

POSTAL SHORTAGE

FOR THE YEAR IT AMOUNTS TO \$5,794,482.
ANNUAL REPORT OF CONDITIONS

News in Brief

The air of the New York subway is said to be deficient in oxygen.
Governor Mickey's majority in Nebraska will be between nine and ten thousand.
The oldest actor in Germany is Deputy Schneider in Eberswalde, now 104 years of age.
Russia declares that she will brook no interference of European nations in the eastern war.
Military experts in Washington expect the Japanese to conduct a winter campaign in Manchuria.
Eighty Iowa counties give Roosevelt 247,249. Parker 110,303. Swallow 7,318. Debs 8,403. Watson 1,357.
Four men were killed as a result of a fire in a West Virginia town; losses are in pursuit of the desperadoes.
Emperor Francis Joseph has telegraphed to President Roosevelt his congratulations on the latter's electoral victory.
Andrew Carnegie's early ambition was to be a newspaper man, and he confesses that even today the youthful yearning takes hold of him.
Jesse J. Finley, one of the few surviving brigadier generals of the confederate army, died in Lake City, Fla., on Sunday. He was 92 years of age.
Captain Joshua Slocum sailed into Boston harbor with his little yawl Sloop Spray after a voyage of over nine years. The Spray registers nine tons net.
The first National bank of Montclair, N. J., has been authorized to begin business with a capital of \$25,000. A. B. Taplin is president and R. E. Austin, Jr., cashier.
Congressman Cockeran promises to introduce in congress a bill providing that campaign committees shall file with the secretary of the treasury the amount contributed by each.
Louis R. Bernadec, a prominent resident of Lima, shot and killed himself with a revolver. The deceased was connected with the enterprise of American capitalists in Peru.
Wald Fargo, editor of the Chicago Tribune, discovered the theft of an express package containing \$11,900 shipped from Chihuahua to Mexico City some time ago was erroneous.
President Smith of the Mormon church will be unable to attend the inauguration congress at El Paso, Tex., on account of the pressure of other business.
More than 500 students worked their way through Columbia university last year, earning in various ways \$74,021.17, according to a report of the secretary of the committee on employment for students.
Paul de Cassagne, the prominent Bonapartist deputy and journalist, and once the most notorious duelist in France, died November 4. He was 61 years old and began his journalistic career at the age of 18.
Booker Washington, Jr., the eldest son of Booker T. Washington, has filed an application for appointment as paymaster in the army. The applicant is now a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
The Texas state general has received \$10,850 for the Russian Red Cross, contributed by commercial and manufacturing establishments in Holland. This contribution will be handed to the dowager empress of Russia.
The prospects of the new Japanese loan of sixty million dollars for the season's next day after election, in company with Dr. Carlton Priest and W. B. McFarland he drove to Rocky Hill, where he spent the day. The shooting was good, and the party returned before dark with sixteen quail and seven rabbits.
Three battleships, five scout cruisers, six torpedo boat destroyers, six torpedo boats and two squadron colliers at an aggregate maximum cost of \$41,200,000, is the building program which the general board of the navy has recommended the secretary of the navy to urge congress to authorize at its next session.
The Debs socialist vote last Tuesday is estimated at 500,000 for the whole country. Four years ago the total vote of the party was \$7,769.
Mrs. C. A. Curry, 33 years old, was shot and killed, and her husband probably fatally wounded, by a pistol duel at their home in East Pueblo, Colo.
Rev. Herbert Welch, D. D. pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., was chosen by the trustees as the new president of Ohio Wesleyan university, succeeding Rev. Dr. W. B. Washford.
The Dutch newspaper Londevolk announces that King Edward, through the local authorities, has expressed the desire that royal salutes be fired on the arrival of the late President Kruger's body at Capetown and Pretoria, and that minute guns be fired during the procession to the grave.
Former President Andrew John of the Six Nations of New York is in Washington in his efforts to prevent certain half-breeds from getting part of the \$2,000,000 recently awarded the Indians for lands sold by the government.
President Roosevelt has promised to attend the Louisiana Purchase exposition on Saturday, November 26. He made this promise to a committee from St. Louis headed by Mayor Welch, who came to Washington especially for the purpose of inviting him to visit the fair.
United States Judge Dole at Honolulu has sentenced L. P. Kanoh, formerly postmaster at Kapaeha, Kauai island, to one year's imprisonment for embezzlement of funds of his office. Kanoh's delinquency amounted to \$1,992.

WASHINGTON—The annual report of the auditor for the postoffice department shows that the fiscal business transacted through the postal and money order branches of the department during the last year were: Revenues of the postal service, \$143,524,524; expenditures of the postal service, \$152,362,116. Total amount of money orders issued, Domestic, \$38,452,372; foreign, \$37,876,265. Total amount of money orders paid: Domestic, \$38,100,020; foreign, \$67,744,846. The deficit in the postal revenues therefore was \$8,579,482.
Among the items of expenditure during the year are: Wagon service, \$1,765,604; inland mail transportation (railroad), \$38,955,427; railway postal car service, \$5,261,948; railway mail service, \$12,106,130; transportation of foreign mails, \$2,574,540.
On the subject of the compensation of fourth-class postmasters the auditor says: "Without here entering into a discussion of the claims of the postmasters of that class, I am satisfied that in view of the position taken by the courts in relation to their compensation some other system of fixing their compensation should be adopted. I know of no better way than the adoption of the same principle to fourth-class postmasters as applies to the determination of the salary of a presidential postmaster—namely, a salary based on the amount of gross receipts of his office, with a penalty by fine and imprisonment for increasing the receipts of the office by the purchase or sale of stamps for commercial purposes outside of the postoffice or its branches. Wholesale sale of stamps is not permitted, and there is no reason why it should be permitted in postage stamps. For every stamp sold at postoffice the government's representative receives its equivalent in currency, but under the present system of compensation, based upon cancellations, many instances can be shown where no equivalent is received. The adoption of the plan here suggested would destroy the motive for fraudulent cancellations, as no report of cancellations would be required."
Mr. McCarty recommends that the life of the money order be reduced from twelve to three months and that at the end of that period the holder must send the order to the postoffice department and receive a warrant in payment. The purpose of the proposed change is to facilitate the closing of ex-postmasters' accounts. The average life of a money order is only seven and one-half days, and therefore, it is argued, the change would not result in inconvenience.

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Object to Wine at Christening. Rev. E. T. Sanford and Rev. H. B. Leach of New York, N. J., are making a strong fight to have the battle ship New Jersey christened with water.

PRESIDENT IS CONGRATULATED

Messages Come as Fast that They Cannot Be Answered. WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt was overwhelmed with congratulations today. They were presented by many people in person and were received by mail and by telegraph from every state and from almost every city in the country. Thousands of telegrams already have been received and they are coming yet in an undiminished flood.
It will be physically impossible for the president and Secretary Loeb to reach every one of the messages received, in accordance with the usual custom at the white house, but the president desires it to be understood that he appreciates it to the fullest and expressions of his friends and would be glad if it were possible personally to greet and thank every one of them.
The president was in exuberant spirits yesterday. Although he did not retire until a late hour Tuesday night, he arose early and had a happy early morning chat with the members of his family and his house guests, who reached the executive offices and did not then bid him good morning papers. After glancing over them he read a few of the thousands of telegrams of congratulation which had been received and examined bulletins of the latest returns of the election. He was advised that the republican had carried Maryland, a message from Senator McCamy announcing that the result was beyond question.

President Roosevelt has received the following cablegram from Emperor William: "NETS PALAIS, Nov. 9.—President Roosevelt, Washington, U. S. A.: Sincerest congratulations. May heaven give you prosperity. Tuam quod bonum felix faustumque sit populo Americano. WILLIAM I. R." A free translation of the Latin in the above cablegram is as follows: "May your good administration be happy and prosperous to the American people."

PENNSYLVANIA. PHILADELPHIA—Estimates from the state office show Roosevelt a plurality in Pennsylvania of between 230,000 and 400,000. In Philadelphia Roosevelt's plurality will exceed 175,000.
Roosevelt's vote in Pennsylvania far exceeds the expectation of the republican managers. There is a heavy falling off in the democratic vote all over the state. The republicans have elected 29 of the 32 congressional districts, carrying all of the doubtful districts. They have also elected 25 of the 26 candidates for the state senate and about 175 of the 204 members of the house of representatives. This in payment of the purpose of the proposition of Pittsburg, the appointee of Governor Pennypacker, as senator to succeed the late M. S. Quay. The republicans have also elected John P. Elkin state supreme court judge, and four-fifths of their candidates for common pleas judges, and all of their nominees for associate judges.

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Names of Men Selected for Nebraska's Legislature. UPPER HOUSE ALL REPUBLICAN. Lower Branch Stands Ninety-one Republican and Nine Democrats—Congressional Vote in the Six Nebraska Districts.

Recapitulation. Joint Senate, House, ballot. Republicans 91. Democrats 9. Total 100.

Senate. Dist. 1—E. A. Tucker, Humboldt, rep. Dist. 2—E. G. Good, Peru, rep. Dist. 3—R. W. Jones, Dunbar, rep. Dist. 4—J. H. Sheldon, Nebraska, rep. Dist. 5—A. L. Lovett, Ashland, rep. Dist. 6—L. C. Gibson, South Omaha, rep. Dist. 7—C. W. Adams, Omaha, rep. C. L. Adams, Omaha, rep. Dist. 8—C. E. Nelson, Kearney, rep. W. A. Switzer, Kearney, rep. Dist. 9—E. W. D. Gould, Wolbach, rep. Dist. 10—J. D. Miller, Fairbury, rep. Dist. 11—J. J. Williams, Wayne, rep. Dist. 12—H. G. Hughes, Columbus, rep. Dist. 13—C. F. Johnson, Nelso, rep. Dist. 14—C. P. Brees, Rushville, rep. Dist. 15—A. E. Cady, rep. Dist. 16—A. E. Cady, rep. Dist. 17—M. D. Dimey, Crossing, rep. Dist. 18—P. H. Bechtel, Bennett, rep. Dist. 19—L. W. Jackson, Beatrice, rep. Dist. 20—A. W. Vore, Crete, rep. Dist. 21—A. W. Vore, Crete, rep. Dist. 22—George W. Shreck, York, rep. Dist. 23—C. E. Peterson, Campbell, rep. Dist. 24—J. E. Peterson, Campbell, rep. Dist. 25—A. F. Harsh, Lowell, rep. Dist. 26—Albert Libby, Moorhead, rep. Dist. 27—W. G. Gilman, Moorhead, rep.

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Oldest American Fort. The oldest fortress in the United States is Fort Marion, on the Matanzas in Florida. It has seen many bloody frays in the opening up of the southwest of the nation. The land around this ancient place has been watered by the blood of men who have fallen in conflict, but today it is a peaceful, picturesque spot, full of charm and serenity.

Clock Bought High Price. The record price for a clock is \$33,600 paid for a timepiece made by Louis XVI of France. It was purchased by one of the Rothschilds.

Shark Aids Fisherman. On the night of Sept. 27 a ten-foot shark chased 30,000 herrings into the net of a Dublin trawler and was caught himself.

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