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NEWS NOTES CONDENSED

A Boiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

Foreign.

The Prussian government has introduced a bill in the diet forbidding foreigners to acquire mineral properties and operate mines within Prussia without the special permission of the king or the authorities representing him.

A semi-official note gives complete denial to the statement that Germany threatened Russia to oblige that country to recognize the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria-Hungary.

Both Lord Northland and Mrs. John Alexander Stirling have lodged appeals against the decree of divorce in favor of Mr. Stirling handed down last month by Lord Guthrie.

The royal Swedish academy has presented Thomas A. Edison with the Adelskiold gold medal for his inventions in connection with phonograph and the incandescent light.

The Naples newspapers announce that the Duke of Aosta will give a dinner there in honor of Theodore Roosevelt.

The Servian minister at Vienna, M. Simitch, handed to Foreign Minister Von Aehrenthal the note from his government that marks the conclusion of the difficulty between Austria-Hungary and Servia.

The London Daily Mail, describing Dr. Eliot as "America's first citizen," says that the United States could have no finer representative, as he is all that is best in American national life.

Prince Kasatkin-Rosteofseff, a member of one of the best known families in Russia, was killed at Warsaw by a concert hall singer named Rosa Bauer. The woman made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide.

A sensation has been caused by the report of a case of sleeping sickness in the heart of Paris. The victim is a missionary of the Order of the Holy Ghost, who dropped unconscious in the Luxomberg garden and was conveyed to Pasteur Institute.

The solution of the Balkan crisis has been received in St. Petersburg with rage and shame, rather than with a feeling of relief, by the press and chauvinistic public which blame Foreign Minister Iswolsky for the surrender of Slav interests without considering the circumstances which have dictated the Russian policy.

Generai.

The French senate by a vote of 317 to 8 adopted the Franco-Canadian commercial treaty.

That section of the new insurance law of New York which limits to $150,000 the amount of business an insurance company may write in one year, was declared constitutional by Justice O'Gorman in the New York supreme court.

A resolution by Senator Clay calling upon the secretary of the treasury for information concerning the sugar trade was adopted by the senate.

President Taft got his first month's pay in the sum of $5,625.

A French tank bark was blown up and twelve of her crew killed.

Both Mexico and the United States are vigilantly watching the course of events in Central America.

Government receipts for the month of March showed a marked increase.

President Diaz opened the second sesion of the twenty-fourth Mexican congress.

There was no election in Illinois on the sixtieth joint ballot for United States senator.

Kansas financiers spring question whether national banks have same rights in connection with guaranty fund as do state banks.

Republican factions will make compromise, and an effort will be made to vote on new tariff bill on Saturday, April 10.

Gen. Miles says he "never could quite see why a man wants to shoot elephants, zebra, antelopes and other animals wilfully."

It is reported in financial circles in New York that all preliminary steps have been taken by the Standard Oil company of New Jersey for the increase of its capitalization from $100,000,000 to $500,000,000.

Dr. Canfield, former chancellor of the Nebraska university, died suddenly in New York from a stroke of apoplexy.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, foe of green ice cream and pink lemonade, will cintinue to hold the position he has made famous, that of chief of the bureau of chemistry in the department of agriculture.

President Taft declares himself in favor of the creation of a tariff bureau.

Twenty-seven traction lines in Greater New York earned in three months $7,000,000.

Passenger steamers on the great lakes are to be equipped this season with wireless telegraph apparatus, to be operated by the United Wireless company.

The Blackwell island bridge, costing $12,500,000, has been opened to the public.

Chin Yen Qai, a wealthy Chinaman, was arrested in Chicago as an alleged participant in a conspiracy to smuggle Chinamen into this country at El Paso, Tex.

Germany once faced the same problem as the United tSates in forest preservation.

Senator Curtis of Kansas called upon the president for a second time with reference to the operation of the bank guarantee law of his state. The situation in Kansas is said to be becoming somewhat acute.

Senator Aldrich is the master mind in the framing of the tariff bill.

The powers have reached an agreement that dispels the Balkan crisis.

Congress expects to be able to vote on the Payne measure by April 10.

The woman suffrage bill passed the Wisconsin senate with a referendum attached to it. If the bill is ratified by a vote of the people woman's suffrage will become operative.

The international ballon race for the James Gordon Bennett cup will be held on October 3, instead of October 10, as previously announced.

The senate has knocked out the proposed duty on coffee.

At this writing Crazy Snake has not been captured. He has fled to Tiger mountain.

The Utah Fuel company pleaded guilty in the United States court today to the fraudulent acquisition of 1,440 acres of coal land and paid a fine of $8,000, also $192,000 for the coal extracted, and relinquished the land.

Warden Beemer of the Nebraska penitentiary died suddenly on Sunday last.

In a race against time to reach the bedside of his dying mother, Frank L. Vanderlip, president of the National City bank of New York, covered the distance from New York to Chicago in fifteen hours and fifty-eight minutes. This according to railroad officials, broke all railroad records for the trip.

Washington.

Money to the amount of $100,000,000 may be borrowed by the secretary of the treasury on the credit of the United States for the purpose of erecting public buildings which are authorized by congress for cities having a population of 5,000 or more people, if the bill recently introduced by Senator Scott of West Virginia becomes a law.

The statement of the treasury shows a balance in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve. Available cash balance, $133,934,071; gold coin and bullion, $42,511,528; gold certificates, $47,661,660.

Lieutenant Leigh C. Palmer of the navy has been assigned to duty as the naval aid to President Taft, succeeding Commander William S. Sims, who is transferred to the command of the battleship Minnesota.

President Taft hopes to get away from Washington about the middle of June. He has declared that he will be agreeably surprised if the tariff law is ready for the statute books by June 10, but he is hopeful that the surprise will materialize.

Commercial movements in the domestic field during February on the whole indicate a larger degree of industrial activity than for the preceding month.

In honor of Chales E. Magoon, the Nebraska State association, numbering over 200 members, temporary residents of Washington, gave a largely attended reception at the Normandie hotel annex.

Former Representative Joseph W. Babcock of Wisconsin is seriously ill.

Senator Gamble secured a favorable report from the committee on judiciary on the nomination of E. E. Wagner to be United States district attorney for South Dakota.

Representative Latta, although he is a brand new member, has decided that he will not try to suppress himself on the tariff question, and has applied for time to make a brief speech. He said that he will talk in favor of free lumber, and that he is prepared, speaking for a great stock-raising district, to say that he will favor free hides, if the district may only have the benefit of free lumber.

Rear Admiral George A. Converse died at his home here of uraemic poisoning. Although placed on the retired list several years ago, he was in active service at the time of his death, being president of the board of construction of the navy.

Representative Moon of Tennessee attacked Champ Clark in the house, accusing him of being a mock czar.

Personal.

Denial is made of any attempt to assault Mr. Roosevelt on board the steamer Hamburg.

Castro will be allowed to land in Venezuela if he wants to.

At Washington Crazy Snake is not regarded as a very bad Indian.

The Wisconsin delegation is for downward revision of the tariff.

Nebraskans at Washington tendered a reception to Charles E. Magoon.

Lucky Baldwin bequeathed only $200,000 to his wife.

President Elliott, late of Harvard college, may be ambassador to Great Britain.

Jack Johnson was given an ovation by the colored men of New York.

President Taft will not bend an inch in his demand for lower duties.

Dr. J. H. Canfield, former chancellor of the University of Nebraska, died after a short illness at New York.

Elkins of West Virginia has joined the senate insurgents.

James Dahlman has been renominated for mayor by the democrats of Omaha.

Mrs. Gunjiro Aakio, by her marriage to the Japanese at Seattle, Wash., renounced all rights as a native born American woman.

If E. H. Harriman could have his way he would bring all the railroads of America into one giant combine, under one head.

THE TARIFF DEBATE

RULE FIXING DATE OF VOTE ON THE MEASURE.

THE TIME SET IS APRIL 10TH

Conditions Are That the Rule Protects the Bill, It Is Said, from All Amendments.

WASHINGTON. — Following numerous conferences held throughout the day, Representative Dwight of New York, the republican "whip" in the house, announced that the rules committee would bring in a rule fixing the time for taking the final vote on the tariff bill and restricting amendments thereto, and that the rule would be adopted. Mr. Dwight made an unequivocal prediction of victory.

The rule which will be brought in Monday sets the day for a vote on the tariff bill on April 10 and protects the measure, it is said, from all amendments except those recommended by the ways and means committee, and those offered on the floor of the house that will give an opportunity for a vote on the question of free lumber, protected barley and protected hides.

It is reported that the majority of the twenty-six or more republicans who met Saturday and drafted a petition to the tariff framers asking for protection on lumber, coal, iron ore and hides, have been prevailed upon not to oppose the Payne bill as they threatened to do unless heed was given to their demands. This development today, it is said, makes the adoption of the rule a practical certainty and accounts for the confidence of Mr. Dwight in the success of the rule. It is also said that the dissatisfied republicans have received assurances that interests in which they are particularly interested will be given careful attention when the bill reaches the senate.

Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee, Representatives Dalzell and Dwight and other house leaders had a conference with President Taft, during which the president is said to have expressed approval of the tariff program as outlined by the ways and means committee.

The rule will have the effect of shutting off general debate automatically and from the time of its adoption until the bill is submitted to a vote discussion of the tariff will proceed under the five-minute rule.

The senate will have nothing before it except the census bill until the tariff bill comes over from the house and is reported by the committee on finance.

WILL THE GOVERNOR SIGN?

Omaha Greatly Interested in What He Will Do.

Omaha.—Thousands are holding their breath for a scratch of Gov. Shallenberger's pen. Telegraph and telephone service between Omaha and Lincoln will be at a premium Monday, and wireless may even be resorted to in an emergency.

The ears are all to the ground for the first bit of news as to whether the governor of Nebraska will sign a bill which will close all saloons in the state at 8 o'clock each evening.

At 9:30 o'clock Monday morning a special train will leave the Burlington station to take Omaha business men to the capital, where they have been promised a hearing before the governor to present reasons why the saloons should not be closed at 8 o'clock. Several meetings were held Sunday to discuss the situation. The temperance forces are strongly urging the governor to stand firm with the legislature in the enactment.

OMAHA PREACHERS DIVIDED.

While Many Favor the Bill, Several Are Opposed to It.

Omaha—The daylight saloon bill was an absorbing topic of conversation Sunday and the adherents and opponents of the measure talked earnestly in support of their views. Many pastors voiced their sentiments from the pulpit, while others withheld their opinions.

The governor is satisfied that the state stands with the daylight saloon bill, but Omaha is divided, and he wants to hear from this city before taking action.

EX-SECRETARY HITCHCOCK ILL.

Fears Are Entertained that He Will Not Recover.

Washington.—Ethan Allen Hitchcock, former secretary of the interior, is critically ill at the home of his son-in-law, Commander W. S. Sims, U. S. N., and grave fears for his recovery are entertained. Mr. Hitchcock has been confined to his bed for the last two weeks, suffering from heart and kidney trouble and he has had several sinking spells.

Jumps in the Niagara.

Niagara Falls, N. Y.—An unknown man about 38 years old Sunday afternoon committed suicide by jumping into the river from Luna island in sight of a score of persons, who saw him swept over the falls.

Admiral Cervera at Rest.

Madrid.—Vice Admiral Cervera, who died Saturday, was buried Sunday afternoon. The body was placed in a simple black coffin and borne on the shoulders of soldiers and bluejackets to the grave, where a salute of twenty-one volleys was fired.

HARRIMAN WILL NOT RETIRE.

Too Far to Drop, and Not Time Enough to Climb Down.

PRIEST OWES $1,594,141.64

FATHER M'MAHON OF CLEVELAND FILES BANKRUPTCY PETITION.

Clergyman and Editor of the Catholic Universe Caught by Failure of the Funding Company.

Cleveland, O.—Scheduling total liabilities of $1,594,141.64 and assets of $75,207.08, of which $71,300 is real estate, Rev. William McMahon, pastor of St. Bridget's Catholic church in this city and editor of the Catholic Universe, filed a petition in the United States district court Wednesday.

The secured claims amount to $946,925.73; unsecured claims, $371,207.91, and commercial paper, $185,918.

Father McMahon was a director of the Fidelity Funding Company of New York, founded by P. J. Kieran and which now is in the hands of receivers. Thus it came about that his name was signed to many of the papers issued by the company and for which he now is held liable by the receivers.

The petition enumerates many notes signed by Father McMahon. They are held mostly by New York, Pittsburg and Cleveland banks. Among the larger secured claims cited are the following: Carnegie Trust Company, New York, $281,256.73; Guarantee Title & Trust Company, Pittsburg, $185,000; Society for Savings, Cleveland, $235,000; Third National bank of Buffalo, $3,200.

Included in the secured claims as filed by the petitioner are liabilities held by almost every banking institution of prominence in the city of Cleveland and similar institutions in Boston, New York, Pittsburg, Syracuse and Buffalo.

The filing of the petition by Attorney J. W. Sutphen was not entirely a surprise either in financial circles here or to the parishioners of St. Bridget's who had known for some time past that the financial affairs of Father McMahon were in a badly entangled state owing to his connection with the Kieran enterprises.

It was announced authoritatively from a priest closely identified with the affairs of the Cleveland diocese that the liability set forth in the petition in voluntary bankruptcy made by Father McMahon is personal and that the Catholic church property is not involved in a way that the church can lose.

WANTED—A THIN MAN.

Uncle Sam Has use for Human Skeleton in Testing Refrigerator Car System.

Chicago.—A thin man—thin enough to fit into a narrow crack—is wanted by the bureau of plant industry, department of agriculture. Besides his thinness he must have knowledge of refrigerating machinery and be able to keep both thin and warm in a frosty atmosphere.

A salary of $900 to $1,200 will be paid this intelligent skeleton if the government finds him. He will be sent out with a special refrigerating car to all parts of the country to test a system of cooling fruits. He must be thin in order to get into all corners of the car to run the machinery.

Finish Waterway Report.

Washington.—Another big step in the plan for a deep waterway from the lakes to the gulf was taken Friday when the engineers' board in charge of the survey completed its report on the portion between St. Louis and New Orleans.

One Dead in Illinois Wreck.

Murphysboro, Ill.—An Illinois Central passenger train was wrecked at Carbondale Friday and Fireman John Hamilton was killed, and the engineer, baggageman and expressman injured.

U. S. SOLDIERS LEAVE CUBA.

Stars and Stripes Taken Down and Home Government Now Is in Full Control.

Havana.—The last emblem of American domination over Cuba disappeared Thursday when two battalions of the Twenty-seventh infantry, and engineers sailed for home.

The ceremony attending the transfer of authority took place in the presence of the American garrison of Camp Columbia, consisting of two battalions of the Twenty-seventh infantry, three companies of engineers, and one battalion of Cuban infantry, forming three sides of a hollow square.

At the direction of Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Barry, commanding, Lieut. Byard Sneed of the Twenty-seventh infantry, advanced to the flagstaff and hauled down the colors.

The troops presented arms and the Cuban and American bands played "The Star-Spangled Banner." A Cuban lieutenant then raised the Cuban colors. The troops again saluted and the bands play the "Hymno de Bayamo."

The transfer of the camp being thus completed, the Cuban troops lined the roadside and presented arms, while the Americans, numbering about 800, in heavy marching order, swung past. They halted outside the camp limits where a long line of trolley cars was in waiting to convey them to the transports Sumner and McClellan lying at the arsenal docks.

READY TO GREET ROOSEVELT.

Even the Lions and Elephants Are Getting Restless in British East Africa.

Mombasa, British East Africa.—The preparation for the reception here of Theodore Roosevelt are nearing completion. Frederick John Jackson, lieutenant governor of the protectorate, a famous sportsman and the author of the book on big game in the Badminton library series, will receive the former president.

Since the advent of the rains lions have been terrifying the natives within four miles of Kilindini. An elephant that evidently had strayed from a herd made its way into the bazaar at Masingi and played havoc. The natives at Masingi have been assured that they need have no further fear, as Mr. Roosevelt is on his way to the protectorate to hunt. They are awaiting Mr. Roosevelt's arrival contentedly.

LAMPHERE NEAR DEATH.

Gunness Farm Hand in the Throes of Consumption Is Report Received at Laporte.

Laporte, Ind.—Ray Lamphere, convicted of having set fire to the home of Belle Gunness on April 26, 1908, in which fire the Gunness woman and her three children were burned to death, is in the throes of consumption. Slight hopes for his recovery are entertained.

Attorney Worden received word from Warden Reid of the Michigan City penitentiary that Lamphere had recently lost seven pounds of flesh. He is on the wane. Efforts will be made by his friends to secure a parole.

Scarlet Fever on Warship.

Washington.—An epidemic of scarlet fever has broken out among the crew of the battleship Missouri at the Charleston navy yard, Boston, according to information received at the navy department. Eight cases are reported.

Iowa Hits Lumber Trusts.

Des Moines, Ia.—The Kull bill, which prohibits combinations of lumber concerns in Iowa and aims a death blow at the lumber trusts now operating in the state passed the house Friday by a three to one vote.

PLAN BIG WAGE CUT

STEEL TRUST'S COMPANIES TO SLASH PAY 15 PER CENT.

GOES INTO EFFECT MAY 1

Reduction Means a Saving of $25,000,000 and Gives the Combine Advantage Over Independents Whose Cuts Are Ten Per cent.

New York.—The various subsidiary companies of the United States Steel corporation, it is announced on the best authority, will slash 15 per cent. off the wages of their employes on May 1. The trust itself will not announce the cut, but it will be left to the subsidiary concerns to make the announcements on April 15.

The subsidiary companies of the steel corporation have been holding back their announcement of wage cuts with the purpose of letting all the independent companies do their cutting first. This has not only the advantage of letting the independents accumulate the brunt of the odium for wage reduction and insures that there will not be an exodus of skilled trust workmen into the independent mills, but also serves a steel market coup of far greater importance than either of these considerations.

Inasmuch as the independents have cut their wage scales uniformly at the rate of ten per cent., the steel trust will be in position, if it announces a cut of 15 per cent. on May 1, to rearrange its price schedules so sweepingly that it will capture the entire steel market for months to come and insure an enormously swollen business for the coming year.

The United States Steel corporation paid out $160,000,000 in 1907. On that basis a cut of 15 per cent. means that the company will save $25,000,000 on labor alone.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The arrival here Friday of a carload of non-union engineers, oilers and firemen is looked upon as the beginning of the fight between the Lake Carriers' association and the various unions on the great lakes.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—The first trouble in the anthracite region since the expiration of the three-year agreement has developed at the Keystone colliery of the Traders' Coal Company at the Ridgewood mine, about four miles from here. The miners had a dispute over yardage and the shifting of rock and as a result refrained from working Friday.

NOT GUILTY, SAYS KIDNAPER.

Mrs. Boyle Arraigned and Held in Default of $25,000 Bond at Mercer, Pa.

Mercer, Pa. — Mrs. Helen Boyle, wife of James H. Boyle, kidnaper of Willie Whitla, was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Thomas McClain, at this place Wednesday, charged with kidnaping.

She entered a plea of "not guilty," and was held for the action of the grand jury in the sum of $25,000 bail. Her husband waived a hearing at Sharon, Monday and is held in the jail here on a similar bond.

The mystery surrounding the stranger who visited Mrs. Boyle in jail last Monday was cleared last night when W. J. McDermott of Chicago told friends here that he called at the jail in the absence of Sheriff Chess and identified the prisoner as his sister, Anna McDermott, who eloped from Chicago with Boyle three years' ago.

KILLS MINER IN RIOT.

Constable Slays One and Wounds Another When Attempt Is Made to Rescue Prisoner.

Pittsburg, Pa.—One man was killed and another probably fatally injured in a riot between a crowd of miners formerly employed at the Harwick mines of the Allegheny Coal Company at Cheswick, Pa., near here, and two deputy constables at that place.

The dead man is Mike Strenyard, aged 20 years. Norwalk Bulterge, aged 24 years, has two bullets in his back.

The trouble started when the crowd of miners attempted to rescue a comrade who had been arrested by Deputy Constables Holland and Blair. Holland, who did the shooting, is under a $2,000 bond.

Zeppelin Returns in Airship.

Fredrichshafen. — Wearing a smile which fully expressed the victory of his wonderful airship over wind, snow and other adverse weather conditions, Count Zeppelin returned in his aerial craft Friday night after having been on a voyage which consumed two days' time. He landed safely on Lake Constance and the airship was snugly tucked away in its shed none the worse for its wild experiences.

Hard Blow for Wives.

St. Louis. — A wife, according to a ruling by Circuit Judge Grimm, has no right to search her husband's pockets for money. This was decided in the case of James J. Dooley, whose petition for divorce from Lillian G. Dooley was answered with a cross bill.

Quarantine Rio Grande Ports.

El Paso, Tex.—Federal quarantine against ports in Mexico threatened with yellow fever infection was made effective Thursday at all ports along the Rio Grande.

FINISH WATERWAY REPORT

ST. LOUIS TO NEW ORLEANS PORTION IS PLANNED.

Engineers' Board Said to Consider Twenty or Twenty-Four Foot Channel Economical.

Washington. — Another big step in the plan for a deep waterway from the lakes to the gulf was taken Friday when the engineers' board in charge of the survey completed its report on the portion between St. Louis and New Orleans.

This is the biggest stretch of the proposed channel, and the report, according to telegraphic advices received at the war department, should be here to-day. The survey from Chicago to St. Louis was completed three years ago. The stretch from New Orleans to the mouth of the Mississippi will soon be complete.

Although Col. Bixby's dispatch as head of the engineers' commission in charge of the work merely announced the completion of the task, it is understood that the report will be highly favorable. It is reported that not only are the conclusions of the board favorable to the general project of a 14-foot channel from Chicago to the gulf, but that the board considers it practicable from a commercial standpoint.

Information has been received here that the board went even further in its conclusions and was of the opinion that a deep waterway of 20 or even 24 feet could be built with economy in preference to the 14-foot limit which is now proposed.

The report on the delta stretches of the proposed deep waterway is now all that is left before congress can map out its work. The national river and harbor commission of congress undoubtedly will urge speedy work when it brings in its report in December, especially if the Illinois legislature orders work begun meantime. Speaker Cannon is known to be favorably disposed toward the enterprise, and when he makes up the next river and harbor committee it is certain that it, too, will support the project.

BOAT BLAST KILLS TWELVE.

French Oil Bark Blown Up at Marseilles—Many Are Injured and Some Missing.

Marseilles.—The French tank bark Jules Henry, Capt. Escoffier, in the oil trade between Philadelphia and Cette, blew up Thursday and was practically totally wrecked. Twelve members of her crew were killed and many others wounded.

A representative of the Veritas agency, accompanied by the second officer, was inspecting the vessel at the time she blew up. In the course of their work the two men entered the tank hold. Immediately after there was a tremendous explosion. The entire deck of the bark was lifted, and the forward portion of the ship was wrenched off. Twenty men of the crew at work painting and repairing were blown into the air. Great sheets of fire shot up from the vessel, and in a few seconds she was enveloped in flames.

HUSBAND AND WIFE SLAIN

Toledo, O., Police Baffled by Mysterious Murder of Aged Couple, Evidently by Robbers.

Toledo, O.—In the finding of the bodies of Ludwig Krueger, aged 66, and his wife, aged 63, buried in the cellar of their home which was destroyed by fire Thursday, the police are confronted by a puzzling murder mystery.

M. Soboleski, a tailor, last Saturday gave Mr. Krueger $2,000 as part payment for the purchase of a farm.

It is believed that robbery was the motive and that the slayer, after burying the bodies and replacing the brick flooring in the cellar, set fire to the house to cover up the murder.

WOMEN TO CLEAN CITY.

Will Sweep Streets of Washington April 15 If the Commissioners Don't Get Busy.

Washington.—If the commissioners of the District of Columbia haven't found a way to clean the streets of Washington by April 15, the women of the capital will go out on the streets and show them how to do it. This has been decided by the Twentieth Century club of this city, an organization of the best known and most progressive women here.

Testimony was given by several members at the last meeting that the streets in front of their homes and in the parkways were littered with wastepaper and other debris. Thereupon the club decided to act.

Eight Killed by Dynamite.

Chillicothe, O. — A terrific explosion occurred along the route of the Norfolk & Western railroad Tuesday in which eight workmen were killed and 20 or more were injured.

Rioters in Rome Wounded.

Rome.—An attempt made Friday by laborites to place wreaths in the Place Gesu, where the victims of a recent manifestation fell, led to disorders in which several persons were wounded and many were arrested.

Fixes Hours for Saloons.

Lincoln, Neb.—The Nebraska state senate Friday passed a bill compelling saloons to open at 7 a. m. and close at 8 p. m. The measure has already passed the house and will be sent to the governor.