

FROM MANY POINTS

EVENTS OF THE DAY HELD TO A FEW LINES.

LATE EVENTS BOILED DOWN

Personal, Political, Foreign and Other Intelligence Interesting to the General Readers.

CONGRESS.

The senate has confirmed the nominations of Charles J. Neill, as commissioner of labor statistics; J. F. Armstrong of Juneau as governor of Alaska and H. M. Smith as commissioner of fisheries.

Ben C. Davis, confidential secretary to Secretary of State Bryan, was made chief clerk of the state department. Davis lived in Omaha after completing his course at Carthage college, Illinois. He was Mr. Bryan's secretary when the latter was in congress.

Better have a spoils system than an abused civil service system, was the declaration of Senator Overman of North Carolina in the senate when he asked Senator Pomerene, chairman of the civil service commission, when his resolution for investigating the service would be reported on.

In his maiden effort in the house Representative Barton, who succeeds former insurgent Norris in the house, severely criticised the demagogues for passing the tariff bill in secret caucus. He scored the demagogues as fathering a measure that was unjust to the farmer and the people as a whole.

GENERAL.

Robert G. Fowler, the American aviator, made a recent flight across the isthmus in a hydro-aeroplane with a passenger.

More than 200 Americans have left Cananea, Sonora, on special trains for the border. The refugees were thrown out of work by the partial closing down of the plants.

Mrs. Thomas J. Preston of Princeton, formerly Mrs. Grover Cleveland, was elected vice president of the New Jersey association opposed to woman suffrage at the annual meeting.

The New York State Law and Order alliance is "going to see to it" that the race track gambling law is enforced on every track this year, according to its superintendent, George H. West.

Such success has attended the establishment of a co-operative store by the New York Railroads company for the street car employes of New York that a second store has been opened. The receipts for the first day footed up to more than \$500 with everything sold at cost.

To direct the attorney general to collect from the Missouri Pacific \$2,360,000, the outgrowth of financing by the government of the original rail between Hannibal and St. Joseph, Mo., a resolution was introduced by Representative Neely of Kansas.

The Chinese senate has rejected the five-power loan contract. Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the former provisional president, and other leaders have been calling personally on foreign firms and trying to purchase arms for their party to the amount of millions of dollars. They are conspiring to start another revolution, which would provoke foreign intervention and end China's independence.

Evidence of a determination to hurry completion of the Panama canal are seen in reports from the Isthmus. The nine mammoth steam shovels digging at the Culebra cut have been put on twelve-hour shifts and working at such a rate would have the canal ready for ships through the most troublesome part of the canal by the time the locks are ready. While the last official estimates of the earliest date at which ships could pass through the canal has been some time in October, the rapid work may make it possible for ships to go through earlier.

Vaccination parties have become a fad in the Swedish capital as the result of an outbreak of smallpox. In many of the fashionable residences at homes are given during the afternoon. A doctor is invited to vaccinate the guests and when the ordeal is over there is a dinner party. The demand for vaccine has been so great that the local supply is exhausted and orders for a sufficient quantity of it to treat 100,000 persons have been ordered from abroad.

Governor A. O. Eberhart of Minnesota, has signed the minimum wage bill passed at the session of the legislature just closed, which provides for a commission and gives it power to investigate vice conditions in the state.

The record was set at an auction sale of the Mediaeval art collection of the late J. Malcom, when limoges enamel salt cellars went for \$18,375. They were decorated in translucent colored enamel. A packet of upward of 600 love letters of Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning brought \$22,750.

W. C. Patterson of Los Angeles, Cal., died at Naples.

Two men were burned to death and three fatally injured in a fire which partly destroyed the Hotley house, a three-story structure, at Oswego, New York.

Refused permission to play accordian at a party, Joseph Conjuan of Dayton, Pa., emptied his revolver into the guests, shooting four, three of whom will die. He then fled.

Five of the big hangars on Hempstead Plains aviation field, where some of America's foremost aviators learned to fly, were destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$25,000.

The new city wells at Creighton, recently sunk by the construction company putting in the extension of the water system, were tested and proved satisfactory.

To provide adequate facilities for the movement of northwestern crops for the year 1913, approximately 20,000 units of rolling stock shortly will be placed in service by the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul & Omaha at a cost of \$25,000,000.

The joint commission of the Methodist Protestant church and the Christ, in session at Columbus, O., Church of the United Brethren of recently unanimously adopted a basis of union for the two churches, forming a new denomination, to be known as the United Protestant church.

Mrs. John Kazuus, a bride of three days, is in a critical condition and may die, as a result of dancing too much at her wedding. The Polish custom of dancing with the bride for \$1 a dance is responsible. During the 23rd dance and with 293 silver dollars constituting the bride's dowry, Mrs. Kazuus collapsed and may not recover.

Twenty-one negro refugees and two white men were drowned when the steamer Concordia, engaged in rescue work in the upper Louisiana flood district struck a railroad bridge at Clayton, La., and sank. The Concordia was bringing to Natchez refugees rescued from house tops, above Clayton, several miles inland from the river.

William B. Dingwall, an American citizen, owner of a foundry and director of the Santa Maria de la Paz Mining company, was killed by the rebels in their attack on Matehuala, state of San Luis Potosi. Dingwall, who is said to have been one of the wealthiest residents of the district, was killed when he refused to contribute to the revolution.

The great strike of working men in Belgium, to force the government to grant manhood suffrage, began quietly and at nightfall it was estimated that 200,000 men throughout the country had quiet work. This number is at least 100,000 short of the socialist predictions and the clerical press calls the movement a "pitiable fiasco."

Henry Wedland and Alexander Drummond, young men of Brooklyn, N. Y., captured by R. I. Davison of Dayton, O., a Yale senior, at the point of a silver pencil, while ransacking his room in Vanderbilt hall, on the Yale campus, were in the city court charged with burglary. In the dim light of the room the burglars thought the pencil leveled at them by Davison as he entered was a pistol.

The headquarters of the woman's social and political union, the militant suffragette party, situated in Kingsway, were raided by police, in search of evidence against the militant leaders. The police were commanded by Superintendent Pack Quinn, of Scotland Yard, who has been placed in charge of a department for dealing with the suffragettes. Miss Barbara Kerr, the secretary of the woman's social and political union; Misses Lake, Lennox and Barrett, and Mrs. Saunders, the officials of the society, who were in charge of the offices at the time of the raid, were arrested, and a large quantity of documents was seized.

SPORT.

Pitcher "Bob" Smith has been released by the Chicago Americans to the Minneapolis American association team. He was purchased by Chicago from Boise, Idaho.

The Wisconsin assembly endorsed Hedding bill, which provides ten round no decision bouts to be held under strict supervision by the state commission. No bouts are permitted on Sunday.

Manager Jennings of the Tigers is using his southpaw pitcher, Bert Claus, every minute in the day pitching to batters in the hope that the Tigers may overcome their weakness against southpaws.

Twenty-seven cars have been entered in the 600-mile automobile race to be held at Indianapolis on Memorial day. Only twenty-four cars competed last year. Among the cars are seven of European make.

George Brooks, football coach of the University of Pennsylvania, in an effort to bring on drop kickers and punters for the red and blue eleven, has adopted the idea of competition in these branches among the undergraduates.

Ad Wolgast, former lightweight champion, and Johnny Dundee, the New York featherweight, will box twenty rounds at Vernon arena the night of June 3 if Wolgast accepts an offer for such a match made him recently.

Cobb has been formally and permanently reinstated in organized baseball and fined \$50 by the national commission.

The New York club has sold Pitcher Paddy Green, the Holyoke recruit, to the Pittsburgh club of the National league, all cities except Pittsburgh having waived on him.

JAPAN TO PROTEST

THEIR MINISTER INSTRUCTED TO TAKE MATTER UP.

RUMORED WAR TALK RIDICULED

Leaders of Public Opinion Advise Calmness and Strongly Oppose Jingoism.

San Francisco, Cal.—A cablegram from Tokio to the Japanese American, a Japanese daily of this city, states that the Japanese government cabled instructions to Baron Chinda, Japanese ambassador at Washington, to make formal protest against the alien land bill enacted by the California legislature and now awaiting Governor Johnson's signature. The message adds that the position taken by the Japanese government is that the United States government is responsible for the finding of a satisfactory solution of the situation in California under its treaty obligations to Japan.

Describing the receipt of news from Sacramento that the bill had passed both houses of the legislature, the message says: "When the Japanese people received the report that the alien land law had passed the California legislature, all the people were deeply disappointed."

Appreciates Wilson's Efforts. The Japanese press expresses a general appreciation of the efforts of President Wilson in behalf of a land bill in California that would be unobjectionable to the Japanese.

Leaders of public opinion in Japan are advising that an attitude of calmness be maintained in the present situation.

Such men as Baron Shibusawa and Chairman Nakano of the Tokio chamber of commerce, publicly assert confidence in the American government and people alike, and are opposed to discriminatory measures of legislation. They declare that every effort must now be made to discover and eradicate the root of antagonism to the Japanese in California that amicable relations may be restored.

While the Japanese newspapers voice these same sentiments, they blame the government for what they term a "failure of diplomacy." Special dispatches received from Washington telling of reported plans for the mobilization of the Japanese navy are read here with ridicule by those best informed on naval plans.

Killed by Jump from Bridge.

Akron, O.—Three men were killed and a boy, the son of one of them, was seriously injured when they leaped from a trestle at Thompson's crossing, two miles north of here, to escape an approaching train. They were dead when picked up from the river bottom, 150 feet below. The dead are: Thomas Brown, Akron; William Sabin, Litchfield, O.; and Albert Schmidt, Lima, O.

Lee Brown, 14, son of Thomas Brown, fell on soft earth and escaped with serious injuries. The party was returning from a fishing trip on a handcar when they saw the train, a special on the Northern Ohio railroad, approaching as they went out on the long trestle. Believing their only way to escape lay in jumping, they leaped and were killed.

Wisdom Gained by Fasting.

Boston, Mass.—Prof. Herbert Sydney Landfield of Harvard made his report on the thirty-day hunger test to which Agostine Levanzin, an Italian scholar, submitted at the Carnegie Nutrition laboratory here a year ago. Levanzin was imprisoned in a calorimeter and given nothing but a pint and a half of water daily to sustain life. Prof. Landfield now reports that as the result of the experiment, the man's memory and eye-sight were improved by starvation and that as the body gets weaker from the exhaustion of doing without food, the mind increases in strength and activity.

Portland Adopted Commission Form.

Portland, Ore.—The rechecking of the returns on the vote cast at the special charter election showed that the commission form of government had been adopted in Portland.

Attempts to Kill Self.

Sioux Falls, S. D.—Despondency brought on when a physician garnished his wages, prompted Joe Van Hess, age 27, to attempt his own life here tonight.

To Rest One Day in Seven.

Madison, Wis.—The assembly ordered to engrossment a bill requiring all employes except railroads to give their employes one day's rest in seven.

Coal Land Deeded Back.

Denver, Colo.—Coal land involving 3,400 acres and valued at approximately \$1,000,000 was surrendered to the United States government by the Colorado Fuel and Iron company in consideration of dismissal of a suit involving 5,800 acres.

Says He Took Part in Holdup.

Howe, Okla.—Bob Howe, a youth of this place, confessed he took part in the hold-up of a Rock Island train October 8, last. Frank Prince was sentenced to 25 years for the robbery.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

Judge Calvin Keller of Fayette, Idaho, returned to Creighton, his former home, on a business trip.

The annual meet of the northeast Nebraska high school league will be held at Creighton on May 16.

The Hooper Commercial club has elected Glen Howard president; B. Monnich, vice president, and H. G. Meyer, secretary-treasurer.

Hotel Inspector Ackerman has appointed F. W. Brown, Jr., of Lincoln assistant hotel inspector and Miss Cecile Snapp, stenographer.

Joseph Havir, an employe of the Burlington shops at Plattsmouth, was killed by the bursting of the flywheel on a gasoline engine in his home.

D. C. Lancaster, who has conducted a general merchandise store at Holmesville for some time, closed the doors the other day and departed for Canada.

The Howard Stove works of Ralston, has filed with the secretary of state articles of incorporation for an increase of its capital stock from \$200,000 to \$300,000.

Prof. L. F. Stoddard has resigned from the position of supervisor of music in the Beatrice public schools and as soon as school closes will move his family to Texas.

Editor Jordan of the Upland Eagle is a candidate for the position of county judge in Franklin county, the position having been made vacant by the resignation of Judge Kelso.

Governor Morehead and Henry Gerdes, a member of the state board of control, contracted for the purchase of 200 acres of land located near the state industrial school at Kearney.

J. M. Hurst, who has been justice of the peace at Wymore for some time has been appointed police judge at that place by Mayor Reuling, to succeed Judge F. E. Crawford, resigned.

Wymore will not experience a "drought" as had been expected. C. M. Murdock has decided not to appeal his remonstrance to the district court, in the cases of Edward Piesar, Elmer Fredrick and Clyde Lynch.

Bryan Miller of Davenport, who has been serving the navy in the Philippines for the last four years, has returned. Warden Fenton has appointed him a guard at the penitentiary at Lincoln and he will at once take up his new duties.

Lester Rousen was arrested by Sheriff Chase at Ralston. Rousen an employe of the traction company and is wanted in Lincoln to answer charges of wife desertion and obtaining money under false pretenses. A reward of \$100 was offered for his arrest.

M. M. McComas, a farmer living in the vicinity of Perle, has on exhibition a freak in the form of an eight-legged pig which was but recently born upon his farm. The pig has two bodies, one apparently quite normal, the other imperfect, but each having four legs.

Adjutant General Hall has received notice that four members of Company A, Fourth Regiment of Omaha, have been arrested for stealing an automobile in that city. He has ordered an investigation of the matter and if the men are guilty they will be dishonorably discharged from the guard.

A total of 1,315 automobiles was registered at the office of the secretary of state during the month just closing. This is by far the greatest registration ever made in this state, and indicates that the financial condition of affairs as far as Nebraska is concerned, at least, is very satisfactory.

A bronze medal, believed by experts to be genuine, that was presented by the continental army to George Washington upon his retirement as commander-in-chief, has come into possession of Mrs. Mary Stoddard, a well-known Fremont woman who has one of the rarest collections of relics in the country.

A horse, characterized in the petition filed when the suit was started as a "cribber" a wind-sucker and a stumpsucker, is the basis of an appeal brought to the state supreme court from Pawnee county. The case is known as Frank Haar against Frank Howard. Something like \$219 in all is involved in the action.

Ralph, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buchman, caught his left hand in a piece of twine dangling from a shaft in the York Brick and Tile Co.'s plant. He was picked up and whirled through space at the rate of 160 revolutions a minute. His left arm was badly wrenched from the socket and his feet badly bruised.

Fees collected by the secretary of state during the month of April show a revival of business for that office. The detailed list, totaling \$1,730, included the following collections: For issuance of notarial commissions, \$81; for collection of back taxes on automobile registrations, \$43; for recording brands, \$82; for filing articles of incorporation, \$1,435, and corporation taxes, \$10.

The Hastings Chamber of Commerce is planning to hold a banquet here about June 1 to celebrate the opening of the new Hastings & Northwestern railroad.

In the federal court the Elkhorn River Drainage district, with headquarters at Fremont, was given judgment against the Bankers Surety company of Cleveland, O., in the amount of \$14,850. The suit was brought to obtain liquidated damages at the rate of \$30 a day for delay of the Standard Drainage company in completing its contract for the work of straightening the Elkhorn river.

ENTERED BY FRAUD

STATE VETERINARIAN TESTS SEVERAL SHIPMENTS.

FROM NEW YORK AND ILLINOIS

Fraudulent Certificates of Health Accompany Shipments and Make Trouble for Buyers.

Lincoln.—Investigations have been going on for some time by Dr. A. Bostrom, state veterinarian, regarding certain shipments of cattle into this state from other states which indicated that Nebraska was being made the dumping ground for cattle affected with tuberculosis. After a thorough investigation of the cases Dr. Bostrom issued the following statement:

"Fraudulent health certificates covering shipments of cattle from Illinois and New York have recently been giving the Nebraska state veterinarian much trouble and the innocent buyers of such cattle have suffered much inconvenience, worry and financial loss.

"About January 1 sixty-five head of dairy cows, Holstein and a few Guernseys, were shipped by R. D. Quail of Earlville, N. Y., to Quail & Son of Miller, Neb. About one month later these cattle were sold at a public sale at Grand Island, Neb. These cattle were accompanied by a certificate issued by Dr. J. E. York of Earlville, N. Y., stating that they had passed the tuberculosis test. No copy of the certificate had been forwarded to the Nebraska state veterinarian, as required by the Nebraska state sanitary regulations. We had absolutely no knowledge that these cattle were shipped into this state, nor that they were to be sold at a public sale.

"At this sale eighteen head were bought by Joe Horsley of Sheridan, Wyo., and the question of a health certificate came up to comply with the Wyoming interstate regulations. This led to some suspicion that these cattle had come into this state without a proper health certificate, and therefore they were tested and the result was that five out of the eighteen reacted to the tuberculin test. These five animals were ordered to be shipped to South Omaha, to be disposed of under the supervision of the government inspectors. Instead of shipping them to South Omaha they were shipped to St. Joseph, Mo., thereby violating the federal law prohibiting the interstate shipment of tubercular reactors. The government inspectors at St. Joseph found all five to be affected with generalized tuberculosis and reported the same to this office.

Inspectors Have Conference. Lincoln.—Oil inspectors and food inspectors, now under one general department head, held a conference and school with Food Commissioner Harman. The men had their duties outlined anew under the provisions of the law consolidating the two departments. It is probable that the inspectors will not be confined strictly to congressional districts as they have in the past, but that trips will be made in accordance with a plan promulgated by Commissioner Harman looking to the accomplishment of more work at less expense and in less time than formerly.

Flaw in Compensation Act. Lincoln.—Representative Richardson of Lancaster has found some defect in the workmen's compensation law passed by the recent legislature, and while he will not divulge just what the trouble is, he showed enough agitation over the matter in his anxiety to get hold of the attorney general to leave the impression that the defect must be serious. As soon as Chief Clerk Richmond of the house was informed of the trouble, he at once got in communication with Guy Cramer of Omaha, one of the chief workers for a compensation act during the session, and with Omaha attorneys, whom it is claimed have also discovered defects in the bill which may render the law unconstitutional.

Half Million in Treasury.

Lincoln.—State Treasurer George has prepared his monthly statement of the financial condition of the state treasury at the close of business April 30, which shows a balance of \$542,113.33. The balance at the close of business last month was \$487,327.19. The receipts since that time have been \$234,145.24, and the expenditures \$179,359.10. The cash on hand amounts to \$6,022.73, while there is on deposit \$536,090.60.

New Hotel Laws Are Sent Out.

Lincoln, Neb.—Hotel Commissioner Ackerman is forwarding to proprietors of hotels, rooming houses, restaurants and apartment houses copies of the new hotel laws which he expects to put into operation just as soon as the legal interim is up. Until that time, July 16, he will gather information with regard to the names of the hotels, the number of rooms each and other general data relative to the compliance with the existing hotel laws.

CAPITAL CITY NOTES.

Recent Lincoln Happenings Tensely Told.

Whatever may be said of the session of the legislature just closed, the farmers as a body have fared well at their hands. Matters of merit affecting the welfare of the farmer have received favorable consideration at their hands. Among the laws finally passed are:

A non-salaried live stock sanitary commission.
A non-salaried good roads commission.
A new stallion registration law.

Important amendments to the irrigation laws.
Strengthening of the anti-discrimination law.

A "blue sky" law which will censor the offering of shady investments.
A proposed amendment to the constitution for a new system of revenue and taxation with a tax commission to report to the next legislature.

A complete new insurance code conducted by an insurance commission.
A county telephone law.

A building for agriculture and horticulture on the State Fair grounds.
The appropriations carried in the general maintenance bill are:

Three-fourths mill levy for university extension, one-third of which is for State Farm use in case removal fails.
\$37,500 at North Platte Experiment Station.
\$5,000 at Scottsbluff.
\$13,500 at Valentine.
\$10,000 at Culbertson.
\$50,000 at Curtis.
\$10,000 at North Platte for Dairy equipment.
\$30,000 for State Live Stock Sanitary Board.
\$4,000 for State Board of Agriculture.
\$4,000 for State Poultry Association.
\$5,000 for State Horticultural society.
\$2,000 for State Corn Improvers' association.
\$2,000 for Live Stock association.
\$2,000 for State Dairymen's association.

\$15,000 for School of Agriculture and Home Economics.
\$5,000 for entomologist.
\$12,000 for Nebraska Conservation and Soil Survey.
\$3,000 for State Agricultural Botanical Works.
\$15,000 for hog cholera serum production.
\$15,000 for hog cholera serum subsidy fund.

Besieged by Bakers.

As a result of the announcement of Food Commissioner Harman that all bread must be wrapped before leaving the place of manufacture, and that all bread wagons must be kept in sanitary places over night, the pure food commissioner was kept busy answering phone calls of protest and personal calls from bakers in the city of Lincoln, protesting against the order. Commissioner Harman was, however, firm in his declaration to compel the manufacturers of bread to live up to the sanitary laws of the state, and will enforce the provision of the pure food act covering sanitary conditions. The law also states that all drivers of bakery wagons shall wear clean clothes. This will also be enforced.

Errors Being Corrected.

Senate File 307, the bill creating a revenue and taxation commission, which was mixed up in a legislative muddle with another bill covering the same subject, but which was signed by the governor in place of the one which passed both houses, has been fixed up and the governor has affixed his signature.

House Roll 615, a bill appropriating \$2,000 to Mrs. Nichols as a relief for the loss of her son while in the service of the state, reached the governor showing only an appropriation of \$1,500. This was also shown to be a mistake of the engrossing clerk, and the amount has been substituted as it passed both houses and Mrs. Nichols will receive the full amount.

Meets at Lincoln.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Nebraska Academy of Sciences will be held in Lincoln Friday and Saturday, May 16 and 17. Sessions will be held at the University temple on Friday, a general session being held in the forenoon and sectional meetings in the afternoon. The annual banquet will be held Friday evening. A field day excursion is being arranged for Saturday. The program will be issued within the next few days. The numbers already arranged for promise to be of remarkable interest.

Requisition Granted.

A requisition was granted by Governor Morehead on the request of the governor of Illinois for William McCurry, a 17-year-old boy, who was wanted for the crime of assault committed on Mina Armstrong, a 15-year-old girl at Hillsbury, Ill.

University Bill Without Flaw.

Lincoln.—Fears that the bill passed making an appropriation for the extension of the University of Nebraska on its present site or removing it to the state farm and submitting the location matter to a vote of the people would not hold in the courts on account of legislative defects, have been set at rest. Secretary of State Wait declared that the records show the measure bears the signature of the chief clerk of the house along with the other officers of the legislature and that its legality is incontestable.