

## NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEWS THAT IS NEWS, WHEN IT IS NEWS, FOR ALL.

## FROM EVERY CORNER OF THE LAND

Happenings the World Over of Important Events Condensed to Good Reading.

### WASHINGTON NEWS

The agricultural appropriation bill, carrying \$19,000,000, passed the house Saturday without substantial amendment. It now goes to the senate.

Congress is to begin work at once outlining a comprehensive scheme to carry out the recently announced policy of the administration for river regulation and water power control. Though it is not expected to complete a bill in time for passage at this session, inquiry into these subjects will be pressed vigorously, it being the opinion of the president, secretary of war and administration leaders in congress that water power control is one of the most important problems confronting the country.

The nomination of Fred C. Pabst as collector of customs of the Galveston district was sent to the senate Friday by President Wilson.

Senator Williams of Mississippi introduced a bill Friday to appropriate \$150,000 for a monument to Ferdinand de Lesseps, original projector of the Panama canal. It would be erected on the Isthmus on a site to be selected by Colonel Goethals.

Refusal of the Michigan copper mine companies to recognize the miners' union was denounced as un-American by Chairman Taylor and members of the house investigating committee Friday. Representative Taylor described James MacNaughton, vice president and general manager of the Calumet and Hecla Copper Company, as the "boss of that great region."

President Wilson Thursday signed the bill authorizing the expenditure of \$35,000,000 for the first government-owned railroad in Alaska constructed by the United States.

Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to Great Britain, was made the target of inquiry Friday in a resolution adopted by the senate calling on the secretary of state to investigate alleged public assertions by the ambassador relative to the Monroe doctrine and the Panama canal.

The pen with which Speaker Champ Clark signed the Alaska railroad bill Wednesday was made of Alaska gold and was held in an ivory penholder made from the tusk of a mastodon that roamed Alaska more than fifty thousand years ago.

Andrew Friseth, president of the International Seamen's Union, told the house merchant marine committee Tuesday that the average wages of seamen the world over have been stationary the past sixty-four years.

### STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS

Postmaster General Albert S. Burleson wired Governor Colquitt Saturday that, in view of the report of the federal engineer relative to the improvement of the Austin-San Antonio, Texas, highway, he has decided to increase the government's allotment from \$40,000 to \$60,000, provided that the local authorities would contribute \$160,000, making \$240,000 available for the improvement.

Nebraska women suffragists Saturday at Lincoln filed with the secretary of state a petition bearing the signatures of 42,000 male voters, calling for the submission to the electors at the next election of a constitutional amendment granting women the ballot. The petition bears 5,000 more names than required by law.

Analysis of twenty samples of creamery butter collected from different parts of Texas by the state food and drug department at Austin, show that all contain the requisite percentage of butter fat, which is 82 1/2 per cent.

George Westinghouse, a foremost figure in the engineering world and inventor of the air brake that bears his name, died Thursday in New York City of heart disease. He was in his sixty-eighth year.

J. R. Robertson, manager of one of the Wood plantations in the bottom, near Hearne, Texas, was shot twice Thursday by a negro by the name of Bill Williams. Williams was caught a short time after and lynched.

In the court of civil appeals at Austin, Texas, Wednesday in the case of the Houston Guaranty Life Insurance Company vs. the City of Austin, from Travis, the judgment of the lower court giving \$3,671 to the city of Austin for taxes against the insurance company upon its securities amounting to \$100,000 deposited with the State treasurer for business uses and purposes, was affirmed.

The Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, after electing officers, adjourned Thursday at Fort Worth to meet at San Antonio either the second or third Tuesday of March, 1915.

E. O. Stanard, aged 82 years, former lieutenant governor of Missouri and ex-congressman, was found dead Friday at his home in St. Louis, Mo. Death was due to heart disease.

The Mississippi house by a vote of 63 to 25 Wednesday, at Jackson, Miss., killed a bill appropriating \$10,000 for an exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Willie Ritchie was given the popular decision over Ad Wolcott in a ten-round bout at Milwaukee, Wis., Friday night.

It cost the city of Houston, Texas, the sum of \$10,228.53 to maintain its park system during the year 1914.

Tabulating by the state department of agriculture of reports of the public farmers of Texas for February, 1914, shows a signing of 26,540 bales of cotton, round bales counted as half bales.

The result of the county prohibition election at Grapeland, Texas: For prohibition 295; against, 78. Prohibition carried at all boxes in Houston County Tuesday by about 900 majority.

The proposal to issue \$2,000,000 in bonds for draining a district known as No. 3, lying to the west and south east of Beaumont, Texas, and contemplating the improvement of Grandstrand bayou, failed to carry Tuesday.

A son was born this week in New York to Mrs. Richard Derby, who was Ethel Roosevelt, daughter of Theodore Roosevelt.

Conditions along the Mexican border are grave, according to J. E. Vaughan of Captain John R. Hughes' ranger company stationed at Yoleta, thirteen miles east of El Paso, Texas, who Monday conferred with Governor Colquitt and Adjutant General Hutchings back at Mexico. He said, in daily success in cattle stealing and smuggling across the border, and as a result Texas ranchmen are suffering a great loss.

In the election on pool halls in the Rockdale (Texas) precinct Monday the pool halls won.

### FOREIGN NEWS

Sumitaka Hazba, who was elected president of the house of representatives recently, in succession to Ikuno Oaka, died suddenly Sunday from heart disease at Tokyo, Japan.

That Gustav Bauch, the American, was executed by Pancho Villa at Juarez, was declared Saturday before the house foreign affairs committee by Elfrigo Baca of Albuquerque, N. M., once candidate for congress. Baca testified Bauch was in the same cell with his cousin, J. J. Baca of New Mexico, and a third man. Bauch and

the other man were taken and executed, according to the story, which Baca related.

"Villa, the one-time bandit, will be the next president of Mexico. That is his ambition, and despite all reports to the contrary, it will remain his ambition until he is either dead or president." This declaration was made Sunday at Chihuahua by a friend so close to General Villa as to give authority to the assertion.

More than one thousand persons perished Saturday in the inundation of the towns of Stanitz and Achtyrs kaj, Russia, by a tidal wave from the Sea of Azov. The wave struck the towns during a violent hurricane which swept the province of Kuban.

Suffragettes rose in the cathedral services Sunday at Glasgow, Scotland, and chanted "Oh, Lord, we beseech thee to save Emmeline Pankhurst, Helen Crawford and all brave women who are suffering for their faith." The congregation took no notice of the demonstration.

Vice Admiral Tsurutaro Matsuro, inspector general of naval construction of Japan, was arrested Sunday at Tokio, charged with complicity in alleged naval expenditures graft.

Another increase in the Mexican army is announced. It is stated that the regular establishment is to be raised from 200,000 to 250,000 men. This will give President Huerta 300,000 men.

Senor Alberto Pino and Manuel B. Balla, secretary of fomento in the cabinet of the late President Madero were arrested at Nogales, Sonora, Sunday, charged with conspiracy against General Carranza, leader of the constitutionalists.

A serious earthquake occurred Sunday in the prefecture of Akita, island of Honshu, Japan. A number of persons in the city of Akita were killed and many houses destroyed or damaged.

The opening of a new railroad to German East Africa early next year will help to develop 354,000 square miles of territory with a population of 10,000,000.

The apparent reluctance of the rebel general, Villa, to deliver up William S. Benton's body may be explained, if messages received at Mexico City are true. Residents in the north have advised relatives that when it was learned that the body of Benton was being held in order of General Villa in the house of a colonel named Valentin Oatis, and joining Villa's headquarters.

Two officers of the British army flying corps were killed Wednesday—Captain C. R. V. Allen of the West-Regiment and Lieutenant J. E. G. Barroughs of the Wiltshire Regiment, while in flight over the military aerodrome on Salisbury Plain, England.

Bankers of Mexico City were told by President Huerta Saturday that they would be expected to advance approximately 15,000,000 pesos a month to support the government. They have not given their assent to the advance, although they have promised to do so.

The British naval estimate for 1914-1915 amounts to \$257,000,000, an increase of \$12,700,000 over last year. The new construction program provides for four battleships, four light cruisers and twelve destroyers.

Investigation Finds No Tunnel. El Paso, Tex.—General Scott Sunday completed his investigation of a report that a tunnel was being dug at the prison camp at Fort Bliss, but found no trace of the alleged plot.

800,000 Rounds of Ammunition Arrive. El Paso, Tex.—Eight hundred thousand rounds of ammunition were shipped to Juarez Sunday, making a total of 2,000,000 rounds since the embargo was raised. The remainder will be raised south.

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## DAUGHTER OF PRESIDENT WILSON TO WED

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Miss Eleanor Wilson Are Betrothed.

Washington.—"The president and Mrs. Wilson announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Eleanor Randolph, to Hon. William Gibbs McAdoo."

This announcement was issued at the White House by Secretary Tamm Friday after a day of speculation in capital, official and society circles over the prospects for another White House wedding in June.

Reports that Secretary McAdoo would retire from the cabinet after his marriage and perhaps become ambassador to France were set at rest Friday by White House officials, who emphatically said that he was expected to remain at the head of the treasury department.

Miss Wilson will be the fourteenth White House bride and the second of President Wilson's daughters to wed in the nation's executive mansion. Her sister, Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson, became Mrs. Francis Bowes Sayre in the east room on Nov. 25 last.

## Surveyors Prepare to Establish Lines.

Austin, Tex.—R. H. Hunnicut of Marlin and R. S. Dod of Alpine are preparing to take the field to resurvey the capitol syndicate lands, which lie in the northwestern portion of the state along the New Mexico line. The expert surveyors will examine the record history of this grant and the field notes in the land office, after which they will go to the lands and begin the running of lines. This is under an act of the last legislature appropriating \$10,000 for such resurvey and creating a board of direction, consisting of the governor, attorney general and land commissioner.

## Senate Lobby Probe On.

Washington.—General of the senate lobby investigating committee's inquiry Thursday turned toward reports that there is organized opposition in Washington, backed by influential forces, against the proposed repeal of the Panama tolls exemption. Thursday the committee examined Clarence W. De Knight, a Washington lawyer, who admitted activity in behalf of concerns in favor of toll exemption when the bill was passed, but flatly denied knowledge of any lobbying efforts to prevent the repeal.

## Japs Promised Aid by Secretary Bryan

Washington.—Secretary Bryan has promised the Japanese ambassador, Viscount Chinda, to obtain permission for the passage of about 150 Japanese through American territory from El Paso, Texas, to Mexico, on the extreme northwest corner of the Mexican state of Sonora. The Japanese, reduced to an extremely by lack of work owing to the military operations in Northern Mexico, will seek employment as cotton pickers on the west coast. The ambassador made it plain no colonization scheme was involved.

## Unemployed Must Disperse.

Serrano, Cal.—Sheriffs and district attorneys of four California counties reached an agreement Thursday regarding the problem of the unemployed. The six or seven hundred men remaining of the "army" which left San Francisco last week under "General" Kelley on a proposed transcontinental march to Washington, D. C., must disperse immediately.

## To Rebuild Girl's Dormitory.

Jacksonville, Tex.—A special session of the board of trustees of the Alexander Collegiate Institute Wednesday unanimously agreed in order to meet the emergency occasioned by the recent fire destroying the girls' dormitory, to undertake to raise \$30,000 by April 1.

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## TAITON NEWS.

The writer will have to ask the editor for a little space in the Express for the following items, with the hope that they will find their way through.

We had another fine rain last Tuesday which stopped farm work for a few days again. However the farmers feel jubilant that this will be a good crop year.

Mr. James Safar of this place went down the Nada road the other day but where he was

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Mr. Chas. Hajovsky and sisters, Misses Sofina, Mollie and Agnes, were Sunday visitors to the family of Mr. Frank Labay.

Messrs Fred Labay of Garwood and George Labay were visitors Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Labay.

Miss Annie M. Valigura and two brothers, John and Inocence, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Dornak last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kallina were visitors to Mr. Mattus Dornak last Sunday.

Quite a few boys were out on the river fishing last Friday, but the luck they had they declare there is not a fish in the length of the river. The boys were Frank, Emil and Frank Staff, Elo and Dan Corlis, Hurrah for your luck, boys. Try it again, I might join you if you take plenty eating along.

Miss Vera Safar was on the sick list a few days last week, and hope she has fully recovered.

If this does not find its way to the waste basket will come again. (Come. Ed.) Taiton Happy Boy.

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## TAITON TIDINGS.

The election held in this (Taiton) precinct on March 14th Mr. A. Heyne was elected Justice of the Peace and Mr. J. W. Valigura constable.

Mr. and Mrs. John Baca of Hillje were visitors to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baca.

Some of the boys were out fishing last Saturday. They report good luck.

Mr. J. P. Naiser was a visitor to Mr. John Valigura, Sr.

Misses Mary Stribar, Agnes Duhon, Agnes Stribar and Olga Schoenfeld were the guests of Miss Mary Naiser.

Mr. Willie Vasicek of Hillje visited his cousin, Ed Naiser.

Mr. Charlie Pavlovsky was a visitor to his brother-in-law, Mr. Frank Kacal.

Mr. Rudolph Holub was a Sunday visitor to Mr. Henry Silva.

Mrs. Emil Kubesch of El Campo was visiting at the home of Mr. Frank Kana.

Mr. Joe Silva left for Sealy to visit friends and relatives.

Miss Mary Stavinoha and sister were visiting their friend, Miss Minnie Silva, Sunday.

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