

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.

The house passed the Lever bill for the extension of work.

The house adopted the conference report on the postoffice appropriation bill.

The conference report on the army appropriation bill was adopted by the senate.

Both houses of congress adjourned on the 25th. A majority of members had already gone to their homes.

The house adopted a resolution calling on the state department to investigate the killing in Africa of James W. Rogers.

The senate passed the Penrose resolution providing for further inquiry into Standard Oil campaign contributions.

The house disagreed to the senate amendments to the general deficiency appropriation bill, which was sent to conference.

The senate yielded to house protests against state claims and passed the general deficiency bill with objectionable claims eliminated.

The house war department expenditures committee made a report on the political activity of Major B. B. Ray, nominated for promotion.

Minority Leader Mann joined with Representative Zeller in congratulating Chairman Fitzgerald of the appropriation committee on his work during the present session.

John D. Archbold testified before the subcommittee investigating campaign funds contributions concerning Standard Oil company's contributions to the 1904 republican campaign.

At Friday night's session Representative Murdock of Kansas threatened final adjournment of congress by point of no quorum in a fight against the appropriation in the postoffice bill of \$35,000 for Eads Bridge company at St. Louis.

General.

Six thousand women paraded the streets of Columbus, O., advocating votes for women.

Acting Democrat Chairman McAdoo sees no prospect of the presidential election going into the house.

A retaliatory step has been taken by maritime powers against the Panama canal free tolls provision.

An old-fashioned torch light parade marked the appearance in Augusta, Me., of Governor Thomas R. Marshall of Indiana.

There are only half a dozen states, Colonel Roosevelt said, which he believes President Taft has a chance of carrying. One of these, he said, is Vermont.

That the girl babies of Iowa are more physically perfect than boy babies was the statement made by the official scorers at the baby health contest, which is in progress at the state fair.

Eugene V. Debs, socialist presidential candidate, in a speech at Fergus Falls, Minn., declared that the socialist party was the only true progressive and the only true democratic party in the United States today.

United States Ambassador Leishman's two daughters have been injured in an automobile accident near Reichenhausen. They were returning from Munich to Berlin with their mother at the time.

Radical changes in the regulations governing surveys of lands in Alaska, under which fisheries companies and others have acquired rights to thousands of desirable sites without patenting them, were made known in Seattle.

The declaration that the protective tariff system was directly responsible for campaign contributions from corporations was made at a democratic rally in Bangor, Me., by Governor Thomas R. Marshall of Indiana.

"In sixty days we will have educated the people of the United States a quarter of a century in advance of where they have been before," said Governor Hiram W. Johnson of California in an address in Salt Lake City.

George C. Perkins, United States senator from California, announced his intention to retire from political life. Falling health and the infirmities due to old age were given as the reason for this decision.

Commander Eva Booth, apprised by cable that her commission as head of the Salvation army in America was renewed, sailed for England to attend her father's funeral. Commander Booth said she expected to reach there in time for the interment.

George Ernest, aged 43 years, a wealthy resident of Ateshington county, Kansas, committed suicide at his home.

The war department has disapproved plans for a grand review at San Jose of regulars and militia who have been engaged in maneuvers in California.

The hundredth anniversary of the naming of Columbus as the capital of Ohio was commemorated.

Alderman Louis Brozo of Detroit was bound over to stand trial on the charge of having accepted a bribe of \$100.

Governor Marshall, in a political speech, refers to trust magnates as beggars.

Three men were killed and several persons were more or less injured when an electrical storm passed over St. Louis.

Former Vice President Charles Warren Fairbanks of Indiana will take the stump for President Taft early in September.

The general revolt of natives against Portuguese rule at Timor, Malay archipelago, has been suppressed after several sanguinary battles.

Rebels in Mexico are said to have captured, looted and burned Ladara and have seized the ship Benito Juarez and the gunboat General Guerrero.

"I am in favor of publicity and welcome a thorough investigation of my campaign expenses. I have always held that position," said Governor Wilson.

Governor Oswald West served notice on the authorities of the city of Portland and Multnomah county that he proposed to institute a moral "house cleaning" in Portland.

United States Senator Newell Sanders of Tennessee, who obtained his place recently by appointment, announced he would not be a candidate for re-election.

Thousands of mourners bent on paying homage to the late commander-in-chief of the Salvation army, General William Booth, were turned away when the casket was closed.

Anna Held, the musical comedy actress, has been granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from Florence Ziegfeld, Jr. The court's order will become effective in three months.

The Union Pacific railroad has filed application with the Nebraska railroad commission for permission to raise its minimum carload rate on canned goods from 30,000 to 36,000 pounds.

Governor Woodrow Wilson talked about trusts with Louis D. Brandeis of Boston and expressed himself on immigration before a delegation of Italians from Essex county, New Jersey.

One woman was seriously injured and two women and a man a slightly hurt in Minneapolis when an automobile filled with Kansas City tourists skidded on the pavement and struck the curb.

C. W. Morse, recently paroled from the Atlanta federal prison, it is said, is one of the promoters of a proposed new steamship line whose vessels will ply between New Orleans and New York.

Postponement of the September election on constitutional amendments which has been set for September 3 for two months will be asked of the delegates to Ohio's constitutional convention.

A shipment of rifles, believed to have been intended for Hayti, was seized by the custom authorities at Kingston, Jamaica, on board the British schooner Barthold, which was clearing for a gulf port.

In his first political address since accepting the democratic nomination for vice president, Governor Thomas R. Marshall of Indiana condemned the protective tariff system before a democratic mass meeting in Portland, Me.

A commission form of government, including the right of initiative and referendum, was adopted at the special election in New Orleans, 23,900 for and 2,119 against. Both regulars and reformers voted for the new system of government.

Senator W. E. Chilton of West Virginia, against whom charges of fraud were filed in the senate by Governor Glasscock and others, wired for full copies of the petition, which was not printed in the Congressional Record on objection of several senators.

In an interpretation of the contract eight-hour law Attorney General Wickersham has decided that the government may enter into contracts without restricting the hours of labor for the purchase of supplies and other articles exempted by the act.

Resolutions demanding a better and more uniform system of grain inspection were adopted in Chicago at the closing session of a conference between officers of state and national grain dealers associations called to devise means of co-operating with the railroads in the handling of this year's bumper crops.

Personal.

President Taft is not going to make any speeches during the campaign.

George C. Perkins, United States senator from California, announced his intention to retire from political life.

The people lend too ready an ear to demagogues, says Senator Sutherland in address before bar association.

Governor Johnson, vice presidential candidate on the progressive ticket, will begin his Illinois campaign on September 9.

The funeral of General Booth was attended by a vast concourse. Governor Wilson will speak in the principal cities of the country, but will not go on a tour.

President Taft has ordered an investigation of the board of general appraisers.

Eugene W. Chaffin, prohibition candidate for president, opened his campaign in Vermont with an address at Bennington.

Representative Sereno E. Payne was designated by the republican congressional committee at Geneva, N. Y., as a candidate for re-election.

BESET BY MEXICANS

FEDERAL TROOPS HASTENED TO PROTECT AMERICANS.

MEXICANS ARE BLOODTHIRSTY

War Department Concludes That Greater Strength Is Necessary Along Border Line.

Washington.—The Mexican government has ordered federal troops to hasten to a point between Hermosillo and Nogales, in the state of Sonora, for the protection of two Americans, Frank R. Curtis and Arthur Cunningham, who are beset by rebels thirsting for revenge.

The Americans had been left in charge of a mining camp at El Oro and had killed several rebels in trying to protect the company's property from raids.

Army officers along the boundary line report to the war department that from information they gather from refugees fleeing from Mexico into America, conditions in the state of Sonora are bad, and the same state of affairs exists in the northwestern part of Chihuahua.

The war department has about concluded that it will be necessary to strengthen materially the American border patrol on the western part of the line, and as General Steever has indicated that he probably will need more cavalry, the men are being got ready at Fort Riley, Kas., and Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., to entrain and proceed to Arizona and southern California, so soon as Steever gives the word.

Prepared to Fight Off Rebels.

Douglas, Ariz.—A force of 300 rebels demanded the surrender of El Tigre mining camp, American property, located 65 miles southeast of here. Seventy Americans fully armed intend to fight, if necessary, to protect their women and children.

Also about 100 federal soldiers defend the town. El Tigre is one of the richest gold mines in Mexico, controlled by Kansas City capital, and if captured by rebels, could finance their revolution.

Mounted messengers representing Rafael Campa, the leader of the rebel band, rode into the mining camp and demanded its surrender.

England Renews Protest.

Washington.—Great Britain has reaffirmed its protest against the Panama canal bill. In a note filed with the State department by A. Mitchell Ines, charge of the British embassy here, it was stated that if a satisfactory agreement could not be reached Great Britain would appeal to The Hague tribunal for arbitration.

Senator Stephenson Taken Ill.

Milwaukee.—A special from Escanaba, Mich., says United States Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin was stricken with heart failure in the northern woods. A special train with doctors has been sent to his assistance. There is no definite word as to his condition.

Noted Sculptor Dies.

Seattle, Wash.—Louis Potter, 39 years old, of New York, a noted American sculptor, died in great agony in an obscure hotel on Sixth avenue here Thursday after undergoing ten days' treatment at the hands of a Chinese physician for a skin disease with which he had been afflicted since birth.

Grant Commander-in-Chief.

St. Louis.—Robert M. Grant of Hartford, Conn., was elected commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans to succeed Colonel Newton J. McGuire of Indianapolis, and Miss Frances M. Fox of Rochester, N. Y., was elected president of the Ladies' auxiliary to succeed Mrs. Flora Staples Whitney of Worcester, Mass.

Archbold Asks to Be Relieved.

Washington.—Judge R. W. Archbold of the commerce court, whose trial under impeachment proceedings is impending before the senate, has asked Chief Justice White of the supreme court to temporarily relieve him from duty.

Parcels Post Ready Jan. 1.

Washington.—Announcement was made by Postmaster General Hitchcock that the Postoffice department would be in readiness on January 1, 1913, to put into general operation the recently authorized parcels post system.

Fear of Italian Warships.

Belrut, Syria.—A squadron of Italian warships, comprising six vessels, anchored off this port. Their object is unknown. The city is well patrolled by the Turkish garrison.

Emperor in Good Shape.

Cassel, Hesse-Nassau, Germany.—Emperor William felt so well that he arose early and before breakfast enjoyed a long walk in the park surrounding Wilhelmshohe castle. The rheumatic pains in his neck have practically ceased.

Who is Getting Rake-Off.

Washington.—A report to disclose who is profiting from the present high price of coal is promised for the house of representatives by the department of commerce and labor.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

The Chautauqui at Fullerton closed with a record breaking day.

Taft republicans of Platte county have effected an organization.

The bankers' convention in Omaha last week was well attended.

Burlington crop reports are of a highly encouraging character.

Bert Cook of Nemaha county lost his house by fire. But little of the contents were saved.

The Grand Army unveiled a monument to the old soldiers at Ponca last week.

An Omaha masher was fined \$25 and costs for calling a woman a "chicken."

Ex-Senator Millard of Omaha, just back from a trip to Europe, says crops are poor in that country.

Salvation army men and women of Omaha held memorial services to General Booth.

Secretary Mellor attended the Iowa fair at Des Moines that he might be prepared for comparison with the Nebraska agricultural show.

The withdrawal of the requests of Holt and Boyd counties for state assistance in the building of bridges has brightened up the chances of Dodge and Saunders counties for getting state aid in the construction of the two big bridges over the Platte south of Fremont and south of North Bend.

Adjutant General Phelps of the National guard has received a powder tank about three feet long and nine inches in diameter which was on the battleship Maine and which, until that vessel was raised from Havana harbor recently, has been immersed in Cuban waters since 1898. The relic was sent from the navy yards near the national capital and will be presented to the local camp of the Spanish-American war veterans.

A call has been issued by Secretary J. E. Blane for the third annual convention of the Nebraska Irrigation association which will be held in Bridgeport October 22-24. The program will include addresses by experts in irrigation, good roads and drainage. Papers will be given on the following subjects: preparing the soil and raising the crop, plant diseases and observations of potato troubles, practical irrigation, sugar beets and alfalfa, pump irrigation, irrigation laws.

A brief note pinned to a sleeve of Carl Heydon's freshly ironed shirt when he was dressing, led to the discovery of Miss Helen Rissman's body in a watermelon field a short distance from Bellevue. The girl had ended her life by swallowing a small quantity of carbolic acid. A quarrel she is said to have had with young Heydon, with whom she had been keeping company for possibly two months, is believed to have brought on a fit of despondency and led to her self-destruction.

The state railway commission has dismissed the complaint made by the Grand Island Commercial club against the rates on freight maintained by the Union Pacific railway and the St. Joe & Grand Island railway from Omaha to Grand Island and from Grand Island to several stations. On account of the mix-up on rates interstate, the commission claims that they were unable at this time to make any decision because of the case on the Sanborn decision now before the United States supreme court, consequently the matter will have to stand as it is pending the action of the court.

Dr. W. H. Wilson, secretary of the state board of health, is of the opinion that changes can be made in the collection of vital statistics of the state which will increase the interest in the work and which will provide means whereby more public information can be given out regarding it. At present marriage and divorce reports are made only once each year to the state board of health. Births and deaths are reported quarterly. The secretary believes that more frequent reports would increase their value and would make them of more consequence to the people of the state.

Deshler is arranging to hold a big corn and colt show at some date in October.

The old soldiers of Nebraska will have part in the unveiling of the Lincoln statue at Lincoln. There is to be music and speaking.

Governor Aldrich says there will be "nothing doing" on the demand of Mr. Mike Harrington for a special session of the legislature, so that a law can be passed enabling the progressives to get a ticket in the field. "Nothing short of war, pestilence or famine will cause me to call an extra session of the legislature," said the governor.

Quite a bit of speculation has been going on around Fairbury the past few weeks regarding a flow of what seems to be natural gas in an old abandoned well on the farm of J. C. Richardson, one and one-half miles from the business center of Fairbury. While the flow of gas is not strong it is enough to cause a flicker of light when a match is applied to it, and Mr. Richardson is firmly convinced that if the prospect hole were sunk to a great depth it would tap a deposit of natural gas.

Physical valuation of the Union Stock Yards company's property at South Omaha, as well as the property of similar concerns doing business in other parts of the state, has not yet been made by the railway commission's engineers and until their work is disposed of there will likely be no attempt made to do this. The Ollis stock yards bill passed at the last session of the legislature, provides for the physical valuation of such concerns by setting them out as common carriers subject to the same laws and regulations as railroads of the state.

GATHER SEED CORN

WEEK SET ASIDE FOR SECURING GOOD EARS.

PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR

Importance of Looking Carefully to This Matter Strongly Urged by Chief Executive.

Seed corn needs of Nebraska farmers are set forth in a proclamation signed by Governor Aldrich.

The executive calls upon farmers to select seed corn early and urges them to set apart the week beginning September 30 for this purpose. The proclamation says:

The experience of successful farmers throughout the corn belt and the results of tests made by the various experiment stations show conclusively that the early selection and proper care of seed corn always results in seed of strong germinating power. This is true for the following reasons:

First—Early selection secures early maturing ears, thus lessening danger from frosts.

Second—Corn selected in the field can be taken from stalks which have the power of producing good ears of corn under normal or even under adverse conditions, thus increasing the chances of securing high yielding ears.

Third—Seed corn properly cured will not be injured by freezing.

There was a seed corn shortage last year due to the hard freeze before the corn had dried out. As a result all available seed in the state was used for the 1912 crop. We have no surplus seed on hand. Reports from all sections of the state show that the crop this year is from one to three weeks later than normal. If we should have an early freeze we would have a seed corn famine next year. This would mean that much of our seed corn for the 1913 crop would be secured from other states.

A test made at the Nebraska experiment station for three years shows that seed from other states have averaged 6.2 bushels less per acre than native grown seed. With these facts in mind I urge the early selection of seed corn and designate the week beginning September 30, 1912, as "Seed Corn Week." Its general observance will insure a sufficient amount of native grown seed for our 1913 crop.

Asking for Securities.

Thirty-five applications aggregating bonds to the value of \$640,500 have been filed with State Treasurer George asking for the purchase of these securities under the provisions of the Potts re-investment measure. The latter act, passed at the last session of the state legislature provide for the sale of the bonds of other states, by the state treasurer, and the investment of the funds in bonds issued by civil divisions of Nebraska. Fremont school bonds to the value of \$125,000 have just been purchased with proceeds of this fund, but the transaction has not been formally completed.

Wait Has Problems.

Secretary of State Wait is not hunting any trouble on the ballot proposition, but will wait till the trouble comes before taking up the matter. Mr. Wait probably will be called upon before long to settle the matter of the candidates of the new party getting a place on the ticket, but until that time comes he is giving out no opinions. In all probability the matter will be put up to Attorney General Martin when the proper time comes for making a decision in the matter.

Corn Acreage Reduced.

According to Labor Commissioner Guye, the acreage of corn in Nebraska for this year is much less than has been the prevailing idea. From published accounts it has been understood that the acreage of corn for this season was greater than the state has ever had, but taking the reports of the assessors for it the state will fall 141,978 acres short of the 1911 crop and over 500,000 less than the 1910 crop.

Commissioner Guye was led to make the investigation on account of an advertisement sent out by the Kansas publicity bureau claiming that Kansas would have a crop this year much larger than Nebraska and larger than any previous year. Referring to the crop reports sent out by the government, Mr. Guye says that this year, as well as previous years, the Kansas publicity bureau is claiming more than they have a right to claim. Last year, notwithstanding Kansas made great claims as a corn state, the records show that Nebraska produced a greater acreage and a larger crop per acre than did the Sunflower state.

Kansas Figures Boosted.

Will M. Maupin, who has made a study of the resources of Kansas and Nebraska, and has repeatedly made comparison of the crops raised each year in the two states, says the crop reports of the Sunflower state have always been greatly exaggerated and boosted beyond the real figures in order to make that state appear a better farming state than the Cornhusker state. He agrees with Commissioner Guye that with comparisons properly made Nebraska makes the best showing.

MANY SEEKING LAND.

Commissioner Guye Kept Busy Answering Inquiries.

About four months ago Labor Commissioner Guye began a systematic investigation of the vacant lands of Nebraska with the object in view of having the same taken up. He met with considerable opposition from certain sources which were interested in keeping the lands unsettled, but he kept at it and the result has been far beyond his expectations.

In fact Commissioner Guye "bulldogged better than he knew," for his investigations and the published statements made by him drew the attention of the government with the result that department officials took up the matter and found that besides the Kinkaid land in western Nebraska, there are subject to entry seventy-four irrigated claims under ditch which can be taken under the homestead law.

In order to get irrigated claims, which run from forty to eighty acres in size, the person filing will be compelled to pay \$55 per acre for the water right. He will have twelve years to pay for it in, paying \$5.25 per acre at the time the land is taken. After the third crop is raised he will then be required to pay \$5 per year for ten years until the whole amount is paid. The government charges nothing for the land, but the amount covers the water right, which is perpetual, the owner of the land paying nothing for the water after the whole amount is paid, but will have free use of same after that time.

Mr. Guye will leave for Chicago, where he will take charge of the special train run by the Burlington to western Nebraska where these lands lay. The Burlington land department says that never in the history of their tourist and home-seekers' excursions have they had so many inquiries for particulars and applications for accommodations on the trains. Commissioner Guye has himself received assurance from over fifty persons that they will join the train at some point on the road and letters are reaching the labor bureau every day assuring Commissioner Guye that they will join the excursion.

There is room for hundreds of settlers on the vacant lands of Nebraska, and should the Burlington efforts be successful the Northwestern will run a similar train later which will reach a different portion of the state. Robert W. McGinnis, passenger agent for the Northwestern, located at Lincoln, has been working up the matter with Commissioner Guye and will run a similar train as soon as the results from the first excursion are known.

A letter from the land department at Washington received by Commissioner Guye assures him that the government will have representatives meet the train at a stated point to assist in locating those who desire to take up the lands under the homestead law.

Unveiling of Lincoln Statue.

The committee having in charge the ceremonies connected with the unveiling of the Lincoln monument on the state house grounds has completed the program. The exercises will be in the nature of two divisions. The first part taking part on a platform at the north entrance to the state house, where there is plenty of room to seat the crowd.

Missourian Wants to Be "Shown."

Attorney General Martin has received a letter from E. G. Robinson, a prosecuting attorney in a Missouri county, in which the "show-me" man wants to know about supreme court decisions in this state which refer to testimony secured by the aid of bloodhounds. The attorney general has not found any decision along this line, and a judge of the supreme court is authority for the statement that no decision of this character, according to record, was ever given by a Nebraska court.

Lincoln Delegate to Attend.

Secretary Wait received this morning a letter from E. M. Jenkins of Kewanaw stating that his father was visiting him and would attend the ceremonies of unveiling the Lincoln statue. The old gentleman is 91 years of age and was a delegate to the convention which nominated Lincoln for the presidency and also served through the civil war.

Veterans to Have Part.

Secretary Wait has received several communications regarding the part that the veterans of the civil war will have in the exercises of unveiling the Lincoln statue. The matter was taken up by the Lincoln post and as a result an invitation has been issued to all veterans to attend the ceremonies.

New Metal Firm.

Harry W. Mool, C. Edward Mool, Andreas C. Poolson and George Messerschmidt compose a company which has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state to do a wholesale iron, steel and metal business in Omaha. The stock of the company is placed at \$25,000.

Regarding State Assessment.

More information regarding the state's assessment roll was given out by Secretary Seymour of the state board. On the 1912 roll, according to the figures, there are \$5,094,777 acres of land, both improved and unimproved, which has a total assessed valuation of \$249,269,015. There are 556,840 lots, having a total assessed valuation of \$69,780,582. The 924,756 horses in the state have a value of \$13,518,705 in the eyes of the assessors, while 91,690 mules are valued on the state roll at \$1,652,993.