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## IMPORTANT NEWS NOTES OF A WEEK

LATEST HAPPENINGS THE WORLD OVER TOLD IN ITEMIZED FORM.

### EVENTS HERE AND THERE

Condensed into a Few Lines for the Perusal of the Busy Man— Latest Personal Information.

#### PERSONAL

Charles M. Schwab returned to New York on the Mauretania from his midwinter vacation in Europe a more pronounced optimist as to the world-wide business outlook for the year than he was when he left New York three months ago.

Very Rev. William Merdiant Parson, dean of Winchester, England, has been instructed by the convocation of Canterbury with the task of preparing an acknowledgment of the Ten Commandments, to be submitted for consideration at a meeting of the convocation in May.

The will of Baron Albert Rothschild, died for probate at Vienna, bequeaths \$10,000,000 to charities. The baron's third son, Louis, is appointed head of the Vienna banking house of the Rothschilds.

Mrs. Nellie McCormick of Chicago, daughter of the late Senator Mark Hanna, will establish in Washington a home where working women and girls can find comfortable lodgings at a minimum charge.

It is said that the emperor of Germany will visit London in May for the unveiling of the national memorial to Queen Victoria.

With the full authority and knowledge of President Taft, Philander Chase Knox, secretary of state, speaking at the "reciprocity banquet" of the Chicago Association of Commerce, let it be definitely and decisively known that the idea of annexing Canada to the United States was one of the things furthest removed from the mind of the nation's chief executive.

Miss Daisy Odan, for years chief clerk of the Davington (Iowa) passenger office of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway, has been appointed division passenger agent, the first woman to occupy such a position in the United States.

#### GENERAL NEWS.

With a plea for organization and combination on the part of American business men for the promotion of trade with Latin-America, Senator Ellis Root of New York, in an address at the closing session of the Pan-American commercial conference at Washington, deplored the fact that the operations of the law against the great industrial organizations "reduced the industrial efficiency of the country."

The torpedo boat destroyer Monaghan, named for the heroic ensign who was killed in Samoa, was launched at Newport News, Va.

Angered when refused aims at the door, a tramp retired to the street and buried a brick through one of the library windows of Miss Helen Gould's Fifth avenue residence. Miss Gould was in an adjoining room and was unharmed, but Mrs. Edward Scholes was struck on the head and escaped serious injury only because of an abundance of hair.

To offset the Canadian annexation talk which the administration feared might affect the reciprocity agreement, the house committee on foreign affairs by a vote of 9 to 1, reported adversely on the resolutions introduced by Representative Bennett of New York for the opening of negotiations with Great Britain looking to the annexation of Canada.

Suit has been started in New York courts against the estate of Samuel M. Clemens (Mark Twain) to recover \$15,000 back personal taxes. The claim was protested by Clemens during life on the grounds that he lived in Connecticut.

Danville, Ill., had what is considered its first clean election in a quarter of a century. The commission form of government proposition was submitted to the voters and met defeat nearly two to one.

Hugo Karos, a New York Hungarian, who was beaten on the streets several days after refusing to translate a "black hand" letter demanding \$50,000 of John D. Rockefeller for a friend, died, and the police are searching for his assailants.

A powerful note of warning against the gigantic timber monopoly as a grave menace to the country is sounded by Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, in the first installment of his report on the lumber industry of the United States. The report was sent to congress by the president.

The family of George J. Gould and a score of guests, including some of the most prominent society men and women of New York and London, saw Anthony Drexel, Jr., and the Hon. Robert Berensford fight to a knockout in the Gould's private gymnasium at Lakewood, N. J. Berensford won.

Justice Hamilton, sitting in the king's bench division of the London high court of justice, rendered a decision that the American thread company, incorporated under the laws of New Jersey, was liable to an income tax assessment in England on profits amounting to \$90,000.

The viceroy of Manchuria estimates that the fatalities in Manchuria from the bubonic plague already have reached 65,000, and the foreign office believes that inside the great wall there have been 1,000 more deaths.

The Astor library, built in New York fifty-seven years, with John Jacob Astor's \$100,000 gift, is to be torn down and the library treasures are to be moved to the new \$50,000,000 public building on Fifth avenue.

A deep cut in the rate for hauling freight between Atlantic and Pacific coast ports by the isthmus route was made by the Pacific Mail company and the American Hawaiian Steamship company.

Both houses of the Wyoming legislature adopted a resolution memorializing congress to assist in the rescue from starvation of 5,000 elk in the country south of Yellowstone Park.

Doctor Oswald of the staff of the Glasgow insane asylum, makes the announcement of an important discovery which promises a certain cure for mental disease. The substance was perfected by research experiments in Germany and Glasgow and when injected into the blood of insane persons it renders them immune from further attack.

The body of the late Archbishop Patrick John Ryan was entombed in the crypt beneath the high altar of the cathedral of St. Peter and Paul in Philadelphia, following imposing funeral services. Nearly all the prominent figures of the Roman Catholic church in the United States participated in the services.

Failure of the Canadian reciprocity agreement to pass the senate will force President Taft to call an extra session of congress, as the administration is determined to press the agreement. This declaration was made by Senator Smoot of Utah after a conference with the president at the White House over pending legislation. Senators Lodge and Root were present also.

Capt. Andrew England, one of the best known sea captains on the New England coast, is dead in Boston as the result of a fall from a ladder. He received the injury when riding in a crowded street car.

Frederick Dennehey Vanderbilt, who was tried for swindling under the name of William Lackerstein Joachim, was convicted in London and sentenced to three years' penal servitude. He posed as a son of the late William H. Vanderbilt.

Fire which threatened to destroy a square in the heart of the downtown retail district of Los Angeles raged for several hours, destroying the Byrne building and several retail stores. The loss is estimated at \$450,000.

County local option, backed up by the greatest "lobby," numerically speaking, that ever came to Springfield, Ill., became the overshadowing ending issue before the Illinois legislature. At least five thousand men and women were in the city to wage battle against King Alcohol.

Burglars who attempted to rob the bank at Stillman Valley, Ill., fled when citizens were awakened by the explosion. Shots were fired after the robbers and one was wounded, but all escaped.

Mrs. Joseph Vitoll died at Rockford, Ill., from injuries received when a bomb was exploded on a window sill of her home. A "black hand" organization is blamed for placing the bomb.

From authoritative sources it was learned that the death of Commander Frank Marble, U. S. N., of the Naval War college staff, on February 14 at Newport, R. I., was a case of suicide, and that death was not caused by apoplexy, as at first reported.

Premier Asquith, during the preliminary debate on home rule in the British house of commons, declared that as soon as the "veto bill" was out of the way the government would apply itself to the task of granting a policy of full self-government to Ireland.

Five thousand Haitian troops, commanded by President Simon, are in the northern provinces of Haiti and with fire and sword are crushing out the rebellion. Two thousand men captured Juana Mendez, reducing the city to ashes.

When Gov. B. F. Carroll appends his signature to the Oregon plan election bill, passed by the senate, it will become a law in Iowa. The bill passed the house of representatives by a vote of two to one and it passed the senate by a vote of 31 to 16.

President Taft's reciprocity agreement with Canada was ratified in the national house of representatives through the support of an almost solid Democratic vote. The McCall bill carrying the agreement into effect was passed 221 to 92.

Lieutenant Orrell has exhibited at Vienna university a new photographic apparatus which photographs objects at great distances, but which at the same time indicates the distance of the object from the camera by means of parallel lines on the plate.

Two mail pouches which contained checks and other bank paper valued at \$500,000 were stolen at Thalmia, Ga., where the Atlanta, Birmingham & Atlantic railway crosses the Seaboard Air line.

The sensational trial at St. Petersburg of Count Patrick O'Brien de Lassy, Doctor Pantchenko and Mme. Muravieff, charged with the murder of Count Vassili Boutourlin, came to an end when a verdict of guilty was returned by the jury in the case of De Lassy and Pantchenko and not guilty in the case of the woman. De Lassy was sentenced to penal servitude for life and Pantchenko to 15 years' imprisonment.

Fire drove 150 guests out of the west wing of the Hotel Euclid at Cleveland, O., and five women were seriously burned. Loss \$50,000.

## A CALL TO FOLLOW

EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS UNLESS SENATE ACTS.

### THE PRESIDENT SO INTIMATES

His Duty is to Push Reciprocity Either in This or the Following Extra Congress.

Washington.—The first authoritative announcement that President Taft will call an extra session of congress if the senate fails to act on the McCall bill, carrying into effect the Canadian reciprocity agreement, came Sunday from Mr. McCall himself following a visit at the white house.

According to Mr. McCall, the president feels he is under an international obligation to summon an extra session, if necessary, to secure action on the reciprocity agreement. That session would be called immediately following the adjournment of congress at noon on March 4.

While it is the evident purpose of the president to avoid an extra session by inducing senators to act upon the agreement, it is the opinion of many that the statement has come too late. Few senators predict that action will be taken on the agreement in the senate at this session, while some insist there will be a vote.

With appropriation bills in a congested condition, with the Lorimer case pending, the permanent tariff board bill pressing for consideration, the general service pension bill being urged by many senators, and the resolution for the popular election of senators coming up daily as the unfinished business, it seems the chances for action on the reciprocity agreement are slight.

There is some prospect that the Lorimer case may be disposed of Wednesday, following a speech which Senator Lorimer will make in his own behalf, but there is no apparent likelihood of early votes on any of the important measures.

Opponents of the reciprocity agreement in the senate are viewing with complacency, not to say satisfaction, the congested conditions. The demands of the public business are such that a vote on reciprocity can be avoided easily without the appearance of a filibuster.

The bill probably will not be reported out of the finance committee before Thursday at the earliest. At that time there will remain only seven and a half legislative days of the present session.

Mr. McCall also made the announcement that the president would veto any tariff legislation passed by the democratic house and approved by a nearly democratic senate if that should be necessary to maintain the republican party's protective principles.

#### A LULL IN THE FIGHT.

Long Filibuster Temporarily Aside in the House.

Washington.—A truce entered into shortly before 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon brought the long filibuster in the house against the omnibus war claims bill temporarily to an end. The agreement was reached following an intermission of three hours devoted to memorial services and eulogies to the late Senator Clay of Georgia and the late Representative Brownlow of Tennessee.

These services, occurring at midday of Sunday, seemed to put the house combatants in a more peaceful frame of mind. A recess was ordered until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, when the fighting will be resumed.

#### Plot to Recall King Manuel.

Lisbon.—The Mundo reports that the authorities have discovered a secret meeting place where a conspiracy has been hatched to overthrow the republic and recall King Manuel.

#### 472,987 Tennessee Negroes.

Washington.—Tennessee's population is composed of 78.31 per cent white people, 21.65 per cent negroes and .04 per cent other colors. Of the state's total population of 2,184,789, the white people number 1,711,550 and the negroes 472,987.

#### Carnegie Gives \$100,000.

Copenhagen.—Andrew Carnegie has offered to establish a hero fund of \$100,000 in Denmark. The foreign office already has expressed its gratitude for the proposed gift.

#### Jumped to His Death.

Chicago.—W. T. J. Plummer, a real estate dealer, jumped from the eleventh floor of the Chamber of Commerce building and was instantly killed.

#### How Funds are Obtained.

Washington.—The Periodical Publishers' association made public a letter explaining the nature of the funds raised by the magazines to oppose the increases on second class mail matter. The letter says a committee of the association on finding "a carefully arranged program to railroad the measure through congress, requested some of their New York people to solicit contributions from publishers to buy advertising space in daily papers to advertise the facts to the people."

## WASHINGTON

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*O ripples of Potomac's stream,  
Break gently where the tread  
Of thousands press the hallowed sod  
Above our greatest dead;  
Mount Vernon, Freedom's dearest shrine  
Guard well thy sacred trust,  
Locked in thy loyal heart of hearts  
Ye keep the Patriot's dust.*

*I see him glide among the huts  
That dot the cheerless gorge—  
The Joshua of a struggling band,  
The Man of Valley Forge;  
Where'er he goes his smile illumines  
The shades that thickly lie,  
And all who hear his words resolve  
With him to do or die.*

*The pilgrim comes from lands enslaved,  
Beyond the restless sea,  
To meditate where sleeps the man  
Who taught men to be free;  
The glitter of the sword he drew;  
Makes bright the world today,  
And hands unborn will crown its hilt  
With laurel and with bay.*

*He needs no granite shaft to tell  
Of glorious actions done;  
His monument—the freest land  
That lies beneath the sun!  
Today with swelling pride we seek  
The banquet board once more,  
And drink to him whose fame is far  
Beyond Virginia's shore.*

*He is not thine, Mount Vernon, though  
Upon thy sacred breast,  
Wrapped in the mantle Glory weaves,  
In peace he takes his rest;  
The voice of Liberty proclaims:  
"He is my honored son."  
And Fame with lofty pride proclaims:  
"The World's one Washington."*

—T. C. Harbaugh

## Washington the Man



Washington the Man

No Natop or people ever had a richer legacy than Americans have in their ideal of Washington. Great as was his real character and inestimable as were his services to the country Washington was not a demigod nor even a man of genius. But he did possess a genius for honesty and patriotism and was the incarnation of common sense.

His mother, after reading a letter from him during the Revolutionary war which conveyed good news, said: "George generally carries through anything he undertakes." Mrs. U. S. Grant once said, referring to her husband's determination and persistence: "He is a very obstinate man." Grant was not a genius any more than Washington, but both men had the gift of success.

It is well for the American people that they have idealized Washington, and it is to be hoped that they may never lower nor change their ideal, and yet he was very human. As a young man and even after his marriage he was very fond of fox hunting. He could get very angry on fit occasions and sometimes swore. He drank a generous glass of wine every day at dinner and allowed his negro butler and cook each a bottle of beer a day. Nearly thirty years ago a friendly biographer wrote:

"Eighty years have now passed since the death of George Washington, and already he is hidden from us in some degree by a haze of eulogy and tradition. He has been so uniformly extolled that some of our young men tell us with a yawn, that they are tired of hearing Aristides called 'The Just.' He has been edited into obscurity, like a Greek play. Where the genial and friendly soldier referred to one of his cherished friends as 'Old Put,' a respectable editor, devoid of humor, has substituted 'General Putnam;' until, at length, a lover of the man has to defend him against the charge of perfection."

Washington himself never pretended to be more than an average man, though all his contemporaries knew he was. All that he claimed was to be perfect master of himself and to use such powers as God had given him the best he knew how. Once as a procession in his honor passed through the streets of a city he heard a little boy exclaim: "Why, father, General Washington is only a man!" He looked with thoughtful interest on the child and patting him on the head replied: "That's all, my little fellow, that's all." He was one of the most dignified men that ever lived, yet one of the most modest. One finds ple-

ing evidence of his common humanity in the fact that while quite young he fell easily in love and wrote verses—and sentimental verses at that. When he was twelve years old, shortly after the death of his father, he was sent to school at Fredericksburg after promising his elder brother to be "steady." It was a mixed school of boys and girls and one of his schoolmates, a cousin, said in later life that while George was remarkably studious he was also fond of "romping with one of the largest girls; this was so unusual that it excited no little comment among the other lads." It was while at this school that George wrote the following acrostic:

From your bright sparkling eyes I was undone  
Rays you have more transparent than the sun.  
Amidst its glory in the rising day,  
None can you equal in your bright array;  
Constant in your calm and unspotted mind,  
Equal to all, but will to none prove kind;  
So knowing, seldom one so young you'll find,  
Ah, woe's me that I should love and conceal  
Long have I wished but never dare reveal.  
Even though severely Love's pain I feel;  
Xerxes the Great wasn't free from Cupid's dart,  
And all the greatest heroes felt the smart.  
The first letters spell Frances Alexa. Alexa was the abbreviation of Alexander, and the acrostic was addressed either to a schoolmate of that name or to some fair Frances living in Alexandria, where the boy was well acquainted. There is reason to believe that young Washington was as susceptible as the average young man of the present day. When about seventeen years old he fell in love with a young lady, whom he refers to in a letter to a friend as "your Lowland beauty," and says going into company simply revives his former passion for her. He adds:

"Were I to live more retired from young women, I might alleviate in some measure my sorrows by burying that chaste and troublesome passion in the grave of oblivion or eternal forgetfulness, for as I am very well assured that is the only antidote or remedy that I ever shall be relieved by or only recess that can administer any cure or help to me, as I am well convinced, were I ever to attempt anything, I should only get a denial, which would be only adding grief to uneasiness."

## SMALLPOX ALARM

COZAD PEOPLE ASK STATE AUTHORITIES FOR ASSISTANCE.

### HAPPENINGS OVER THE STATE

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

Cozad.—Governor Aldrich has been asked to assist in checking the epidemic of smallpox which has stricken this community, and in this request the statement is made that the control of the disease and the enforcement of proper protective measures has passed beyond the control of the local authorities. A number of cases now exist and much apprehension is felt.

Is Held Without Bail.  
Madison.—The preliminary hearing of Henry Stehr, charged with the murder of his four-year-old stepson, Kurt Stehr, was held before County Judge William Bates. He was bound over to the district court, bail being denied. Stehr is the step-father of Kurt Stehr, whose feet were so badly frozen during the blizzard about Christmas time that amputation was necessary.

Contest Involving \$150,000.  
Broken Bow.—The Bookman will contest, involving the sum of \$150,000, was brought into probate court before Judge Charles H. Holcomb. Lewis Bookman was killed by the cars last October at Hazard, and when his will was opened it was found that Jennie Bookman, a half-sister with whom he had formerly lived in this county and later at Lincoln, had inherited all of the property.

Against Parcels Post.  
McCook.—The merchants of McCook have declared themselves unanimously against the local parcels post measure proposed in the present congress. The McCook Commercial club has expressed a similar opinion of the proposed legislation.

Escape While Watchman Telephones.  
Lexington.—Thieves broke into the store of Lembach & Weise and stole about \$200 worth of silks. The night watchman heard the parties, but they escaped while he went to phone.

Lincoln.—Prof. Frank J. Phillips, head of the forestry department of the state university, committed suicide Sunday night or early Monday morning, by turning on the gas jet in his room at 1849 K street. His body was found Monday morning by Mrs. Phillips.

Cook will have electric lights in the near future.

A plan is on foot to number the streets of Geneva.

The Tecumseh Commercial club has raised a neat sum for a new auditorium at that place.

The machinery for the gasoline engine factory at Plattsmouth has arrived and is being placed in position. George Wheeler and wife of Ainsworth were badly poisoned by indulging too freely in ptomaine infected canned sauer kraut.

Mrs. George Brown of Nebraska City, in a fainting spell fell against a stove, broke her nose and cut a long gash across her forehead.

An institution to be known as the German-American Safe Deposit and Trust company has been organized in Beatrice with a capital stock of \$200,000.

Fred Fleckmon, a 7-year-old Crete boy, nearly lost an eye when a burst "buzzer" he was spinning burst and a sharp fragment lodged in that member.

Lincoln has been selected for next year's meeting of the Nebraska hardware dealers and S. A. Sanderson of that place was chosen president of the association.

William Wullenwaber was found dead of heart disease in his home at Seward. His father, Philip Wullenwaber, died suddenly of the disease two weeks ago.

Seward has been promised a new station by the Burlington that will conform to the needs of the business and also to the substantial growth the town is making.

Lewis Wullenwaber, a well known farmer living near Seward, was found dead in his home by his wife, who had been to town during the day. Heart disease is believed to have been the cause of death.



INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM AGAIN DODGED BY HOUSE.

After its vain trying to take up the consideration of the initiative and referendum bill and after half an hour had been wasted in a discussion as to which end of the bill to take hold of, the house has voted to put off the heavy labor until next Monday afternoon. It then grappled with Quackenbush's bill to enact into Nebraska law the Iowa tax ferret law, which is now before that body in an effort to secure its repeal. No conclusions were reached, discussion of the principle of tax collecting involved taking up all the time and several members being still loaded with ammunition. It will become the first order of business in the next committee of the whole.

Tax Ferret Bill.  
Quackenbush has had a bill on general file for ten days, relating to methods of listing taxable property in the state. He has had it put down from time to time, but has asked to have it considered. The bill is copied from the Iowa law and provides for a tax ferret who shall for a consideration ferret out hidden property for taxation purposes, and provides that the county treasurer shall place such hidden property on the assessment rolls any time it is found unless more than five years since the escape has elapsed. The ferret is to get 30 per cent of all taxes collected on property which has been hidden from the regular assessor.

Probing Committee at Omaha.  
Two legislative committees, consisting of five from the senate and five from the house, are taking up the investigation of election frauds in Omaha, under the charges made by Governor Aldrich in his special message to the legislature that there were wholesale frauds in Omaha, and that the number of votes cast in the Third ward at the last election was nearly three times as large as the number of males of voting age. The hearing began at the Paxton hotel Monday.

Difficult to Settle.  
Members of the legislature find it a rather difficult task to settle for themselves just what their constituents desire them to do. Just at present the house members are being bombarded by petitions upon the Sunday baseball question. Some of the petitions request them to vote for the Bartling bill and others ask them to vote against it.

"What ought a member to do?" asked Representative Eastman, as he looked up this morning from a pile of petitions he had just opened. "Here is one signed by fifty persons asking me to vote for the bill. Here's another with exactly fifty-five names on it asking me to vote against the bill."

No More Trading Stamps.  
Housh's bill to prohibit raffles and the use of trading stamps was recommended for passage by the almost unanimous vote of the committee. Evans declared that trading stamps were dishonest in that the price of the article was put up to cover the cost of the prize and the conditions imposed are such that only a small part of the stamps are redeemed. Sken was against the bill because he wanted the right to buy baking powder if he desired with which dishes are given away. Taylor of Merrick said that if it would prohibit piano prize contests among newspaper owners he was in favor of it.

Analysis of Capital Removal Vote.  
Analysis of the vote cast in the lower house of the legislature upon the capital removal bill last week reveals the interesting fact that a large majority of the members from central and western Nebraska were opposed to the measure. It has been claimed for some time that the capital removal issue was not seriously regarded in that part of the state, and the roll call bears out this assertion.

Senator Tanner's Bill.  
Senator Tanners bill providing for the re-location of county seats has been killed in the committee room. Substantially the only change contemplated in the measure, introduced by the member from Douglas, was in the majority necessary to swing the removal proposition, the required three-fourths as now called for being cut down to three-fifths under the Tanner bill.

Liquor Law Held Legal.  
Topeka.—The supreme court holds the new liquor law constitutional. The law prohibits the sale of liquor for medicinal or mechanical purposes.

Will Receive Investigation.  
In addition to the investigation now being carried on as to the advisability of moving the state university bodily to the state farm campus and the advisability of maintaining a department of medicine, the connection between the so-called university school of music and the university may receive some attention. State Auditor Barton has made the unchallenged declaration that this school is a distinctly private enterprise, using the brand of the state for its own private financial gain.