

NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAN

Most Important Happenings of the World Told in Brief

WASHINGTON NOTES.

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

PERSONAL.

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

GENERAL NEWS.

Tortured by lighted matches applied to his bare feet, H. A. Schabow, a farmer near Curdick, O., turned over to robbers \$180 belonging to an insurance company.

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 injured.

In a collision between a trolley car and an automobile in New York George C. Hagbut, the aged librarian of the American Geographical society, and his daughter, Miss Ilone Hurbut, occupants of the automobile, were fatally hurt.

In a fire which destroyed his home at Broadford, Smyth county, Virginia, A. 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 loss aggregating about \$35,000.

Five negroes were mortally wounded in a general pistol fight at Fidella, 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, Ark.

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 at 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, Ark.

Two men believed to be members of a gang which attempted to rob the bank at Milan, Kan., were captured at Clearwater, Kan. A third man eluded Sheriff Holliday of Wellington.

The three-masted schooner Jeanie Lippitt was lost off Hog Island, Va., and the captain and five of the crew of six were drowned.

TROOPS LEAVE CUBA

MOVEMENT TO START THE FIRST DAY OF THE YEAR. ALL ARE TO BE GONE IN APRIL.

Both Troops and Cubans Rejoice at the Move and Best of Feeling Prevails in All Quarters.

Havana.—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-eighth Infantry, will embark on the transport Sumner at Matanzas on December 31.

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 Calabazal; the Eleventh infantry, now at Santiago and Holguin; for Fort D. A. Russell, and the Seventeenth infantry, now at Camaguey, for Fort McPherson, will leave Havana about February 27 for Newport News.

These troops will not embark until April 1, which will complete the evacuation. 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.

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.

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.

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 house committee on foreign and interstate commerce will leave Charleston Monday for Colon.

Hitchcock to Meet Taft. August, Ga.—President-elect Taft observed Sunday as a day of rest, remaining in his cottage throughout the day. He did not attend church in the morning, as is his custom.

NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Home of Greater or Lesser Importance Over the State. Homer Carothers of Ulida was quite badly injured at Shickley by a fall from a freight car.

The Baptist ladies at Loup City cleared \$50 on a supper they gave a few evenings ago.

The annual meeting of the Nebraska Territorial association will be held in Lincoln, January 12.

The two months' session of the last grand jury of Douglas county cost the county over \$3,000.

While Robert Day of Gage county was carrying a mule the other day it got unruly and kicked, striking Mr. Day in the face and fracturing the jaw bone.

The Co-operative Creamery association at Germantown will hold its annual meeting for the election of officers for the coming year January 5, 1909, at 1 o'clock.

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 a table onto him.

Farmers should all have telephones. Write to us and learn how to get the best service for the least money.

The Fremont Canning company will raise corn on the 350 acres of land for which it has contracted.

The adjutant general is preparing for the state inspection of the companies of the Nebraska National Guard, which is to take place between January 11 and February 19.

Mrs. R. P. Starr of Loup City received a very nice heirloom from an aged aunt one day last week.

The other night Mrs. George Buffington of Herman, an old lady 70 years of age, but quite active, retired feeling as well or better than common, 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 without waking any one.

Negotiations are under way for the building of an alfalfa feed mill in Hastings. Some mention was publicly made of the plans some days ago.

Veru Ross, aged 14, a Scribner girl, is the champion apron maker of the world. Miss Ross carried off the prize in the hand-made apron class at the National Corn exposition at Omaha.

Robert J. Fraas has commenced work 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 bondsmen.

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.

It is found on checking up the registration of the Fern normal for the last few years that the registration in the junior and senior classes is four times what it was in 1904.

THE STATE CAPITAL

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ALL CITIZENS. BETTER SALARIES FOR JUDGES.

The Attorney General Gives It 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 to participate immediately in the increase in salaries provided in the constitutional amendment.

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.

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.

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.

Secretary Royle of the State Banking Board has issued a compilation of the statements of the 628 Nebraska state banks showing their condition at the close of business November 27.

State Buys School Bonds. State Treasurer Brian bought \$55,000 of the school district bonds under the new constitutional amendment.

Seat Reservations. At the present time but eight members of the house and three in the senate have failed to secure seat reservations.

Ban on Headache Powders. Druggists who have on hand headache powders, and other medicines which are not labeled showing their ingredients, will be arrested and prosecuted.

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Gossip of Washington

What is Going On at the National Capital.

Federal Sleuths Kept on the Jump

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.

WASHINGTON.—That branch of the public service which its detractors called "the government spy system," or "the Black Cabinet," has been brought into conspicuous prominence by the tiff between congress and the president, growing out of the criticism in the president's message of the activities of congress in circumscribing the activities of the secret service.

The system of government espionage over the private citizen has grown in an unprecedented manner under the administration of President Roosevelt. Whether it conduces to the general public welfare is a matter for publicists to discuss, but as to the fact that the secret service has reached greater extensions than ever before there can be no doubt.

THE 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 interesting.

An interesting question has arisen as to how the judges could get their money if the auditor still refused to issue warrants for more than the old salary provision.

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