

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.

Representative Rupley has introduced bill to increase the supreme court by two justices.

Senator Lane has introduced a bill to remove federal restrictions in the manufacture of denatured alcohol.

Senator Fall asked consideration for his resolution for protection of Americans in foreign countries and precipitated a general discussion of the Mexican situation.

Republican House Leader Mann is filibustering against any business in an effort to force the democrats to allow the republicans to discuss Diggs-Caminetti white slave cases.

Democratic members of The House banking committee who are opposed to various features of the Glass currency bill have drafted another bill to submit to President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo informally.

Representative Hardwick has introduced two resolutions embracing a budget system designed to overcome objections which caused regulating budget scheme by democratic caucus.

Chairman Simmons of the Senate finance committee has announced that the tariff bill would be taken up paragraph by paragraph for amendment as soon as the republicans have concluded their debate.

Domestic.

The average age of death in this country is 38.8 years.

Nine electric engines for the New York Central will haul 1,000-ton trains at a rate of sixty miles an hour.

Governor Sulzer, after characterizing the Binghamton, N. Y., fire as a "terrible catastrophe," declared in a statement that the people of the state "will hold Mr. Murphy of Tammany hall responsible."

The business section of the town of Honeoye, N. Y., was thrown into a panic when dynamite which John Everett was carrying through the district in a basket exploded. Everett was killed, but no others were injured.

Francis B. Sayre, fiance of Miss Jessie Wilson, the president's daughter, says he has been offered the position of secretary to President Garfield of Williams college, but has not yet decided whether he would accept.

Julian Hawthorne and Dr. William J. Morton, serving a year's sentence in the Atlanta penitentiary for misuse of the mails, have been recommended for parole by the parole board and the question of the release is now under consideration by Attorney General McReynolds.

Having crossed the Pacific ocean in a sixty-foot Sampson, with a six-inch map of North America and a primitive compass to guide them on their seventy-day voyage, eight Japanese captured at the village on the coast north of Vancouver, B. C., were deported.

Dr. H. F. Asbury a member of the lower branch of the West Virginia legislature, was found guilty by a jury at Webster Springs, W. Va., of having accepted a bribe for his vote in the recent contest for a United States senator. Asbury is the third of seven legislators to be convicted.

A constitutional amendment to empower congress to regulate marriage and divorce has been proposed in a joint resolution by Representative Edmonds of Pennsylvania. The amendment would provide that congress have the power to establish uniform laws on the subject of marriage and divorce.

News has reached Denver of the recent finding of the body of J. D. Sargent, the solitary occupant of the famous \$500,000 Swiss cottage built by Robert Ray Hamilton, a wealthy New York man, in the remote Jackson Hole in northwestern Wyoming. Sargent was found in the house and evidently died from self-inflicted gunshot wounds.

Litigation at 90 cents a case is the unusually cheap price Kansas City, Mo., paid in settling 5,534 legal cases in the last twelve months. That record was achieved by the city's free legal aid bureau. The cases included the collecting of \$10,962 in 2,396 wage claims, the handing of 304 nonsupport cases and 178 child and wife abandonment cases.

Major Beecher B. Ray of the army pay corps has applied to the district supreme court to enjoin Secretary Garrison from certifying to the president for promotion any other officer who would thus be jumped over him.

Chicago health board offers free typhoid serum inoculation to 1,000 citizens to popularize the idea.

Charles P. Chase of Croton, N. Y., a fireman and engineer on the New York Central for the last eighteen years, has been appointed a public service commissioner at a salary of \$15,000.

About 2,400 men will be required for the operation and maintenance of the Panama canal.

Fire which threatened an entire block caused a loss estimated at \$500,000 in the wholesale district at Indianapolis.

Representative Clark of Florida introduced a concurrent resolution reaffirming the onrce doctrine. It was referred to the foreign affairs committee and was directed against "people with whom the Caucasian cannot and will not assimilate."

H. Johnson, formerly of Innesa county, Minnesota, obtained a \$14,000 farm after waiting in front of the land office at Moose Jaw Sask., from May 20 to July 1.

John O'Callaghan, secretary of the United Irish League of America since its founding in 1901, died at a hospital in Boston after an illness of two days. He was 48 years old.

Another advance of 5 cents a barrel in the price of crude oil was announced at Independence, Kans., the new price, 98 cents for all grades making the mid-continent field.

The main building of the American Agricultural Chemical company's plant at North Weymouth, Mass., and eleven cottages, occupied by employees, were burned, the loss exceeding \$500,000.

Formal recommendation to the attorney general of the appointment of Merton L. Corey of Clay Center, to be solicitor general of the Treasury department has been made by Senator Hitchcock.

John O'Brien, the Columbia football star and heir to \$1,200,000, for whom his classmates have been looking since he disappeared from New York two years ago, has been found in Van Buren, Ark.

Concerted opposition has developed in congress to Postmaster General Burleson's order reducing parcel post rates and increasing the maximum size of the packages to be handled in the service.

True bills charging complicity in incendiary fires were voted by a Chicago grand jury against Joseph Fish, head of Joseph Fish & Co., public fire insurance adjusters, and nine others, two of whom are reported to be women.

Legislation designed to prevent the employment of children under 14 years of age in mines and factories and to prevent the employment of women in manufacturing establishments for more than eight hours a day was considered by the house labor committee.

A new policy toward Nicaragua, involving the virtual control of the affairs of that republic by the United States trust protectorate, similar to that now exercised over Cuba, was outlined by Secretary Bryan at a conference with members of the senate foreign relations committee.

Back from Europe, where it has investigated agricultural conditions the American commission on agriculture co-operation announced that it has obtained a wealth of information which it believes will enable it to prepare its report and submit the document before the end of the present year.

Two masked highwaymen, armed with revolvers and rifles, halted the Blarsteden, Gold Lake and Green Camp stage near Gold Lake, Cal., a summer resort. A second stage that had been following the first came upon the scene while the robbers were relieving passengers of valuables and the two beat a retreat under a fire of bullets.

Marching progress has laid hands upon the last landmark in Richmond of Edgar Allen Poe. His boyhood home, the house of the Allens, long ago gave place to commercial buildings, the Swin tavern and the Bird-in-Hand have passed away, and now the city has begun razing the old-fashioned brick building in which the poet edited the Southern Literary Messenger. Approaches to a new concrete bridge over the James river will take its place.

The wedding of Prince Arthur of Connaught and the duchess of Pife will be solemnized in the chapel of Royal St. James palace October 15. The prince of Wales will be best man.

The proposed treaty between the United States and Nicaragua evokes a few sarcastic comments in the German press on President Wilson's return to the system, of "dollar diplomacy."

A thirty-five mile cable for telephone connections between Vancouver and Vancouver Island has been received from England. It cost over \$100,000, weighs 560,000 pounds, and the expense in laying was \$20,000.

From statistics published by the Geographic and Statistical institute at Madrid, it appears that 184,410 persons emigrated from Spain during the ten months ending October, 1912, whereas in 1911 only 161,267 persons left the country in twelve months.

St. Thomas and the neighboring islands experienced a prolonged and unusually severe earthquake recently. No damage was reported.

Sugar-refining profits in Australia by the large company operating there were \$1,135,000 for the six months ending, March 31, 1913, half of which was earned in Fiji and New Zealand.

DIXON IS RELEASED

MEXICANS ARREST SOLDIERS WHO SHOT HIM.

U. S. CONSUL ACTS PROMPTLY

Wounded Man Now in El Paso Hospital and Has Good Chance for Recovery.

El Paso, Tex.—Charles B. Dixon, Jr., the United States immigration inspector who was shot in Juarez Saturday by Mexican soldiers, has been released from the Juarez hospital and brought to El Paso after American Consul T. D. Edwards had made a demand for his release and for the arrest of the men who shot him.

Mexican Consul Miranda and Guillermo Porras, ex-secretary of state of Chihuahua, also interceded for the release of Dixon, after conferences with United States officials, who represented to the Mexicans the grave impression that had been produced in Washington by the news of the shooting of the inspector.

The demand of Consul Edwards was in vigorous language. First telling the Mexican authorities that Dixon must be delivered up to his friends and permitted to be brought to El Paso without delay, the consul said relative to repatriation: "I do not merely request the arrest of these men, but in the name of the United States government, which I have the honor to represent, I demand their immediate arrest and their trial and punishment for this crime. My government will hold the military authorities of Juarez personally responsible for failure to obey this command."

Arthur Walker, whom Dixon was investigating when he was arrested, and the soldiers who made the arrest were immediately placed in jail, according to the report of Colonel Castro, commanding the Juarez garrison, to F. W. Berkshire, supervising inspector of immigration for the United States on the Mexican border.

Dixon was released to Mr. Berkshire brought to El Paso to a hospital, where his physicians believe he will recover.

Canal Ready in April. Washington, D. C.—Tentative plans for sending the Atlantic fleet through the Panama canal in April have been prepared by the navy department by direction of the secretary of the navy, who is now on the Pacific coast, making an inspection with a view to establish a naval base.

Arrangements are being made to send practically the entire Pacific fleet to the Atlantic coast next spring through the canal.

War department officials say that the canal will be ready for emergency purposes late this fall, and it will be possible to send battleships to the Pacific coast if necessity demands. Colonel Goethals has made a confidential report to the effect that the big waterway can be opened to navigation in October unless unforeseen difficulty develops.

California Line Raises Wages. Los Angeles, Cal.—More than 2,000 employes of the Pacific Electric Railway company, conductors and motor men, freight and work train men and yard men on the interurban lines will receive an increase of pay ranging from 8 to 10 per cent, effective from July 1. The increase, according to the officials, will range on an average of from \$5 to \$10 per month per man, and means an additional monthly outlay by the electric railroad of approximately \$15,000.

"P. C." Means Plow Corn. Aurora, Ill.—"Too many persons who see the sign 'P. C.' in the heavens think it means 'Preach Christ,' when it means 'plow corn,'" said Vice President Thomas R. Marshall in addressing twenty thousand persons who had gathered at Mooseheart, Ill., to attend the laying of the cornerstone of a \$5,000,000 industrial school and home for orphaned children and the aged. The institution is to be erected by the Loyal Order of Moose.

Wedding Aboard Ship. Oakland, Cal.—Miss Marion Southern of San Francisco and Ralph Dabadie of Alameda began married life on the bounding wave. The wedding ceremony took place on the yacht Speedwell, out in the bay, while the guests, on the various other yachts of the fleet, were in as close attendance as safety would admit.

Dies, Claiming Innocence. Leavenworth, Kan.—James R. Todd, who was serving a life sentence for a stage coach robbery in Oregon thirty years ago, died in the federal prison here.

Baby Badly Scalded. Tecumseh, Neb.—A 15-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brown at Cook, this county, was painfully scalded from water from a washing machine which poured upon his body after the child had pulled the plug from the machine. He will recover.

Wheat Stacks Burned. York, Neb.—Fire destroyed thirteen stacks of wheat belonging to F. W. Kellum, who lives one and a half miles east of this city. The loss is estimated at \$2,000.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

Everett S. Frost has been appointed postmaster at Opportunity, Holt county, Nebraska, vice W. L. Downing, resigned.

The remains of A. A. Bowman, engineer on the Burlington derrick at the Platte river bridge who was fatally scalded, were taken to Quincy, Ill., for burial.

The Gage County Teachers' Institute will be held at Beatrice August 25-29. Carroll G. Pearse of Milwaukee formerly superintendent of schools in Beatrice, will appear on the program.

A fire in the home of W. H. Carson at Geneva gave the firemen a run. The fire was extinguished before much damage was done. It probably originated from a carelessly dropped match.

The railway commission has permitted the Burlington to make a 3-cent reduction on the charges for shipping mineral water and soda pop from Milford to Lincoln. The new rate is 6 cents a hundred.

Petitions are being circulated in Burt county to get signers for a \$100,000 court house. Bonds of this nature can now be secured under the new law passed last winter, by signatures, instead of an election.

The marriage of John G. Trude of Omaha and Miss Emma E. Pfeiffer was solemnized at the home of the bride's mother at Cortland, Rev. Adam Jungmeyer of the German Methodist church performing the ceremony.

The recent rain washed the ground out from under the brick engine house of the Minnehadua mill at Valentine and so undermined it that the whole of the northwest section had to be taken down and will have to be rebuilt.

A school in packing and grading apples will be maintained on the state fair grounds September 1 to 5. The instruction will be given by experts and will qualify the patrons for work in the apple orchards at excellent wages.

H. W. Cockrell of Papillion, Neb., sold a drove of yearling cattle at the South Omaha yards that brought \$8.20 per hundred pounds. The consignment was handled by Byers & Co. This is the high price of the year for yearlings.

William Martin, from near Stella, purchased the Henry Schwan farm of 160 acres, two miles north of Humboldt for \$28,000, or \$175 per acre, being the highest price ever paid for a quarter section in that part of Richardson county.

Workmen who were excavating for the basement of the new Telegram building at Columbus, unearthed three skeletons. The bones were found in an old unused vault and those who have examined them say they are males.

Secretary of war, Lindley M. Garrison, has accepted the Omaha Commercial club's invitation to be its guest at an informal luncheon, August 28. This information comes to General F. A. Smith, through whom negotiations have been conducted.

Over 2,000 chickens were loaded on a car at Valentine and shipped to New York City. There were farmers from all sections of the country there with chickens, and the car was over half filled at that point, there being a few over 2,000 bought here.

The northwestern part of Jefferson county was visited by a light rain and there is considerable rejoicing among the farmers in that vicinity. In the neighborhood of a quarter of an inch of rain fell. The early and late corn is badly in need of moisture.

S. R. McKelvie of Lincoln, lieutenant governor of Nebraska, will be the orator of the day at Dunbar on the occasion of the annual picnic, which takes place Tuesday, August 12. A program of fine attractions has been secured, and a big attendance is assured.

W. A. Taylor of the Omaha-Denver Good Roads association has been notified by the Goodrich tire manufacturers that they have completed arrangements to erect permanent markers every turn in the overland route between Omaha and Denver, via Lincoln and Hastings.

Several counties have not sent the summaries of agricultural statistics to the state board of agriculture as required by the Scott act. The following counties are missing: Boyd, Butler, Cherry, Daws, Deuel, Douglas, Furnas, Gage, Holt, Jefferson, Nuckolls and York. Lincoln is incomplete.

The first State bank of Lodge Pole filed an application with the State Banking board and has been granted a charter to do business. The bank is incorporated for \$20,000 and its officers are: W. G. Melton, president; A. B. Persinger and B. J. Bates, vice presidents, and J. W. Rogers, cashier.

Eighteen carpenters who struck at the Fremont high school building last week are still out, with no immediate prospect of settlement. The strike is in sympathy with the union in Omaha, which is demanding 55 cents an hour from Omaha contractors. Omaha contractors are building the Fremont high school.

State Hotel Commissioner Ackerman has collected license fees from 801 hotels, which at the rate of \$2 each makes a total of \$1,602. The law requiring the payment of such a fee has been in force only six days. The annual collections from this source will amount to \$6,020.

Union Pacific brakeman B. H. Kinsey was pulled from the top of a west-bound freight train near the interlocking plant east of Columbus. Both legs were cut off and his body badly mangled. He is a son of Conductor Kinsey of the Union Pacific and is married and lives in Omaha.

PLAN ELECTRIC LINE

MEETING TO BE HELD TO DETERMINE THE MATTER.

LABOR INSPECTORS AT WORK

Chief Deputy Pool Says Inspection Will go on Until Funds are Exhausted.

Lincoln.—Plans for the extension of an electric line, the Luce line, from Brookings, S. D., through Sioux Falls and Sioux City to Omaha are being formulated by promoters of the line according to reports received here. The Luce line now extends out of Minneapolis and St. Paul to Marshall, Minn. The company is now engaged in extending the line to Watertown, S. D. Another extension from Marshall to Brookings will be continued to Sioux Falls and ultimately to Sioux City and then to Omaha.

Whether the line to Brookings will be started at once will be decided at a meeting to be held at the rooms of the Brookings Commercial club early in August. The extension now seems probable.

The feasibility of the extension to Sioux Falls and on south is admitted by the directors of the line. It would mean a straight track southward. The lines in western Minnesota and eastern South Dakota are being rapidly extended on account of the level stretch of land. A rich and rather thickly settled part of the country is being traversed. An electric line connecting Omaha and the Twin cities has often been considered, but no plan so feasible as this one has ever been suggested.

Are "On the Job." "I noticed" said Labor Commissioner Pool, "a recent editorial suggesting the checking up of Omaha factories and other institutions that employ working people. This editorial was probably prompted by the incidents in connection with the Binghamton fire, and in connection with the suggestion I wish to say that under our present law the bureau of labor is charged with this duty."

"Since April 15 inspectors have been in the Omaha field making as careful and intelligent inspection of such institutions as is possible with the limited appropriation given us. There are now on file in this office reports from 190 institutions which employ laborers in Omaha and a great many of these reports show that the inspectors are exercising great care in making their examinations."

"Inspectors are charged to look carefully into the sanitary conditions under which the employees labor; see that proper fire escapes are provided; that unusual hours are not exacted from employes and many other things. The work will be continued until all factories and other establishments which employ labor have been thoroughly inspected, or at least so long as the revenue appropriated for that purpose holds out."

"We have two inspectors working in the city and would like to have more, but our limited appropriation will not permit it. As far as it goes we will make our inspection as thorough as it is possible to do."

Food Commissioner Experiments. Lincoln.—Lack of proper refrigeration facilities on the Missouri Pacific railroad has caused large losses in egg shipments from the southeastern Nebraska to Omaha and Lincoln, according to conclusions reached by Food Commissioner Harman. Tests made by the state official on actual purchase and transmission of eggs over the present route show that even express facilities make little improvement over freight and that by both methods there are losses incurred by the merchants.

Under instructions from the food department three cases of eggs were purchased at Falls City and shipped to Lincoln after being carefully handled at the originating point. When they reached here, four days later, five and a half dozen of the thirty dozen in the case had deteriorated to second class eggs, half a dozen had been cracked and a dozen and a half were spoiled and unfit for table use. Another case showed five rotten eggs and the third case showed eleven eggs of similar state of decay. The loss was \$1.48 on actual cost as compared between the two points. Data gathered by the food commission will be submitted to the railway commission for use in the request for installation of refrigerator service on the Missouri Pacific.

By a majority of over three to one, the proposed tornado bond issue of \$250,000 to assist in restoration work was defeated in Douglas county.

Rye and Barley Show Increase. Lincoln, Neb.—Rye and barley, small grain crops that are not so widely talked about as wheat and corn in this state, nevertheless, have something to commend them this year. Figures announced by the state board of agriculture recently show the rye acreage this year is 33 per cent greater than last year computed on the returns from eighty-four counties which have reported. Likewise the barley acreage increased 76 per cent over last year—a gain that will likely be exceeded by no other crop.

GET CONCESSIONS.

Water Users Gain a Measure of Relief From Government.

Auditor Minor, who comes from the irrigated district of northwest Nebraska, has been endeavoring for some time to get some concessions from the government in the payment of water rights by users of government water and at last the effort has been successful, according to advices received from Secretary B. J. Segar, secretary of the North Platte Water Users' association. Mr. Segar says:

Under date of July 17 a wire was received from the department stating that water will be furnished for the balance of the irrigating season of 1913 whether 1912 maintenance is paid or not, but that a penalty of 1 cent per acre per month will be charged until paid. This penalty will amount to less than \$4 per eighty if the same is left unpaid until December, at which time most crops will have been marketed. This will be of great benefit to many of the farmers.

A further concession was made to the settlers by a recent public notice which provided that those who have paid all operation and maintenance charges due before December 1, 1913, need pay but one-third of the \$2 per acre building charge that will become delinquent December 1, 1913, or about 70 cents per acre. The effect of this will be that many who would be unable to pay the \$1.10 per acre maintenance, plus the \$2 per acre building charge, or a total of \$3.10 per acre, will be able to pay the \$1.10, plus 4 cents penalty and 70 cents building charge, or a total of \$1.74 per acre.

Another small measure of relief granted by the same notice is allowing a water user who has, by reason of conflicting rulings in the past, or a reduction of his irrigated area, been compelled to overpay his building charge to use toward paying his maintenance whatever credit he may have left after paying his 70 cents. Heretofore one might have \$200 overpayment on his building charge account and still have his headgates shut down for nonpayment of \$100 for maintenance.

There is ample water supply under the government canal and can be no shortage. When twenty years are given to repay Uncle Sam, the residence restriction is removed and water rights are granted to individuals for all the lands they may acquire Nebraska will have the greatest and most successful irrigated section in the United States.

Fruit Men Will Hold Picnic. At Arbor Lodge, where practical horticulture and forestry received first encouragement through the dreams of J. Sterling Morton, the Nebraska fruit men will hold a picnic on August 14. Then demonstrations in grading and packing will be made and problems of interest to fruit growers discussed.

Joy Morton is expected to be present and an entertaining program has been outlined. All persons interested in the association, whether members or not, are invited. Grades will be established governing packing. All fruit will be sold through the association and under the supervision of the inspectors.

C. G. Marshall, well known as a practical orchard man and at present secretary of the State Horticultural society, will be the manager of the association. He leaves August 1 to take up his duties and will open a headquarters in Nebraska City, where ample storage facilities have been provided.

Nebraska Lays Down. Expert Wettling of the state railway commission has returned from Des Moines, Ia., where he has been helping the Hawkeye officials prepare their legions for attack on the railroads that are objecting to issuance of a railroad fare order on state fair passenger rates. Withdrawal of the "confiscatory" plea by the railroads in the hearing held before the federal court at Council Bluffs, lessened the work of the Iowa commission and made it unnecessary to present testimony controverting the phase of the litigation.

Secretary Mellor of the Nebraska board has given up attempting to gain similar ends through the commission of this state. He says that if the railroads are willing to make voluntary reductions of state fair rates to 3 cents per mile for the round trip he would be glad to see the step taken, but will make no effort to secure it through enforcement of commission order.

Harness Races. Entries for harness races for the Nebraska state fair close August 11. Already more than a dozen states are represented in the speed program which promises to be exceptionally strong this year. The races closing August 11 are the 2:25, 2:17 and 2:14 trots, the 2:30 (hopples barred) 2:20, 2:17 and Free-for-all pace each for \$500 and the 2:10 trot and 2:09 pace each for \$800.

Provisions of the new labor law allowing nine consecutive hours employment per day do not mean that the employment must be consecutive, according to a ruling just made by the labor commissioner. Arrangements can be made between the employes and employers by which the hours can be put in at such times as they see fit. Women not employed by public service corporations, however, cannot work between 10 p. m. and 6 a. m. As fast as possible employers are arranging work schedules to comply.