

BRIEF REVIEW OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

MOST IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS OF THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN CONDENSED FORM.

ROUND ABOUT WORLD

Information Gathered from All Quarters of the Civilized World and Prepared for the Perusal of the Busy Man.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

President Roosevelt in a telegram to Speaker Stanton of California commended him for checking the anti-Japanese legislation. It is reported the president censured Senator Perkins for his stand on the matter.

The senate may ignore President Roosevelt's request for secrecy concerning the statement of the secretary of the treasury on war deficiency fund of 1899.

Eulogies of the late William B. Allison of Iowa occupied the session of the senate last Saturday. Tributes were paid alike by Republican and Democratic senators. The exercises were opened with prayer by the chaplain. Senators Dooliver and Cummins paid high tribute to the deceased.

President Roosevelt in vetoing the census bill delivered a jolt to professional politicians and declared he does not believe in the doctrine that, to the victor belongs the spoils.

A bare possibility exists that the senate may pass the bill to establish postal savings banks before adjournment, according to advices from Washington. It is not likely that the house will pass the measure.

Following the passage by the California assembly of a bill prohibiting Japanese children attending public schools President Roosevelt took a hand. He declared the act unconstitutional and asked Gov. Gillett to veto it.

The forestry service was declared extravagant and charges of extortion from farmers were made against the bureau by members of congress.

Senator Lodge presented amendments to the rules of the United States senate, prepared by Vice-President Fairbanks, which aim to prevent attacks on the president and co-ordinate branches of the government.

No legislation concerning the reform of the navy department will be enacted by congress at this session, if present plans are followed out.

President Roosevelt issued a statement declaring it necessary for the government to use the secret service or some such force to investigate crime.

The house insists upon leaving in the urgent deficiency bill the item of \$2,000 to provide automobiles for the president. The senate struck the provision out.

Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, in his annual report urged a broad law to check trusts.

PERSONAL.

President-elect Taft upon sailing from Colon after inspecting the Panama canal said he was highly satisfied with the progress of the work.

William J. Bryan was not hurt in an automobile accident as reported from Tampa, Fla. He says there was no accident.

Gov. Haskell, who is under indictment in connection with the town lot funds, was given an ovation when he arrived in Muskogee to give bond.

It is announced at the headquarters of the National League of the Civic Education of Women, in New York, that Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish has joined the organization, which means that Mrs. Fish is opposed to women's suffrage.

Capt. Edward F. Quiltrough of the battleship Georgia, part of Admiral Sperry's fleet, has been court-martialed on a charge of intoxication.

GENERAL NEWS.

The murder of Miss Clara Rosen in Ottumwa, Ia., remains a mystery. Ten suspects have been arrested, among them a negro against whom the police claim to have some evidence.

Mrs. Agnes Brewer Miyoshi Brogan, formerly the wife of a Japanese nobleman, now the bride of a coachman in Ann Arbor, Mich., gave up her rank, fearing efforts to gain her rights would ruin the chances of her son to obtain his rightful position.

Secretary Garfield of the interior department told a house sub-committee that the limitations placed on the secret service had not hampered his investigation of land frauds.

Six were killed and others injured when a New York Central train derailed into a group of track walkers in Gotham.

C. A. Severance, instead of E. B. Kellogg, will represent the government in the suit against E. H. Harriman and others.

The United Mine Workers of America in convention at Indianapolis re-elected Thomas L. Lewis as president. The California assembly rejected the Drew bill which was intended to prevent aliens owning lands in the state and was aimed chiefly at the Japanese.

David S. Rose, mayor of Milwaukee, accepted a challenge from Rev. Samuel Dickey of Allston college for a debate on prohibition.

In a pistol duel over a woman, George Ketcherside and John Hughes killed each other at Leadwood, Mo.

After enjoying freedom 21 years, Jack D. Isham, a prosperous farmer living near Marion, Ill., was arrested. He escaped from a Tennessee penitentiary in 1888, where he was held for murder.

The convention of the United Mine Workers closed in Indianapolis after a resolution for peaceful conduct of future meetings was adopted.

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, released in an interview in Chicago, was quoted as saying that Russia will fight Japan again, and will have Germany, France and Austria as allies, while England will support the Mikado's country.

John D. Rockefeller in a speech to Georgia farmers said: "But after we get through with whatever our task in life may be, we will be asked the pertinent question, what was the fruit of our work—what was the real fruit-age?"

Miss Cella Milligan, a young woman of Centralia, Ill., died after taking an overdose of headache tablets with the intent of obtaining relief from excessive pain.

Pittsburg is in fear of a race war. Attacks by negroes on white women have worked the populace up to a high fever and a clash is imminent.

The south was swept by tornadoes and high winds and in the country between the Tennessee line and the Texas panhandle it is believed 20 persons were killed.

The Delaware, one of four sister ships, the largest and most powerful in any navy, was launched at Newport News, Va. She is to cost \$3,987,000.

Anti-Japanese legislation was held up in the California legislature following a personal appeal to the members by the house speaker and a special message from Gov. Gillett.

The outline of a new banking bill has been prepared and will be introduced in the legislature of Michigan.

It is understood that Capt. Quiltrough of the battleship Georgia has been found guilty by the court martial and he may be dismissed from the service.

President Lewis rushed the business of the miners' convention in an effort to complete it in time for adjournment on Saturday.

Mrs. George V. Parks, a society woman of Pueblo, Col., and wife of the assistant president of the Pueblo Traction Company, committed suicide in Pueblo, Col. Mrs. Parks has been in ill health for some time.

The house of representatives in Texas, by a vote of 55 to 41 defeated the resolution to submit state-wide prohibition to a popular vote.

Mrs. Julius Goldzier wants the city council of Bayonne, N. J., to appoint five women as policemen for the parks next summer. Mayor Garvon of Bayonne favors the plan.

The harvester combine has agreed not to fight the case against it at Topeka for violation of the anti-trust laws and will pay the state \$50,000 for which it was sued.

A report of the target practice of the American battleship fleet in Manila bay, shows great improvement in marksmanship. The Vermont won the pennant.

Gov. Haskell left Guthrie for Muskogee to give a \$5,000 bond to answer the indictment charging him with fraud.

The referee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Fidelity Funding Company found it has assets of \$22,931.44 and liabilities amounting to \$767,317.28. He advises that it be dissolved.

Reports show \$3,641,000 was collected for the relief of the earthquake sufferers in Italy by the Red Cross.

Despite a resolution intended to prevent them the delegates in the United Mine Workers' convention continued to air their personal differences.

The American Paper and Pulp association discussed the tariff on this product and elected officers at a meeting in New York.

William J. Bryan in a speech at Tampa, Fla., declared the Democrats have a chance for victory in 1912.

The contest over the will of the late Mrs. Lydia Bradley has begun in Peoria, Ill. Undue influence on the part of Oliver J. Bailey, W. W. Hammond, Albin W. Small and the late William Rainey Harper, president of the University of Chicago, is given as the main cause for the breaking of the will.

In Memphis, Tenn., a negro robber ran through the streets firing a pistol at pedestrians and policemen, but had marksmanship prevented any fatalities.

The bodies of John Minck and Daniel Murphy were found in the ruins of the Mahoning county infirmary at Canfield, O., which was destroyed by fire about ten days ago. This makes four lives lost in the fire.

The house of representatives of Iowa voted down a resolution offered by Representative Scheeper, proposing medals for each Iowa born member of the naval fleet just completing the tour around the world.

Charles E. Holmes, charged with having killed his wife, Pauline, was acquitted in Chicago. Tears came to Holmes' eyes when he thanked the jurymen for the decision. A reconciliation between father and son followed.

The deadlock in the negotiations between W. I. Buchanan, America's special commissioner, and the Venezuelan government, remains unbroken through the refusal of either side to yield. In the dispute over the method of arbitrating the case of the New York and Hernandez Asphalt Company and the Orinoco corporation.

CANAL IN CONGRESS

SENATE COMMITTEE OPPOSED TO LARGE BOND ISSUE

SEA LEVEL MEN TO FRONT

Both Branches of Congress Discuss Matters in Connection With Big Ditch.

Washington—The senate Tuesday discussed the type of canal that should be constructed at Panama.

Senator Kittredge, chairman of the committee on Inter-oceanic canals, precipitated the debate by presenting an adverse report on the Hopkins bill authorizing the secretary of the treasury to issue bonds to the extent of \$500,000,000 for the construction of the canal. Reading a statement of expenditures on the canal to date he declared that the completion of the lock canal would cost \$400,000,000 and insisted that a great mistake had been made in not adhering to the plan for the building of a sea-level waterway across the isthmus, which he said would be cheaper than the lock canal.

Senators Foraker and Teller both joined Mr. Kittredge in declaring the belief that a sea-level canal should be constructed and Mr. Kittredge said it was not too late to abandon the lock project.

Government Bill in House.

For nearly six hours the house of representatives on Tuesday discussed the bill, materially changing the methods of administering the Panama canal zone and constructing the canal. Amendments almost without number were aimed at the measure, but with one or two exceptions they failed of adoption. Consideration of the bill was completed, but because of a threatened roll call by the opponents of the bill and the hour being late, Mr. Mann having it in charge, did not ask for a vote. At 6:20 o'clock the house adjourned.

At the Isthmian Canal commission it was declared that the widening of the Panama canal from 200 to 300 feet through the Culebra cut from Las Casacas to Paraiso, a distance of four and one-half miles, had been authorized by President Roosevelt last fall.

The reason for this change was for the purpose of giving more room in the completed canal to vessels passing through that section at night and lessening the danger of collisions.

It is said Mr. Taft may have approved this change, but had not ordered or recommended it, as was announced before he left the isthmus.

MERELY COAST DEFENSE

Sixteen Artillery Companies Part of the Scheme.

Washington—Robert Shaw Oliver, assistant secretary of war, says that the war department's request of Governor Gillett to organize sixteen militia companies of artillery is merely part of the general scheme for national coast defense. California, he said, is one of a few states which have not their full complement of militia, the idea being to organize a twin militia company for every company of regulars located at the artillery posts.

Fisheries Dispute Ends.

Washington—The British foreign office has signified its assent formally to the treaty between the United States and Great Britain, and signed by Secretary Root and Ambassador Bryce, for the arbitration of the Newfoundland fisheries dispute. The treaty is now ready for the senate. Ratification of that body is necessary before the issues covered by the treaty can be submitted to The Hague court.

German Envoy Asphyxiated

Santiago, Chile—So far as can be learned the cause of the death of Chancellor Beckert of the German legation is believed to have been asphyxiation. The report of the physician who examined the body has been officially made public.

Bryan Speaks in Pensacola.

Pensacola, Fla.—After delivering an address here to a crowd of several thousand citizens, William Jennings Bryan left for Lincoln, Neb. He was accorded an enthusiastic reception here.

DODGE FOR ALLISON MEMORIAL.

Visits Des Moines to Ask Legislature for \$100,000 Appropriation.

Des Moines—General Grenville M. Dodge of Council Bluffs arrived in the city for the purpose of appearing before the senate committee on appropriations of the Iowa legislature to advocate the expenditure of \$100,000 for the construction of an Allison memorial in the state of Iowa. The form of the memorial has not been decided upon, but it is understood that a monument is the one most favored.

Two and Half Million Loss.

London—Upon the petition of the creditors the court issued an order for the compulsory winding up of the affairs of the London and Paris exchange, one of the biggest outside brokerage firms in England, that went into the hands of a receiver January 25. The receiver has intimated that the amount of cash at his disposal is barely sufficient to cover back rent. Rumor places the loss of the company's clients anywhere from \$1,250,000 to \$2,500,000. These losses are chiefly in small amounts.

CAPITAL CITY NEWS

ITEMS OF INTEREST AROUND THE STATE HOUSE.

THE WORK OF THE LAW MAKERS

Legislative Facts and Gossip—News of the State Capital.

Hard Sledding for Tax Dodgers.

Publicity of assessments as a remedy for tax shirking by large property owners is proposed in a bill introduced in the lower branch of the legislature Friday by Bowman of Nuckolls. The act is intended as well to furnish a check upon the work of the county assessor and his deputies. It provides that he shall publish in detail in one or more newspapers the names and holdings of all persons, firms and corporations that are listed for taxation in the sum of \$500 or over. A schedule is included in the bill for the guidance of the officer in making the publication.

Notes, mortgages and other securities must all be set forth in print, together with these other items: Merchandise, miscellaneous credits, jewelry and diamonds, automobiles, carriages and other vehicles, horses, cattle and grain. If there are other forms of property, the bill contemplates that they shall likewise appear. As payment for printing the lists, the bill allows one-fourth of the regular legal rates.

Bowman's measure is H. R. No. 394, being the last one in regular numerical order that has been offered in the house. It will be read the second time on the next day the house meets and will then be referred by the speaker to some committee. It is the first bill of its kind that has been presented.

Retain Wolf Bounty.

The senate refused to repeal the present law offering a state bounty on wild animals. S. F. No. 82, by Randall of Madison, introduced to repeal the law, was indefinitely postponed, its introduction being against his own bill because he said western members desire the law retained.

The repealing act and the present law were treated with considerable levity. Although the subject appeared to be a joke and was so treated, there are now unpaid bounty claims on file in the state auditor's office amounting to \$52,148.50 and this will be swelled to \$69,000 by the first of April. All

Boelts Solves Labor Problem. Boelts of Merrick county is the instigator of a bill in the house providing for the employment of convicts on the public highway by counties or municipalities. The bill provides that upon the written request of a majority of the members of county boards the warden of the penitentiary, under the direction of the Board of Public Lands and Buildings, shall enter into a contract with the county asking for the prisoners. The county shall furnish all tools with which the prisoners are to work and shall pay all the expenses of guarding them while at work. The prisoners are not to be employed on work requiring skilled labor. Every able-bodied prisoner, save those under the death penalty are subject to the employment under the terms of the bills.

Ask for \$25,000 for Monument. The senate committee on finance ways and means, Miller of Lancaster chairman, met Tuesday afternoon and decided to ask the senate to increase the house appropriation of \$15,000 for a monument to Abraham Lincoln. The house has passed a bill carrying an appropriation of \$15,000. The senate committee will ask for \$25,000 to be given by the state on condition that the state monument association raise \$10,000 additional from private subscriptions. The proposed plan is for the erection of a statue with appropriate historical settings on the state house grounds, the work to be done by one of the most famous sculptors of the world.

Non-Partisan Superintendents. H. R. No. 292, by Pickens, is a bill to remove the office of county superintendent from the domain of partisan politics. The time of election is fixed on the first Tuesday in April, when school district elections are to be held all over the county. Nominations will be made by petitions filed with the county clerk at least twenty days beforehand, and he will supply printed ballots with the names of all candidates. No party designations will be permitted. The act applies to all counties, but makes an exception in favor of Douglas by fixing the time of election there on the first Tuesday in May.

Beatrice Gets First Appropriation. First among the institutions appropriation bills to come before the house committee of the whole was the one providing \$70,000 for new buildings and \$25,000 for repairs at the Beatrice institute for feeble minded. It was considered Friday forenoon and after an hour's discussion was recommended for passage. The bill was introduced by Begole of Gage as H. R. No. 57. It originally carried a total appropriation of \$100,000, covering three new buildings, but the finance committee cut out \$30,000 for an epileptic hospital, leaving \$35,000 each for a boys' and a girls' cottage.

A New Asylum Proposed. Dipsonmances and drug fiends are to be treated at a new institution, built and equipped for that special purpose, if S. F. No. 258, which was introduced by Ketchum, becomes a law. The Ketchum bill empowers the state board of public lands and buildings to select a site and have the buildings erected and equipped, a fund for that purpose to be hereafter appropriated. The board is also to give to the institution a name, which shall in no manner suggest the purpose for which it is maintained.

After Bank Deposits. Fries of Howard county is after the man with money who fails to report the same for assessment and taxation. In a bill he introduced in the house Thursday morning he provides that the assessor shall have the power to examine the deposit record of every bank in his county and the books kept by the secretaries of all building and loan associations. The bill provides the examination shall be for taxation purposes only and the information obtained shall not be made public or made known in any way.

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NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

Dr. G. L. Roe assumed his duties as superintendent of the feeble minded youth at Beatrice, succeeding Dr. Osborn. Louis Werner, appointed steward, also resumed his duties.

At a recent meeting of the carpenters' union of Nebraska City it was decided to adopt a new schedule of wages. After June 1, 40 cents per hour will be demanded.

Farmers should all have telephones. Write to us and learn how to get the best service for the least money. Nebraska Telephone Company, 18th and Douglas streets, Omaha. "Use the Bell."

Dr. M. D. Baker of Tilden, broke his arm in attempting to "crank" his automobile. He was immediately taken to the hospital, where Dr. Campbell waited on him. Both bones of the right arm were broken.

Professor Phillips of the department of forestry of the university has tendered his resignation as member of the university athletic board, and it has been accepted by Chancellor Avery.

P. H. Blakenship, Burlington agent at Blue Springs, has mysteriously disappeared and no trace of him can be found. He left home at 12 o'clock at night with a friend, intending to go to the station for an express package and nothing has been seen of him since.

A three-span bridge across Pigeon creek on the Omaha road between Winside and Hoskins burned and tied up traffic between Norfolk and Sioux City. Passengers and mail were transferred. The cause of the fire is unknown.

The Dempster plant of Beatrice has received 600 orders for windmills from points in Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Iowa as a result of the late blizzard. The plant is working day and night at present to fill the orders.

The Northwestern depot at Dakota City, was broken into but nothing of much value was taken by the burglars. About twenty-five cents in pennies and eight dollars worth of rebate checks is all that Agent Pranger missed.

"Salmon made me ill," wrote Elmer Zook a few minutes before he died a lonely death in a house on his farm a few miles from Auburn. Finishing this brief statement he dropped back on a canvas cot and peacefully succumbed.

In district court at McCook, Bell Hall, Minnie Brown and Ruth Barry, three keepers of disreputable resorts pleaded guilty to selling liquors illegally and were fined \$250 each and costs, amounting in each case to over \$300.

William Huxes, living eight miles northeast of Humboldt, delivered one hundred and ninety-eight hogs on the market in that place. Thirty-two teams were used in delivering the hogs. They averaged about two hundred and sixty pounds.

The general merchandise store of Henry J. Bauer at Gilead was robbed. Entrance was gained through the roof of a stock room in the rear of the store. About \$200 worth of jewelry and cutlery and some dry goods are missing.

An inquest was held by the coroner on the body of a man found near the railroad track west of Powell eight miles west of Fairbury. From papers found on his person it appears that he was E. B. Ellis of Denver, Colo., and that he was an electrician.

A very successful and interesting farmers' institute was held at Ogallala. M. J. Leonard of Bertha was president, and C. E. Phillips of Glenrose secretary. Among the leading speakers were O. Hull of Alma, Professor Hunt of Syracuse, Miss Roman of Lincoln. The meeting was under the auspices of the University of Nebraska and the Ogallala farmers' institute.

John W. Mackie of Austin, Minn., has bought a one-half interest in the Tecumseh Mill & Elevator company with George E. Hotchkin, of Tecumseh, the present manager of the plant. Mr. Mackie is an experienced miller and for the past few years has been managing three mills, one at Austin, one at Red Cedar, and one at Dodge Center, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wood, living a couple of miles north of Table Rock received a message telling of the death of their son-in-law, Harvey Wright, who was killed instantly in an accident in the railroad yards in Green River, Wyo., at which place he was night switchman for the Union Pacific railroad. He leaves a wife and three small children.

The Hardy bone mill, located just east of Kearney, was burned. The mill was not running and the cause of the fire is unknown, unless tramps set the fire. The machinery was badly damaged, and the fertilizer and feed stored in the mill was all destroyed.

The residents of Hooper are much interested in the singular coincidence in that the wrecking of the new school building by the wind recently happened just one year almost to the hour after the building it replaced was destroyed by fire the twenty-seventh of January last year.