

FROM DAY TO DAY

GENERAL NEWS AND NOTES FRESH FROM THE WIRE.

A WIDE AREA IS COVERED

Embracing a Condensation of Events In Which Readers Generally Are Interested.

Washington.

Rear Admiral Thomas H. Looker, a veteran of the civil war and for many years paymaster general of the navy, died at his home here at the age of eighty.

An outbreak of typhoid fever on three Japanese battleships in Oriental waters has been reported to the public health and marine hospital service.

A safety device which had been tested and found true, but failed in one particular instance, was the cause of the gun explosion in Battery De Russy at Fort Monroe, July 21, when eleven artillerymen were killed.

President Taft has approved the appointment by the interior department of J. A. Ockerson of St. Louis, to investigate conditions in Imperial valley, Cal., where serious damage is threatened by the Colorado river breaking its banks.

To the failure of a safety mechanism to operate when a sudden powerful pull was given by an artillerymen in attaching the lanyard, is now laid the responsibility for the accident which cost the lives of eleven men at Fort Monroe, Va., during the battle practice. Such is the conclusion of General Crozier, chief of ordnance.

Just to show the doubting Thomases that they can withstand any physical test for army officers, General Robert S. Oliver, assistant secretary of war, is to spend most of his months' vacation in the saddle. General Oliver is sixty-three years of age. His first task will be a fifty mile horseback ride. Miss Oliver, his daughter, will accompany him.

Foreign.

Herr Dalwitz, Prussian minister of the interior, on recommendation of the political police, has signed orders for the expulsion of twenty-one Mormon missionaries, most of whom are Americans or Englishmen. They were conducted to the frontier.

France appears to be on the eve of one of the most colossal strikes that the country has witnessed in recent years. The engineers and firemen affiliated with the national railroaders' union are to meet to reach a final decision on the action of the central committee of the union, which has already decided on a general strike. The workers demand an increase in wages.

Lydie Lopoukhova, her brother, Feodor, and Alexander Volinine, the famous Russian dancers who have been engaged by Charles Frohman for an American tour, sailed for New York on the Oceanic. Their first performances will be given at the Empire theater in New York. Lydie Lopoukhova, although she is but eighteen years old, has established a reputation throughout Europe and in St. Petersburg she is looked upon as the only rival of the famous Pavlova.

General.

President Taft is pleased with the result of the Ohio convention.

Senator Bristow says Kansas is not taking Speaker Cannon seriously.

Nebraska republicans in state convention strongly endorsed the Taft administration.

Democrats of Minnesota nominated John Lind for governor, but it is said he will not accept.

The strike situation at Columbus, Ohio, is so serious that troops have been called to quell rioting.

President Taft is back at Beverly and will make no more jaunts until he goes to Panama in November.

The government intends to break up the practice of railroads selling foodstuffs spoiled in transportation.

Prof. Samuel Rosswin, dean of Princeton university from 1899 to 1903, died at his home in Princeton.

In an automobile accident at Westhampton, L. I., Desmond Dunne, Jr., son of Desmond Dunne, former commissioner of public work in Brooklyn, was instantly killed.

Wm. S. Moore, sixty-seven years old, a wealthy planter and brother-in-law of the late Eckstein Norton, former president of the Louisville & Nashville railway, shot and killed himself.

The Teareul Maru, plying between Kobe and Dairen, sunk off Chindo, Korea. The steamer had 246 passengers aboard, of whom forty were saved.

More than \$1,600,000 is being saved annually to the citrus fruit growers' association of California as a result of experiments being conducted by the department of agriculture.

Census returns issued show that Brownsville, the southernmost city in Texas, increased its population 48.3 per cent in the last ten years. Its population is now 10,517, as compared with 6,205 in 1900.

Theodore Roosevelt has no desire to pose as a political dictator.

A new party has been born in Pennsylvania and a state ticket nominated. Congressman Campbell of Kansas, standpatter, calls insurgents iconoclasts.

Senator Cummins declares Cannon and Aldrich are driving the country toward socialism.

Ohio republicans selected Mr. Harding for governor, the Taft following thus winning out.

The mayor of Columbus, O., made an appeal to the governor for troops to cope with strikers.

The Rusk party of mountain climbers failed to reach the summit of Mt. McKinley, in Alaska.

A Chicago newspaper charges that a bribe fund was raised to return A. J. Hopkins to the senate.

The explosion at Fortress Monroe is believed to have been due to a defective device on the gun.

The supreme court of Oklahoma says the capital must remain for a time, at least, at Guthrie.

Chairman Yoakum, of the Frisco railroad, discussed good roads at the Niagara Falls convention.

Twenty-five persons perished in a flood that followed a cloudburst at the town of Dees, Hungary.

Senator Crane will make a trip through the west to size up the political situation for President Taft.

Mrs. Margaret Barcha, a bride of less than a year, was found shot to death in her home at Chicago Heights.

Cardinal Gibbons was 76 years old Saturday. He spent the day at the country home of a friend near Westminster, Md.

Nonconformists were successful in the British commons in having expunged an obnoxious clause in the pending king's accession bill.

The French government has accepted a bronze copy of Houdens's statue of George Washington, which was presented by the state of Virginia.

At Hamburg thirty-five thousand ship yard workers united in a demand for an increase of 10 per cent. in wages and a fifty-three-hour week.

Co-operation between the federal and state governments in the good roads movement was advocated by speakers at the Niagara Falls convention.

Copious rains which fell over the Central and Southern sections of Iowa, those portions of the state which needed it most, saved the corn crops.

Major General Frederick Dent Grant has left Chicago to assume command of the department of the East, with headquarters at Governors Island, N. Y.

Laura Jeanne Libbey the author of "When His Love Grew Cold," "Lovers Once, but Strangers Now," and more than fifty other similar novels, will make her debut on the stage.

William Tubbert, 62 years old, and William J. Tubert, 48, cousins, died at Syracuse, N. Y., within a half hour. The former was one of the best known sporting men in Central New York.

Eleven men were killed at La Taqua, Quebec. One of the men was opening a can of powder with an ax when an explosion occurred which set fire to a train of powder leading to a tunnel in which fifteen men were working.

At Pittsburg, Pa., a federal food inspector armed with legal papers and a clothespin clapped over his nose seized 125 cans of Nebraska eggs, which were marked "canned fancy mixed and frozen," and yet guaranteed pure and fresh.

A motion asking for a new trial in the bleached flour case in which a jury recently returned a verdict favorable to the government, was filed in the United States district court at Kansas City by attorneys representing the Lexington Mill & Elevator company of Lexington, Neb.

Personal.

Republicans and populists of Nebraska declare for county option.

Colonel Roosevelt will be a visitor in Kansas City from noon until midnight on September 1.

Louis D. Cole, a prominent contractor living near Mount Pleasant, Neb., was killed when his automobile overturned.

Theodore Roosevelt's first speech of a political nature since his return to America, will be delivered in St. Louis, October 11.

Erwin Wildef is being sought by the police in connection with the disappearance of bonds from the Russo-Chinese bank.

Prof. A. Harry Thurston Peck of Columbia university is being sued for breach of promise by Miss Esther Quinn of Cambridge, Mass.

Because they wanted to be "bad men," John Warner and Ray Metcalf, each 11 years old, of Columbus, Ohio, committed 600 burglaries.

President Taft has put himself on record as subscribing absolutely to the principle that a president of the United States should not talk politics.

John S. Overton, an old-time actor who played with Edwin Booth, Lawrence Barrett and other famous stars, died in St. Louis at the age of 69 years.

Young Roosevelt's honeymoon is over and he has begun his duties as carpet making expert.

At Ridgway, Va., former Mayor A. H. Bousman, was assassinated by a dynamite bomb which was thrown from the street under a hammock in which he was lying.

Lived Through Four Wars. Brazil, Ind.—Mrs. Sophia Johnson, believed to be the oldest resident of the county, who died at her home in this city at the age of 96 years, was a remarkable woman. She remembered distinctly four wars.

LETS FILINGS STAND

DEMURRER OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS SUSTAINED.

A RULING BY JUDGE FROST

Courts Will Not Go So Far as to Interfere With Political Party Rulings.

Because the attorney general had ruled that the payment of only one filing fee is necessary for a candidate for office to have his name placed on one or more primary ballots, Judge Lincoln Frost of the district court sustained the demurrer of the attorney general in the primary ballot suit instituted by Victor Rosewater, republican national committeeman. Mr. Rosewater sought an injunction to prevent Secretary of State Junkin from certifying to the various county clerks the names of those candidates who had filed on more than one ballot and paid only one filing fee. Assistant Attorney General Ayres and John J. Sullivan and T. J. Doyle, democratic attorneys, who appeared for Mr. Junkin, filed a demurrer to the petition filed by John O. Yeiser for Mr. Rosewater.

In sustaining the demurrer Judge Frost discussed the points raised in the case briefly, holding that a court in equity would take jurisdiction in matters involving political rights, but that the courts would not go so far as to interfere with rules of political parties such as were formerly in vogue. But in cases where the matter is controlled by statute, as in this case, the court rules do not apply, he said. The secretary of state has certain specific duties to perform and if he does not perform them, then there should be some way to make him.

Continuing, Judge Frost said he would not rest a decision on the demurrer, but without going into the case any further he would sustain the demurrer. He did this, he said, because the attorney general had given two decisions to the effect that only one fee was required of candidates who desired to file on more than one ticket, and that the secretary of state had been acting in accordance with those decisions. Therefore, he would not overrule them. In reading the statute, however, the judge said it could be interpreted two ways and there was a question whether the opinion of the attorney general was correct, but he preferred not to overrule him unless he was absolutely sure that he was wrong.

The members of the supreme court, except Judge Rose, are out of the city, so Mr. Yeiser cannot appeal the case in time to have the ruling passed on before the primary election.

Autos Double in Number.

The number of automobiles returned by county assessors to the State Board of Equalization will be double the number returned in the year 1909. In that year there were returned 3,611, while, with six counties not yet reported, there has been returned a total of 6,481. April 1, when the assessment is made, there were registered in the office of the secretary of state a total of 9,286 machines and the year before a total of 4,877. This number, however, does not represent the total number of machines in the state.

New Postal Cards.

Blue postal cards have gone on sale at the Lincoln postoffice, in place of the old white ones. A shipment of the new skytinted cards, numbering 200,000, was received from Washington. They contain McKinley's picture, like those they supersede.

Valuation of Live Stock.

The state board of equalization listened to a dozen or more county assessors in regard to proposed changes in the valuation of live stock. The changes made from the returns of the assessors as finally divided are as follows: Horses, Dodge, Douglas, Hayes, Kearney, Morrill, Perkins and Wayne, 10 per cent. increase; Butler, 5 per cent. increase; Boyd and Valley, 10 per cent. decrease. Mules, Fillmore, Kearney and Morrill, 10 per cent. increase; Douglas and Wayne, 20 per cent. increase; Banner, 25 per cent. increase; Hooker, 100 per cent. increase; Boyd, Perkins and Valley, 10 per cent. decrease; Grant, 20 per cent. decrease. Cattle, Perkins, increased 10 per cent.; Thomas, 30 per cent. increase; Cass, Nance, Nuckolls and Valley, 10 per cent. decrease; Hamilton and Boyd, 5 per cent. decrease. Hogs, Garfield, 20 per cent. increase; Holt, 30 per cent. increase; Valley, 10 per cent. decrease; Kearney, Hayes and Gasper, 15 per cent. decrease; Phelps, 20 per cent. increase; Wheeler and Hitchcock, 30 per cent. decrease; Boyd, 40 per cent. decrease.

Assessment of Hogs.

The assessment of hogs and pigs came up before the state board of assessment. In some places a sow is assessed at so much and no account is taken of the little pigs. In other places a certain value is placed on a sow and eleven pigs. As a result, the average value of pigs in the various counties shows great variation and the state board of equalization is in danger, according to the assessors protesting, of making unwarranted changes in an attempt to equalize widely disproportionate values.

TO OUST OFFICIALS.

Governor Takes Action Against Omaha Officers.

Governor Shallenberger has directed the attorney general to bring quo warranto proceedings to oust from office Chief of Police Donahue of Omaha, Fred Hoye, William J. Hunter and William F. Wappich, members of the Omaha Fire and Police board, for failing to enforce the liquor laws in Omaha. The governor acted upon a complaint filed with him by Charles J. Karbach, member of the Omaha Fire and Police board. In the complaint it is charged that houses of prostitution to the number of 265 have taken out government licenses to sell intoxicating liquors and have no city license, and that they sell beer at all hours of the day and night and on Sundays. Karbach alleges that he personally visited the red light district and was solicited to enter the houses by girls, and that he informed Chief Donahue of what he saw. The reply the chief made to the complaint, he says, was this: "Your a liar and don't know anything about it."

Karbach calls attention to the fact that Mayor Dahlman, in a speech on June 22, said that the 8 o'clock law was being violated all over the state. He said that the mayor, as ex-officio member of this board, has knowledge of the conditions in Omaha.

Governor Shallenberger's letter to the attorney general directing the latter official to begin action against the three members of the fire and police board and Chief Donahue follows:

"Dear Sir: I am enclosing you herewith copy of a complaint filed in my office by Charles J. Karbach against John J. Donahue, chief of police, and Fred Hoye, William J. Hunter and William F. Wappich, members of the board of fire and police commissioners, city of Omaha, Nebraska.

"This is the third complaint that has been filed against these officers, the charges all being similar, within the last year. The evidence adduced upon the former complaints showed that there were violations of the liquor laws in the city of Omaha, but upon the express promise of the chief of police that such violation would be discontinued if they were given an opportunity to enforce the laws, I withheld taking any steps to remove such officers at that time. During the past two months my attention has been called to repeated and continued violations of the liquor laws in the city of Omaha, and I am convinced beyond a doubt that there is no effort being made on the part of those whose duty it is to see that the laws are enforced in that city in any way eradicate the evil or remedy the existing conditions.

"This last complaint having been filed by one who is a member of the board of fire and police commissioners, convinces me that the defendants named in this complaint are not acting in good faith with reference to doing their duty in this matter. I am not satisfied that these officers are unable to bring about an observance of the liquor laws in the city of Omaha, but on the contrary am thoroughly convinced that they have no desire so to do, and are in fact wilfully neglecting and refusing to enforce the law.

"You are therefore directed to institute and prosecute quo warranto proceedings in the supreme court, as by law provided, against the defendants named herein, for the purpose of ousting said defendants from the official positions so held by them."

Attorney General Thompson will begin his suit at once. Although the supreme court will not be in session again until September the taking of testimony in the case will begin at once. A majority of the supreme court will be called together to appoint a referee to take testimony.

Isaac Pankhurst Killed.

Isaac Pankhurst, aged 19 years, residing at Belmont, this county, was instantly killed by the explosion of a traction engine. The traction engine, which belonged to Nick Kramer, was working on the farm of Mayor Love, five miles north of the city. The top of the young man's head was blown off.

State Not to Pay Building Permit.

Land Commissioner Cowles has advised Superintendent Stewart of the state school for deaf not to pay the city of Omaha \$28 for a permit to build a building on state land. He believes the state should not be required to pay any fee when it desires to erect buildings on its own lands. The institution is within the city limits of Omaha.

Withdraws His Name.

Smith Ketchum, democratic candidate for the state senate from the twenty-third district, which comprises Thayer and Jefferson counties, filed a withdrawal of his name with the secretary of state. Ketchum gave no reason for the withdrawal of his name.

Supplies Are Rejected.

Recently canned goods delivered to the soldiers' home at Grand Island on contract were refused on the ground that they were not equal in quality to the sample bid on. A quarter of a ton of coffee furnished by the same contractor to the same institute has now been rejected as not being equal to the kind contracted for by the state. A sample from the home and some of the coffee delivered were sent to Land Commissioner Cowles, and after he compared the two he approved commandant's decision.

CRIPPEN IS SEIZED

HE AND GIRL COMPANION TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

PASSENGERS ON MONTROSE

Dentist Cool and Collected, But Stenographer Collapses When Confronted by Officer.

Father Point, Que.—Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen and Ethel Clara Le Neve, his stenographer who fled from London after the disappearance of Belle Elmore, the doctor's wife, were arrested here Sunday aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Montrose, at the command of Inspector Dew of Scotland Yard.

The identification of the long-sought fugitives on board the fog-shrouded steamer by the English detective, who had raced across the Atlantic ahead of the Montrose, marked the culmination of one of the most sensational flights in recent criminal annals. Accompanied by two Canadian officers he boarded the vessel at 8:30 o'clock in the morning, and fifteen minutes later both man and girl were locked in their state rooms. Crippen, broken in spirit, but mentally relieved by the relaxed tension; the girl, garbed in boy's clothes, sobbing hysterically.

They were no longer the "Rev. John Robinson and son," as booked at Antwerp, July 20. After a brief delay the Montrose continued her 160-mile journey up the river towards Quebec, where jail awaited the pair. Crippen is charged with the murder of an unknown woman, believed to have been his actress wife. The girl is held as an accessory. In charge of Inspector Dew, they will be taken back to England for trial on Royal line steamer Quebec on Thursday next.

Seldom has there been a scene surrounding the pursuit of a criminal so pregnant with dramatic features as that enacted off this little settlement Sunday morning. Inspector Dew had spent a sleepless night at the Marconi operator's side, communicating through the fog with the liner that bore the man and the woman he sought. The man had lied to him in London by fleeing the city with the mystery of Belle Elmore's disappearance unsolved, and a strong personal feeling entered into the case, accentuating the detective's desire to carry out the task assigned to him by Scotland Yard.

At 4:30 a. m. the approaching ship's whistle was heard above the bellowing of the Father Point fog horn.

Shortly after 7:30 o'clock the Montrose pushed her nose through the fog and at 8:15 the pilot boat Eureka set out from shore. She carried a host of newspaper men and photographers and the more fortunate townspeople who were able to crowd aboard.

Four sailors quickly rowed the tender alongside the Montrose and Dew and his companions stepped aboard. Crippen was standing near the rail talking with Dr. Stuart, the ship's surgeon, and apparently calm. But that he was nervous was indicated by his glance and his remark to Dr. Stuart: "There are three pilots coming aboard," he said, nervously. "Is that not unusual?"

"Crippen, I want you," said Inspector Dew quietly, as he approached. The dentist recoiled involuntarily as he recognized the man who addressed him, then the blood left his face, his breath came short and fast and he gurgled incoherently as he was being led away to the captain's cabin, whence he was transferred later to his own stateroom, he said gratefully. "Thank God, the suspense is over and I am glad."

Crippen's arrest accomplished, Dew hurried to Miss Leneve's state room, where he found her still dressed as "John Robinson, Jr.," on the verge of nervous breakdown. Her appearance when confronted by the detective and told that she was under arrest was pitiable. All control that she had fought so hard to retain throughout the voyage left her. She cried out hysterically and became so faint that hysterics were administered. Shut in her room and restored to woman's dress, she was closely guarded as the vessel continued its journey, for fear that she would take her life or collapse utterly.

It was more than four hours after she faced the detective that the girl was able to sit up. Even then her condition was pitiful, and no one saw her expect the ship surgeon and the stewardess.

Fire Threatens Records.

Washington.—Fire in a shoe store in the building occupied by the United States geological survey, threatened to destroy the records of the survey, which could not be replaced for less than a million dollars.

Crippen's Father Ill.

Los Angeles.—Myron A. Crippen, father of the accused London wife-slayer, was ill in bed when reporters brought him news of the arrest of his son and the latter's companion. The aged man has been in poor health and in his weakened condition, the intelligence produced a visible effect upon him. "Hawley may have been arrested, but he has not been convicted yet," he remarked after recovering composure. "I cannot believe that my son committed the awful crime laid at his door."

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

News Notes of Interest From Various Sections.

E. R. F. Starr has sold a quarter section of land near Diller to Peter Kuten for \$20,000.

Ed Williams, the man in whose possession were found several pairs of kipp shoes which he was trying to dispose of during the carnival at Plattmouth, has, it is said, confessed that he was a car robber.

A Scotts Bluff dispatch says the headgates of all the canals in the valley are now open again and the ditches are carrying a full head of water. Farmers from over the valley who are attending the Chautauqua say that crops are looking fine again, and while no bumper crop is expected, the field will give better than the average yield.

Arthur Nelson of Fairbury, the Rock Island fireman, who was prostrated by heat July 16, near Clatonia, is able to be around again. Mr. Nelson was firing a large 800-ton type passenger locomotive on a passenger train when he was overcome. Engineer John A. Cuykendall got a negro porter from the train to fire the locomotive to Fairbury, thereby overcoming the delay.

A young woman alighted from one of the trains at Wisner and was trying to find some place to stay for the night when she was reported to the city marshal and placed in the city jail. Her cries for water were heard for blocks until after midnight. The next morning she was found dead on the floor of the cell. The coroner's verdict was death by an overdose of cocaine.

The big steam derrick used in the construction of the addition to the government building in Beatrice, collapsed and came very near killing a number of workmen. One thousand pounds of stone were being hoisted at the time of the accident, and the first intimation the workmen had of a break in the structure was the snapping of a cable which supported the "stiff legs."

Mrs. David Ireland of Fairbury recently received word from her brother, John H. Mitcham of Spokane, Wash., that his home and its household goods were destroyed by fire July 10. It is said that the family escaped with their night clothing and their 4-months-old baby was rescued only by the heroic efforts of its mother. The value of the property amounted to about \$4,000.

The office of the Tecumseh Milling company was broken into as was also the office at L. S. Crittenden's grain elevator. At the mill office the intruder or intruders got \$1.75 in money from the safe and took a few little articles such as a pocketknife, etc. The burglar, or burglars, were evidently not satisfied with the haul for they took two bottles of writing ink, one black and one red, and smeared them over the walls and desks.

Peter Adam Young, aged 30 years, and the son of John Young, one of the wealthiest of North Nebraska farmers, was arrested in Madison county on a warrant issued by his father, charging the theft of \$5,000 in \$20 gold pieces, from a metal pot, which the elder Young kept in his home. The son recently bought an automobile, arousing the family's suspicions, and when they missed the \$5,000 in gold, he was searched and a quantity of gold found in his pocket.

W. H. Wheeler's new touring car, stolen from his barn in Stella was found in a corn field owned by Arthur McGinnis, four miles from Stella. McGinnis was cutting weeds and was attracted by a white object, and as he approached, found it to be an open newspaper, and then found an automobile, whose presence was shielded by being covered over by freshly cut corn stalks. There was a man with the machine, but he made his escape, afterward stealing a horse and buggy to make a quick and successful getaway.

The Bridgeport Electric Light and Power company was organized with a capital of \$50,000, all of which has been subscribed by home people. An up-to-date plant will be installed at once and the city will vote on a proposition to issue bonds for putting in a water system.

Jerry McGan, better known as "Wild Horse Jerry" and a fourteen year old girl named Thompson were killed by some one from ambush in Colorado south of Kimball, this state. The Thompson girl who was riding with McGan, was killed accidentally. Wait Risling, who was suspected of the killing, gave himself up to the authorities at Greeley, Colo.

News has reached Alliance of the suicide of a well known resident. Ed Eter, a young man, who is a favorably known there, committed suicide at Denver by shooting himself in the head with a rifle. Extensive preparations were being made for his marriage to a popular and wealthy young woman of Denver. Eter was very popular in Alliance, and nobody seems to be able to conjecture the cause of his suicide.

Christian Nuss of Clay county, while stacking hay on his farm, received an injury which may prove fatal. The stacker turned over striking Mr. Nuss across the chest. No bones were broken but he received internal injuries.

News has been received by friends that two Fremont boys were the losers by the failure of the First National bank at Billings, Mont. Ed Scovins had \$850 deposited in the bank and Will Smith, a son of Frank Smith had \$200 deposited in it. The boys went to Billings four years ago to work in a sugar factory.