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MUCH IN SMALL SPACE FOR THE HURRYING READER.

EVENTS COVERING WIDE FIELD

Something of Congress, Political Gossip Here and There, and News and Notes of General Character.

Political.
Judge Taft announces he will certainly make a trip west during the campaign and visit Nebraska, but the trip east and south has not yet been determined.

It was announced at Chicago that Murphy and McCarran had pitched up a temporary truce for the purpose of harmony at the Rochester convention, but Murphy denies that Mr. Conners can patch up anything for him.

W. J. Bryan made reply to Speaker Cannon in his address at Olney, Ill., declaring he is worth only \$150,000 and asking how much the speaker is worth. The Iowa legislature adjourned without electing a senator to fill out Allison's unexpired term. Agreement prevailed among republicans to assemble after election and elect the man who receives the primary endorsement.

Secretary Taft was visited by Senator Foraker, who pledged anything he can do in the campaign.

William H. Taft aroused crowds in Ohio towns to enthusiasm, and announcement is made that the candidate will make a campaign tour of the country.

Forty-two Iowa standpatters legitimated the nominee of the republican legislative caucus and prevented the election of Governor Cummins to the Senate.

Republican leaders, citing favorable legislation, declare democratic campaign talk will not receive labor vote. It is said that Senator Foraker's followers in Ohio are preparing to knife Taft.

General.

Much timber in the vicinity of Fort Meade and Lead, S. D., has been destroyed by forest fires.

The annual meeting of the Union Pacific stockholders will be held October 13 to elect directors.

Harry Thaw may be in contempt of court because of his failure to appear in Pittsburgh at the bankruptcy hearing.

"We have had a better time in Omaha than at any place since we left New York," said one of the younger members of the Harriman party at the Union station on leaving for the east. Orville Wright made a flight of six-and-a-half minutes and twelve seconds in his aeroplane, breaking the world's record made the day before.

The United States circuit court in Philadelphia handed down a decision holding the commodities clause of the Hepburn rate law is void.

The Standard Oil company answers the request for rehearing of the government in the big case in which Judge Landis imposed a fine of \$25,000,000.

G. W. Fitzgerald, accused of the theft of \$173,000 from the subtreasury in Chicago, has been released from custody on the government refusing to furnish testimony.

In his tour of Illinois and Indiana towns Mr. Bryan made a vehement attack on Speaker Cannon.

The constitutional amendments in Nebraska were adopted as party measures by all political parties. Some democratic and populist opposition was shown at the primaries.

The Nebraska university authorities are expecting a heavy registration of students.

England has launched a new warship that is the largest of any of its class.

Speaker Cannon opened his campaign for re-election in Danville, Ill., with reply to a speech of Samuel Gompers.

Corn is nearly up to the ten-year average, according to a report of the Department of Agriculture.

Order was made for a through rate on lumber from Washington points to Salt Lake City and Utah.

Four deaths are the results of a hotel fire in Denver that was started by an incendiary.

Miss La Blanche, who entertained Ak-Sar-Ben crowds in Omaha last year broke her back in Toronto.

In the inquest over Dr. F. H. Rustin of Omaha a woman told a strange story of a suicide agreement in which she was to kill the man and then kill herself, but her courage failed and she says a man was secured to take her place. That man is now under arrest.

All Nebraska representatives in congress have been renominated, according to the official returns from seventy-five out of ninety counties.

Nebraska is included in the itinerary of Judge Taft.

The next reunion of the Grand Army will be held in Salt Lake.

Inquest of Dr. Rustin's death in Omaha brought out the startling testimony that the doctor tried to persuade the Rice woman to kill him and when he nerve failed told her he had procured a man who would do it, pointing out Charles Davis. The latter denies having agreed to do so.

The authorities in Des Moines, Ia., have started a move to abolish the "redlight" district, but will offer unfortunate women a chance to earn a living honestly.

Samuel Gompers will invade Conners' district in an effort to defeat him.

Fifteen thousand people are homeless as a result of forest fires in Minnesota and property loss is immense. The governor appeals for aid.

The head of the locomotive firemen issued a statement to the effect that the organization is taking no part in the election and is not in politics.

The president in his coming message will suggest an increase in army strength to a hundred thousand.

Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., of Chicago, was married at the Westminster registry office, London to Malcolm Drummond, second son of the late Edgar Atheling Drummond.

The president plans to end his summer vacation Sept. 22, and return to Washington.

Both republican candidates for governor in West Virginia have agreed to withdraw provided Judge Nathan Goff will agree to accept the nomination.

A public meeting of Taft and Foraker and the formal buying of all differences between the Ohio factions in the republican party was a feature attending the Grand Army parade and encampment at Toledo.

The receivers of the Pillsbury-Washburn Milling company declare that unless they are empowered to raise \$75,000 immediately by means of an issue of certificates of indebtedness, the mills must close, which would result in a loss of established business.

The recent Nebraska State fair was the most successful ever held.

Complete returns for the Vermont election give Prouty, Republican, a plurality of 29,376.

The sum of \$10,000 is left to the Actors' Fund of America by Tony Pastor, the so-called "Father of Vaudeville" in this country.

Lionel Sackville Sackville-West, second Baron Sackville, died at Knole park, Seven Oaks, near London. He had been ill for some time.

Europe is thrown into a turmoil by Emperor William's demand that Mulai Hafid be recognized immediately as Sultan of Morocco.

Washington.

General S. Lockwood Brown, formerly of Chicago, and prominent in G. A. R. circles, was married here to Miss Elinor T. B. Chester. General Brown is 75 years of age and his bride is 63.

The hearing in the contempt proceedings of the Bucks Stove and Range Company against labor officials who are alleged to have violated an injunction to discontinue a boycott may not be held until October. Justice Gould of the district Supreme Court has intimated that the matter should go over until the regular court term in October.

A note of warning against federal employees resigning to participate in political campaigns with the expectation of possibly re-entering the service is found in a statement given out by civil service commission defining its attitude.

"Congress will be called in extra session immediately after the presidential inauguration next March, and will remain in session half a year or longer," said Senator McCumber of North Dakota, who has reached Washington after talks with President Roosevelt and Mr. Taft. "The session will be called for tariff revision and a bitter will be precipitated. The conflict of interests which must develop will be stubbornly contested."

Foreign.

With all the solemn splendor of the Roman Catholic church Cardinal Vincenzo Vannutelli, the pope's legate, was formally received by the prelate who have gathered in London for the eucharistic congress over which he will preside.

A patrol from the American fleet is still searching for the men who failed to go aboard the ships when sailing from Melbourne.

M. Alberti, who retired recently from the post of minister of justice, Denmark, surrendered to the police and confessed to a series of frauds against the Bondstandens Sparekasse a savings bank of which he was president.

The battleships Maine and Alabama, the advance guard of the American fleet on the voyage around the world, arrived at Suez.

Countess DeSakatter, prominent in Parisian society, committed suicide by shooting in Paris. The act, it is believed, was the result of nervous excitement.

William E. Curtis writes that Glasgow dates its great wealth and prosperity from its early trade with Virginia tobacco plantations and Jamaica sugar fields.

Personal.

The Iowa legislature deadlocked over the election of a senator and enemies of Governor Cummins declare he is defeated.

A meeting of the leaders of the democratic party was held at Chicago, when it was practically agreed to force Mr. Bryan out upon an active campaign.

That William H. Taft will make an extensive tour in the United States before the November election may be announced as the personal determination of the candidate.

Mayor Dahlman of Omaha declares that unless Schallenberger is 2,000 or 3,000 ahead of him he will contest his nomination for governor on the ground that populist votes were counted for him.

Alexander Tramp, democratic committee man from Connecticut and personal friend of W. J. Bryan, is dead.

Friends of progressive legislation in Washington see the "Canon blight" in the defeat of Congressman John J. Jenkins in the Wisconsin primaries.

Commissioner General of Immigra-

TO THE FREIGHT MEN

WHAT CLARK HAD TO SAY TO TRAFFIC MANAGERS.

THE LAW WILL BE ENFORCED

Incorporations and Their Rules Should Be Overlooked and Supervised by Federal Tribunals.

St. Louis, Ill.—"I doubt if this whole history of lawmaking in this country discloses such a record of ignoring, evading and defying law as has marked the course of the interstate commerce law. Its purpose has been defeated through technicalities, but it must not be assumed, that the effort toward government regulation of interstate commerce has been, is, or will be a failure or that it will be abandoned in despair. There will be no vindictiveness, no playing to the galleries and no partiality in administering the law as laid down by congress, but there will be a firm purpose and an earnest effort to enforce the full intent."

This statement was made by E. F. Clark, interstate commerce commissioner, in an address this afternoon before the annual convention of the American Association of Freight Traffic officials.

Mr. Clark said the roads should be permitted to maintain traffic associations, providing their articles of incorporation and their rules are subject to approval by a federal tribunal and are made public.

He opposed the proposition that a complaint against an increased rate should automatically suspend such rate, but urged that the Interstate Commerce commission be given authority to suspend a proposed increase in rates until its reasonableness could be determined.

The following officers were re-elected by the association:

President, Robert C. Wright, Philadelphia; first vice-president, T. W. Gallagher, Baltimore; second vice-president, W. D. Groseclose, St. Louis; third vice-president, Charles R. Capps, Norfolk, Va.; fourth vice-president, George R. Crosby, Chicago; secretary, treasurer, J. F. Ausch, Philadelphia.

Cholera Has a Firm Hold.

St. Petersburg.—An official statement of the cholera situation in St. Petersburg shows that Sunday there were fifty-eight new cases and eight deaths from the disease and that there are 107 patients in hospitals in with it.

Harry Thaw Gets Transfer.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.—Harry K. Thaw will be transferred from the Dutchess county jail to the jail at White Plains, Westchester county, under an order issued by Supreme Court Justice Mills at a special term in this city.

Burglars Rob Embassy.

Washington.—Burglars entered the British embassy and stole from the room of the housekeeper, Miss Clara Childs, a sum of money, jewelry and a gold watch and chain. Ambassador and Mrs. Budge are in Europe.

Idle Men the Scour.

London.—The number of unemployed in this city was strikingly illustrated when 3,000 men surrounded and attempted to make their way into a hospital which had advertised for a porter at a wage of \$4.50 a week and meals.

Shaw Heads the Company.

Philadelphia.—Leslie M. Shaw, formerly secretary of the treasury, will come to this city shortly to accept the presidency of the First Mortgage Guaranty and Trust company of this city.

Yellow Fever in Mexico.

Mexico.—Reports from the city of Merida, capital of Yucatan declare that two authenticated cases of yellow fever are in the pest houses there and that four suspected cases are under observation.

SPRING WHEAT STARTS EAST.

Movement Begins Earlier Than Last Year and Grain High Quality.

St. Paul, Minn.—According to the general freight agents of the northern railroads, which run through the wheat belt of the northwest, the wheat crop movement has just started and it is from two to three weeks earlier than last year.

Reports received from Duluth and Superior show that the movement the last two days of last week indicated receipts of from 500 to 600 cars daily in that direction.

The crop is more abundant in some places and less in others, but the grade is larger. The percentage tag of No. 1 northern wheat is greater than usual.

To Investigate Fish Combine.

Chicago.—A statement made by Louis M. Polakow, publisher of a trade journal devoted to the fish trade, which was given publicly on Saturday, was made the basis of a report that federal investigation would be made of the affairs of A. Booth & Co., who went into the hands of a receiver last week. Polakow declared that the prices of fish to dealers throughout the country were dictated by A. Booth & Co., and that he was ready to give the district attorney details concerning their operations.

NEBRASKA POINTERS

STATE NEWS AND NOTES IN CONDENSED FORM.

THE PRESS, PULPIT AND PUBLIC

What is Going on Here and There That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska.

At a school election held to determine whether or not the city of Hebron should vote \$20,000 bonds for the purpose of building a new ward school, the bonds carried by a majority of fifteen.

While Mr. and Mrs. William Burke of Friend were out riding in their automobile, the machine was overturned and Mrs. Burke suffered the breaking of a collar bone beside some other bruises.

James Keith, a bartender from Raymond, was shot and killed at Bridgeport by Michael H. Hagerly, a saloon keeper of that place, as the result of a drunken dispute. Both men are well known.

Mrs. Dora Wilson, proprietor of the hotel at Manly, went to Lincoln to attend the funeral of her niece, Miss Edna Kennett. While in a restaurant she was attacked with appendicitis, taken to a hospital and operated on and died next day.

Leaving behind her a husband and five children, Mrs. Ernest Olson, living about four miles north of Polk, deserted her home in company with Ray Helvery, the hired man, came over from Polk to Central City with him in an automobile, boarded the train at that place and has not been heard of since.

Judge Grimes held a brief session of the district court at Sidney and sentenced the following to the penitentiary: Henry Harris, burglary, eighteen months; Samuel Gim, forger, two years and a half; Will LaMaar, a boy of 17, was sent to the state reformatory for a period of four years for burglary.

Word was received in Beatrice that Lon Eddleman, a young man whose home is near Ellis, had died in South Omaha from an overdose of cocaine. Eddleman was suspected of having robbed the store of the Jackson Drug company in Beatrice. He was also suspected of other robberies at Ertis and Plymouth and escaped from the officers a few years ago.

Sheriff H. U. Miner of Butte county has apprehended Fred Clark and Ed Orr, half brothers, wanted at Mt. Sterling, Ill., for jail breaking. The men do not deny having taken French leave of the Mt. Sterling prison. They had been given a preliminary hearing on a charge of assault with intent to kill, and were awaiting trial in the district court there when a jail delivery was effected.

A. E. Williams, living at 530 North Seventh street, says the Lincoln Journal, has succeeded in growing in his yard a very perfect cotton plant, which is now full of blossoms. It was planted in March and has been given care enough to bring it to full development. Inasmuch as it is only one of thirty stalks to come to perfection, it does not appear that cotton can be grown here to advantage.

The food commissioner has forwarded to County Attorney English of Douglas county information that six restaurants of Omaha are selling skim milk and directs that they be prosecuted under the pure food law. The law requires that milk shall test 2 per cent butter fat. Two and six-tenths per cent was the best any of the restaurants in the list did, according to the food commissioner's report.

The annual convention of the Lutheran synod of Nebraska opened in Haardy. The following officers were elected: Rev. L. Groh, D. D., of Omaha, president; Rev. George W. Livers of Benedict, secretary; Dr. James H. Miller of Surprise, treasurer; Rev. C. J. Ringer of Wayne, statistical secretary; Rev. M. L. Melick of Omaha, historian. The annual reports showed a general advance all along the lines.

Food Commissioner Johnson is proceeding against more farmers on a charge of selling rotten eggs. He has asked county attorneys to prosecute P. Smith of Rokyby and P. L. Cullen of Ashland for selling bad eggs to a storekeeper. It is the food commissioner's policy to catch farmers by having inspectors stationed at country stores to candle eggs and the first farmer that offers a bad egg is immediately detected.

Some boys at Shelton were using a high, slanting wire as a slide for life and sliding down hanging by their feet. While Harold Kesterson was making a slide the fastening to which his feet were attached broke, precipitating him to the ground head first. He alighted on his hands first with such force as to break both arms at the wrist, the bones protruding through the flesh. Although badly injured it is thought that his arms can be saved.

The assessed value of property apportioned to cities and towns, belonging to the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad, under the provisions of the terminal tax law, is increased from \$277,100 in 1907 to \$435,191 in 1908.

A letter received at Fremont by her husband clears away the mystery which surrounded the disappearance of Mrs. Olson. Mrs. Olson is in Sweden staying with her parents. How she managed to get there Mr. Olson says he cannot imagine. He says she did not have any money that he knew anything about.

THE CORN RAISERS' NIGHTMARE.



TO JOIN IN GENERAL WAR

LABOR MEN TO TAKE PART IN FIGHTING TUBERCULOSIS.

Announcement Made That American Federation Will Join in Fight Against Plague.

Washington.—American workmen and workwomen, represented by the American Federation of Labor, will co-operate with the coming world's congress on tuberculosis to prevent the spread of consumption in workshops, homes and public buildings. This developed at the session of the executive council of the federation, when the council decided to assume charge of a mass meeting to be held in connection with the congress on Sunday, October 4.

John Mitchell will preside and make an address emphasizing the importance to workmen of the tuberculosis crusade. Samuel Gompers, president of the federation, will make the principal address. The effect of tuberculosis upon the workers will be proved by statistics, which show that 25 per cent of all deaths between the ages of 15 and 45 are due to consumption.

It was decided that the American Federation of Labor make every effort to aid in furthering the movement among the people of our country to secure legislation for the conservation of our natural resources.

A resolution was adopted to urgently request President Roosevelt to intervene and prevent the surrender of Jan Pouden to the Russian government. Pouden participated in the revolutionary movement of the Baltic provinces to obtain a freer form of government for the people of Russia. When the revolution failed he escaped to the United States and obtained employment which he followed for more than eight months. Russian spies in the United States ferreted him out and now demand his extradition.

KAISER DOESN'T ENTER FRANCE.

William Changes His Mind About Ascending the Hohenz.

Altenberg, Alsace.—Emperor William disappointed the general expectation that he would set foot on French territory Friday in the course of a sight-seeing trip along the Vosges range. The French authorities forwarded his majesty a hearty invitation to do so and had made every preparation to welcome the imperial visitor. He had intended to ascend the Hohneck, the highest point in this vicinity, which is situated in French territory. From it a splendid view may be had of Remiremont and the valley of the Moselle river. Emperor William arrived here late in the afternoon and decided not to proceed across the frontier.

Commodities Clause Hit.

Philadelphia.—The commodities clause of the Hepburn railroad act was Thursday declared to be unconstitutional by the United States circuit court for the eastern district of Pennsylvania. Judges Gray and Dallas agreed in an opinion, covering 15 typewritten pages, that the clause is unconstitutional. Judge Buffington dissented, but did not file an opinion.

Guns Beaten by Nelson.

Colma Arena, San Francisco.—Battling Nelson clinched his claim to the lightweight pugilistic championship by defeating Joe Gans for the second time at Colma arena Wednesday afternoon. The fight ended in the twenty-first round when Gans, beaten down by a succession of blows from his sturdy conqueror, failed to get upon his feet within the count of ten.

Indicted for Arson in New Orleans.

New Orleans.—Julius Lipps, manager; Abe Wolf, secretary and treasurer of the Central Glass company of New Orleans, and John Eckert, an employe of that company, were indicted by the grand jury Wednesday night on the charge of arson in connection with a fire which about two days ago burned over a portion of three blocks in the business section of New Orleans, causing a loss of \$1,500,000. The fire originated in the building that was occupied by the Central Glass company.

FLAY JUDGE LANDIS

LAWYERS FOR STANDARD OIL FILE THEIR ANSWER.

DECLARE FINE EXCESSIVE

Jurist is Charged with Yielding to Outside Influences and the Prosecution is Called "Malicious."

Chicago.—Judge Kenesaw Landis, who fined the Standard Oil Company \$25,000,000, is charged with having permitted outside influences to govern his decision by the attorneys for the company in their answer to the application for a rehearing filed in the United States court of appeals.

The answer refers to the judgment of that court as an "unheard-of fine," and says that the court was "governed by evidence and considerations which were not proper to influence a judicious magistrate."

District Attorney Sims, who conducted the prosecution, was referred to as a "zealous prosecutor."

The answer to the government's appeal for rehearing is submitted by Attorneys John S. Miller, Moritz Rosenthal and Alfred D. Eddy, counsel for the oil company, and cites numerous reasons why Judge Grosscup and his associates in the court of appeals should not grant the government's petition.

The principal argument presented is in regard to excessive fines, and it



Judge Kenesaw Landis.

is declared absolutely that District Attorney Sims could find no authority to support Judge Landis in his action of fixing the "unheard-of fine." Regarding this the answer states:

"The provision of the bill of rights in the eighth amendment to the federal constitution forbidding the imposition of excessive fines enacts a cherished principle of Magna Charta, which is the foundation of American and Anglo-Saxon laws and jurisprudence, and which required that fines imposed for faults or crimes should be 'after the manner of the fault,' or 'according to the heinousness of it,' and forbade fines so large as to deprive a defendant of that which was necessary to his vocation or livelihood."

The action of the government in bringing the oil company to trial is referred to as "malicious prosecution," and it is reiterated that no evidence and law has been brought to bear on the case by the federal attorneys.

Freed in Subtreasury Case.

Chicago.—George W. Fitzgerald, accused of having stolen the \$173,000 which disappeared from the United States subtreasury, was discharged by Judge Chetlain Thursday after it had been shown on the witness stand that the government had instructed the treasury department heads in Chicago and other government employes to not testify in the case nor make public the evidence which the secret service men have been gathering since the time of the robbery.

Woman Suicide at Niagara.

Niagara Falls, N. Y.—A woman, about 25 years old, of refined appearance, Tuesday afternoon walked into the river about 30 feet above Prospect Point and was swept over the falls. She left nothing to identify her. Seventy-five persons saw the suicide.

Four Die in Denver Fire.

Denver, Col.—Four men lost their lives and a score of persons were injured, several of them seriously, in a fire that raged the Belmont hotel, a three-story building at 1723 Stout street Tuesday morning. Crazed with fear and almost suffocated by smoke, the guests rushed for the windows, several of them jumping to the pavement below before firemen and policemen could reach them with ladders or spread nets below the windows. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.