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HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK

Latest News Told in Briefest and Best Form.

Washington

President Taft has indefinitely postponed his proposed conference with John Mitchell regarding the coal situation. This announcement, unaccompanied by any reason for the change in plans, followed closely a talk between the president and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel. Secretary Nagel and Dr. Charles P. Neill, United States commissioner of labor, are keeping in touch with the developments.

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What is to become of the books, maps and documents now in the possession of the national monetary commission when that body goes out of existence March 30, at Washington, is a perplexing question confronting congress.

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The Democratic caucus-lorraine tariff bill passed the house in Washington, unamended by a vote of 249 to 41. Many Republicans voted for it. The measure was framed by the majority leaders to make up for the loss of revenue to the government through the removal of the duty on sugar.

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Oscar W. Underwood, Democratic leader of the house of representatives at Washington, supporting the proposed excise tax bill, charged that the Supreme court by its annulment of the income tax in 1895 was responsible for the growth of socialism in the United States.

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Domestic

Geno Bonelli, the New York chauffeur, who drove the taxicab in which Lieutenant Becker and gamblers were seated when Herman Rosenthal was killed, was held under $10,000 bail when he appeared in court in connection with the murder. Bonelli was arrested in Boston.

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Upward of $300,000 of a half million fund has been raised for Mount Holyoke college, at South Hadley, Mass. The general education board of New York has agreed to give $100,000 and Mrs. John Stewart Kennedy of New York has promised another $100,000.

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Senator Robert M. LaFollette of Wisconsin has a lead of more than 12,000 votes over Col. Theodore Roosevelt in North Dakota in the presidential primary election the first to be held in the country. Six hundred and fifty-nine precincts of 1,800 show La Follette to have 31,621 and Roosevelt 19,741. LaFollette's majority over Roosevelt is 12,000.

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Five men in a survey were killed by a passenger train on the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville railroad at a crossing near Kingsbury, Ind. The train had passed the evening at a theater at Bloomington and were driving to Spencer, where they were employed as glass blowers.

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Four persons were injured and property damaged to the extent of $100,000 at Greenville, Ill., when a cyclone struck five Illinois towns within a radius of 75 miles of St. Louis, Mo., injuring many persons, demolishing houses and demolishing telegraph and telephone wires.

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At least thirty-two men were killed and parts of their bodies strewn for blocks around by the engine explosion in the Southern Pacific shops at San Antonio, Texas.

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The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad was found guilty in the United States district court at Scranton of violating the commodities clause of the Hepburn act and was fined $2,000. The charge was that it shipped free from Buffalo to Scranton, Pa., a quantity of hay to be used in feeding mules in the mines.

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Thirty of the Aliens, the courthouse association and dining clubbers held a two hour conference within three miles of Hillsboro, Ill., at the conference it was decided to fight to the finish and not to place a ticket in the Virginia or federal authorities. They passed a note to that effect.

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The administration building of the naval training station at Newport, R. I., was damaged by fire to the extent of $5,000.

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Mrs. Anna Lashe of Milwaukee, charged with administering poison to her husband, Walter and Herbert, aged respectively seven and five years, September 1st last, and to her younger child dying, pleading guilty to manslaughter in the fourth degree. The penalty is from one to two years imprisonment.

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Helen Potrebil, a leading English suffragette who admitted trying to bath up one of the health pool in St. Leonards-on-the-Sea, pleaded confessed after her arrest that she had thrown a hatchet at Mr. Walter and thereby caused respectively seven and five years imprisonment. She said that the object of militant literature will be put to manslaughter in the fourth degree. The penalty is from one to two years imprisonment.

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Mrs. Blanche Ferrara, a prominent society woman of Chicago, has confessed after her arrest that she had stolen $15,000 worth of jewels in all in the country, committed suicide by taking poison and left an eighth-story window of the Hotel Bonnell, in New York City.

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The cost ofthe millinium wage bill, designed to put an end to the coal strike, passed its first reading in the house of commons. The bill is backed by Premier Asquith, Foreign Secretary Grey, Chancellor Lloyd George and Sydney Buxton, president of the board of trade.

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Pope Pius X. will have to pay $10 inheritance tax on a bequest of $500 made to him by Johanna Brandt of Milwaukee. Prelate Judge Kaerz made the ruling under a Wisconsin law.

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Hahnemann hospital, Philadelphia, to on the verge of being turned into a homeopath insanity parlor, owing to an advertisement recently inserted in the newspapers, which requested that love men and women afflicted with warts call at the institution for immediate treatment. More than 2,000 replies were received.

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Salvatore Cirrinci, leader of a gang of highwaymen who held up and murdered Dominic Pasquale, a grocer at Rockyard, and George Ragsdale, a negro driver, near Hudson, September 3, 1910, was electrocuted at Clinton prison, Dannemora, N. Y.

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In an explosion that blew the home of John Lovelle, foreman in charge of the chickens and one of his grandchildren, Lovelle's wife, Mrs. Ida Lovelle, received injuries that caused her death. Another child was fatally injured.

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Four masked and heavily armed bandits held up Moline & Ohio train No. 2 near Lostine, Miss., blew open the express car safe and escaped to the west undetected, to Tuscumbia river with $50,000 in currency.

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Leading manufacturers and business experts of the country gathered in New York to organize the Efficiency society, whose purpose it is to develop increased efficiency and skill in commercial and industrial enterprises.

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Robert M. McElwaine of Greenbrier county, West Virginia, has been appointed by Governor Hodges to succeed Senator Stephen B. Elkins, who died January 4. Mr. McElwaine is a Democrat and will serve until the next general election.

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Fire which destroyed the plant of the Kentucky Natural Gas company recovered himself and escaped by removing the company's gas pipes from Lexington, as he had threatened to do, when he pronounced the request of the city council for the location of the gas bills for January and February the most absurd resolution he ever heard of, he blandly agreed to do everything which had been asked by the citizens and council.

At a meeting of the citizens' club and city council, President Seep announced that the company would supply gas until the end of January and 10 per cent of the February bills, would be refunded. He made it from the city to the West Virginia fields for the purpose of trying to make no increase in the scale of charges until conference could be had with the West Virginia wells, and would give the local officials every assistance in satisfying complainants.

All of this is given as meeting the promise of the committee that they would use their influence to prevent excessive legislation being taken by the city council toward the gas company. One bill of the council has already passed an ordinance providing that the gas company be fined from $10 to $100 for each failure of the company to supply a patron with an adequate supply of gas. The concessions granted by the gas company by the gas company were made in response to a written communication presented to him by the committee, in which he was urged to make the concessions demanded by gas consumers of the city. These demands were set out in detail, and in response President Seep granted every one of them. The entire committee of his decision in the following letter presented to them:

"Gentlemen of the Committee: Answering your request for a statement of this date, the Central Kentucky Gas company hereby makes the following concessions:

"Notwithstanding the fact that the gas company advanced in January and February to its consumers, all the gas that they could possibly get from their 140 wells in Mead-lew, and the fact that the meters registered 25 per cent more gas than actually consumed, we will refund 25 per cent of the January and February bills, and will make no charge for gas consumed in March.

"Arrangements have been made with the Kentucky & Western railroad for the delivery of gas from its wells in Mead-low