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## NEWS OF THE WEEK

LATEST EVENTS OF THE WORLD  
TERSELY TOLD.

## NORTH, EAST, SOUTH AND WEST

Happenings in Foreign Lands and  
Throughout the Nation Chron-  
icled in Paragraphs.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to assassinate Premier Brand while the chamber of deputies was in session in Paris. A man who has not yet been identified fired a shot at the minister from behind a pillar. The shot went wide, but strike M. Mirman, who was standing beside the premier, and wounded him.

Miss Sarah Cadin of Trenton, Ill., was found dying on the beach at Long Beach, Cal., with a bullet wound in her forehead. A party motorist on the beach took her to a hospital, where she died. No revolver was found, but the accepted theory is that she killed herself.

A Chinese porter in a hotel in Nelson, B. C., killed himself by crawling into a raging furnace. An hour later his carbonized body was found.

In his inaugural address delivered before the legislature Gov. Emmett O'Neal declared Alabama's prohibition laws to be an invasion of individual rights and constitutional guarantees, and declared the attempt to insert a prohibition clause in the state constitution to be an offspring of intolerance and bigotry.

A boiler explosion on the towboat T. N. Davis blew First Engineer William Byerly into the river. His body has not been recovered. The accident occurred six miles north of Cairo, Ill., on the Ohio river.

Substantial reductions in the prices of staple foodstuffs were reported in the large grocery stores and the grocery sections in the department stores in the loop district of Chicago, following the decline in South Water street market quotations on these commodities consequent upon the breaking up of the food trust and the disgorging from cold storage of large quantities of butter, cheese, eggs and poultry.

Senator Purcell of North Dakota introduced a resolution in the senate declaring Secretary of the Interior Ballinger to be an unfaithful servant and asserting that he should no longer be retained in that office.

Preferring death to physical helplessness, Henry R. Whitmore, 68 years old, former assistant secretary of the Merchants exchange and a pioneer business man of St. Louis, jumped from an eighth-floor window of the Marquette hotel in that city. A note explained the deed and that it was due to paralysis.

President Taft sent to congress a special message urging the fortification of the Panama canal and recommending an appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the work, at the present session of congress.

Sixteen New York firemen were hurt, three of them so seriously that they had to be taken to hospitals, in five fires which caused \$115,000 and kept the firemen on the jump.

At a joint caucus of Republicans of the Wyoming legislature Senator C. D. Clark was chosen, 44 to 39, as the nominee of the party to succeed himself.

Three persons are known to have been killed, the body of a fourth is believed to be buried in the ruins, and 18 others, mostly young girls, are severely injured as the result of a gas explosion and fire that wrecked the building of the J. G. McCrory & Co. 5 and 10-cent store in Connellsville, Pa.

In the probing of election frauds in Adams county, Ohio, 1,405 confessions have been made. Prof. J. H. Young, principal of the Churn creek district school, discovered that he has a five-year "clinch" on his position. Out of the 150 voters in the district, he is the only one who has not been disfranchised for five years for vote selling.

At the conclusion of testimony the sub-committee of the committee on naval affairs of the house voted to report favorably the bill making Capt. Robert E. Peary a rear admiral.

The interstate commerce commission ordered a further suspension of the increase in class and commodity rates in the territory east of the Mississippi river until March 15.

Judson C. Clements, Democrat, of Georgia, was elected chairman of the interstate commerce commission by the other members of the commission.

Four persons were killed and four injured in an explosion which occurred in Niobrara, Neb., and the fire which resulted from the explosion burned to the ground the three-story frame hotel owned by Michael Kendall.

Mrs. Carrie Nation, the pioneer Kansas saloon smasher, suffered a nervous collapse at her home in Eureka Springs, Ark. Her condition was such that Mrs. Nation expressed fear that her career as a temperance lecturer and active enemy of intoxicants is ended.

President Taft has nominated Representative Walter I. Smith (Rep.) Iowa, to be United States circuit judge in the Eighth judicial circuit to succeed Judge Van Devanter, recently elevated to the supreme court bench.

The crew of the German submarine torpedo boat U-3 were prisoners at the bottom of Kiel bay for six hours. Divers from a "parent ship" worked frantically to get chains about the disabled boat so that it could be drawn to the surface. All of the crew were unhurt.

One man was killed, one fatally, two seriously and four others slightly injured in Chicago by the fall of a scaffold on which plasterers were working inside the auditorium of the Columbia theater, on Clark street, near Madison.

The army appropriation bill, carrying over \$83,000,000 for the year ending June 30, 1912, passed the house in Washington.

A bank clerk enlisted with \$52,500 to take from Paris to London lost the money when he became acquainted with two men on the journey. The men are being sought.

Eight men met almost instantaneous death and one was so severely burned that he probably will die as a result of a boiler explosion aboard the battleship Delaware, the cause of which is yet unexplained. The accident occurred about 200 miles south-east of the Norfolk navy yard.

The grand jury returned an indictment charging first degree murder against Edith Melber, the confessed murderer of her four-year-old son, George, near Albany, N. Y.

Three negroes were taken from the county jail in Shelbyville, Ky., by a mob of 20 armed and masked men and hanged from the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad bridge. The men lynched were Eugene Masauli, who had been convicted of killing an aged negro and had been sentenced to the penitentiary for life; Wade Patterson, charged with detaining Miss Elizabeth Ruble, 19 years old, and James West, charged with beating Miss Mary Coley, a white girl.

Millions of pounds of cold storage butter, eggs, cheese and poultry, some of it as much as five years old, according to estimates of dealers, are about to be thrown on the market and sacrificed at whatever price they will bring, as the result of the collapse within the last few days of the "food trust" which by steady aggression has piled prices of provisions up to their present figures.

The postoffice appropriation bill, carrying \$253,000,000, was completed by the house committee on postoffices. The amount is an increase of \$10,000,000 over the last appropriation.

Truxillo, Honduras, was captured by the revolutionists after a hard skirmish with the small squad of government soldiers. The government lost seven killed, including the mayor, the plaza, and 12 wounded.

United States Senator Isaac Stephenson of Wisconsin is charged with a number of violations of the laws of Wisconsin in a lengthy statement filed with Governor McGovern by the 1909 senate committee in its report on the investigation of the primary campaign and election of Senator Stephenson.

Discouraged and weary of life because, according to her own statement, she had been deceived by the man to whom she had made the last sacrifice a woman can make, Mrs. Alice Poehler, 25 years old, of Guthrie, Ind., shot Carl V. Stovey, 20 years old, of Columbus, Ind., above the heart, and then turned the revolver on herself in a room at the Hotel Braden, Indianapolis. Both the man and woman are believed to have been fatally wounded.

After believing herself a widow 23 years and finally marrying again, Mrs. Ida Mattox, wife of Rev. C. L. Mattox, a Baptist minister in Springfield, Mo., has learned that she has two husbands. Mrs. Mattox's first husband, A. B. Dial, instead of being dead, as she believed, has been found to be living in Hill county, Texas.

Confirmation of the report that the zarina again is in a critical condition, following her trip to Bad Nauheim, was obtained from attaches of the royal palace. The trip to Bad Nauheim brought only temporary relief, and the zarina's nervous disorder and melancholia returned almost simultaneously with her return to the palace. Her condition has grown steadily worse, until it is now feared only a few more days are left to her.

A boy was killed and four persons were injured, two probably fatally, when a bobsled upon which the party was coasting struck a moving motor car on a street crossing at the foot of a steep grade in Kansas City, Mo.

Widows and children of miners who were killed in the Cherry (Ill.) mine disaster of November 13, 1909, have received \$54,191.53 from the Cherry relief funds, according to the report of Secretary Duncan McDonald.

In a fire that totally destroyed a three-story building, property valued at \$50,000 was destroyed and four firemen were overcome in Syracuse, N. Y.

President Taft and two of his cabinet, Secretaries Dickinson and Wilson, have accepted invitations to attend the meeting of the Southern Commercial congress in Atlanta, March 8, 9 and 10.

Charges that Senator Gore, the blind statesman from Oklahoma, was involved in an "Indian land steal" with the men he accused of trying to bribe him were made by the special committee of the house investigating the Gore charges by Dennis Flynn, counsel for J. H. McMurray.

## State Grows 52 Per Cent of Country's Rice Crop

Baton Rouge.—That Louisiana produces 1.84 per cent of the corn of this country, 2.2 per cent of the entire cotton crop of the country, 52 per cent of the total rice crop raised in the United States and 4.14 per cent of the total tonnage of sugar cane raised in the world are some very interesting facts gathered by Dr. A. F. Kidder of the College of Agriculture of the Louisiana State University, who, expanding on Louisiana's part in raising the work crops during 1909-1910, says:

"The total acreage of corn in the United States for the season of 1909 amounted to 108,771,000, producing 2,772,276,000 bushels, which were worth on December 1, 1909, \$1,614,822,000. The average yield per acre for the entire nation was 25.5 bushels. Louisiana produced only 1.84 per cent of this enormous crop, with 51,198,000 bushels to her credit. Louisiana's yield per acre was below the general average by 2.5 bushels.

"It would not be wise to predict an increase in the yield of cotton. However, during the last six years the average yield per acre in Louisiana has been greater by .16 of a bale than the same for all cotton-growing states. But Louisiana has produced only 2.2 per cent of the entire amount, so our yields should necessarily be greater. The average yield per acre during the period from 1904 to 1909, inclusive, for the entire cotton belt has been .39 of a bale, and for this state during the same time was .55 of a bale, 500 pounds of lint cotton representing a bale.

"Rice is the only crop in which Louisiana is excelling in production. On comparing the acreage of this state with the total amount in all the states, it is found that Louisiana has 52 per cent of it, her acreage being 375,000, and the remaining states having only 345,225. There is the same percentage of variation in the total yield, it being in favor of the same state. Louisiana does not produce the highest average yield per acre, that honor going to Arkansas at 40 bushels, yet she does produce 12,675,000 bushels, 38.8 bushels per acre, while all the other states have 11,693,000 to their credit. The yield is usually calculated in sacks, and the average sack will contain about two and a half bushels. The amount of rice sown could be increased, because under the present conditions large areas are fallowed for several years and produce nothing but pastures, which are not used as profitably as it is possible for them to be.

The rice lands of Louisiana are no longer new, consequently better methods of rice culture must be practiced if this state is to continue producing 52 per cent of the total amount raised in the United States. The amount of sugar, both cane and beet, produced in the world for the season of 1909-10 was 14,495,690 long tons, that is, a ton containing 2,240 pounds; but the amount of cane sugar is slightly over one-half that, or 7,844,320 tons, being 54.25 per cent of the total amount produced; 325,000 tons represents the production of Louisiana, which is 4.14 per cent of the total tonnage of cane sugar. British India, Cuba and Java were the three leading countries in the production of cane sugar in the season of 1909-10, making 1,800,000 tons, 1,700,000 tons and 1,185,000 tons, respectively. The United States made more beet than cane sugar in 1910-11, the tonnage of beet sugar being 457,560, but the area in which beets may be grown is a great deal larger than that which can be devoted to cane. The number of beet sugar factories has increased from 36 in 1901 to 62 in 1908, while the acreage has increased from 175,000 to 364,900 in the same length of time. While the beet sugar production has grown larger, the cane sugar has practically remained the same. The former will no doubt keep on increasing, and will therefore become every year a greater competitor of the cane planters in Louisiana."

**New Paper Makes Appearance.**  
Bunkle.—The Morning News has just made its appearance. The new paper is published by Charles G. Richard and Ray D. Johnson. A first-class equipment has been installed, including a linotype machine.

**Tax Voted for Agricultural School.**  
Houma.—The citizens of the Fifth ward, Canal Belanger, being the Bourg school district, voted a special 8-mill tax for 15 years for the purpose of buying a location and erecting buildings and accessories for an agricultural school. Thirty-five taxpayers voted for the tax, with an aggregate assessment of \$39,900, and four voted against the tax, with an aggregate assessment of \$2,300. The state will furnish an expert demonstrator.

**Fire at Loreauville Destroyed the Maria Central Sugar Factory, causing \$200,000 loss, with \$120,000 insurance.**  
The \$18,500 high school at St. Martinville has been completed and turned over to the parish.

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### Farmer Finds Balloon in His Field.

Amite City.—George Grace, a farmer living 12 miles east of Amite, went out to his field to work a few mornings ago and was surprised to find a large canvas balloon in the middle of the field. The balloon was flat and contained no gas. The only plausible theory is that it was lost by someone who was making an ascension, and who probably met death in consequence.

### Former "Dry" Town Is Now "Wet."

Opelousas.—There have been 16 applications for license to engage in the liquor business during the ensuing year, and several new buildings are being constructed for this purpose, and old ones are being repaired for similar uses. Several licenses have already been granted, and the saloon is a reality once again, after having been closed for two years.

### Smallpox Near Napoleonville.

Napoleonville.—At the monthly meeting of the Assumption police jury the county coroner reported a case of smallpox at the Napoleonville sawmill, one of the Plaquemine mills and a third in the town of Plaquemine. The latter patient is a white man. Precautionary measures were ordered taken.

### Damage to Orange Groves Is Slight.

Oakdale.—The total damage to the orange groves over this section of the state from the recent snow and unusually heavy freeze was comparatively small, according to the latest reports from the country districts. The garden truck likewise suffered but slight damage.

### Negroes Held for Burning a Church.

Alexandria.—Three negroes were arrested and jailed here on a charge of burning a negro church building near Lamothe. The fire was said to be the result of a disagreement over who was to be pastor of the congregation.

### Sugar Rolling Season Ends.

Plaquemine.—Sugar-rolling in Iberville parish was brought to a close when the Wilberts' Myrtle Grove factory wound up the season's run. Nearly 80,000 tons of cane were ground.

### Cotton Acreage to Be Increased.

Ringgold.—Farmers in this vicinity are preparing to increase their cotton acreage for the present year. They think the recent cold wave killed most of the boll weevils.

### Cash Prizes for Boy Farmers.

Alexandria.—The Rapides parish police jury will offer cash prizes from \$25 to \$100 to boys' corn clubs in the parish for the coming season.

### Oak Grove's Poll Tax Payments.

Oak Grove.—Poll tax payments in West Carroll parish for 1909 were 656, and 700 in 1910.

### LOUISIANA IN BRIEF.

The Louisiana Pension Board, which meets in March, will have an increase of \$125,000 for distribution, and many names on the waiting list of Confederate veterans can be added. Representative Leon Locke of Lake Charles addressed Lafayette business men on the intercoastal canal and waterways project.

A white man named Posey of Port Hudson was arrested in connection with the Collette murder case. The meeting of the Lafayette Farmers' Club was a success.

Capt. W. V. Robson, president of the Caddo Parish Levee Board, resigned, and Dr. S. A. Dickson of Shreveport was appointed to succeed him as a member.

Dr. Oscar Dowling, president of the Louisiana Board of Health, reported to the Shreveport authorities that he had found certain unsanitary conditions in that city.

Louisiana Railroad Commission will hold hearing in New Orleans Jan. 25. The board of control of the Louisiana Hospital for the Insane at Pineville met at Alexandria.

The Louisiana Conservation Commission met at Shreveport.

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## LIGHTS ON WARSHIP

AVIATOR ELY USES NEW BIPLANE SUCCESSFULLY.

Lands Lightly on Big Platform Erected On Deck of Cruiser Pennsylvania.

San Francisco, Cal.—Flying a Curtiss biplane, Eugene D. Ely made a successful landing on the cruiser Pennsylvania and an hour later rose from the deck and flew back to Selfridge field, twelve miles away.

The feat was accomplished without a mishap. Not a wire or bolt of the delicate mechanism was injured and the seeming ease of the whole performance lessened the spectacular effort.

At 10:55 the lookout on the Pennsylvania sighted Ely through the haze and the ships roared a blast of welcome. He came on at terrific speed and a moment later circled around the fleet, dipping in salute to each ship, and came up in the wind from the stern of the Pennsylvania. He was flying low as he neared the ship and dropped down as lightly as a gull, striking the platform about forty feet from the end.

The hooks which had been arranged in the center pieces of the aeroplane did their work perfectly, and the airship was brought to a standstill within 25 feet. When Ely touched the deck he was going at the rate of about 35 miles an hour, but so gradually was the speed checked by the dragging of the sandbags as they were picked up in succession that he came to a standstill without disarranging any part of the machine.

There was a great outburst of cheers when it was seen that the landing had been successful and a rush of the officers, visitors and sailors to greet the aviator.

In exactly one hour from the time he landed, Ely took his seat in the machine and gave the word to let go. The aeroplane swept down the 125-foot platform at a high speed, dropped to the stern with a gentle dip and then rose rapidly over the ships in the harbor. The start was as perfect as the landing had been. Rising to a height of 200 feet, Ely circled over the extreme southern part of the city and then headed straight to the aviation field. He landed there at 12:13.

## CANNOT GO TO U. S. COURTS

Prohibit Removal of Suits Against Corporations to Federal Courts.

Washington.—The house of representatives adopted an amendment to the Moon bill modifying laws relating to the judiciary, which will have the effect of stopping the practice of corporations doing an interstate business from taking practically all suits against them out of the hands of state courts and placing them in the federal courts.

The amendment in full is as follows: "Provided further, that no suit against a corporation or joint stock company brought in a state court of the state in which the plaintiff resides or in which the cause of action arises, or in which the defendant has its place of business or carries on its business, shall be removed to any United States court on the ground of diverse citizenship."

## RAPS MORTGAGE SYSTEM

Booker T. Washington Advises 2,000 Negro Farmers in Conference.

Tuskegee, Ala.—Nearly 2,000 negro farmers from Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, and educators from many parts of the country, were present at the opening of the twentieth annual negro farmers' conference. Booker T. Washington, principal of Tuskegee Institute, opened the meeting with a speech in which he urged the negro farmer to strive for better methods of cultivating the land.

"Colored farmers," he said, "might as well understand from now on that the old methods are passing away and new ones are to take their places. I refer especially to the old habit of mortgaging the crop and animals for the money to live on while the crop is being raised."

## DEMONSTRATE PROHIBITION

Mayor of Town Hands Reins Over to Anti-Saloonists.

Knoxville, Tenn.—A special to the Sentinel from Canton, N. C., says Mayor Curtis of Canton has turned the control of the town over to anti-saloon advocates, asking them to demonstrate how the North Carolina prohibition laws can be enforced.

He has cited two ministers and a number of laymen to appear before him as sworn in as special policemen. This action is a sequel to a strong prohibition lecture delivered by Federal Judge J. C. Pritchard, formerly a United States senator, and the influence of a stirring revival conducted by the Rev. George C. Cates, an evangelist.

## CHILDREN'S HOME BURNS

Prompt Action of Firemen Saves 155 Inmates.

Binghamton, N. Y.—Prompt work by firemen and attendants of the Susquehanna Valley Home saved the lives of all the 155 children inmates when fire broke out in the boiler room of the dormitory building. A careful search of the building by the firemen failed to reveal any bodies. Many of the children were carried out unconscious from suffocation.

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