

FOR THE BUSY MAN

NEWS EPITOME THAT CAN SOON BE COMPASSED.

MANY EVENTS ARE MENTIONED

Home and Foreign Intelligence Condensed into Two and Four Line Paragraphs.

WASHINGTON.

A bill to appropriate \$500,000 for a government exhibit building at the San Francisco exposition, in accordance with President Wilson's suggestion, was favorably reported to the House by the industrial arts and expositions committee.

Negotiations of a new commercial treaty with Russia will not be begun, according to President Wilson, until a new ambassador is appointed. The president said that he was still undecided about the ambassadorship and was considering three men.

Further inquiry into the financial operations of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, under the administration of former President Charles S. Melton, will be begun by the Interstate commerce commission. Mr. Melton and a number of New England railroad men and bankers have been subpoenaed.

Secretary Bryan received official notification from Minister Thompson, at Bogota, of the signing of the new treaty with Colombia to settle the longstanding dispute over the partition of Panama. A cash payment of \$2,500,000 by the United States to Colombia is the principal feature. The official plan is to publish the details later by arrangements with the foreign office at Bogota.

Great Lakes packet boat lines, independent of the railroads, are making, according to testimony submitted to the interstate commerce commission, good profit on shipments, although they carry less tonnage than the lines under railroad control. The indignation of witnesses for the shipper was that the rail lines were "starving" their boat lines through excessive management and the continuance of out of date methods of operation to divert traffic to the rail lines.

Formal consideration of the administration bill to repeal the tolls exemption of the Panama canal will begin on the Senate side of the Capitol, with hearings before the inter-oceanic canal committee, to continue fifteen days. Senators who have introduced substitute measures will be heard first and they will be followed by representatives of commercial organizations of Pacific coast and Gulf states, who have asked an opportunity to present their views.

Representative Vaughan, democrat, of Texas testified before the ways and means committee that his bill for federal cooperation with state and local officials enforcing local prohibition law, would help break up the "blind tiger" business. The bill would require liquor dealers to show that he is not legally disqualified from doing such a business before he can be recognized under the internal revenue laws. Representative Garber, democrat, of Texas favored an internal revenue act that would be prohibitive.

DOMESTIC.

A record breaking winter wheat crop is in prospect this year. The Department of Agriculture estimating on a conservative basis that the yield may exceed 551,000,000 bushels. The condition of the crop April 1, was 95.6 per cent of a normal or 11.5 per cent better than the average April 1 condition for the last ten years.

Recommendations that the rural school teacher be employed for life or during good behavior and that each be furnished with a house and plot of land for his own and experimental uses were made by P. P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education, at a session at Louisville of the Conference for Education in the south.

Charges that E. F. Green, former president of the Pacific Coast Casualty company of San Francisco, embezzled at least \$50,000 from his company and tied up approximately \$20,000 more by questionable transactions were made to the San Francisco district attorney's office by E. C. Cooper, California state insurance commissioner.

Five hundred city police and detectives swept from all sides into a mob of men and women in Union square, New York, when union and non-union labor opposed one another at mass meetings.

Government financial aid, state, federal or both combined, for the relief of irrigation projects in the west was held up as a crying need by speakers at the first day's session of the irrigation conference called by Secretary Lane of the Interior department at Denver.

An anonymous cash gift of \$50,000 has been received at New York by the board of foreign missions of the Methodist Episcopal church, to be added to the permanent fund for the care of retired missionaries.

Governor Ammons of Colorado at Denver sent a telegram to Representative Scott Ferris at Washington, requesting in the name of the "majority of the people of Colorado" against the proposed bill providing for federal leasing of mineral-land-lands in Colorado.

The federal grand jury at Council Bluffs, Iowa, returned an indictment against Harry H. Woodling, proprietor of a Council Bluffs mail order house, charging issuance of the mails by circulating misleading advertisements.

Pittsburgh this year will spend \$2,281,000 for new school buildings.

Springfield, Mo., has for the second time within a year defeated commission government proposition.

Dr. Edward F. Lake, a physician of Denver, and past grand master of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, was operated on at Baltimore in an effort to prevent death from cancer. It was said that it would be some time before the result could be determined.

Wellesley college at Wellesley, Mass., received a gift of \$750,000 from the Rockefeller foundation toward restoration of facilities lost in the recent destruction of College hall by fire, conditional upon the raising of \$2,000,000 before the first of next January.

The Rockefeller institute for medical research in New York has announced that John D. Rockefeller has added \$1,000,000 to the general endowment fund of the institution, to be devoted to the study of animal diseases, and that James J. Hill has pledged \$50,000 to be used specifically for the investigation of hog cholera.

A movement seeking a pardon for members of the structural bridge and iron workers convicted at Indianapolis of illegally transporting dynamite in interstate commerce has begun at Chicago. Petitions to President Wilson, charging that the men were rushed through their trials, were circulated at the meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Harry Erz pleaded guilty at Chicago to using the mails to operate—in the words of Federal Judge Humphrey—"One of the meanest swindles invented." Erz told the court he watched newspapers for reports of deaths of ministers or priests and would send bills for books on religious subjects which he asserted he had sold the relatives. A false bill was paid in nearly every instance, a postal inspector said.

Unless dissatisfaction with action of scale committee of United Mine Workers in withdrawing demands for higher wages should unexpectedly develop among the ranks of the miners and the referendum vote to be taken April 14 should repudiate that action, high officials at the mine workers' headquarters at Indianapolis believe the other differences between the miners and operators in the bituminous fields will be amicably adjusted, with the possible exception of Ohio.

Nearly 500 grain dealers, members of the association convened in the fourteenth annual meeting of the Western Grain Dealers' association at Cedar Rapids, Ia. Deliveries on futures was a subject which occasioned great interest, the association taking the stand that futures should not, for convenience, be required to be unloaded on the last day of the month, but had better be left on track, to avoid hints of a corner, which are prevalent at the last of each month.

FOREIGN.

The widow of Thomas Henry Huxley, the celebrated English biologist, died at Eastbourne, England.

Paul Johann Ludwig von Heyse, German poet and novelist, died in his eighty-fifth year. He was awarded the Noble prize for literature in 1910.

The Italian chamber of deputies and senate has reassembled. The new cabinet under the premiership of Signor Salandra made known to both houses its legislative program.

Wireless trans-Atlantic service under the system developed by Dr. Valdemar Poulsen of Copenhagen will be open early in June. The station in Canada is ready for service and the station at Bally-bunian, in Ireland, is nearing completion under the direction of an American engineer.

Last week closed with two important political events in England, both of which tended to clear the air and show where the two great parties stand on the home rule issue. The prime minister, Mr. Asquith, opened his campaign for re-election with a speech at the village of Ladybank, Scotland, while many thousands of unionists of London and the provinces assembled in Hyde park for a demonstration of protest.

The guillotine has made its appearance in Mexico and a new form of execution confronts the enemies of the constitutionalists in the state of San Luis Potosi. It has been learned. At Concepcion Deloro, a home-made guillotine has been erected. It was built by rebel mechanics in the corps commanded by General Eulalia Gutierrez. Already the new instrument has been tested, and as the general says, "It works splendidly." The test was made with a lamb as the victim.

Nuremberg, Germany, and its adjoining city of Fuerth have a combined population of 420,000. Their street railways last year carried 49,000,000 passengers over thirty-six miles of track.

Albert Ballin, shipper, "the man who could be minister," is seeking new worlds to conquer. At least so says Hamburg writers. They, and the anti-Ballin press generally, put down the new Atlantic liner as Ballin's consuming ambition, which requires always some new sacrifice.

Mme. Sarah Bernhardt has announced in Paris she intended to make a tour of the United States, Australia, Russia and England. She will open in the United States at New York in October.

Plans for the observance of a "woman's day" in St. Petersburg by the workmen of the capital were broken up by the police. The day was to have been observed chiefly by lectures in various halls on general topics affecting women's work and position.

COLOMBIA EXEMPT

UNDER NEW TREATY IT MAY USE CANAL FREE.

BYRAN ANNOUNCES THE TERMS

Opponents to Repeal Measure Consider Agreement Furnishes Them New Ammunition.

Washington.—Free use of the Panama canal by Colombian men-of-war, troop ships and army and navy supply vessels is proposed in the new treaty between the United States and Colombia, signed at Bogota, to heal the breach between the two countries over the separation of Panama.

This was announced by Secretary Bryan with the explanation that the clause in the convention was identical with the one in the Colombian treaty negotiated and ratified by the United States senate, though never accepted by Colombia.

Mr. Bryan's statement followed a long conference at the State department with Senator O'Gorman, chairman of the senate canal committee, which has under consideration the administration bill, repeating the clause of the Panama canal act exempting American coastwise shipping from canal tolls.

Gets New Ammunition.

Senator O'Gorman, who is leading the democratic opposition to President Wilson's repeal policy, went back to the capitol with new ammunition for his fight. He would not discuss the subject, but other opponents of exemption repeal pointed to the fact that Great Britain in 1909 had agreed to preferential treatment for Colombians' peculiar relation to the canal as evidence that Great Britain and President Wilson now are putting a new construction on the words "all nations," in the close of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, guaranteeing equal treatment to the vessels of the nations of the world using the canal. Their claim is that these words were not intended to apply to the United States, the owner of the canal and they will urge the admission of Great Britain in the Colombian matter as proof.

Charges She Was Hit by Governor.

Topeka, Kan.—Governor George H. Hodges of Kansas was made the defendant in a civil suit filed in the district court here by Mrs. Lucile West of Wichita, who charged in her petition that the governor wrenched her wrist and arm and struck her with his fist during an alleged altercation in his office.

The petition stated that Mrs. West, with a woman companion, went to the state house to get copies of letters written to the governor in connection with a parole for a prisoner. After she had obtained possession of some of the correspondence, Mrs. West charges, the governor tried to regain them forcibly. In this alleged encounter she charged that he struck her. Mrs. West asked for damages amounting to \$2,300.

Metcalfe's Back From Panama.

Washington.—Richard L. Metcalfe, former commissioner from the isthmian canal, Mrs. Metcalfe, and their sons, Lee and Kenneth Metcalfe, have arrived in Washington from Panama, where Mr. Metcalfe for the last six months in his capacity of commissioner, has been at the head of the department of civil administration. Mr. Metcalfe returns from the canal zone looking "fit as a fiddle" and enthusiastic over the climate in that country, which at one time was the breeding place of yellow fever and other constitutional ills, but which through the genius of an American surgeon, General Wm. C. Gorgas, now surgeon general of the army, has become almost a pleasure ground.

Pelts Seen Floating in Sea.

St. Johns, N. F.—Seal pelts thought to have come from the missing sealing steamer Southern Cross were sighted seventy miles south of St. Mary's bay by the steamer Kyle, which has been searching the coast for a week. This is the first definite clue to the fate of the vessel, which was last reported off the southern coast on March 31.

It is believed the pelts either were washed from the decks of the sealer or floated to the surface after it went down. None of the sealing fleet which came in from the St. Lawrence grounds lost any skins in the vicinity of St. Mary's bay.

Brigands Continue Butchery.

Peking.—Brigands under the notorious "White Wolf" have killed hundreds of inhabitants of the towns of Huh Sien, Chow Chih and Mei Sien, in the vicinity of Sian Fu.

Women Beaten and Robbed.

Worcester, Mass.—Four women clerks in a jewelry store were held up by a highwayman and beaten and robbed. One of the women is in a critical condition from wounds inflicted with a blackjack. The robber got only a few dollars.

Car Found Loaded With Whisky.

St. Louis, Mo.—An oil tank car in the yards of the St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern railroad here, was found to be loaded with whisky, wine and beer.

Against Votes For Women.

Fargo, S. D.—Anti-suffrage headquarters for North Dakota were opened here and an aggressive campaign against extending to the women of this state the right of franchise will be waged until the November election. Miss Bronson is in charge.

City Gets Part of Earnings.

Chicago.—The city of Chicago will receive \$3,299,000 as its share of the net earnings last year of the surface street railways, according to the annual reports of the companies.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

A twenty-five piece orchestra has been organized at Beatrice.

The Hastings postoffice will become one of the first class on July 1.

The Wymore Coursing association will hold a meet in that city April 16 and 17.

The Hastings college glee club has started on a tour of central and western Nebraska.

The night school classes which have met at Hastings for three years have been discontinued.

Fire destroyed the Ostbloom general store at Surprise, stock and building being a complete loss.

The reunion of the Spanish War Veterans of the state will be held in Lincoln, April 22 and 23.

Thomas Osterman, editor of the Blair Democrat, has been recommended for postmaster at that place.

The Fremont manufacturers' association has voted unanimously to federate with the new Fremont Commercial club.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Merwin celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home in Beaver City on March 30.

Governor Morehead has issued the following proclamation designating April 17 and 18 as fire prevention clean up days:

York, Dodge, Boone, Butler and Seward counties have about completed plans for the engagement of eight noted institute workers.

Vol Hyde and wife, former Nebraskans, were found dead under their automobile, which had overturned on the road near Cody, Wyo.

The Hickman schools opened Monday after ten days' vacation caused by scarlet fever cases. It is thought that the disease has been checked.

By a vote of 5 to 2 the Adams county board of supervisors declared against the sanctioning of Sunday baseball at any county or village diamond in the county.

The receipts of the Seward postoffice for the year ending April 1 were over \$10,000. This volume of business entitles the town to free delivery service.

Members of the Eastern Star have appealed to the city council of Fremont to stop the practice of throwing ashes in the streets of the residence section.

Mrs. J. T. Gist of Falls City, state secretary, requests the names of all state delegates to the Chicago meeting of women's clubs, June 9 to 19, in order that hotel reservations may be made.

Sitting upright at the wheel of his automobile, Dr. W. H. Horton of Florence was found dead, presumably from heart failure, a short distance north-west of that village.

Five hundred and thirty children of the Hayward school at Lincoln fled from their class rooms and out of the building in less than one minute after a fire alarm was sounded.

James G. Russel, Lincoln's 100-year-old citizen, oldest showman in the country and oldest civil war veteran in Nebraska, died Sunday at his home in that place. He was 100 years old March 1.

Dr. W. S. Fast, superintendent of the institute for the feeble minded at Beatrice, is suffering from typhoid fever. Authorities deny that there is danger of the fever spreading to the inmates.

Hastings was chosen as the place for the next annual meeting of the District Odd Fellows convention by the 200 fraternal members present at the banquet which marked the close of the 1914 meeting.

Chris. Deines was buried beneath several tons of coal at the power plant of the Burlington shops at Havelock and smothered to death. It was thought he had a fainting spell and fell into the coal feed chute.

Lloyd Hoop, four years old, was seriously injured when the tines of a manure spreader struck him on the head, penetrating the brain. He was following the machine on his father's farm near Schuyler.

There is a decided movement in extreme western Nebraska to abandon dry farming and take up dairy work. The main issues in the coming spring election at North Platte are the saloon license and electric light franchise questions. The electric light company wishes its franchise extended for twenty-five years.

Luther Abbott, a well-known Nebraska boy and former resident of Fremont, died at Colorado Springs from hemorrhage, as a result of an operation for the removal of a gold crown of a tooth from his lungs three months ago.

David Ridenour, an 18-year-old Fairbury boy, was dangerously wounded when a .45 caliber revolver he was examining was discharged, the ball penetrating his abdomen.

Valentine Feathers, eleven years old, narrowly escaped drowning when he fell through a rotted curbing into a fourteen-foot cistern at Lincoln. He was badly bruised and scratched up.

Mr. and Mrs. Flynn died within an hour of each other Saturday. They are survived by thirteen children. The father was afflicted with an abscess of the brain and the mother with pneumonia.

There are sixteen cases of smallpox in four families at Kearney, but it is believed that danger of the spread of the disease has been obviated.

Charged with the desertion of his wife and nine-days-old baby, Arthur E. Brooks, a blind piano tuner, is being sought for by Sheriff Myers of Lincoln.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Gage County Holstein-Friesian association it was determined to make an effort to guard against the importation of inferior Holsteins, or other black and white cattle, in the state and county, and disposing of them as thoroughbred stock.

The farmers' unions surrounding Clay Center have incorporated and will build a new elevator which will be operated under the co-operative elevator law.

The barn of Frank Stowell, near Phillips, was struck by lightning and completely destroyed, together with a fine team of work horses, several head of cattle, harness and grain.

Paul Swan, painter, "Greek god," and heralded in Sunday supplements as the most beautiful man in the world, was born on a farm near Tecumseh in this state and for a while attended the state university.

ELECTION RESULTS

USUAL WET AND DRY FIGHT IN NEBRASKA.

MANY STARTLING RESULTS

Saloon Question Was Most Frequent Cause of Division—Sunday Baseball Also an Issue.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Lincoln, Neb.—Municipal elections were held throughout the state Tuesday. This year is the "off year" for this city, and no election takes place here on municipal matters until 1915. In contests reported the saloon question was the most frequent cause of division. Bond issues and other matters of local government were decided in many places.

WET	DRY
*Albion	Ainsworth
*Allamore	Anselmo
*Alma	Anselmy
*Amherst	*Arapahoe
Ashland	Arcadia
Auburn	Arlington
Barnston	Aurora
Beatrice	*Bancroft
Benson	Bassett
Bloomfield	Benkelman
Blue Hill	Beaver City
Bloomington	Beaver Crossing
Bridgeport	*Bellwood
Bruning	Benedit
Burwell	Elsa
Cedar Bluffs	*Brook
Chadron	*Broken Bow
Clarks	*Callaway
Columbus	Clay Center
*Comstock	Central City
Cook	Dorchester
Culbertson	Craig
Crete	Curtis
Dawson	David City
Deweese	Decatur
Elgin	Denton
Elwood	Edgar
Eustis	*Emerson
Fairbury	*Ewing
Fremont	*Falls City
Friend	Fairfield
Fullerton	*Franklin
*Genoa	Gibson
Gothenburg	*Giltner
Greenwood	*Hampton
Greeley	Hebron
Hartington	*Hickman
Harvard	Holdrege
Hastings	Humboldt
Havelock	Junia
Herman	Kimball
Holstein	*Lexington
Homer	Lyons
Johnson	Miller
Kearney	Minden
Kenesaw	Nelson
Laurel	North Loup
Leigh	Oakland
Louisville	Galialla
Loup City	Ong
Madison	Oxford
McCook	Pawnee City
Nebraska City	Ponca
Neligh	*Red Cloud
Newport	*Rushville
North Platte	Sargent
Oconto	Shubert
Odell	*Silver Creek
Omaha	Stella
Ord	Stromsburg
Orleans	Sumner
Oshkosh	*Superior
O'Neill	Tecumseh
Papillion	*Tecumseh
Pender	Thurston
Phillips	Ulysses
Pickrell	University Place
Pierce	Valley
Piager	Wagon
Plainview	*Wahoo
Plattsmouth	Wakefield
Prosser	Wausa
Ravenna	Weeping Water
*Republican City	Western
Rulo	*Wolbach
Schuyler	York
Scotts	
Seward	
Shelton	
Springfield	
Stanton	
Staplehurst	
*Sterling	
Swanton	
Sutton	
Syracuse	
*St. Paul	
Table Rock	
Talmage	
Tilden	
Upland	
Valentine	
Verdon	
Waterloo	
West Point	
Wilber	
Wilcox	
Wood River	
Wymore	

*Changes from last year's policy.

Sunday Baseball.

For Against

Norfolk Broken Bow Ashland Amherst Sterling Kearney Callaway Fordyce Ord Upland Blair McCook Anselmo Hartington Schuyler Plainview Oshkosh

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Kearney.—With the same majority as that of a year ago, Kearney remained wet by 43 votes. The lighting contract providing for a series of ornamental street lights was carried by 182 votes to the surprise of many who thought the opposition was too strong. The Sunday baseball question was decided with a majority of ninety-five votes.

Beatrice.—Closing one of the most bitter campaigns in the history of the city the three present commissioners, J. R. Seyer, J. W. Mayer and J. R. C. Field, were re-elected. The city will remain in the wet column and the Sunday baseball and the Sunday amusement questions failed to carry. The wets carried the city by a majority of 178. Sunday baseball lost by forty-one.

Broken Bow.—At the municipal election here A. M. Brew, on the people's independent ticket, was elected over Mayor E. E. Squires of the citizens ticket. The contest was close and spirited. Brew's majority was about sixteen. Sunday baseball was carried and pool halls were voted out. Saloon license was not voted upon, and the town remains dry.

Havelock.—The democrats secured the election of their candidate for mayor, one councilman and the city engineer (uncontested) at Havelock. The republican candidates were elected to other offices. Sunday baseball was approved by a large majority. An unusually large vote was polled.

Hebron.—W. C. Cooper was elected mayor on the dry ticket by four votes. The dry element prevailed by a majority of eleven votes. Two wards went dry, one wet and one a combination of wet and dry votes. The pool hall question received an equal number of votes from both parties. Sunday baseball was decisively defeated by forty votes.

Columbus.—The ticket nominated by the citizens and endorsed by the democrats was elected, although there was some opposition, especially on the school board. The saloon question was not an issue.

Tecumseh.—Tecumseh stays in the dry column by seventy-three majority. The town went dry last year by but six. Sunday baseball was defeated by ninety-four votes. Harry S. Villar was elected mayor.

Falls City.—For the first time in forty-five years Falls City went dry today by a majority of 172. Over a thousand votes were cast during the day.

Humboldt.—Humboldt changed her policy and went dry by twelve votes. Mayor Davis, democrat, was defeated by A. L. Brunn, republican, by eight votes.

Wahoo.—Wahoo went dry by a majority of seven, for the first time for several years. Last year the vote was close, the wet majority being seven.

David City.—The proposal to license saloons was defeated by a majority of three votes. Last year the town went dry by twenty-eight votes.

Norfolk.—Sunday baseball carried by 427 majority and Sunday moving pictures by a majority of 105.

Superior.—Superior went dry by a majority of one vote on the initiative and referendum election.

Clay Center.—J. E. Wheeler was re-elected mayor. Sunday baseball was defeated three to one