF WEEPING WATER INSTANTLY KILLED.

POSSE PURSUE MURDERERS

Heroic Measures Likely to Be Taken on the Malefactor if Overhanded by Hounds.

Weeping Water—Suspecting that Nightwatchman C. A. Ralston was going to arrest them one of the two men thought to be the robbers of the Manley bank, five miles from here, shot and instantly killed the officer about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Immediately the community was aroused and every man who could secure a weapon and a horse started in pursuit of the murderers; the sheriff made a fast drive from Plattsmouth in an automobile, bringing bloodhounds with him; officers in Lincoln were notified to bring hounds and come here as well as go to stations northwest of here in which direction the murderers went after shooting Ralston.

The Platte river bridges are also being guarded and the man hunt has been taken up with such vigor and determination that it seems almost impossible that the murderers can escape.

Class county is a network of telephones. The lines have all been busy, Eagle, Murdock, Alvo, South Bend, Ashland, Louisville and others have been notified.

Feeling is so intense that only the cool heads of the prominent business men in the searching party will prevent a lynching should the men be apprehended.

The murdered nightwatchman is a member of prominent families and has lived in Weeping Water almost since boyhood. He was a terror to evil doers and a very brave man. The men who committed the deed stopped all night at the Riverside hotel. They registered as Charles Selders and Arthur Munster and took breakfast there, eating dinner just before the murder. They came here looking like bums, but left wearing good clothes of a dark color and soft black hats.

They are about five feet ten or eleven inches in height and one was slightly stooped, one weighing about 160 pounds, while the other was thinner and weighed about 140 pounds.

From the hotel they went up the track to the coal chutes and behind the cars Ralston met them and they fired one shot, killing him instantly. He fell on his face in the cinders.

The section foreman heard the shots and saw the men running away. He went to investigate and found the night watchman dying. Previous to going up the tracks Ralston was talking with a detective sent here to look up the Manley bank robbery and the detective told him to keep an eye on these men. In less than fifteen minutes Ralston was killed. Bloodhounds are also on the road here from Lincoln.

Charley Ralston is one of the best known men in central Cass county and connected with prominent families of Weeping Water. He had been night watchman at two different times, covering a period altogether of about ten years. He is a brother of Alfred Ralston, former butcher and cattle buyer.

Contracts for Army Supplies. Washington—Recent contracts awarded by the quartermaster general's office include 9,000 tons of oats to be furnished by Seattle and St. Paul firms. Bids received this week for 10,000 tons of hay for the Philippines have been rejected because of high prices and irregularity.

Catholic Census. New Orleans—According to the census of New Orleans, which Archbishop Glennon of St. Louis has been compiling for several months, and which was made public here, New Orleans has 181,549 Catholic communicants out of a total population of about 350,000.

Conservation of Resources. Many Candidates for Congress Pledge Support for the Movement. Chicago—Pledges of active support of the conservation of natural resources movement have been received by the officers of the Conservation League of America from more than one-third of the republican and democratic candidates for congress and President Walter F. Fisher declares that the league has every reason to be gratified with the results of its first national campaign. In addition to the signed declaration of support, which number 257, the league has received letters and telegrams from a considerable number of congressional candidates expressing approval of its policies and assurances of support.

Horsethief Shot by Sheriff. Rapid City, S. D.—Two horse thieves, named Harvey and Johnson, escaped from the jail at Oacoma in Lyman county Wednesday night and later while being re-arrested by the sheriff one of the malefactors was shot dead. It seems that Harvey and Johnson had stolen a team of horses, wagon and harness at Dallas and were overtaken by the officers and placed in the jail at Oacoma. With the aid of a stove lifter and some lumps of coal they pried and pounded a hole in the roof of the jail and escaped.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Greater or Lesser Importance Over the State.

Burglars visited Julian, getting besides goods \$125 in cash. Douglas county will build a \$1,000,000 court house and an \$18,000 jail.

Ben McManigal of Blair, one of the railroad gang, fell from a trestle at Ft. Calhoun and broke an arm.

Any and all danger of prairie fires in Deuel county has been checked by five inches of rain.

A commercial club has been organized at Sutherland with a membership of over twenty-five.

James W. Shelley, a pioneer of Gage county, passed away last week in his 86th year.

Arthur W. Linton of Albion has been awarded the Stearnes fellowship in pharmaceutical chemistry at the Michigan university.

The general merchandise store of M. L. Bruce at Monroe was destroyed by fire. The building and stock were a total loss.

Workmen who dismantled and tore away the old Schurman building in Fremont estimate that while working on the building they killed close to 500 rats.

Three Fairbury merchants were victims of forgeries. They were caught for amounts ranging from \$35 to \$36.80. The man who worked the forgeries was known by the name of Charles Miller.

Frank Kolouck, a Bohemian who lives north of Sargent, was brought to Broken Bow and taken before the insanity board. The board ordered him to be taken to the Hastings asylum.

While John Murray was cleaning his rifle in his home in Plattsmouth the gun was accidentally discharged and the ball entered the head of his two-year-old son, killing him almost instantly.

Farmers should all have telephones. Write to us and learn how to get the best service for the least money. Nebraska Telephone Company, 18th and Douglas streets, Omaha. "Use the Bell."

J. J. Fee, the man who tried to exact a large sum of money from Banker Drake of Omaha last spring, died at the penitentiary last week. He was found dead in his cell. He was 48 years of age and was received at the penitentiary May 23.

Articles of incorporation of the Nebraska Corn Produce company were filed with the county clerk at Beatrice. This company is capitalized for \$100,000 and will manufacture all kinds of cereals and other kinds of food cereal products.

The mystery surrounding the murder and robbery when the body of a man was found in the Niobrara river near Valentine is still as deep as ever. Although several people who have some relatives missing have looked at the body, no one has yet been able to identify the murdered man.

Nine Fremont people won out in the Tripp county drawing for lands. J. J. Mater got No. 39 and J. H. Wintersteen No. 58. Three others also came under 700. The last on the list is K. K. Hicks, the Northwestern agent, whose number was up in the 6,000's.

The oldest person attending the York Sunset social, in which only those 70 years and older are eligible, was Mrs. Mary Wildman, aged 90, and the next oldest was J. W. Pope, a retired Methodist minister, aged 86. There were ninety-nine attending, all over 70 years.

The Nebraska Library association, which closed its fourteenth annual convention at Hastings, elected the following officers: First vice president, Miss Smith, Beatrice; second vice president, Miss Newlan, Hastings; treasurer, Miss O'Brien, Omaha; secretary, Miss Spencer, Falls City.

As a sequel to the divorce proceedings started at Beatrice several days ago by Eliza M. Erb against the Rev. Edmund Erb, the latter comes back with a \$25,000 damage suit filed against Laura McMaster and her husband, A. M. McMaster. Mrs. McMaster is a daughter of Mrs. Erb and the reverend gentleman charges that the defendants have alienated his wife's affections and so poisoned her mind that she has driven him from his happy home.

Rev. J. W. Jenkins, rector of the First Episcopal church in Chadron for several years, was surprised by being asked to accept the appointment of chaplain of the state industrial school for boys at Kearney. The appointment was announced to him while in Kearney last week attending the state Episcopal conference. He has not yet reached a decision.

Dr. George E. Henton and family and J. H. Ball and family of Friend have returned from a five weeks outing in northwestern Colorado, also visiting Salt Lake City and Ogden. They spent three weeks on a hunting trip with Homer Goff, a famous guide of Meeker, Colo., and shot a large cinnamon bear, several wildcats and two deer.

A gruesome find, in the shape of a human leg, was turned over to Coroner Cole by Jack Govier, a farmer living fourteen miles northeast of Broken Bow. The affair is shrouded in mystery.

From Lincoln to Nebraska points should be lowered or raised or left just as they are, according to the particular points of view of the several speakers. It is alleged by Omaha lumber dealers that there is a discrimination in lumber rates favorable to Lincoln.

To argue why the rates on lumber from Omaha to Nebraska points or

THE STATE CAPITAL

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL CITIZENS.

MORE STATE FAIR BUILDINGS

Secretary Mellor Starts Campaign for Stock Pavilion and Grand Stand on the Fair Grounds.

Will Ask For \$100,000.

Secretary W. R. Mellor of the state board of agriculture is planning to ask the next legislature for \$100,000 for a large stock pavilion on the state fair grounds. The board of agriculture is now gathering information relative to the cost and size of a building suitable for that purpose.

An appropriation of \$100,000 will be needed if a building similar to those used in other western states is erected. Secretary Mellor also desires to start a new steel grand stand for the track, but is not positive that the legislature will be asked to appropriate money for the stand.

A live stock pavilion is greatly needed, the little structure now used for that purpose being too small and is now used only for showing horses. The cattle were shown in a tent at the last fair.

Missouri spent \$70,000 for a stock pavilion and Minnesota paid \$110,000 for one without seats. A steel grandstand of reinforced concrete construction, made in accordance with the latest plans, with a seating capacity of 12,000, would cost \$150,000.

The Iowa state board wants to build a larger stock pavilion and a steel grandstand. Secretary J. C. Simpson, accompanied by President Cameron of the Iowa board, took an architect with them on a recent trip to examine structures at the Michigan fair grounds, and the Canadian national exposition at Toronto and examined a steel grandstand at Belmont, N. Y.

Secretary Simpson, writing to Secretary Mellor, said: "I think the Nebraska state fair has a great future. I have heard much complimentary mention made of your fair from exhibitors and visitors alike. With the growing attendance which you have at your fair, it would be my opinion that you would want a stand seating capacity at the present time of from \$,000 to 10,000, and left in such a way that you could add to it later."

"As you probably know, the stock pavilion on our grounds is much too small for our purpose, and if building at this time there are quite a few changes which we would make in the construction. Each of the stock buildings which we have erected since ours has been improved upon. Our building is an exact reproduction of the one on the Illinois state fair grounds and was built the following year. Next Missouri built one then Minnesota, Wisconsin, Indiana and Kentucky at Louisville. I think the pavilion on the Indiana state fair grounds at Indianapolis is probably the most perfect of any that has been constructed. It cost them in the neighborhood of \$100,000 to \$110,000. Our building was built in 1902 and cost about \$45,000. The outside dimensions are 175x225, the ring being 120x170. The main thing we have to complain of in our building is that the seating capacity is not half large enough. We contemplate at some future date adding another 100 feet in the length of this building, taking down the outside walls and rebuilding them to increase the seating capacity."

Andreas vs. Jensen. District Judge Stewart rendered judgment in the case of Fred Andreas vs. Louis Jensen et al. Andreas is the man who furnished the cut stone for the Temple building and Jensen was the contractor who built the structure. Plaintiff sued for \$7,663.07, less the amount of freight which had been paid by defendant on stone, alleging that Jensen had failed to pay him that balance due on material furnished in compliance with the contract between them. Jensen in his answer set up the allegation that he had been greatly damaged by delay in delivering the stone and specified the different ways in which he had sustained damage.

Judge Stewart finds that there is due the plaintiff from the defendant the sum of \$4,095.68 and that there was due the defendant from the plaintiff on the various items set out in his cross petition the sum of \$1,434.50; that there is therefore now due plaintiff from defendant the sum of \$2,661.18, with interest amounting to \$325.99, making a total of \$2,987.17.

City Attorney Wants Help. City Attorney Stewart is anxious for the city council to give him another assistant whose sole duties will be to look after the police court business. It was expected the matter would be decided by the council, but it wasn't. In fact, the proposition is being generously opposed.

Talk of Commission Plan. Lincoln is much impressed with the proposition of having a city government by commission and an enthusiastic meeting of business men was held to discuss the matter. Several delegations have been to Des Moines and other places and brought back reports favorable to the commission plan. A member of the Des Moines commission government was the guest of honor at the dinner at the Lincoln hotel and told of the satisfactory working of the plan at the Iowa capital.

THE TUBERCULOSIS EXHIBIT.

It Will Be Shown in Lincoln for About Ten Days.

Mr. W. L. Casper of New York city, who has charge of the travelling tuberculosis exhibit is in Lincoln with his exhibition. This will be put in place at 1215 O street, the room supplied for the purpose by Mr. J. E. Miller. The exhibit is the property of the national association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis and is loaned to the people of Lincoln for about ten days. It will open Friday, October 30, and be open from 10 o'clock in the morning until 10 o'clock in the evening except Sunday, when it will be open from 2 to 6 p. m. No admission fee is charged. A number of speakers have been invited to take part in the evening program. Governor Sheldon, Senator E. J. Burkett, Mayor F. W. Brown, Dr. Winnett, Mr. A. R. Talbot and others in the city have been asked to speak. Dr. S. R. Towne of Omaha, Dr. A. S. Mansfield of Ashland, Dr. E. C. Sward of Oakland, Dr. L. M. Shaw of Ocoeca, Dr. R. C. McDonald of Fremont and others are also expected to be present and take part. The city of New York has just appropriated \$20,000 out of the city treasury to bring to that city the tuberculosis exhibit which was a part of the recent tuberculosis congress in Washington.

The Teachers' Meeting. The local committee of the state teachers' association is urging the people of Lincoln to open their homes to the three thousand visiting teachers who will be here this week. Many of these cannot be accommodated at the hotels. In a notice sent out the committee says: "The reputation of our city for hospitality demands that every visiting member of the association be provided with suitable accommodations within convenient reach of the places of meeting. In caring for so many many persons within so short a time, very definite plans must be made in order to prevent confusion."

Suit Against Burlington. Mae L. Rowles, administratrix of the estate of Youel P. Husted, deceased, has brought suit in district court against the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company asking damages in the sum of \$2,000. The petition of plaintiff alleges that on the 24th day of March, 1908, Husted was struck by a Burlington train at the grade crossing in Burnham and instantly killed and his horse, buggy and harness destroyed. On the north side of the crossing the railroad runs through a deep cut, so that it is impossible for persons approaching the crossing to see trains coming.

The Tecumseh Theft. Detective W. A. Bentley, who is investigating the theft of the banking books from the sheriff's office at Tecumseh just prior to the date of hearing the Chamberlain case in Beatrice, telephoned that he had secured information concerning the team that took the books from Tecumseh and that the team had been traced to Beatrice. Whether he has secured the names of the driver of the team and his helpers in loading the box of books into the wagon is not related. Johnson county has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the thieves, and other rewards have been offered.

Passes for Employes. Annual passes are now issued to employes of the Union Pacific who have served the company long and efficiently, and to their families. Those who have been in the service ten to fifteen years get such passes, restricted to certain distances. Those of longer service get privileges to ride proportionately longer. These take the place for them of trip passes obtained on requisition. Issuing these passes was granted the other day, first as a concession to requests of the conductors.

Carried Many People. Reports of the five principal traction companies in Nebraska shows that they carried 50,821,522 people during the year just passed. The business was distributed as follows: Omaha & Council Bluffs company, 41,261,634; Omaha & Southern interurban, 412,279; Omaha, Lincoln & Beatrice, interurban, 397,272; Citizens railway, Lincoln, 1,702,327; Lincoln Traction company, Lincoln, 7,084,010.

Newspaper File Contribution. The newspaper department of the state historical society has received from Judge M. B. Davis of Beatrice, a complete file of the Beatrice Republican from January 9, 1866, to February 6, 1892. The files form a valuable contribution to the Gage county newspaper files already with the historical society.

Nebraska Litigant Successful. John W. Long of Loup City, Neb., telegraphed from Little Rock, Ark., that the federal court had decided in favor of a Nebraska litigant, Jennie S. Rawson, who \$6,000 of securities of the county of Ashly. Under the laws of Arkansas the county judge who had called in the securities for reissue declared all the bonds void that were not returned to him. Mrs. Rawson proved in court that she had not received notice by publication or otherwise. The county judge's record being faulty, Mrs. Rawson won.