

NEWS OF THE WEEK

CONDENSATIONS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE.

A BOILING DOWN OF EVENTS

National, Political, Personal and Other Matters in Brief Form for All Classes of Readers.

Foreign.

The pope appointed Rev. James O'Reilly, now rector of St. Anthony of Padua, Minneapolis, Minn., to the bishopric of Fargo, N. D., and Rev. F. M. Fallon of the provincial oblates of Buffalo, N. Y., to the bishopric of London, Canada.

An official telegram from Buenos Ayres states that the authorities having the 1910 exposition in charge have set apart a special building for American railway exhibitors.

At St. Petersburg, the publisher of Tolstoy's book, "The Kingdom of God Within Us," was sentenced to a year's imprisonment in a fortress.

W. G. Splitter, an American, proprietor of the Astor house at Colon and alleged owner of the Cuban steamer Otori, was expelled from Panama territory. He was put aboard the Royal Mail steamer, Magdalena, bound for Jamaica and New York, by a decree of President Obaldia. He is charged with enticing employees on the Panama canal to leave their work.

Chan Yin Fang, successor to Wu Tung Fang as minister to China from the United States, accompanied by his family and a party of forty secretaries and Chinese students arrived in San Francisco on the liner Mongolia.

A severe earthquake occurred in Guam, causing considerable damage, according to a cablegram received at the navy department. The women's and children's hospital was wrecked. There were no casualties.

Evidence is multiplying that Zelaya intends to retire from the presidency of Nicaragua. Reports to that effect are general throughout that country and the American consular officers seem to give credence to them.

General.

St. Paul has begun a fight for lower telephone rates.

The interstate commerce commission ordered a reduction in charges of the Omaha & Council Bluffs railroad.

Red Cloud, Sioux Indian warrior, who died on the Pine Ridge agency, will be buried according to the ritual of the paleface and not above ground as he requested.

Senator Burkett of Nebraska and Representative Hull of Iowa are in a contest for next fall's military tournament.

Eight persons were fatally injured and a number of others less seriously hurt in the wreck on the Southern railway near Greensboro.

The Rev. David C. Hughes, father of Governor Hughes of New York, died at the executive mansion, following a recent stroke of apoplexy.

Testimony of the Brokaw divorce went to show that the plaintiff made the money of the millionaire.

Reports from the east say Mr. Willard has been offered the presidency of the B. & O. railroad.

Senators Burkett and Brown may split on the selection of a new district attorney for Nebraska.

President Taft has promised to speak at the next meeting of the farmers' national congress, which meets in Lincoln October 5 to 11, 1910.

Leslie M. Shaw declared there is no doubt in the minds of those who have studied the proposed central bank that such an institution would be owned, or at least controlled, by the Standard Oil company.

The state occupation tax upon corporations was upheld by the supreme court of Nebraska.

President Taft said at Hartford, Conn., that the time might come when a civil pension list will become a necessity.

George A. Puckett, five years editor of the Roswell (N. M.) Daily Record, died from tuberculosis.

Many million acres of coal land will be opened to use for agricultural purposes if congress should pass a bill introduced by Representative Mondell of Wyoming.

Frank Hicks and four of her children were burned to death when a coal stove exploded setting fire to her house at Wayne, Kansas.

The failed bank in Oklahoma state officials much concerned. The bank topped the market bringing \$3.47 1/2.

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Ex-Senator Deitrich of Nebraska is reported better and hope is now entertained of his recovery.

The Brooklyn Rapid Transit company announced the adoption of a pension system for its veteran employees.

News of the resignation of Zelaya was received with seeming satisfaction at Washington.

The only orders issued by the Navy department to the "Nebraska" are for it to rejoin the battleship fleet. That is the statement made by officials.

Notwithstanding his unpopularity, there seems to be much mourning over the death of the king.

Zelaya is said to be untruthful as well as inhuman.

After ten rounds of furious fighting "Cyclone Johnny" Thompson of Sycamore, Ill., was awarded the decision over "Fighting Dick" Hyland of San Francisco, before the Empire Athletic club in Kansas City.

Henry W. Blodgett, United States attorney for the eastern district of Missouri, has resigned.

Four persons were killed and a number of others injured when a Central of Georgia passenger train collided with a passenger train on the Macon & Birmingham road.

Four hundred and forty thousand of the Red Cross stamps, the profits of which are to be used for the war on tuberculosis, have been placed on sale in Nebraska.

At the request of Representative McGuire, Secretary Wilson ordered that the government good roads exhibit which was sent to the Topeka convention be transferred to Lincoln for the state convention which will be held in that city during the week of January 17.

A number of members of the Nebraska and Iowa delegations take advantage of the recess of congress to go home for the holidays.

Alaska's delegate to congress, Jas. Wickersham, said that upon his arrival in Washington early in January, he would introduce a bill providing for the establishment of a territorial government for Alaska.

The Towle Syrup company's plant at St. Paul, Minn., was almost totally destroyed by fire. The loss is \$100,000.

The house passed the Esch bill, requiring railroads to make full monthly reports to the interstate commerce commission of all accidents.

After perfunctory sessions of both houses the Illinois general assembly adjourned until Tuesday, January 4, and the prospective battle over deep waterway, primary and other legislation advocated by Governor Deneen goes over until the new year.

Some choice heaves sold at Toledo, Ohio, at \$8.70, the highest price reached in the local hog market since 1893. The market advanced a strong ten cents, the top price of the bulk of sales being \$8.60.

The president gave the first of his formal white house dinners.

Washington.

News of the resignation of President Zelaya at Nicaragua was received with evident satisfaction at the state department and elsewhere but not one applicable of comment could be elicited from any responsible officer of the administration.

Severely attacking Secretary of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger, the Guggenheim interests, and the administration of the land office in general, Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska urged upon the house the necessity of appointing a special committee to investigate "the notorious land frauds of recent years."

By a joint resolution offered in congress a commission of seven persons to investigate the prospects for a semi-centennial celebration of the emancipation proclamation in 1913, is provided.

On the occasion of the 110th anniversary of the death of George Washington the Alexandria-Washington lodge of Masons, in accordance with its annual custom, placed a memorial wreath on the tomb at Mount Vernon.

Conservation of all the timber lands lying within the bounds of the Yosemite National park in California is urged by Major Forsythe, acting superintendent of the park, in his annual report to the secretary of the interior.

"Hands off Hawaii in liquor matters" is substantially the protest received by congress from the Hawaiian legislature. The secretary of Hawaii transmitted to the two houses of congress a resolution declaring that any legislation to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor in that territory, as proposed in a pending bill, would brand Hawaii as incapable of self-government.

The estimates of expenditures of the war department for the coming year amount to \$94,799,067, and were favorably acted on by the house committee on military affairs and the bill is ready to be reported to the house.

Personal.

State Senator John Raines of New York, author of the Raines law, died a few days ago.

Horace H. Lurton has been appointed associate justice of the United States supreme court.

Rev. J. Albert Hyden, whose father was with General Washington when General Cornwallis surrendered, died at his home in Ottawa, Kansas, aged 83 years.

George Dudley, former commissioner of pensions, died in Washington.

Vigorous denunciation of President Zelaya was made by Senator Rayner.

President Zelaya is pictured as ruling Nicaragua with an iron hand.

President Taft made a speech before a bowery audience in New York.

In a speech at London Premier Asquith pledged local self-government to the Irish.

CAPTURE OF PRIZES

NAMES OF WINNERS AT NATIONAL CORN SHOW.

NEBRASKA DONE VERY WELL

Other States Come in Also for Honor and Money Reward for Their Efforts.

Douglas county stands high in the Nebraska competition for prizes in the National Corn Exposition. The county wins the Robinson trophy for the best corn exhibit within the state. This trophy is a cup valued at \$250 given by the Robinson company of Waterloo.

The best ear of corn grown in Nebraska came near being produced within the city limits of Omaha. Almost within gunshot of where the city ends and the country begins, on the farm of William Loneragan of Florence, a tall stalk of Reid's yellow dent produced this one best of all the ears of corn that Nebraska produced in 1910.

Henry Selts of De Sota took the first prize for the best ear of corn. For the second prize in the best ear competition, the prizes for Nebraska follow:

For best ten ears yellow dent corn, Nebraska only: Harry Selts, De Sota, first; \$50; Roland Smith, De Sota, second; \$30; Charles Gray, Blair, third; \$15. For best ten ears white dent corn, Nebraska only: Charles J. Bush, Auburn, first; \$50; Paul H. Hopkins, Tilden, second; \$30; Roland Smith, De Sota, third; \$15.

For best ten ears of corn other than yellow or white dent, Nebraska only: Joseph M. Bruner, first; \$50; Charles J. Bush, Auburn, second; \$30; H. H. Rahl, Falls City, third; \$15.

For best single ear dent corn, any color, Nebraska only: William Loneragan, Florence, first; \$5; Aye Bros, Blair, second; \$4; Grim, Blair, third; \$3.

For best single ear dent corn, any variety, Nebraska only: Francis Selts, De Sota, first; \$25.

For best peck hard winter wheat, Nebraska only: Edward Weath, Grains, first; \$10; P. J. Doloz, Morse Bluff, second; \$5; J. H. Hopkins, Tilden, third; \$3.

For best peck red winter wheat, Nebraska only: S. M. Arnold, Aurora, first; \$7.50; Morck, Aurora, second; \$5; C. W. Francisco, inland, third; \$4.

For best peck wheat, other than hard or soft winter, Nebraska only: A. E. Hiltreiken, Paul, first; \$5; Henry Harner, Grains, second; \$3; Detlef Stiek, Grand Island, third; \$4.

For best peck white oats, Nebraska only: W. D. Stiek, Phillips, first; \$5; J. N. Fenerist, Lesbar, second; \$3; E. G. Simpson, Springs, third; \$2.

For best peck black oats, Nebraska only: Arnold Martin, DuBois, first; \$40; R. W. Hopkins, first; \$20; Charles J. Bush, second; \$10.

For best peck oats, other than white and black, Nebraska only: Detlef Stiek, Grand Island, first; \$20; Austin Taylor, Omaha, second; \$15; R. W. Hopkins, Tilden, third; \$4.

For best peck barley, Nebraska only: Arnold Martin, DuBois, first; \$10; J. D. Hostk, Albia, second; \$5; Roy E. Hileman, Grains, third; \$4.

For best ten ears corn grown in Nebraska: Aye Bros, Blair, first; \$10.

For best ten ears corn grown in any other state: J. M. Gillman, Leavenworth, Kan., first; \$10.

For best single ear corn grown in Nebraska: Charles J. Bush, Auburn, first; \$10.

For best single ear corn grown in any other state: Paul Gillman, Leavenworth, Kan., first; \$10.

For best ten ears yellow dent corn: J. P. Thompson, Elkpoint, first; \$50; George H. Whiting, Yankton, second; \$30; H. H. Krueger, Orient, first; \$20; Peter Newberg, Sioux Falls, third; \$12.

For best single ear dent corn, any color: J. P. Thompson, Elkpoint, first; \$5; John Loring, Hurley, second; \$4; George H. Whiting, Yankton, third; \$3.

For best peck fine wheat: Jacob Mees, Alpena, first; \$30; J. J. Jones, Clark, second; \$20; J. L. Jones, Clark, second; \$20; Brunner Bros, Hurley, third; \$10.

For best peck oats, other than white: William Selts, De Sota, first; \$15; Jacob Mees, Alpena, second; \$5; Neil Johnson, Mount Vernon, second; \$5.

When the prize grains were put on sale at the National Corn exposition farmers, exhibitors and agricultural papers and breeders paid higher prices for the prize-winners than has ever been paid before for such samples of grain. E. E. Faville, editor of Successful Farming, takes \$100 to Des Moines the prize ten ears of corn, having paid \$325 for them. The corn was the best peck of the world just ever seen according to judges, paid \$164 for the peck that he might retain it and take it back to Wisconsin for seed.

Mr. James Hill's prize peck of wheat, to which he gave his special blue ribbon and grand first premium, sold for \$16.54. The prize 111 wheat was grown by H. Garfus at Acton, N. D., and was knocked down to W. A. Wheeler, a Minneapolis dealer. Mr. Hill had declared that this wheat was superior in milling quality to the grand sweepstakes champion wheat of the show, grown by H. E. Krueger of Beaver Dam, Wis., which was sold for \$14.

Arbuckles "Put It Back."

New York.—Arbuckle brothers, generally credited with being the largest independent rivals of the American Sugar Refining company, have acknowledged that from 1898 to 1907 they, too, failed to pay the government all the money due as customs charges on imported sugar. In settlement of all civil claims against them, the Arbuckles have offered and the treasury department, with the concurrence of the attorney general, has accepted payment of \$695,573 for transgressions.

"Go Naked, Be Strong."

Philadelphia, Pa.—"Go naked and you will be pure in mind and strong of body. I would not be surprised to see the men and the women walking hand in hand down Chestnut street wearing nothing but the unconscious innocence that clean mind brings."

Zelaya Controls Monopolies.

Washington.—The report from Managua that the Nicaraguan congress, probably anticipating the early retirement of President Zelaya, attempted to authorize a number of important concessions to friends of Zelaya, calls attention to the number of vastly remunerative monopolies already enjoyed by Zelaya and his friends in that country. The facts as to these monopolies are contained in official reports to the state department and are said to be susceptible of absolute proof.

WORK IN CONGRESS

NOT MUCH DOING UNTIL AFTER THE HOLIDAYS.

ADJOURNMENT FOR A TIME

Appointment of Lurton to Be Associate Justice Occupying Attention of the Senate.

Washington.—With probably fewer than a quorum of members of either house in the city, all legislation in congress during the next two days will be by common consent. The house will undertake nothing more than the passage of some bills of minor importance and the completion of its work on the District of Columbia appropriation bill, which already has been under consideration for two or three days.

It has been hoped that the army supply bill might be taken up and disposed of before adjournment, but that program has been abandoned in the face of the departure of so many members. It is expected that very little time will be necessary for the disposal of the District bill, and with it out of the way the house, in the main, will simply "tread water" until the time for adjournment for the holidays.

The senate will undertake very little except the confirmation of Hon. Horace H. Lurton to be associate justice of the supreme court of the United States. The nomination will be reported favorably to the senate on Monday and an effort will be made to have it acted upon. The present indications are that there will be no objection to such a course and that Mr. Lurton's confirmation will take place before the beginning of the holidays, thus enabling him to take his seat on the supreme bench upon the reconvening of that body after the holidays.

It is not expected that a quorum will be present either Monday or Tuesday, and if such should prove to be the case a call for an aye and no vote would have the effect of postponing action until January. No one seems willing to accept this responsibility, and Senator Bacon of the judiciary committee, who has charge of the nomination, is hopeful that the expediency of such a call will not be resorted to.

Undoubtedly there are a number of senators who consider Mr. Lurton's age to be against him, but their objection does not go to the extent of pronounced opposition.

Some investigation is being made of Judge Lurton's decisions as a circuit judge, with a view to determining the foundation of the charge that they are in the interest of corporations, and a statement covering this phase of the question probably will be presented to the senate when the subject is taken up for consideration.

In the main, the disposition is to allow the president to have his way in the selection of a successor to Justice Peckham, but many of the senators are disposed to make a record regarding Mr. Lurton's shortcomings, if he has any.

If it were a question of success or defeat, Mr. Lurton would have many champions and there is no doubt that he would be confirmed on a vote. The only question involved at this time is the advisability of delay. He would be confirmed soon after the holidays, even though the question should be deferred so long.

Both houses will adjourn on Tuesday for two weeks, the day for the reconvening being fixed for Tuesday, January 4.

Green S. Baum is Dead.

Chicago.—Gen. Green Berry Baum, former commissioner of pensions, died at his home here after an illness of several weeks. He was 80 years old.

To Enforce Food Law.

Washington.—A comprehensive enlargement of the activities of the Department of Agriculture in the administration of the pure food act is contemplated. Their object is to inaugurate for ports where the department has no chemical laboratory, a systematic inspection of foods, as in done at the ports where such facilities exist. For this purpose there has been established a complete chain of laboratory districts, with headquarters, to which will be sent samples of imported goods when necessary.

Oklahoma Bank Law Attacked.

Oklahoma City.—Restraining orders against State Bank Commissioner Young were asked in a suit argued in the district court. The United States Fidelity and Guaranty company and the Southern Surety company, sureties for the State School Land commission in the protection of funds deposited with the Columbia Bank and Trust company, asked the court to prevent the bank commissioner from making the state guaranty fund and state banks preferred creditors in closing up the bank's affairs.

Cardinal Satoili Fatally Ill.

Rome.—Cardinal Satoili has suffered a severe relapse from nephritis. Extreme weakness has been marked and he is often delirious. The doctors fear a fatal issue.

Rumor of Menelik's Death.

Rome.—A rumor was circulated here that King Menelik of Abyssinia was dead, but there is no confirmation of this. The latest dispatches from Abyssinia, which are dated December 12, merely announce the illness of the king, but give no details.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

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

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Four hundred birds made noise and attracted attention when the Dodge county poultry show opened at Fremont.

Gen. Casement, who died recently at Painesville, Ohio, laid the original rails of the Union Pacific as far west as Cheyenne. He is well remembered by many old-timers in Omaha and throughout the state.

Joseph Dukes, who was one of the prize winners at the fiddlers' carnival in Nebraska City captured a sixty-three-pound catfish from the Missouri river, near his home at Minersville, and brought the captive to the city alive and put him on exhibition.

Denver dispatch: Hogs sold at a new record price in the Denver market, when a carload from Wauwata, Neb., sold at \$8.47 1/2. A carload some days previous went at \$8.40, the previous highest price having been \$8.27 1/2 in February.

Charles Cercl, son of a Saunders county farmer, will not be tried on the charge of being the father of the child of Miss Rosie Sanda of Lancaster county. The case has been dismissed and it is understood a marriage between the complaining witness and the accused is to follow.

Uncle Sam takes deep interest in road building and in the government exhibit at the National Corn exposition, had quite an extensive exhibit on roads. There was a large steam roller at work showing just how to roll the roads and how to prepare them in various forms.

The plans and specifications for the new wing of the Normal building at Kearney are now ready and bids will be called for the construction of the building. The plans call for a fireproof construction, and the building will add greatly to the convenience of the school and also give it a chance to expand.

Adjutant General Hartigan's office is busy furnishing a tabulation of the records made by the Nebraska guards to the war department. The individual score of each member must be submitted. Compared with other states Nebraska will not make a very good showing, although the record as a whole will surpass last year's.

Judge Hostetter gave Robert Radcliff one year in the penitentiary for forging a check on the Union Pacific hotel of Kearney last April. Radcliff is the man whom the sheriff of Buffalo county captured at Des Moines and had difficulty in getting him from Iowa, owing to attorneys fighting the granting of a requisition for his return to Nebraska.

Emphasis on the attention that should be paid to the proper preparation of the younger people of the state for their part in the agricultural life, which constitutes the backbone of all the business of Nebraska was the burden of a speech by W. C. Coupland, member of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, delivered at the National Corn exposition.

Physicians of Fairbury were summoned to the home of August Theye, living seven miles west of the city, to attend a young son of Mr. Theye, who met with a very serious accident. While running with an open pocket knife in his hand the lad fell in such a manner that the blade of the knife penetrated the abdomen. He will recover.

The supreme court directed mandamus to issue to compel the Board of Regents of the university to locate and maintain two experimental stations in the sand hills, according to the provisions of an act of the late legislature. The law provided that the money should be paid out of the university temporary fund, and the regents alleged this money could not be spent for that purpose.

A series of important experiments are to be started in Columbus by the department of agriculture, beginning early in the new year, for the testing of corn, as to the moisture contained and as to its keeping qualities. The corn to be tested will be placed in bins which will be electrically wired, so that the temperature of the corn in the interior of the bin can be tested as accurately as that at the edges.

On complaint of his wife John Patton of Buffalo county was arrested for incest. A full confession was made and Patton was sentenced to fifteen years at hard labor in the state penitentiary. Patton is about 35, and industrious, but ignorant. His wife is a rather comely young woman of average intelligence, and they have six bright children, the oldest of whom, a girl of 15, was the victim of her inhuman father.

A Zapp met with a peculiar accident at Emerson Saturday. He was working in his planing mill alone when in some unknown manner he was caught in the belting of the machinery. Every thread of clothing was stripped from him and he was thrown unconscious to the floor, where he lay for several hours suffering greatly from the cold. While he is bruised and sore it is thought he is not dangerously hurt.

Will M. Maupin, head of the bureau of labor, is getting out an innovation in the form of a blank to be sent to all labor organizations. The blank contains a long and comprehensive list of questions in regard to the wage schedules existing over the state.

E. C. Hurd, engineer in charge of the work of finding the physical valuation of railroad property under the provision of the physical valuation law enacted by the recent legislature has submitted his report to the State Railway commission and it has been made a part of that body's report to the governor.