

## 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 Condensed Into Two and Four Line Paragraphs.

### Congress.

The house considered conference report on Indian appropriation bill. House democratic leaders agreed to another caucus on the battleship program.

The senate military affairs committee reported the army appropriation bill.

The senate passed a resolution extending last year's appropriations until August 15.

The senate passed the cotton tariff revision bill reducing the existing duties approximately 21 per cent.

The house rejected all senate amendments to the Indiana appropriation bill and ordered further conference.

Representative Taylor introduced a bill for a Lincoln memorial in the form of a national highway, Boston to San Francisco.

Senate democrats and progressive republicans were given complete control of conference committees on tariff and excise bills.

The house directed the sundry civil bill to be sent to conference, refusing to accept the senate's amendment continuing the tariff board.

The senate passed the joint resolution directing the secretary of war to investigate claims of Americans growing out of Mexican revolution.

The senate foreign relations committee adopted the report of Senator Lodge reaffirming the scope of Monroe doctrine in no uncertain terms.

Senate democrats in caucus decided to support the house excise tax bill as against the Borah income tax bill introduced as an amendment.

The house commerce committee reports favorably Representative Stanley's bill to define more specifically the term "misbranded" in pure food laws.

The senate passed the Lodge resolution warning foreign nations from encroaching on the American continents to obtain naval or military bases.

The house public buildings and grounds committee agreed to include \$275,000 for memorial amphitheater in Arlington in next public buildings bill.

The senate passed over president's veto the bill to reimburse persons who supplied labor and supplies to contractors on Corbett tunnel irrigation project.

The ratification of Newfoundland fisheries treaty, signed recently by Great Britain and the United States, was agreed to by foreign relations committee of the senate.

Attorney General Wickesham, before the interstate commerce committee, favored greater right of appeal for shippers from decisions of the interstate commerce commission.

The senate passed the house excise tax bill extending the corporation tax law to individuals and partnerships on incomes in excess of \$5,000 by a vote of thirty-seven to eighteen.

Chairman Clements of Interstate Commerce commission denied to interstate commerce committee that commission had given inside information concerning rulings to certain railroads.

### General.

Colorado "regulars" endorsed the administration of President Taft.

Uncle Sam is without money to pay increases under the new pension bill. The old stock of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, which includes all the subsidiaries sold on the curb for \$1,000 a share, a high record price.

The renomination of President Taft by the republican national convention last month was compared by Colonel Roosevelt today to the election of William Lorimer to the United States senate.

The steamer "Planet," which is measuring Pacific ocean depths, according to a message from Manila, mounded a depth of 32,600 feet, or over five miles, forty miles off the northern part of the island of Mindanao.

Following out plans for a country-wide campaign against bubonic plague. Surgeon General Blue assigned five additional experts to various ports where the disease has been indicated.

President Madero is declared to block the way to peace in Mexico. Formal announcement was made by Governor Wilson that he would not resign the governorship of New Jersey during his campaign for the presidency.

The capital stock of the Standard Oil company of California was increased from \$25,000,000 to \$50,000,000 today. The proceeds of the sale of the new stock will be used in liquidating the present indebtedness of the company to the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, about \$12,000,000.

Jack Johnson says he is done with the roped arena and will never draw on a glove again.

The minority report of the steel investigating committee recommends regulation and not dissolution for big corporations.

Governor Wilson declared himself in favor of gradual revision of the tariff.

A resolution offered in the house permits of the recall of inferior judges.

Negroes were conspicuous for their absence at the Louisiana third party convention.

Colonel Roosevelt will welcome the colored man to the ranks of the third party.

Governor Wilson is far out at sea putting finishing touches to his speech of acceptance.

An epidemic of typhoid prevails in the municipality of Penuelas, eight miles from Ponce.

The treasury deficit for the first month of the new fiscal year is less than a million dollars.

The United States senate, by a practically unanimous vote, reasserted the doctrine of Monroe.

A statement issued at Washington with President Taft's approval defends the nomination of Taft.

House Chairman Adamson, in a tart letter to Secretary Stimson, denies danger of a water power trust.

The American Federation of Labor has issued a call to all steel workers, urging that they unionize.

The United States senate served notice on all nations of its intention to uphold the Monroe doctrine.

The feeling at Washington is that everything has been done in Mexico that can be short of intervention.

The president has about abandoned hope of opening the Panama canal on the date promised by engineers.

The German government is greatly concerned over the rapidly falling birthrate in Germany, and the ministry of interior has asked various authorities to make a thorough investigation.

A clash between members of the Twenty-first rurales and the police at Victoria, Mexico, resulted in the disarmament of the detachment of 200 federal soldiers stationed there.

President Taft sent to the senate the nominations of Lewis C. Laylin of Ohio to be assistant secretary of the interior and that of S. T. Wright to be collector of internal revenue for Alabama.

Farnum T. Fish, the Los Angeles, Cal., aviator and a passenger, Morris Schermerhorn of Malden, fell fifty feet in a biplane at the Saugus (Cal.) race track. Both escaped serious injury.

The Turkish government is willing to enter into peace negotiations with Italy if they are conducted in a manner compatible with Turkey's honor and dignity and its rights are adequately safeguarded.

Sierra Juarez Indians in the state of Oaxaca, have renewed their revolt against the government. It is reported that a large body of the warriors is marching on Ixtlan, forty miles from the state capital.

Roosevelt supporters held a state convention at Jackson, Miss., elected delegates to the national progressive convention in Chicago and adopted a platform, one plank of which excludes the negro from politics.

Nine boy scouts were drowned by the capsizing of a cutter off Shippy Island. A large party of boy scouts was proceeding at the time to their summer camp on the island. Several other holiday fatalities were reported.

President Taft did not meet the five issues in his speech accepting the republican nomination, said Colonel Roosevelt. The president confined himself largely to utterances upon general questions, Colonel Roosevelt contended.

Representatives of the war department has been making surveys and a careful investigation in the vicinity of Fort D. A. Russell for the purpose of determining the increased acreage that will be required in enlarging the post as recently outlined by the war department.

The Italian cabinet and senate help a prolonged secret joint meeting and voted for the dissolution of the chamber of deputies on the ground that the present extraordinary session of the chamber, being a continuation of the previous session and having completed its term, now lapses.

Senator Burton's bill for the appointment of a commission of seven members to consider plans for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the treaty with Great Britain, made at Ghent in 1814, was favorably reported to the senate by Senator Root from the committee on foreign relations.

After a three-hour debate behind closed doors, the senate, 51 to 4, adopted the Lodge resolution defining the attitude of the United States in disapproval of the acquisition by foreign interests of any territory on the western hemisphere which might be used as military or naval bases or menace "the approaches" of this country.

The call for the populist national convention to be held at St. Louis, Tuesday, August 13, was announced by James H. Ferris, chairman of the national committee.

Dr. Wiley says he is going to support Gov. Wilson.

President Taft's speech of acceptance covers about 10,000 words.

Benton McMillen won out in the Tennessee primary for governor.

Emperor Mutsuhito of Japan is dead, and Crown Prince Yoshihito has ascended to the throne.

## TEDDY WHOLE SHOW

HIS VIEWS MUST BE INCORPORATED IN PARTY PLATFORM.

## ADDRESS GIVEN ON TUESDAY

Speech Will Deal With Political Questions He Says May Be Called Socialism and Anarchy.

New York.—The national progressive party must accept Colonel Roosevelt's political doctrines if he is to be its standard bearer. He said late Sunday, as he started for Chicago, that he would insist upon making his "confession of faith" to the delegates before the committee, which is to draft the platform, makes its final report and that he would not accept the nomination on a platform which did not meet with his approval.

Colonel Roosevelt's speech was originally scheduled for Monday night. It was suggested to him that the time of its delivery be postponed and he sent word to his manager that he would consent to a delay after the platform had been presented to the convention. Advance copies of the speech reached the leaders of the new party several days ago. The colonel said nothing, however, to indicate that the suggestion for a delay in the delivery of the speech was due to impressions of those who had read it.

Colonel Roosevelt said that in his speech he had dealt fully with all the great political questions of the day. He spoke frankly and fearlessly, he said, and believed that the convention ought to be fully apprized of his views before ratifying the tentative nomination, which he accepted at Chicago. He contends that it was upon a question of principle that he left the republican party and now he has done so he cannot make a compromise of principles in accepting the leadership of the new movement.

His declaration of political faith, he said, is one which will be termed either socialism or anarchy and probably both, but represents his convictions. He goes to Chicago to make these views known and to receive the presidential nomination only if they are acceptable in their substantial provisions to the new party.

According to the present arrangement Colonel Roosevelt will deliver his speech Tuesday. The plan he said, was satisfactory to him, as at that time the platform committee will not have completed its work.

Colonel Roosevelt left Oyster Bay Sunday afternoon by automobile for this city, where at 4 o'clock he took a train which is due in Chicago early Monday. He was accompanied only by Mrs. Roosevelt and his secretary.

The appointment as a messenger by President Taft of Mingo Sanders, who was a sergeant of the colored infantry regiment, discharged from the army for participation in the Brownsville riots, led Colonel Roosevelt to criticize the president sharply. Sanders took the stump in the Ohio primary fight between Colonel Roosevelt and President Taft.

### Launching of New Party.

Chicago.—The national progressive party will be formally launched Monday at noon in the Coliseum, where a little more than a month ago President Taft was renominated for the presidency on the republican ticket over the protest of many of those now leading the third party movement. The big convention hall, all ready for the new party, shows but few changes in the arrangements provided for the republican national convention. Over the main entrance door, however, has been hung the head of a magnificent specimen of a bull moose, in token of the nickname attached to the new party.

### Tafts Off for Vacation.

Minneapolis.—Miss Helen Taft and Robert Taft, daughter and son of the president, and Mrs. Taft left Sunday for Glacier National park, after a day spent here as the guests of President and Mrs. George E. Vincent of the University of Minnesota, and Miss Isabel Vincent, who was a schoolmate with Miss Taft.

### Appropriation for Extermination.

Washington.—Representative Mondell of Wyoming introduced a bill to appropriate \$200,000 for the United States to pay its share of the cost of exterminating the "predatory wild animals" on the forest reserves of the west. He disclaimed being after the bull moose.

### Highest in Forty Years.

Chicago, Ill.—A light supply of cattle on Saturday brought about the highest prices of the week. Prices now ranging are said to be the highest in forty years.

### Army Bill Amended.

Washington.—With practically all features upon which President Taft based his veto eliminated, the army appropriation bill, was again reported to the senate by the military affairs committee, carrying approximately \$94,000,000.

### General John H. Baldwin.

San Francisco.—General John H. Baldwin, one of California's earliest pioneers and a member of the personal staff of General Lee during the civil war, died here Saturday.

### NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

Laboring men of Lincoln will have a big parade labor day.

A sensation was created in Yutan by the quarantine of six houses in that village for smallpox.

The business men of Certland have organized a commercial club which will boost for that city first, last and all the time.

Although Kearney county was very much injured by the drought during the summer wheat is yielding far beyond expectations.

Henry Alma, a farmer living three miles northwest of David City, fell from a loaded hayrack and broke both his arms at the wrists.

Marcell Brown, who was shot and killed at Laramie, Wyo., by his wife, was a former resident of Wymore, leaving there about two years ago.

The coroner's jury in the case of Joseph Miller, whose body was found on the railroad track near La Platte, returned a verdict that he was killed by the cars.

During the month of July sixty-nine marriage licenses were issued in Lancaster county. This is not fully up to the monthly average, but is about as many as are usually issued in July.

The Syracuse Commercial club has selected September 26 for the annual "Syracuse day" festival. This is the big day each year for Otter county. The executive committee has organized with H. L. Arends as chairman and W. N. Hunter as secretary.

The foremen of each department of the Dempster Mill Manufacturing company at Beatrice have organized what is to be known as a foremen's association for the purpose of bringing them in closer touch with their work and to work more in harmony with each other.

A rate cancellation hearing was held before the state railway commission, the applicants being the Burlington freights department. A cancellation was asked on a 4 1/2-cent per hundred rate on stone from Lincoln to Grand Island. The application was fought by a Hall county granite company.

An auto containing William McDougal, Frank Foss, Joe Forney and Clyde Davis, all of Falls City, turned turtle about a mile south of Nebraska City. William McDougal was plucked. Joe Forney, who was thrown some distance, may be fatally hurt. Davis and Foss escaped with minor injuries.

Fred Johnson or Johan Hansen, a farm hand employed by W. W. Butler five miles south of Lincoln committed suicide by hanging himself to the limb of a tree. The act took place a quarter of a mile from the Butler home. Johnson took his shirt made a loop of one end and placed it around his neck, the other end he fastened to the limb. His knees touched the ground and in order to strangle himself he twisted the loop around his neck.

Washington dispatch: Senator Hitchcock introduced a bill in the senate providing for the opening of the Niobrara reservation to homestead entry. The bill is identical with that introduced in the house by Kinkaid except that it provides that the state shall purchase at \$125 an acre the land used for agricultural school purposes instead of acquiring its use under a twenty-year lease.

The state railway commission heard the application of the Burlington road to cancel a rate of 4 1/2 cents a hundred on stone from Lincoln to Grand Island. Assistant General Freight Agent Johnston testified that practically no stone moved on this rate, that it was a paper rate made in 1906 and was made only for limestone. Mr. Young, representing the towns of Fremont, Hastings and Grand Island in rate matters, protested against the cancellation on behalf of the Fishburn Granite company of Grand Island. He said that company had shipped some granite recently and would have shipped more but for the fact it was unaware the rate was in existence.

The Washington county assessment for personal taxes, which has just been completed, shows that the most valuable single piece of property in the county is the Blair railroad bridge, which is valued at \$573,000. This is \$34,310 more than all the cattle are worth. The railroads are valued at \$1,941,865 and the telephones at \$76,905.

Fullerton.—The 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Lansberry, while in the plant of the electric light company, lost his balance and fell upon the fly-wheel. His lower limbs were so broken and crushed that it was necessary to amputate both, in order to save life.

W. T. Gibson has appealed to the supreme court from a judgment of the district court of Sherman county, which held that he was not entitled to recover from the county \$1,078.30 for the erection of a bridge and the building of ice breakers. The legislature passed an act appropriating \$512.24 to reimburse Gibson for a portion of his work, but the district court held that the act was unconstitutional.

At Beatrice, William Reed was brought before Judge Femberton on the charge of carrying concealed weapons and was paroled from term to term of the court for a period of one year, furnishing bond to the amount of \$500.

Officers in the section about Beatrice are looking for Chester Barnett of Laramie, Wyo., who was last seen at North Platte. The young man is demented and thinks that some one is after him and will take his life. He stated to the sheriff at North Platte that he was on his way to Lincoln and then to Beatrice.

## VALUES ARE HIGHER

TOTAL FOR NEBRASKA FIXED BY THE STATE BOARD.

## AN INCREASE OF \$50,000,000

Box Butte County Reports, Thus Closing Up the Work for Entire Commonwealth.

After a long wait Box Butte county has made its report to the secretary of the State Assessment board and finishes the assessment of the entire state. Box Butte shows a total valuation of \$2,138,293, an increase of \$221,564 over 1911, which makes an increase in the state of \$50,237,129. The total assessed valuation of the state is, therefore, \$465,907,294, its one-fifth value.

Following is a valuation of the state by counties:

Counties	Ratio of assessed to Tot. census 1912 value.
Adams	7,635,394 62
Antelope	5,222,475 66
Banner	406,972 39
Blaine	547,388 83
Boone	5,346,535 59
Box Butte	2,138,293 90
Boyd	2,698,268 70
Brown	1,751,581 16
Buffalo	7,566,032 54
Burt	7,647,779 100
Butler	7,676,781 67
Cass	8,403,723 72
Cedar	9,436,885 100
Chase	1,014,019 41
Cherry	3,399,687 50
Cheyenne	2,594,428 45
Clay	8,392,672 80
Colfax	5,803,025 70
Cuming	7,669,643 73
Custer	7,295,484 48
Dakota	3,158,434 77
Dawes	2,122,823 34
Dawson	6,628,076 60
Deuel	1,179,238 31
Dixon	4,610,843 65
Dodge	9,538,824 80
Douglas	45,049,757 69
Dundy	1,394,304 33
Fillmore	7,403,816 70
Franklin	3,863,188 73
Frontier	2,650,397 64
Furnas	3,954,468 61
Gage	11,050,277 65
Garden	956,098 49
Garfield	703,860 55
Gosper	1,969,971 60
Grant	717,439 76
Greeley	3,406,096 80
Hall	7,747,792 69
Hamilton	7,865,838 70
Harlan	3,042,558 45
Hayes	690,555 30
Hitchcock	1,733,597 40
Holt	4,732,856 47
Hooker	482,811 50
Howard	4,465,195 66
Jefferson	6,943,754 77
Johnson	4,420,665 70
Kearney	4,280,619 54
Keith	2,065,466 31
Keya Paha	956,299 45
Kimball	1,529,500 85
Knox	5,342,759 57
Lancaster	23,504,189 78
Lincoln	5,131,830 41
Logan	346,294 49
Loup	396,616 55
Madison	6,826,376 76
McPherson	489,368 60
Merrick	5,092,034 75
Morrill	1,441,660 48
Nance	4,179,771 77
Nemaha	6,162,206 84
Nuckolls	6,046,617 60
Otoe	9,316,630 84
Pawnee	5,420,959 82
Perkins	1,319,874 47
PHELPS	4,813,082 67
Pierce	8,636,448 69
Platte	5,866,038 81
Polk	3,069,500 55
Red Willow	7,034,074 70
Rock	1,105,885 56
Saline	8,335,834 76
Sarpy	4,164,753 75
Saunders	9,588,198 63
Scott's Bluff	2,153,760 66
Seward	9,119,274 87
Sheridan	3,292,115 68
Sherman	3,292,115 68
Sioux	1,273,911 40
Stanton	4,412,329 75
Thayer	6,092,632 67
Thomas	513,877 67
Thurston	3,657,928 110
Valley	3,583,027 67
Washington	6,469,682 59
Wayne	5,570,387 75
Webster	5,894,362 73
Wheeler	667,572 70
York	9,377,615 81
Total	\$465,907,294

### Requisition From Illinois.

Springfield (Ill.) dispatch: Governor Deneen issued a requisition on the governor of Nebraska for the return to Chicago of Nick Gavus, alias Davison, who is under arrest in Omaha and who is wanted on the charge of larceny.

### New Well at Penitentiary.

The penitentiary is now being supplied with water from the big well recently dug by convict labor. Although the work of walling the well has not been finished, the water is being pumped into the institution. The new well furnishes more than the five small wells did before they practically gave out.

### Prisoner Jumps From Train.

Thomas Cramer, sentenced to the penitentiary from Box Butte county, was landed in the prison after taking desperate chances in making his escape from the sheriff while being brought to Lincoln. Cramer, while the officer was momentarily from his side, crawled through a car window to the top of the coach, and when the train stopped near Mason City he jumped off and escaped to the timber near the track. The sheriff and others pursued and after firing several shots effected his capture.

### BOTH SIDES HEARD.

Wants Enough for Operation of Its Troubles.

Argument looking to the adjudication of the water power rights of the Kearney Water and Electric Power company was heard by the state board of irrigation, says the Lincoln Journal. Attorneys for and against the Buffalo county corporation's petition were heard in the case, the number including John N. Dryden of Kearney and C. C. Fiansburg of this city. The company, which has a power canal sixteen miles in length, thirty feet wide and varying from four and a half to twenty feet in depth, desires to take enough water from the Platte river to operate its power machinery to the best possible advantage. It contends that due to the scarcity of water at certain times of the year it is impossible to do this unless appropriators farther up the river are cut off from using the water for irrigation purposes. This action is asked for in a petition which the Kearney company filed some time ago in the district court of Dawson county.

The legal action which came out of that litigation was entitled the Kearney Water and Electric Power company against the Gothenburg Power and Light company, the Gothenburg Irrigation company, the Cozad Canal company and the Farmers' and Merchants' Irrigation company. In the neighborhood of fifty other irrigation projects are also associated with the defendants of this action in the present hearing before the state irrigation board.

The original company financing the Kearney project was called the Kearney Canal and Water Supply company, and was organized in 1882. The contention is made against this company and its successor that the water rights granted to it were not to be permanent only to the amount of a certain flow. In the district court action, which terminated during the latter part of 1911, a title to 125 cubic feet per second was declared to rest in the Kearney company and certain other companies were also set out as having the right to varying amounts of the Platte river water.

In a brief filed in behalf of the plaintiff the contention is made that the present laws of the state provide for the adjudication of no claims which are not upon record in the office of the state board of irrigation and that no provision is made by which prior appropriators may apply to the state board of irrigation for adjudication of their claims. The further contention is made that there is no limit to the time in which the adjudications of water rights can be made by the state board of irrigation. The petition of the Kearney company, after requesting that it be given authority to take sufficient water from from the Platte to operate its plant, deals extensively with the superiority of rights of the litigants in the case, and says:

"The case at bar does not present a situation where the damages to petitioner's property in case it is deprived of the use of water is merely incidental. In case of such deprivation the wheels of the machinery stop and the enterprise is practically dead."

The question of the powers of the state board of irrigation is also threshed over at some length