

### NEWS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Standard Oil Cases, With Testimony of Archbold, of Great Interest.

### DEMOCRATS WILL CAUCUS

ENTHRONEMENT OF INFANT EMPEROR OF CHINA.

Important conventions of national scope for the discussion of a wide variety of subjects, constitute the feature of the news outlook for the coming week. The subjects range from coal mining and life insurance to inter-denominational religious fellowship and the philanthropic work of Jewish women. The federal council of the Church of Christ of America will open in Philadelphia Wednesday evening and continue into next week, and will represent constituencies of nearly twenty million Protestant church-goers. On Tuesday, at Cincinnati, will begin the meeting of the National Federation of the Councils of Jewish Women, banded together all over the country to further the best and highest interests of humanity in fields religious, philanthropic and educational.

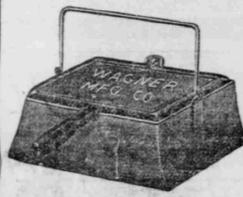
The United Presbyterian in annual convention at Pittsburgh, will conduct the organization of a "national Lord's day alliance" in the interest of Sunday observance.

### Conservation Commission.

Of material importance will be the meeting in Washington beginning Tuesday of the national commission for the conservation of national resources, growing out of the meeting of governors called last spring by President Roosevelt. At about the same time at Pittsburgh, the American mining congress will be in session, and the governors of the coal producing states have been invited to attend.

Life insurance problems will be considered by the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, which will hold its

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second annual meeting in New York City Friday and Saturday.

Standard Oil will continue to run the gamut. John D. Archbold will return to the witness stand in New York City before the referee, who is taking testimony in the government's suit for the dissolution of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey; there may be developments of the famous \$29,240,000 fine before the United States supreme court, which will resume sessions in Washington after a fortnight's recess; at Buffalo is scheduled the company's action for a new trial for a rebating case for which it was convicted at Rochester last spring.

### Democratic Caucus.

The Democratic members of the house of representatives will caucus Dec. 5, to choose a minority leader in place of John Sharp Williams. This and other activities at Washington call attention to the fact that the present congress convenes next week for the short session. The ways and means committee will continue its hearings on the subject of the revision of the tariff.

Tang Shao Yi, the special envoy of the Chinese government, who comes more especially to thank "Uncle Sam" for consideration in the matter of the Boxer indemnity, is expected to arrive in Washington Monday and the government has arranged a cordial reception for him.

Among the criminal trials set down for the week, the one of widest note is that of Charles E. Davis of Omaha, charged with having killed Dr. Rustin in compliance with the latter's alleged suicidal intent. The case is one of the most remarkable in recent criminal annals.

### Sporting Events.

In sporting circles most interest attaches to the indoor championship meeting of the Amateur Athletic union, which will take place Monday and Tuesday at Madison Square Garden, New York city.

This will be a week of interesting foreign news. Wednesday will see the beginning of a new Chinese era with the enthronement of the infant emperor, Pu Yi. It gains interest from the publication of the American-Japanese agreement as to their attitude toward the integrity of China. The outcome of the election of members of the new Turkish parliament may take almost any form and Hayti promises a sanguinary budget of revolutionary developments. There is good reason to expect a continued interchange of scandalous accusations between the counsel for the Castellane and Sagan interests in the suit of Count Boni against his former wife, Princess de Sagan (Anna Godey) for the custody of their children.

On Tuesday at London begins the long anticipated congress of the powers on maritime warfare, which Americans will watch with interest, but their eyes will be turned chiefly to Manila, whence on the same day, after brilliant ceremonies of entertainment and leave-taking, the battleship fleet will sail homeward-bound.

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St. Petersburg, Nov. 29.—The American-Japanese agreement which brings the United States into the circle of accords, concluded last year by Russia, Japan and France, assures, according to the opinion held here, the peaceful development of the far eastern situation, and is certain of the heartiest welcome in Russian circles, both official and public.

The approval of the Russian government was assured in advance to the publication of the agreement. John W. Riddle, the American ambassador, acting on instructions from Washington, communicated the details of the agreement to M. Iswolsky, the foreign minister, on Nov. 25, and received the formal assurances that Russia was in full sympathy with its objects.

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### SEASON'S FIRST SYMPHONY CONCERT IS PRONOUNCED ARTISTIC FROST

The first symphony concert of the season was a personal triumph for Spencer Clawson, Jr., the pianist, and a decided disappointment so far as the work of the orchestra was concerned. The orchestra showed plainly the result of the change of directors, and its attack was marked by an uncertainty that was most noticeable. Mr. McClellan has evidently been getting in touch with the musicians under his direction and failed signally to achieve the desired effects on the dramatic climaxes of the selections on the program. A program of a symphony orchestra is supposed to be an education in musical matters, yet to placate the untutored element, "The Rosary," which violates every principle of harmony, was placed on the program, and was very badly played. It secured one beneficial effect. The encore which it received was responded to with a Spanish dance which was played with appreciation, verve and feeling by the orchestra, and was by all odds the best selection of the program.

Clawson's number, Beethoven's concerto, opus 73, was the real feature of the program. In spite of the fact that the orchestra exhibited a timidity of attack which might have been corrected any musician, Clawson's rendition was marked by adequate technique, delightful phrasing and a delicacy of touch and feeling which made his performance stand out in decided contrast to the rest of the program. After the unfeeling interludes of the orchestra, his playing fell upon the ear like a needle bath. Every note was as clear, pure and serene as a drop of cold water upon the parched tongue, and was played with a lack of mannerism that was delightful.

The program opened with Mendelssohn's Italian symphony. The legato and scherzo passages were delightfully rendered, but it was evident that Mr. McClellan, in spite of his personal efforts, could not lift the orchestra into the intensity of the dramatic passages, and the anti-climaxes were most marked.

The Lohengrin prelude was also marked by a lack of decision and an uncertainty which suffered especially in view of the lack of strength among the reeds and brasses. The Beethoven concerto for piano and orchestra was undoubtedly the best number on the program and perfect technique by Clawson's playing, the orchestra exerted itself to its best efforts, and the number was thoroughly enjoyable.

The concerto was followed by the selection from Puccini's "Madam Butterfly." What might have been an otherwise perfect but unsympathetic rendition of the selection was marred by a "blue note" hurled at the audience by the cellos. The pizzicato movement was badly handled and the climax never arose above the first floor.

The next selection was Schumann's "Traumerel." It was played with a phrasing which caused acute discomfort among the musicians present. Even the conventional interpretation was overlooked, and while the selection was played with the precision of a pianola, it was also played with an absolute lack of feeling. It would be impossible for anyone who heard the number to imagine Concert Master George Skelton playing the "Traumerel" in such a manner as a solo.

The orchestra then chewed off a portion of "The Rosary," and flung it at the audience. It was badly played, but secured the first encore of the program. The final number of the program, the march from "Tannhauser," was played in a tempo which would make the fat chorus of the Metropolitan opera house imagine they were engaged in a Marathon race. The intention of Herr Wagner when he wrote the selection was that it should be sung. In the time in which it was played it would be impossible for any human vocalist to sing it. A large and frigid audience listened to the program.

### "Laborers Together"

The Rev. F. B. Short preached on "Laborers Together" in the First Methodist Episcopal church last evening. "United we stand and divided we fall," "In union is strength." "These statements are more than a happy combination of words—more than a passing sentimental patriotism," said the preacher. "They bespeak a great truth. They guarantee every good to-day and point the way to a secure better to-morrow. Combination of efforts and co-operation of energies have given us much good and some evil. They guarantee more, and if united human efforts achieve so much, what may not be wrought when human and divine efforts and energies are perfectly combined and express themselves along well-defined lines? This declaration, 'For we are laborers together with God,' is both as vital and as needful today as when Paul addressed the Corinthians. 'Herein lies our privilege—labor; and also our honor—labor with God. Mere drudgery is hereby torn from labor. Life's task means life's privilege. The humdrum is lost in the delights of divine co-operation. The loneliness of labor often experienced is lost in the comforting and the abiding companionship of the Savior of men.'

"The permanent success of all labor depends upon its relation to him with whom we should seek co-operation. The growth and stability of the church is in proportion to the relation which men have sustained to God—together with him means life, stability and growth. 'This necessity of co-operation, I desire to emphasize tonight. 'Laborers Together.' That should be the slogan of our city. That will mean a non-partisan, non-sectarian, but eminently capable, public school board. And no fair-minded American citizen desires or seeks a monopoly board.

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### METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Yesterday's Report at the Local Office of the Weather Bureau. Temperature at 6 p. m., 25; maximum temperature, 29; minimum, 19; mean temperature, 23, which is 16 degrees below normal; total deficiency of temperature since Nov. 1, 12; accumulated deficiency of temperature since Jan. 1, 522 degrees.

Total precipitation, none; total precipitation since Nov. 1, 1.87 inches, which is .49 inch above normal; accumulated excess since Jan. 1, 5.31 inch.

Relative humidity at 6 p. m., 83 per cent.

### CRUISE AROUND THE WORLD.

George H. Greenfield of Elko, Nev., who was here last summer to book Salt Lake people for a round-the-world cruise, has been in Salt Lake City for the past week and has added ten more to the party. This cruise leaves San Francisco, Feb. 5, 1909, and makes the Fastion Play at Oberammergau the objective point. Those who are now booked from Salt Lake City are: Dr. H. D. Niles and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Weston, Dr. E. S. Miller, Tripp, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Scheid, Dr. and Mrs. F. S. Eascom, Robert C. Gemmill and wife, Mrs. Michael S. Miller and daughter, T. R. Woodbridge and wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Child, Miss Emma L. Madison, Mrs. F. S. Oswald and daughter, Dr. F. L. Gower, E. D. Miller and family, A. H. Boxrud and family.

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