

FROM MANY POINTS

EVENTS OF THE DAY HELD TO A FEW LINES.

DAY'S EVENTS BOILED DOWN

Personal, Political, Foreign and Other Intelligence Interesting to the General Reader.

Washington.

The joint resolution admitting Arizona and New Mexico to immediate statehood, but withholding the approval of the constitutions of both until the people have voted on the proposed amendment, passed the house by a viva voce vote. No roll call was demanded on the final vote.

Information as to what steps had been taken for the criminal prosecution of the officers of the Standard Oil company under the recent decision of the supreme court was demanded of the attorney general by the senate which adopted, without debate, a resolution of inquiry offered by Senator Pomeroy.

Senator Frye, after forty-one years of continuous service in congress, left Washington for his home in Maine because of his failing health. With his usual optimism, the venerable senator said: "I am going back to the Maine air, and a good rest will put me right again in short order." Senator Frye, some time ago, resigned as president pro tempore of the senate.

Secretary Wilson, of the department of agriculture, declined an invitation to be the guest of the Ak-Sar-Ben on Monday, June 12, the date on which the various officials of the bureau of animal industry of the department will hold their annual convention in Omaha. Dr. Melvin accepted the invitation, but the secretary said that he would be unable to visit Omaha at that time.

A board of admirals was appointed to discharge the disagreeable annual duty of selecting a number of naval officers to be retired in order to cause a proper flow for promotion. This year the board must cause fifteen vacancies in addition to the five that have occurred in the usual course during the last year. The list will be made up of five captains, four commanders, four lieutenant commanders and two lieutenants.

The first of the postal savings bank bonds will be issued soon.

Bids for the \$50,000,000 of 3 per cent Panama bonds are coming in lively.

Foreign diplomats at Mexico City have taken steps to safeguard residents.

President Taft denied the application for pardon on behalf of Bankers Walsh and Morse.

Secretary MacVeagh is accused of reversing the order imposing a 20 per cent duty on cressets.

Rivalry for the governorship of different Mexican states gives signs of causing possible strife.

According to the Carnegie endowment fund for international peace the world will be educated in international law as to how the law may be extended.

The Prussian diet passed the second reading of the government's bill legalizing cremation.

William Carren, former manager of a St. Louis theater, pleaded guilty to charges of embezzling \$22,000 of the theater's funds and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

An amendment by Senator Root to the reciprocity agreement was opposed as likely to be fatal.

Insurrectos are keeping up the fight, apparently not knowing that armistice has been declared.

La Follette declares the Lorimer case must be pushed out of the senate at all hazards.

The Reformed church is not to be hasty in effecting a union with Presbyterian denomination.

The general synod of the Reformed church of the United States elected r. James I. Good of Dayton, O., president.

Miss Katherine Elkins, her mother and brother, Stephen B. Elkins, were passengers on the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria en route for Europe. They were accompanied to the ship by "Billy" Pitt of Illinois. Miss Elkins laughed merrily when asked if she will be engaged to young Pitt.

The Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company, a subsidiary of the Union Pacific railroad, has sold to Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Baring Brothers & Co. \$25,000,000 first and refunding mortgage 4 per cent gold bonds unconditionally guaranteed by the Union Pacific company.

The minority of the senate committee on privileges and elections opposes any change in elections.

Marlin Skow, a patient at the state insane asylum at Lincoln, Neb., strangled Charles Brookman, a fellow inmate.

Attorney General Wickersham brought suit at New York for the dissolution of the alleged lumber trust.

French Minister of War Berteaux was killed and Premier Monis injured when an aeroplane crashed into a crowd near Paris.

Hermosillo, Mexico, was evacuated by the federals without a battle.

Mexican rebels effected the capture of many towns in the state of Sinaloa.

Andrew Carnegie and family sailed for their summer vacation in Scotland.

Two resolutions were offered in the senate to reinvestigate the Lorimer election.

A reign of riot and pillage followed the capture of the town of Pachuca by Mexican rebels.

The Christian Herald has forwarded \$4,000 more for the relief of Chinese famine sufferers.

It is said reciprocity has made Taft popular in the cities, but farmers are yelling "bloody murder."

Theodore Roosevelt was criticized by John W. Foster for his recent utterances on arbitration.

The interstate commerce commission was instructed to take jurisdiction over railroads in Alaska.

The house voted favorably on the resolution for admission of Arizona and New Mexico to statehood.

The Gideons, a religious organization, last Sunday placed 1,400 free bibles in the hotels of Omaha.

The birth rate in New York City for the first three months of the year was 23.11 per 1,000, the largest on record.

There was a demonstration at Mexico City because of the delay of President Diaz in tendering his resignation.

Miss Grace Dexter Bryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryan, will be married June 7th to Richard Hargreaves, of Lincoln.

The Texas railroad commission has filed forfeiture of charter suit against the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway, alleging bankruptcy.

Louis D. Brandeis, who was invited to conduct the inquiry by a house committee into the affairs of the post-office department, declined to serve.

The Countess Szechenyi, formerly Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, has given \$50,000 to the city's poor in Budapest in return for the city's agreement not to lay street-car tracks in front of her palace.

The annual meeting of the trans-Mississippi commercial congress set for September next, will be held in Kansas City, instead of Oklahoma City.

Announcement was made that the Iowa City high school has won the interscholastic championship of the United States incidentally taking the John Jacob Astor cup.

Annie Parros, nineteen years old, was suffocated and a property loss estimated at \$300,000 was sustained by fire caused by the explosion of gas in a dairy lunch room at Pittsburg.

President Taft has signed a proclamation establishing the Colorado national park in Mesa county, Colo.

Anthony Howard Hunkle, well known for his interest in muckians, died at Hot Springs, Va.

One thousand delegates attended the fourth national convention of the United Presbyterian men's movement in the First Presbyterian church at Pittsburg.

At Washington Miss Zelda M. Striker, an orphan, aged 13, and strikingly beautiful, was married to Sadashe Fujita, steward on the United States ship Dolphin and old enough to be her father. The romance began in 1906, when the bride was a little girl.

J. M. Parks, former financial secretary of the Los Angeles Iron Workers' union, and Bart J. Connors, a former Alaskan ironworker, were arrested at Los Angeles on a charge of placing dynamite under the hall of records, which was wrecked there last September.

The results of exhaustive inquiry into the steel trust made by the bureau of corporations will not be available to the house committee investigating the United States Steel corporation unless President Taft so directs.

Lieutenant Colonel Beverly W. Dunn, inventor of dunnite, has resigned from the army because President Taft declined to grant him retirement to continue his work with explosives.

Efforts were made to avert a strike of the firemen on the Southern railway at a conference at Washington between officials of the railway and representatives of the nineteen local organizations of the brotherhood of locomotive firemen.

The geographical survey has issued a bulletin giving derivations of names of American cities. Chicago, says the bulletin, is Ojibwa Indian "She-Kag-Ong," signifying "wild onion place," from a root form implying "a bad smell."

President Taft has signed the proclamation establishing the Harney National forest in South Dakota. It embraces 533,320 acres formerly contained in the Black Hills forest and 58,727 acres taken from the public domain.

Personal.

The contempt charges against Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell may be revived.

Viscount Morley moved the second reading of the veto bill in the house of lords.

The announcement of the accession of a new emperor of Abyssinia was premature.

The Nebraska delegation voted as a unit for the admission of Arizona and New Mexico.

It is said friends of President Taft are figuring on Senator Cummins as his running mate in 1912.

Portfolio Diaz resigned as president of Mexico, and his renunciation was accepted by congress.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Curtis assumes all blame for the ruling on free entry of cressets.

In a speech at London, Premier Laurier expressed amazement at the expressed fear of Canadian annexation.

HE MUST GET BUSY

ATTORNEY OF DOUGLAS COUNTY IS SHIRKING DUTY.

"EITHER ACT OR GET OUT"

Must Get Busy or Be Replaced by a Man Who Will—Request to Donahue is But a Subterfuge.

Governor Aldrich sent a stinging letter to County Attorney English of Douglas county in which he states that that official's sidetracking of the recent communication sent out by him in regard to the enforcement of the Alberta disorderly house act does not meet with the executive's approval.

He further says unreservedly that unless proceedings are instituted at once he will take steps to furnish Douglas county with an attorney who will not hesitate to conform with his wishes in the matter.

The letter goes to Attorney English in reply to one received by Governor Aldrich in which the Omaha man said he had referred the state executive's communication to Chief of Police Donahue with a request for information of the existence of houses of ill-fame in the state's metropolises. In his letter Governor Aldrich says:

"I observe that you say in your letter that you have transmitted to the chief of police of your city a copy of your letter to me and upon receipt of information you will take such steps as the evidence justifies.

"Permit me to say, Mr. English, that I am calling on you as county attorney in and for Douglas county to enforce this one of the statutes of the state. If it had been the duty of the chief of police I would have called upon him and not upon you."

"I do not believe in French diplomacy. If I did, I would be tolerant of evasions, subterfuges and equivocations and in short, anything to evade a plain performance of duty. Chief Donahue is in no way under and by virtue of provisions of this statute connected officially with your office.

Governor Aldrich then says that the statute is not hard to enforce and he quotes from its provisions to illustrate to the county official that his duty in the case is clear.

"So when you refer this matter to the investigation of Chief Donahue I must plainly say that you are certainly not acting in good faith, and do not intend to enforce the law if you possibly can evade it. I have decided to see to it that this law is enforced and I shall use all the means at my command to see that it is done. If it is necessary for me to get a new county attorney in Douglas county to enforce this law, I shall take the necessary steps to do so and will not hesitate to assume this responsibility. This measure is one of the most important to good government and to society that has ever been placed upon the statute books of this state. It is indisputable that these assignment houses are the headquarters of murderers, criminals, thugs and thieves. When it is necessary to hold public meetings to provide for the safety of life it seems to me that no official should for an instant hesitate to lend his most energetic aid in the performance of his duty."

"Murders are too common and holdups too frequent to conduct the enforcement of this statute along diplomatic lines for the purpose of evading a plain duty. You and you alone are called upon to do your duty in enforcing the provisions of the statute in question. I shall hold you and you alone responsible for its enforcement. Now it's up to you to say, 'Yes' or 'No.'"

Omahan is Elected.

Dana Van Dusen, of Omaha, was elected editor-in-chief of the State University Cornhusker for next year. Van Dusen's election was unanimous, he having for the last year been managing editor.

The State Guard.

Adjutant General Phelps went to Osceola to muster in a new company of the state guard. The company will be known as Company H. It has been recruited by R. O. Allen, formerly of the regular army. The company will become a part of the first regiment.

Y. M. C. A. Camp.

Plans have been laid for the annual boys' camp of the Y. M. C. A. at King's lake, Valley, Neb., commencing Tuesday, June 13, and continuing for a period of ten days. The camp has been named Camp Stephens in honor of Superintendent W. L. Stephens, who has been on the boys' work committee for a longer period of continuous service than any other man on the board of directors.

Sportsmen's Association.

The 36th annual meet of the Nebraska State Sportsmen's association came to a close after one of the most successful three days' shoot ever held in the history of the organization.

Whedon Gets Judgment.

The district court jury which tried the case of Charles O. Whedon against the Citizens' Railway company and the Lincoln Traction company, returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff and assessing the amount of his recovery at \$1,809.05.

SHORTEN LIFE TERMS.

Some Interesting Figures on the Penitentiary.

The last report of penitentiary conditions show that there are 426 prisoners at that institution, of which number 20 are under sentences varying from 10 to 40 years, while the rest are sent there for periods ranging from six months to ten years. The figures show that there are of that number 321 whites, 98 negroes, 6 Indians, and 1 Korean. Two white and two negro women are included in the number. During the last two years four were received at the institution under the death penalty, while six convicted of first degree murder have been sent up for life, as well as three who have been convicted of second degree murder. During the biennium, which closed under Warden Smith, there were 31 prisoners received, who had been guilty of murder. Of this number 12 came from Douglas county. Thirty-six men were also brought in to serve time for attempts to kill.

While in charge of the penitentiary, Warden Smith, after examining the records, found a life sentence in the light of the past has meant only about seven or eight years, and that the longest term served by any man sentenced for the remainder of his years was only 15 years. This, despite the fact that many have been sent to the institution for life and many more for periods of from 20 to 25 years.

The penitentiary is almost self-sustaining, as the books show. The maintenance cost for the last biennium was \$130,000, of which \$33,000 was for salaries and wages, \$65,000 for clothing, food and medicine and \$27,000 for coal. The earnings are put down at \$137,000, the principal items being: From contractors, \$94,000; farm products, \$27,500; electric current for other state buildings, \$10,000; gate receipts, \$2,500.

Brokers Slow to Buy.

State Treasurer George has expended all of the \$600,000 received for the sale of bonds of other states with the exception of \$133,000. He paid out the money for bonds issued by Nebraska counties and cities. He has just completed the purchase of \$14,000 of Arapahoe refunding bonds and \$8,000 of bonds issued by the town of Franklin for electric light. The bond broker who bought the California state bonds declined to accept \$25,000 of the issue because the bonds were stamped not negotiable, so that the total sale of bonds of other states aggregates only \$600,000. The total amount offered for sale was \$4,000,000. Negotiations for the sale of the balance of that amount are progressing very slowly, brokers offering terms which the state board of educational lands and funds refuses to accept.

Cups to Guard Officers.

Adjutant General Phelps has received and will present two bronze cups to officers of the Nebraska national guard for excellence in marksmanship. One cup goes to Captain Iver S. Johnson, of Stanton, Company B, First regiment, and the other to Captain Chris L. Anderson, of Norfolk, Company D, First regiment.

The State Fair.

Secretary Mellor, of the state board of agriculture, is of the opinion that if the other departments of the state fair show up as well as the speed department, the next fair will be a record-breaker. In the early closing races 233 horses have been named, while the highest number ever before entered was 187.

Session Laws Early.

Secretary of State Walt says that the session laws will be printed and ready for distribution by June 15. The copy on the laws was started to the printer as soon as they were deposited in the office of the secretary of state.

Douglas County Appeals.

The county commissioners of Douglas county have appealed to the attorney general from a ruling of State Auditor Barton holding that the state is not liable for the board of prisoners between the time of the bringing in of a verdict by a jury and the time of sentence by a district judge. Douglas county has claims amounting to \$3,000 hinging on this. Attorney General Martin, following a decision of Former Attorney General Norris Brown, holds that the state is not liable until prisoners are sentenced.

To Close Houses of Lewdness.

Governor Aldrich has on his own initiative started a movement to close all houses of lewdness and assignation houses in Nebraska. The last legislature passed an act which is now in force authorizing the closing of all such houses on relation of a county attorney or any citizen. The governor has notified the county attorneys of Douglas, Otoe, Platte, Hall and Dodge counties to institute proceedings against such places. He says it devolves upon the county attorney to enforce the law.

Guaranty Deposit Law.

State banks which are instructed to report their average deposits for a period of six months so that the amount of their assessment under the guaranty of deposit law may be made have in many instances applied to Secretary Royle for further information. Mr. Royle has replied that nothing must be deducted from the deposits except deposits otherwise secured and to include in deposits the amount due from other banks, also time and demand certificates of deposit certified and cashier's checks.

LORIMER MAY QUIT

RUMOR THAT HE WILL RESIGN HIS SENATE SEAT.

STORY IS NOT CONFIRMED

Senate Devotes a Whole Day to Discussion of Illinois Senator's Case.

Washington.—In the cloak rooms of the senate Friday there was much discussion of a persistent rumor that Senator Lorimer might resign before the new inquiry is actually authorized, to protect his friends from the attacks of those seeking to unseat him. Neither his colleague, Senator Cullom, nor any of the members of the Illinois delegation in the house, would admit they had any knowledge of such an intention on the part of Mr. Lorimer.

After devoting practically the whole session to the discussion of the proposed reinvestigation of the election of Senator Lorimer, the senate adjourned without action, determined to proceed again with the question at its next sitting Monday.

Senator La Follette concluded his fourday speech and announced that when the voting stage is reached he will so change his resolution as to provide that the senate shall elect an investigating committee of five from among the new senators. Senator Borah supported the La Follette proposition, and Senators Bailey and Dillingham opposed it.

Mr. La Follette said he had been influenced to introduce his resolution for special committee on inquiry following the Illinois investigation. New investigators had been provided for because he believed that the question should go to a committee not handicapped by a previous decision.

The next investigating committee, he felt, must have the confidence of the people, which he did not believe the old standing committee on privileges and elections would have. The public, he said, would consider the old committee packed from the beginning, even as has been charged in connection with the Illinois juries in prosecutions growing out of the case.

Mr. La Follette said if he were a member of the old committee he would not consent to serve on the new one, because he would not feel capable of an impartial verdict.

Mr. Bailey said that all the democratic senators desired a new investigation, he himself favoring it, because of the discovery of new evidence. He said the public sentiment against Mr. Lorimer was not well informed, because it had been shaped by newspaper expression rather than by reading of the testimony.

Saying there had been no investigation by a special committee on an election case since the creation of the committee on privileges and elections in 1871, Chairman Dillingham, of that committee, expressed confidence that if the investigation should be placed in its hands it would present such a report as would command the respect of the senate and of the country.

Senator Borah advocated a special committee in the interest of disinterestedness.

Congress May Control Levees.

Washington.—The Mississippi river commission is empowered and directed in a resolution introduced by Representative Broussard, of Louisiana, to investigate the report as to the advisability of congress taking charge of the levee system of the Mississippi river to aid and improve navigation of the river and to prevent inundation of the Mississippi valley.

Breaks All Heat Records.

Toledo, O.—Heat records here for the last 30 years were broken Friday when the mercury reached 93 degrees.

Raised Bank Notes in West.

Washington.—One dollar United States silver certificates made over into \$20 national bank notes have been found circulating in some western states. The latest specimens were found in Helena, Mont.

Chief of Police Suspended.

San Francisco, Cal.—Chief of Police Seymour was suspended by the board of police commissioners, pending trial on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer. Captain of Detectives E. R. Wall was appointed acting chief.

Herbert Anstead is Dead.

Ogdenburg, N. Y.—Herbert Anstead, a well-known woodworker of Lincoln, Neb., died suddenly at the Erwin hotel at Canton, N. Y., near here Friday night. Anstead came to Canton about two weeks ago to settle up the affairs of his father.

DIAZ SKIPS OUT.

Takes a Vessel at Vera Cruz and Sails South.

Mexico City, Mex.—Private telegrams received here Friday report the arrival of General Diaz at Vera Cruz at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. According to these advices, he boarded the Ypiranga, a Hamburg-American boat, at night. The Ypiranga is due to sail south to Coahuila Saturday. She will return to Vera Cruz and sail for Europe Wednesday.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

News Notes of Interest from Various Sections.

A stranger appeared in Plattsmouth and worked off some worthless checks, making his getaway before the fraud was detected.

Chatting with his wife while waiting for breakfast, Smith Hilliard of Platte Center passed instantly from apparently perfect health to his death from apoplexy.

The Great Western Sugar Beet company and other beet growers in the vicinity of McCook shipped in a large company of Japanese to work in the beet fields about McCook, where about a thousand acres of sugar beets have been planted.

Recently the United States government advertised extensively for manufacturers to bid on a certain style mattress; every mattress maker in the country had an opportunity to place his bid and most did, but it has just been awarded to the L. G. Doup company of Omaha. This is a regular yearly occurrence and it makes the sixth year that this firm has offered the lowest bid and secured the contract.

The Commercial clubs of all towns on the South Platte line of the Union Pacific railway west of David City held a meeting at Osceola for the purpose of taking up the matter of securing better train service. There was a large amount of discussion, and much time was taken up with the subject and with preparing a permanent organization of the business interests of the South Platte country. Officers were elected.

Oswley Wilson, the well known Lincoln patent lawyer who died recently, was one of the most famous hunters in the Colorado mountains when he was a young man. For years he was in charge of hunting parties and spent his time shooting deer and other wild game for the Denver market. Mr. Wilson settled in Lincoln 19 years ago, and studied law. He has been a practitioner for 16 years, specializing in the patent branch of the profession. He has handled a number of cases for Nebraska inventors.

Secretary Royle of the state banking board has issued a letter in reply to inquiries from state banks as to what items should be included when making up reports of average daily deposits. This report is required from the banks for the six months ending June 1, so that the amount of the guaranty tax to be levied against each bank may be computed and certified in time to make the first levy July 1, the latter date being that set by the legislature.

The epidemic of smallpox which has been raging in Lincoln and the suburbs during the entire winter and spring is gradually falling off, according to the health officer. There are still a considerable number of cases but the officers think they see a gradual falling off. For some time more people have been released from quarantine and from the pest house than there has been new cases developed.

Lane Fremont, an Omaha Indian, committed suicide just inside the Burt county line. Sheriff Phipps, Coroner Gilkerson and County Attorney Clark were called to the scene of the tragedy, about two miles northwest of Decatur. Fremont, who was a well-educated Indian, having been a student at Carlisle, had been going at a rapid pace of late.

Deputy Food Commissioner W. R. Jackson has issued warning in the form of a bulletin that he will prosecute any person who sells bag eggs and to this he adds that dealers who desire to avoid the penalty must candle all eggs purchased. The penalty is a fine of from \$50 to \$500. The bulletin is the beginning of a campaign which Food Commissioner Jackson intends to wage against bad eggs and people who sell them or offer them for sale. He asserts that it is unlawful for the farmer, merchant or other dealer to sell or offer for sale bad eggs.

The late generous rain in Nebraska was badly needed in some sections.

James Short of Calgary, Canada, a member of a law firm and solicitor to the crown and a lot of other things, proposes to sue the state of Nebraska regardless of the consent of either branch of the legislature of this state. His grievance is that the county of Keith or the state of Nebraska owes him \$100 attorney's fees. Sheriff Eugene Beal of Keith county, has tried to intercede with the state of Nebraska to keep its credit good in foreign countries, but thus far he has failed to collect the money which Mr. Short says he is short.

An old man named Hajek of Buffalo county, aged 70 years, was so badly injured in a runaway at Rockville, 14 miles south of Loup City, that he died soon after. He had his skull fractured, left leg broken and was otherwise bruised about the body so that death was only a matter of a few hours. He was at Rockville helping a son build a house and was at the yards after a load of lumber when the team became frightened and ran away with the above results.

Mathew Gering as attorney for Mrs. O. E. Wanderholm filed in the district court of Cass county a petition for damages for \$15,000 against S. M. Sadie, a fireman of the Burlington road and the Burlington itself, for the killing of O. E. Wanderholm on January 24, this year. Mr. Wanderholm, who was at that time the engineer of the pumping station of the Plattsmouth Water company, was going to his work, and on account of a blizzard he had to face, was unable to hear the approach of a train running late at a high rate of speed, was struck and killed.