

NEWS NOTES CONDENSED

A Boiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

Foreign.

The Chinese government has sent a circular note to the powers protesting against Russia's claims to the right of administration over the Manchurian railway zones. The protest deals lengthily with the Russian communique which was sent to the powers October 8.

Baron Sidney Sonnino, who was premier in 1906, has been semi-officially entrusted with the formation of a new Italian cabinet, the Giolitti cabinet having resigned.

According to the Standard, J. Pierpont Morgan & Company of New York and Drexel & Company of Philadelphia will become the partners of a London firm, which will be styled Morgan, Grenfell & Company.

By a majority of 215, after a brief but exciting sitting, the house of commons recorded its claim to exclusive control of the nation's purse—a claim never before challenged in modern times.

The protocol with the United States for the ratification of the Aisop claim to King Edward for mediation was signed by the government of Chile.

The cabinet of Premier Giolitti of Italy resigned.

The ministerial commission which has been discussing with business men various matters of trade, has approved the suggestion of placing a tax of seven-tenths of one cent on each pound of cotton grown in European Russia, Bokhara and Khiva.

Admiral Togo, chief of the general staff of the Japanese navy, retires from the naval command and becomes a member of the military council. He is succeeded in his earlier office by Vice Admiral Sir Gero Ijuin.

General.

At Kansas City Joseph Campbell killed his wife, then took his own life. He was a morphine fiend.

The secretary of the interior has approved the decision of the commissioner of the land office in the case of Henry Kern against John Eaton, on appeal of the former in dismissing his contest against the homestead entry of the latter, located in the Alliance (Neb.) land district.

Secretary of the Interior Ballinger has made his annual report.

In a street duel with knives at Atoka, Ark., Miss Mora Owens was fatally injured by Miss Stella Beik and died within a few minutes.

The president will exert all his influence looking to changes in the interstate commerce act.

The Kansas state treasury will receive \$25,000 cash, as an inheritance tax, from the estate of James Clarke, a farmer in Marshall county. This is the largest tax yet assessed against a Kansas estate under the new law.

The Kansas State Agricultural College 2-year-old Angus steer, King Ellsworth, won the grand championship as the best steer in America at the International Stock show in Chicago.

John Harvard, a negro preacher, who had committed murder, was burned at the stake near Cochran, Georgia.

Mexico will maintain a neutral attitude in the Nicaraguan rumpus.

The Richard-Gleason bid for the Jeffries-Johnson fight, to be in California, was accepted.

President Taft has taken steps to put the Red Cross society on a permanent business footing.

Congressman Hinshaw says Cannon cannot be elected speaker at the session of the next congress.

Following a charge of murder at St. Louis against Mrs. Doxey of Columbus, Neb., a requisition was issued.

Secretary of War Dickinson advocates changes in army affairs in an annual report.

A strike of switchmen involving over two thousand men was inaugurated at St. Paul, Minn.

Congress opened on noon Monday, but the president's message was not read until Tuesday.

"More men are killed as the result of playing football in one year than are killed in labor troubles," says John Mitchell.

President Taft soon is to receive a call from the legislative committee of the Grand Army of the Republic, for a conference upon matters pertaining to pension legislation this winter.

According to an official dispatch from Bitlis, Asiatic Turkey, several small villages in that vicinity have been destroyed by an earthquake.

President Taft will make the opening address at the convention of the National Civic Federation to begin its important work in Washington Jan. 17, next.

D. L. Winchell, president of the Rock Island, has been elected President of the St. Louis & San Francisco road.

Senator Elmer J. Burkett of Nebraska has prepared a resolution, which he intends to present to congress, calling for a thorough investigation of the sugar trust.

Duke Karl Theodore of Bavaria died from kidney trouble.

The Iowa stock food law is declared by Judge McPherson in the federal court to be all right and sufficient to hold water.

In the United States court of appeals at St. Paul the sentence imposed by the United States district court of Nebraska upon members of the Nebraska Land & Feeding company was affirmed. The defendants had been given both fines and jail sentences and the original infliction will now be carried out.

"There is absolutely no foundation for the report that the Oregon Short Line is to relinquish control of the Salt Lake division of the Southern Pacific," said President Lovett of the Harriman system. "I cannot imagine where or how the rumors originated." Five more men were added last week to the bankers' colony at Ft. Leavenworth penitentiary.

The British house of commons adopted a resolution of censure of lords.

Reorganization of the Rock Island railroad was practically completed by the election of four new vice presidents to serve with President Henry U. Mudge.

The supreme court of the United States has denied the petition of Charles T. Morse, the New York banker, for a writ of certiorari. He must serve in prison.

The recent snow storm in Kansas is said to have been a great help to wheat.

While his wife and three little children were out walking, John K. Souther, of Washington, an artist, committed suicide by shooting. Souther was 33 years of age.

Congress is to be assailed by reform organizations within a day or so after it convenes.

The government faces important problems relating to channels and terminals in proposed waterways improvement.

Judge Charles Amidon, of the United States district court of North Dakota, advocated the execution of professional criminals and the hopelessly insane in an address at Fargo.

The government shows that there were great chances for deceit in the inquiry of the alleged sugar frauds in New York.

The Nicaragua official at Washington was given his passports and a scathing letter by Secretary of State Knox and diplomatic relations were therefore severed.

The British house of lords, by voting to reject the budget, have precipitated a crisis in England.

An Ohio lumber merchant says he overheard a plot to kill John D. Rockefeller.

Washington.

Representative Hitchcock of Omaha expresses the opinion that the forthcoming session is going to be the liveliest exhibition that congress has given the country in a long time. He expects there will be something going on every minute and that the fighting will be forced from the very opening.

Mr. Hitchcock is disposed to take special interest in pressing for postal savings banks, on which he has long had a bill pending.

Recalling the fact that the leading political parties during their last national convention pledged themselves to statehood bills, George Curry who recently resigned the governorship of New Mexico, in his annual report to Secretary Ballinger again urges his aid and influence toward obtaining statehood for the territory at the coming session of congress.

Despite the state guaranty law for state banks in Oklahoma, many applications are pending at the treasury department for organization as national banks in the new state and one for the Germania national bank of Ponca City was approved. It is capitalized at \$25,000.

While on a visit to Boston from his home at Charleston, S. C., Brigadier General Henry M. Adams, U. S. A., retired, died. He was identified for a number of years with the engineer corps of the army. He was born in Massachusetts in 1844.

A gag order affecting the furnishing of information to any committee of the house or senate or any member of congress except as authorized by the head of the department in which such official serves, has been promulgated by the president.

Secretary of State Knox returned the passports of Felipe Rodrigues, charge d'affaires of the Nicaraguan legation with a letter scathingly denouncing the Zelayan government. The letter is definitely declared to represent the views of President Taft.

The consular service is to receive more attention with a view to its increased efficiency. The secretary has appointed Wilbur J. Carr, chief clerk of the department of state, director of the consular service, a newly created office.

Personal.

The National Corn Show at Omaha was opened by an address by President Wattles.

The will of the late William M. Lafan, proprietor of the New York Sun, as filed for probate, leaves all his property to his widow. There were no children.

Control of the Equitable has been secured by J. Pierpont Morgan.

George Foster Peabody, William Dean Howells, William M. Ivin and Herbert Parsons are all advocates of woman suffrage.

Attorney General Fred. S. Jackson will enter the race for congress in the Fourth district of Kansas against J. M. Miller, the present member.

Emilie Jane Loysen, wife of the ex-priest, Charles Loysen, died in Paris. She was born in New York in 1833, the daughter of Amory Butterfield.

Henry Augustus Willard, the last of the three well known Willard brothers of Washington, D. C., died a few days ago, aged 87.

ON BUSINESS BASIS

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE ISSUES AN ORDER.

SPENDING OF STATE MONEY

Day of Grace Granted to Corporations — Miscellaneous Matters at the Capital of the State.

In order to put the militia companies of the state on a more businesslike basis the adjutant general's office has issued the following order, No. 24:

"First—From and after January 1, 1910, commanding officers will make report to this office on blanks furnished a strict account of all expenditure of funds furnished by the state for the maintenance of headquarters or companies.

"Second—No money shall be paid from such funds except on receipt properly signed and forwarded with above report.

"Third—When commanding officers expend more money in the maintenance of their companies than is furnished by the state, they will note upon each report the purpose and amount of such expenditure and the source from which such money was obtained, but receipts need not be furnished for such expenditure."

Heretofore the custom has been not to require any accounting whatever as to the expenditure of state money. The late order will make for efficiency by giving the adjutant's office a chance to offer suggestions as to the proper disbursement of state funds. It also assures that in the future all money will be properly applied, besides showing how much it is costing the state to maintain the different companies. On an average each company of the guards receive about \$100 annually from the state.

A Day of Grace.

Secretary of State Junkin has decided to grant a day of grace to the 4,000 or so corporations that omitted to pay their occupation tax on or before 4 p. m., November 30.

He will check over the entire list of delinquents, which will require a week or more and in the interim the bad boys may walk up and plunk down their little dimes and get a clear bill. But those who are unpaid by the time the secretary gets his lists checked up—well, the law is that they shall lose their franchises or charters for failure to come across by November 30.

Secretary Junkin thought inasmuch as it was a new law and probably galled a few fat necks, it would be wise to go slow in revoking charters, but he is going to start on that list soon.

Governor on the Board.

Governor Shallenberger's friends are pleased to learn that he was elected to the board of directors of the American Shorthorn association at the Chicago meeting. This is the first instance in which Nebraska has been recognized by a membership, and it is expected that the shorthorn industry of the state will be benefited by the representation.

Last year an effort was made to have the animal show rotated between the states of Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska, thereby making it possible for Nebraska breeders to make a showing nearer home, at least once in three years. Nothing was done by the previous board in the direction of carrying out this request, but with representation on the new board, western interests will undoubtedly receive greater attention and it is hoped the plan can be carried out.

Phone Must Be Installed.

Some time ago a complaint was lodged with the state railway commission in regard to the joint office of the Pacific and American Express companies at Norfolk. It was alleged that the two companies refused to install an independent telephone, greatly to the inconvenience and discomfort of patrons. The commissioners heard the evidence and although they could not figure out all the inconvenience complained of, under the law they held that all they could do was to order the installation of an independent telephone.

Accordingly it was ordered that the two companies get busy and install the service requested within twenty days. Twenty days have since gone by without any steps being taken to comply with the order, so the commissioners have instructed the county attorney to bring proceedings to enforce the law.

Test of Telephone Act.

The county attorney of Madison county has been instructed to begin prosecution against the Adams and Pacific Express companies for refusing to comply with the orders of the railway commission instructing them to install an independent telephone in their office at Norfolk. The case is to test the law.

Cut Down Printing Bill.

The State Normal board next year probably will print one big catalogue containing the course of study for the normal schools in place of a publication for each school. Next year the board expects to have four normal schools under its control and for that reason the printing bill will amount to considerable. By publishing a course of study for all of them the board expects to cut down its printing bill considerably and will work out the proposition in a way satisfactory to themselves.

WORK OF EDUCATION.

Approval of Schools for Normal Training.

State Superintendent Bishop has made an announcement concerning the approval of high schools for normal training. The list includes a total of 110 schools, of which 103 are high schools and seven academies.

The normal training law was enacted by the legislature of 1907. During the school year 1907-8 sixty-eight schools were approved for normal training, with an enrollment of 1,200 pupils in the normal training classes. During the year 1908-9 eighty-six high schools and eight academies were approved, representing a combined enrollment of 1,600 pupils taking the course. For this school year the 110 schools approved for the work have enrolled in their normal training classes a total of 1,850 pupils.

In May, 1909, there were graduated from the normal training high schools 775 pupils, who had completed the regular high school course of study and the course in normal training. Reports show that of this number 575 of them are teaching this fall. County superintendents are enthusiastic over the good work these young teachers are doing in the school room.

Insurance Agents Are Out.

The state insurance board handed out a ruling revoking the licenses of the ten agents of the Bankers' Life Insurance company of Lincoln.

The following is the form of the letter sent out to the agents under investigation by Auditor Barton, head of the insurance board:

"By the authority vested in me by the laws of the state of Nebraska, and as I fully believe that your conduct as an insurance agent and the methods used by you in procuring business is in violation of law and contrary to the rulings of the insurance department and against public policy, I hereby revoke your license No. — as agent of the Bankers' Life Insurance company of Lincoln, Neb., dated —, 1909."

While the action taken is sweeping, the twenty-eight affidavits introduced in evidence before the board contained many suggestions of irregularities that the agents excluded under the order for the most part did little to refute.

Plans Issue of Stock.

The application of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad company for authority to issue \$39,502,800 worth of common stock has been granted by the Nebraska railway commission. The stock will be issued in the form of 395,028 shares of common stock of the par value of \$100 each. The stock is to be issued for the purpose of "constructing, improving and equipping its railway," otherwise the request filed with the commission contains no hint of how, when or in what one or more of the states the work is to be done.

Historical Society Wants Money.

Notwithstanding the State Historical society gets an appropriation of \$15,000 biennially, it has its solicitors out asking for money. One was at the state house asking financial aid with which to print some report the solicitor said there was no money available to pay the bill.

Requisition for Wife Deserter.

The governor's office issued requisition on the state of Iowa for the return to Nebraska of Albert Oliver. Oliver is charged with deserting his wife and minor child, now living in Lancaster county. He has been placed under arrest at Indianapolis, Ia.

Motion in Dunn Case Filed.

I. J. Dunn, recently disbarred from the practice of law by the supreme court for conduct unbecoming an attorney, has filed another motion in the case. It is practically the same as was filed two weeks ago, in substance being that if the court will vacate its order disbarring him he will apologize to the court.

Cupid Gets Normal Teachers.

Superintendent Thomas of the Kearney Normal school reported to the normal board that Mr. D. Cupid was playing havoc with his teaching force and he wanted an injunction issued or something done to head him off. A number have been lost and others have the fever.

Civil Service Examinations.

The United States civil service commission announces the following examinations to be held at Lincoln and Omaha: January 25, stenographer and typewriter, all branches of the service; January 25, stenographer, departmental service; January 25, typewriter for men only.

To Advertise Lincoln.

Lincoln business men are just now interested in a proposition to advertise the town as a place for investment. A man from the east was here and spoke at the Commercial club and suggested the way to boom the town is to advertise in some national newspaper or publication, spending at least \$1,000 a month.

An Unfounded Report.

The story printed by the Omaha paper to the effect that W. J. Bryan and his brother, C. W. Bryan, have been asking Governor Shallenberger to call an extra session of the legislature in order to secure the passage of a resolution for the submission of the initiative and referendum constitutional amendment is not warranted. C. W. Bryan made a denial of the story when questioned in regard to the matter. "Neither W. J. Bryan nor myself has asked the governor to call a special session," he said.

TALK OF HUGE TASK

WATERWAYS CONGRESS OPENED AT WASHINGTON.

TAFT DELIVERS AN ADDRESS

Says Projects Must Be Developed to Compete With Railroads—Suggest Word of Caution Regarding Bonds.

Washington—Speaking in strong endorsement of the policy of waterway improvement, President Taft stirred up much enthusiasm during the opening hours of the sixth convention of the national rivers and harbors congress here Wednesday. The hundreds of delegates, representing every section of the United States, filled the great banquet hall of the New Willard, where they sat under their state banners. Men and women delegates arose when the arrival of the president was announced and gave their visitor a noisy reception, concluding the demonstration with three cheers and a tiger.

Upon being presented to the assemblage by Joseph E. Ransdell, president of the congress, President Taft spoke at length, dwelling upon his interest in the policy of waterway improvement and offered advice to the delegates upon methods for attaining the ends they seek.

"I congratulate this congress," said Mr. Taft, "on having brought the subject of waterways to such a point that the representatives in congress from one end of the country to the other recognize it as a subject that calls for action. They have not come to a different conclusion as to the policy that ought to be adopted, but they have come to the conclusion that some policy must be adopted with reference to the development of these instrumentalities which nature has furnished for the transportation of goods and for the controlling of railroad rates."

"You in your declaration say that you are in favor of a policy and not in favor of any particular project. I think that a wise platform to take and yet when it comes to the enforcement and accomplishment of something you have got to get into projects."

"Now I don't think I betray a secret when I say that the gentleman who has most to do with the initiation of projects in congress is fully charged with the necessity for doing something in the next congress to foreshadow, or rather to begin a policy with respect to those rivers."

After referring to various waterway projects in detail, the president continued:

"A year ago President Roosevelt and I were traveling together on a platform before the conservation of resources convention, in which both advocated the issuing of bonds in order that a project improving waterways when begun should be completed in a reasonable time. I am still a consistent advocate of that theory. I believe that the government is entitled to as rapid a method of developing an enterprise and putting it through as private citizens, and as they always issue bonds or generally always do (some of them are fortunate enough not to have to) in order to expedite the completion of the projects it would seem to be wise for the nation to accomplish the same result."

"But I want to suggest a word of caution. You are to encounter in congress great opposition to the policy of issuing bonds right out of hand. You are much more likely to get from congress a declaration of policy in the shape of a declaration that a certain improvement ought to be carried out and spread upon the minutes of congress in the form of a resolution or a declaration in a statute."

"What I advise you to do is to get that declaration. Then when the time comes that political expediency shall prevent the appropriation of sufficient funds from the current revenues to put the proper part of the project through the coming year or the coming two years as economy requires, then the question on issuing bonds will arise. I would get the declaration first and not have the bonds first."

Claim Cook Asked For Aid.

New York.—The Times prints sworn affidavits by August W. Loose, a pilot and navigator, and George H. Dunkie, an insurance broker, that Dr. Cook promised them \$4,000 for their aid in preparing the polar records of his journey which are now in the hands of the University of Copenhagen. The Times also reproduces what purports to be the fac simile of a penciled memorandum, directing the preparation of observations all the way from Swartevag to the pole. They freely acknowledged that their motive in making these affidavits is the alleged failure to pay them the full sums said to have been promised.

Train Hits a Street Car.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Thirty-five passengers on a street car were injured, none fatally and few seriously early Thursday evening when the car, struck by an inbound Pennsylvania passenger train at the South street crossing, was hurled thirty feet. The car fell on a cement sidewalk and lay across the track, but the engineer stopped his train before hitting it a second time. Most of those hurt were injured in the panic which followed the crash. Windows were broken and the passengers climbed from the overturned car.

WORTH KNOWING.

Simple Remedy That Anyone Can Prepare at Home.

Most people are more or less subject to coughs and colds. A simple remedy that will break up a cold quickly and cure any cough that is curable is made by mixing two ounces of Glycerine, a half-ounce of Virgin Oil of Pine compound pure and eight ounces of pure Whisky. You can get these in any good drug store and easily mix them in a large bottle. The mixture is highly recommended by the Leach Chemical Co. of Cincinnati, who prepare the genuine Virgin Oil of Pine compound pure for dispensing.

A HINT.



The Boss—That's an ancient-looking coat you're wearing, Mr. Shrimp.

Mr. Shrimp—Yes, sir; it's the one I got when you last raised my salary!

Not Her First Purchase.

This is a baby story they tell out at Beloit: A woman called at a dry goods store to look at some baby dresses. The clerk showed her a line valued at five dollars each, and talked volubly about "how proud" the mother ought to be over the baby. He suggested that possibly she might want a more expensive dress.

But the mother did not seem to "entuse" a bit over the clerk's gush. "How many children have you?" asked the clerk, cautiously.

"Oh, this is the eleventh," she replied, carefully scanning the price tags.

And out came a line of baby dresses with a more modest list of prices.—Kansas City Journal.

A Revelation to the Cook.

A happily married woman, who had enjoyed 33 years of wedlock, and who was the grandmother of four beautiful little children, had an amusing old colored woman for a cook.

One day when a box of especially beautiful flowers was left for the mistress the cook happened to be present, and she said: "Yo' husband send you all the pretty flowers you gits, missy?"

"Certainly, my husband, mammy," proudly answered the lady.

"Glory!" exclaimed the cook. "he sutt'nly am holdin' out well!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

There All the Time.

It is told of Dr. Thorold that he was once asked to give away the prizes at a school belonging to the London school board.

In the course of his opening address he gravely asked the children, "Which was the largest island in the world before Australia was discovered?"

When the youngsters gave it up, he said in the same grave way, which made them laugh all the more, "Why, Australia, of course; it was there all the time!"

Astonished the Company.

A famous dean was once at dinner, when, just as the cloth was removed, the subject of discourse happened to be that of extraordinary mortality among lawyers. "We have lost," said a gentleman, "not less than six eminent barristers in as many months." The dean, who was quite deaf, rose as his friend finished his remarks, and gave the company grace—"For this and every other mercy, make us truly thankful."

All the Same to Her.

"I must warn you, dearest," he said, "that after we are married you will very likely find me inclined to be arbitrary and dictatorial in my manner."

"No matter," she replied, cheerfully, "I won't pay the slightest attention to what you say."

RESULTS OF FOOD

Health and Natural Conditions Come From Right Feeding.

Man, physically, should be like a perfectly regulated machine, each part working easily in its appropriate place. A slight derangement causes undue friction and wear, and frequently ruins the entire system.

A well-known educator of Boston found a way to keep the brain and the body in that harmonious co-operation which makes a joy of living.

"Two years ago," she writes, "being in a condition of nervous exhaustion, I resigned my position as teacher which I had held over 40 years. Since then the entire rest has, of course, been a benefit, but the use of Grape-Nuts has removed one great cause of illness in the past, namely, constipation, and its attendant evils."

"I generally make my entire breakfast on a raw egg beaten into four spoonfuls of Grape-Nuts, with a little hot milk or hot water added. I like it extremely, my food assimilates, and my bowels take care of themselves. I find my brain power and physical condition much greater and I know that the use of the Grape-Nuts has contributed largely to this result."

"It is with feelings of gratitude that I write this testimonial, and trust it may be the means of aiding others in their search for health."

Look in pkgs. for the little book, "The Road to Wellville." "There's a Reason." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are accurate, true, and full of human interest.