

NEWS OF THE WEEK

COMPENSATIONS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE.

A BOILING DOWN OF EVENTS

International, Political, Personal and Other Matters in Brief Form for All Classes of Readers.

Congress.

Survey and estimate of a ship canal around Niagara Falls was asked for in a bill introduced by Representative Mott.

The committee on privileges and elections adopted a report exonerating Senator Stephenson from charges of corruption.

In the senate the Sherwood pension bill was rejected by the pensions committee and a substitute of Senator Smead adopted.

James J. Hill testified regarding the Hill lease of the Lake Superior ore fields before the house Stanley steel committee.

The five-year army enlistment amendment to the army appropriation bill was adopted in the house by a vote of 161 to 72.

A delegation from the American Bankers' association urged the enactment of legislation for better regulation of bills of lading.

A service pension bill similar to the Sherwood bill and prohibiting special pension legislation was introduced in the senate by Senator Works.

Senator Williams of Mississippi advocated before the senate interstate commerce committee his bill for the regulation of interstate corporations.

The Lewis fraud order case developed controversy between George B. Cortelyou and E. C. Madden before the house postoffice expenditures committee.

The bill to make effective the convention between the United States, Great Britain, Japan and Russia to stop pelagic sealing was passed by the house.

Representative Lamb of Virginia has introduced a bill to license all locomotive engineers and place them under the indirect supervision of the interstate commerce commission.

It was charged before the committee on expenditures in the War department that President Taft shielded Major Ray, a paymaster, from court-martial because of Ray's political services in 1908.

General.

China has become a republic by the abdication of the imperial house.

A New York sewing machine man says there is no need of a protective duty.

For the time being, at least, Mexican troops will not be allowed on American territory.

Senator Reed of Missouri introduced his anti-third term amendment to the constitution.

Every ward in St. Louis elected Champ Clark delegates to the democratic state convention.

The Western Retail Lumbermen's association at Seattle went on record as opposed to the parcels post.

The old story of improper acquisition of the Panama canal zone was retold to a house committee.

This is not the year for Roosevelt to make the race for president, according to Secretary MacVeagh.

The Oklahoma republican state committee at its meeting endorsed President Taft for re-nomination.

Headquarters for Speaker Champ Clark's campaign for the democratic presidential nomination were opened at Washington.

State Senator A. V. Proudfoot of Indiana, la., authorized the statement that he will seek the republican nomination for governor.

The state department has concluded to decline the request of the Madero government for permission for Mexican troops to cross Texas.

Lawrence Y. Sherman of Springfield, Ill., made formal announcement of his candidacy for the republican nomination for United States senator.

George G. Thompson of Detroit, Mich., superintendent of rural mails, was appointed chief clerk of the post-office department at a salary of \$4,900 a year.

The tariff board's money is running so low that it may not this year be able to investigate the iron and steel schedule, which is under investigation by congress.

The twenty-five army posts which experts of the war department advocate abolishing will not be provided for in the army appropriation bill now before the house.

At the Department of Justice it was said that no evidence implicating officials of the American Federation of Labor had been adduced in the grand jury investigation at Indianapolis. No official statement was forthcoming.

Albert Prince pleaded not guilty to the charge of murdering Deputy Warden E. D. Davis at the Nebraska penitentiary.

The illness of Representative George R. Maltby of New York, who now is convalescent, has delayed the final report of the house committee which investigated the sugar trust.

Miss Margaret Cameron, the protégée of the late Edwin Hawley, the railroad millionaire, indicated to friends that she has found a document or will under which she becomes entitled to a share in his estate.

Work on the great fortress on Flanmor island which will guard the Pacific entrance to the Panama canal is to begin at once.

Bair & Crawford, one of the oldest retail jewelry firms in Philadelphia, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, placing their liabilities at \$124,990 and assets at \$47,419.

Colonel Roosevelt declined to disclose the contents of the letter he received from state governors.

The house passed the anti-loan shark bill fixing 12 per cent as the maximum interest rate in the District of Columbia.

Kansas City, Mo., will be the scene of the next intercollegiate balloon race.

An appeal for votes for women was made to the senate woman suffrage committee.

Former Governor Myron T. Herrick of Ohio was confirmed as ambassador to France.

Brigadier General Charles H. Whipple, paymaster general of the army, was retired.

James J. Hill says competition, in steel, as in everything else, is destined to continue.

American soldiers by getting into Juarez, Mexico, by mistake caused a great commotion.

The United States has given assurance to Mexico that there is no thought of intervention.

A steel magnate said labor unions should be under government control the same as corporations.

Congressman William Kent, of the Second California district announced his retirement from congress.

A forest lands executive order by Theodore Roosevelt will probably be rescinded by President Taft.

Several hundred billiard ball proprietors from all parts of Iowa met and formed a state association.

Arthur W. Brewster of Kansas City filed his declaration as candidate on the democratic ticket for governor.

The New York democratic state convention to select delegates to the national convention at Baltimore will be held April 12.

B. H. Meyer at a hearing urged wider powers for the commission, including physical valuation of railroads and supervision of bonds.

W. Morgan Shuster, ex-treasurer general of Persia, was a passenger on the steamship George Washington, which sailed from Southampton for New York.

The docks and ware houses of the Campagne de l'Océan burned at Amsterdam. The loss on goods stored in the ware houses is estimated at over \$400,000.

The British steamer Cuban, which arrived in London from New Orleans, brought into port nine of the crew of the British ship Erne, which was wrecked in a heavy storm.

Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane told the Interstate Commerce committee investigation showed numerous deviations by express companies from published rates.

Charles Hazen Hyde, former New York city chamberlain, lost his appeal to the appellate division of the supreme court for a change of venue, and therefore must stand trial.

Mrs. S. H. Schermerhorn, wife of a Chicago broker, was seriously burned when an alcohol stove overturned in a compartment of a car on the Santa Fe California limited train near Emporia, Kan.

William McVey, arrested in New Orleans for larceny, is the former Nevada convict for whom a reward was offered after the murder of William A. Sanderson at Garfield, Utah, November 11.

President Taft's urgent appeal for development in Alaska bore fruit in a bill introduced by Chairman Flood, of the territories committee, to create an Alaska railroad commission of three members.

Comptroller of the Currency Murray announced that he would strictly enforce the law which holds directors of natural banks liable for losses sustained through loans in excess of legal amounts.

Postmasters of postal saving depositories may accept deposits from anybody, the regulation restricting depositors to the patrons of a particular office being rescinded in an order issued by Postmaster General Hitchcock.

Representative Mott of New York introduced in the house a bill appropriating \$250,000 for the survey and estimate of cost of a ship canal to connect the navigable waters of the Niagara river, making a continuous water route between the five great lakes.

Senator Rayner asked the senate to adopt a resolution instructing the judiciary committee to report if the anti-trust law could be so strengthened as to define clearly the acts constituting a violation of the law and to insure the protection of fair competition in interstate trade.

Personal.

LaFollette says he is not out of the presidential race.

The national commission of China has elected Yuan Shi Kai president.

Former Gov. Folk of Missouri has dropped out of the presidential race.

Norman E. Mack has resigned as democratic state chairman of New York.

Adjutant General Ainsworth was placed on the retired list at his own request.

Attorney General Wickham says it will take Roosevelt's word to satisfy him he is a candidate.

The trial of the alleged dynamiters has been tentatively fixed for May.

Adjutant General Ainsworth has been relieved of duty and is to face a court martial.

Leo Mulgrew of Dubuque was re-elected president of the Iowa state bakers' association.

Governor Aldrich of Nebraska said that talk of himself as a vice presidential candidate was premature.

Common sense and honest methods is the panacea recommended by ex-Senator Beveridge for government ills.

Frank Rockefeller says he and his brother, John, have not spoken for twelve years.

Woodrow Wilson said business need not fear the brand of democracy which he represents.

Viscount Stelm Chinda is the newly appointed ambassador from Japan to the United States.

Governor-elect Hunt of Arizona refused to have any ceremony in connection with his inauguration.

Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin has been exonerated from charges of corruption in connection with his election.

BURGLARS GET BUSY

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BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

Bradshaw will have another bank. Osmond now boasts electric street lights.

Pender will install a steam heating plant in the new school building.

The various churches of Beaver City have started a series of union meetings.

Mary Meyers fell on an icy walk at Nebraska City and has brought suit for \$1,655.

Will B. Kline of University Place has been awarded the Allis scholarship at Yale.

Carl Hahn, a former Fremont young man, is a candidate for governor of Idaho.

A men and religion forward movement organization has been established at Bennet.

Burwell has just organized a commercial club with an initial membership of nearly fifty.

M. Morgan, who was injured by a fall at Walthill, died at a hospital where he was taken for treatment.

Mrs. James McKee of Fairbury was painfully scalded by the overturning of a kettle of boiling water on her arm.

Dr. W. H. Crutcher of Palmer has gone to Kankakee, Ill., where he will serve as house physician in the state hospital.

Several large cinder cars in the Rock Island cinder pit at Fairbury took fire Sunday morning and were consumed.

The typhoid epidemic at Lincoln has been put to rout after the development of 276 cases, ten of which were fatal.

In an effort to clean off the Fremont Y. M. C. A. indebtedness a committee is at work. Over \$1,600 has been raised.

The annual stag dance, a big event in the school year, was held in the Doane college gymnasium at Crete Tuesday night.

Prof. W. C. Green has been re-elected superintendent of the Clark's public school. This is his fourth year in that position.

Mayor Wolz has served notice on dance hall owners at Fremont that they must "cut out" the "turkey trot" and "moonlight" dances.

Enrollment in the Fremont public schools has reached 1,883, which is a new record. Of these, 206 are enrolled in the high school.

A total of 620 individuals comprised the number of the destitute cared for by the Lincoln charity organization during the month of January.

The two-year-old son of Neil Kennedy, at Plattsmouth, was badly burned when he fell against a hot stove, setting his clothing on fire.

Ernest L. Putnam of Gothenburg had a pitchfork accidentally thrust through his temple by his brother, and died as a result. He was sixteen years old.

Seven-year-old Margaret Ulrich of Hooper was so badly bitten by a vicious dog that seven stitches were required to close the wounds on her face.

The men and religion forward movement which has been sweeping over the country during the last six months is now in full swing in Lincoln.

Participants of the wolf hunt at Howe had an oyster supper at the hall Thursday. About 200 persons were present and enjoyed the merrymaking.

Fred Hunter of the university school of agriculture will be the speaker at the Thayer County Teachers' association at Hebron, February 17.

The Central City school board is considering the submission of a bond proposition for the erection of a new, modern high school. All the schools are very crowded at the present time.

A bunch of thirty-three ten-month-old hogs, averaging 321 pounds, raised by Swigle & Gering of Adams county, topped the St. Joseph market one day last week.

A. H. Allgeier, night agent of the Burlington at Tecumseh, was held up and robbed of \$8 of his own money and a gold watch, and \$18 of company money was taken from the drawer.

The plan of assessing every student for the benefit of athletics, and which has recently been adopted at Michigan and other eastern schools, is being agitated at the state university.

On account of a press of other business, Dr. I. F. Roach of Lincoln has been obliged to decline the presidency of the Nebraska Federation of Churches, to which he was recently elected.

Frank Rogers was caught in the belt of a corn sheller near Seward and will possibly lose a leg as the result.

Members of the Fremont Auto club are co-operating with the South Dakota State Auto club in an attempt to put through a new road between Fremont and Sioux City.

January, 1912, will go on the records of the Nebraska weather bureau as one of the coldest Januaries since the department began to keep tab on temperatures twenty-six years ago.

Fire which started early Saturday morning destroyed the Gass furniture store, the largest in Columbus.

The annual report of the Burlington indicates that Alliance stands fifth in the state in point of revenue receipts, being superceded only by Omaha, South Omaha, Lincoln and Grand Island.

The ex-members of the Nebraska legislature in Nemaha county are moving towards a county organization. There are sixteen ex-legislators in Auburn and twenty-three in the county, besides a lieutenant governor and a chaplain.

An interesting and successful revival is being carried on at the Christian church at Hebron.

Grandmother Fenton, widow of the late Daniel Fenton, died at the old home farm in DeSoto, on the Blair road, Tuesday. There she settled with her husband when they came from Boston forty years ago.

The Nebraska-Iowa-South Dakota fair association, which held meetings at Sioux City and at which Secretary W. R. Mellor of the Nebraska state board of agriculture was an attendant, will prohibit the use of hobbles in all horse races after 1914.

A PLACE ON BENCH

CHANCELLOR OF NEW JERSEY THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE.

APPOINTMENT ALMOST SURE

Thirty Years As a Jurist, Six Years Under the Age Fixed for Position by the President.

Washington—Mahlon Pitney, chancellor of the state of New Jersey, member of congress for two terms, a lawyer and jurist of thirty years' practice, looms up as the man whom President Taft will appoint to the supreme court bench to succeed the late Associate Justice John M. Harlan. Among friends of the president it was reported as practically certain that Chancellor Pitney would be appointed, and the nomination, according to excellent authority, will be sent to the senate Monday or Tuesday.

So far the president is understood not to have discussed the appointment of Chancellor Pitney with all his cabinet. No special meeting of the cabinet has been called tonight, but it is possible that members of President Taft's official family will be told his choice tomorrow.

The president is understood to believe that the appointment of Chancellor Pitney would not be opposed in the senate. Chancellor Pitney has been under consideration by the president for several weeks. Following protests against Secretary Nagel, Mr. Taft turned his search for a member of the Mississippi river, where he first looked for a candidate. Chancellor Pitney and F. J. Swazey, justice for the supreme court of New Jersey, were two men who gradually became most prominent in the president's mind.