

# ALL THAT IS NEWS

OF NATIONAL, DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN HAPPENINGS.

## STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

Short Items the World Over as They Happen of Interest to All Readers.

### WASHINGTON.

The Bureau of Animal Industry pronounces the Koch tuberculin test of cattle for tuberculosis the best diagnostic agent yet discovered. These are the conclusions of a long study.

After a railroad journey of 850 miles in each direction, which was taken for the purpose of making a twenty-minute speech on the occasion of the laying of the cornerstone for a memorial building on the site in Larue county, Kentucky, of the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln, President Roosevelt returned to Washington Saturday afternoon, and, together with his wife and daughter, who had made the long excursion with him, proceeded immediately to the White House, where he was prompt in resuming his official duties.

A variety of subjects were discussed in the house of representatives Saturday. The Indian appropriation bill was under consideration. Mr. Lamar of Florida argued for the amendment to the railroad rate law. Mr. Madden of Illinois referred to increases in freight rates since the law went into effect; Mr. Murphy of Wisconsin delivered an eulogy on Lincoln; Mr. Washburn of Massachusetts favored a modification of the Sherman anti-trust law. Mr. Hayes of California attacked the present rules of the house; Mr. Langley of Kentucky discussed the affairs of the Choctaw Indians; Mr. Sherman of New York explained the provisions of the immigration bill, while Mr. Foster of Vermont pleaded for an adjustment of postal rates as affecting merchandise sent through the mails.

Representative Lovering of Massachusetts replied Friday to Representative Rainey's recent speech on the Panama charges, and entered a general denial thereto, declaring that the evidence was unearched by exconvicts.

Except for the proceedings of the lower house of representatives, the wheels of the national government were stopped Friday in honor of the Lincoln birthday anniversary. All government departments and leading business houses were closed, but in the house Lincoln's famous Gettysburg speech was read by Representative Bontell of Illinois. Mr. Nye (Minn.) stirred members with a classical address on Lincoln.

At the conference of leaders of organized labor with Secretary Straus of the Department of Commerce and Labor Thursday, criticism of the present immigration laws was made by nearly every speaker, including President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor; Warren S. Stone of the Locomotive Engineers, and President Valentine of the Molders' Union.

### STATE AND DOMESTIC.

"The construction of the Gatun dam will result in the greatest disaster to any public work probably that has ever been built." This was the statement made by Bunau-Varilla, the French engineer, who arrived in New York Saturday.

Running amuck, attacking men, women and children, and throwing the fashionable neighborhood about Poplar avenue and Dunlap street, Memphis, Tenn., into a panic early Saturday, a crazy negro was finally shot and killed by W. B. Clement. Armed with a knife, the negro made attack after attack on white people. Women were compelled to run from the streets.

Jake Wades, the negro who was arrested Saturday in Gainesville, Fla., accused of being the assailant of Miss Irma Newell at Lakeland, Fla., last Tuesday, was lynched immediately following his identification. The negro was en route to Bartow jail when a posse of twenty-five men took him from the train and carried him to the Newell home. Miss Newell said there was no doubt but that he was her assailant. He was hanged to a tree and his body riddled with bullets.

That the hold-up of the Denver & Rio Grande passenger train No. 4, near Denver, Saturday, in the morning was the work of three instead of two robbers, and that the robbery of the mail car gave them loot of possibly \$35,000, are indicated by the investigation of the police and railroad officials. So far no tangible clue to the identity or whereabouts of the robbers has been found, but it seems that the men came to Denver and are now hiding in that city.

The Tennessee legislature passed the three election bills Friday, taking the power of election out of the hands of the governor.

The Texas state capitol grounds and a portion of the grounds of the State University will be beautified and adorned before the close of the present month, if the plans of the Commercial Secretaries' Association, which now has headquarters in Austin, do not go awry. The plan, recently evolved by the association, is to collect and replant at Austin every variety of shade and forest tree that the broad land of Texas produces or that thrives within the confines of the Lone Star State.

President-Elect Taft attended a Creole banquet provided in his honor by the citizens of New Orleans Friday; 500 people attended; the invocation was delivered by Cardinal Gibbons.

Charles R. Smith was found guilty of the murder of E. A. Laurent by a jury at Columbus, Miss., Friday, and will be given a life sentence.

A most impressive feature of the Lincoln celebration in Springfield, Ill., Friday, was the scene at Lincoln tomb, when Robert T. Lincoln, son of the martyr, stood beside the sarcophagus in which the remains of his great father rested and stood with tear-dimmed eyes in silent meditation with Ambassadors Jusserand, Brice, Hon. W. J. Bryan, Senator Dilliver and many other distinguished guests gathered about. At the base of the monument, old soldiers who had responded to Lincoln's call to arms stood with fixed bayonets.

Miss Sylvia Green, daughter of Mrs. Hetty Green, often referred to as America's wealthiest woman, is engaged to Mr. Mathew Astor Wilks of New York. The marriage will unite two families possessed of great wealth for Mr. Wilks is a great grandson of the original John Jacob Astor.

The drouth has become serious to stock interests in Llano county, Texas.

The jury in the Cooper-Sharp murder trial at Nashville was Friday completed, when the state served notice that it had information showing two men to be incompetent.

Claude Golden, a negro, was hanged at Jasper Friday for criminal assault.

That the schooner Cleopatra, eight tons burden, engaged in the naval stores trade between St. Andrews and Pensacola, was sunk during one of the recent storms on the gulf, carrying down with her her captain and a crew of four men is believed to have happened.

In the municipal election in Mart, Texas, on Wednesday, the issuance of \$50,000 in bonds for a water system the proposition carried by the overwhelming majority of 213 for and 5 against.

President-Elect Taft declared himself as well pleased with congress' removal of the bar to Senator Knox's acceptance of a cabinet position.

The corn show given in Bryan, Texas, Wednesday by the farmers of Brazos county at the courthouse was a great success. Sixty-three exhibitors entered the contest. The county was divided into commissioners' precincts, and first, second, third and fourth premiums offered on the best ten ears white corn and the best ten ears yellow corn exhibited.

The Merchants' National Bank of Houston received from Roth Wells & Co. of Cincinnati Wednesday something like \$720,000 which has been placed to the credit of the city of Houston. The money is the amount paid by the Well Wolf Company for the bonds recently issued by Houston, and is to be used on city improvements.

Within a few hours of the time set for her wedding, Smila Martorfield, 18 years old, the belle of the Russo-Greek colony of Duquesne, Pennsylvania, a suburb, was found with her throat cut in the cellar of her home.

John Henry Seals, a well-known Georgia journalist and founder of the Sunny South, died Wednesday at Milledgeville, Ga., aged 76 years.

Tuesday afternoon the business men of Hempstead, Texas, met and organized a retail merchants' association. A great many of the business men were present at the meeting and enrolled their names.

The police of St. Petersburg has issued a warrant for the arrest of Maxim Gorky, the well-known Russian novelist. In the document Gorky is described as a Nizhni Novgorod house painter. Gorky is in Italy, and recent dispatches have said he intended to reside permanently in France.

The English king and queen concluded their visit to Germany and have left for London.

William Beckert, second secretary of the German legation at Santiago and perpetrator of the diabolical triple crime of robbery, murder and arson, was captured Saturday while crossing the Andes in the province of Valdivia. Although the crime was committed in the legation quarters, the German minister will consent to his trial in the Chilean courts. The German legation has kept its flag at half mast as a mark of respect to the community for the murder of the legation keeper, a young man, whose widow will be pensioned by the kaiser. The German residents of Santiago are also getting up a collection for her.

Ambassador Griscom at Rome Saturday signed a document by which the American Red Cross Society contributes \$250,000 to the foundation of an care for children whose parents were lost in the earthquake. This sum surpasses by \$16,000 the amount actually required to maintain an establishment of 100 children.

To avoid an international tariff war the French parliament has been asked not to pass the contemplated increases on American products.

A crowd of 1000 people struggled with the police to enter the court house in St. Louis Tuesday afternoon and hear the testimony of Mrs. Lillian Handlan Lemp in her suit for divorce from William J. Lemp, Jr., the millionaire brewer.

A number of delegates from the silk industries of France have asked Minister of Commerce Cruppi of Paris to protest against the American proposal to raise the existing tariff on velvets and silks, explaining that such a step would be a great blow to the French manufacturers.

# LOUISIANA NEWS.

## Sues for Illegal Detention.

Lake Charles, La.—Alleging that through a mistake in the sheriff's office he was subjected to sixty days' illegal detention in the parish convict camp, Jim Reeves Saturday afternoon began suit for \$25,000 damages against D. J. Reid sheriff of Calcasieu parish. Plaintiff alleges that on November 9, 1907, he was sentenced to the parish convict camp for forty days for hoodlumism; that through error in the sheriff's office his warrant was made out for 100 days and that he was held for that length of time while his family were ill and in want of the necessities of life.

## Poultry Show for Lake Charles.

Lake Charles, La.—A number of local breeders of fancy poultry and pet stock have come together and firmly resolved that Lake Charles shall have a pet stock and poultry show next November. To that end they are busy organizing a pet stock and poultry association, and expect to have a corporate existence within a few days. The capital stock of the association will be fixed at \$250, divided into twenty-five shares at \$10 a share, and no one person will be permitted to own more than one share. Organization will be perfected early next week.

## Storm in Alexandria, La.

Alexandria, La.—A severe storm of wind and rain visited this city and all of Central Louisiana Sunday. Roofing was torn from buildings, fences and trees blown down. The Lachman Carnival Company, showing in the West End, was a heavy loser, tents being demolished and the contents drenched by the rain. Electric light and telephone lines are down over the city.

## Wholesaling of Liquor Illegal.

Shreveport, La.—Judge T. F. Ball Saturday ruled that wholesaling of liquor in prohibition territory is unlawful, overruling the motion to quash the affidavit against Morris, local wholesaler, convicted in the city court for selling whiskey in wholesale quantity. This decision is contrary to the opinion of State Attorney General Guion.

## Arbor Day at Estherwood.

Estherwood, La.—Arbor Day at the school house Friday was a big day, with 200 in attendance until late in the day, fixing up the school park. All took part in the work. Many choice plants, evergreens and flowers were set out and flower beds made, until Estherwood has the finest school park in Southwest Louisiana.

## Charles Zeitrich Drowned.

Lake Charles, La.—Charles Zeitrich, a banker, was drowned in the Calcasieu river, a few miles from town, Monday. He went out in a boat alone, and from the fact that the boat was not capsized and Zeitrich's previous despondency, it is believed he suicided. He was 35 years old and leaves one child, his wife having died a year ago.

## Charged on Prohibition La.

Lake Charles, La.—Judge Overton Monday impaneled the grand jury for the term and especially charged to investigate any violation of the prohibition laws. He made special reference to the soliciting of orders for liquor, and called on the grand jury to indict any guilty of so permitting the liquor trade.

## Use Parish Prisoners on Roads.

Crowley, La.—The parish prisoners will hereafter be used by the police jury to work the roads of the parish. A camping outfit will be purchased and the prison gang will be used on the roads of the Sixth ward for the present. The plan to have a parish farm has for the present been abandoned.

## Six Months and \$250 for Gun Toting.

Lake Charles, La.—Milton Parker was tried in the district court Saturday on the charge of carrying concealed weapons, was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of \$250 and costs or serve a six months' sentence in the parish jail.

## Estes Acquitted.

Lake Charles, La.—The celebrated case of the State vs. J. L. Estes, the former deputy sheriff charged with assault by B. H. Horton, a prominent citizen of Merryville, was tried in the district court Monday and resulted in an acquittal.

## Meyer Drug Company Receiver.

Shreveport, La.—On application of the Parker-Blake Company limited, of New Orleans, William Wintz was Monday appointed receiver for the Meyer Drug Company, limited, of Shreveport.

## Girl Killed by Tight Shoe.

Lake Charles, La.—May Buller, aged 10, died at Hecker Monday from blood poison, which originated from a blister caused by a tight shoe.

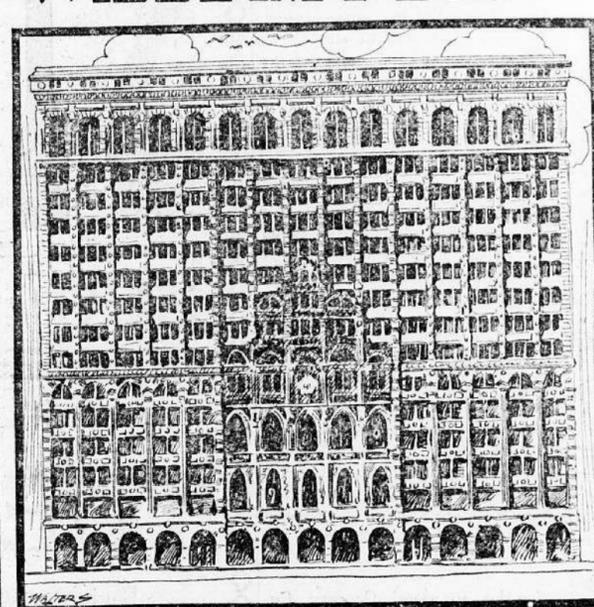
## Barn Fired by Lightning.

Lake Charles, La.—Charles Norwood's barn near Hi Mount addition was struck by lightning during the storm Sunday night and destroyed by fire. Loss \$400.

## Many Cattle Died.

Lake Charles, La.—Cattle on the ranges are suffering and many have died from the cold.

# NOW PITTSBURG WILL OUTWIT WILLIAM PENN



THE FOURTEEN STORY CHURCH

Pittsburg is to have the latest thing in architecture, namely, a skyscraper and church, the latest of all ideas in building construction. But there is method in Pittsburg's "madness," for having been blocked for many years by the clause placed in his land grant by William Penn, setting forth that the property must always be used for "church purposes," the congregation of the First German Evangelical Protestant church has evolved the above scheme. It has been decided, therefore, that a building which shall combine church and office building, which will serve for worship and at the same time put revenue into the coffers of the congregation.

The auditorium and dome of the church are to be buried inside 14 stories of business offices and stores, only the gothic arches, the wide doors, and the chimneys showing on the side of the building. All about the church and above it will be piled a mass of offices architecturally distinctive, as the business part of the building is to be of renaissance architecture and the church gothic.

It is the purpose of the congregation to make its valuable property at Sixth and Smithfield streets yield a profitable return and at the same time retain the property for church purposes. It was specified in the deed given by William Penn that the land should be so used. It could therefore not be sold except to another church, which would hardly be a profitable sale. At the same time it seemed necessary that the church should get more return from its land which is centrally located and which has been often sought after by big department stores. A church was built on the site 125 years ago, torn down and replaced by another, then another, then by the present structure, which was erected in 1877. Sentimental reasons, therefore, further persuaded the congregation that they did not want to leave the site.

To overcome the difficulty, Eugene C. F. Ernst, an architect and a member of various church committees, drew his plans for the unique building and laid them before the people. He said the cost would be about \$1,500,000, but that a corporation could easily be formed to furnish the funds and that it would prove a paying investment.

There was surprisingly little opposition from the conservatives, and it seems to be generally understood that the plan will go through. It is planned for the structure to face on Smithfield street 240 feet, extending back to Strawberry alley. It will be in three 80-foot sections, the two outside for commercial purposes and the central one for the church, up to the height of that edifice, and then more office floors above to the top story. A great clock, with a 10-foot face, will be placed at the sixth story, and above this a set of chimneys in a specially constructed bell chamber.

On the fourteenth floor is to be a great assembly hall, 240x110 feet, with a pilaster facade built round a light well. On special occasions the light well could be closed at the floor and ceiling lines by mechanical rolling devices, the windows surrounding the light court being thus transferred into an open plaster balcony. The effect would be one large auditorium with an open inner court.

The basement will be for commercial purposes, and a sub-basement will hold the power plant. An arcade extending from Sixth avenue to Smithfield street will admit to the office and store sections. The entrances will lead into the commercial part of the building as well as into the church. On the floor level with the street are to be the Sunday school rooms, with two wings covered by skylights. The auditorium for the school is to be 80 feet wide, and two large balconies each provided with 290 chairs, will be erected above the room.

The main floor of the church will have 500 seats, which, together with the gallery, would give a total seating capacity of 1,150. The floor will have a grade of eight feet toward the altar. Sixty-two feet above will be the big

dome, while the balconies and ceilings will be supported by columns.

From the street to the gable sheer will be a distance of 128 feet, and at the top is to be a German eagle, perched, holding in his talons the American and German flags. This is to be the symbol of the history of the congregation, which is made up almost entirely of men and women born of German parents.

Abundant capital has been assured to carry out these plans, and in addition many offers have already been made for office rooms. A large department store has offered to lease all of one section of the building. The building promises to present an impressive appearance, in addition to the advantage of being in the center of the city. On Sixth avenue, just east from the church property, are the Nixon theater, the building known as Pittsburg's "Safety Palace," in which are the police headquarters and the Philadelphia Company's building. Street cars diverging to more than 25 sections of the city and surrounding country pass by the property.

## FINALLY GOT AN ANSWER.

Natural Results of Unfortunate Persistence of Sister Dash.

One of the saintly characters mentioned in Rev. Dr. Richard McIlwaine's recent book, "Three Score Years and Ten," is a venerable Methodist minister, Rev. Jesse Powers, whose mind, Dr. McIlwaine says, was always intent on doing something to bless and help somebody. He was a man of exact veracity, also, but his somewhat merciless candor was agreeably tempered by humor.

The old preacher once spent the night at the house of a prominent Methodist not far from Amelia courthouse, Virginia, where he had often been welcomed before. The next morning, at breakfast it developed that the bread was sour, perhaps not enough to be remarked upon, but still sour. He was engaged in eating it, when the worthy lady at the head of the table called attention to the disagreeable fact.

Brother Powers said nothing, but continued to satisfy his hunger with what was "set before him, asking no questions," and accepting no suggestions. His hostess, however, not to be thwarted in her efforts to wring from her guest the admission that the bread was not very bad, repeated the remark.

This also failed to elicit the longed-for response. Brother Powers kept his eyes on his plate, and went ahead eating more lustily than ever, in a quinary, doubtless, not knowing what to say, and resolved he would not tell a lie.

But the good woman, not satisfied, and with a fatality that sometimes overtakes the wariest of the sex, was so left to herself as to apologize for the third time.

This, Dr. McIlwaine says, "was too much for the old saint." Turning his benevolent face toward the head of the table, he said, gently: "Sister Dash, if I were you, I'd stop talking about this bread. It is mean enough, anyway."—Youth's Companion.

## The Toad Survived.

An experiment bordering close to the wonderful, was recently made in the clay testing department of a machinery company at Bucyrus, O., in which a toad was placed in a 20-ton brick press and was four times subjected to a pressure of 11,000 pounds without injury.

The question at issue was whether such a pressure would kill the toad or whether its ability to compress itself was sufficient to allow it to come lifted from the machine and the toad was first placed in a lump of granular clay and the whole pressed into a brick. After the huge press had done its work the solid brick was lifted from the machine and the toad winked its eyes contentedly, stretched its legs and hopped away.—Popular Magazine.

# KITTY PLACED IN ICE BOX BY BABY

PET OBJECTS TO PUMPKIN PIE AS A BED AND STARTS NIGHTGOWN PARADE.

## WHOLE HOUSEHOLD IS AROUSED

Pussy Rescued After Licking Whipped Cream from Cake and Chewing End of Bologna Sausage and Family Retires Again.

Detroit, Mich.—The baby put the cat in the refrigerator. This fact is now well established, though the baby said nothing about it at the time. Neither did the cat. The baby went away to attend to other duties, and the cat began to lick the whipped cream off a cake. Later the family retired, taking the baby with them, and the cat, after gnawing the end off a bologna sausage, curled up in one corner of the icebox and went to sleep.

For a time silence reigned throughout the house. Meanwhile the clammy chill of his bedroom was working through pussy's fur. He stirred uneasily in his sleep, and his pr-r-r-haw, pr-r-r-haw, pr-r-r-haw became intermittent and choky. Then he sneezed, arose and stretched himself.

It was dark in the refrigerator and while looking about cautiously for the door the cat stepped in a pumpkin pie. This was wholly unintentional, but it made the cat mad. There is nothing that irritates a neat, self-respecting cat like getting something mussy on his feet. So this cat got on his dignity and, standing on three legs, kicked out straight and hard with the sticky foot, knocking over the milk bottle. Thomas was angry before; this time he was appalled. He had always been fond of milk, but he didn't want any now. His whole feline soul went out in revulsion at standing with all four feet in the sticky mess. He climbed up on a can of kippered herring and putting his mouth down to the crack in the door he yowled—such a yowl.

Tom was proud of his voice. Many a time he had sat on the back fence



The Air Seemed Filled with Milk Bottles, Kippered Herring and Pie.

in the moonlight and listened to it with thrilling satisfaction, but that was just amusement. He had never let it out then to the full power of its deep diapason. This time he was in earnest and he got on the heavy pedal with all four feet. The result loosened the rivets in the lining of the refrigerator.

It was one prolonged, quivering, despairing yowl that seemed to start in the basement and creep along the halls until it re-echoed back from the rafters of the garret. It brought every member of the family out of bed, including the baby, who in the meanwhile had forgotten the incident of shutting up the cat.

A search was begun, but the sound proved elusive. One member of the family would insist that it came from a clothes press on the second floor, while another was sure it originated in the canned fruit locker down cellar. Every one of these places was ransacked and their contents strewn over the floors of adjacent rooms, but still no cat.

"There is just one place left where he can be," declared an elder son; "that's in the cold air shaft to the furnace."

"Oh, shucks," said everybody else, but as they had no better theory to offer, the young man got a plumber, who got busy, and after much hammering succeeded in unjointing the big pipe and bringing down a shower of dust and ashes—no cat.

Then an inspiration came to baby. Not that he recalled where he put the cat—oh, no. The whole subject of the cat had lost its zest for him. "Mamma," said he, "I want jink milk." The mother, too, was beginning to think that the search for the cat must be put over to the next day and the family went back while mother opened the refrigerator door.

For a moment the air seemed filled with cats, milk, bottles, kippered herring and pumpkin pie. When the atmosphere had cleared up and the hole in the kitchen window had been plugged where the cat made his exit, the family gathered up the quailing infant, who had been upset in his pet's fight, and retired.