

Most Important Happenings of the World Told in Brief.

ăaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa WASHINGTON NOTES.

President Roosevelt received so many telegrams urging him to pre- Ark. vent the imprisonment of Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, sentenced for contempt, that he asked Attorney General Bonaparte to go over the record with him.

Twelve months in jail for Samuel Gompers, president; nine months for John Mitchell, one of the vice-presidents, and six months for Frank Morrison, secretary, all of the American Federation of Labor, was the sentence imposed by Justice Wright of the supreme court of the District of Columbia for contempt of court in violating an order previously issued enjoining them from placing on the "Unfair" or "We don't patronize" list the Bucks Stove & Range Company of St. Louis, Mo. The defendants were released on bai! pending appeal.

President-elect Taft decided to visit Texas at some convenient time after his inauguration, preferably at the end of the special session of congress. The Panama canal will be opened

January 1, 1915, according to an official communication received by the California promotion committee from Joseph Buckline Bishop, secretary of the canal commission.

Andrew Carnegie appeared before the house committee on ways and means to testify about the tariff on steel and made an entertaining but not instructive witness.

PERSONAL.

Jack Johnson (colored) won the neavyweight championship of the world from Tommy Burns at Sydney Australia. The fight went 14 rounds and Johnson was declared the winner on points. The police stopped the

Cipriano Castro issued a statement in Berlin virtually surrendering the presidency of Venezuela.

Thomas F. Ryan, admittedly one of the greatest powers in the financial world, announced that, yielding to the advice of his physicians, he had resigned from the directorate of 31 corporations.

H. Barr Elliott, formerly assistant cashier of the First National bank of Eufaula, Okla., was arrested on information charging him with the robbery of that bank on the night of December 14 last.

William H. Newman resigned as president of the New York Central. the resignation to take effect February

John T. Adkinson, recently elected captain of the Galveston Rifles, was arrested by the United States marshal on capias issued by the federal grand jury at Waco, Tex., charging embezelement of government funds.

S. C. Lillis, a wealthy banker and stock man of Lemoore, Cal., was sentenced to six months in jail and fined \$1,000 for illegally fencing public

William A. Dolph of the firm of Neil-Dolph, lumber dealers of Memphis, Tenn., was arrested in San Francisco on a Memphis warrant charging him with embezzling \$1,000.

GENERAL NEWS.

Tortured by lighted matches applied to his bare feet, H. A. Schabow, a farmer near Curtice, O., turned over surance company.

accept neither as her husband, Powell | preme court of Missouri issued a de-Formich and Michael Milanovitch of cree ousting all three from the com-Cleveland, O., fought a duel with short | monwealth, and fining them \$50,000 knives in a darkened room. Formich each. was killed after he had buried his knife in the neck of his opponent.

President Clement Armand Fallieres of France was attacked in a cafe in the Place de l'Etoile by a politician named Mappis. The aged president to approach and cheap to buy. grappled with his assailant and was severely bruised.

In a game for the high-school championship of the United States, the Longmont high-school team of Longmont, Col., defeated the team from the Englewood high school of Chicago, 13 to 0. at Denver.

The Salvation Army prepared Christmas dinners for about 1,500,000 poor people throughout the country.

The United States Steel Corporation is planning to build a \$10,000,000 town at the head of Lake Superior, about six miles from Superior and Duluth. similar to Gary, Ind.

against Collins has admitted his testi- nations. It was believed Castro would mony was perjured.

Federal authorities began an investigation of the packing industry in Chi-

A. B. Stickney, president and one of the receivers of the Chicago Great Western railway, resigned his receiver found dead in his home in New York. ship of that road and H. C. Burt was having been asphyxiated by gas. appointed to the place.

Acting President Gonzez of Venezuela ousted all the members of Cas. of his colony in extreme southern tro's cabinet and formed a new min-

who eloped from Chouteau, Okla., were Washington and New York, died of arrested in Kansas City, Mo.

As a result of a wild automobile race near Oakland, Cal., one man was instantly killed and another man and two young women were severely in-

In a collision between a trolley car and an automobile in New York George C. Hurlbut, the aged librarian of the American Geographical society, and his daughter, Miss Ilione Huribut, occupants of the automobile, were faally hurt.

In a fire which destroyed his home . Gollahorne, one of the most prominent men of the county, was cremated

Practically the entire business section of Ravia, Okla., a town of 1,200 inhabitants, was wiped out by fire, the oss aggregating about \$35,000.

Five negroes were mortally wounded in a general pistol fight at Fidelia, in the southern part of Christian county. Kentucky. In a sheet which was about to be

placed in a mangle in a hotel laundry in Boston was found a \$5,000 diamond necklace of Mrs. John De Coste, wife of a well-known English artist, who is at present in New York.

C. W. Massingale of Valentine, Neb. was robbed and murdered at Eldorado,

The fisheries committee of the Vancouver board of trade is preparing a strong memorial asking the Dominion government to define the sovereignty of Canada in the North Pacific owing to the alleged poaching of American halibut fishing boats in Canadian waters.

On account of an epidemic of scarlet fever municipal authorities refused to allow any public Christmas entertainments or Sunday school sessions in Warsaw, Ind.

Preparations are under way a Naples for the reception in honor of the division of the American battleship fleet, now cruising around the world, on its arrival at that port about January 17.

A mysterious disease is killing many people in Hermosillo, Mexico, and the inhabitants are terror-stricken and are leaving as fast as possible.

The First National bank of Monrovia, Cal., was robbed of about \$29,000. H. M. Cox, a wealthy resident of

Portland, Me., was killed by falling from a hotel window in Hot Springs, Two men believed to be members of a gang which attempted to rob the bank at Milan, Kan., were captured at

Sheriff Holliday of Wellington. The three-masted schooner Jeanie troops will not embark until April 1, lippitt was lost off Hog Island, Va., and the captain and five of the crew

Clearwater, Kan. A third man eluded

of six were drowned. Mayor McClellan of New York revoked the license of all moving picture shows and said only the safe and moral ones would be allowed to re-

That at least \$176,000 was paid councilmen of Pittsburg for the selection of certain banks as depositaries for the city's funds has been almost positively established through evidence submitted and statements furnished

by the Voters' League. One man was killed and three other men and a woman were seriously burned in a tenement house fire in New York.

Wall street's observance of Christmas was marked this year by larger distribution of gifts to employes than has characterized the season for a number of years. The members of the New York stock exchange alone subscribed \$13,000 for distribution among the exchange's 450 employes. On the consolidated stock exchange the amount subscribed was \$4,000 which was divided among 200

The post office at Mowequa, Ill., was obbed of \$1,000 in stamps and money. The Pan-American Scientific congress was formally opened in Santiago, Chile. Prof. L. S. Rowe, head of the American delegation, presides over the section of social sciences.

The presidential electoral college of Cuba met and formally cast a unanimous vote for Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez for president and Alfredo Zayas for vice-president.

A large whale became entangled in fishermen's nets at Santa Barbara, Cal., and was drowned.

Declaring that the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, the Republic Oil Company of Ohio and the Watersto robbers \$180 belonging to an in- Pierce Oil Company of Missouri had conspired and combined to monopolize Because Julia Pice, aged 14 would the oil business in this state, the su-

> Seven councilmen and two ex-bank officers of Pittsburg were examined and held for trial on charges of bribery and corruption. The testimony showed the councilmen of the city were easy

> Our navy stands second among those of the great world powers at the present time, according to the Navy Year Book, prepared by Pitman Pulsifer. clerk to the senate navy committee. W. I. Buchanan was sent to Vene-

zuela to conduct negotiations for a renewal of diplomatic relation. The board of trade at Little Rock,

Ark., was destroyed by fire, the loss being \$100,000. A new cabinet was formed in Portugal with Senhor Antonio Azevedo as

premier. President Castro of Venezuela is charged with forming a conspiracy to Gov. Hoch of Kansas pardoned John assassinate Acting President Gomes, Collins, serving a life sentence in the who arrested the ringleaders single-Kansas state penitentiary for the mur- handed. Castro's letter of credit was der of his father, J. S. Collins, a well- canceled. Gomez suspended the Wilto-do real estate and insurance man of lemstad decree and took steps to set-Topeka, in 1898. One of the witnesses | tie all Venezuela's quarrels with other

never return from Europe.

OBITUARY. Frederick A. Burnham, former president of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company of New York, was Cyrus R. Teed, "Koresh I." self-

Florida. Gen. Edgar M. Marble, former com-Dora Fair, 16 years old, and Lewis missioner of patents, a well-known Rogers, 23 years old, Cherokee Indians figure in army and business circles of

styled "messiah," is dead in the midst

MOVEMENT TO START THE FIRST DAY OF THE YEAR.

ALL ARE TO BE GONE IN APRI

it Broadford, Smyth county, Virginia, Both Troops and Cubans Rejoice at the Move and Best of Feeling Prevails in All Quarters.

> Hayana.-New Year's day will witness the beginning of the evacuation of Cuba by the army of pacification, which has been in possession of the island since the beginning of the provisional government in October, 1906. The first provisional regiment of marines, numbering about 900, which will be among the first troops to leave, is now concentrating from various posts at Camp Columbia. About half this regiment will sail from Havana on January 1, on the cruiser Prairie, which arrived here Christmas eve, bound for Newport News, The Prairie will return about the middle of the month and embark the remainder.

Headquarters of Companies A, B, C and D, Twenty-eight infantry, will embark on the transport Sumner at Matanzas on December 31. From there the transport will proceed to Havana and embark Companies F. G and H. stationed at Guienes. The Sumner also will sail from Havana on January 1 for Newport News, the ultimate station of these companies being Fort Snelling.

From that time on the transports Sumner and McClellan will be employed in the embarkation at intervals of the remainder of the army. Battery G. Third field artillery, for the Washington barracks, and the Fifteenth cavalry, now stationed at Cienfuegos and Santa Clara, destined for Forts Myer and Sheridan, will sail on February 2. The headquarters army, Eleventh cavalry, now at Columbia and Pinar Del Rio; the mountain artillery and Fifth Infantry, now at Cardenas, Sagua and Calbarien f.or Plattsburg; the Eleventh infantry, now at Santiago and Holguin, for Fort D. A. Russell, and the Seventeenth infantry, now at Camaguey, for Forth McPherson, will leave Havana about February 27 for Newport News. This leaves only two companies of engineers and two batallions of the Seventeenth infantry, under Colonel Pitchel, who will remain at Camp Columbia. These

The embarkation will be effected with as little ceremony as possible and it is probable that their departure will be attended with as little force as marked their landing. The purpose in deferring the departure of a portion of the Seventeenth infantry until April 1 has been the subject of considerable speculation, but it is believed this was agreed upon at a conference between Governor Magoon and President-elect Gomez. It is not thought to be a measure of precaution, for which not the slightest necessity is apparent, but it probably is for the purpose of keeping the barracks and quarters in good order until it is possible to turn over to the Cuban authorities a model camp for occupation by the new permanent army under command of General Pio Guerra, the nucleus of which will be formed, it is intended, with the present corps of Cuban artillery and 1,000 members of the rural guard.

Earthquake Shakes Montana.

Butte, Mont.-A Miner dispatch from Virginia City, Mont., states that at 4:30 Sunday that section was shaken by the severest of a series of seismic disturbances that have been going on for more than a week. The electric power and light plant was put out of commission.

Supreme Court Vacancy. Another addition has been made to

the list of possibilities for appointment to the vacancy on the supreme bench in the suggestion of the name of W. H. Thompson of Grand Island. Whether Mr. Thompson would have the place if it were tendered, is a question not now known.

CONGRESSMEN TO CANAL ZONE. Object Largely to Investigate the

System of Government. Washington - To familiarize themselves with conditions under the present form of government of the Panama canal zone, twelve members of the that a petition for a final settlement

house committee on foreign and interstate commerce will leave Charleston Monday for Colon. It is not thought that any measure having for its object change in the last few years that the registration

form of civil government for the zone in the junior and senior classes is will be considered by congress at the four times what is was in 1904. It is present session, but the committee will also found that about one-fourth of find the information of value later. There has been some discussion of the advisability of attaching the zone to one of the southern circuits of federal courts in order to overcome criticism of the prevailing judiciary system.

Hitchcock to Meet Taft. August, Ga.-President-elect Taft observed Sunday as a day of rest, re- be saved. maining in his cottage throughout the day. He did not attend church in the morning, as is his custom. Monday Mr. Taft will receive a delegation from Atlanta, who will ask him to set a definite date for his visit to that Accommodations are planned for 1,000 city. Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman students. who is to be postmaster general in the Taft cabinet, will arrive here Tuesday for a conference with the president-

AUSTRIA PREPARED FOR FRAY. Large Body of Troops Said to Be

elect.

Massed on Servian Frontier. London-A dispatch from Vienna to the Daily Express says that Austria-Hungary has a force of 55,000 in Bosnia and Herzegovina, ready to invade Servia at a moment's notice. The Daily Mail's Belgrade correspondence says typhus has broken out among the Austrian troops in Bosnia whose attention has been called to the and that many are suffering greatly law, has promised to place proper lafrom the cold and exposure. bels on cans put up by his firm.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Homer Carothers of Utica was quite MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL badly injured at Shickley by a fall CITIZENS.

tance Over the State.

The Baptist ladies at Loup City

ka Territorial association will be held

The two months' session of the last

While Robert Day of Gage county

was currying a mule the other day

it got unruly and kicked, striking Mr.

Day in the face and fracturing the

The Co-operative Creamery associa-

tion at Germantown will hold its an-

nual meeting for the election of offi-

cers for the coming year January 5,

Lewis H. Clarke, a waiter at the

Elite bakery in Hastings, was quite

badly scalded from his hip to his knee

by a pot of boiling coffee falling from

Farmers should all have telephones.

Write to us and learn how to get the

best service for the least money.

Nebraska Telephone Company, 18th

and Douglas streets. Omaha. "Use

J. O. Walker died at Ong very sud-

denly He was ill only two hours.

His age was about 36 years. He was

president of a chain of banks em-

bracing Geneva, Deshler, Clayton,

The Fremont Canning company will

raise corn on the 350 acres of land for

which it has contracted. The com-

pany heretofore has depended upon

corn brought in by the farmers, but

was unable to get enough for it for

for the state inspection of the com-

Guard, which is to take place be-

tween January 11 and February 19.

The inspection is required by act of

Mrs. R. P. Starr of Loup City re-

ceived a very nice heirloom from an

aged aunt one day last week It was

a neat little diamond ring, the one

placed on her grandmother's finger by

her grandfather when they were mar-

The other night Mrs. George Buf-

years of age, but quite active, retired

feeling as well or better than com-

mon, and next morning her husband

woke up about 6 a. m. and found her

dead in bed beside him, she having

expired some time during the night

Negotiations are under way for the

building of an alfalfa feed mill in

Hastings. Some mention was publicly

jects is likely to be carried through.

world. Miss Ross carried off the

prize in the hand-made apron class at

the National Corn exposition at Oma-

ha. She was awarded a sewing ma-

chine. Dodge county's school exhibit

won the first premium for the best

collective county exhibit at the show.

tion in the county court at Seward,

in which he asks for \$1,000 from Isma

Bowker, the village clerk at Pleasant

Dale, Seward county, and his bonds-

men. Fraas was granted a saloon li-

cense in 1907 and contends that he

sustained damages to the above

amount because the clerk failed to is-

Samuel Wymore, after whom the

town of Wymore was named, suffered

a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Wymore

settled in Gage county in 1863. He

at one time owned the land upon

which the towns of Blue Springs and

Wymore are located. Some years ago

he moved to Idaho, where he now

More than fifteen years after the

county his heirs have started suit for

the partition of his estate, and a divi-

sion either of the land or of the pro-

ceeds of the sale of the land among

the several heirs. During all these

years the estate has been in the pro-

bate court and it was not until lately

was filed by the widow, Elmira Mar-

It is found on checking up the reg-

istration of the Peru normal for the

uated in the last biennium. This

shows a remarkable growth of the

school, indicating an increased de-

A Union Pacific supply car caught

The Wayne Normal closed the fall

term for the holiday vacation of ten

days. The new term opened the 28th,

The outlook is for the largest winter

attendance the school has ever had.

The H L Silver Music company's

store in Beatrice was completely gut-

ted by fire. The loss to the stock will

amount to \$4,000, with \$3,000 insur-

August Miller of Bellwood has

purchased 160 acres of land in Hyde

county, South Dakota.

fire in the yards at North Bend and

burned up before anything in it could

trained teachers.

sue it promptly.

is 73 years of age.

Robert J. Fraas has commenced ac-

without waking any one.

Edgar and Clay Center.

its annual campaign.

of the guard.

of it in the future.

grand jury of Douglas county cost the

from a freight car.

ew evenings ago.

county over \$3,000.

1909, at 1 o'clock.

a table onto him.

the Bell."

jaw bone.

in Lincoln, January 12.

cleared \$50 on a supper they gave a BETTER SALARIES FOR JUDGES The annual meeting of the Nebras-

The Attorney General Gives It as His Opinion That They Are Entitled to the Higher Pay.

Salaries of Judges. Under an opinion of the attorney general, the state auditor and treasurer will allow the claims of the three old judges of the supreme court and all the judges of the district court o participate immediately in the increase in salaries provided in the constitutional amendment. raises salaries of supreme judges from \$2,500 to \$4,500 a year and the salaries of district judges from \$2,500 to \$3,000 a year.

Judges Reese and Barnes have already filed their salary vouchers for the quarter ending December 31, although more than a week still remains before the quarter is ended. They claim for the last month of the time payment at the \$4,500 a year rate, or \$375. The question as to whether they can be allowed this money under the constitution was submitted to Attorney General Thompson, who has given his verbal opinion to the auditor that it will be perfectly regular to allow it.

The constitution says: "The legislature shall never grant any extra compensation to any public officer, agent, servant or contractor after the service shall have been rendered or the contract entered into. Nor shall the compensation of any public officer be increased or

The adjutant general is preparing diminished during his term of office." The last sentence of this section ranies of the Nebraska National is held by many to apply directly to the case in issue and to mean that Judges Reese, Barnes and Letton should not be entitled to the incongress and will be done by officers crease provided for in the constitutional amendment.

Attorney General Thompson bases his opinion on several supreme court reports.

An interesting question has arisen as to how the judges could get their money if the auditor still refused to ried. Mrs. Starr will be the custodian issue warrants for more than the old salary provision. Under the statutes they would hardly be entitled to manfington of Herman, an old lady 70 damus the auditor and treasurer in either the supreme or district courts of the state, as every judge on the bench is personally interested in the

The total claim of the judges is for \$791.66, of which \$416.66 is for services in October and November under the old salary and \$375 for December services under the new salary.

Bank Statements.

made of the plans some days ago. The Secretary Royse of the State Bank promotion of two other projects of a ing Board has issued a compilation similar nature has been started. of the statements of the 628 Nebraska While three sets of men stand ready state banks showing their condition at to build a mill, only one of the prothe close of business November 27. The resources and liabilities reported Vera Ross, aged 14, a Scribner girl, is the champion apron maker of the

	Lonow.
	RESOURCES.
i,	Loans and discounts \$55,721,627.0
	Overdrafts 554,434.
J	Bonds, securities, judgments,
	claims, etc
	Due from panks 16,254,555.1
	Danking house furniture and
	Banking house, furniture and
	fixtures 2,189,265.
	Other real estate 188,281.5
	Current expenses and taxes
	paid 1,029,751.0
	Other assets 13,186.5
	Cash 4,168,788.3
	Total\$81,402,206.2
	LIABILITIES.
	Capital stock\$10,905,030.0
	Surplus fund 2,106,892.5
	Undivided profits 2,694,518.3
	Dividends unpaid 3,213.4
	Total deposits 65,398,753.2
	Notes and bills re-discounted 87,148.5
	Bills payable 206,650.0
	Total\$81,402,206.2
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State Buys School Bonds.

State Treasurer Brian bought \$55. 000 of the school district bonds under the new constitutional amendment permitting the investment of state school funds in such securities and has received offers from many other owns considerable land. Mr. Wymore school districts in the state. He believes the new law will be of benefit to the state and to school districts. death of John L. Martin of Merrick The bonds already purchased will net the state 41/2 per cent interest. In each case where the bonds exceed \$500 he desires to buy at this rate providing the bonds are owned by school districts. After they get into the hands of brokers, they will have to submit them in competition with brokers.

Seat Reservations.

At the present time but eight members of the house and three in the senate have failed to secure seat reservations. In the house Pilger of Stanton, Saberson of Dixon, Talcott of Knox, Cooperrider of Adams, Carr the normal graduates have been gradof Cherry, Chase of Dawes, Marlett of Kearney and Taylor of Hitchcock are still not located, while Henry of Colfax, Buhrman of Howard and Tibbetts mand on the part of the state for of Adams are without definite places in the senate.

Ban on Headache Powders. Druggists who have on hand headache powders, and other medicines which are not labelled showing their ingredients, will be arrested and prosecuted. The pure food law provided that druggists who had these inhibited medicines on hand prior to the enactment of the law would not have enforced against them the penalty of the law for selling the same when it was so shown at a prosecution. Some of the druggists took this to mean that they would not be prosecuted. and have kept on selling medicines.

Woman to Be Lobbyist.

Miss Hardwick, a nurse employed at the Orthopedic hospital, is the first Food Commissioner Johnson is now person to intimate that she intends going after baking powder firms that to register her name as a lobbyist. do not label the contents of their She is anxious to have a law enacted cans. Under the pure food law the creating a board to examine nurses ingredients of compounds must be laand grant them certificates to pracbeled. The commissioner has decided tice their profession. Miss Hardthat baking powder is a compound. wick was at the state house with a Manufacturers do not like to label copy of her bill which she desires intheir output because in most cases it contains alum. A Lincoln wholesaler, i troduced and was informed that if she assisted in the passage of the measure she would have to register her name as a lobbyist.

Gossip of Washington

What Is Going On at the National Capital.

Federal Sleuths Kept on the Jump



activities of the secret service.

The system of government espionage over the private citizen has before there can be no doubt.

violations.

Originally the secret service of the United States had two functions and two only. Those were the detection of counterfeiters and the hunting down of illicit distillers. A good many years ago, however, long before Mr. Roosevelt entered public life, one of the presidents detailed secret service men to serve at the White House. ASHINGTON.—That branch of the There was not the slightest authority public service which its detract- in law dor such a procedure, but conors called "the government spy sys- gress had a good deal of consideratem," or "the Black Cabinet," has been tion for the executive and this viobrought into conspicuous prominence lation of law went on year after year. by the tiff between congress and the Finally congress, seeing that the pracpresident, growing out of the criticism | tice had become permanent and not in the president's message of the ac- wishing to engage in a dispute with tion of congress in circumscribing the the executive branch, conferred the legal authority necessary to enable presidents to make such a detail.

Gradually the presidents enlarged grown in an unprecedented manner the practice of detailing secret servunder the administration of President ice men and sent them hither and Roosevelt. Whether it conduces to yonder on all sorts of errands. Then the general public welfare is a matter other administration officers—cabinet for publicists to discuss, but as to the chiefs and even bureau heads-withfact that the secret service has out the remotest authority in law. reached greater extensions than ever called upon the secret service branch for agents to send out on confiden-This extension has been brought tial missions. Chief Wilkie of the about by the executive branch of the secret service was up a tree, figuragovernment, and its justification, in tively speaking. He did not have large degree, is that a law has no men enough to go around. Congress value unless it is enforced, and the allowed him a blanket appropriation, only way to enforce it is to look after but it was not large enough to hire all of the detectives demanded.

vision limiting the functions of the

secret service, it was not striking at

the president, but at a custom. At

least that is the solemn assertion of

all the members who had anything to

do with it. Representative Walter L.

Smith of Iowa, drafted the provision

and it was put in with the approval of

Chairman Tawney and all the mem-

bers of the appropriations committee.

larged the inspection, or espionage.

Gradually congress itself has en-

Time to Call a Halt on the Practice



HE origin of the paragraph in the last sundry civil bill, restricting the activities of the secret service. which provoked the hot denunciation of the president, is decidedly interestthe officer, who was not entirely satis- men are engaged in traveling about fied as to the faithfulness of her the country and mingling with the leave of absence.

had a secret service sleuth detailed about congressmen who are objectionfor such a purpose and when the sub- able to the administration seems to committee wrote and inserted a pro- be without the slightest foundation.

system of the government, but for the most part, it has done so under exing. While a subcommittee was fra- ecutive pressure. Naturally, the fact ming the sundry civil bill it was that the congressmen helped to crebrought to the attention of the mem- ate so many "spies" would be expectbers that a secret service man had ed to stop their criticism, but it is been assigned to keep watch over the fashionable now to blame a good many conduct of a certain naval officer. The things on the president. The army of application for the detail was made to government detectives numbers all the navy department by the wife of told about 5,000. Nearly all of these spouse. The officer was not even on 80,000,000 people outside of Washingduty at the time, but was away on ton. The list includes secret service men, postoffice inspectors, special It occurred to members of the ap- agents of the land service, pure food propriations committee that this was inspectors, meat inspectors and oththe limit of governmental espionage ers. The talk that in some instances and that the time had come to call a secret service agents have been used halt. President Roosevelt, of course, to work up damaging information

Gridiron Club Gives Annual Dinner



to be remembered by the organization. to bring together at the capital of the nation. The president, vice-president, president-elect, vice-president-elect, presidential possibilities of the future, senators and representatives almost gridiron-shaped table. Coming so soon as "here, with the colors."

after the recent national campaign, the dinner presented an exceptional opportunity for the merry-makers.

One of the funniest skits was a roll call after the recent national political battle. The mournful tap of a drum was heard in the anteroom and there came marching in a tattered and dilapidated troop. The uniforms showed THE annual fall dinner of the Grid- the members had been on the firing iron club, held the other night, was line. The president of the club anmade noteworthy by the presence of a nounced in solemn voice that the distinguished company of guests. An slaughter had been terrific. The extended program devoted entirely to members of the troop answered fun-making, made the night one long to the roll call. Sergt. Jim Watson was reported as "killed while The company was one only possible riding to the front on the water wagon." Private Charlie Landis "fell at Watson's side," Private Charles G. Dawes "passed in his checks," and Private Frank Lowden was "shot in the pocket." Corporal Norman E. without number, an English lord, dip- Mack was reported as "burying the lomats of this and other countries, dead," Corporal William J. Bryan was newspaper men whose names are "among the missing," Corporal Loeb known far and wide, captains of was "in the hands of his friends," Prifinance and industry, and men of af- vate Taft was reported present and fairs generally were seated about the Color Sergt. Hitchcock was announced

Shameful Treatment of Uncle



U NCLE IKE STEPHENSON, cham-pion buttonhole story teller of the senate, has certainly been treated shamefully since he came down here last winter to take Mr. Spooner's place that doesn't console him any. as one of Wisconsin's legislators. He has the distinction of being the older man in the senate and at the same time of being one of the wealthiest, He had no sooner got here last Desized kick, and finally got himself as young Italian men of the working

ing was finished. money than he knows how to spend has the correct appreciation of what and who could buy himself a thousand is expected of a city farmer." committee rooms, is located away over in the extreme southeastern corner they call it in the house—and it looks to his \$14 cow."

as if he will have to stay there for a few months anyhow.



signed to a room on the senate ter- class singing some of the lovely pop-

ace, away down in the ground. Uncle Ike when he returned this De cent Sunday. It was delightful music cember. He had no room at all. His to hear and entirely different in every office furniture was all standing out in | way from the songs and the singing the corridor. This was too much. Off one so often hears from a group of he went to see about it. What he native young men. It was the first found out was that there had to be a time this particular New Yorker ever place to put a new power plant, and had heard Italian singing in public his room was the only one available. and the charm of the music was great Where was he to go now? Oh, he'd enough to make him regret that it was have to go over in the house office not heard more often. building until the senate office build-

So now, Uncle Ike, who has more

As a consequence, he is an exceedingly sad-looking senator these days. It is said that some one heard him remark the other day that he would put up a temporary office building of his own on the capitol grounds if he could get the permission. Vain hope.

Two other senators have been sent over to the house office building with Uncle Ike. They are Cummins of Iowa and Du Pont of Delaware. But

Italian Singers.

In view of the fact that in their native country most Italians of the peasand he is used to having his own way. ant class are given to singing in public on all and every occasion, it is curicember than he discovered he had ous that we hear so little of their been assigned a committee room over vocalizing in public here. This state in the Malthy building, on B street of affairs was brought sharply to a northwest. This was too far from base man familiar with Italy as a tourist to suit Uncle Ike, so he made a good- when he heard a group of half a dozen ular songs of their native land in an But a great surprise was in store for elevated train in New York on a re-

The City Farmer. "There is no doubt that Chumpleigh

"What has he done now?" "Why, he has just sunk a \$1,400 well of the house office building-Anacostia on his place in order to supply water