

EPITOME OF EVENTS

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

ARE SHORT BUT INTERESTING

Brief Mention of What is Transpiring in Various Sections of Our Own and Foreign Countries.

Washington.

Charles A. White, the Illinois legislator, who claims he was bribed to vote for William Lorimer for senator, completed his three days' story on direct examination before the Senator Lorimer committee.

Standing upon chairs, waving handkerchiefs and yelling loudly, democratic representatives acclaimed Representative Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama, democratic leader of the house, when he attacked William J. Bryan for criticizing his position on extension of the tariff revision program.

A woman is now in actual charge of the mints of the United States. Miss Margaret Kelly, long connected with the mint bureau, was appointed examiner, in which position she will be next in authority to George E. Roberts, the director.

With stable tariff conditions the United States within the next fifteen years will be producing within its own borders all the sugar consumed in the country, in the opinion of Truman G. Palmer, secretary of the United States beet sugar industry, who testified before the house sugar investigating committee.

Proposed increases in commutation passenger fares by the leading railroads operating in and out of New York city were held by the Interstate Commerce commission to be reasonable, generally, except in the case of the Pennsylvania railroad, whose commutation rates are declared excessive and are ordered reduced. Against the Pennsylvania a specific order is made by the commission requiring it to desist from exercising its present commutation fares to and from New York city by September 1, and for not less than two years thereafter.

General.

A fire at Dubuque, Iowa, destroyed \$190,000 worth of property.

Congressman Berger has introduced a bill to pension all old people.

There is now in the treasury vaults at Washington a total of \$1,889,247, 000.

The Very Rev. Robert Gregory, D. D., died at London. He was dean of St. Paul's.

Bryan says if he has done Congressman Underwood an injustice he will retract his criticism.

At least eight are known to be dead in the fire which burned the hospital for insane at Hamilton, Ont.

An excursion steamer capsized in the St. Lawrence river, and seven are known to have been drowned.

The Connecticut state grange has decided to administer a snub to President Taft at the coming fair.

President Taft sent to the senate the nomination of Captain Alfred Reynolds, U. S. N., as a rear admiral.

Robbers entered the Bank of Taft, twelve miles west of Muskogee, Okl., blew the safe and escaped with \$1,200.

Democratic Leader Underwood, in a speech denounced as false William J. Bryan's attack on Mr. Underwood, charging him with blocking tariff schedules.

A statute has been found under which the coffee trust and other like foreign combines can be prosecuted.

The campaign publicity bill, with five amendments attached to it in the senate, was sent to a conference committee of the two houses.

Record-breaking export flour orders for September and October delivery have been booked by Seattle millers during the last two weeks. One mill has Chinese orders for 100,000 sacks and others are running full capacity.

Encouraged by the success of the postal savings system in the hundreds of cities where it is already in operation, Postmaster General Hitchcock signed an order extending the system to ten large cities of the first class.

According to official estimates, announced at the president's office, the largest part of the Maderist army has been mustered out and the former revolutionists are at work in the factories or on the haciendas.

The government has taken duty on coal imported into Canada at all ports between Soo, Ontario, and the Pacific coast to relieve the coal famine in the western provinces.

Chicago detectives arrested a man giving his name as John Barker, who is believed to be Jay Duryea, in connection with the robbery of H. T. Bied, a Los Angeles, Cal., diamond merchant, from whom diamonds valued at \$10,000 were stolen June 23.

Grim tales of loss of life and disaster to shipping by the West Indian hurricane which swept the New England coast continue to come in.

The senate Lorimer committee will spend perhaps the last week of taking testimony in Washington and may then recess to meet in Chicago at some time yet to be decided.

The cotton revision bill passed the house by a vote of 202 to 91.

The farmers' free list bill passed the senate in amended form.

Senator La Follette charged conspiracy to defeat all real tariff legislation.

Street car motormen and conductors of Des Moines are on a strike.

The Standard Oil company has announced its plan of reorganization.

The present mayor of Omaha favors commission form of government.

John A. Topping denied there was a price agreement among steel men.

The English parliament will adjourn August 18 till about the 1st of November.

Democratic and republican congressmen have arranged a baseball game.

Senator Bailey has refused to serve longer on the privileges and election committee.

Commissioner of Corporations Smith made his report on the tax laws of the states.

Manter, the fugitive banker, whose wife lives at Eagle, Neb., suicided in San Francisco.

Over two millions of dollars are charged up against the people of Nebraska in back taxes.

The senate passed the house reappointment bill, providing for increased membership of the lower body.

At Paris John W. Gates continues a battle for life, but it is admitted that the chances are against the financier.

F. H. Peavey & Co. will refund all its indebtedness by issuing collateral 6 per cent notes, maturing in three years.

What is expected to be the last "stomp dance" of the Snake Indians is in progress on Hickory ground, Oklahoma.

Treaties of arbitration between the United States, Great Britain and France were signed at Washington and Paris.

The Interstate Commerce commission ordered lower rates for commuters in and around New York in a few instances.

Charles White of the Illinois legislature believes that most of the democrats voting for Lorimer got pay for, so doing.

Lieutenant Charles E. Brillhart of the United States navy was found dead from a bullet wound in his room at the Hotel Astor, New York.

It is rumored in Washington that Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire, owing to recent family bereavements, has decided to retire from public life.

The revenue cutters Onoaga and Seminole were ordered to sea to search for the yacht Coronet, which is believed to be in distress off Cape Hatteras.

Nebraska state banks must display in a conspicuous place certificate showing their deposits are protected by the depositors' fund of the state of Nebraska.

President Taft sent to the senate the nominations of Lawrence N. Houston as registrar of the land office and Hugh Scott as receiver of public moneys at Guthrie, Oklahoma.

John G. A. Leishman has been proposed to the German government by Washington as American ambassador to succeed Jr. David Jayne Hill, who resigned last spring.

Major General Carter was relieved of command of the maneuver division at San Antonio, Texas, and ordered to Washington to resume his duties as assistant chief of staff of the army.

An official communication from the Italian government shows that from July 21 to July 26 inclusive, 486 deaths from cholera were reported and 223 deaths in the provinces of Italy.

The war department has begun a determined campaign to procure the highest number of cadets allowable under the law for the class entering the United States military academy next June.

Captain William L. Rodgers, at present in command of the battleship Georgia, has been selected as president of the Naval War college to take the place of Admiral Raymond Rogers, who retires next fall.

A daughter was born at the general hospital in Sault Ste. Marie to Mrs. Angelina Napolitana, the convicted slayer of her husband who was sentenced to be hanged in August, but whose sentence was commuted to life imprisonment.

At a meeting today of the creditors' committee of Chicago bankers in charge of the affairs of the defunct Peavey Grain company, a report of the auditors was read showing that the liabilities of the concern are \$1,000,057 in excess of the assets.

W. S. Shallenberger, for ten years second assistant postmaster general and for six years in congress and a member of the committee on postal affairs, appeared before the commission appointed by congress to inquire into and report on an equitable adjustment of the disputed rates on second class mail matter.

Congress expects to get through by the 15th.

Mr. Charles M. Schwab says that it was he who evolved the lead of the steel trust.

Admiral Togo was in Washington and dined with the president.

Republicans are having fun over the Bryan-Underwood controversy.

The reapportionment bill is so drawn that no state will lose in representation.

Former United States Senator Edward Murphy of New York died at Troy, N. Y.

Germany has accepted John Leishman as ambassador from the United States at Berlin.

STOCK YARDS HEARD

MANAGER SAYS PRICES OF HAY MUST BE RAISED.

SHIPPERS ENTER A PROTEST

The Price Asked Is Now \$25 a Ton, But Crop Is Short and a Raise to \$25 is Asked.

The railway commission held a hearing of the request of the Union Stock Yards company of South Omaha to increase the price of corn from \$1 to \$1.10 a bushel and the price of hay from \$20 a ton to \$25 a ton.

In addition to protests received several days ago the commission has received one from O. H. Maze, manager of the Callaway Shipping association, representing 300 members. Mr. Maze says: "We have been forced to pay an exorbitant price for corn and hay there for several years, and now as the price of feed is high for a time, and only for a time it would seem that to allow the price to be raised would be very unjust as it would be very hard to get raised prices reduced again."

G. Nansel of Callaway, who says he ships from fifteen to twenty cars of live stock each month, writes the commission to protest against an increase and say hay and corn are high at the stock yards at South Omaha at the present price.

Attorney Frank T. Ransom and General Manager Buckingham represented the stock yards company and allege that feed has increased on the market and that the proposed increase is justified, that it is already in force at the Kansas City and St. Joe stock yards and is to be enforced at Sioux City. The company merely asks leave to charge the same price charged by other stock yards in the west.

General Manager Buckingham testified during almost the entire afternoon, telling the commission how the stock yards purchases hay and the labor required to distribute it for feeding. He said the law of Kansas permits stock yards to charge double the market price for corn and hay.

He said the stock yards buys about 12,000 tons each year. Last year was a poor year for the crop, but no increase was made by the stock yards at South Omaha. Now the crop is a failure throughout the country and conditions cannot improve for another year, but on the contrary prices are likely to advance. He said he would have to pay \$17 to \$18 a ton before long and that it will be impossible to sell at \$20 a ton at the yard, taking into consideration the labor of men and teams to distribute and break the bundles, the insurance on a large amount of hay in storage and the interest on the investment. He admitted that he had bought some at \$13 and \$14 a ton, but he had got bargains from persons with whom he had dealt many years. It was shown by his testimony that hay will cost at least \$5 a ton more this year than last year.

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HORSES AND CATTLE.

A Decrease Both in Number and Valuation.

The valuation of cattle and horses by the county assessors this year and last year in Nebraska show very little difference. For purposes of taxation the county assessors last year returned cattle at 2,457,639 in number, valued at \$10,539,258 for purposes of assessment. This year the assessors returned the number of cattle at 2,299,776 in number and valued at \$10,052,328. Last year the average per head was \$4.25 and this year it is \$15.09 a head.

Last year the total number of horses returned for taxation by assessors was 906,116, the assessed valuation being \$14,913,235, an average assessed value of \$16.46 a head. This year the total number of head of horses returned for assessment is 922,840, at a total assessed valuation of \$13,941,450 or an average assessed valuation of \$15.00 a head.

The following is the number of horses and cattle listed for assessment this year and the assessed valuation:

	Horses.	No.	Value.	Cattle.	No.	Value.
Adair	11,595	224,814	12,132	64,774		
Antelope	12,724	183,275	13,811	160,178		
Banner	4,322	128,049	11,670	50,370		
Blaine	3,130	32,960	9,787	42,799		
Boone	12,945	223,158	21,471	151,859		
Box Butte	11,703	98,482	16,671	68,787		
Brown	7,786	38,912	22,318	101,421		
Boyd	7,923	120,938	18,318	72,222		
Butt	17,558	308,991	31,513	138,682		
Butler	10,306	188,508	23,966	116,922		
Cass	10,432	188,966	19,655	54,119		
Class	11,224	202,108	20,423	94,763		
Cedar	15,367	232,980	46,184	218,710		
Chadron	6,284	13,890	32,148	50,978		
Cherry	27,948	282,935	32,763	228,247		
Cheyenne	7,234	82,650	11,733	44,225		
Clay	12,809	243,240	15,016	78,291		
Colfax	9,758	137,958	21,796	96,602		
Comstock	11,800	120,125	19,610	109,617		
Conter	35,322	414,126	75,342	329,738		
Dakota	4,970	81,138	11,174	47,921		
Dawson	10,143	106,329	24,855	91,169		
DeWala	7,512	275,391	22,582	124,817		
Deuel	3,490	38,496	4,952	22,524		
Dixon	10,561	153,151	26,915	112,780		
Dodge	12,026	192,354	28,290	129,490		
Douglas	6,748	158,112	12,784	59,123		
Dundy	5,015	63,770	12,812	60,840		
Fillmore	11,895	222,287	16,639	72,641		
Franklin	3,742	139,106	19,889	80,665		
Front	11,703	158,112	12,784	59,123		
Furness	11,558	189,912	17,253	78,295		
Gage	10,728	320,648	39,175	141,064		
Garden	9,325	78,859	26,465	123,300		
Gardner	6,284	42,259	12,910	49,872		
Geary	8,825	100,622	12,449	58,954		
Grant	3,885	31,257	36,983	130,847		
Greeley	7,577	111,938	21,826	82,664		
Hamilton	12,613	275,391	22,582	124,817		
Harlan	8,835	128,828	16,818	71,094		
Haskell	3,474	64,708	9,522	30,561		
Hitchcock	6,694	82,388	11,581	40,401		
Holt	16,403	209,683	77,232	309,829		
Hooker	2,157	19,403	6,716	29,787		
Howard	8,954	146,322	17,122	113,532		
Jefferson	10,824	174,792	23,629	129,927		
Johnson	7,483	135,624	14,316	61,123		
Kearney	5,840	146,087	15,895	69,840		
Keith	7,612	77,290	19,250	69,840		
Kimball	6,694	75,815	20,674	98,232		
Knox	3,541	34,583	4,965	19,512		
Lincoln	16,316	211,523	59,849	201,646		
Lancaster	17,536	322,305	32,053	160,610		
Lincoln	18,934	275,391	22,582	124,817		
Logan	3,565	40,235	13,861	50,562		
Loup	3,336	37,856	8,997	33,120		
Madison	12,216	198,862	33,770	100,165		
McPherson	9,443	42,853	22,663	80,941		
Merker	6,629	122,889	14,962	102,521		
Morrill	10,193	104,700	32,325	86,064		
Nance	8,203	144,243	22,707	142,841		
Nemaha	9,059	177,826	14,824	92,434		
Nesbit	4,899	65,329	12,561	49,872		
Nuckolls	10,938	312,311	31,919	139,851		
Otoe	11,410	214,133	24,546	139,881		
Pawnee	7,789	160,549	18,894	98,401		
Perkins	9,059	60,613	9,681	25,260		
Phelps	6,629	122,889	14,962	102,521		
Pierce	7,737	139,478	28,831	120,428		
Platte	12,545	213,973	34,000	148,001		
Polk	10,078	170,585	19,434	94,414		
Red Willow	9,430	120,272	13,899	168,149		
Richardson	10,938	207,051	25,619	147,775		
Rock	5,553	69,555	26,057	103,821		
Saline	12,062	290,549	19,746	89,840		
Sarpy	4,369	78,982	7,987	29,571		
Saundera	14,225	293,115	31,066	130,555		
Scotts Bluff	8,082	97,405	12,687	54,448		
Seward	12,524	241,256	23,118	108,964		
Sheridan	9,059	121,562	27,996	260,385		
Sherman	9,888	12				