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## GOT INTO A PARAGRAPH

Washington, Congressional, Political and Other Events Briefly Told

The Nebraska Railway commission has upheld the request of the South Omaha Live Stock Yards company for higher switching charges.

The National Exchange bank of Springfield, Mo., closed its doors under order of the comptroller of the currency.

Four men broke jail at Grand Island, among them Haley, the postoffice thief.

The South American diplomats were badly injured in an automobile accident near Washington.

The New York World calls on congress to investigate the purchase of the Panama canal property.

A fight between religious fanatics and officers in Kansas City resulted in the death of one officer and a girl and in fatal injury of three men.

It is reported that Chancellor Strong of the Kansas university may be selected to follow Chancellor Andrews of the Nebraska University.

Free trade with the Philippines was one of the most important matters agreed upon by President-elect Taft and the republican members of the ways and means committee.

Major Brad Slaughter of Omaha, paymaster of the United States army, will not be disqualified and put on the retired list as was rumored recently.

A number of Nebraskans won prizes at the Chicago live stock show.

The National Corn exposition at Omaha was formally opened by telegram from President Roosevelt. Gov. Shelton and others made brief speeches. The exhibit is large from all sections, including foreign countries. Awards are being made. John P. Close of Indiana securing the grand sweepstakes, \$2,000.

Railroad officials will meet in Chicago to act upon the proposition of raising freight rates between the Atlantic coast and Mississippi river.

The Chicago Board of Trade will charter a special train on the Northwestern road to come to the corn show at Omaha.

The secretary of the treasury has sent to congress the book of estimates for appropriations for the year 1910.

A conference of New York republicans was held at which it was decided to push Secretary Root for the senatorship and let T. L. Woodruff distribute the patronage.

President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft placed themselves on record in favor of the issue of bonds for permanent improvements to conserve natural resources.

Revolutionists post notice that the Shah of Persia has been condemned to death for overriding the constitution.

Publicity for the National Corn Show has comprehended daily, weekly and monthly publications and 1,000,000 circulars and posters.

The new anti-sweating law in Ireland, passed by the English, throws the poor women and factory workers into the clams.

**Washington.**

The waterways conference afforded the opportunity for a report on the wealth of the United States and opinions on the movement for conservation that has become general.

Judge Taft and Speaker Cannon held a conference at which it was agreed that the republican members of the committee on ways and means shall meet the president-elect on tariff revision.

The president extended his "greetings and best wishes for success of the National Corn exposition" at Omaha.

Advocates of the establishment of an Appalachian and a White mountain national forest reserve headed by governors from all sections of the United States appeared before the house committee on agriculture and pressed their appeal for an appropriation for the creation of this big reserve.

President-elect Taft gave his promise to visit Atlanta, Ga., for a day during his stay in Augusta.

The president has accepted the resignation of Chaplain George G. Waring, Eleventh cavalry, to take effect January 20.

Congress got promptly to work on Monday, the 17th, doing, however, but little on the first day. The president's message was sent in Tuesday.

President Roosevelt sent a letter to David Dudley Foulke, in which he made a reply to charges made by Indianapolis paper concerning the Panama canal purchase.

President Roosevelt gives out his first official announcement regarding his hunting trip to Africa. The expedition will be outfitted by the Smithsonian Institute and the large African animals killed will be sent to that institution.

Joseph H. Painter, aged 30, botanist in the national museum, and his companion, Robert Wallace, aged 16, were drowned while trying to shoot the rapids at Stubbfield falls in the Potomac river.

**Personal.**

Former Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw was loser to the extent of \$60,000 in the failure of the Fidelity Funding company in New York.

President Roosevelt deals blows with vigor and impartiality in discussing the subject of the courts in his annual message.

Charles P. Taft declares that the attack of the New York World is but an effort to discredit President Roosevelt and President-elect Taft and is without foundation.

Judge Taft was the guest of honor at the banquet of the North Carolina society of New York.

Emperor William is in the dumps because his prestige is lost.

General Simon is in possession of the national palace at Port au Prince.

The Swedish vice consul at St. Louis committed suicide.

Senator Warren of Wyoming objects

## LABOR OF CONGRESS

BOTH HOUSES WILL SOON QUIT FOR HOLIDAYS.

## AS TO PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Both Senate and House Will Likely Take Similar Action in Reference Thereto.

Washington.—Both houses of congress expect to conclude the ante-Christmas holiday week of the session during the present week. The date of the adjournment for these holidays has not yet been definitely determined, but most probably it will fall on the 21st inst. In that event it is not expected that any business would be done on Monday week, because when the date becomes known members will leave for their homes in such numbers that it will be impossible to maintain a quorum.

The senate will take another adjournment from Thursday until the following Monday beyond providing definitely for the Christmas recess. The house will continue its work until Friday or Saturday, but will then adjourn until Monday unless another plan of adjournment is pursued. Some members who reside in far distant states are urging that the adjournment should begin on Saturday and the leaders are disposed to heed. When taken the holiday adjournment will be until January 4.

It is expected that both houses will deal during the week with the question of the paragraph in the president's message relating to the secret service. The Perkins committee probably will present its report to the house early, and in case a resolution dealing with the subject is recommended it will be acted upon before the dispersal of the house for the holidays.

The present program in the senate is to have introduced a resolution similar to that passed by the house which authorized a committee to deal with the question and report back. Who shall introduce the resolution and what committee shall be designated to perform the service are not yet absolutely determined.

In the senate effort will be made by Senator Carter to procure the passage of his bill providing for the establishment of postal savings banks, and on Wednesday that measure will give way to the Foraker bill authorizing the re-enlistment of the negro soldiers who were discharged without honor because of their supposed participation in the Brownsville riots of 1906.

## PROSPECTING AS IT WAS AND AS IT IS TO-DAY.



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## OPENS WAR ON PRESIDENT

HOUSE ADOPTS RESOLUTION FOR COMMITTEE ON MESSAGE.

Story That Roosevelt is Preparing Return Blow—Legislative Appropriation Bill Quickly Passed.

Washington.—Immediately after the convening of the house Friday Representative Perkins of New York introduced a resolution, which had heretofore been agreed upon, providing for the appointment of a special committee of five members to consider the proper means of dealing with that portion of the president's message which criticizes the course of congress in prohibiting the detail of secret service men to duty outside of their own bureau. The resolution is preceded by a preamble reciting some expressions of the message. No effort is made to give voice to the feeling of the house. The resolution was passed.

If the plan of the house to censure President Roosevelt does not stir up a genuine explosion, it won't be the president's fault. He is now at work, it is reported, getting together data concerning the personal and official life of a number of the congressmen, which he expects to fire into congress to show what might happen were there to be a genuine investigation of congressmen, such as he said in his message the congressmen seemed to fear.

Of course the present talk may be intended only to frighten some of the more timid congressmen—especially those who may have some loose skeletons in their desks—into a sudden apathy on the promised censure.

When the legislative appropriation bill was called up in the house of representatives Friday by Mr. Bingham of Pennsylvania the extraordinary situation was presented that for the first time in 12 years no general debate was asked for. Even the first reading of the bill was dispensed with by unanimous consent.

Mr. Bingham, having the measure in charge, explained its provisions, the main features of which already have been printed. Its reading for amendment then was begun.

## FATALITIES IN GARAGE FIRE.

Chicago Mother Leaps with Child and Both Die.

Chicago.—With men and women of Chicago's most exclusive and fashionable residence section as horrified spectators, two persons, a mother and a child, received fatal injuries in a garage fire Friday night.

Two others were burned so badly they are not expected to live.

White Mrs. George M. Pullman, Mrs. Secor Cunningham, Mrs. Stanley Field and other leaders of Chicago's social world stood by watching the flames. Mrs. Florence Carr, wife of a chauffeur employed by James K. Deering, threw herself from a window of the burning building to the ground below, carrying in her arms her young son.

Arthur Meeker placed the boy in his auto and raced across the city toward the nearest hospital. The boy died soon after the hospital was reached.

J. W. Thorne of Montgomery Ward & Co. used his automobile to convey the mother to a hospital. She died as the machine was rushing across the streets.

## ATTEMPTS TO BRIBE UMPIRES.

Officials of Deciding National League Game Make Charges.

New York.—Even more sensational than the tumultuous close of the recent National league playing season were the closing hours of the league's annual meeting here Friday when charges of attempted bribery of the umpires who officiated at the game that decided the championship of 1908, between New York and Chicago at the Polo grounds, October 8, were sprung and the magnates appointed a committee to probe them, even intimating that criminal prosecutions might follow the investigation committee's report. An official statement by the league says none of the persons named are in any way connected with organized baseball.

## MANIAC HOLDS UP VILLAGE.

Edgewater, N. J., Terrorized by "John the Baptist."

Edgewater, N. J.—Proclaiming himself to be "John the Baptist, come to save the world," an armed fanatic, wrought up to a high pitch of maniacal fury, terrorized this village for a full hour late Friday. He appeared suddenly on the main street, waving a big revolver, held up the proprietors of several stores, exchanged many shots with a hastily formed posse and at last was wounded when the police and a mob of citizens ran him down. In all the fusillade no one was hit but the maniac himself, and his wounds are not regarded as dangerous. He says he is Oscar Pomeroy of Nebraska.

## OFFICER AND FANATIC DEAD.

Two More Victims of Kansas City Street Battle.

Kansas City, Mo.—Two more names were added to the list of dead as a result of Tuesday's battle between religious fanatics and the police here, the total number of dead now being four.

Shortly before noon Louis Pratt, 45 years old, the foremost disciple of James Sharp, died at the general hospital, and an hour later Michael Mullane, a policeman, succumbed to his wounds at St. Joseph's hospital. Policeman Albert O. Dalbow and Lula Pratt died immediately after being shot Tuesday.

Sharp was arrested Thursday night at Monticello, Johnson county, Kansas. He gave himself up without resistance. "Adam God" was wounded in both hands. He told the officers that he was willing to be taken now that he had "finished the work that God sent me to do."

## FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER.

Duluth, Minn.—William Schreiber

was found guilty of murder in the first degree here Friday. He killed Frank Massaput, a settler, near Ashawa, last February. His acquittal had been generally expected.

## CONVICTED BANKER PARDONED.

Columbus, O.—James R. Lingafelter,

Newark banker and savings association official, serving a five-year term in the penitentiary for forgery, was pardoned Friday by Gov. Harris. He is thought to be suffering from cancer of the stomach.

## MOTHER AND BABE DIE IN FLAMES.

Salina, Kan.—In a fire which destroyed

their home at Havana, near here, Friday, Mrs. Himmelwright wife

## ABE RUEF IS GUILTY

FORMER 'FRISCO BOSS IS CONVICTED OF BRIBERY.

## DRAMATIC END OF TRIAL

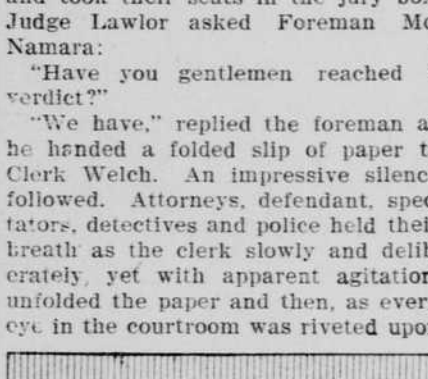
Francis J. Heney Hears the Verdict Read—Defendant May Get Fourteen Years in the Penitentiary.

San Francisco.—Abraham Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, was convicted Thursday of bribery. The verdict was returned exactly upon the stroke of four o'clock when the deliberations of the jury had been prolonged throughout a period of 24 hours.

As the jury filed into the courtroom and took their seats in the jury box, Judge Llewellyn asked Foreman McNamara:

"Have you gentlemen reached a verdict?"

"We have," replied the foreman as he handed a folded slip of paper to Clerk Welch. An impressive silence followed. Attorneys, defendant, spectators, detectives and police held their breath as the clerk slowly and deliberately yet with apparent agitation, unfolded the paper and then, as every eye in the courtroom was riveted upon



Abe Ruef.

him read the words: "We, the jury, find the defendant, Abraham Ruef, guilty as charged."

Immediately all arose to their feet. There was a murmur of approval, but no demonstration.

At the other end of the counsel table, near the place where his blood had dyed the floor a deep crimson red which had been effaced with sandpaper, sat Francis J. Heney, who appeared in the courtroom for the first time since the day he was shot.

Ruef sat between his father and Thomas B. Dozier of the defense when the verdict was returned. He had spent the greater part of the day in conversation with his aged parent and though his face paled and his eyes remained fixed for a long time upon the elder Mr. Ruef. He whispered a few words of encouragement to the old man and sent him out of the room to break the news to the defendant's mother and sisters.

Ruef's conviction renders him liable to a maximum penalty of 14 years in the penitentiary.

## PLANS ACTION FOR LIBEL.

President Threatens Authors of Canal "Graft" Charges.

Washington.—"If they can be reached for criminal libel, I shall try to have them reached," said President Roosevelt in speaking Tuesday afternoon about "those Americans" who have been guilty of infamous falsehood concerning the acquisition of the Panama canal itself.

It was to the committee of one hundred of the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterway association, headed by Gov. Deneen of Illinois, who were received by the president in the east room of the White House, that he made this declaration.

Forming Big Lumber Trust.

Duluth, Minn.—The lumber interests represented by the Weyerhaeusers, O'Brien & Cook of St. Paul and Duluth and Edward Hines of Chicago are here working on the formation of a lumber trust which will control practically all the pine in North America. The greatest secrecy is being observed, but it is known that the deal is almost finished and the details may be given out in a day or two. The transfer of the Duluth, Virginia & Rainy Lake railroad is said to be the only sticking point.

## Cortelyou May Head Trust Company.

New York.—It was stated here

Friday night, though the statement was not officially confirmed, that the presidency of the Union Trust Company had been offered to George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the treasury. The Union is the fourth largest trust company in the city.

## Senator Hansbrough Worse.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Senator Hansbrough,

who became ill in Minneapolis some days ago while on his way to Washington, and has been confined to his room at the Nicollet hotel, was worse Friday.

## Editor Sentenced to Jail.

Columbus, O.—J. A. Tarrier,

publisher of Town Topics, a weekly paper, was sentenced Friday by Federal Judge Sater to eight months in jail

## RED CROSS CHRISTMAS STAMP.

The Nebraska Association for Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis Has

Them For Sale at Small Cost.

In 1904, in Denmark, the government issued a Christmas Stamp, with the King's head and the word "Jul" the same as our "Yule" on it. It was not good for postage, only as a "sticker" for Christmas letters, post-cards and packages. The proceeds from it were to go toward building a tuberculosis hospital for little children. It succeeded beyond all expectation, four million being sold at an oere, or half-cent apiece. Denmark has continued it since to maintain tuberculosis work, and the sale in the native land of Hans Christian Anderson has doubled each year.

## Why the Red Cross Issued the Stamp.

America needs such a stamp, but her postoffice officials cannot issue or handle it under the present postal laws; and a special act of Congress would be necessary. Jacob Reis, himself a Dane, wrote an eloquent article, published in the Outlook of July 6, 1907, urging government action in the matter, but there were too many difficulties in the way. It seemed hopeless to try, but at this juncture the Red Cross, which exists for just such emergencies, took it up.

## Where the Christmas Stamp Started.

This was the little state of Delaware—very small, very conservative, not given to enthusiasms, and having only a few shacks in a woodland meadow near Wilmington as a tuberculosis hospital. The State as a whole was ignorant and uninterested on the subject, yet the stamp, printed and put on the market only eighteen days before Christmas, amazed everybody by its sensational record. Fifty thousand had been printed to sell at one cent apiece. They went in a week, and then the stamp got into Philadelphia, where the Pennsylvania Red Cross welcomed it and backed it, and the North American gave it splendid aid. The Delaware schools sold it, the Women's Clubs in Delaware took it up, the newspapers gave columns to it, the department stores, banks, drug stores and hotels sold it. It was sold in the corridors of the Wilmington Federal Building, by permission from the government, though not the post-office itself. The presses in the last few days before Christmas ran night and day to supply the demand. People used the stamps on packages and letters and business firms on their correspondence. Nearly four hundred thousand were sold, and nearly three thousand dollars cleared from this small unobtrusive penny stamp.

## The Nebraska Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis

has these stamps on sale at one cent apiece,—sold in any quantity, and will be glad to fill any orders. If every one of Nebraska's one million inhabitants bought one stamp—the promise could almost be made with certainty that tuberculosis would not exist in this state ten years from date. In every dime's worth of stamps nine cents goes toward tuberculosis prevention in the state where the stamps are sold. Let every one help—if only to buy one stamp, for Christmas's sake, for humanity's sake, for brotherhood's sake. Address the secretary, K. R. J. Edholm, 408 City Hall, Omaha.

## Bank Guarantee Enactment.

Governor-elect Shallenberger plans to draft a bill or have drafted a bill, to guarantee bank deposits, which will not be objectionable to the department of banking at Washington, thereby permitting the operation under the law of the national banks. The law which it is planned to enact will provide for a limited assessment upon each bank—that is when the assessment is levied for a year that will be the limit of the amount any bank will have to pay in that year.

## The Law will empower the governor

to appoint a board composed probably of bankers or others who are fitted for the work to superintend the working or enforcement of the law.

## This board probably will consist of

three members who shall serve without pay, receiving only their expenses like the regents of the State university. The governor-elect would permit the banks to have a say or at least recommend some of the bank examiners, for he believes as each bank will be responsible in case of a failure, the banks should have something to say in the matter of getting competent examiners.

## Kearney Normal's Estimate.

President A. O. Thomas of the Kearney Normal school estimates the needed appropriation for that institution for the coming biennium at \$219,000. He divides his sum as follows: Maintenance, \$119,300; general repairs, \$6,000; traveling expenses, \$800; salary of engineers janitors, etc., \$1,000; salaries of principal and teachers, \$6,000; low wing and equipment, \$50,000; chapel and gymnasium and equipment \$50,000.

## Finances for the Schools.

At a meeting of the members of the Board of Education, the matter of finances for the schools was under discussion. After a talk by State Treasurer Brian on the matter of school tax, the regents finally agreed to ask the next legislature for the usual 1-mill levy, but specify that when 95 per cent of the tax levied should be collected that would be the limit of the appropriation. The regents, figuring on past experience, estimate that 95 per cent of the tax is collected in