

## WHAT CONGRESS HAS AND HAS NOT DONE

### The Sixtieth Session Barely Escapes a Shut-out Record---Scarcely Any Bills of Importance Passed.

The sixtieth session of congress which recently adjourned barely escaped a shut-out record. Scarcely any bills of importance were passed and it was only at the closing moments that legislation of importance was enacted, and some of that is of very questionable merit. The following is a brief summary of what has been accomplished, as well as what has not been done:

**What Congress Has Done.**

- Enacted an emergency currency law.
- Prohibited child labor in the District of Columbia.
- Prohibited race track gambling in the District of Columbia.
- Increased widows' existing pensions from \$8 to \$12 a month.
- Granted pensions of \$12 a month to practically all widows of Mexican and civil war soldiers.
- Authorized expenditures of \$30,000,000 for public buildings.
- Authorized general appropriations amounting to nearly a billion dollars.
- Ordered a currency commission to report on revision of financial and banking laws of the country.
- Reclassified the consular service.
- Passed employers' liability law to take place of the one declared unconstitutional by the supreme court of the United States.
- Permitted free operation of foreign vessels in trade with Philippines.
- Passed administration bill authorizing employees to sue the government for personal injuries sustained while in the line of duty.
- Established a range for breeding American buffalos.
- Started the machinery for tariff revision by the appointment of an investigation commission.
- Authorized the construction of two battle ships with the promise of two next session.
- Raised the pay of all officers and men of the army and navy, marine corps and revenue cutter service.
- Passed a militia law making every able-bodied man between 18 and 45 years liable to service.
- Adopted arbitration treaties with nearly every country in Europe and with Japan.
- Continued the work of the water way commission.
- Provided for the defense of the Philip-

ppines and Hawaiian ports by submarine mines and fortifications.

Appropriated \$1,500,000 for participation by the United States in the Japanese exposition of 1910.

**What Congress Has Not Done.**

- Refused to place wood pulp on the free list.
- Declined to accept President Roosevelt's four battle ship proposition.
- Failed to adopt postal savings bank plan.
- Passed up until next December the bill to reinstate discharged colored troops.
- No national child labor law, but date set for its consideration next December.
- Granted no increased powers to prohibition states over interstate shipments of liquors.
- Enacted no law requiring publicity of campaign expenses.
- Made no provision for the "spanking" of Castro, the Venezuelan president.
- Failed to put wireless telegraphy under government control.
- Refused to give interstate commerce commission authority to pass upon proposed increased railroad rates before they go into effect.
- Failed to relieve the coal-carrying railroads from the necessity of disposing of their mines.
- Failed to consider bills regulating dealing in options.

**Other Important Bills That Failed.**

- Administration-Civic Federation bill to amend the Sherman anti-trust law.
- Bill for the reduction of the tariff on the products of the Philippine Islands.
- Anti-injunction bill. (There are ten or fifteen measures of this nature before Congress.)
- Bills for revision and codification of the laws of the United States in accordance with the report of a commission which put in seven years at the task.
- Bill to make Porto Ricans citizens of the United States.
- Bill of retirement of superannuated federal clerks.
- Bill to provide embassies for representation of the United States in foreign countries.
- Bill to establish forest reserves in the southern Appalachians and in the White Mountains of New Hampshire.

## THE MONTHLY SONG SERVICE

### The Church Crowded to Overflowing and Many Had to Turn Away.

Notwithstanding the appearance of a threatened cyclone, and the continual fear of the falling rain, the church building at St. Luke's Sunday was tried to its utmost capacity, and many went away who were unable to gain admittance. The song service, which was the attraction, was a service well worthy of braving the elements to hear. From the first song by the choir, "Father Keep Us In Thy Care," to the closing solo, "Ave Maria," by Miss Ella Margaret Dovey, the interest of the congregation was maintained and the service excellent. Mrs. Anna Britt in "He Knows the Way" was a number which pleased the entire audience, and was well received. Mr. and Mrs. Austin and Miss Ella Margaret Dovey were listened to with great attention and much interest. Miss Kittie Cummins at the organ, and Mrs. Arthur Troop with the violin, added much to the pleasure of the listeners, and fine qualities of the evening's entertainment. The number which captivated the audience more, if any, than any other was the duet, "Let There Be Light," as sung by Mrs. Spies and Miss Petersen. Everyone present praised this number very highly. These monthly services are very popular, and great credit is due Prof. H. S. Austin for the masterly effort he puts forth in arranging these monthly programs for the entertainment of the public.

## Biting Dogs.

The following from the Nebraska City News hits the nail right square on the head in regard to the subject of dogs: "At this season of the year, when the weather begins to get warm, there is always a great deal of discussion as to rabies in dogs, and particularly what should be done to the canine family in particular. Some favor the extinction of the dogs. We are willing to admit that there are a great many worthless dogs in this country and the number seems to be increasing. We are also willing to admit that there are a great many dogs of value and their lives should be protected. A dog that runs out at every passerby and bites or attempts to bite should be killed. A biting dog is of no use on this earth, and by that we have no reference to the honest watch dog that will permit no one to come upon the premises after the family have retired, for he is worth his weight in gold as a protection. But there are dogs that are not worth the air they breathe; they are dangerous; they are a nuisance.

"A biting dog should be killed, but a good dog should be protected. There is no danger from a good dog and one that has water whenever he wants it."

## Sues for Divorce in Colorado.

Sheriff Quinton came down from Plattsmouth Monday and served summons on Hird Minford, whose wife has begun proceeding for divorce in Florence, Colo. Both parties are well known here. Mr. Minford has been living here for the past six months. —Nehawka Register.

## DEATH OF MRS. FRANK W. IRISH

### The Husband a Former Resident of This City.

The following account of the death of Mrs. Frank W. Irish was handed to a person to give to the Journal for publication two weeks ago, but it failed to show up at this office until this morning. F. W. Irish, the husband of the deceased, was a former resident of this city, where he has numerous friends who sympathize with him in his irreparable loss. The following is taken from the Alliance (Neb.) Times:

The death of Mrs. F. W. Irish occurred Saturday evening, May 2nd, at 7:10 at their home. Her maiden name was Ida B. Wills and she has been a resident of this city since coming here in January, 1892, with her mother and family. She was married to Frank W. Irish at Kearney, Neb., September 12, 1899. Mrs. Irish was born in Nemaha City, Neb., October 1st, 1870, thus being 38 years, 7 months and one day of age. A little babe came to the home about three weeks ago, and since that time she has been in a serious condition, and though every effort was made to aid her recovery, she passed to the great beyond, leaving the little babe, of twenty-seven days, a broken hearted husband, and aged mother, Mrs. W. A. Willis, three sisters, Mrs. Eva Messex of Denver, Mrs. Cora Lewis of Alliance, Mrs. Chas. E. Hamilton of Los Angeles, Cal., and a brother, C. E. Willis of this city.

The funeral was held this afternoon at 2:30 at the Baptist church, the services being conducted by Rev. G. C. Jeffers. The remains were accompanied to their last resting place in Greenwood cemetery by a large number of grief-stricken relatives and friends. A large number of the members of the Eastern Star, of which order she was a member, accompanied the remains to their resting place.

Those from out of town present at the services of whom we learn are: Mrs. A. D. Eigenbroadt of Lincoln, a sister of Mr. Irish; David Miller of Deadwood, S. D.; Tom E. Miller of Pueblo, Colo.; and Rev. G. W. Mitchell of Chadron, Neb. Mrs. Irish was a noble, true woman, loved and honored by all, and her demise is sincerely mourned by a legion of friends. The Times extends sympathy to the sorrowing ones in their sad bereavement.

## Make Extended Visit in the East.

J. E. Johnson of Lincoln, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson of this city, came in Sunday morning from the east, accompanied by his wife, where they have been for the past two weeks. They went first to Columbus, O., where Mr. Johnson was a delegate to the national convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, who held their meeting in that city a short time since. After the business of the convention was over Mr. Johnson and wife visited over a good portion of the east, and on Decoration Day were in the city of Leesburg, O., the place where his father, J. W. Johnson, was born, and there met many of the people who knew his father as a boy and schoolmate. Here he met thirty-three people who went to school with or knew him when he was a boy. In 1856 Mr. Johnson, sr., came away from that place to Plattsmouth, and has since lived here with the exception of the time spent in the service in the civil war. He was to the old home once, which was at the close of the war in 1865, and has not been there since. Mr. Ed Johnson and wife had a fine time while visiting in the east, coming in here yesterday morning and departing for their home in Lincoln Monday morning.

## Keeps His Money in His Hat.

Cordey Pittman has a new place to deposit his surplus cash. It is in the sweat band of his hat. The other day when he returned from Louisville he had two pleasant looking five dollar bills left over and he put them in the sweat band of his hat for safe keeping.

Last Friday he loaned his hat to his nephew to wear to the school picnic, and it was not long before the bills were picked up by Hazel Moore, who turned them over to Miss Leda Ross. An owner could not be found for them, but when he heard the story told by his nephew he suddenly remembered that he might be ten dollars shy. He investigated and found them missing.

He claimed the money and it was turned over to him. He will find a new place to bank in the future. —Nehawka Register.

Mesdames T. Ashford and Dora Bent, of Omaha, came this morning, and are in attendance at the Parkening-Treitsch wedding.

## Burns His Eye With Lye.

Monday while at work removing some paint from some work which he was doing, Albert Schuttler accidentally got some lye which he was using, in his eye, making a very sore member. He hastened to wash it out as well as possible, but the lye eat into the delicate membranes of the eye until it is very sore. The eye is so that Albert cannot follow his ordinary occupation, and it will be some time before it will be all right again.

## THE GLORIOUS FOURTH OF JULY

### A Grand, Gala Day Promised All Who Come to Plattsmouth.

Everything is moving along harmoniously in the preparations for the big celebration in Plattsmouth on the Fourth of July. Never since we have been a resident of the city have we known the business men to work with such a will and all pull together so congenial for an enterprise of this character. Heretofore there has been more or less jangling and kicking on the part of some, but this year all are united and working for one grand and glorious purpose—the biggest and most successful celebration ever held in Cass county. They seem determined to give the visitors who come to our city on the great natal day a display that they will remember for years, and one that will renew the memories of the oldest inhabitants of the glorious Fourth we used to have in the long ago. The committees are determined that nothing shall be left undone to make it a day of pleasure to the old and young alike. The parade will be one grand street pageant, alone worth the coming of many miles to witness. Nearly every business house in the city has agreed to have a float in this grand parade. Here is a list of those who have so far guaranteed to the committee on parade to take part in the display, and from the names below the reader can see at a glance the immensity of the great display that will be headed by one of the best bands in the state:

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| Wescott's Sons      | J. Hatt & Son             |
| Zuckweiler & Lutz   | Kraft Clothing Co.        |
| John Bauer          | E. A. Wurl                |
| J. W. Crabill       | H. M. Soennichsen         |
| Bookmeyer & Co.     | M. Fanger                 |
| B. A. McElwain      | Joseph Fetzer             |
| Bank of Cass County | Gering & Co.              |
| Kroehler Bros.      | Asensissens               |
| J. V. Egenberger    | F. M. Richey              |
| Coates D. G. Co.    | First Nat'l Bank          |
| State Bank          | Plattsmouth Telephone Co. |
| Lorenz Bros.        |                           |
| E. G. Dovey & Son   | John Hall                 |
| Kunzman & Range     | McMaken & Sons            |
| August Gorder       | Steam Laundry             |
| Bach & Co.          | Peter Goos                |
| J. V. Egenberger    | F. M. Richey              |
| J. Iverson          | Nemetz & Co.              |
| Dr. Barnes          | V. T. Kunkel              |
| Frank Benfer        | Ed Donat                  |
| F. G. Egenberger    | I. B. Ebersole            |
| A. T. Wilson        | Jesse Perry               |
| Jacob Falter        | Gas Co.                   |

## Oh, No, Not Much.

The Lincoln Journal: Somebody asked Governor Sheldon the other day what it cost him in money to be governor. He laughed good naturedly and said that it didn't make any difference, for he had taken the office with the entire knowledge that he would lose money by it. It is gossip around the capital that the average governor will spend his salary and just about as much again every year while he is in office. If it were the custom for the governors of Nebraska to entertain liberally, give up the street cars and ride in their own carriages and do other things in the style that seems necessary in some states, the cost of holding the office would be from seven to ten thousand dollars a year.

## Will Visit on the Coast.

Miss Laura Kinkaid came home Sunday evening from Lincoln, where she has been teaching during the past year and will visit with her parents for the present. About the 25th of the present month Miss Kinkaid will depart for Los Angeles and spend a considerable time during the present summer on the Pacific coast, visiting at Los Angeles, San Francisco, Tacoma, Portland and Seattle. She will be gone for some time. While at Portland she will visit her brother, Ralph Kinkaid, who is now in business there.

## Will Reside in Nebraska City.

W. H. Mark, who is one of the leading farmers of southern Cass county, was in town today and informs us that he contemplates moving to this city soon and making his home here. He is of the opinion that there is too much hard work on the farm, so he will come to this city to live. He is the right sort of an individual that Nebraska City would welcome. —Nebraska City News.

## MR. BRYAN IS A STRONG CANDIDATE

### If "The Peerless" Ever Had a Show to Win It is at This Election.

(The Financial World, May 30.)

Mr. W. J. Bryan made quite a hit by his speech before the Banker's club of Chicago. Before all Mr. Bryan was anxious to impress the bankers with the fact that he was no socialist. He classified himself as an "individualist," who does not want to see the government engaged in any business which could be better by individuals.

What he advocated before the bankers and to which republicans will hardly object, was absolute security for depositors, a criminal penalty clause to the national banking law which forbids the loaning of more than 10 per cent of the capital and surplus to one person, and an emergency currency to be issued by the government and not the banks. These policies of Mr. Bryan cannot be called financial heresies. They are very conservative considering that they come from a man upon whom the bankers usually look as a socialist and a fire-eater. Especially does Mr. Bryan lay strength on the depositors guarantee stating that whenever a bank fails, it was not due to misfortune and panic, but to the misuse of funds by those on the inside—and that between the 20,000 banks and their 15,000,000 depositors he prefers to side with the latter and to insist that the banks should offer security to those who entrust them with their money.

The bankers had expected quite a rampant demagogue and were surprised at the moderation and conservatism of the probable presidential candidate of the democrats, who, if nominated, will this time go stronger into the campaign than before, made stronger through the policies advocated and enforced by Mr. Roosevelt which Mr. Bryan calls his policies. He will be found stronger for the support he will receive from that wing of the democratic party which once called itself the "safe and sure democracy," and with a few exceptions is now with him. He will have an enormous labor vote, drawn into the democratic ranks by the failure of congress to legislate on the injunction question, which is a thorn in the flesh of labor. He will profit by those republicans who don't approve of Rooseveltism and look upon the present tendency to centralism and paternalism as a danger to the republic. He will profit by the many shortcomings of the present congress, by the fruits of the panic and by the dissensions inside the republican party. If he ever was strong, he will be at his best and fullest strength this year. If the financial circle look upon Taft, as excellent and desirable as he is, as a sure winner, they are liable to experience a rude awakening. If "The Peerless" ever had a show to win it is at this election.

## A VERY PRETTY JUNE WEDDING

### Mr. Frank Parkening and Miss Anna Treitsch Happily United in Marriage.

At the pleasant home of Christ Parkening, west of the city, Wednesday in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives of the contracting parties, the ceremony was performed which united the lives of two of the young people of Cass county, whom hosts of their friends are glad to honor. A 2 o'clock the bridal party, Frank Parkening and Miss Anna L. Treitsch, supported by Miss Anna Parkening as bridesmaid, and Will Treitsch as best man, entered the parlors which had been appropriately decorated with roses and cut flowers, and pausing before the Rev. Fred Speigel, awaited the ceremony which was to unite them. The minister handed the ring to the groom, who placed it upon the finger of the bride, as the beautiful ceremony of the church of which they are members, was pronounced by the minister.

Following the ceremony were congratulations, and the assembled throng immediately sat down to a delightful wedding dinner.

The bride was appropriately gowned in white silk, and carried a bouquet of bride's roses, while the groom was dressed in the conventional black.

During the afternoon and evening the celebration was continued, and many and earnest were the congratulations and good wishes extended to the happy couple. They were also the recipients of a number of very beautiful and useful, as well as costly presents.

The groom is a young man well known in the city and west of town, where he has lived for a number of years, to be honored by everyone. He is a young farmer, and by his industry has made his way in the world.

The bride is the sister of Will, John, Phillip and Edward Treitsch, and the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Treitsch, sr., who passed away a few years since. She has grown to a beautiful womanhood in the neighborhood, and is known by a host of admiring friends. Since the death of her parents she has kept house for her brother Will, and they have resided upon the old home place west of the city. Here the newly

married pair will make their home, where they have a crop now growing. The Journal joins with the many friends of both in wishing them all the joys which it is possible to realize in this life, and that their lives may be as free as possible from the disagreeable.

## THE RIVER STILL ON THE BOOM

### The Farmers on the East Side Watching Movements With Considerable Interest.

The Missouri river has been on the rise since Sunday morning, and during last night it went four or five inches higher. The east side bottom, as well as the bottom on this side, are all under water. A large number of men are employed on the east side engaged in ripping and other similar work to keep the water from cutting. They have been having a hard time to hold the levee on the Iowa side. Monday night a call reached Glenwood for help, and twenty-five men responded and worked faithfully during the entire night. The farmers who have resided on the east bottoms for several years fully understand these overflows, and while the levees are still holding out in good shape, they are watching the movements of the Big Muddy with considerable alarm. The Platte river is very high, and where it empties into the Missouri it does so with such force as to cause the east side farmers more apprehension than those lower down. However, the crest of the flood is expected today or tomorrow, and from that it is supposed the water will recede to some extent. At least it is to be hoped so.

## New Mexico Very Dry.

John M. Thompson returned last evening from a visit of about a week at Clayton, New Mexico, and says that the country is very dry down there, it being claimed that it has not rained for some four months. Mr. Thompson brought back some wheat that he had taken from the field, and it showed to have dried up some eight inches in length and with scarcely any heads, what heads there was had no grain in and was dry enough to burn. Stand up for Nebraska.