

# NEWS NOTES CONDENSED

A Boiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

### Foreign.

Senator Nelson W. Aldrich of Rhode Island and Prof. A. P. Andrew, members of the United States monetary commission, are in Paris conferring with M. Pallain, governor of the Bank of France, and other distinguished financiers and economists.

Captain Ferber an officer of the French army, was killed near Boulogne while testing an aeroplane. While in the air the machine turned over and then dashed to the ground. Captain Ferber was crushed to death by the motor.

The members of the American waterways committee arrived in Paris from Brussels and are planning to spend five of the nine days they will remain in France in examining the river Seine and other typical French waterways from the standpoint of navigation.

Orville Wright made a new record at the Templehof club, Berlin, for sustained aeroplane flight with a passenger. He remained in the air for one hour and thirty-five minutes, carrying Captain Englehardt. He broke his own record made July 27, when he stayed up with a passenger for one hour and twelve minutes.

Louis Paulhan, the French aviator, flying in a Voisin biplane at Osend, won a prize of \$5,000. He covered seventy-three kilometers (forty-five and one-third miles) in one hour at an altitude ranging from 240 to 300 feet.

The insular government at Manila now will ship to the bureau of insular affairs at Washington nearly half a ton of opium—the proceeds of many custom seizures. The government plans to dispose of the opium for medicinal purposes among drug manufacturers.

### General.

President Taft made an address of forty minutes in the great Mormon tabernacle at Salt Lake, Utah.

A. L. Mohler, general manager of the Union Pacific, now has under his supervision the construction of 600 miles of railroad which that line is now building in Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado.

George Caldwell, an official of the Canadian marine department, who started three years ago to make a trip from Chesterfield Inlet to the Arctic circle, has been given up for lost.

Twenty-one states have contracted for space at the National Corn Show to be held in Omaha.

The National Women's Christian Temperance Union meets in Omaha October 22-27. It is expected that 600 delegates will attend.

Peary and Dr. Cook, the explorers, will both submit reports in due time, leaving the public to decide as to their respective claims.

Figures given out at the pension office show that Iowa pensions for the fiscal year ending June 30 last ran about the same as the year preceding. On June 30 last there were 33,568 pensioners in Iowa.

The burial of Gov. Johnson of Minnesota, who died from a surgical operation took place at St. Peter. Many distinguished people were present.

The feature of the week's session of the sovereign grand lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Seattle was the parade when 10,000 Odd Fellows and Daughters of Rebekah marched through the downtown streets.

The colored people of Douglas county, Neb., observed emancipation day by holding a mass meeting in the auditorium, where 1,600 or more of them gathered.

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More than ten lives were lost and property worth over \$2,000,000 was destroyed in the cyclone which recently swept over the province of Pinar Del Rio, Cuba.

The thirty-sixth annual convention of the National Women's Christian Temperance Union meets in Omaha October 22 to 27.

Packey McFarland and Ray Bronson fought twenty rounds to a draw at the West Side Athletic club in McDonoughville, just across the river from New Orleans.

The residence of Charles I. Gibson, general manager of the St. Ruthers plant of the American Sheet and Tinplate company, was dynamited at Youngstown, Ohio.

Robert Hoe, aged seventy, head of R. Hoe & Co., printing press manufacturers of New York and London, died in London after a short illness.

Dr. Cook, the explorer, arrived in New York and says he brings along proof of his discovery of the north pole.

O. E. Eberhart becomes governor of Minnesota by the death of Gov. Johnson. He is quite a young man.

Forty newspaper reporters were given audience by Dr. Cook, the explorer, to whom he told his story. Governor Johnson of Minnesota underwent operations at three different times. It was the third that proved fatal.

That former Governor Folk of Missouri will be induced to stay out of the senatorial fight next year, under promise that he will be given the support of the Missouri delegation for the Democratic nomination for president in 1911, is the latest "tip" from the inner circles of the Democratic state committee.

A terrific tropical storm visited New Orleans and other sections along the gulf coast.

Opposition to postal savings and guaranty of deposits was declared by bankers at Chicago.

Senator Theodore E. Burton, chairman of the National Waterways commission of the United States, accompanied by several of the other commissioners, spent a day inspecting the Willebroeck canal, which runs from Brussels to the River Ruppel.

The condition of Bishop B. C. Lenehan of Fort Dodge, who is critically ill, has become alarming and it is feared the end is near. A few days ago he underwent an operation for a carbuncle on his neck.

An agreement has been signed which assures three years of peace with street car operators in Chicago.

L. R. Clavis, late chief of the Seattle field divisions of the United States land office, has written a letter to President Taft, in which he says he will publish the evidence in the Cunningham coal land cases shortly.

The comptroller of the currency approved the conversion of the Fort Pierre bank of Fort Pierre, S. D., into the Fort Pierre National bank, with \$25,000 capital.

William Buckley, convicted of the murder of George W. Rice in San Francisco during the machinists' strike in October, 1901, was sentenced by Judge Lawler to be hanged at San Quentin on November 19.

Governor Harmon of Ohio has invited the governors of all the states and territories of the United States to attend with delegations the national good roads congress to be held October 26 to 29 in Columbus.

### Washington.

A very small increase in the number of pensioners in the western states, accompanied by a slight increase in the amount paid in pensions, is shown by the pension commissioner's report for the year ended June 30 last. The figures for the state of Nebraska are said to be typical. They show: Number pensions 1908, 15,405; 1909, 15,578. Amount paid: 1908, \$2,322,826; 1909, \$2,650,451.

Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs Fred H. Abbott is due in Nebraska in a few days for a session at the Omaha reservation on the property troubles of the tribe. Commissioner Valentine has decided to leave Washington in time to meet Mr. Abbott at the Omaha reservation. They will together attend the first meeting of the board which has been appointed to administer the ten-year trust recently created to cover the unallotted lands of this reservation.

Protesting against the treatment they received at the hands of the state and county officials of Oklahoma, 16,000 Oklahoma Indians, comprising the Creeks, Cherokees, Chickasaws and Choctaws, have caused a petition to be sent to Washington seeking relief.

The days of the 13-cent postage stamp are numbered. Instead of this denomination, by some supposed to be unlucky, the postoffice department will issue a 12-cent stamp. Acting Postmaster General Stewart requested the secretary of the treasury to have the new stamp printed at the bureau of engraving and printing.

President Taft's appointment of the new tariff commission or board, which was announced from Beverly, is looked on in Washington as the most important development in tariff matters since the enactment of the new Aldrich-Payne measure. The make-up of the commission is such as to leave no doubt that President Taft has concluded the tariff question is not settled for an indefinite period.

### Personal.

No successor to Edward H. Harriman on the board of directors of the New York Central railroad was elected at the meeting of the board Friday.

Dr. Cook in New York finds himself overwhelmed with business and pleasure.

Wilbur Wright and Glenn Curtiss are preparing for flights at the Hudson-Fulton exposition.

Maurice Farman, brother of Henry Farman, at St. Ayere, France, Thursday made a remarkable fifteen minute cross country flight in a machine of his own invention.

The cabin boy aboard the Roosevelt was told in confidence by Dr. Cook that he had discovered the pole.

Unless signs fall the president and congress will have a brush when the next session begins.

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More than 50,000 people, it is estimated, viewed the body of the late Governor John A. Johnson, which lay in state in the rotunda of the state capitol nearly all day.

Mourning for Governor Johnson is not confined to Minnesota, but is nationwide.

Cecil P. Drake, John D. Strong and Harold M. Lewis, three young bank clerks of Victoria, B. C., were arrested at the Waldorf Astoria in New York at the request of the chief of police of Victoria.

Nebraska has 15,405 persons on the government pension list.

## TAFT IN SALT LAKE

GREAT AUDIENCE LISTENS TO HIM IN THE TABERNACLE.

### SUGGESTIVE TALK DELIVERED

Text Taken from the Book of Proverbs Relative to Soft Words and Grievous Utterances.

Salt Lake City.—In the pulpit of the famous Mormon tabernacle in this city, where four years ago Theodore Roosevelt, then president, preached a long sermon on right living and the duties of good citizenship, President Taft faced an audience which he said inspired him to try to follow in the footsteps of his predecessor and deliver a preaching.

Mr. Taft did preach a sermon—text and all. The immense audience in the flag-draped edifice, the splendid musical program of operatic and patriotic selections, the enthusiastic cheering as President Taft appeared and the quick response of the audience to points which he endeavored to impress upon his hearers, inspired him, the president declared, with higher thoughts of country and patriotism.

The president's sermon was an appeal for amity between people, for attributing the best rather than the worst motives to the action of others when possible to do so and not to harbor hatred and animosity.

"A soft answer turneth away wrath, but grievous words stir up anger," was the text Mr. Taft selected from the book of Proverbs. The sermon was a homely utterance, largely made up of a relation of stories to give emphasis to the points.

From the tabernacle the president was driven to review about 20,000 school children. At one point along the line 1,000 or more children had been arranged in a living flag, red, white and blue caps and capes serving to outline the national emblem.

Thence the president proceeded to the Young Men's Christian association, where he made a brief address to an audience composed entirely of men.

Lastly, the president attended services especially arranged for him at the Unitarian church. After this unusually busy Sunday morning he left Salt Lake at noon for Ogden, where he enjoyed an eighteen-mile ride through Ogden canyon and made his third address of the day at Lester park there.

In his address at Salt Lake he was introduced by Senator Smoot.

### CROWDS VIEW THE SHIPS.

Riverside Drive, Overlooking the River, Crowded All Day.

New York.—The sailors of eight nations—England, Germany, France, Italy, Holland, Mexico, Argentina and the United States—thronged the streets of New York Sunday, mingling with visitors from north, south, east and west.

Beginning at noon, Riverside drive, which affords a magnificent view of the anchored armada, began to fill up rapidly and at 3 o'clock was again uncomfortably crowded.

The Half Moon and the Clermont lay quietly at their anchorages, where they will remain until the naval parade of Friday, October 1, when both little pioneers, escorted by the light draft ships and followed by the merchant fleet, again will sail up stream to Newburgh, where they will be turned over to the Albany up-state division of the celebration.

The Omaha Indian Problem. Washington.—Declaring that the Omaha Indian problem in Nebraska has reached its critical period, when the Indian has to be transferred from a dependent ward of the government to an independent citizen of the state, officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs announced that steps would be taken immediately to place all the competent Omahas in complete possession of their lands and moneys to which they are entitled.

To place all the non-competent Omahas in such condition, it is declared, would leave Nebraska with an Indian pauper problem on its hands and would simply transfer the whole Indian problem from the nation to the state.

Omaha Street Car Strike. Omaha.—The street railway company has offered terms upon which it is willing to settle the strike, the same being recommended for acceptance by a committee of mayors from five cities and towns and that of the city council of Omaha. It is probable the differences will soon be adjusted.

Many Refused Citizenship. Washington.—Naturalization was refused to 2,967 aliens during the last fiscal year, a material increase over the rejection of would-be United States citizens during the preceding year.

Plenty of Money, but Starved. Cincinnati, O.—When the body of Christopher Kuhn, aged 68, a cabinet maker, was discovered on Saturday evening in his squalid room, investigation showed that the man had been dead since September 6, when, according to neighbors, he apparently died of starvation. Secreted in the room were many thousands of dollars worth of securities and deeds to property. There were keys to a safe-deposit box in the City Hall bank and a bank book showing he had on deposit over a thousand dollars.

## GOV. JOHNSON DEAD.

Minnesota's Beloved Chief Executive Passes Away.

Rochester, Minn.—Governor John A. Johnson, three times elected governor of Minnesota, a candidate for the democratic nomination for president of the United States in 1908, and looked upon by many throughout the country as the probable national standard bearer in 1912, died at St. Mary's hospital here at 3:25 o'clock Tuesday morning, following an operation the previous Wednesday.

After battling against death for almost a week the governor's life had a peaceful ending. He had hovered between life and death for several days, and about an hour before dissolution came, recognizing that his end was near, took his wife's hand and weakly whispered to her, "Nora, I made a good fight, but I guess I've got to go." Then as the last gleam of intelligence began to flicker he pressed her hand gently to his cheek in a parting caress.

Governor Johnson had been operated on twice before, first for removal of an ulcer and afterwards for an abscess of the bowels. Both were acute, prolonged cases and he was in a serious condition each time. There had been obstruction of the bowels in each instance and during the second operation the appendix was removed. After the second operation Governor Johnson enjoyed fairly good health, but later developed into serious attacks.

Governor Johnson was born in Nicollet county at St. Peter in 1862. His father was a blacksmith who emi-



The late Gov. Johnson.

grated from Sweden in 1853. He was early a republican, but later became a democrat. He established the St. Peter Herald in 1885. He was elected to the state senate in 1898 in a republican district.

In 1902 Johnson was renominated for the senate, but was beaten by two votes. Two years later he was nominated by the democrats for governor and was elected after a bitter fight. He was re-elected twice and was serving his third consecutive term when he died.

The governor's body was removed to the State Capitol building at St. Paul and lay in state until the day of burial, which took place at St. Peter. Before removal thousands of the people who had learned to love him almost as a brother, looked for the last time upon his friendly face.

Thursday the hands of loving friends carried the body to its last resting place and sorrowing hundreds followed the casket to the boyhood home.

At St. Peter the burial took place in the family lot in Green Hills cemetery in a grave adjoining that of his mother. The funeral cortege, escorted by state militia and representatives of state and civic organizations proceeded to the Presbyterian church where the body lay in state and was viewed by hundreds of citizens of St. Peter for an hour and a half before the religious services were held.

The funeral was attended by hundreds of distinguished men from Minnesota and other states.

Brief services were held at the cemetery and the local company of National guard fired a salute as the casket was lowered into the grave.

Warning to Strikers. Omaha.—Sheriff Bralley of Douglas county, in a proclamation, has called the attention of street car and other disturbers to the "Riot Act."

Hawaiian Volcano Active. Honolulu.—Reports received here by wireless telegraph state that the volcano Kilauea is extraordinarily active. Lava is rising fast and is now only 100 feet from the rim of the crater.

### EX-NEBRASKAN ENDS LIFE.

Edwin Fulton, Formerly of Nebraska City, Commits Suicide.

Kansas City.—Edwin Fulton, a well known insurance man, committed suicide at his home here Friday by shooting. He was overcome by heat while playing golf last July and his mind became affected. Mr. Fulton was for many years state agent in Missouri for a Massachusetts insurance company. He was 45 years of age and came here from Nebraska City, Neb.

## CATCH MANY IN NET

INDICTMENTS SECURED AGAINST MAYBRAY AND PALS.

### GRAND JURY MAKES RETURNS

Maybray Had Victims in Eighteen States and Territories, Many of Them Very Prominent.

Council Bluffs, Ia.—James C. Maybray and eight four alleged associates were indicted by the United States grand jury for the southern district of Iowa, charged with conspiring to defraud by illegal use of the United States mails. With the exception of Maybray and three or four others, none of those indicted are in custody and for that reason the names of the other defendants are not made public. It is stated, however, that the list includes many persons known in criminal annals in all parts of the country, and that nearly every name is followed by aliases. Each of these alleged confederates had a number, which is given as one of the aliases accredited to the defendant. Although specific amounts are not mentioned in the indictments, it is authoritatively stated that the amounts lost by the alleged victims of Maybray and others named, will exceed half a million dollars. The sums lost run from \$1,500 to \$30,000, the latter sum having been placed on a fake horse race, according to the evidence at hand, by a Missouri banker.

The list of names of victims given in the indictments includes men of prominence in all parts of the country, and there is set forth in the specific charges a number of letters of an incriminating character which gives a touch of sensationalism to the documents.

Victims in eighteen states, the territory of Alaska and the dominion of Canada, are named, indicating the wide range of territory over which Maybray and his associates are alleged to have plied their vocation. As a basis of operation they used, according to the indictment, the cities of Council Bluffs, Davenport and Burlington, Ia., St. Louis, Little Rock, Seattle, Denver and New Orleans, to which places, it is alleged, victims were taken by the numerous "steers."

In setting out the specific instances in which violation of the postal laws are charged, the indictment includes copies of many sensational letters alleged to have been exchanged between Maybray and his associate, which refer to alleged "deals," and name various sums of money as having changed hands as the result of the operations of those mentioned in the indictment.

One of these letters is dated from a New York hotel, and invites "Friend John," who it is alleged, is Maybray himself, to go to New York City, declaring, "I have a town across the river from New York in Jersey, a swell track and absolute protection. The sheriff and prosecutor and police they will be absolutely right."

Another letter cited is from Polk City, Ia., and signed F. R. Martis, enclosing \$1,000, "to apply as forfeit money on our deal pending."

Relief For Stranded Men. Washington.—Stranded at Nome, Alaska, 100 American citizens will be brought back to Seattle, Wash., on a revenue cutter. Telegraphic orders went forward from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Hill directing the deputy collector to customs at Seward, Alaska to have a revenue cutter proceed at once from Seward to Nome, there to take on board the 100 men and women who are in destitute condition.

Officials in Conflict. Atlanta, Ga.—The clash between the state and federal authorities growing out of the trouble over the collection of internal revenue taxes in Dade county, came to a climax Friday in the arrest of H. A. Rucker, collector of internal revenue at Atlanta. Rucker was served with a warrant of arrest for contempt of the superior court of Georgia, but was later liberated on a bond of \$1,000.

Trouble for Spain. Madrid.—It is generally believed here that the complications which have arisen between Spain and Mulai Hafid, the sultan of Morocco, are likely to result in a Spanish-Moroccan war.

Epidemic of Paralysis. La Crosse, Wis.—Country schools in three districts were closed and it is expected other district schools in La Crosse county will take the same action on account of an epidemic of infantile paralysis.

Sanatorium for Odd Fellows. Seattle, Wash.—The sovereign grand lodge of Odd Fellows met to consider the subject of providing a sanatorium for victims of the order afflicted with tuberculosis.

Sued for \$200,000. New York.—Theodore P. Shonts, former chairman of the Isthmian canal commission and now president of the Interborough-Metropolitan company of this city, has been sued for \$200,000 damages, according to the World, by Frederick F. Hipsch, New York manager for a Kentucky distillery. Mr. Shonts is charged with having alienated Mrs. Hipsch's affections. Through Delancy Nicoll, his attorney, Shonts declares that the suit is preposterous and is due to a case of mistaken identity.

## NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

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

Stromsburg is about to put in a complete sewerage system.

A movement is on foot in Hebron for beautifying the town by a park and other improvements.

Wm. Ramsey of Johnson county was badly hurt in a runaway, started by bumble bees attacking his horses.

Tecumseh is in great need of more school room and some provision must be made to care for the increase.

Plowing and sowing wheat is now the order among farmers. The land is in fine condition for the work.

The citizens of Fairbury have taken a hand in the fight against a renewal of the franchise of the local electric light company.

At Crawford eight men went down twenty feet by a scaffolding giving way. One of the men will probably die from his injuries.

Mrs. Jones of Table Rock last week celebrated her ninetieth birthday, there being a large attendance of relatives and friends.

George Brewer of Gordon was arrested by Sheriff Rosseter and brought to Valentine and landed in jail on a charge of horse stealing.

A gatling section is to be organized at Beatrice. Adjutant General Harlin has assigned two gatling guns of the Nebraska National guard to that city.

The county commissioners of Jefferson county have just paid the bills incidental to holding Jefferson's primary election and in round numbers the expense was \$900.

J. B. Smith, a dairyman of Beatrice, took ten first, five second and four championship prizes on his herd of Jersey cattle at the Kansas state fair at Topeka.

Los Angeles (Cal.) dispatch: The body of James T. Cleary of Grand Island, Neb., who was drowned here recently, was recovered by the life saving crew.

The peach and grape crop in the section about Dorchester is plentiful. The farmers will have thousands of bushels of peaches for sale. The apple crop there is also large.

In the land drawing at Lake View, Ore., W. R. Stewart of Dorchester drew an eighty-acre tract and a town lot. The land lays about seventy-five or eighty miles from the town.

U. G. Chapman purchased the J. W. Roberts quarter section farm four miles south of Wymore for \$130 per acre. This is the top price paid for farm land in that section.

Richard H. Burrill of 2720 Normandie avenue, Los Angeles, Cal., aged about 27 years, died on the overland limited, west bound, just as the train was pulling into Sidney.

A large shipment of sheep from western ranges were quarantined in North Platte and are being held in the old stock yards. The inspector found them affected with mouth and hoof diseases.

Ray Martin, who was arrested in Belgrade a short time ago, charged with criminal assault on his 14-year-old niece, had his preliminary trial and was bound over to the district court.

The home of Gene Edwards of Hastings was burglarized and then set on fire at 3 o'clock in the morning. The family were not at home during the night. Every door in the house was open and everything had the appearance of being ransacked at the time of the arrival of the firemen.

Deputy Grand Master J. Robinson of the A. O. U. W. was at York for two weeks and with the assistance of members secured nearly fifty applications for membership in the local lodge. Arrangements will be made to take in a large class and at the time Grand Master A. M. Walling will be present.

Miss Ada Castor, a Lincoln soprano, who is well known throughout the state, has been married to Gregory Passover, a nephew of a dean of Lehigh university. The marriage was secret and was discovered through accident while the newly married couple were spending a part of their honeymoon in Denver.

The fifth year of the Kearney Normal opened with about 300 students enrolled for the work of the coming year. The main building has been redecorated and thoroughly renovated and the dormitory has been carefully gone over and improvements in the way of paper and varnish applied, so that the quarters of the students will be most comfortable.

The county of Richardson has appealed to the supreme court from a judgment for \$15,500 obtained by drainage district No. 1, Richardson county. The judgment was given on the theory that public highways were subject to tax within the drainage district. The county alleges that the roads are not owned or controlled by the county, but by townships.

Relatives of Will C. Phillips, former district clerk of Lancaster county, who killed himself in Kansas City recently, have started a fight to see who shall be the executor of the estate. Mrs. Phillips had recently secured a divorce from her husband and she is an applicant for the position, holding that under the new law the divorce is not absolute for six months.

In York county there would have been thousands of bushels of peaches of the best varieties, but owing to the dry weather in August and the wet weather in September peaches did not ripen as they should and most of the crop is not marketable by reason of the peach breaking open, exposing the stone and rotting before getting ripe.

The state Christian Endeavor convention will be held in Fairbury October 29, 30 and 31. The local committee held a meeting and appointed subcommittees to arrange the program and entertainment for the delegates while in the city.