A Beiling Down of the More Important Events Here and There

Foreign.

Mail advices from Colombia report a very critical condition of affairs in that republic. As the result of the departure of President Reyes for Europe the various political parties which a few months ago seemed to be united are now completely disorganized, and is on the verge of a great revolution.

The German potash syndicate has renewed its agreement. Hermann Schmittman and his son, Waldemar Pillsbury, retired. Schmittman, representing the Asherfixed their signatures to the contract. A portion of the army stationed at

Baranquilla took up arms against the Colombian government, made prisoners of the municipal authorities and proclaimed Gonzales Valencia as the president.

A special dispatch from Belgrade 50 Austrian gendarmes have been captured on a Servian island in the River Drina, on the frontier. The Servian trip. government has protested to the administration at Vienna against the

The British, German and French bankers concerned in the Hankow-Sze-Chuen railroad loan of \$27,500,000 began consideration of the terms under which Americans are to be admitted to participation.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was the guest at a dinner given by the labor party at the English house of

A young woman, who for ten days was caught in a cave-in of a railroad tunnel at St. Gall, Switzerland, was dug out alive. She suffered agonies of cold and hunger during this period, but managed to sustain life by sucking moisture from her clothing.

on which water occasionally trickled. During the recent fighting in front of Fez, between the forces of the pretender and the troops of the sultan, fourteen of the imperial soldiers were captured and decapitated and their heads exposed in the pretender's camp.

#### General.

An investigation of the charges made by James R. Wheeler, a graduate of the Carlisle (Pa.) Indian school, the students were cruely treated in that institution was begun at Carlisle by Inspector E. P. Holcomb of the bureau of Indian affairs.

James Yadkin Joyner of North Carolina was chosen president of the National Educational association.

Senator Aldrich had whip hand in the senate and sent all attempted amendments to the table, drawing to-

wards the final vote. Customs officials will have a heavy task in adjusting to the new tariff schedules if it is effective when

The Governor of Nebraska may call an extra session of the legislature to enact a new guaranty law.

The crop report of the department of agriculture shows grains in more flourishing condition than the average in July.

The Nebraska Liquor Dealers' association has decided to go into court and fight the early closing law. The suit will be brought in Omaha.

It is said the temporary in junction granted by Judges Van Deventer and T. C. Munger wil tie up the enforcement of the Nebraska bank guaranty law for a year, even though it is de-

Ernest W. S. Pickhart of New York died in a London hotel on July 4 of an overdose of a drug taken to induce sleep. Mr. Pickhart was the divorced husband of the stepdaughter of the late Robert Roosevelt, uncle of Theodore Roosevelt.

Commander John Hood has been designated as the head of the board appointed to make a second inquiry into the cause of the death of Second Lieutenant James M. Sutton of the Marine Corps at Annapolis, in October, 1907

ers who taught in Porto Rico last year, under contract.

Wages of the 3,000 men and boys employed in the plant of the Mary-

Point were increased 10 per cent. The senate worked on Independence day, it being the twelfth time in the history of the country that this

high legislative body so met.

Oscar Straus, who was recently appointed American ambassador to Turkey, sailed for his new post at Con- lain at state penal institutions, died

President Taft, if the tariff bill is out of the way by August 1, will visit toast at the banquet given in honor a number of western states, including of President Taft at Champlain ter-Washington and the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition.

Washington, D. C., set an example for the rest of the country in a safe and sane celebration.

In a riot at the National stock yards at St. Louis Chief of Detective Ryan of the Union Methodist Episcopal shot and kiled William James, a negro, church and now in charge of a Kan-W. J. Bryan delivered his great lec- sas City church, was found dead in ture, "The Prince of Peace," to a large a room in an office building in St. audience at New Hampton, Ia., under Louis. the auspices of the Redpath Vawter Chautauqua.

The Roosevelt expedition is enjoying good hunting and all the members of the party are well. This information was brought into Naivasha by his patient is showing much improvecouriers from the Sotik district. A plea for practical education was

made by leaders of the educational Wash., died in a New York hospital a Bakhtkaris were killed and twelve of by the board and the work will start council at Denver,

In New York 4 were killed and 332 njured as the price of Fourth of

Carrying four great boxes of E. H

Harriman's favorite cigars, three of

his children, Mary, Caroline and Ro-

July patriotism.

#### land sailed on the Kron Prinz Wilhelm to join him in Europe. Moro Outlaw Chief and the whole of his band have been wiped out in

the Philippines. The German and Austrian railroad authorities have informed Russia that they are about to take steps\_to\_institue a quarantine on the frontier against cholera.

President Taft paid high tribute to the federal constitution in his speech at Lake Champlain.

The American Woman Suffrage association decided to establish national headquarters in New York City. Harvard was victorius in the three boat races against Yale on the New London, Conn., course.

Employes of the bureau of engraving and printing have been placed on a per diem instead of monthly payroll. Charged with using the United States mail for lottery purposes three Chinese shops in Washington were raided and their proprietors arrested. Rear Admiral William F. Potter who commanded the fourth division there are indications that Colombia of the Atlantic battleship fleet on its voyage around the world, last week became chief of the bureau of naviga-

The United States and Nicarague leben and Solstedt mines, having af are hopeful of reaching an amicable understanding on the Emery claim. Prof. Louis T. Moore of Cincinnati,

tion, relieving Rear Admiral John E.

who, it is understood, will spend the summer with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Taft, has arrived at the summer capital in Beverly.

The man and woman who committed suicide by rowing a boat over the dam says that 250 Austrian soldiers and in the St. Joseph river at South Bend, Ind., were H. Lindeman and wife of Chicago. They were on their bridal

An order was issued at Pittsburg by the local board of the United Mine Workers of America instructing the striking miners in the Kansas district, 8,000 in number, to return to work.

President Taft hopes to make a western trip this summer, providing the tariff bill can be cleared up by August 1. The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle will be the president's destination. He will visit Omaha either going or returning. A tentative itinerary and program is being made out.

The senate will be represented in the conference on the tariff bill by eight men, five republicans and three democrats, all of whom will be selected according to seniority of membership on the committee on finance. Senators Aldrich, Burrows, Penrose, Hale and Collom will be the republicans, and Senators Daniel, Money and Bailey the democratic members of the conference committee on the part of

Cynically disposed statesmen are opining that the effort to save from \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,000 a year in the expense of the federal government will not only fail, but that within the next three years there will be a large upward turn in the national budget.

In connection with the bureau of plant industry of the department of agriculture, the forest service has been carrying on a series of experiments relative to the re-seeding of overgrazed areas upon the national

forests in the west. United States Senator A. B. Cummins of Iowa and members of the Fifty-third regiment band, stationed at Fort Dodge, will be guests of honor at the midsummer picnic arranged by the Hawkeye club of Spokane, Wash., at

Natatorium park there on August 7. A letter received in Kansas City from Secretary of Agriculture Wilson announced the government would participate in the experiments being conducted there by Dr. C. J. Shiler, who is attempting to find a cure for hog cholera. It is stated an expert on hogs will be sent there from Wash-

ington. John W. Roberts of Lincoln has been appointed scientific assistant in connection with agricultural department. C. E. Campbell of Omaha was appointed messenger in army headquarters in Omaha.

## Personal

Supreme Court Justice Gaynor denied the motion recently made before him for the removal of the Thaw insanity hearing from Westchester county to New York county.

Chancellor von Buelow will resign before the adjournment of the Reichstag, according to the report in well informed political circles.

Mrs. Mary Larned Dorrance Aldrich, wife of Edward Burgess Aldrich, eld-The steamer Carolina sailed from est son of United States Senator Nel-San Juan for New York, having on son W. Aldrich, was granted a divorce board ail the American school teach- from her husband on the ground of

non-support. United States immigration officials at Seattle arrested Mrs. Vera De Noie. who arrived recently from Hongkong. land Steel company at Eparrows charging that she is not entitled to en-

ter the United States. Charged with using the United States mails for lottery purposes, three Chinese shops were raided in Washington and their proprietors arrested. Dr. George W. Martin, prominent as

at his home in Lincoln, Neb.

centenary celebration. Christian church, died at Fellow Springs, Ohio.

Charles A. Luccock, former pastor

Harry K. Thaw is to be transferred from the Matteawan asylum to the

White Plains jail. Dr. Streumpel, the noted physician who is treating E. H. Harriman, says

Congressman Cushman of Seattle.

UNDERSTOOD HE WILL MAKE MANY STOPS ON THE WAY.

# TO TRAVEL BY SPECIAL TRAIN

Is Being Bombarded With Requests for Visits and Speeches from All Kinds of Places.

Washington. - Indications multiply that President Taft's announced itinerary for his western and southern trip this fall will be materially extended. The president himself did not include in the tentative list which was published all of the places where he expects to stop long enough to make an address and hold a brief car-end reception. The itinerary was made of those cities where the president will spend from one to three days.

Strong efforts will be made by congressmen and state officials to have the president stop, at least for a few minutes, at all the towns of appreciable size through which his train will pass in the daylight hours. Already the president has been bombarded with such requests. He has suggested to all his callers and correspondents that they take the matter up with him

During the trips he has made thus far the president has adhered to the policy of journeying in a single private car attached to regular trains. On his far western trip, however, where trains are run heavier and at longer intervals than here in the east, it is likely the president will have to follow the policy of his predecessors in chartering a special train, especially if he stops at the smaller cities that dot the way between the larger places he will visit.

The president expects to be away for two months on this trip, and will carry a complement of stenographers. clerks and telegraphers, in addition to his secretaries. Thus far the presidential party has been confined to the chief executive, Captain Archibald W. Butt, his military aid; Assistant Secretary Mischler, Major Arthur Brooks, who, in addition to being the president's confidential messenger, is commanding officer of the First separate batalion of colored troops in the district of Columbia; and two secret service men. James Sloan, who was with President Roosevelt for seven years, panied Mr. Taft since his election to

The porters and cook assigned to the president whenever he travels have been traveling with presidents for a great many years. Will S. Anderson, the porter, was promoted to presidential service in 1901, and was with President Roosevelt on all of his travels. J. C. Broadbus, chef to the president while en route, began his presidential service under Mr. McKinley, and has caused both President Roosevelt and President Taft to marvel at the wonderful meals he turns out of the tiny kitchen-litle bigger than closets-which private cars carry. The third member of the crew, E. B. Letcher, has also seen service under three presidents. Letcher usually acts as waiter.

## DOWNWARD OR A VETO.

President Will Talk Plainly to Tariff Conferees.

Washington.-With the tariff bill in the house and conference committees of the two houses appointed the scene of tariff legislation is changed to the conference room.

It is understood that President Taft will take up the tariff bill with the conference committee and will plainly state the position of the administration. Substantial reductions in the more important schedules on one hand and veto on the other confronts the conferees.

## Senate Amendments Rejected.

Washington.-The tariff question aas been shifted from both houses of congress to a conference committee. After one hour and a half debate the house on Friday, by a vote of 178 to 151, made a rule whereby all of the 347 amendments of the senate were disagreed to and the conference rejuested by the senate granted. Eighteen republicans voted against the rule and one democrat for it.

## Sugar Boodler Kills Himself.

70-10.-M. Sakao, president of the Japan Sugar company, convicted during the recent trial of the so-called scandal cases, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. Sakao was one of the twenty-three persons on whom sentence was pronounced.

Weston Begins Last Lap. Sacramento, Cal.-With 108 miles of the 3,975-mile walk, from New York to San Francisco, still before him, Edward Payson Weston rested Sunday at Roseville, eighteen miles north of here. He will start on his last lap at 5 o'clock Monday morning.

Secures a Gift to Nebraska. Washington.-The navy department has promised Representative Kinkaid. in answer to a request on behalf of a prison reform worker and as chap- the Nebraska authorities, that the figurehead of the battleship Nebraska will be loaned to the state capitol or Ambassador Bryce responded to a the state university museum. The state will have to pay transportation charges, but the government will do the rest. While it will be nominally a T. L. McWhitney, a well known loan and subject to recall at any time, writer, speaker and minister of the it will in effect amount to a gift, as there is small chance that it ever will be recalled.

## TWENTY FELL IN BATTLE.

Report Received in London Says Royalists Were Handicapped. London.-A special dispatch from Teheran says that in the engagement between the shah's troops and the nationalists the latter fell back to Dehshah, where, owing to the nature of the ground, the royalists were unable to make use of their guns. The only report concerning casualities that reached Teheran was that eight of the the shah's men, wounded.

#### NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES. tems of Interest Taken From Here

and There Over the State.

brations in Nebraska on the Fourth.

Grand Island had no formal celebra-

tion, but on the 3d and 5th horse-rac-

Fire, starting from some unknown

York county farmers have reason

to rejoice over the great prospects

of another bumper crop, making the

The Republican City bank, which

has been run for the last twenty-three

years by J. S. Gifford, was sold last

week to the Commercial State bank of

The western part of Merrick county

thirteenth big crop in succession.

cause, caused about \$500 worth of

Creighton on the Fourth.

ing was on the program.

Fort Robinson.

that place.

gravated form.

the knee and ankle.

hours of intense suffering.

by spontaneous combustion.

have undoubtedly been killed.

was thrown at Plattsmouth.

as it is supposed to have been caused

City Electrician J. B. Cassie of Fre-

mont barely escaped death in that

place, sustaining a shock of electricity

of 2,300 volts, and but for some waste

that he held in his hand, he would

Forty years ago on July 5th ground

was broken for the Burlington & Mis-

souri railway in Nebraska. It was at

11 o'clock in the morning of July 5th,

rocket. It is said he cannot live.

As the result of a long feud, involv-

L. Grafius was shot and seriously

wounded at Shelton by Andy Treat,

and but for his own quickness might

When Earl Handly, a negro, slashed

negro was hurried to the county fail

before the gathering had a chance to

James Goff, who was injured by be-

ing caught in an elevator at the Mor-

ton-Gregson packing plant in Nebraska

City some six weeks ago and badly

crushed about the head, has brought

suit against the packing company for

A fire at Belden in the dry goods

store of Westrope & Harper wiped out

an entire block of the town. The post-

office burned, Martin's jewelry store, a

pool hall, a saloon, a hardware store

and a milk depot were entirely con-

sumed. The loss will amount to \$75,000.

burg is considerably alarmed over an

epidemic of spinal meningitis, over

twenty cases having been reported to

the physicians within a few days. The

patients are altogether among the chil-

dren and only milder symptoms of the

disease have so far been manifested.

tusk discovered at Indianola a few

days ago, was taken out at Indianola

a few days ago, was taken out last

week by workmen. About twelve feet

of the tusk has been unearthed. The

larger end is nine inches in diameter.

Several other small bones were found

but no indications of a skeleton has

The Nebraska Experiment station

has just issued Bulletin No. 110 with

a report on the Nebraska Seed Labora-

tory. The bulletin may be had free

of cost by residents of Nebraska on

application to the Agricultural Experi-

ment station, Lincoln, Nebr. This bul-

letin contains a large amount of infor-

mation concerning agricultural seeds,

together with descriptions and illustra-

tions of the more common weed seeds.

Omaha a number of years ago, was

released from the state prison on a

Fourth of July pardon. Jacob Frahm,

the second candidate for clemency

failed to score. Frahm is the oldest

presoner in the penitentiary. He was

sent there for the murder of his wife

It is said that he does not want to

leave the prison. He is now over 70

years old and has spent the last fifteen

years of his life inside the gray walls

amounts to \$6,337,510, as against \$6.

nouncement of the marriage of W. B

Ralston of Republican City, a promi

nent dealer in real estate and pianos

to his adopted sister, Florence, a beau-

The matter had been kept secret.

Rev. S. D. Bartle, pastor of the

State Treasurer Brian, Secretary of

Industrial school. The specifications

the year.

14 to 19

Quite a

Cuming county's railroad assessment

George Elliott, who killed a man in

been discovered.

About six feet more of the mammoth

The community in and about Stroms-

have been killed.

harm him.

\$20,000.

a krife.

Ten thousand people celebrated at

INVESTIGATIONS BY THE NE-

#### There were many enthusiastic cele-BRASKA SEED LABORATORY.

damage to one of the new barracks at State Board of Assessment Completes the Work of Valuation of Railroads.

> The experiment station bulletin No. 110 presents in a popular form the most important results secured by the Nebraska Seed Laboratory from the time of its establishment to July 1. 1908, together with a statement showing the various tests made up to May T. 1909.

s reviving from a smallpox scare. A grand total of 463 samples was Several families were quarantined in received and 636 different tests made the extreme west end, and for several during the first year and 617 samples Sundays the churches at Palmer were closed. The disease was the genuine and 950 tests during the second year up to May 1, 1909. Over 50 per cent article, but did not appear in the agof these samples were received from the farmers and seedsmen of Ne-Clarence Cain, who has given the police in Beatrice considerable trouble. braska.

is confined in the county jail, having Alfalfa.—The 201 samples of alfalfa examined varied in purity from 56 per been arrested after he stabbed Edward cent to 99 per cent; in germination Johnson, a relative, in the breast with from 56 per cent to 100 per cent and Miss Nettie Jacques of Springfield, contained from 0.1 per cent of inert who is attending the college at Frematter and from 0 per cent to 36 per mont, sustained a broken limb while cent of foreign seed. Four species of dodder were found in varying attempting to move a steam radiator. Her right limb was fractured between amounts. One sample of alfalfa contained over 9 per cent of dodder and if this seed had been sown at the Mary Johnson of Shelton, the 18rate of 16 pounds to the acre there year-old daughter of J. R. Johnson, who was burned by the explosion of would have been sown 16,365 dodder a can of kerosene, when her sister Eva seeds to the square rod. Buckhorn, wild carrot, wild chicory, lamb'swas burned to death, died after twelve quarters and the seeds of about 75 The department store of Ryerson other weeds were found in the alfalfa Bros. at Broken Bow suffered a severe samples.

loss by fire and water. It is not Red Clover-The 61 samples of red known positively how the fire started, clover examined varied in purity from 75 per cent to 99 per cent; in germination from 67 per cent to 100 per cent and contained from 0.3 per cent to 12 per cent inert matter and from 0.1 per cent to 22 per cent foreign seed Clover dodder seeds were found in eight of these samples and a total of over 70 other more or less noxious weed seeds were found in the various clover samples. Buckhorn, for example, was present in nearly 50 per cent of the clover samples.

1869, that the first shovelful of dirt Brome Grass-The 26 samples of Dodge Dlargy, of Blue Hill, a boy of awnless brome grass examined varied 12 years, will probably die as the re- in purity from 33 per cent to 96 per to 86 per cent and contained from 2 had his right hand torn off as the reper cent to 46 per cent inert matter sult of a premature explosion of a sky and from 0.1 per cent to 56 per cent foreign seed. The various species of wheat grass are most frequently found ing a divorce suit and the marriage in awnless brome grass, though comof the wife to the other man, Thomas mon cheat and other sorts of brome grass of little or no value are often present.

Pure Seeds and Sure Seeds-Farmers should not buy and plant weed seeds. The Nebraska Seed Labora-S. Crawford of Deadwood, S. D. across tory is prepared to undertake, without the face with a razor at Wahoo, a crowd threatened to lynch him. The cost, the study of any samples of seed sent to it for the purpose of determining the following points:

1. Presence of adulterants or dod-Mechanical purity. 3. Germination.

The bulletin may be obtained free of cost by writing the Nebraska Experiment Station, Lincoln. Neb., and asking for Bulletin No. 110.

## Franchises Are Assessed. The state board of assessment met

and completed the work of placing a "aluation on the franchise and rolling stock of the various railroads. This valuation will be distributed to the various towns of the state under the terminal tax law according to mileage of the railroads.

The actual value per mile of the franchise and rolling stock of the Union Pacific and its branches is the same as last year, while the Northwestern is increased from \$10,000 a mile to \$11.500 a mile. The Missouri Pacific is decreased on its main line from \$18,000 a mile to \$16,000. Both of its branches are also decreased. The following table shows the value of the franchise and rolling stock per mile of the various railroads of Nebraska fixed by the state board of

qualization:		
	1908.	1909
nion Pacific	\$67,500	\$67.5
maha & Rep. Valley Br	26,000	26.6
earney branch	15,000	15.0
entral City branch	10,000	10.0
orth Platte branch	2,000	2.6
hicago & Northwestern	10,000	11.6
., St. P., M. & O	18,000	18.6
St. P., M. & O. extension	5,000	5.6
tock Island	25,000	25.6
t. Joe line	18,000	18.6
elson line	12,000	12.6
lissouri Pacific	18,000	16.6
lissouri Pacific extension	19,000	17.0
incoln branch	19,600	17.6
rete branch	15,500	13.5
as. City & Northwestern	8.000	6.0
acific Ry. in Nebraska	5,000	3.5
t." Joseph & Rock Island	10,000	11.0

The Burlington system was assessed different this year from last. Last year the assessment ranged from \$3,000 to \$55,000 a mile and this year the assessment ranges from \$50,000 to \$3,000.

## Extra Session Probable.

this year amounts to \$267,305, as "Should the federal court make peragainst \$259,022 for 1908, a gain of manent the temporary injunction \$8,282. The total assessment of all against the banking law going into efproperty in Cuming county for 1909 fect, it is my intention to call a special session of the legislature imme-264,451 in 1908, a gain of \$73,059 for diately after the decision is known." Gov. Shallenberger made this state-"The decision will set out just what is wrong with the present law and then it will be an easy matter to prepare a bill in accordance with the decision. I see no necessity for waittiful girl of about 19 summers, which ing until the supreme court of the took place two years ago in Omaha United States passes on the question."

Ban on Bank Ads. First Methodist church of Grand Isl-The state banking board is preparand, has received a commission from ing a circular letter to send to all Gov. Shallenberger to represent Ne state banks warning them against braska at the National Prison conmaking unwarranted statements in regress to be held at Seattle on August gard to the guaranty law in their advertisements. One instance has come to the attention of the board in which State Junkin, members of the board a bank advertises the guaranty law of public lands and buildings, and goes into effect July 2 and that all de-Charles Guenzel of Lincoln were in posits are guaranteed by the state. Kearney looking over the work of the The advertisement asserts a time cer- from the Belmonts' functions. tificate in the bank is as good as a for the new barn have been approved state bond. The banking board holds the advertisement is unwarranted.

# WASHINGTON GOSSIP

# Postal Statistics a Mass of Figures



TAT ASHINGTON.—If you want read an official fairy tale in figures of the nation's commercial progmaster general

How he got all the figures on one the more than twenty years. page is still a mystery, but he certainly succeeded in piling up enough started business with Benjamin Frankone's head swim.

405 of the little sticky things. An the pretty little sum of \$191,478,633, overheated figurer, who doesn't work for the postoffice department, figured 886. out that if these little squares of paper were placed end to end they from 75 to 61,158; the extent of the would run a couple of thousand feet post routes from 1,875 to 450,738; the over 120,760 miles.

that Uncle Sam didn't begin printing the compensation of the postmasters postage stamps until July 1, 1847. The from \$88,198 Sto \$25,599,397. first year he succeeded in putting 800,380 on the market. Last year he marked by the rural free delivery issued 9,500 times that many—a fair- service. It was begun in 1897, with ly decent increase in the postoffice 83 routes, covering 1,843 miles, at an business in fifty-two years. The biggest figure on the page is the grown to 39,143 routes, with 891,432

one that designates the number of pieces miles, and costing \$34,500,000.

of mail matter that were mailed in the United States last year. These totaled 13,173,340,329. A large proportion of these consisted of newspapers, for which no stamps are used. But in addition to the stamps which were sold a tiny rifle of 1,266,602,559 stamped envelopes and wrappers was sold by the department. These Uncle Sam began to sell in 1852, when he placed a round 5,000,000 on the mar-

ress get a copy of the latest bunch of The figures for the mail handled postoffice statistics, just issued by A. were begun in 1886, when Uncle Sam L. Lawshe, the third assistant post- carried 3,474,000,000 pieces of mail. The figures have quadrupled in a lit-

In 1879, when Uncle Sam's postoffice millions and billions to make any lin as postmaster general, there were seventy-five postoffices, and in the Counting postage stamps must be first year of their operation they did a lot like counting the grains of sand \$37,935 worth of business, at an exat the sea. At any rate, these careful pense of \$32,140. Since then the counters of Uncle Sam's postoffice de- balance has moved to the other side partment have found out that last of the ledger, and for the last year year the department issued 7,651,400. the revenues of the department were while the expenditures were \$203,351,-

The number of postoffices jumped miles of mail service performed from A footnote to the statistics shows a little over 800,000 to 538,438,722, and

The most astounding growth was expense of \$14,840. Last year it had

## Miscellaneous Account of the Senate



HE United States senate—pay, maintenance, odds and endscosts about \$2,000,000 a year. To be exact, the amount was \$1,859,189.77. the senate. The latter sum figures to

\$19,500 each per each of 92 senators. aries and snuff. Compensation and none are found listed in the classified mileage of senators, notably the mile- accounts. No senator was ever seen age, requires a tidy sum. Pages, mes- upon a bicycle. There are bicycle senatorial army of retainers use up the necessary machine. meetings, all form just a few of the profited to the sum of \$66.60 for washother varieties through which the ing and ironing 222 dozen towels. spare change of the senate flows in a Problem: How would you like to

Last, but not least, is that elastic

account headed as "miscellaneous The senate's pin money pays for all the telegrams senators send and the replies. It supplies ice without stint; one month's bill, that for December,

having been \$248.58. It provides Ap-

olinaris White Rock and other special waters, Poland Spring being favored because Senator Hale of Maine introduced it years ago. This water according to the last report rendered has come to possess a traditional by Charles G. Bennett, secretary of standing as the proper thing-of its kind—to slack the senatorial thirst. The miscellany fund buys type-The money goes for a thousand and writers and bicycles, horses, wagons, one things that classify between sal- and, maybe, an auto or two, although

sengers, special police, clerks, private messengers, however, and the senate, secretaries, minor senate officers, the being a big-hearted institution, gives another large lump. Repairs, new | From January 1 to 31, 1908, Ida furniture, the senate library, the sen-Bamiley received \$122.10 for washing ate stable, stationery and newspapers, and ironing 407 dozen towels for the the expense accounts of senate emis-senate. In the same month A. L. saries, the cost of the upkeep and ex- Ford got \$79.80 for washing and ironpense of special committees, report- ing 266 dozen towels. During the ing senate debates and committee same 31 days Edith A. Washington

#### be the washerwoman? New Successful White House Hostess admiration by the grace with which



RESIDENT TAFT took his family social activity at the White House, and to Beverly recently and left his never has society been more diplowife and children there while he re- matically and pleasantly brought toturned to Washington to stay out the gether. Persons who had not been in

tariff bill with congress. Mrs. Louise More of Cincinnati, sis- and some for several years, were ter of Mrs. Taft, accompanied the again welcomed and hobnobbed with family to Beverly and will remain each other to an extent hard to bethere some time, so as to relieve Mrs. | lieve. several weeks ago. She came to Wash- portance he has ever made.

she fitted into the position of a White House hostess. Mrs. Taft's first social season as mistress of the White House was a brilliant success in spite of the nervous trouble which necessitated her withdrawal. Never in the history of generations has there been so much

the White House for many months.

Taft, who has been ill, of as much | Mrs. Taft had hoped to accompany care as possible. Mrs. More is the the president to Seattle the latter wife of Prof. Louis More of the Uni- part of the summer. She is an exversity of Cincinnati. She acted as perienced and an enthusiastic traveler, hostess of the White house since Mrs. and in the past has accompanied Mr. Taft suffered a nervous breakdown Taft on practically every trip of im-

ington with Judge Herron, her father, The president's wife will continue for a short visit, but when Mrs. Taft to submit to the restrictions placed became ill she abandoned her own upon her by her attending physicians social programme in Cincinnati and and will rest absolutely throughout remained in Washington. This made the summer in preparation for the acit possible for Mrs. Taft to carry out tivities of next season. When the ofthe remainder of the entertainments ficial year begins at the White house which had already been scheduled, Mrs. Taft will be found in her old and Mrs. More took her place as place as hostess, and will undoubtedly hostess at several official dinner par- feel the great benefit which the sumties which Mrs. Taft had planned mer rest at Beverly is expected to earlier in the season. Mrs. More won | provide.

# Belmonts to Dazzle National Capital



BERS. PERRY BELMONT has not the White House under the Roosevelt abandoned her plan of invading regime, and his wife at theater par-Washington society. The new home of the Belmonts, just completed, which was grasually extended until now she stands in a fashionable section of is perfectly at home as an entertainer. New Hampshire avenue, will be dedicated to the objects for which it was built and will become the center of palace for entertainments that are social and political interests in the likely to make her critics sit up.

national capital. There was a story that the Belmonts had decided to give up their Washington venture on account of the obstacles which President Roose- gether and purchased a small vacuum velt put in the way of their social house cleaner at \$30 and are now plans. This disposition of President carning good pin money in that way Roosevelt to regulate everything took! They rent it out to neighbors at \$2 a a remarkable turn in the case of the day for cleaning houses and house Belmonts, and Mr. Roosevelt, it is said, furnishings, a boy being employed at asked his cabinet officers and others small charge to operate the simple high in the official scale to stay away machine.

wives with few exceptions absented themselves. But the Belmonts had already made plans for their new nome. They had brought their architect from Paris and incurred much expense. Mrs. Beli ont was not daunted. Be-

Bromwell, the official major domo of Next winter on her return from abroad she will throw open her new

fore long the was entertaining Col.

leaned Up Their Pin Money. wo Indiana women clubbed to-

There are cheaper vacuum cleaners The first entertainment was a fail- on the market, but they bought a good ure because of this taboo. The men make, which has paid big retruns on came in large numbers and their their investment of \$15 each.