

NEWS NOTES CONDENSED

A Boiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

Foreign.

The English government has granted a pension of \$2,500 annually to Lady Wyllie, widow of Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Wyllie, who was assassinated recently by Madaral Dhimagri, an Indian student at the Imperial Institute.

Mrs. William K. McCracken was arrested in London and is held on information given by Detective Jackson of Kansas City, Mo., to await the arrival of Sheriff John T. Bird of Guthrie, Okla., who is now in Frankfort, Ky., with requisition papers charging the prisoner with conspiracy to defraud the Prudential Life Insurance company out of \$5,000. She collected \$5,000 for her dead husband, who now proves to be very much alive.

Signor Caruso has confided to a Parisian journalist that he is paid at the rate of \$300,000 for his singing, and that this remuneration will continue at least for the next five years. This is considerably in excess of the estimated earnings of Adelina Patti or any other singers of the past or present.

The resignation of President Reyes was presented to the Colombian senate and unanimously accepted. August 3 was fixed as the date for the election of his successor to finish the constitutional period, which ends August 7, 1910.

For reasons of their own the Koenigsburg (Germany) police still decline to reveal the identity of the American tourist who died there on July 21 from cholera. The police are doing everything to prevent the news of the death from becoming public.

Prince Miguel of Braganza, eldest son of Duke Michael, the pretender to the Portuguese throne, has renounced forever his rights to the throne of Portugal in order to marry Miss Anita Stewart, daughter of Mrs. James Henry Smith of New York. The prince's engagement to Miss Stewart was announced on July 9.

General.

General Henry C. Worthington, formerly member of the California legislature, delegate in congress from Nevada, diplomat and jurist, died at the Garfield hospital in Washington from cerebral hemorrhage. He was 81 years old.

Governor Donaghey of Arkansas and all members of the state capitol commission were served with a notice to appear before the chancery court and show cause why they should not be punished for contempt in violating the court's injunction.

It is said Louisiana will have a greater crop this year than ever before in the history of that state.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, arrived in Berlin to study labor conditions. Oregon caves, or the "marble halls of southern Oregon," are to be preserved by the government against vandalism of private owners. President Taft has signed a proclamation making them a national monument.

Hon. W. J. Bryan denies the report that he is permanently to leave Nebraska.

Omaha is to be supplied with the De Forest wireless telephone and telegraph system.

The Cuban cabinet crisis which has for some time been impending reached a climax, when all the ministers as well as the parliamentary secretary, Senor Sastello, signed their resignations.

Madame Lillian Nordica, the American opera singer, was married in London to George W. Young, a New York banker.

According to gossip in Washington Representative Mann of Illinois will be the next chairman of the inter-state commerce commission to succeed Col. Hepburn.

Mrs. Thomas Appleton of Seattle, Wash., has been arrested on the complaint of the proprietor of a hotel in Geneva, Switzerland, where she had been stopping, for failure to pay a bill of \$300.

At Newark, N. J., Mrs. Thomas Renwick, 35 years old and already the mother of three children, gave birth to five infants, four living and perfectly formed, though very weak, the fifth malformed and dead. None lived more than fifteen minutes.

There is a great rush of applicants for the Spokane reservation lands. The drawing takes place August 9th.

William H. Marker, cashier of the First National bank of Tipton, Ind., and brother of Noah Marker, the missing assistant cashier, who is charged with the defalcation of more than \$100,000, has resigned.

The Kansas wheat crop is estimated at 78,000,000 bushels.

Cornelius P. Shea, the former labor leader, was sentenced to prison for attempted murder of a woman.

The new Persian government is prepared to offer Mohammed Ali Mirza the ex-shah of Persia, an annual pension of \$25,000 on condition that he leaves Persia without delay.

Kansas City is to get a \$20,000,000 depot.

The Chicago and Northwestern railway has in contemplation. It is officially stated, the construction of several branch lines in South Dakota to open up and develop new wheat farming lands.

An appeal to the United States supreme court from the decision of Judge Smith McPherson in the Missouri railroad rate cases was filed by Sanford B. Ladd, representing the state in the United States district court at Kansas City.

Clarke M. Babbitt, a broker from Buffalo, N. Y., and A. Y. Bartholomew, driver of a Pierce car in the Glidden tour, were held up in the western part of Colorado by two women bandits and relieved of money and valuables.

The senate and house conferees report on the tariff bill is not satisfactory to President Taft.

A strike has been declared at Barcelona, Spain, as a protest against the war in Morocco.

Rev. William R. Huntington, rector of Grace Episcopal church, New York city, died a few days ago after a lingering illness. He was seventy-one years old.

A campaign against questionable theatrical productions—the first by the new police head, Commissioner Baker—was started in New York.

The cotton report made on the condition up to July 25 by the national ginners' association gives the general average as 71.7.

Republicans, democrats, populists and prohibitionists held conventions in Lincoln, Neb., selected state central committees and adopted platforms.

Ray Blake, a traveling photographer known as "Blondie" Blake, was arrested in Clear Creek county, Colo., and is being held until a detective arrives from Belleville, Ill., to take him there to answer a charge of murder.

The ice axe of Dr. Spitz of Baltimore, who was killed by an avalanche in 1870, was found at the bottom of the Bossoms glacier at Chamouix, Switzerland. The axe bears the name of Dr. Spitz.

At Portland, Ore., Dr. R. A. M. Collins, a prominent physician was shot and killed by his wife at the home of Captain J. H. Sladen, whose house they were to occupy for the summer. Jealousy was the cause.

Police Inspector Edward C. McCann of Chicago was indicted, charged with malfeasance in office in the alleged collection of "protection" money from illegal establishments of the "tenderloin."

In New York, Deep Sky, a Sioux chief, obtained license to marry Adele Rowland, a pretty New York girl, twenty-one years old. Deep Sky hails from South Dakota.

Secretary of State Knox is to negotiate new naturalization treaties with foreign governments.

Mrs. Maria Rook, an American, aged 42, dropped dead on board the Red Star line steamer Kronland as the vessel was leaving Antwerp for New York.

Washington.

William B. McMaster, the American vice consul at Cartagena, was attacked and seriously wounded by a Colombian and a stranger, according to a dispatch to the state department from the legation at Bogota. The attack was without apparent motive.

"Of late the arresting and deporting of aliens has increased enormously, and a tendency is noted in some cases to sacrifice quality of work to quantity. This will not do. There must be no merely superficial inquiry in any case. Officers must not submit recommendations for arrest upon irresponsible, uninvestigated accusations."

This was the rebuke administered in instruction which have just been sent out by the bureau of immigration and inspectors in charge.

Secretary of State Knox will soon initiate proceedings with number of foreign governments looking to a reconstruction of treaties. Almost immediately upon his arrival in Constantinople Mr. Straus, the new ambassador, will take up the question of a naturalization treaty with Turkey.

President Taft's plans for his western and southern trip in the fall gradually are taking shape. He has decided that he will make the trip down the Mississippi river from St. Louis to New Orleans late in October, as the guest of the deep waterways convention.

The democratic congressional committee will soon begin its campaign work. Its effort will be to win a majority in the next congressional election. The executive committee has just been announced by Chairman Lloyd, as follows: Rainey, Illinois; Finley, South Carolina; Johnson, Kentucky; Hitchcock, Neb., and Palmer, Pennsylvania.

Personal.

Andrew E. Lee, former governor of South Dakota, obtained a warrant in Chicago for the arrest of E. Niles, said to be a broker. The former governor charges that he was swindled by means of a confidence game.

Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor rules that an alien must have \$25.00 or stay out of this country.

President Taft triumphed in his fight for lower duties on lumber, rough and planed, gloves and hosiery.

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth has become an enthusiast on aeronautics.

Mrs. Ella Magg-Young has been placed at the head of the Chicago schools.

H. C. Pulliam, president of the National baseball league, died as the result of a self-inflicted wound.

Mrs. Mary S. Dickerson of Kansas City, aunt of the wife of Vice President Sherman, left no will, and her estate, valued at \$1,500,000, is now in charge of the public administrator.

POLITICS IN NEBRASKA

Republicans, Democrats, Populists and Prohibitionists Hold Conventions.

ALL HAVE GOOD ATTENDANCE

Proclamation of Principles as Set Forth by the Leading Political Organizations.

The republicans, democrats, populists and prohibitionists held conventions in Lincoln on the 27th, with good representations at all of them. There were upward of 800 delegates in the republican convention. C. O. Wheadon of Lincoln was chosen chairman and J. M. O'Neill, secretary. Resolutions herewith set forth the principles of the party.

The democrats met in Representative hall and adopted a platform to which only one delegate objected. Chris Guenther was nominated for Chairman of the State Central committee, but declined. The matter of filling the place was left to the state committee. George L. Loomis of Fremont was chairman of the convention and W. H. Smith of Seward, secretary.

The prohibition state convention consisted of five delegates, which attended to the necessary business. D. B. Gilbert of Fremont was elected chairman of the state committee, J. P. Head, secretary, and J. L. Ciffin, vice chairman.

Resolutions denouncing the liquor traffic and favoring a law and placing the referendum in full force and effect were adopted.

In the populist convention at the senate chamber it was unanimously agreed that the party organization be maintained. Chairman Manuel called for an expression on this question as soon as the convention was called to order. E. A. Walrath of Polk, was made secretary. Webster, Boone, Dixon, Stanton, Polk, Saunders, Burt, Adams, Washington, Kearney, Saline, Hamilton, Buffalo, Valley and Howard counties were well represented.

Republican Platform.

Speaking for the republicans of Nebraska, as their delegates in state convention assembled, we solemnly reaffirm our declarations of our national and state platform of 1908. We congratulate the country on the magnificent republican victory which has elected our chief executive that firm and courageous statesman, pre-eminently fitted for his exalted office. We look to our senate, which we assembled one year ago, we were facing a presidential campaign in which our opponents, with customary brazenness, paraded the attention of the people and proclaimed loudly that republican ascendancy in the nation was at an end; but when the ballot box came the undeniable proof that so strongly entrenched in the hearts of the people are the principles and achievements of the republican party, and so discredited are the fallacious doctrines and so discredited the leaders of the democratic party, that to the republicans the place of standard-bearer was more signal and decisive than before.

We give only encouragement for future republican success in the conditions confronting us in Nebraska today. In spite of the tremendous handicap by which we were required to contend, we have secured Nebraska's support to home pride to support him for president, and notwithstanding the flagrant deception by which the democratic party, in its effort to quered on the ballot a second time as populists, the democratic leader, for whom we have confidence and respect, was elected in his home state, was grievously disappointed to find that he had sold himself in Nebraska by a bare 1,000 plurality. The election of the democratic standard-bearer was a mere signal and decisive result as a republican victory.

We approve, commend and unqualifiedly endorse the stand taken by President Taft in the matter of tariff revision. We are counting on him to see to it that the party's platform promise of revision be redeemed by the enactment of a tariff bill acceptable to the people. We would approve the exercise of his veto on any bill that does not conform to his constitutional duty, and we would cheerfully have him say means "revision downward" within the limitations of the protective principle. We look to our senate and representatives in congress to sustain and president in this position, and we commend them for their efforts in support of the party's pledges and the president's policies.

We approve and endorse the Brown resolution adopted by congress submitting to the several states for their action a proposed constitutional amendment empowering the federal government to levy and collect taxes on incomes. The republican party in this state stands upon its record. While providing for a generous maintenance under economic administration for the various state institutions we established a state debt of more than \$2,000,000. We abolished the evils of corporate dictation in passenger, freight and express rates have been reduced and an effective railway commission provided for speedy adjustment of differences between shippers and carriers and the regulation of the same. We provided for a more just and equitable assessment of all kinds of property for taxation, and the assessment of millage levied for local purposes and removed the bar against recovery of adequate damages for personal injuries.

We commend the consistent course pursued by the republican minority in the last legislature in resisting with energy and ability the unwise and unconstitutional measures of the democratic majority. We point with pride to the records of the judges who for many years have been elevated to the bench in this state as republicans, but who as judges have known neither personal favoritism nor political partisanship but have fearlessly and impartially declared the law and held the scales of justice even between rich and poor, high and low, republican, democrat, populist, prohibitionist and socialist alike. We denounce the eleventh hour pretense of devotion to the constitution and the law by the late democratic legislature, after running a riot of partisanship for three months and ruthlessly egging republicans out of office by the wholesale order to make room for democratic office-seekers. If the passage of their so-called non-partisan judiciary act was intended to

charge by insinuation that republican judges are not to be trusted to perform their duty without political bias according to their duties of office, we resent the insinuation. It will become the duty of the republicans to prove to the people that they have elected two of the supreme judges a few years ago, they felt no more intimated to elect the third and more corrupt court consist wholly of their own partisan judges.

Democratic Platform.

We, the democrats of Nebraska, in state convention assembled, reaffirm our faith in, and pledge our loyalty to, the principles of the party as set forth in the platform adopted by the democratic convention of 1908.

We denounce the republican tariff bill as a brazen and deliberate fraud deliberately planned by the republican leaders when they promised revision in fact that it confesses the truth of all that the democrats have charged as to the inequities of the high tariff system. We denounce the republican platform for its unprincipled and unconstitutional amendment specialising the income tax, has since been adopted by a republican president, senate and congress, and we demand that such amendment has been submitted to the states for ratification.

We pledge the democratic party in Nebraska to assist in securing ratification of that amendment and to that end we ask Governor Shallenbeger to call a special session of the legislature at an early day, that Nebraska, a pioneer in the advocacy of an income tax, may have the honor of being the first state to ratify that amendment.

We particularly endorse the proposition that the United States senators be elected by popular vote.

Present day conditions in the senate emphasize the importance of this reform. Believing that the people have a right to have what they want in government, we favor the submission at the next session of the legislature of a constitutional amendment providing for the initiative and referendum.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Interest Taken From Here and There Over the State.

Six men are willing to serve Merrick county in the capacity of sheriff. By vote, Sutton defeated the proposition to extend the water works system.

A forger operated at Beatrice, mulcting business men to the extent of about \$50.

Thrashing now going on in Hamilton county shows a wheat yield of from 25 to 35 bushels.

At Fullerton Harry Campbell got caught in the belting of the roller mill and had his arm badly crushed.

A. J. McDonald, a pioneer citizen of Weeping Water, 65 years old, while painting the roof of a building, lost his balance and fell a distance of ten feet. His injuries will probably prove fatal.

News reached Auburn of the death of Alberta Reding, wife of Thomas Reding, a farmer living six miles north, from the effects of headache powders that she had taken to get relief.

According to the annual report of County Superintendent King, there are twenty-two male and 143 female teachers in Otoe county. There was paid to male teachers last year \$13,025 and females \$62,195.25.

General Manager Sturges of the Omaha Corn show has gone west in the interest of the coming exhibit, which is expected to be far ahead of last year.

The Fremont police found Mrs. James Bland and her infant daughter in the union passenger station, and Mrs. Bland explained that she had been there for two days without food. She said her husband had deserted her.

At Central City a young man who refused to give his name pleaded guilty before Judge Peterson to having stolen ninety-six bottles of beer from a Union Pacific car and was sentenced to ten days in the county jail.

Dennis Lyhenne died at his home southwest of Sutton from the effects of injuries suffered in a runaway which occurred a little over a week ago. Mr. Lyhenne at the time of his death was sixty-seven years old. He leaves a wife, three daughters and five sons.

S. N. Deats, a Missouri Pacific brakeman on a local freight train running between Auburn and Omaha was ground to pieces at Talmage. He was switching cars and in some way fell in front of the cars and before the train could be stopped his body was cut to pieces.

The Nebraska Bankers' association will meet in Omaha and the convention will be held September 8 and 9. Secretary W. B. Hughes is now working out the details of the meeting, which includes speakers and a place of meeting and entertainment for the bankers while in the state's metropolis.

Three sales of public land were made at the United States land office in Lincoln last week. One, a tract of forty acres in Chase county, brought \$1.25 an acre. A tract of eighty-two acres in Dundy county sold for \$3.50 per acre, and 360 acres in Chase county sold for \$1.25 per acre. All of the land sold was grazing land.

John Head of North Bend was probably fatally injured and Fred Dunker had a narrow escape from death, when a bridge between North Bend and Pleasant Valley which the two men attempted to cross with a threshing outfit gave way, precipitating the engine with the men on board into the creek.

D. C. Proper of Nebraska City, a contractor, met with a peculiar accident while doing some work about a building which he was repairing. He had occasion to take off a door, and not thinking it was held very fast, he tried to wrench it off. The door gave way partially, some of the nails pulling heads through the lumber. The door sprung back into place, and one of the nails, head-on, was driven through the nail of one of his fingers, and Mr. Proper was held fast for some time, until his cries for help brought assistance. The wound is a serious one and may cause him to lose his finger.

C. E. Rosenberger, a large land holder south of Hemingford in the vicinity of what was Nonpareil before the advent of the railroad, has sued persons from Colorado for the recovery of notes aggregating \$26,000, secured by six of the finest quarter sections in Box Butte county, worth \$25 per acre.

If the plans of the committee appointed to propose them are adopted by the Liederkranz society, Grand Island, and will another year have a fine auditorium, seating nearly 3,000 people. The society has an entire block of real estate free from all indebtedness and centrally located only one-half of which it is occupying with its own exclusive hall.

John P. Michelson, a wholesale liquor dealer of Nebraska City, was over in Iowa a few days since in his auto. Some farmers set two dogs on him as he passed in his machine and as the road was rough and he had to travel slow one of the dogs grabbed the front wheel and ditched the machine. Mr. Michelson shot the dog, after righting his machine, and a warrant has been issued for his arrest at Shenandoah.

Three well-dressed men, riding in an auto for which they were paying \$30 per day to take them around to see the farmers, attempted to contract wheat from 90 cents to \$1 per bushel for future delivery.

Andrew Meyer, arrested in Lyons a few days ago for wife beating, and jailed in Tekamah, committed suicide in prison by hanging himself with straps from his suit case. His wife had taken the suit case to him the day before. When he pleaded for aid to be released she told him he was safer in jail, as sentiment was very strong against him.

Prosecution Under Food Law. The deputy food commissioner has asked the county attorney of Saline county to prosecute Albert Fritz for the sale of five or six dozen rotten eggs. This practice is one that Commissioner Mains intends to stamp out.

State Board of Equalization. Attorney General W. T. Thompson has given an opinion holding the State Board of Equalization has authority to raise or lower the valuation of real estate belonging to railroad companies

GRIND NEARLY OVER

TARIFF STRUGGLE EXPECTED TO END IN A FEW DAYS.

SENATE TO ACT ON REPORT

Some Statesmen Will Make Speeches Explaining Their Votes, but That is About All.

Washington.—Unless something happens to provoke heated discussions of a political character, the new tariff bill should be enacted into law and the extraordinary session of congress adjourned before the end of this week.

Inquiry among senators opposed to the adoption of the conference report on the Payne-Aldrich bill indicates that the debate will not be as extended as it threatened to be before the conferees reported.

The senate will meet at 10 a. m. Monday. The session probably will begin at that hour each day and will continue until 6 or 7 o'clock p. m. daily until the report is adopted. If it is found that more senators desire to speak than have already given notice it is possible that evening sessions may be held.

Senator Aldrich is determined that the conference report shall not be carried over into next week. He does not expect to occupy very much time himself. He said that he would not speak longer than an hour or two, and that other members of the committee would occupy comparatively little time.

It is probable that senators who were opposed to the placing of hides on the free list will have something to say on that subject, and that all of the republicans who voted against the bill when it was on its passage in the senate will take occasion to explain their action. Some of these senators will speak for the adoption of the conference report, and some of them are expected to vote in the negative.

Senator Culbertson, leader of the minority, is authority for the statement that the democrats will debate the conference report thoroughly, but will not filibuster against its adoption. Senators Daniel and Bailey, members of the committee on finance, will speak at length against the adoption of the conference report and take the lead in voicing democratic opposition to the new tariff bill.

Some of the senate leaders predict that a vote will be had on the conference report as early as Thursday and that the special session of congress can be brought to a close on Friday.

President Taft will not leave Washington until the tariff bill becomes a law. After signing the bill the president will leave for Beverly, where he will have a stay of something more than five weeks before starting on his long trip through the west and south.

The senate having retained the appropriation of \$25,000 in the urgent deficiency bill for the president's traveling expenses, only one obstacle remains as a possible bar to the trip. That is Mrs. Taft's health. If she continues to improve as steadily as she has done since taking up her residence at Beverly, the president's trip will be assured.

WEALTHY MAN KILLS HIMSELF.

Retired Merchant Leaves Auto and Goes into Woods to End Life.

Asbury Park, N. J.—After fastening a note on the floor of his auto, telling of his intended suicide and directing searchers to his body, Edward White, a well-to-do retired merchant of Plainfield, N. J., left his machine standing by the roadside, went into the woods nearby and shot himself through the right temple. White had been suffering from insomnia for some time. His body was found as he said in the note.

MOB DECLARES NEW REPUBLIC.

Revolutionists at Barcelona Proclaim Intention to Usurp Government.

London.—A dispatch received here by a news agency from Cerbere, France, reports that the revolutionists have proclaimed a republic in Barcelona and that the fortress Montjuich is constantly firing upon the district occupied by them.

Breeders Meet in Omaha.

Washington.—W. M. Hays, secretary of the American Breeder's association, has sent out a notice announcing that the sixth annual meeting of the association is called for December 8, 9 and 10 at Omaha in association with the National Corn Exposition.

Shoot Chinese Consul.

New York.—Dr. Luk Wing, Chinese vice consul at New York, a graduate of Lehigh and Yale universities, who married an American girl sixteen years ago, was mortally wounded in his office on the fifth floor of No. 18 Broadway, by a Chinaman, who gives contradictory reports of himself in English.

Dry Farming Great Success.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—Persons who do not believe in dry farming, or who are interested in irrigated farming, were given a setback when twenty-five leading Cheyenne citizens went to the state dry farm, two miles east of the capitol, and inspected the crops of grains, grasses and vegetables. The farm is conducted by Prof. Cooke, the dry farming expert. The citizens were astonished at what they saw, for in addition to the grains and grasses, there were large fields of peas, corn, beets and other products.