

# THE SEMI-WEEKLY TRIBUNE

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## FOR THE BUSY MAN

NEWS EPITOME THAT CAN SOON  
BE COMPASSED.

## MANY EVENTS ARE MENTIONED

Home and Foreign Intelligence Con-  
densed into Two and Four  
Line Paragraphs.

### Congress.

The senate foreign relations com-  
mittee shelved the Honduras loan  
treaty.

Representative Henry introduced  
compromise resolution for money  
trust investigation.

In the senate agreement was  
reached to vote on the pending arbi-  
tration treaties March 5.

An appropriation for the Savannah  
emancipation celebration will be fa-  
vorably reported in the senate.

The senate finance committee gave  
notice only oral evidence would be  
considered in steel tariff hearings.

A bill passed the house requiring  
governments' estimate of cotton acre-  
age be taken July 1, instead of June 1.

The bill to give midshipmen upon  
graduation commissions as ensigns  
was favorably reported in the senate.

The treaty with foreign nations to  
restrict circulation of obscene litera-  
ture was favorably reported in the  
senate.

President Taft transmitted a letter  
of Secretary Knox giving sugar prices  
abroad for use of the sugar trust in-  
vestigating committee.

Steel products manufacturers told  
the senate finance committee the pro-  
posed new steel tariff would seriously  
affect their business.

The house foreign affairs committee  
members will introduce legislation to  
give the president added power to pro-  
tect Americans along the Mexican  
border.

Investigation of the Department of  
Agriculture's drainage bureau was  
decided upon as the result of a hear-  
ing on Florida Everglades drainage  
proposition charges.

Representative Martin of South Da-  
kota introduced a bill for a federal  
corporation commission of five mem-  
bers to regulate the affairs of inter-  
state corporations.

Expositions committee of the sen-  
ate ordered an adverse report on the  
resolution asking Latin-American na-  
tions to participate in the San Diego  
exposition.

In army appropriation bill debate in  
the house Representative Mann advo-  
cated increased appropriations for  
aeroplanes. An effort to increase the  
aeroplane appropriation from \$75,000  
to \$125,000 was defeated.

### General.

Major W. M. Logan, custodian of  
the Glacier National park in Mon-  
tana, is seriously ill.

Bruno Tschuk, a pioneer resident  
of Nebraska and one time secretary of  
state, died at Omaha.

The national oratorical contest of  
the intercollegiate prohibition associa-  
tion will be held in Atlantic City  
July 9.

Governor Aldrich of Nebraska is-  
sued a statement favoring Theodore  
Roosevelt for the republican presi-  
dential nomination.

Five hundred acres of the Clene-  
gara ranch, a part of the holdings of  
the "Lucky" Baldwin estate, has been  
sold for \$1,250,000.

Louis D. Brandeis, in an address  
before the city club of St. Louis  
branded as a farce the recent dissolu-  
tion of the Standard oil and tobacco  
trusts.

The Asiatic population of Hawaii is  
increasing at an alarming rate.

Governor Clark of Alaska was be-  
fore the territories committee and op-  
posed the Alaska elective legislature  
and urged development of railroads  
and fuel resources.

Little Goldie Williams, the missing  
Grand Island (Neb.) girl, was found  
brutally murdered in an empty house.

The total number of convicts in the  
Missouri penitentiary is 2,378, an in-  
crease of fifteen over last week when  
the record was broken.

Charles Powell, a negro, who as-  
saulted and robbed a young white  
woman at Macon, Ga., was taken from  
officers and lynched by a mob.

State Senator Thomas F. Grady,  
long identified with Tammany Hall  
and known as the silver-tongued or-  
ator of that organization, is dying at  
his home in New York.

The illness of Representative George  
R. Maltby of New York, who now is  
convalescent, has delayed the final re-  
port of the house committee which  
investigated the sugar trust.

For the time being, at least, Mexi-  
can troops will not be allowed on  
American territory.

Viscount Stenim Chindn, the newly  
appointed ambassador from Japan to  
the United States, arrived in Hono-  
lulu.

Work on the great fortress on Fla-  
menco island which will guard the  
Pacific entrance to the Panama canal  
is to begin at once.

Bair & Crawford, one of the oldest  
retail jewelry firms in Philadelphia,  
filed a voluntary petition in bankrup-  
cy, placing their liabilities at \$134,990  
and assets at \$47,419.

Senator LaFollette has no intention  
of withdrawing from the presidential  
race.

Ex-senator Allen of Nebraska thinks  
Taft is sure of republican nomination  
and that Harmon is the only man  
with a show of defeating him.

Great Britain and Russia are about  
to revise their joint agreement con-  
cerning Persia.

The house army bill provides for a  
material reduction in cavalry strength.

President Madero has been weighed  
in the balance, and it is feared he is  
found wanting.

W. J. Bryan is to be the first wit-  
ness called in the money trust investi-  
gation at Washington.

Thirty-two indictments against al-  
leged dynamite were returned by the  
grand jury at Indianapolis.

Samuel Gompers reiterated his de-  
nial that he willfully defied an injunc-  
tion of the court.

Lieutenant General Sir Robert Ba-  
den-Powell arrived in Chicago with a  
message of peace.

The United States is again called  
upon to keep a watchful eye on the  
malcontents of Mexico.

A system of wireless telegraphy in  
the Philippine islands was recom-  
mended by President Taft.

Testimony was given to show the  
Swift group of packers had knowledge  
of the system of margins.

A reputed holy man is wielding, ac-  
cording to the duma, too great influ-  
ence with the Russian court.

Testimony of witnesses went to  
show that the minds of packers on  
prices were remarkably alike.

Field Marshal Wilhelm von Hahnke,  
one of the best known and most popu-  
lar soldiers in Germany, is dead.

A bill reducing from five to three  
years the requirement for settlement  
on homesteads passed the senate.

The health of Morse, the paroled  
banker, is improving, and he will  
soon go abroad for recuperation.

At a New York dinner Judge Gross-  
cup and George W. Perkins took turns  
in flaying anti-trust enactments.

The senate finance committee de-  
clined the Hepburn bill to repeal Can-  
adian reciprocity, but took no action.

The house resolution declaring  
against a third term for presidents  
was withdrawn without vote being  
taken.

President Taft and Rear Admiral  
Wainwright will speak at a peace  
meeting of the navy league on Friday,  
February 23.

The 1912 convention of the Ameri-  
can bankers' association will be held  
in Detroit in the week beginning Sep-  
tember 9.

President Taft sent to the senate  
the nomination of Hal J. Cleave of  
Washington to be registrar of the  
land office at Spokane.

Brigadier General Charles A. Whip-  
ple, paymaster general of the army,  
applied to be placed on the retired list  
under the thirty-year service law.

There are 270 Indians entitled to  
allotments in the White Earth reser-  
vation for whom there is no land, ac-  
cording to testimony given by Agent  
Howard.

The government brought three ac-  
tions in the federal district court  
against the Erie railroad for violation  
of the sixteen-hour law in relation to  
employees.

Two army officers made an aero-  
plane flight in a war department ma-  
chine from Doeberitz, near Berlin, to  
Hamburg in two hours and fifteen  
minutes.

Fire at Kansas City almost com-  
pletely destroyed the stock of the  
Margolis Jewelry company at 1007  
Main street, causing a total loss of  
nearly \$100,000.

Inaugural day in Arizona has been  
changed from Monday, February 12,  
to Wednesday, February 14, according  
to a statement made by Governor-  
Elect W. P. Hunt.

The nomination of Former Gover-  
nor Myron T. Herick of Ohio to be  
ambassador to France was sent by  
President Taft to the senate. He will  
succeed Robert Bacon.

Secretary McVeagh announced that  
he would appoint, before February 15,  
an entirely new board to prepare  
standards for testing purity of tea im-  
portations next year.

One fireman was seriously injured  
and a loss of \$300,000 was caused when  
fire destroyed a three-story brick  
warehouse of the Chicago Railways  
company at 2907-11 West End avenue.

The Turkish cabinet decided to put  
into force the order for closing all  
Italian institutions in Turkey, includ-  
ing private banks, insurance com-  
panies and the orphanage of Scutari.

Major Frank White, twice governor  
of North Dakota and who served with  
distinction in the Philippines during  
the war with Spain, has announced his  
candidate for congress from the Sec-  
ond district.

Charles H. Walters, former vice  
president of the Mansfield Rubber  
company and interested in concerns in  
three states, was arrested in Gallon,  
O., on charges of larceny and embe-  
zlement aggregating \$16,654.83.

### Personal.

President Taft feels certain of his  
renomination and reelection.

President Madero will use the iron  
hand in suppressing insurrection in  
Mexico.

Hon. J. B. Weaver, who recently  
died in Iowa, was 79 years old.

General Canea, the Italian com-  
mander, has left Tripoli for Italy.

Dr. Edward Wilmet Blyden, the fam-  
ous negro author and lecturer, is dead.

Jas. J. Hill was summoned to testify  
before the steel trust investigating  
committee.

Representative Pujo has given as-  
surance that the money trust investi-  
gation will be undertaken.

Representative McKinley (Ill.) has  
been re-elected chairman of the re-  
publican congressional campaign com-  
mittee.

## CELEBRATE OUR AGE

NEBRASKA IS FORTY-FIVE YEARS  
OLD MARCH 1.

## LET US NOTE THE EVENT

And Ast Upon the Governor's Procla-  
mation Urging Exercises Appro-  
priate to Our Admission.

Governor Aldrich has issued a  
proclamation calling attention to the  
fact that March was the forty-fifth  
anniversary of the admission of the  
state into the union. The procla-  
mation sets out that it came into  
the union just after the close of the war,  
and that thousands of the participants  
in that struggle took advantage of  
the free homes offered by the gov-  
ernment, came here and settled, add-  
ing an element which has done much  
to make the state what it is. He  
points out that Nebraska is second to  
none in point of general intelligence  
of its people, the peer of any agricul-  
turally, a progressive of which all  
may justly be proud.

"In view of these facts and in order  
that our people may be reminded of  
the near approach of our forty-fifth  
anniversary, I have thought it wise,  
as chief executive of the state, to  
suggest that as citizens of the com-  
monwealth we in some manner ob-  
serve the occasion, for example, that  
the schools take up the subject and  
ask one or more of each school to  
prepare and read a paper involving  
the growth of the state in population,  
schools, churches, railroads, number  
of farms and amount produced, in-  
stituting comparisons between certain  
dates as to numbers and values.

"On March 1 next write a letter to  
some one or more of your friends in  
other states telling them something of  
what you know of the state's develop-  
ment. Then, in this modest way, we  
can observe the day and help spread  
important facts touching the re-  
sources and progress of our beloved  
state."

### A Petition From Curtis.

The town of Curtis has petitioned  
the board of public lands and build-  
ings for permission to take the agri-  
cultural school farm into the corpo-  
rate limits. The object of the town is  
to get certain private lands within  
the corporate limits, and to do this  
suit will be necessary to take in the  
state land. The state board has not  
acted, and it is likely that the peti-  
tion will be rejected.

### Will Enforce Insurance Law.

State Auditor S. R. Barton has  
changed his mind about disregarding  
the state law which prevents life in-  
surance companies organized in Ne-  
braska from writing health and acci-  
dent insurance. He has announced  
that he will enforce this law and will  
also refuse to permit foreign life in-  
surance companies to do business of  
this nature in the state.

### Clearing Up Warrants.

All except about \$20,000 worth of  
the registered state warrants have  
been presented to the state treasurer  
and been cashed under the call of  
February 1. Holders of these war-  
rants might as well bring them in and  
get their money as interest ceased on  
them the date of the call.

### Primary Proclamation.

The governor is working on the  
proclamation for the primary elec-  
tion, which must be in the hands of  
the various county clerks sixty days  
before the date of the primary. It will  
be the longest document of the kind  
ever issued from the executive man-  
sion.

### Petitions for Metcalfe.

Two petitions reached the secretary  
of state Friday asking that the name  
of Richard Metcalfe be placed on the  
primary ballot as a populist candi-  
date for governor. One is from Ne-  
braska county and the other from Clay.

### Railroad Revenues Increasing.

Reports on file with the state rail-  
way commission show that the total  
business transacted at Omaha has  
risen from \$10,108,917 in 1908 to  
\$11,045,238 in the past year. The tick-  
et sales on all roads at that place to-  
taled \$1,629,657 in 1908 and during the  
past fiscal year reached the high wa-  
ter mark of \$2,027,674.

### New Registration System.

The new system of registration at  
the university, which was tried out  
last week and which provides for the  
conduct of classes while the students  
are arranging for their studies for the  
coming semester, has been voted a  
success by the members of the fac-  
ulty. The number of mistakes in regis-  
tration is said to have been mini-  
mized by the new plan.

### May Attend Maneuvers.

Members of the Nebraska national  
guard of this state may be given an  
opportunity to attend maneuvers at  
Fort D. A. Russell in Wyoming the  
coming summer if present plans of  
the war department are kindly taken  
to by the officials of the Nebraska  
organization. The Nebraska military  
legions have been asked to participate  
in the maneuvers, and troops from  
Kansas, Wyoming, Colorado and  
North and South Dakota will also be  
asked to attend and participate in its  
maneuvers.

### SEED CORN TRAINS.

Prof. Zook, Corn Specialist, to Accom-  
pany Them.

Recognizing the urgency of the seed  
corn situation in Nebraska, the De-  
partment of Agriculture at Washing-  
ton, D. C., has detailed Prof. L. L.  
Zook, a corn specialist in the depart-  
ment, to visit Nebraska and accom-  
pany the seed corn trains, which will  
tour the state the last week in Feb-  
ruary. Prof. Zook is deemed one of  
the greatest corn specialists in the  
country and his visit to Nebraska at  
this time will not only be of profit to  
the state, but also indicates that the  
urgency of the seed corn situation is  
recognized at Washington, where the  
department, through its systems of re-  
ports, keeps in intimate touch with  
every section of the country.

Arrangements will be made whereby  
Prof. Zook will be enabled to spend  
part of this time with each of the four  
trains, which will be sent out.

The dates for the trains have been  
changed. Instead of starting on Feb-  
ruary 19, the start will be made on  
February 26, one week later. The  
Burlington will run two trains, one  
starting from Omaha and the other  
from Lincoln. The Northwestern will  
run one train, as will the Union Pa-  
cific.

These trains will be run under the  
auspices of the Department of Agri-  
cultural Extension of the University  
of Nebraska. The speakers will be  
under the direction of Prof. C. W.  
Pugsley, head of the department.  
Prof. Pugsley is making up his as-  
signment of speakers, which will be  
announced soon. The list of speakers  
so far include twenty-two, four to a  
train. Those who have already been  
secured are: Chancellor S. Avery, of  
Nebraska university; Dean E. A. Bur-  
nett, Prof. W. P. Snyder, director of  
North Platte Experiment Station;  
Prof. F. W. Chase, Prof. T. A. Kiesel-  
bach, Prof. C. W. Pugsley, Prof. Irwin  
Hopt, Prof. C. B. Lee and H. J. Gram-  
lich, all of the Nebraska Experiment  
Station.

From the Farmers' Institute depart-  
ment, these will be detailed: O. Hull,  
of Alma, Neb.; E. P. Brown, of Arbor;  
J. D. Ream, of Broken Bow; Frank G.  
Odell, of Lincoln; A. E. Nelson, of  
Lincoln.

These well known agricultural lead-  
ers will also accompany the train:  
S. R. McKelvie, Lincoln; T. F. Strug-  
gess and G. W. Hervey and H. A. Ber-  
eman of Omaha.

An Omaha dispatch says: "From  
different sections of the state, the in-  
formation has come that some farm-  
ers have an over-supply of seed corn  
and are willing to help out their Ne-  
braska brothers, who are not so fortu-  
nate. The Bureau of Publicity of the  
Omaha Commercial club has received  
letters from the following, which state  
the amount of seed corn they have for  
sale: Victor Hoffman, Neligh, 2,000  
bushels; G. W. Festerstein, Gerhard,  
Neb., 1,600 bushels; Paul Peterson,  
Utica, Neb., 3,000 bushels; A. B. Pat-  
terson, Harvard, Neb.; W. H. Miller,  
Ft. Calhoun, Neb.; H. B. Davis, Logan,  
Ia., 50 bushels; T. W. Hill, Monroe,  
Neb., 1,000 bushels. These gentlemen  
state their seed corn is good. No price  
is put upon it and those desiring seed  
corn can correspond directly with the  
gentlemen.

A United States land agent was in  
Hyannis taking evidence in cases in  
which is alleged several persons  
are not entitled to their homesteads.

### Albion Wants Union Station.

The residents of Albion complain to  
the railroad commission that the rail-  
roads have not kept step with the  
progressive spirit of the capital of  
Boone county. The petition recites  
that Albion has taxed itself to provide  
water works, electric lights and all  
other modern conveniences of city  
life, and that the railroads up to the  
present have maintained only the  
same antiquated facilities of frontier  
days.

### Will Meet in May.

The Nebraska association of clean-  
ers and dyers will hold a meeting in  
Lincoln May 18, 19 and 20, according  
to action taken by the executive com-  
mittee of that organization. The asso-  
ciation meets every four months and  
at present has about sixty members.

### Would Form Colony.

A Jewish organization of 100 fami-  
lies in Chicago has asked Labor Com-  
missioner Guye of Nebraska to find a  
place in this state where the organi-  
zation may come in a body and form a  
colony.

### To Look Over Irrigation.

Governor Aldrich is planning for  
the near future a trip through the sec-  
tion of the state where irrigation is  
practiced and will be accompanied by  
Engineer Price of the Board of Irri-  
gation. The extreme dry weather of  
the last two years has greatly stimu-  
lated interest in irrigation in that por-  
tion of the state and especially in the  
southeastern portions. The governor,  
before his return, expects to visit  
practically all of the irrigated section.

### Cold Weather Expensive.

The coal bills for the various state  
institutions for January have been re-  
ceived and indicate that the severe  
weather the first half of the month  
cost the state considerable more than  
\$1,000. The total expended for coal in  
January was \$15,490.39, while in De-  
cember the bills amounted to \$14,  
100.27, a difference of \$1,390.12. These  
figures do not tell the entire story,  
for there is much less coal on hand  
now than on January 1. The cold  
spell found the state institutions well  
supplied.

## MUCH TO BE DONE

CONGRESS FACES A BIG WEEK  
OF BUSINESS.

## ALL EYES ON THE CAMPAIGN

Tariff, Arbitration, Senatorial Elec-  
tions, Agricultural Disputes and  
Other Matters to Consider.

Washington.—Congress will work  
this week with the tariff, arbitration  
treaties, senatorial elections and army  
and agricultural controversies.

Republicans and democrats are  
looking sharply ahead to the coming  
national campaign. The presence of  
presidential candidates on both sides  
of the capital lends keen interest to  
the increasing congressional activity.  
Both parties in the house are tilting  
for advantage, with nearly every  
move aimed at the effect on the polls  
next November. The problem in the  
senate is the exact position which the  
progressive flank of the republican  
party—the balance of power in the  
senate at this and the recent extra  
session—will assume when the test  
comes on the steel bill and on the  
other tariff revision measures which  
will be sent over by the democratic  
house.

The exoneration of Senator Steph-  
enson from the charges of corruption  
in the use of \$107,593 in the primary  
which resulted in his election will be  
reported to the senate, possibly Mon-  
day. Senator Heyburn, chairman of  
the subcommittee, which conducted  
the inquiry, will make the majority re-  
port.

House democrats will caucus this  
week on the chemical tariff revision  
bill which would reduce duties on  
chemicals used in paints and for other  
common purposes, but raise the  
tariff on soaps, perfumes and  
other luxuries. But before the caucus  
the house is expected to dispose of  
the army appropriation with its train  
of controversy over army revision and  
consolidation and following that the  
agricultural appropriation bill will be  
taken up.

The senate finance committee will  
resume its hearings on the house steel  
tariff revision bill on Tuesday. The  
hearings may continue two weeks.  
The bill will be negatively reported by  
the committee.

The house will be busy during the  
week with its variety of investiga-  
tions, including the Florida Everglades  
affair and the money trust by the  
banking and currency committee.

### Taft Headquarters Open.

Washington.—At a conference be-  
tween Charles D. Hiles, secretary to  
President Taft, and Representative  
William B. McKinley of Illinois plans  
were completed for the opening Mon-  
day of a Taft headquarters in a down-  
town hotel. The headquarters will be  
known as the Taft renomination  
bureau and Mr. McKinley will assume  
charge as director.

### Wreck of Maine Floats.

Havana, Cuba.—The wreck of the  
Maine floated free of the mud Sunday  
night when water was turned into  
the dam surrounding the wreck. The  
water within the dam is about four-  
teen feet below the harbor level at  
low tide. It is the intention Monday to  
admit the water more rapidly, so that  
by nightfall the wreck will be raised  
to the harbor level leaving nothing  
more to be done except to break the  
dam and float out the ship.

### Deputy Warden Killed.

Lincoln, Neb.—As the prison chap-  
lain was about to pronounce the ben-  
ediction at the close of the Sunday  
morning chapel service at the state  
penitentiary, Albert Prince, a negro  
under sentence for assault with in-  
tent to kill, stabbed to death Deputy  
Warden E. D. Davis. The warden re-  
ceived six wounds, three of them se-  
vere gashes in the abdomen. Davis  
died Sunday night at 11:45 o'clock.

### Roosevelt Gets Medal.

Paris.—Theodore Roosevelt, ex-  
president of the United States and  
big game hunter, has been awarded  
the special grand medal of the Society  
d'Acclimation.

### Halbert Switches to Roosevelt.

St. Paul, Minn.—Hugh T. Halbert,  
who resigned from the board of direc-  
tors of the Minnesota republican  
league following the board's endorse-  
ment of Senator Robert W. La Fol-  
lette for the presidential nomination  
before the Chicago convention, an-  
nounces himself for Roosevelt.

### New Ambassador on Way.

Honolulu.—Viscount Stenim Chindn,  
the newly appointed ambassador from  
Japan to the United States, arrived  
on the liner Maru. He will reach  
San Francisco February 15.

### Acquitted of Murder.

St. Paul, Minn.—The jury in the case  
of Mike Dirsa, accused of killing his  
sweetheart, Karoline Gribaczuse, Au-  
gust 16, 1911, returned a verdict of  
acquittal. The jurors deliberated  
fifty-six hours before reaching a ver-  
dict.

### Fifteen Midshipmen Fail.

Annapolis, Md.—Fifteen midship-  
men of the fourth class of the naval  
academy failed in the semi-annual  
examinations and were forced to re-  
sign, leaving the institution.

### NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

News Notes of Interest from Various  
Sections.

Two religious revivals are on at  
Ansley with much interest man-  
ifested.