

NEWS OF THE WEEK

COMMENSATIONS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE.

A BOILING DOWN OF EVENTS

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

Congress.

Senator Heyburn blocked a movement to fix by unanimous consent a date for a vote on all pending tariff bills.

The house merchant marine committee agreed to report favorably the senate bill to regulate use of wireless telegraphy.

The house agriculture expenditures committee postponed indefinitely action on the Nelson resolution to investigate meat service inspection.

The senate judiciary committee decided to report favorably the resolution restricting presidential tenure of office to single term of six years.

Chairman Underwood called a conference of the ways and means committee to consider whether a cotton tariff revision bill will be introduced at this session.

The house adopted, 237 to 39, a joint resolution providing for an amendment to the constitution to permit the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Senator Chamberlain called upon the Department of Justice to begin proceedings to cancel timber land selections of railroads and lumber companies made in lieu of their forest reserve holdings.

J. W. Burroughs, a former federal meat inspector, testified before the Moss investigating committee that Philadelphia packers violated the law by refusing inspectors access to certain parts of their plants.

Vice President Campbell, New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, testified before Titanic investigating committee that the White Star line's arrangements for special train from Halifax included accommodations for passengers booked on the Titanic.

Supported by all the progressive republicans, the house passed the Clayton anti-injunction bill. Every democrat present voted for it, and the result was announced to the accompaniment of a remarkable demonstration.

Plans for expediting legislation to allow congress to adjourn prior to the national political conventions were considered at conferences of leaders of both house and senate. The house leaders outlined a program that they believed would conclude the business of the house by June 15. The senate leaders reached no definite conclusion.

General.

President Taft said on the result in Ohio would depend his nomination.

The pension bill, just signed by the president, gives increases to 400,000 old soldiers.

Chicago printers, after consideration, refused to join the pressmen in their strike.

Martina Eriksson and Mrs. Bertha Fogelstad, Chicago's oldest twins, celebrated their 91st birthday.

Nebraska republican delegates to national convention will travel without show of pomp or splendor.

Ben Reitman, manager of Emma Goldman, was given a coat of tar and feathers by San Diego vigilantes.

The senate finance committee ordered a favorable report on the Lodge substitute for the house sugar bill and an unfavorable report on house excise tax bill.

Of the \$400,000 left by William F. Newcombe, Cleveland's "millionaire hermit," about \$10,000 will go to a fund to care for the poor of Black Torrington parish, England, his birthplace.

A new exploring expedition to the upper Amazon will leave New York early in September for a three-year's trip. The party is under the direction of the University of Pennsylvania and is led by Professor Algot Lange.

President Taft, acting on the suggestion of J. W. Hamilton of St. Paul, has joined in a movement to make general throughout the country the wearing of a sprig of evergreen or a knot of the national colors on next Memorial day, May 30.

Majority and minority members of the Lorimer committee agreed to file both reports on investigation May 20 and agreed that a vote on the case be taken at this session of congress.

At New York Supreme Court Justice Guy filed an order discontinuing the suit for absolute divorce brought by Mrs. Cecil Clark Davis against Richard Harding Davis, the author. The action for divorce was filed in November, 1910.

Speaking to a large crowd at Bowling Green, Ky., Senator La Follette declared he held the key to the presidential nomination at Chicago.

At Chillicothe, O., a large crowd stood in the rain to hear W. J. Bryan renew his attack upon the presidential candidacy of Governor Judson Harmon.

Colonel Roosevelt began his tour of Ohio by declaring war on party bosses and the crooks.

The house passed the joint resolution providing an amendment to the constitution for direct election of senators.

Iowa's democratic delegation must vote as a rule for Champ Clark.

One new bishop—Homer C. Stuntz—was elected by the Methodists.

Colonel Roosevelt scored the methods of Taft men in Washington state.

Cincinnati carpenters who have been on strike will return to work.

King Frederick of Denmark died suddenly in Berlin. He was 69 years old.

E. R. Rockwell, former editor of the Farmington, Ia., Herald, died of paralysis.

The Methodist conference voted to retire Bishops Warren, Moore and Neely.

Michigan sends an unpledged delegation to the democratic national convention.

Governor Foss has declined to interfere with the death sentence of J. V. T. Richeson.

The coming international congress of navigation will take cognizance of the Titanic disaster.

Prospects are not favorable for an adjournment of congress prior to the national conventions.

There was a stormy time at the meeting of the house committee investigating meat inspection.

Colonel Roosevelt says he can count enough delegates to give him the republican nomination.

Delegates to the national republican convention from the Fifth Oklahoma district were instructed for Theodore Roosevelt.

At Winnipeg, Man., although Warren Conlan, playing at the Orpheum theater, dropped dead on the stage, the show went on.

The figures for the 1910 census show that Iowa had only 1.7 per cent of illiterates over 10 years old, whereas Nebraska had 1.5.

The house foreign affairs committee unanimously reported favorably on the Sulzer resolution for an international conference on cost of living.

Vice President Sherman signed the joint resolution for direct election of senators which must be ratified by three-fourths of the states to become an amendment to the constitution.

The National Anti-Third Term league's petition to amend the constitution to prevent a third presidential term, consecutive or otherwise, was presented by Representative McCall.

The Porto Rico democratic territorial convention has elected six delegates to the democratic national convention to be held in Baltimore. All are instructed for Woodrow Wilson.

Stocker and feeder rates on cattle and sheep will continue at the rates prescribed in tariffs prior to August 14, 1911, according to a final order entered by the interstate commerce commission.

At Cleveland, O., files neatly packed in envelopes are being received at headquarters of the fly-swatting crusade. The other day 107,000 files were swatted and counted, for which \$107 was paid.

At Tampa, Fla., Mrs. Marie Morterello, kneeling at the grave of her recently buried baby son, saturated her clothing with wood alcohol and set fire to herself. She died on the way to a hospital.

The hulk of an old Spanish ship, loaded with zinc, has been uncovered by dredges in the Potomac river, causing a disappointing scrambling for "treasure." The vessel was sunk before the revolution.

The Mississippi river commission decided to expend up to \$100,000 toward the closure of the Hymelia, La., crevasse on condition that the property owners interested shall contribute one-half of the expense.

Suffragists scored in the national socialists' convention at Indianapolis, when they amended the section of the constitution pertaining to membership in the party to read "and unrestricted political rights for both sexes."

State Senator Thomas E. Kinney of St. Louis, who was reported to be dying from tuberculosis of the throat, rallied and his condition is much improved. Kinney is one of the most widely known St. Louis democrats.

Premier Giolitti announced in the Italian chamber that General Ameglio had surrounded and defeated the Turkish garrison of the island of Rhodes, which had surrendered and had been accorded military honors.

The supreme court affirmed without argument the judgment obtained in Nebraska by Ozo Castle for injuries received while working for the Missouri Pacific Railway company. By so doing the court upheld the constitutionality of the Nebraska employers' liability law.

Wyoming republicans declared for Taft and democrats for Champ Clark.

Enemies of Judge Archbald are accused of plotting to discredit him. Clarence Darrow acted as his own attorney in examining prospective witnesses for his trial.

Attorney General Wickersham advised against any radical departure from judicial tradition.

HERE'S THE FIGURES

That Record the Official Vote of Nebraska.

ALL THE COUNTIES ARE NOW IN

What is Shown for President, Senator, National Committeeman, Governor and Others.

DEMOCRAT. President.

Champ Clark 20,902 Judson Harmon 12,559 Woodrow Wilson 14,063

Senator.

Willis E. Reed 5,244 Ashton C. Shallenberger 27,581 Robert F. Smith 3,061 W. H. Thompson 11,993

National Committeeman.

Charles E. Fanning 15,138 P. L. Hall 26,590

Delegates at Large.

William J. Bryan 21,209 Ignatius J. Dunn 24,014 G. M. Hitchcock 25,722 George L. Loomis 27,208 Tom W. Smith 21,103 Fred Volp 17,495 R. W. Westover 23,594

Governor.

Richard L. Metcalfe 22,065 John H. Moorehead 26,284

Lieutenant Governor.

Herman Diets 29,110

Secretary of State.

A. T. Gatewood 15,275 W. H. Kelley 18,983 Charles P. Whitesides 9,387

Auditor.

Henry C. Richmond 39,915

Treasurer.

George E. Hall 22,954 Floyd Seybolt 20,904

State Superintendent.

R. V. Clark 16,718 Ernest F. Monroe 10,227 John Speedie 6,370 P. M. Whitehead 10,114

Attorney General.

Andrew M. Morrissey 22,677 M. W. Terry 20,065

Land Commissioner.

William B. Eastham 37,597

Railway Commissioner.

Clarence E. Harmon 12,425 Ben H. Hayden 6,740 Sam Hinkle 3,346 Will M. Maupin 9,137 B. M. Simms 3,911 Edward C. Simmons 4,344 William C. Stamm 4,848

REPUBLICAN. President.

Robert M. La Follette 16,713 Theodore Roosevelt 46,529 William Howard Taft 13,365

Senator.

Norris Brown 33,156 George W. Norris 38,893

National Committeeman.

R. B. Howell 39,371 Victor Rosewater 27,957

Delegates at Large.

Allen W. Field 26,979 Don J. Love 40,654 J. J. McCarthy 36,567 Nathan Merriam 36,027 E. B. Perry 24,062 H. B. Sackett 36,936 R. B. Schneider 23,594 John L. Webster 27,574

Governor.

Chester H. Aldrich 48,981 Jesse S. Newton 23,673

Lieutenant Governor.

Martin L. Fries 15,607 L. W. Hague 10,000 Samuel Roy McKelvie 27,268 L. A. Varner 12,162

Secretary of State.

Addison Walt 61,197

Auditor.

W. J. Blair 11,341 Isaiiah D. Evans 14,703 William B. Howard 26,471 H. A. Webbert 12,118

CORN REQUIREMENTS.

Particularly As to the Needs of Moisture.

The Nebraska Experiment Station has just issued Bulletin No. 128, on "Studies in Water Requirements of Corn." A brief report is made on results secured in past years, which have heretofore been published.

Results indicate that the best growth is secured when the soil contains about 60 per cent of the water it could hold if saturated. Soil that is too wet gives decreased yields. It was also found that the amount of water required from day to day by growing corn varies with weather conditions, and in very much the same way as evaporation from the surface of a tank; also the greater the leaf area the greater the water requirement.

In 1911, corn was grown in two greenhouses, in one of which the air was dry, just as the natural outside air. In the other the air was artificially kept humid. The plant required twice as much water to make a pound of dry weight in the dry greenhouse as it did in the humid greenhouse, indicating that in a dry climate like Nebraska the water requirement for growing crops is very high as compared with a humid climate. It was found that in the year 1911 it took 345 pounds of water to make one pound of dry weight in corn, while in 1910 it took only 250 pounds. This was due to the fact that the air was much drier in 1911. So even with equal rainfall, in certain years the water requirement is very much higher than in others.

Soils of three degrees of fertility were used, and these same soils were each fertilized with sheep manure in a second series. It was found that the more fertile the soil the less water required to produce a pound of dry weight, and that the adding of manure decreases the water requirement except in the most fertile soils. This would indicate that manuring soils low in fertility will give a greater yield for a given quantity of water, but if the soils are sufficiently fertile the addition of manure will probably have little or no effect. This bulletin may be had free of cost by residents of Nebraska upon application to the Agricultural Experiment Station, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Trophy Cup for Publishers.

The Nebraska publisher who brings to the coming of the Nebraska press association in Lincoln on June 3-4-5, the best display of commercial printing produced in his own office will carry home with him a beautiful silver trophy cup, suitably engraved, which will be presented by the secretary of the association, C. C. Johns. This cup is a very large and handsome affair and many of the Nebraska publishers have indicated their willingness to compete for it. Among the late additions to the press association program is an address by Gerritt Ford of the Union Pacific Railroad on "Railroads, Automobiles and Airships."

Trust Company Articles.

The conservative Trust company of Lincoln has filed its articles with the state auditor and deposited \$15,000 of securities with that officer in compliance with law. The company has just changed its name to the above title from the Conservative Investment company and amended its articles to enable it to carry on a trust company business.

Corn Crop Outlook.

Traveling men who have been in the western and southwestern sections of the state say crop prospects have not been so bright for years. In the Republican valley vegetation is not as far advanced as in the central and eastern portions of the state. But there have been good rains in this section and conditions on the farm are flourishing.

Official Train to Baltimore.

An official special train to accommodate democrats and their friends who desire to attend the democratic national convention at Baltimore, has been arranged for. This train will leave Lincoln and Omaha Saturday evening, June 22, over the Burlington railroad, and from Chicago to Baltimore over the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

Pardon for Hess.

The governor has decided to grant a pardon to Oren Hess, who came to the penitentiary October last on conviction of embezzlement. He was convicted in Howard county before Judge Paul and the judge signs the application for a pardon.

Winter Wheat Outlook.

L. B. Fuller, the governor's private secretary, is back from a visit in Waukena. He says that he never saw as fine a prospect for winter wheat anywhere or at any time as there is now in that section of the state. The grain is up knee high, even in stand and height and exceptionally good color.

Lindsay Reappointed.

The judges of the supreme court have reappointed H. C. Lindsay reporter and librarian of the court and Victor Seymour as deputy.

Amendments Endorsed.

Returns from the primary show that all of the proposed amendments to the constitution received the endorsement of all the parties except the prohibitionists. This party voted down an endorsement of the home rule for cities and increased salaries for legislators.

TAFT IS SATISFIED

HOLDS HE HAS ROOSEVELT SURELY BEATEN.

TEDDY WOULD WRECK PARTY

President Issues a Statement of Attack and of Congratulation to the People.

Cincinnati, O.—In a most bitter and scathing denunciation of Col. Roosevelt, President Taft Sunday night declared that "The certainty of his defeat for the republican nomination must be a source of profound congratulations to all patriotic citizens," and asserted that his predecessor in the White House would wreck the republican party if he were not chosen by the republican national convention and compared Mr. Roosevelt to Louis XIV of France, who said, "The state; I am it."

The attack was in the form of a statement. In it President Taft said in part:

"On Thursday last I gave a statement to the press in which I said that with 520 Taft delegates then elected to the convention, and with the immediate prospect of the election of enough to exceed the necessary 540, the success of the cause of constitutional government seemed assured. The delegates elected since that time have confirmed this conclusion.

"Mr. Roosevelt's speech at Cleveland shows him in such a light that the certainty of his defeat for the republican nomination must be a source of profound congratulation to all patriotic citizens who can now see the utter wreck he would have made of the party if nominated, and the great danger to which the country would have been exposed had there been any chance of his election to a third term.

"Mr. Roosevelt says that he is in the republican party and if the republican national committee in passing on the credentials of delegates for the preliminary roll in the convention shall hold to be unfounded his many flimsy contests he will decline to abide by the judgment of those having authority. The inference from this is that he will bolt the convention because a duly constituted republican national committee shall, after a judicial investigation, refuse to seat his contesting delegates. If his edict is to be heeded, then the holding of any convention at all is perfunctory and superfluous.

"The arrogance of his statement that he is the republican party and that failure to comply with his views and wishes puts those doing so in the attitude of bolters, finds no parallel in history save in the famous words of Louis XIV, 'The state, I am it.'"

Farmers of Six States Organize.

Minneapolis.—At a meeting here of the secretaries of Farmers' Grain Dealers' association in Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Illinois and Iowa, plans were completed for the formation of a compact organization to embrace 150,000 farmers.

Strike Order Not Issued.

Chicago.—A general strike order, which was expected to be issued by officials of the International Brotherhood of Railway Freight Handlers, was not put forth. Whether a general strike will be called next week is problematical.

Miners Return to Work.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—By a vote of 323 to 64 anthracite mine workers in convention ratified the agreement entered into by their subcommittee with the coal operators and ordered the 170,000 men and boys employed in and about the mines to return to work.

Lands Near Heart of City.

Chicago.—F. T. Fish, an aviator, was arrested for landing his machine in Grant park, near the heart of the city. An ordinance prohibits the landing of an aeroplane, balloon or other air craft in any park or highway without a permit.

Tuberculosis Serum Found.

Chicago.—In a paper prepared by Dr. Karl von Ruck of Asheville, N. C., and read before the Chicago Medical society, he announced that he had discovered a serum, which he believes gives immunity from tuberculosis.

Horse on the Governor.

North Adams, Mass.—By an error Governor Foss appointed as associate medical examiner of this district Dr. Homer Bushnell, who has been dead three years.

A Well Planned Plot.

Cambridge, Mass.—To carry out a plot against the sophomores, Beatrice Van Slyke, Wellesley class president, was nailed into a drygoods box and shipped as freight.

Two Men Accused of Murder.

Rapid City, S. D.—The grand jury returned indictments against F. M. Gage and Henry Andrews, charged them with the murder of Bert Morrison in November, 1911. Morrison's remains were found in a burned claim shack, near Canyon Lake.

Love's Labor Lost.

New York.—Mrs. J. T. Martin, wife of a broker, found her "lost" gold cigaret case in the folds of her gown, after the police had searched for it two hours.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

News Notes of Interest from Various Sections.

The Independent Telephone company has its linemen engaged in rebuilding its line from Kearney to Odessa, a distance of nine miles.

Postmaster Joel Eaton has received word from Washington that a government postal savings bank will be established in Lorton June 1.

"Crops never looked better" in the western part of this state," said Superintendent Bignell of the Burlington. They are better than in the eastern part."

The local telephone exchange of Rushville was sold to the Lefang and Warner interests and made a part of their general system which covers the entire northwest part of the state.

Mayor Houston of Nebraska City has instructed the city attorney to draft a new ordinance, under the new commission form of government, raising the price of a saloon license to \$1,500 from \$1,000.

The board of education of York has issued a notice calling for a special election for the purpose of voting on the proposition of issuing \$50,000 in bonds for the erection of three ward school buildings.

Burglars entered the hardware and furniture store of J. T. Swann & Son, Auburn, and made away with several 32-caliber revolvers, some cartridges, about fifty pocketknives, some razors, scissors and spoons and a small amount of money.

At the annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. reports were submitted showing that the association membership at present is 522. The membership ran highest after the campaign last fall, reaching 750. Reports from various branches showed a satisfactory condition.

At Norfolk, mistaken for a burglar, Policeman W. J. O'Brien was shot in the leg by V. St. Claire Mitchell, a traveling salesman. Two prowlers had been seen in the neighborhood and Mitchell had been appealed to by the telephone for aid. He started out, not knowing the police had arrived. When he saw two men in the dark he opened fire, shooting five times.

Governor Aldrich will deliver the commencement address at the university of Omaha June 4.

Detail plans were presented at Kearney by J. W. Weaver and Arthur Jenkins, English capitalists, to not less than 200 of the leading citizens of the city in the first public meeting called to consider their plans to finance a north and south road to be called the Dakota, Kansas & Gulf railroad.

On May 30, Louis H. Steiger of near Fairmont, is to appear before Judge T. C. Munger of the federal court and be sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 or go to jail for thirty days, this being the penalty to be meted out to him for misusing the United States mails by sending an obscene letter to a young woman residing in Fairmont.

The supreme court has given the attorney general permission to file an application for a writ of mandamus to compel the Omaha street railway company to file reports with the state railway commission under the physical valuation law. The company must file an answer by June 17. It alleges that the railway commission has not authority to value street railway property.

One of the strongest programs that has ever been arranged for the Nebraska State Sunday School association will feature the annual meeting of the association, which will be held in Omaha on June 18, 19 and 20. The committee on program has secured W. C. Pearce, director of the Adult Department of the International Sunday School association; J. Shreve Durham, head of the Home and Visitation Department of the same organization; Mrs. A. A. Lamoreaux of Chicago and other prominent educators to make addresses.

At Auburn William Brooks, a laborer, was seriously if not fatally injured while assisting in moving a house. Brooks was adjusting the trucks and was working underneath the building when in some way the props gave way and the building came down upon him, pinning him between it and the ground.

The state board of assessment has sent out to the various counties the certificates of the Pullman company's assessment. The basis is the same as last year, viz. \$12,500 for standard cars and \$8,000 for tourists. There was a slightly larger number of cars in use in 1911 than in the year preceding and the assessment is therefore a little larger, being \$125,085 for 1912 and \$124,869 for 1911.

The state board of pardons issued a pardon to David Newell, sent up for two years from Thurston county for giving whisky to an Indian. Newell had served six months. The sentence of Ainslie Wilson, sent up from Cass county for breaking and entering, was commuted to take effect at once. Wilson was serving three years and was received at the prison December 22, 1909.

Railway Commissioner Hall will go to Plainview to take testimony in the matter of a complaint which asks the commission to require the Northwestern and the Burlington railroad companies to build a union depot at Plainview.

The monthly report from Superintendent C. B. Manuel of the state industrial school for boys at Kearney shows that three boys escaped from the institution during the month of April, eight were received, eight were paroled and pardoned and there was a total of 198 inmates of the institution at the close of the month.