CONDENSATIONS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE.

A BOILING DOWN OF EVENTS

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Washington.

The senate by a unanimous vote formally ratified President Taft's notiof the treaty of 1832.

provide for a six day week and eight | badly in his cell of a Boston prison. hour day and extra pay for overtime vice and clerks in first and second and revision should begin immediate deed, is said to have left the state,

Confusion over the location of the trict led that member to introduce a the Second Nebraska district. bill in the house to appropriate \$100,-600 for a resurvey of such lands.

"adulterated" paper had been used for George C. Bayless. years in the government printing ofstandards.

The Cummins bill to give right of rather remote. appeal from the decree in the American Tobacco company reorganization | Steel corporation, showing liabilities case to the supreme court of the Unit- of \$1,493,400 and assets of \$7,339,965, committee on the judiciary and re- trict court at Seattle.

of the justices during the recess will from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000.

house by Vice President Sherman from the Leavenworth penitentiary, B. Hoyt and was largely attended ill. wide credence was given to a report | was admitted to probate. that Mr sherman does not desire to be The Jewish Chroniele says that the the republican candidate for governor leading Jewish institutions in London of New York. It further was reported have decided to urge the abrogation of apparently on the highest authority the Anglo-Russian treats, which dif-that unless his party desired him to ferentistes against the English Jews. run again for the vice-presidency, he would retire from politics March 4. Morgan Shuster, treasurer general of

General.

J. C. Mabray told the story of his

life at Council Bluffs. The argent deliciency appropriation bill, as passed by the senate, was held up in the house.

The senate by a unanimous vote decided for the abrogation of the treaty with Russia. Veterans of Cuba feel themselves

able to dictate to the president, and seemingly have succeeded. Ten were killed and nearly a score

injured in a collision on the Milwaukee road in Minnesota. Trade relations between the United

States and Russia are not affected by the abrogation of the treaty. Three were killed and eight injured in a trolley collision on the Kansas

City-Leavenworth Electric line. Twenty-three sticks of dynamite were found in the home of a department store owner at Los Angeles.

The foreign relations committee reported a resolution abrogating the Russian treaty of 1832 on January 1,

James K. Hackett, the actor, and Mins Beatrice Mary Beckley of London, England, were married in Mil-

President Taft has accepted an invitation to open the twelfth International Association of Navigation con-

gress at Philadelphia, May 23, A Johannesburg dispatch to the London Express reports a diamond rush at Bloemhof, a farming district on the banks of the Vaal river.

State department advices continue to indicate feeling of unrest in Cuba as a result of the retention in office officials who signally opposed

Control of the Elgin Board of Trade passed into the hands of Chicago and Wisconsin creamery men, elected on a producers' ticket. Charles Potter was elected president.

Bert H. Franklin, formerly an investigator employed by the defense in the McNamara dynamite cases, was brought before court for preliminary hearing on the second bribery charge general him.

The senate made record time in adopting a bouse resolution. The measure provided for the payment of the salaries of the members of the house at once instead of January 1 The entire proceeding covered nixty try had to work Sunday on account of

Six enrioads or 27,599 gallons of a tomato paste used in the manufacture over the virtual recognition of their of cutsup were seized in Chicago by order of United States district Attorney James H. Wilkerson on a charge that the substance contained decayed the Sherwood pension bill, which re veretable matter and was "filthy."

Officials of the Turkish was office are circulating complaint that the Italian troops in Tripoli are using

ington has declined to call a special session of the legislature for the enactment of a presidential preference

By the terms of four documents filed for record in the county court at Senta Ana, Cal., Nat C. Goodwin the actor, has settled all claims held egainst him by his former wife, Edna Goodrich, for the sum of \$60,000, to e paid in three installments.

revolutionists, escaped from jails at A Christmas present of \$50,000 was

voted to the employes of the Central Trust company by directors of the Both houses of congress have ad-

journed for the holidays. The house concurred in the action with Russia.

A re-survey of public lands in the Sixth Nebraska district is urged by Congressman Kinkaid.

Col. W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) is going to put in another season at the show business.

The urgent deficiency bill, carrying appropriation of \$2,270,000, was passed in the House.

The government, alleging an illegal fication to Russia of the termination | the Keystone Watch Case company. Rev Charles V. T. Richeson, acfor mail carriers in city delivery ser- dent said wool duties were too high, who is alleged to have incited the

Congressman C. O. Lobeck of Ne | Lived Two Years With Broken Spine. boundary lines in the public lands in braska will file as a candidate for Congressman Kinkaid's Nebraska dis-renomination as congressman from

ing \$82,400, were filed against the ly a conductor in the employ of the Discovery by the congressional Bayless Pulp and Paper company of Burlington, and received his injuries foint committee on printing that Austin, Pa., and against President From an authoritative source it was ing him against a dump car.

fice led to the announcement of a learned that the likelihood of any complete new set of government paper further advance in prices by the United States steel corporation is Suits in bankruptcy of the Western

of States was discussed in the senate were filed in the United States dissamendments to the articles of in-The supreme court of the United corporation of the Minneapolis & St.

States adjourned on Friday until Louis Railroad company have been Monday, January 8. Much of the time filed, increasing the capital stock The will of John R. Walsh, the for-

mer Chicago banker who died early Subsequent to a call at the White in November following his release

> Edward H. Shuster, cousin of He is going to help the treasurer gen-

eral in his trouble with Russia. Twenty-three sticks of high-power dynamite were found by a gardener buried in shrubbery at the residence of Arthur Letts, owner of two of the largest department stores in Los

Angeles. On or before July 1, 1912 is the time fixed for the payment to China of the 3,100,000 pesos, as indemnity for subjects of that country massacred in Torreon by Mexicans during the recent revolution.

Rose Eytinge, at one time one oi the most popular leading women on the American stage, died on the 21st at Amityville, L. I., from a paralytic stroke. The body will be taken to

Captain Samuel H. Harper, 68 years Republic, and twice state senator, died of heart trouble. He was cap States senator. tain of the Forty-sixth regiment United States colored infantry during the

Washington for interment.

Twenty-five damage suits, aggregating \$82,400, were filed against the Austin, Pa., and against President George C. Bayless, individually, to recover for losses caused by the going out of the mill company's dam at Austin on September 30 last.

At New Rochelle, N. Y., characterizing the age as one of the greatest unrest and discontent which the country ever knew, Jacob Gould Schurman, president of Cornell untversity, discussed conditions and proposed remedies in an address before the People's Forum.

At Portland, Orc., "Mysterious Billy" (Amos) Smith, at one time a well known welterweight prize fighter, was shot and probably fatally wounded by A. B. Loomis, captain of a river steamer. The shooting was said to be the outcome of a series of quarrels in which the two men had engaged.

Personai.

President Taft is given credit at St Petersburg for tactfulness.

President Deiano hopes to put Wabash road on its feet soon. Postoffice employes over the coun

the holiday rush. Chinese rebels are in high feathers cause by the powers.

Senator Norris Brown of Nebraska addressed the senate in support of cently passed the house.

Attorneys for Chicago packers tried to have their cases dismissed. Senator Borah discussed "big business" in an address at New York.

Secretary Knox says the United States is in a position to meet discrimination of other countries. Secretary Wilson believes desert

President Taft says he has reached the conclusion that people of the pres Secretary MacVeagh said there should be no further delay in cur-

er industry.

CHERRY COUNTY CITIZENS SEND PETITION TO GOV. ALDRICH.

of the senate abrogating the treaty NEWS FROM OVER THE STATE

That is of Interest to the Readers Throughout Nebraska and Vicinity.

Lincoln-Three hundred citizens of Cherry county have forwarded a petition to Governor Aldrich asking him combine, has brought suit against to call a grand jury to investigate the hanging of Perry Sellers, near Cody, last June. Alma and George Weed, cused of murder, injured himself Harry Heath and Kenneth Murphy are now serving life sentences for the In a message to congress the presi- crime, but Eunice Murphy, the girl

lived for two and a half years with a broken spine, died Sunday evening at Twenty-five damage suits, aggregat his home here. Mr. Shoaf was former-

stretched cable breaking and knock-

Showed Good Horse Sense. Paxton.-A horse and colt belonging to G. P. Boardman fell into his cistern. The water was deep and the horse saved himself by hanging his head over one of the pipes and standing on his hind leas. The colt stood on his hind feet, with his front ones

Meeting of State Grange.

on the horse's back.

Broken Bow .- The first annual ses- the result of the use of polluted water. sion of the Nebraska state grange was held in the assembly rooms of the city hall under the personal superthirteen out of twenty-one state! granges being represented.

Delivery Auto Explodes. Beatrice.-A delivery automobile belonging to the J. W. Hill dray line do so. exploded in front of a grocery and

Crushed by Automobile. Lincoln.-Struck by an automobile which was proceeding at less than eight miles an hour. Mrs. L. M. Edmiston, was instantly killed just as

O street car here Wednesday noon. Fire at State Normal School. Peru.-The pumping plant of the state normal school was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday morning with a loss of about \$3,000. Origin

she was attempting to board an East

unknown NEWS FROM THE STATE HOUSE.

Senator Norris Brown has written for it. old mayor of Ottumwa, former state from Washington to Secretary of commander of the Grand Army of the State Wait for blanks to be used by the Nebraska State Association of

compiled by counties, show an in- meeting place. crease in the returns over those of last year.

county, in accordance with recom- in front of a hand car. mendations of the advisory board of

The state board of pardons has re-O'Hearn, the Omaha young man who with others shot and killed a saloonkeeper, Nels Lausten of Omaha. The object of the robbery was to obtain but the supreme court reduced the

sentence to life imprisonment. opinion that in the matter of presi- tatoes and regular school work. dential and vice presidential races

either of the big national conventions. Floyd Seybolt, formerly of Lincoln but now a legal resident of Geneva. didate for state treasurer on the democratic ticket. He has filed a request name placed on the primary ballot.

About \$79,000 has been received by the state treasurer's office for the general fund since December 1, and the accumulated cash in excess of current obligations is being used to redeem Banner county failed to abolish the

office of county assessor at the recent general election and County Assessor river, near Thedford. O. W. Langmaid will continue to hold his position. The total vote cast in the county at the general election was 283. A majority of all votes cast at when a white woolen skirt he was the election is required to carry the dipping in gasoline caught fire. basins can be utilized for the fertiliz proposition to abolish the office of county assessor. Ninety-one votes less than a majority of all votes cast with the forty-sec county also failed to abolish the office. farm, at Lincoln, January 16 to 18.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

Deemer has installed an up-to-date electric light plant. A movement is on foot to organize a

Y. M. C. A. at Kearney. The West Point farmers institute will be held January 21 and Febru-

ary 1.

on the streets.

Mrs. Robert Blodgett of DeWitt died suddenly in Missouri while visiting with relatives The Oakland commercial club has

inaugurated a series of monthly smokers and luncheons. Saturday was "Red Cross Seal day" in Fairbury and about 100 young ladies from the high school sold seals

The new high school building was dedicated at Nebraska City Friday. Chancellor Avery of the state university made the principal address. The humanitarian slogan, "Do your

shopping early," has not aroused the people of the city to unusual activity in Christmas buying, according to Lin-Fremont school authorities are de-

termined to see that the law prohibiting the sale of tobacco to min-Lincoln-John R. Shoaf, who has ors, is enforced, and a number of arrests have been made. Hog cholera which has been playing havoc with many splendid herds

in Jefferson county is dying out. The epidemic, while it prevailed, was unusually fatal this year. April 27, 1909, by anchor poles of a The circuit court at Bloomington, has denied a writ of mandamus asked

by the city of Franklin to compel the county board to call a special election for a county seat location. Christmas decorations in the show window of the Numeyer store at Dewitt caught on fire and considerable

damage was done to the stock and building before it could be put out. A mysterious epidemic has broken out in Lincoln which the doctors are as yet undecided whether to catalogue as la grippe, ptomaine poisoning, or

Four tramps were overcome by gasoline fumes in a Burlington pump house at Benkleman, Neb. Two are vision of National Organizer Charles dead and the others are dangerously

> An automobile stolen four months ago at Kansas City has just been located at Stella where it had been placed in storage by two men who were to call for it later, but failed to

The Ashland bridge across the was completely destroyed by fire, to- Platte river connecting Saunders and Persia, is in New York, en route to gether with a load of groceries. The Sarpy counties, was opened to traffic was underneath the car Saturday. The structure is 960 feet making some repairs, had a narrow long and one of the best bridges in the state.

University Place claims that no other town of 4,000 population can boast of having only one store where cigars are sold and having no bil liard halls or bowling alleys or pic ture shows.

Mrs. Dorothy M. Frazier of Lincoln will receive \$11,000 from the Burlington railroad for the death of her hus band, Ernest M. Frazier, an express man, who was killed in the Indianola wreck. May 29 last.

The proposed school of forestry to be located at Nebraska City, which met with some public discussion some time ago, may be revived and an attempt made to get an appropriation

At the seventh annual convention of him in filing as a candidate for United County Commissioners, Supervisors and Clerks, just closed at Grand Figures for the 1911 state tax levy, Island, Lincoln was chosen as the next

Foreman Ericson of Valparaiso was fatally injured near there when he Governor Aldrich has issued par- jumped from a car of flaming gasoline Bayless Pulp and Paper company of dons to Martin Hicks of Richardson which was being propelled at the rate county and Fred Bishop of Kimball of thirty-five or forty miles an hour

Peter M. Plamondon, driver and owner of the automobile which Wednesday noon struck and killed Mrs fused to recommend a pardon for Jay Eliza J. Edmiston at Lincoln, has been exonerated from all blame in connection with the accident by the coroner's jury

The Boys, Agricultural club and the money to continue a protracted spree. Girls' Domestic Science club of Gaga O'Hearn was first sentenced to death, county, will hold their fifth annual contest at the court house December 27. There will be exhibits in sewing. Secretary of State Wait is of the baking, manual training, corn, po-

The body of John D. Troyer was in next spring's primary petitions found in the Blue river above the asking the names of various men go power company's dam at Milford. He on the ballot for the preferential ex- had but a short time before rowed pression must have 3,000 signers, the across the river with a companion, same as is required for those who de- and whether his death was due to sire election as delegates-at-large to accident or suicide does not seem

Six-year-old Helen Davey, at Tecumseh, was badly injured when she has filed nomination papers as a can- stepped in the way of an axe in the hands of a boy cutting kindling, receiving the force of the blow in the with the secretary of state to have his face. The jaw bone was broken and several teeth knocked out.

Fears entertained by the Frement friends of Miss Ruth Mulliken for her safety at Canton, China, were relieved by the receipt of a letter from her by her brother, Warren Mulliken, Miss warrants registered during October Mulliken writes that there have been no serious outbreaks at Canton. Ed Cameron, a trapper, was found

dead in a claim shack on the Dismal James Hall, employed at a Lincoln cleaning and dye works, was painfully burned on the hands and face railroad and its connections west of the Mississippi river, to become ef-

came down the pike," is what Secrewere cast in favor of abolishment and tary C. G. Marshall of the state board 69 votes against the proposition. As of horticulture predicts in connection were in favor of abolishment, the of the State Horticultural society, proposition failed to carry. Nemaha which will be held at the university

PERSIA YIELDS TO THE DEMANDS OF RUSSIA.

SHUSTER WILL BE DISMISSED

His Administration of Persian FInances Had Been Displeasing to Russian People.

London.-Persia has yielded to the demand of the Russian ultimatum that W. Morgan Shuster, an American who holds the post of treasurer-general in the Persian government, be dismissed from the service.

The Russian ultimatum also calls for the payment of an indemnity, which is to reimburse Russia for money expended in sending an armed expedition into Persia to enforce her

Mr. Shuster's administration of Persian finances has been displeasing to Russia from the start, and when he caused the seizure of property belonging to the brother of the former shah, over the protest of the Russian vice consul. Russia at first demanded an apology, and when this was forthcoming called for the dismissal of Mr. Shuster. This has finally been acceded to.

The Persian charge d'affaires at St. Petersburg called at the Russian foreign office to announce officially his government's decision to abide by the terms of the ultimatum. Up to a late hour tonight, however, no public announcement had been made at Teheran of the recession of Persia from the stand she originally took against the demands of the czar's ministers, even in the face of threatened aggression. The delay in making public the fact that she had yielded to the Russian demands was probably through fears of the results of the public announcement.

Mr. Shuster is still without formal notice of his dismissal. He is resolute in declaring that he would have nothing to do with the negotiations and would only recognize their right of the national council to dispense with his The exact form of Persia's reply is

the national council appointed to deal with the matter. It is not probable that there will be a withdrawal of the Russian troops in

Persia while disorders such as those

at Tabriz are occurring.

Penrose on Taft. Philadelphia.-Senator Penrose, in an interview here, predicted that President Taft would be renominated without serious opposition. He said that so far as he has been able to ascertain, "there is no great amount of sentiment in this state for the nomination of Senator La Foliette or any other republican of the "progressive

Rev. Sheldon Resigns.

Topeka, Kan.-The Rev. Charles C. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps," and many other books, resigned the pastorate of the Central Congregational church of Topeka, which he has held for twenty-three years. He will devote himself to a tour of the world, visiting missions and Young Men's Christian associations.

Mother Asks for Her Salary. Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Mary K. Patterson, mother of Charles A. (Chick) Patterson, for whose murder his wife. Gertrude Gibson Patterson, was acquited in Denver, has asked the school board for her salary during the time she attended the trial of the wife in the western city.

President Railway Surgeons Dead. Mobile, Ala. - Dr. Rhett Goode, presdent of the American Railway Suregons' association, 55 years old, died here of Bright's disease. He was dean of the medical department of

the University of Alabama. Virginia Vote Sellers.

Knoxville, Tenn.-Judge Skeen of Lee county, Virginia, on Thursday issued a proclamation in which he invited all who sold their votes in the recent election in that county to appear before the court, confess and accept the minimum fine.

Jefferson City, Mo.-Governor Hadley gave Christmas paroles to four men serving sentences for murder. Prosecute the Coffee Trust. Washington.-It is intimated that

Missouri Convicts Paroled.

the department of justice will begin prosecution in Philadelphia next week of American members of the giant Brazilian coffee valorization combine Washington.-Advances in rates on grain and grain products, proposed by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific

fective December 20, were suspended

by the interstate commerce.

Los Angeles.-Fred H. Thompson s criminal lawyer, prominent in southern California, was found guilty of having accepted \$15,000 from Orlando Altorre, a clerk in the postoffice.

Stands Among the Precipitous Rocks of the Grand Canyon.

Flagstaff, Ariz.-The strange pillar formation called "Thor's Hammer." is found in that region of natural won ders, the Grand Canyon of Arizona It is perched on the side of the precipice and to the eyes of the tourist it always seems about to slip into the abyss, but like the leaning tower of Pisa the center of gravity falls with in the base of the strange formation. Standing in the presence of the precipitous rocks of the Grand Can-



yon, which tower to heights of 5,000 feet, piercing the clouds above, the revenues which they were using for abyss yawning at his feet, the spec- private purposes, that he might have tator is overpowered at their immensity. He stands transfixed! There is probably no spot on earth always seemed to have in mind some where man is more impressed with his own insignificance or more over- large, regardless of the personal wishwhelmed with the majesty of nature. It is the grandest of gorges. It inspires one with its sublimity; it ap- the notice of the crafty old empress palls him with its heights, its depths, dowager and the admiration of the its awful solitude.

The hand of the infinite has chiseled these rocks into most fantastic forms, their towering turrets and imposing minarets standing out boldly in bas relief against the deep blue of a southern sky. And over all is the ilnot yet known, but from the latest lusion of distance. One cannot conreceived from Teneran it would ceive the vastness of it all, and is met seem that the cabinet has overridden | by a series of surprises, as it is borne the wishes of the commission which in upon him that yonder gorge, or rock, or peak, or crag lies perhaps miles away. At the bottom of the gorge the river, turbulent and picturesque, madly rushes on amid its rocky environment, lashing itself into foam. About the mighty peaks the eagle soars and struggling vegetation contends against fate for a roothold among the rocks.

WOMAN RAILROAD PRESIDENT

Through Her Wise Management Mrs. Kidder of California Has Accumulated a Fortune.

Sacramento, Cal.-As president of a railroad in California, Mrs. John F. Kidder, who recently disposed of her controlling interest in the road, has been no mere figure-head. When her husband died and she found among her other possessions a narrow gauge railroad running through the Sacramento valley she confessed to her friends that she was "stumped." "Dispose of it," they suggested. No, she couldn't do that. The road had been her husband's pride and she felt that she must retain it for a time at least. So, being a true example of western womanhood, she started right in to learn the duties and responsibilities of railroad management-and she



has only to mention her name in the

The little westerner quietly direct ed the operation of the road-every employe swears ailegiance to herincreased its value and is now said to be worth more than \$1,000,000. Re cently she accepted the offer to sell her interest in the road to the California Midland, and by so doing ends her career as railroad presidentprobably the only one of her sex in the United States.

Hawk Killed by Locomotive. Gary, Ind .- While at the throttle of his passenger locomotive W. P. Morgan, a Baltimore & Ohio railroad engineer, saw the engine strike a hawk in flight. The bird dropped to the pilot of the engine and in its claws

POISED OVER A PRECIPICE CHINA'S STRONG MAI

Both Factions Offer Leadership to Yuan Shi Kai.

Crafty Oriental Turned Tide in Boxer Revolt by Shooting Man Protected by "Bullet Proof Oath" -Friend of the People.

Shanghai.-Yuan Shi Kai, called "the strong man of China," towards whom the eyes of all the world today are turned, has been offered the premiership by the throne and the presidency by the Republicans. It is pointed out that at the time of the Boxer war. Yuan was the one man in China who could command the respect of foreigners and at the same time

unite the warring Chinese. Yuan accepted the premiership, considering it the best opportunity to bring about peace. A few days after he had assumed these duties he told his friends that he had thought the situation over carefully and concluded that there is no hope of saving the Manchu dynasty and that a change of government is inevitable.

Yuan is said to be of lowly birth, meager education and superficial knowledge. He has never traveled beyond the borders of his own country and he speaks no language but his own. His countrymen say that the strength of his appeal to them lies in the fact that he is quite generally and firmly believed, throughout the empire, to be patriotic. His deposition from power for

three years, 1908 to 1911, was due to his having repeatedly compelled the Manchu princes to relinquish certain money to build up the army and to institute reforms in the schools. Yuan ulfimate benefit to the people at es of the ruling dynasty.

The incident that brought Yuan to foreign diplomats occurred while he



Yuan Shi Kal.

was mayor of a small town in the Province of Shantung. The Boxer movement was strong and many of the most reputable Chinese were on the verge of joining it, when Yuan decided that he must take an impressive stand against the fanatical ascendency of this secret order.

was that participation in the rites of the order rendered a person immune to the effects of bullets. They believed the "foreign devils" could not hurt them with their guns. When Yuan was invited to join the

One of the tenets of the Boxer faith

Boxers he did not dare refuse, and be did not wish to accept, because he saw defeat ahead for them. "I will join with you," he said, "upon one condition-that you prove

to me you cannot be harmed by foreign bullets." The Boxer committee agreed to the test, and one enthusiastic Boxer stood against the wall of the mayor's garden to be shot at by Yuan himself with a new model Martini-Henry rifle. Yuan smiling explained that this test

this boasted power of the foreign devils. The Boxer leader was reverentially entombed at Yuan's expense and prayers were said over his grave for

would settle for all time in the minds

of the citizens how unimportant was

This is the man of nerve, cunning and diplomacy who is being called upon in China today. Wolf Kills Eleven Cats.

San Antonio, Tex.-An animal, believed to be a lobo wolf, passed along the fourth block of San Pedro avenue one night, and at daylight eleven der cats were found in yards and under houses. In practically every instance the cat came to its death from a single stab or tusk wound in the breast.