

WHAT ALL THE WORLD IS DOING

Trend of Civilization in All Lines From Week to Week

POLITICS and GOVERNMENT

General.

Governor Folk at New York.

Governor Joseph Folk of Missouri was the guest of honor March 29 at a dinner at New York given by the sons of Missouri. Mr. Folk was greeted with a great demonstration of approval. He told of his campaign against bribery and said he was satisfied that no act of the present Missouri legislature was passed or defeated by the use of money, and he did not think as much could be said for many other state legislatures in this country. He said the Missouri idea meant the enforcement of law or the repeal of a law if it be nonenforceable. He added that disregard of one law breeds disrespect in all laws.

Before leaving home Governor Folk vetoed the bill providing for the appointment of a nonpartisan police board by the mayor of St. Louis and signed the bill to prohibit railroad trainmen from working more than sixteen hours without sleep.

Texas Corporation Tax Law.

The untangible assessment bill which places new taxes on almost every corporation in Texas except the Pullman Car company was passed by the state senate March 29 with a two-thirds vote. The exception of the Pullman company was due to fear that its taxation would give negroes a legal right to ride and sleep in Pullman cars. The bill was expected to pass the house and become a law.

Democrats Criticize President.

Senator Morgan of Alabama, Senator Blackburn of Kentucky and other members of the senate minority have expressed marked disapproval of the president's course in making the provisional agreement for collecting Santo Domingo's customs. Mr. Morgan denies that the arrangement is in a proper sense "modus vivendi," and Mr. Blackburn says the Democrats will oppose the treaty solidly and will have Republican support. Nevertheless it is pointed out that the president consulted the Republican leaders of the senate before taking action.

Bribery in Jersey Legislature.

Prior to its adjournment March 31 the New Jersey house of representatives summoned before it several newspaper men who had charged wholesale bribery in connection with the Morris canal bill. The newspaper men declined to give their source of information, and the house found the charges to be without basis. The canal bill was killed nevertheless.

Nebraska After Binder Trust.

The legislature of Nebraska has appropriated \$250,000 to be used for the construction of a factory for the manufacture of binder twine. This action is taken on the ground that the so called binder twine and cordage trust has been monopolizing this trade. The plant will be built at Lincoln, near the state prison, and the inmates of the penitentiary will do the work. Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and the Dakotas consume thousands of tons of cordage yearly.

Legal and Criminal.

New Trial For Caleb Powers.

The petition of the commonwealth for a rehearing having been overruled, a fourth trial will soon be given Caleb Powers, who is accused of assassinating Governor Goebel at Frankfort, Ky.

Beef Trust Man Arrested.

Thomas J. Connors, general superintendent of Armour & Co., was arrested at Chicago March 28, charged with trying to influence and intimidate witnesses who are expected to give testimony before the grand jury in the beef trust investigation. Mr. Connors was released on a \$5,000 bond.

At least one of the chiefs of the big packing companies was said to have been indicted by the federal grand jury for conspiring to influence witnesses, and the heads of other packing companies were to be treated similarly.

The Morgan Smiths Caught.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Morgan Smith, the brother-in-law and sister of Nan Patterson, the actress, awaiting second trial at New York on charge of murdering Caesar Young, who disappeared mysteriously before the first trial, were arrested at Cincinnati March 30 after having been shadowed by private detectives for several months. Extradition proceedings were begun by the New York authorities.

More Swindling Exposures.

Since the North American turned the light of publicity on the Storey Cotton company and the Provident Investment company, resulting in the flight of the Marrin crowd and the arrest of Stanley Francis, held in prison at Philadelphia in default of \$50,000 bail as one of the principals, several other swindling

concerns have been brought to book, including Leslie Morris & Co., F. Norton Phillips and Ormison Scott & Co., all of Philadelphia. By the closing of these concerns investors may lose over \$350,000. It appeared that the flight of the swindlers had been arranged for by Sophia Beck, the woman employed at \$500 a week as Marrin's stenographer and that she had taken with her not less than \$1,000,000 of the concern's ill gotten gains. One report was that they had gone to New York in an automobile and there had sailed for Europe on a private yacht. The postoffice department has begun a rigid investigation of the various mail schemes operated from Philadelphia.

Weightman Will Contest.

Notwithstanding efforts made on both sides to reach some compromise that would avoid airing family skeletons, the determination of Mrs. Jones Wister, the Philadelphia society leader, to try to secure for her daughters a portion of the \$60,000,000 fortune left by William Weightman to his only daughter, Mrs. Walker, remained unshaken. Mrs. Walker has taken up her residence in a \$15,000 flat on Fifth avenue, New York, and has sold out many large real estate holdings in Philadelphia and at Williamsport, Pa.

Missouri Sues Oil Trust.

Attorney General Hadley of Missouri began, March 29, proceedings in the supreme court against the Standard Oil company and its Missouri constituents because of violations of the antitrust laws.

Dynamite Rosseau Found Guilty.

Gesler Rosseau, who says his true name is Gesner Russell and that his home is in Chicago, was convicted at New York March 28 of having sent a box containing dynamite and a machine to set it off to the Cunard steamship pier before the sailing of the Umbria on May 11, 1903. During the trial Rosseau tried to convince the jury that he wanted to illustrate to the British government the danger of such a machine to a nation which was bulldozing small republics and that he had rendered the dynamite harmless before sending it. He declined to answer questions about his attempt to blow up the statue of Frederick the Great at Washington.

Ten Years For Mrs. Chadwick.

Judge Taylor at Cleveland March 27 overruled the motion for a new trial made by counsel for Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick and sentenced her to serve a term of ten years in the Ohio penitentiary at Columbus and to pay the costs of the trial. The case will be carried to the court of appeals at Cincinnati, and consequently Mrs. Chadwick will not begin to serve her sentence until the case passes that court. The sentence is a cumulative one, being two years on each of four counts and one year each on two others.

Executive.

Canal Commissioners Sued.

In response to a formal suggestion transmitted by Secretary of War Taft on behalf of the president March 29 Rear Admiral Walker and all the members of the Panama canal commission tendered their resignations.

Taft's Philippine Party.

The bureau of insular affairs of the war department has announced the official party, numbering thirty-four, who are to accompany Secretary of War Taft on his tour of inspection of the Philippine Islands in July next. The list includes ex-Secretary Root, Chief Edwards of the bureau of insular affairs, F. W. Carpenter, private secretary to Secretary Taft; Senators Allison, Daniel, Dubois, Foster, Long, Newlands, Patterson, Scott, Stone and Warren, Speaker Cannon and Representatives Cockran, Cooper, Crumpacker, Curtis, De Armond, Foss, Gillett, Grosvenor, Hepburn, Hill, Howard, Jones, Longworth, McKinley, Payne, Scott, Shirley, Smith and Watson. Besides this official party seventeen others, including Miss Roosevelt and a number of the wives of public men, will go at their own expense. The

A Lone Hand In Santo Domingo

President Roosevelt decided to "go it alone," save for an informal conference with Senators Spooner and Lodge, when on March 28 the acting secretary of state was ordered to accept a proposition made by

President Morales of Santo Domingo, amounting to a conditional execution of the unratified treaty left in the senate at adjournment. The Dominican government proposed to name a citizen of the United States as receiver for the southern ports of the island pending the ratification of the treaty by our senate when it reassembles in extra session in October. Forty-five per cent of the total receipts are to go to the Dominican government, and the balance is to be deposited in a New York bank for distribution to the creditors of Santo Domingo when the treaty shall have been ratified. If the action of the senate is adverse the money thus collected will be returned to the Dominican government, but if favorable the money will go to the creditors in proportion to their just claims under the treaty. Acting Secretary Adee explained that the arrangement was a sort of *modus vivendi* to be executed by Santo Domingo as an extension of the arbitral award under which our government is already collecting revenues at two ports.



President Morales.

party will sail on the Pacific Mail steamship Manchuria July 1 from San Francisco. Expenses of the trip will be borne by the Philippine government, as the visitors are going as its guests.

Bullfrogs For Uncle Sam.

In addition to the government fish hatchery at San Marcos, Tex., steps have been taken during the week toward establishing a large bullfrog hatchery.

Foreign.

Woman Suffrage in Queensland.

Queensland has followed the example of four other Australian states by granting full state suffrage to women, this having been done in 1895 by South Australia, in 1900 by West Australia, in 1902 by New South Wales and in 1903 by Tasmania. This leaves Victoria as the only one of the six states that denies the suffrage to women. Even in Victoria a woman suffrage bill has passed the lower house eight times.

Rebels of Crete Organize.

The insurgent forces in the island of Crete have organized a provincial government under the presidency of Pappanakis, who has notified the foreign consuls that the people wish to manage their own affairs and to proclaim a union with Greece.

Diplomacy Beckons Peace.

With the subtleties and denials characteristic of Muscovite diplomacy the government of Russia in sheer desperation has reached negatively toward some basis for peace with Japan, while at the same time spurring the army and navy to fresh endeavors. From the highest news sources at St. Petersburg came the report last week that both Japan and Russia had selected President Roosevelt as mediator. At the same time it was reported that Oyama's victorious army, rested and reformed, was advancing on Lnevitch, 150 miles south of Harbin. The terrorists were again actively threatening Russian rulers.

SCIENTIFIC

Successful Aeroplanes Flight.

A fairly conclusive test of the aeroplane designed by Professor John Montgomery of the Santa Clara (Calif.) Catholic college was made March 25. The machine was operated by John Maloney. It was taken up to a height of 3,000 feet by means of a hot air balloon and then released, whereupon it sailed above the city for half an hour. It is named the Santa Clara and looks like a bird, with wings of canvas and a frame of spruce timber. The operator works the wings by hands and feet.

Inoculating Jersey Clover.

Under the guidance of government experts the farmers of Warren county, N. J., are busily engaged in inoculating clover seed with a culture of the bacteria which cause the nodules seen on clover roots. These bacteria assimilate nitrogen from the air and thus nourish the plant. Heretofore large sums have been spent on fertilizers for the purpose of supplying the soil with nitrogen, and it is hoped that the expense for this purpose may be largely eliminated.

Art, Music, Letters

Prizes For Painters.

The jury of the Society of American Artists has awarded prizes for the twenty-seventh annual exhibition: To Louis Loeb, the Carnegie prize of \$500 for the best oil painting by an American artist. To Emil Carlsen, the Webb prize of \$300 for the best landscape by an American artist. To Mrs. Charlotte B. Coman, the Julia A. Shaw memorial prize of \$300 for the best work of art by an American woman. The exhibition was opened to the public March 23 at New York and will continue until April 30.

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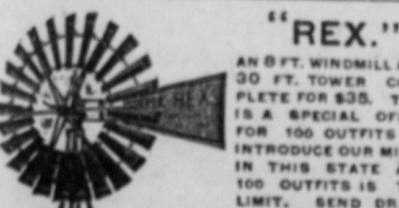
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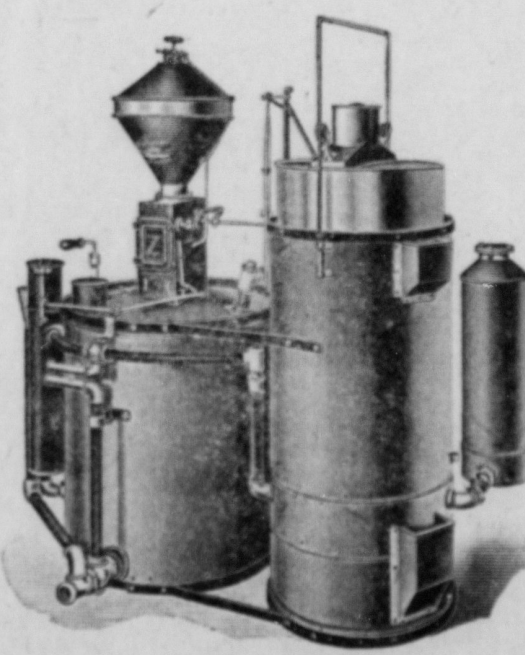
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