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Fourth Monday of February. Third Monday of May. Fourth Monday of September. Third Monday of November. Regular Meetings of County Commissioners 1st and 3d Tuesdays of month.

Church and Sabbath School.

Presbyterian Sabbath School at 9:45 a. m.; M. E. Sabbath School at 10:00 a. m. Preaching in M. E. Church every Sabbath evening by Rev. W. O. Calhoun. Preaching in the F. M. Church every Sabbath evening at the usual hour. Rev. E. L. Monroe, Pastor. Preaching in the Presbyterian church every Sabbath at 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. H. A. Bailey, Pastor. The regular meetings of the W. C. T. U. are held at the headquarters on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

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LINCOLN'S CENTENARY

Laying of Cornerstone of Memorial Hall on His Birthplace.

President Will Make Address—At Springfield, Ill., William J. Bryan and Ambassadors Bryce and Jusserand Will Speak—Mr. Taft Will Speak at New Orleans and Mr. Sherman Will Make an Address at Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce. The progress at Washington of the measure to make Feb. 12 a "national holiday" has stimulated interest in the anniversary of Lincoln's birthday, the centennial of which will be observed on next Friday throughout the country. Strictly speaking there can be no national holiday, for in this matter the states make their own legislation, and this measure, if it becomes a law, will apply in a legal sense only to the District of Columbia, the territories and federal institutions. Eight states have made Feb. 12 a holiday, but the observance this year will not be limited to these states. The most notable gathering on that day will be at Hodgenville, Ky., where President Roosevelt will lay the cornerstone of a memorial hall on the old "Lincoln farm." At Springfield, Ill., there will be addresses by William J. Bryan and Ambassadors Bryce and Jusserand. President-elect Taft will speak at a banquet at New Orleans, and Vice President-elect Sherman will make an address at the Chamber of Commerce dinner at Pittsburg. At noon United States Senator Lodge will address the Massachusetts legislature at Boston. In New York city there will be several Lincoln dinners of a notable character.

Poem by Mrs. Julia Ward Howe.

New England, once the hotbed of abolition, will pay notable tribute to the great emancipator, Abraham Lincoln, in recognition of the 100th anniversary of his birth. The author of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," the venerable Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, will be the central figure in the celebration in Boston, for she will read a poem written for the occasion at elaborate exercises to be held in Symphony hall Friday evening. There will be addresses by former Secretary of the Navy John D. Long, Major Henry L. Higginson and Mayor Hibbard. In Maine the legislature has created Feb. 12 of this year a legal holiday and the principal observance will be at Portland. A new park to be known as Lincoln park will be dedicated.

CORPORATION IS INSOLVENT

Referee Finds That Fidelity Funding Co. Has Assets of \$22,923, Liabilities \$737,245. Edwin A. Watson, appointed by the supreme court as referee to take testimony and report as to the application of the Fidelity Funding company for a voluntary dissolution of that corporation, finds that the corporation is insolvent and recommends that it be dissolved. The property of the company has been in the hands of Thomas F. Gilroy, Jr., as receiver, since Oct. 27 last when a clamor raised by Catholic institutions which had financial dealings with the company inspired the belief that the Fidelity Funding company might not be solvent. Patrick J. Kolran, secretary and active manager of the corporation, caused comment recently by vanishing for a time, but he now has reappeared and testified regarding the company's affairs before the receiver's hearing. Referee Watson in his report says that when Receiver Gilroy took hold of the company's affairs he found there furniture valued at less than \$2,000, and notes, stocks and bonds all of nominal value only. Since then the receiver has only been able to collect about \$3,900. The result of the investigations is summarized as follows: assets \$22,923, liabilities \$737,245.

FIRST OF DREADNAUGHTS

Delaware of 20,000 Tons Launched at Newport News, Va. Bearing the name of the next to the smallest state of the Union, the Delaware, the largest battleship of the United States, was successfully launched at Newport News on Saturday. She shares with her sister ship, the North Dakota, recently launched at Fore River, Mass., the honor of being the first American dreadnaught. When completed the Delaware will be a first class armored battleship of 20,000 tons displacement. Her general dimensions are as follows: Length over all, 518 feet 9 inches; beam, 85 feet 2 inches; depth, 44 feet 6 inches. Her main battery will consist of ten twelve-inch guns mounted in pairs in turrets. She will be propelled by twin screws driven by two four-cylinder triple expansion engines capable of sending her through the water at a 21-knot gait. She will cost almost \$4,000,000.

Haskell to Appear in Court Feb. 13.

Judge Campbell, in the United States district court at Muskogee, Okla., set Feb. 13 as the day for Governor Charles N. Haskell and the six other prominent men, under indictment for alleged fraud in connection with Muskogee town lot cases, to appear in court and plead to the charges.

EDITOR WOODSON DIES

Succumbs to Blood Poisoning After Amputation of Leg Following Accident at Station.

William L. Woodson, editor of The American Press, died of blood poisoning Thursday morning at St. John's hospital in Yonkers, N. Y. While trying to board a train a week ago at the Glenwood avenue station Mr. Woodson was injured by the moving wheels. His right foot was amputated at the station, and at St. John's hospital, to which he was taken, it was found that an amputation of the leg below the knee was necessary. He was badly hurt about the head and sustained other injuries. Mr. Woodson's paper, The American Press, is issued from the main office of the American Press Association in New York. He has been connected with the association many years, coming to the main office from the Atlanta branch, of which he was manager. Mr. Woodson was formerly one of the best known newspaper men of the South. He was a native of Virginia, but lived also in Georgia and other Southern states. The remains were taken to Lynchburg, Va., for interment.

ELIOT'S LONG JOURNEY

Aged Harvard President Starts on Tour of East and South. President Charles W. Eliot of Harvard university, who will retire from his office in May, has begun a tour of the eastern and southern sections of the United States. Considering the length of the tour and the frequency of the stops, it will be one of the most remarkable journeys ever undertaken by a man of Dr. Eliot's age. The venerable president of Harvard will be 75 years old in March. President Eliot's trip will extend as far as Texas. He will make many stops on the way to that state, visiting universities and colleges and acting as guest of honor at gatherings of Harvard men. His return journey will be marked by similar breaks. He is due back in Cambridge on April 3.

TRIES GREEN PAINT; HENS LAY

Farmer Finds That Summer Color Scheme Lures Eggs. William H. Brown, down Newfield way, near Ithaca, N. Y., has discovered that light green houses make the best kind of environment for hens, because they lay more eggs when the hen houses are painted that color. Brown, who has experimented with the effects of colors on hens for some time, says he finds that his flock of hens lay from one to three eggs more a day since he put the green paint on the hen house. He noticed no perceptible change when other colors were tried. The color theory is that the hens should have the same color scheme in their winter environment as nature offers in spring and summer.

LONGBOAT WON MARATHON

Shrub Collapsed in 25th Mile When Victory Seemed in His Grasp. Maintaining an even swinging stride that rarely varied throughout the race, Tom Longboat, the Onondaga Indian from Canada, wrested the laurels of an indoor Marathon race at Madison Square Garden when victory seemed almost within the grasp of the plucky Englishman, Alfred Shrub, who collapsed in the 25th mile, leaving the Indian to finish the long race of 25 miles and 385 yards alone. Longboat's time for the race was 2 hours 53 minutes 40 2-5 seconds, which is nearly eight minutes behind the record made by Dorando, the Italian, in his race with Johnny Hayes, the Olympic Marathon winner, last fall. The Indian finished in fine fettle and was in no wise distressed.

CLAIM \$20,000,000 ESTATE

Evidence Based on Documents Found in Lining of Old Trunk. Documents found in the lining of an old trunk at Butler, Pa., are the evidence upon which the heirs of James Hillman will base claims to an estate at St. Louis said to be valued now at \$20,000,000. Hannah Hillman, a daughter of James, went from Butler to St. Louis about 1899 and bought 1,000 acres of land near the location of the present St. Louis bridge, paying \$17 an acre for it. She willed the land to her father, and the documents were placed in an old trunk that was not examined until Saturday. It is said the land was never sold nor transferred, and the heirs are preparing to reclaim it.

Counting of Electoral Votes.

At 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the senate and house will hold their regular quadrennial joint session for the purpose of verifying the count of the electoral vote for president and vice president of the United States. The ceremony will take place in the hall of the house of representatives and will be witnessed by members of the diplomatic corps, by distinguished officials of the government and by such other visitors as may be able to find a footing in the galleries or on the floor of the house. Vice President Fairbanks will preside and Speaker Cannon will occupy a seat by his side.

Clergymen's Half-Fare Abolished.

Canadian railways operating in Western Canada announced that they had abolished for all time half-fare permits to clergymen. These permits have been in force for the last 25 years.

Canadian Pacific Dividends.

Montreal, Feb. 9.—The board of directors of the Canadian Pacific railway declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent on preferred and 3 per cent on common stock and an extra dividend of one-half of 1 per cent on the common to be paid out of the proceeds of land sales. The surplus after payment of dividends declared, payment of fixed charges and working expenses for the half year is \$4,818,232.

ANTI-JAPANESE BILLS

President Defines Policy of the Administration.

Says Government Would Have to Test Its Constitutionality if School Bill Passed Last Week by California Assembly Becomes a Law—Federal Government Can Accomplish Object Aimed At—Japan Co-Operating If Good Faith. Washington, Feb. 9.—"The policy of the administration is to combine the maximum of efficiency in achieving the real object which the people of the Pacific slope have at heart with the minimum of friction and trouble, while the misguided men who advocate such action as this which I protest against are following a policy which combines the very minimum of efficiency with the maximum of insult, and which, while totally failing to achieve any real results for good, yet might accomplish an infinity of harm." In this language President Roosevelt in a long telegram to Speaker P. A. Stanton of the California assembly set forth the government's view of the anti-Japanese school legislation now before that body. Violation of Treaty Obligations. The president stated that the bill gives just and grave cause for irritation and that the government would be obliged immediately to take action in the federal courts to test such legislation, because it is held to be clearly a violation of the treaty obligations of the United States. The telegram to Speaker Stanton was sent only after a conference with Senator Flint and Representative Kahn of California and F. K. Lane of the interstate commerce commission. In his telegram to Speaker Stanton the president said: "I trust there will be no misunderstanding of the federal government's attitude. We are jealously endeavoring to guard the interest of California and of the entire West in accordance with the desires of our Western people. By friendly agreement with Japan we are now carrying out a policy which, while meeting the interests and desires of the Pacific slope, is yet compatible not merely with mutual respect but with mutual esteem and admiration between the Americans and Japanese. "The Japanese government is loyal and in good faith doing its part to carry out this policy, which aims at mutually of obligation and behavior. In accordance with it the purpose is that the Japanese shall come here exactly as Americans go to Japan, which is in effect that travelers, students, persons engaged in international business, men who sojourn for pleasure or study, and the like, shall have the freest access from one country to the other and shall be sure of the best treatment, but that there shall be no settlement in mass by the people of either country in the other. More Japanese Leave Than Come. "In the last six months more Japanese have left the country than have come in and the total number in the United States has diminished by over two thousand. These figures are absolutely accurate. If the present policy is consistently followed and works as well in the future as it is now working all difficulties and causes of friction will disappear, while at the same time each nation will retain its self-respect and the good will of the other. "But such a bill as this school bill accomplishes nothing in the line of the object aimed at and gives just and grave cause for irritation; while in addition the United States government would be obliged immediately to take action in the federal courts to test such legislation, as we hold it to be clearly a violation of the treaty. The legislation would accomplish nothing beneficial and would certainly cause some mischief and might cause very grave mischief. "If in the next year or two the action of the federal government fails to achieve what it is now achieving then through the further action of the president and congress it can be made entirely efficient."

Called Bride to Phone

To Hear Report of Shot He Intended to End His Life. New York, Feb. 9.—Calling over the telephone to his bride of six months, to listen to the report of the revolver shot, Alberto Bellguardi, a young Spaniard, manager of the Universal Medical Institute, attempted suicide by firing a bullet into his left side. Bellguardi's home life is said to have been a troubled one and less than four months after their wedding he and his bride agreed to live apart. Bellguardi, according to his brother Humberto, gave his wife a weekly allowance of \$25, which she thought inadequate. At the New York hospital it was said that he had a chance of recovery.

Captain Potts to Command Georgia.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Captain P. T. Potts, on duty at the Washington navyyard, has been selected to command the battleship Georgia, taking the command formerly held by Captain Edward F. Quilgroug, who was suspended from duty following trial by court martial at Gibraltar. Captain Potts' last sea duty was in command of the cruiser Dec Moines.

Hadley of Missouri Finds Exercise in Cellar of Executive Mansion.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 9.—Governor Hadley of Missouri saw his own firewood in the cellar of the executive mansion. "It is one of the best forms of exercise that I know of," declares the governor, "and I have been doing it at the executive mansion these disagreeable mornings when the weather prevents my daily horseback ride or long walk." Sawing wood has been the governor's exercise for years. Before occupying the executive mansion he cut the wood used in his residence.

Christian Herald Contributions.

Washington, Feb. 9.—When Queen Helena of Italy three weeks ago consented to superintend the distribution of the Christian Herald fund for the relief of the mother and baby sufferers of the earthquake disaster, the Christian Herald agreed to supply \$1,000 a day toward this object. During the three weeks it has sent \$25,000 and yesterday it contributed another \$25,000 toward the same object.

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SAMPSON MURDER TRIAL

Widow Was Arraigned and Pleaded Not Guilty to Indictment.

Lions, N. Y., Feb. 9.—Mrs. Georgia A. Sampson was indicted by the Wayne county grand jury for murder in the first degree, the indictment charging her with shooting and killing her husband, Harry Sampson, a



MRS. GEORGIA ALLYN SAMPSON, widow of the late Admiral Sampson, at Maceon on Nov. 1 last.

Mrs. Sampson was later arraigned and pleaded not guilty to the indictment. A motion to fix the date of the trial, which will probably be held some time next month, will be made in special term here on Saturday. Governor Hughes will designate the trial justice.

MAURETANIA'S NEW RECORD

Covers Long Route East in 4 Days 20 Hours and 27 Minutes.

Queenstown, Feb. 9.—The Cunard line steamer Mauretania passed Daunt's Rock lightship at 5:10 p. m., thus establishing a record for the long route. The liner covered the distance of 2,934 miles at an average speed of 25.20 knots. The day's runs were 491, 605, 594, 567, 582 and 95 miles to Daunt's Rock. The passage was made in four days 20 hours and 27 minutes. The Mauretania has beaten every record going east; average speed, the highest day's run and the records for the long and short routes from New York to Queenstown. This improvement is due undoubtedly to the new propellers with which the vessel was equipped previous to starting out from England last month. The best previous record from New York to Queenstown over the long course was 5 days 6 hours and 5 minutes, made by the Mauretania on March 12, 1908. Over the short course the record was 4 days 22 hours and 29 minutes made Dec. 5, 1907.

KLINGENBURG ARRAIGNED

Head of George Junior Republic Deposited While Away.

Ithaca, Feb. 9.—Frank Klingenburg, inaugurated president of the George Junior Republic on Jan. 8, was arraigned here today on charges of obtaining goods under false pretences and was held to await the action of the grand jury. Klingenburg, it is alleged, left for New York some time ago, after buying a large quantity of goods of a local store on the credit of the Republic. A deputy sheriff went to New York on his trail, but he was not arrested until he returned to Freeville this week. He was dethroned as head of the institution while away and Andrew Markham was inaugurated president last Saturday.

GOVERNOR SAWS FIREWOOD

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NEWSY PARAGRAPHS.

Summary of the Week's News of the World.

Happenings From All Parts of the Globe Put into Shape For Easy Reading—What All the World is Talking About—Cream of the News Culled From Long Dispatches.

Wednesday.

The battleship fleet reassembled at Gibraltar, the last port of call before its arrival home. The senate passes house bill appropriating \$50,000 for survey of highway from Washington to Gettysburg to be known as "The Lincoln Way." The supreme court decided by a majority of one that a combination in restraint of trade cannot recover from a customer the value of goods the latter bought. A joint resolution of congress appropriates \$16,000 for the inauguration of President Taft. The platform to be erected in front of the Capitol will seat 6,000 people, one-third more than four years ago.

Thursday.

Helena Maloney was remarried to Arthur H. Osborne, to whom she was married at Mamaroneck on Dec. 28, 1905. Washington dispatches stated that the ways and means committee, fearing a deficit, may put "war taxes" in effect again. Eight hundred thousand consumers in New York are now waiting for the payment of the gas rebates, which will begin in ten days. Washington dispatches stated President Roosevelt is greatly concerned at the spread of anti-Japanese sentiment on the Pacific coast. A bill has been introduced in the New Jersey legislature increasing the speed of automobiles in the country from 20 to 30 miles an hour.

Friday.

The Drew "anti-Japanese" bill was defeated in the California assembly. Mr. Cortelyou, secretary of the treasury, called for \$30,000,000 from depositaries to help meet increasing governmental expenditures. By a vote of 31 to 17 the senate refused to confirm Herbert E. Cook named by Governor Hughes as Democratic member of the highway commission. Mayor McClellan received a report in which a committee of prominent bankers opposed the plan to increase the city's debt limit to 14 per cent of the assessed valuation of real estate. It was announced that Max Smith, musical critic of the New York Press, had sued Oscar Hammerstein for \$25,000 damages for statements alleged to have been made by the operatic manager in a letter.

Saturday.

R. U. Sherman, brother of the vice president elect, was urged for appointment as Democratic member of the highways commission. The Haskell Memorial home, an orphanage near Battle Creek, Mich., was destroyed by fire. Three of the little inmates lost their lives. By an almost unanimous vote the state grange convention, in session at Little Falls, N. Y., enacted a resolution favoring the enactment of a primary nomination law. Governor Hughes sent to the senate the name of William Horace Hotchkiss of Buffalo as state superintendent of insurance. Mr. Hotchkiss is a lawyer and federal referee in bankruptcy. California assembly by a vote of 46 to 28 passes the bill to segregate Japanese children in the public schools. Roosevelt urges governor to veto it, as the most objectionable of all the anti-Japanese measures.

Monday.

President Roosevelt vetoed the census bill in a message denouncing its lack of civil service tests for census employees. Michael C. Murphy, trainer of the American Olympic team of 1908, advises young athletes how to become successful sprinters or hurdlers. Strong appeals from Governor Gillett and Speaker Stanton cause lower house of California legislature to delay action on anti-Japanese measures. The battleship fleet left Gibraltar for home, Captain Quilgroug, convicted by court martial of drunkenness, being a passenger on his own vessel.

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TWO FAMOUS MEN GONE

Poet Mendes Killed by Train and Actor Coquelin's Death Followed That of His Brother.

Paris, Feb. 9.—Death claimed yesterday two of the best known men in France, Catulle-Abraham Mendes, the poet and novelist, and Ernest Alexandre Honore Coquelin, known familiarly as Coquelin Cadet, one of the last of France's celebrated actors. M. Mendes' body was found mangled in the railroad tunnel near St. Germain, he having fallen accidentally from a moving train. M. Coquelin, stricken down by the news of the death of his brother, Benoit Constant Coquelin, known as Coquelin Aine, on Jan. 27, expired in the morning in the arms of a faithful valet. Baron Von Oppenheim with whom M. Mendes dined Sunday night, explained that the poet was melancholy and complained of extreme fatigue. There has been no suggestion of suicide or foul play in the death of M. Mendes, and the finding of his cane and hat beside the body convinces the authorities that he inadvertently opened the door of the compartment of the carriage in which he was riding before the train was clear of the tunnel and fell out to be ground beneath the wheels. It is related in connection with these two tragic deaths that after working Sunday on a play on Napoleon, M. Mendes spent an hour completing a poem on the death of the elder Coquelin. LETTER FROM PRESIDENT Mrs. Rhodes Receives Thanks For Denial of Rock Creek Story. Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 9.—Mrs. A. W. Rhodes of this city, who recently wrote to President Roosevelt to deny that her daughter's horse had been struck by the president while riding past her in a road near Washington, today received the following letter from the President: "My Dear Mrs. Rhodes:—I thank you for your letter of the 20th ultimo, and am glad to hear from you that your daughter denied the story that I struck her horse. Of course I never struck her horse or any other lady's horse. The whole story was so absurd as not to be worth denial. Numerous stories of this kind are started from time to time by foolish or malicious people. Occasionally I am obliged to deny them but as a rule I find it best simply to ignore them because denying them calls attention to them and gives mischief makers a chance to mislead well-meaning people by further repetitions of the stories. "Sincerely Yours, "Theodore Roosevelt."

Wright Brothers Invited to London.

London, Feb. 9.—The Wright brothers, the American aeronauts, of Dayton, O., have accepted the invitation to come to London at the end of March when they will be given the gold medal of the Aeronautical society of Great Britain.

Shot by Discharged Employee.

Watertown, N. Y., Feb. 9.—Charles Burchard, foreman in a local machine shop, was shot and probably fatally wounded by John Gettings, who he discharged a few weeks ago. Two loaded revolvers were found on Gettings' person.

MARKET REPORT.

New York Provision Market. WHEAT—No. 2 red, \$1.15 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, \$1.22 1/2. CORN—No. 2, 70c; new, 68c f. o. b. afloat. OATS—Mixed white, 26 to 32 lbs., \$4.00; clipped white, 34 to 42 lbs., 56 1/2 to 62c. PORK—Mess, \$17.50@18.00; family, \$18.50@19.50. LARD—Good to choice, 80@85c. BUTTER—Creamery specials, 32c; extra, 31 1/2@31 3/4; process, 18@25c; western factory, 21 1/2@22c. EGGS—State and Pennsylvania, 38 @39c. CHEESE—State, full cream, fancy, 15 1/2@16 1/4c. POTATOES—Maine, per 150 lbs., \$2.50@2.75; state, \$2.25@2.50.

Buffalo Provision Market.

Buffalo, Feb. 8. WHEAT—No. 1 northern, carloads, \$1.13 1/2; No. 2 red, \$1.13 1/2. CORN—No. 2 yellow, 66 1/2c f. o. b. afloat; No. 3 white, 64 1/2c. OATS—No. 2 white, 54 1/2@55c f. o. b. afloat; No. 3 white, 54@54 1/2c. FLOUR—Fancy blended patent, per bbl., \$6.25@7.00; winter family patent, \$5.60@6.35. BUTTER—Creamery, prints, fancy, 30 1/2@31c; state and Penn. creamery, 29c; dairy, choice to fancy, 26 @27c. CHEESE—Choice to fancy, full cream, 15 1/2c; fair to good, 13@14c. EGGS—Selected white, 33@34c. POTATOES—White fancy, per bu., 78@80c; fair to good, 75@76c.

East Buffalo Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Prime export steers, \$6.25 @6.50; good to choice, butcher steers, \$4.75@6.00; choice cows, \$4.75@5.00; choice heifers, \$5.50@5.75; common to fair bulls, \$5.50@5.75; common to fair veals, \$3.25@4.00; choice veals, \$9.00@9.25; fair to good, \$8.50@8.75. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Choice spring lambs, \$7.55@7.75; choice yearlings, \$6.25@6.75; mixed sheep, \$4.75@5.00. HOGS—Light Yorkers, \$6.50@6.60; medium and heavy hogs, \$6.75@6.80; pigs, \$9.25@9.35.

Buffalo Hay Market.

Timothy, No. 1 on track, \$13.00@13.50; No. 2 timothy, \$12.00@12.50; wheat and oat straw, \$7.50@8.00.