

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.

Shipping pool investigating committee heard testimony on trans-Atlantic lines traffic.

The hearing on the woolen schedule of the tariff was begun by the ways and means committee.

The house agreed to a further conference with the senate on the Burnett Dillingham immigration bill.

The bill substituting electrocution for hanging as capital punishment in the District of Columbia, was passed.

Representative Moore, before public buildings committee, urged \$1,000,000 appropriation for new custom house at Philadelphia.

Delegate Quezon in a speech denied reports that Aguinaldo and other Filipino leaders were inciting a revolution in the Philippines.

Congress adjourned at 4:31 p. m. until 11 a. m., Jan. 28, out of respect to the memory of the late Representative Smith of California.

Shipping trust investigating committee continued its hearing with President Preston of United States Fruit company testifying.

The judiciary committee approved the Norris bill, authorizing the government to seize imported merchandise controlled by a trust.

The appropriation of \$50,000 for the Pan-American scientific congress in Washington was urged before the foreign affairs committee.

The legislative executive and judicial appropriation bill sent to conference with instructions to insist upon the senate amendment extending the life of the commerce court to June 30.

The senate has defeated every attempt to amend the Works single six-year presidential term resolution.

When a recess was taken it appeared certain that a final vote on the proposed constitutional amendment would result in its defeat.

Modification of the administrative provisions of the tariff law, the free admission of medicines and surgical instruments for hospitals and scientific apparatus for institutions of research and continuance of free admission of numerous raw materials are being urged before the house committee on ways and means.

The Missouri Pacific is enforcing its anti-drinking rule on the Nebraska division.

After a two days' discussion the house of lords in London, rejected the home rule bill 326 to 69.

Five more indictments were found by the special grand jury investigating New York's 'arson trust.'

Every ten days since New Year's a bank president has been sent to jail from Brooklyn by Supreme Court Justice Crane.

Members of the Chicago National league baseball club will be put on their honor not to drink during the coming season.

The speaker'ship deadlock in the lower house of the Illinois legislature has been broken by the election of William McKinley, democrat, of Chicago, on the seventy-sixth ballot.

The International Brotherhood of Ows, a fraternal brotherhood established in Seattle a year ago, was forever enjoined by the federal district court from using the name 'owl.'

A jury was obtained in the trial of the libel suit in Kansas City against Methodist Bishop David H. Moore of Cincinnati and Mrs. George C. Robinson of Detroit, brought by Mrs. Carrie Cope of Topeka.

One hundred men who had volunteered to build a tabernacle for a revival were buried in piles of broken timbers at Eldorado, Kan., when the roof collapsed. Fifteen were injured, three probably fatally.

'If you abuse people over the telephone, you are just as guilty of disorderly conduct as you would be if you talked to them face to face,' was the ruling made by Municipal Judge Sabath of Chicago.

The Lincoln baseball club of the Western league will have its spring training in Texas and Oklahoma was the announcement made recently by President Jones. Members of the team will be called to meet in Lincoln on March 25.

A letter was introduced into the trial of officials of the National Cash Register company showing that all district managers of the company had been instructed to caution new salesmen against inducing buyers of opposite machines to break their contracts.

A kick on the head by a mule was worth \$3,800 to John Allen, a farmer living near Enid, Okla. Immediately after Allen was operated on for a fracture of the skull, which the mule's kick had inflicted, he remembered where he had buried that amount of money in the financial panic of 1907.

The flood situation is considerably improved at Memphis.

Denver has 235 small farms within the city limits, valued at \$3,406,332.

Milwaukee's 1913 city budget calls for expenditures aggregating \$7,400,000.

The supreme court will take its usual Easter recess from February 3 to 24.

Up to the present time 404 students have registered at the State University at Lincoln.

President Taft nominated Preston A. Worthington to be receiver of public moneys at Burns, Ore.

San Francisco's new garbage incineration plant is to go into operation in March. Cost \$132,075.

Attorney General Wickersham has issued an order barring all visitors from the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan.

President Taft, 'in recognition of his notable effort in behalf of universal peace,' will be presented with a gold medal at a peace testimonial and dinner to be given in New York.

Twelve hundred pupils have been taken out of the public schools of Berkeley, Cal., because of an order issued jointly by the boards of education and health, ordering wholesale vaccination.

Two clever swindlers have reaped a harvest of \$1,475 in the past few days in Omaha through the old scheme of getting farmer, to back them in dollar matching with an alleged wealthy 'friend.'

Grinnell, Ia., women, in a special election, voted overwhelmingly for woman suffrage. Women to the number of 738 visited the polls and of this number 663 were in favor of suffrage and seventy-five were not.

A bandit, disguised by a handkerchief tied over the lower part of his face, robbed the safe of an express car in Chicago and escaped with a bag of currency, thought to contain several thousand dollars.

While playing that they were Indians at their home at Mulvane, Kans., Neal Eck, twelve years old, was shot and instantly killed by his brother Clyde, nine years old. The boys were playing with a 22-calibre rifle.

The Eighth International Dry-Farming Congress, and the International Products Exposition, will open in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on the morning of Wednesday, October 22nd, and close at midnight Saturday, November 1st, 1913.

An unidentified negro, accused of complicity in the killing of a white man at the town of Goldfield last month, was taken from a deputy sheriff on a passenger train near Drew, Miss., by a mob and hanged to a telegraph pole.

The workmen's compensation act, passed by the United States senate and declared by President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor 'the most just and equitable bill ever proposed by any country,' will be favorably reported to the house for final enactment within a few days.

By a unanimous vote the West Virginia legislature ratified the income tax amendment to the federal constitution. Governor Glasscock has announced that he favors the measure. The vote of but one other state is needed to make the amendment constitutional.

Charged with failure to remove cattle from cars every twenty-eight hours to water and feed them, the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, Pennsylvania company and the Pittsburg, Columbus, Chicago & St. Louis railways were given fines aggregating \$12,500 in the United States district court at Pittsburg.

The tinkle of tin cans which had been hung on strips to barbed wire entanglements around the night camp of a detachment of regular troops in the Philippines recently prevented a massacre of the Americans by the fierce Morro tribesmen and resulted in the complete rout of the natives, according to the War department reports.

The jury which is to hear the evidence in the second trial of Clarence S. Darrow, the Chicago lawyer, for alleged jury bribery in the McNamara case has been completed at Los Angeles. As in the first trial it consists of thirteen men, the odd member sitting as an alternative in readiness to take the seat of any regular juror who may become incapacitated.

Prominent Masons in New York, represented by Raymond A. Kline of Brooklyn, recently paid \$1,500 for the old Knights Templar invitation to President McKinley, which was found recently in possession of a pawn broker, who shortly after refused to sell it to Dr. Hermann F. Baer of Mount Vernon for \$500. Dr. Baer is the husband of Mabel McKinley, who was a niece of President McKinley.

Much comment has been given to Nebraska's big apple crop of 1912. The six counties of Butler, Gage, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe and Richardson produced 3,332,690 bushels of apples, according to the figures returned by the Bureau of Industrial Statistics; this is equivalent to 6,665 carloads of apples, the bulk of which went to eastern markets. One grower sent two carloads direct to London, England, at a fancy price.

Drastic action on the part of city and township officials in a territory covering perhaps 500 square miles, with Villisca, Ia., as its central point is being taken to prevent the further spread of hydrophobia, which has been causing considerable havoc among men and beasts in that vicinity for two or three weeks past.

Personal.

President Taft will follow the old inauguration day precedent of riding from the White House to the capitol and return with his successor.

ONE SIX-YEAR TERM

SENATE PASSES RESOLUTION AMENDING CONSTITUTION.

MEASURE NOW GOES TO HOUSE

Bill Restricts Presidents of United States to Only One Term.

Washington, D. C.—A constitutional amendment which would restrict the president of the United States to a single term of six years and would bar Woodrow Wilson and Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft from again seeking election was approved by the senate by a majority of one vote. After a three-day fight, in which the progressives joined with many republicans in opposing the restricted presidential term, the senate adopted the original Works resolution by a vote of 47 to 23.

The language which it is proposed to insert in the constitution in place of the first paragraph of article 2 is as follows:

'The executive power, shall be vested in a president of the United States of America. The term of office of president shall be six years; and no person who has held the office by election or discharged its powers or duties or acted as president under the constitution and laws made in pursuance thereof shall be eligible to hold again the office by election.'

'The president, together with a vice president, chosen for the same term, shall be elected as follows:'

Bill Goes to Lower House.

The resolution proposing the constitutional amendment now goes to the house for its approval. If ratified there by a two-thirds vote it will be submitted to the legislatures of the states and will become effective when three-fourths of the forty-three states of the union officially have approved it.

The adoption of the resolution came at the close of a three days' fight in which repeated unsuccessful attempts were made so to change it that it would not affect former presidents, or the president in office when it may be ratified. An amendment by Senator Hitchcock, that would have exempted former presidents and made the new provision take effect March 4, 1917, was voted down, 42 to 27, and an amendment by Senator Sutherland, to exempt the president in office when the constitutional amendment finally may be ratified, was defeated 33 to 29.

The fate of the resolution was in doubt almost to the last vote cast. On the roll call, Senator Works himself cast the deciding vote.

Lincoln's Mayor is Defendant.

Lincoln, Neb.—Action was begun in the district court of Lancaster county under the Albert law against eight persons in Lincoln charged with operating houses of prostitution. In addition to these, six owners of property in which the places were run were charged with a violation of the same law. Among the latter was Mayor Armstrong, who owns the building operated as the Grace hotel. It is expected that action will be begun against others said to be in the same business. County Attorney Strode filed the papers in the cases.

Sheep Camp Raided; Outfit Destroyed.

Sheridan, Wyo.—Some time during night recently a band of men, said to be about a dozen in number, descended on the sheep camp of G. W. Walsner & Sons, near Arvada, twenty miles from here, drove the herder away at the point of a gun, set fire to the wagon and outfit and burned it. It is reported that a number of sheep were killed.

Anthrax Killing Nebraska Cattle.

Ogallala, Neb.—A fatal outbreak of what veterinarians say they believe to be an apologetic form of anthrax is killing cattle by the cores in western Nebraska. Andrew Tuckson, a ranchman living twenty-five miles north of here, has lost fifty-two head of his herd of 330.

Taft Signs Monument Bill.

Washington.—President Taft signed the resolution providing for the erection here of a memorial to President Lincoln in Potomac park. The plan approved by congress will require a \$2,000,000 appropriation which will be made later.

Joint Offices Discontinued.

New York.—Chairman Lovett of the U. P. executive committee has issued a statement announcing discontinuance of all traffic department representatives joint with Southern Pacific.

Sioux City Has Big Fire.

Sioux City, Iowa.—Fire destroyed the plant of the T. G. Northwall company, automobile and implement dealer, with a loss of \$70,000. Firemen had a hard fight to confine the flames to the Northwall building, but finally succeeded.

Students to Escort Wilson.

New York.—Woodrow Wilson accepted the offer of the students of Princeton university to escort him from his home in Princeton to the White House on inauguration day.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

Geo. W. Brown, a pioneer of Albion, died recently.

Union revival meetings are being held at McCook.

The spring term of District court is in session in Boone county.

Rev. R. A. White, pastor of the First Lutheran church of York, has resigned.

Norman Talmer, aged 8 years, grasped a live wire at Meadow Grove, and in consequence will die.

Michael Donovan, a pioneer Nebraskan of Omaha, is dead at the age of 75 at his home in Victor, Colo.

The home of Albert Snyder, west of Garrison, is quarantined, as one of his children has scarlet fever.

There is a great shortage of freight cars, Omaha roads alone being in need of 599 additional cars.

The Rushville town board and several citizens were in Gordon recently to inspect the air lift water system of that place.

A primary has been called to be held at Edgar February 8 for the purpose of electing a postmaster for that town.

More than 1,000 lumber dealers from Iowa and Nebraska attended the annual convention, which was held in Omaha recently.

Elaborate decorations are being made for the Omaha Automobile Show, which will be held the last week in February.

The board of trustees of the Christian church at Kearney have fixed the date of dedication of their new sanctuary for March 9.

Fred Steel, found guilty of passing worthless checks in North Platte, was given a sentence of from one to 20 years in the penitentiary.

The Sunday school conference of the Congregational church of the Beatrice district was held recently at the Congregational church of that city.

There is an ordinance pending before the city council of Fremont, the object of which will be to prevent the showing of moving pictures on Sunday.

Gov. Morehead has announced that he will not appoint the board of control until after the legislature has passed a bill under which the board will operate.

The Kearney Baseball association announces that enough money has been subscribed to insure a baseball team in Kearney during the coming season.

One hundred and fifty railroad men of Fremont and vicinity assembled to hear an address by J. W. Scott of Kansas City on 'The Handling of Explosives.'

Dean E. L. Rouse of Peru will deliver the commencement address for the class of 1913 of the Shubert schools. Six students compose this year's class.

James Walling of Hastings has been appointed a member of the staff of Commander-in-Chief Alfred B. Beers of the national Grand Army of the Republic.

As the result of an error being found in the bonds for \$15,000 for the construction of the bridge over the Platte river north of Sutherland, the bonds have been burned.

Frank Black, said to be the last member of the gang of bank robbers, who made their rendezvous in the vicinity of Wymore has been arrested at Muskogee, Okla.

Complaint is made at Arlington that parties are in the habit of shooting at signboard that have been placed at road crossings, and that some of these signs have been entirely destroyed.

G. M. Demming of Fairmont, Neb., was awarded the grand champion wheat sweepstakes and the national sweepstakes for hard wheat at the Nation Corn Exposition in Columbia, S. C.

Mrs. Bemis, an employe of a creamery company at Crete, was killed when Clements Zidhoff, a farmer living near Crete, struck her with his automobile and knocked her down, fracturing her skull.

Contractors have commenced tearing down the old Dawson county court house.

Albert Sausman, the Cortland postmaster who recently pleaded guilty before Judge Munger for violating the United States postal laws, has been taken to the Adams county jail to begin serving his sentence of six months.

Many farmers near Howe are expressing fears for the safety of the wheat crop. The mild weather is not considered the best for fall wheat, and with but little snow the ground is not in condition to protect the young shoots.

The pay roll at the Davis quarry at Blue Springs amounted to \$19,933.07 for the year 1912, as against \$11,236.40 for the year 1911. The number of carloads shipped for the year 1912 was 827 as against 649 for the year 1911.

The Fremont school board recently ordered the work on the new high school building discontinued until spring. The uncertainties of weather conditions have made it impossible to make even fair progress in the winter building campaign.

The Douglas county commissioners at a recent meeting adopted a tax levy of \$136,230 for running the county government the coming year. This is \$11,000 less than the appropriation of a year ago, and it bears no fund to pay off the bonded indebtedness.

Robert A. Billingsley, a young farmer living about five miles northeast of Lexington, was instantly killed as he was helping his brother-in-law, Mr. Farley, fell some large cottonwood trees on Mr. Farley's farm. He was caught under a falling tree and crushed to death.

FREE PASS BILL

MEASURE PROVIDING FOR FREE R. R. PASSES FOR OFFICERS.

GOVERNOR FAVORS THE PLAN

The Bill is An Exact Duplication of Bill Passed by the New Jersey Legislature.

Representative Foster of Douglas county introduced a bill in the lower house, providing that state officers shall be carried free by the railroads in Nebraska.

If passed, this would include the elective state officials, the adjutant general, clerk of the supreme court and officers and members of the legislature.

The state officers would only ride free when on state business, but the legislators, according to this bill, would ride free at all times.

Representative Foster declares that this is an exact duplicate of the bill passed by the New Jersey legislature, and signed by Governor Wilson last year. He also says that Governor Morehead favors it.

McKissick introduced a bill appropriating \$15,000 for a Nebraska exhibit at the Panama-San Francisco exposition, and authorizing a state commission of three appointed by the governor to manage same.

Sugarman introduced a non-partisan judicial election bill.

Other bills of interest included that of Burkett, giving the state railway commission the power to regulate the service of street railway companies, and that of Smith of Douglas, empowering the commission to fix rates for electric light power companies.

The minority report of the workmen's compensation commission, providing an elective system of compensation and a state mutual employe's liability association, was introduced in the house by Bollen and in the senate by Ollis, Brot, Haak and Ayers proposed to let any county employ a county demonstrator of agricultural methods if 5 per cent of the freeholders request it, he to work under the direction of the state agricultural college.

To Investigate Institutions.

Apart from the action of the house in providing for a legislative investigation of the affairs of state institutions for the past ten years, the senate will be given an opportunity to express itself along the same lines. A resolution introduced by Placek of Saunders provides for such an investigation of four years of the Manuel administration of the boys' industrial school at Kearney.

Immediate action was not taken on the resolution, the protest of Cordell of Red Willow being sufficient to lay the matter over one day under the senate rules. A promised deficit of close to \$30,000 at the school furnishes the supporters of the resolution with sufficient reasons for its adoption by the senate. It is likely that former Land Commissioner Cowles of Fairbury, whose rows with Superintendent Manuel during the past two years have been many and varied, will be called in to give testimony if the senate decides to approve the Placek resolution.

Bushes' bill relating to the false advertising of real estate offered an excuse for several senators to give their ideas on the printers' ink game and the real estate business as well. It was finally agreed to by the members, but a somewhat drastic amendment providing that all real estate men should inspect all Nebraska land listed with them for sale before they endeavored to dispose of it to their clients was voted down.

Bills Passed by Senate.

Bills read the third time before the senate and which were passed unanimously by that body:

Senate File No. 110, by Hoagland of Lincoln—Requires irrigation companies to report amounts to be irrigated each year direct to state engineer, instead of to superintendents of water divisions. Also makes more stringent the penalty for not complying with the law.

Senate File No. 105, by Kemp of Nance—Makes smuggling of dope or firearms into the state penitentiary, or any jail of the state a felony and provides punishment therefor.

Senate File No. 86, by Recodification Commission—Anti-sodomy law.

Senate File No. 61, by Grace of Harlan—Provides that railroad, irrigation and canal companies shall maintain passageways over their tracts and ditches.

Senate File No. 102, by Hoagland of Lancaster—Provides for extermination of prairie dogs.

State Treasurer Fiscal Agent.

A bill to make the state treasurer the fiscal agent of the state and to do away with the rather expensive habit of having a financial firm in New York City act in that capacity was considered briefly and received the approval of the senators. The measure is backed by State Treasurer George and other interested parties and will not only prevent commissions and interest money from going out of the state, but will keep the money in the state's strong box, where it can be used to good advantage.

SUNDAY BALL FAVORED.

By Vote of Ten to Twenty-Two Measure to Prevent Sunday Baseball is Defeated.

The senate went on record in favor of Sunday baseball. By a vote of ten to twenty-two it defeated an amendment intended to leave the matter of playing baseball on Sunday to city, village and county officers. The bill under consideration was S. F. 28, by Bartling of Otoe county. The bill is in the same form as the one that passed both houses two years ago and was vetoed by Governor Aldrich.

Hoagland of Lincoln county, chairman of the judiciary committee that placed the bill on the general file, moved to amend the bill by providing that Sunday baseball shall be prohibited in this state except in cities, villages or counties where the officials authorize it to be played. He supported his amendment in an extended speech in which he said the Bartling bill contains a joker. He said it confer no power upon officers to regulate or prohibit the game, and in fact forces Sunday baseball upon every city, village and county in the state.

Placek of Saunders defended the bill and emphatically denied the statement of Hoagland. He said that under the Bartling bill city and village boards and county boards can prohibit the game within their respective jurisdictions.

The Bartling bill amends the present law prohibiting common labor on Sunday or rioting, quarreling, hunting, fishing or shooting, but leaves out all reference to sporting and adds to the present law the following:

'Provided, further that nothing herein shall be construed to prevent or prohibit the playing of lawn tennis, golf or baseball between the hours of 1 and 6 p. m. on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday. Provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing any village, town or city from controlling, regulating or prohibiting the playing of baseball within its corporate limits, or from preventing county boards from controlling, regulating or prohibiting the playing of baseball outside of the corporate limits of towns, villages or cities.'

Proposed Workmen's Compensation.

A minority report of the Nebraska workmen's compensation commission went into the legislature to be introduced at the same time in both houses. It is signed by A. L. Weatherly, Lincoln; A. C. Weitzel, Omaha, and I. D. Evans, Kenedaw, minority members of the commission. For some days, it is stated, they have been going over the compensation laws of various states, notably New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan, and this bill is based largely upon these. It makes it elective whether employer and employe in any factory or industry shall choose to go under the provisions of this act or remain under the old law.

Fifty per cent of the wage is to be paid in case of accident to a workman for total disability for the first 300 weeks, and 40 per cent after that.

Compensation for injury while temporarily disabled is based upon calculations.

In case of death from accident the injured workman's dependents get a maximum compensation of 50 per cent of the wage, or not to exceed \$10 and not less than \$5, and if receiving when he was working less than \$5, get full pay. This compensation runs for 200 weeks.

These compensations, it is stated, are as good as those under present methods. Therefore, it is argued, it is to the advantage of employer and employe to elect to go under this bill, the money paid out and received being the same in either case, but under the act there is no waste of time or money in litigation.

Recommended to Pass.

In committee of the whole the house recommended for passage the following:

House Roll No. 27, by Simon of Douglas—Permitting Omaha to pension widows of police officers from the city funds of not less than \$20 per month.

House Roll No. 14, by Fries of Howard—Providing for the marking of county roads on both boundaries and for monuments of concrete, iron or stone on survey points.

House Roll No. 15, by Fries of Howard—Making it unlawful for any person to establish corners in imitation of corners established by the United States government.

House Roll No. 84, by Anderson of Kearney—Allowing farm mutual insurance companies to insure farm implements, vehicles and tools.

Three-Fourth Jury Verdict.

House Roll No. 46, by Bollen of Knox—For a constitutional amendment permitting a verdict by five-sixths of a jury in all civil cases and in criminal cases, or felonies.

Would Repeal Prairie Dog Law.

Smith of Seward induced the senate to strike a blow at a home industry. In committee of the whole his bill, S. F. 102, to repeal the law for the destruction of prairie dogs, was recommended for passage. An emergency clause was also attached. Smith said he desired to kill the industry of getting money from land owners for the killing of prairie dogs when little evidence had been produced to show that the little dogs had really been killed.