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NEWS OF A WEEK IN CONDENSED FORM

RECORD OF MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS TOLD IN BRIEFEST MANNER POSSIBLE.

AT HOME AND ABROAD

Happenings That Are Making History—Information Gathered from All Quarters of the Globe and Given in a Few Lines.

PERSONAL.

Charles T. Yerkes' large collection of paintings, statuary and oriental rugs, in the late traction magnate's New York residence, will be sold at auction before spring.

Speaking at a Tokyo dinner, Baron Shibusawa asserted that two-thirds of American prestige was due to the character of the people, and he said he was especially impressed with the important part played by the Y. M. C. A.

Thomas Taggart of Indianapolis, the Democratic politician, accidentally shot while hunting in Mississippi, may save his eye after all. The X-ray shows a shot within a thirty-second of an inch of a vital spot in the eye.

Senator Clark of Wyoming has named a negro, Ollie R. Smith of Cheyenne, as the alternate for the next vacancy to West Point from that state. Officials at the academy fear the admission of the negro will precipitate trouble.

Exra Kendall, one of the best-known comedians of the country, who has been starring in "The Vinegar Buyer" for a number of years, died very suddenly at a sanitarium in Martinsville, Ind. Apoplexy was the immediate cause of his death.

Z. T. Trumbo of Pontiac, Ill., was appointed chief clerk of the Illinois state reformatory in that city by Gov. Deneen.

Charles B. Ball of Chicago was elected a trustee of the American Society of Plumbing Inspectors and Sanitary Engineers, whose convention closed at Trenton, N. J.

Warren Grand, a 14-year-old East Orange (N. J.) lad, has built an airship of the Blériot type, in which he will begin flights when the weather moderates. The machine is constructed of aluminum and bamboo.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Geographical society of Chicago at its annual banquet presented to Commander Peary and Prof. T. C. Chamberlain of the University of Chicago the Helen Culver gold medal for geographical research.

The Illinois Live Stock Breeders' association held its annual meeting at the University of Illinois in Urbana, with President E. D. Funk of Shirley in the chair.

Messages from Rama say that after an hour's fighting between the main bodies at Acopya, the Madriz forces withdrew under the protection of machine gun fire. Casualties were heavy on both sides as a result of the machine gun fire.

The flood situation in Paris and throughout France is getting worse instead of better. Many thousands are homeless and the problem of providing for the sufferers has taken precedence of all other matters of state.

Hacked by public sentiment aroused by the Cherry mine disaster, the bill creating a special bureau of mines and mining was passed by the house of representatives.

Twenty cars supplied with current from the new Edison storage batteries will be used as the nucleus for the first trolleyless street-railway line in the United States, to be operated next summer over eight miles of track at Caldwell, N. J.

The appeals of the officers of the American Federation of Labor to the supreme court of the United States, growing out of the suit of the Buck's Stove & Range Company against them in the District of Columbia, were ordered consolidated by the court and set for hearing on the first Tuesday in the term beginning next October.

New York and Berlin capitalists plan a balloon trip across the Atlantic ocean next May in a dirigible carrying 50,000 cubic feet of gas.

The Illinois state senate adopted the Dalby primary bill, with the Gibson blanket ballot amendment, by a vote of 28 to 13.

The federal grand jury began the investigation of the methods of the beef trust at Chicago. The first witness called was C. C. Shaw, secretary and treasurer of the National Packing Company.

A temporary injunction was granted by Judge F. Phillips in the United States circuit court at Kansas City, Mo., enjoining the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad from refusing to take liquor shipments consigned to Oklahoma and Kansas. This is a victory for the brewers.

Thomas A. Gaston, a farmer, who died at his home near Oxford, O., while reading a newspaper, had a remarkable record. In the 76 years of his life he had never consulted a doctor or tasted medicine. He died of apoplexy, without pain and without the attendance of a physician.

Representatives Fowler of New Jersey, one of the house insurgents, introduced a resolution to add five new members to the rules committee, giving the majority six members and the minority three, and to removing the speaker from the committee.

By the consolidation of the Boston Consolidated Copper Company and the Nevada Consolidated Copper Company by the Utah Copper Company, the final steps have been taken in the formation of the second greatest industrial combination in the United States, which embraces all the copper companies and have a combined capitalization of at least \$700,000,000 if not a billion dollars.

Gov. Deneen, in a special message to the legislature Wednesday, answers the critics of the deep waterway project. An important change in plans is proposed whereby the state executive figures that \$2,500,000 will be saved to the taxpayers. The governor estimates that it will be advisable to construct a nine-foot channel instead of one 14 feet from Dresden Heights to Utica.

The war department has taken up the charges made by Delegate Wick-ersham of Alaska, which are substantially that the president and former President Roosevelt and the army board on Alaskan affairs have played into the hands of the Guggenheims and others, who it is alleged were in a conspiracy to acquire coal lands in Alaska.

Members of a religious body at South Norwalk, Conn., see signs of their impending doom in the fall of an aerolite near their homes and are praying constantly in anticipation of the end of the world.

A lynching was averted at Granite City, Ill., when Mrs. Hendricks, mother of a girl of 11, who said she was attacked by a white man, persuaded Judge Riggs to give the suspect his liberty. The man escaped the mob by leaving the jail by a rear door.

The reply of the German foreign office to the request of the United States that the application of Germany's general tariff to American imports be deferred until March 31 is understood to be a non-acceptance of the suggestion for delay.

Paul C. Stensland, convicted president of the defunct Milwaukee Avenue State bank of Chicago, and Henry W. Hering, his cashier, were released from the Joliet (Ill.) penitentiary.

President Taft will send a special message to congress in the near future which he hopes will relieve the people of some of the hardships of the present high cost of living. The president is getting his facts together now and will soon begin to draft the document to be transmitted to congress.

Warner M. Van Norden, president of the Van Norden Trust Company of New York city, was held up and robbed of \$25,000 as he was leaving the Waldorf-Astoria. Bessie Roberts and Annie Williams of Chicago are held in \$30,000 bail on charge of stealing the money.

A man's conscience has at last caused the clearing up of the mystery that surrounded the killing last August of Anna Schumacher, a young girl of Rochester, N. Y. James K. Hall, who has been in a cell on the prison ship Southern at the naval station here on a charge of false enlistment, made a complete confession.

The severed head of Mrs. Jennie Cleghorn, whose mutilated body was found in a negro resort at 54 West Seventeenth street, Chicago, was discovered by a boy in a vacant lot. Like the body, the head was mutilated.

Commissioners of the Spring Lake drainage and levy district got a temporary injunction at Feldt, Ill., restraining Attorney General Stead et al. from interfering with their plans pending a hearing of the suit.

Attorney General Major of Missouri filed information against nine of the big packing house companies, alleging they are operating in violation of the anti-trust laws of the state and asking that an examiner be appointed by the supreme court to take testimony.

Criminal prosecutions are to be brought against those comprising the beef trust. Action will be based on provisions contained in the Sherman act. The prevailing high prices demanded for meat products is responsible for the institution of a suit.

Managua is under the strictest of martial laws and censorship pending the coming battle between the Estradans and government troops. The Madrid government has ordered the arrest of all the conservative leaders in Managua, Granada, Mesaya and Rivas.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson in his testimony before the congressional committee which is investigating the rise in the price of foodstuffs in the District of Columbia declared that American farm products are sold cheaper abroad than they are in this country. He intimated that the trusts are to blame. He also blamed the high cost of living to this, together with the exorbitant profits demanded by the retail dealers.

Refusing to comply with a condition which provided for their consolidation, six New York Jewish charities have rejected a bequest of \$1,000,000 from L. A. Heinsheimer.

In its preliminary report submitted to congress the National Waterways commission, authorized at the last session of that body, makes no recommendation for a lakes-to-the-gulf deep waterway. The report points out that such operations should be taken up jointly by the national government, the states, municipalities and districts most directly affected.

Mrs. O. T. Artlip of St. Joseph, Mo., was saved from asphyxiation by natural gas fumes by John Rogers, a former convict, now a doctor, who was released from prison in Kansas largely by Mrs. Artlip's efforts.

POSTAL BANK BILL IS INTRODUCED

AND INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR CARTER, OF MONTANA.

PROVIDES 2 PER CENT INTEREST

Lively Tilt in Upper House Over Resub Reservation Opening Bill, Ending in its Final Passage.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The postal savings bank bill, drafted by Senators Carter, Dooliver and Owen, a sub-committee of the committee on postoffices and post roads, was perfected and by Mr. Carter was introduced in the senate. It was referred to the postoffice committee.

Particular attention was given to a scheme to prevent the concentration of postal deposits in the money centers of the East.

This objection to the establishment of postal savings banks has been met by a provision allowing banks receiving the postal funds for safe keeping to give indemnity bonds in lieu of collateral security, which obviates the necessity of banks going to bond centers to purchase the securities required by the government.

Provisions of the Bill.

The bill provides that there shall be established a system of postal savings depositories under the supervision and direction of a board of trustees, consisting of the secretary of the treasury, the postmaster general and the attorney general, acting ex-officio.

They are to receive deposits from the public and are to be kept open for the transaction of business everyday, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, during the usual postoffice business hours of the town or locality where the depositories are located.

Accounts may be opened in any postal bank by any person of the age of 10 years or over and by married women in their own names and free from any control or interference by their husbands. No person will be permitted to have more than one account.

An account cannot be opened for less than \$1, and no more than \$100 can be deposited in any one calendar month. All deposits must be in multiples of \$1, but in order that smaller amounts may be accumulated for deposit, savings cards will be issued and 10-cent postal savings stamps sold.

Deposits in postal savings banks will draw 2 per cent interest, credited to the books of depositors once in each year.

The deposits are to be deposited among the local banks on the basis of their surplus and capital and the banks may give indemnity bonds to insure the safety and prompt repayment of deposits. At its option any bank may deposit collateral security subject to the approval of the board.

In the event that banks refuse to receive postal deposits on the terms prescribed, the funds may be deposited with the treasurer of the United States.

Provision is made for the maintenance of a reserve fund, not more in amount than 10 per cent of the total funds deposited. Interest and profits accruing from deposits or investment of postal savings are to be applied to the payment of expenses of administration and any excess is to be covered into the treasury as a part of postal revenues.

Would Dispose of Indian Lands.

That there is no unanimous approval of the present method of disposing of reservation public lands by lottery was made evident in the senate when Senators Gore, of Oklahoma, and Burkett, of Nebraska, made vigorous protest against the adoption of this method in the sale of the unallotted lands in the Rosebud Indian reservation in South Dakota.

The question was sprung by Mr. Gore, who offered an amendment permitting applications for the land to be made by registered mail instead of requiring a personal registration on the ground.

Mr. Burke criticized the present system in unmeasured terms. He told of the crowding of the trains and the insufficient accommodations in the frontier towns on the occasion of recent openings, and declared that they had been marked by much crime and bloodshed, due to the presence of thugs in the attending crowds.

Replying, Senators Gamble and Crawford, of South Dakota, defended the present method as the best obtainable. Mr. Gamble declared that Mr. Burkett had drawn on his imagination when he had charged crime in connection with recent openings.

After a mild filibuster, which continued for about two hours, the bill was passed.

NORWAY'S CABINET RESIGNS.

Elections to the Storting Result Adversely to Ministry.

Christiania, Jan. 28.—The elections to the storting having been adverse to the ministry, Premier Knudson submitted to the king the resignation of the cabinet. The king requested the ministers to carry on the business of the new government pending the formation of a new ministry. President Bentele of the storting probably will be invited to form a new cabinet.

SEN. THOMPSON TO RESIGN

TOGA WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO PURSELL OF WAHPETON.

He Was Previously Picked as Man Governor Burke Would Appoint.

GOVERNOR BURKE DENIES.

Bismark, N. D., Jan. 28. Governor Burke denied that he had heard anything regarding the resignation of Senator Thompson, his appointee to fill the place made vacant by the death of Senator Johnson. In an interview he said: "No, I have no knowledge of the resignation, and, by the way, did you ever hear of a senator resigning?"

Fargo, Jan. 28.—State Senator Pursell, of Wahpeton, is to be United States senator to succeed Senator Thompson, who is reported by Washington advices to have resigned because of ill-health.

Senator Thompson has had a recurrence of lung trouble in Washington, and he is said to have written Gov. Burke offering his resignation so he could go south for the rest of the winter.

According to Washington reports the governor asked him to wait until Burke went to Washington last week for a conference. It is reported here that Thompson resigned and the governor announced that on his return to this state he would name Pursell.

Thompson's Appointment Surprised.

The appointment of Fountain L. Thompson as United States senator from North Dakota by Governor Burke was a complete surprise to everyone. Thompson was named to fill the vacancy created by the death of Senator M. N. Johnson, and was selected chiefly because he was unknown and had not engaged in factional fights.

It Not Confirmed at Capital.

Washington, Jan. 28.—No confirmation is obtainable here of the report that Senator Thompson of North Dakota has resigned. The senator was on duty at the capitol and in attendance upon a committee meeting. He said he presumed the report of his resignation grew out of information he conveyed to members of his family in North Dakota, that physical weakness, due to a short illness, might compel him to go farther South for a month or more.

"I have not abandoned the idea of going away for a time, and think I shall go very soon for a few weeks," he said.

Senator Thompson still is complaining of physical weakness, but believes that a rest in warmer climate for a few weeks will restore his health. He has said nothing officially about resigning, and will not think of it, unless he fails to recuperate after a short rest.

MAY LOSE SEATS ON CHANGE.

Further Investigation Ordered of Collapse of Hocking Pool.

New York, Jan. 28.—A transfer of several memberships on the stock exchange is likely to result from the current inquiry into the collapse of the Hocking pool.

The exchange has appointed a special committee of five members—Ernest Groubeck, Francis L. Eames, H. K. Pourroy, J. T. Atterbury and F. L. Rodewald.

This special committee already has full data from the committee on insolvencies regarding the suspension of Lathrop, Haskins and company, J. M. Fisk and company, and Roberts, Hall & Cryss, and it is further directed to "investigate transactions in securities between any member of the exchange and all the firms who announced their inability to meet engagements on Jan. 19 and 20, whether said transactions were laid at the time of said announcements or at any time prior thereto."

LIBERALS MAKE BIG GAINS.

They Add 16 Seats to Their Previous Total.

London, Jan. 28.—With the exception of two Scottish counties where the returns are snowed in, reports of elections are complete. The Liberals add 16 seats to their previous total, the Unionists 3, and the Laborites and Nationalists 2 each.

This makes the position of the parties as follows:

Government Coalition.	249
Liberals.	133
Irish Nationalists.	76
Laborites.	40
Opposition.	
Unionists.	258
The Unionists place three gains to their credit and the Liberals one.	

St. Paul Rate Hearing Ends.

St. Paul, Jan. 28.—The railroad rate hearing, which has been going on at St. Paul during the last year before C. E. Otis, master in chancery, practically came to an end as far as the Great Northern is concerned. A short hearing will be held later, of the Minneapolis and St. Louis railway. Comptroller Drew, of the Great Northern, was cross-examined by E. S. Durment, attorney for the state. On April 4, attorneys on both sides will submit printed briefs to Master Otis. An appeal will likely be taken.

CHICAGO GRAFTERS ARE ROUNDED UP

ELEVEN MEN INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY TO DEFAUD CITY OF \$254,000.

GRAND JURY KNEW ITS DUTY

Accused Include City Officials, Contractor and Former Commissioner.—Crooked Work in Building Tunnel.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Paul Redieske, resigned deputy commissioner of public works; Michael H. McGovern, a wealthy contractor, who has had many big city contracts, and nine city officials and employees of Mr. McGovern, are indicted by the Cook county grand jury. The men are charged with conspiracy to defraud the city of \$254,000.

The indictment on this charge came as a complete surprise, as it was believed the alleged frauds involved only about \$45,000 in the so-called "shale rock" scandal.

Men Indicted.

The men indicted besides Redieske and McGovern were Otto Nichoff, secretary to McGovern.

Max Languth, former superintendent for McGovern.

George Moore, a forman for McGovern.

Ralph Bonnell, resigned assistant city engineer.

John C. Parks, assistant city engineer.

Richard Bourke, John McNichols and Joseph Maher, city inspectors in the engineer's department.

The indicted men are specifically accused of conspiring to defraud the city by paying one-sixth of the concrete and brick work called for in the contract for the construction of section N of the Lawrence avenue tunnel.

The Merriam commission, which has been investigating municipal expenditures, brought out the fact that the city had been charged about \$45,000 for the cutting out of "shale rock" in section "D" of the tunnel. The "shale rock" proved to be only hard clay. Evidence concerning the alleged \$250,000 fraud upon which the indictment was based, was not brought out by the commission. In the indictment the men are charged with trying to obtain nine warrants for the payment of \$254,000 by the city of Chicago.

Redieske furnished the \$20,000 bail required from him. McGovern was also held in \$20,000 bonds, while the others were placed at \$5,000 each. McGovern announced that he would furnish the bonds.

Redieske resigned from his position as deputy commissioner of public works a short time ago after the Merriam commission had made public certain statements relating to the methods of his office. Bonnell, who was also indicted, was formerly an assistant city engineer, but was suspended for refusing to aid the commission in its investigations.

It was announced from the state attorney's office that the grand jury would continue its probe into other lines of city hall graft.

More Trouble For Carrie.

Butte, Jan. 28.—Carrie Nation and May Maloy, keeper of a dance hall had a set-to during mass meeting crusade through the red light district. Fearing for the safety of oil paintings which the Kansas woman had denounced, the Maloy woman sailed in, tearing Mrs. Nation's bonnet and pulling her hair. Mrs. Nation swung a vigorous right to the jaw.

Dedicate Monument In May.

Vicksburg, Jan. 28.—The dedication of the Wisconsin monument in the National park here will take place May 22, according to an announcement made by the park commission. Gov. Davidson, and a large party of citizens from Wisconsin will attend the ceremonies.

Man Takes Own Life.

Tower City, N. D., Jan. 28.—After several months of ill health, part of which time he was confined in the state insane asylum, F. B. Kiff, a local merchant, cut his throat with a razor and died a few hours later. He was the son of W. H. Kiff, this state, with whom he was associated in the mercantile business.

No Bondsmen for Jones.

Fargo, Jan. 28.—A. H. Jones, convicted wrecker of the First National Bank of Rugby, of which he was cashier, has about given up hopes of being able to secure bondsmen. He will be taken to the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., next week, to begin his ten years' sentence at hard labor.

100 IMPERILED BY FLAMES.

Tenement Residents Flee to the Street in Terror.

New York, Jan. 28.—Panic reigned in near-by tenements while fire was raging in a five-story factory building on Elizabeth street and more than 100 persons fled to the street in terror. In fighting the flames which for a time threatened St. Mathews German Lutheran church and parsonage adjoining, Fire Captain Joseph Connelly fell two stories and was seriously injured.

TO CURE RHEUMATISM

Prescription that Cured Hundreds Since Published Here.

"One ounce syrup of Sarsaparilla compound; one ounce Toris compound; Add these to a half pint of good whiskey; Take a tablespoonful before each meal and at bed time; Shake the bottle well each time."

Any druggist has these ingredients in stock or will quickly get them from his wholesale house. Good results are felt from this treatment after the first few doses but it should be continued until cured. This also acts as a system builder, eventually restoring strength and vitality.

AND TOMMY GOT BIFF.

Tommy—I say, sis, Mr. Gotsplough wanted to know what you had in your stocking this morning.

Sis—Indeed; and what did you say! Tommy—I said the usual things, you know.

EPIDEMIC OF ITCH IN WELSH VILLAGE

"In Dowlais, South Wales, about fifteen years ago, families were stricken wholesale by a disease known as the itch. Believe me, it is the most terrible disease of its kind that I know of, as it itches all through your body and makes your life an inferno. Sleep is out of the question and you feel as if a million mosquitoes were attacking you at the same time. I knew a dozen families that were so affected."

"The doctors did their best, but their remedies were of no avail whatever. Then the families tried a druggist who was noted far and wide for his remarkable cures. People came to him from all parts of the country for treatment, but his medicine made matters still worse, as a last resort they were advised by a friend to use the Cuticura Remedies. I am glad to tell you that after a few days' treatment with Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Resolvent, the effect was wonderful and the result was a perfect cure in all cases."

"I may add that my three brothers, three sisters, myself and all our families have been users of the Cuticura Remedies for fifteen years. Thomas Hugh, 1650 West Huron St., Chicago, Ill., June 29, 1909."

President Taft on Discontent.

President Taft, in one of his addresses to the farmers of Florence, N. C., told a story about discontent.

"No man," he said, "can really understand chronic discontent after having eaten one of those famous pine stews of North Carolina. Chronic discontent does, however, exist. Now and then we find a case or two among farmers when the weather goes wrong."

"Ah, yes, Joseph, you have cause to complain," a lawyer said to a farmer. "The harvest has been very bad, no doubt of that. But you should remember that Providence cares for all, and even the birds of the air are provided for."

"Yes," said the discontented farmer, so they are—off my potatoes."—Washington Post.

He Asked Too Much.

They had been engaged for exactly 47 seconds by the cuckoo clock.

"Clara, dear," queried the happy youth, who had a streak of romance running up and down his person, "will you promise to love me forever?"

"I'd like to, George," replied the practical maid, "but I really don't expect to live so long."

Uses of Oddity.

"Isn't your hat rather curious in shape?" asked the uninformed man.

"Certainly," answered his wife. "It has to be. Any hat that wasn't cut in shape would look queer."

Slightly Altered.

"All the world's a stage."

"And most of the men and women merely suppers."—Cleveland Leader.

INSOMNIA Leads to Madness, if not Remedied in Time.

"Experiments satisfied me, some 5 years ago," writes a Topoka woman, "that coffee was the direct cause of the insomnia from which I suffered terribly, as well as the extreme nervousness and acute dyspepsia which made life a most painful thing for me."

"I had been a coffee drinker since childhood, and did not like to think that the beverage was doing me all this harm. But it was, and the time came when I had to face the fact, and protect myself. I therefore gave up coffee abruptly and absolutely, and adopted Postum as my hot drink at meals."

"I began to note improvement in my condition very soon after I took on Postum. The change proceeded gradually, but surely, and it was a matter of only a few weeks before I found myself entirely relieved—the nervousness passed away, my digestive apparatus was restored to normal efficiency, and I began to sleep, restfully and peacefully."

"These happy conditions have continued during all of the 5 years, and I am safe in saying that I owe them entirely to Postum, for when I began to drink it I ceased to use medicine." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.