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SUMMARY OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

Latest News of Interest Boiled Down for the Busy Man.

Washington

Alarmed at the growth of the revolution in Santo Domingo, President Taft ordered the cruiser Baltimore and the tender Yankton to Santo Domingo immediately.

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Contributions totaling $191,022 and expenditures of $158,311 to the Republican campaign fund were disclosed in the financial statement of the Republican national committee, filed with the clerk of the house of representatives. Charles P. Taft, brother of the president, appeared as the largest contributor. He gave $6,000.

Politics

Chairman Hilles of the Republican national committee has called a meeting of the national committee for November 12 in Chicago to select a successor to James S. Sherman as the Republican candidate for vice-president.

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Former Police Lieutenant Charles Becker of New York is in the "death house" at Sing Sing prison under sentence to die in the electric chair during the week of December 8, as the convicted murderer of the gambler Herman Rosenthal. Becker's execution will be stayed, however, by the filing of a notice of appeal.

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Eight persons, six of them nuns and two children, lost their lives in a fire which destroyed St. John's Orphan asylum at San Antonio, Texas. Another sister is dying. There were 87 children in the orphanage.

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George G. Thompson, division freight agent of the Southern railway, was shot and killed in Greensboro, N. C., by W. R. Blair, his former private secretary, whom he had discharged.

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Twenty-two leading American architects are preparing plans for New York city's civil courthouse, which is to be erected near the criminal court house and the Tombs, thus forming a civic center. The total cost of the new building will be more than $20,000,000, and it will be the finest structure of its kind in the world. It is hoped to select the plans by January 1.

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The story of a company of American sailors who, when ordered "Fall in!" on the firing line because of their white uniforms, stained their clothing with mud and shoe polish and fooled the marines in the daring charge up Coyatepa hill, Nicaragua, was told in New York by officers of the steamship Cristobal.

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The American people are drinking more and beer and wine are using more cigars and cigarettes than ever before in history, according to tax returns received by Royal C. Cabell, federal commissioner of internal revenue.

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Alvin Roehr, a young farmer living near Sheboygan, Wis., shot and killed his father-in-law, Phillip J. Otz. Mrs. Ott and Mrs. Otz's father, Fred Hartwig, 70 years of age, when he was refused permission to see his wife, from whom he had been separated. Roehr's body was later found hanging to a tree in the woods. Mrs. Roehr and her baby escaped by hiding for three hours.

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The plant of the Penfrigo Lumber company, at Pentigo, Wis., was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at $1,000,000. The mill was said to be the largest lumber factory in Wisconsin.

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The arbitration committee which has been considering the demands for increased wages of 70,000 railroad employees on 30 railroads in the east met in New York after an adjournment of a month.

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A judgment of $10,000 in the distribution of a shortage one of the largest judgments of that kind ever awarded in Kentucky, was rendered there. It was given to Judge Walter Bosworth of the superior court in D. C. Rensch.

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Three highwaymen, operating in broad daylight, entered a branch office of the Prudential Life Insurance company in Brooklyn, N. Y., bound and gagged Miss Alice Hennessy, the cashier, and escaped with $1,000.

Foreign

The Anglo-German conference, intended to promote friendly feelings between the two countries, opened in London.

An elopement from Baltimore, Md., came to a tragic termination at Chicago when Miss Sophia Singer, twenty-three years old, daughter of a well-to-do Baltimore widow, was murdered in a boarding house. Robbery is suspected as the motive for the crime, and search is being made by the police for Charles D. Conway and his wife Mary, vaudeville performers.

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Two new cutters of the steamer Minnesota, which was disabled off Padre Island in the gulf storm of October 16 and abandoned, the crew believed to have been drowned, were located. Six of the men, rescued when the Ward liner Mexico picked them up from a point opposite Padre Island, and the others, who landed on the coast farther south, are bound for Galveston.

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Suffragists are to impress on the country the cause of votes for women" by organizing a militant parade during the presidential inauguration exercises March 4 next.

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Money lenders in New York do an annual business of $2,000,000 more than 100,000 persons, including 20,000 municipal employees, are in their clutches, and state courts are the unwilling instruments through which usury is collected, according to a report by Investigator for District Attorney Whitman.

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The three-masted schooner L. N. Fremont, in command of Capt. Emil Fremont, was wrecked during a fierce gale off Point Arena, losing a fishing outfit and supplies valued at $2,000, according to advices received by owners of the vessel, which is believed to be a total loss. Her crew was saved.

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Following a confession that he had materialized five little girl ghosts and had "killed" a sixth, Fellowes Davidson, a medium, was found guilty in the court of Common Pleas at Akron of manslaughter in the first degree. Judge Thurston D. Vaughn, formerly superintendent of the home, guilty and was sentenced to die in the electric chair.

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Four members of an automobile party, bound from Arkansas from their homes in Noble, Pa., were drowned in the Susquehanna river at Port Deposit, Pa., when the machine was forced across from Delaware. N. J. When the car left the ferryboat it was reached the ferry boat was struck and thrown from its course by a raft.

Balkan War

After two days' fighting the Bulgarians gained a signal victory over the principal Turkish force in the Adrianople district, according to the town of Lule Burgas is in their hands.

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The Servian victory at Uskub and the Turkish loss of Adrianople have completed ranks, it is reported, plans to effect a settlement by diplomacy of the Balkan war.

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The Bulgarian army, having captured Kirk-Kilisech, a heavy fortified outpost, after one of the most sanguinary battles of modern times, advanced on Adrianople, the fort entrenched city that stands between the northern Bulgarian army and the sultan's palace at Constantinople.

Personal

James Schoolcraft Sherman, vice-president of the United States, died at his home in Utica, N. Y., after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Sherman and the other members of the family were at the bedside. The immediate cause of death was uremic poisoning superinduced by Bright's disease.

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Mrs. Grover Cleveland authorized the announcement of the engagement of her daughter Esther to Thomas Joseph Preston, professor of archaeology and history of arts at Wells' college, Aurora, N. Y. The date of the marriage is not determined, but will be announced later.

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Announcement is made in New York of the engagement of Karl H. Behr, the former Yale tennis champion, and Miss Helen Newman, daughter of Mrs. H. L. Bockwith of Lenox drive. Mr. Behr and Miss Newman are both survivors of the Titanic disaster and were taken off the sinking ship in the same boat.

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Cooped up in his house at Kansas more Hill, N. Y., by the inexorable ordinances of his physician, Colonel Roosevelt passed his fifty-fourth birthday in quiet fashion. A plentiful noon dinner, restricted to the immediate household family, comprised the chief event of the day.

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Maurits A. Ericson, sculptor, is dead at Pelham, N. Y., aged seventy-six years. In America his work was chiefly architectural, the mansions of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, William K. Vanderbilt and Mrs. Collis P. Huntington being notable examples of his art.

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Capt. Lawrence O. Lawson, formerly with the U. S. life saving station, and credited with having rescued over 200 persons from death by drowning, is dead at Evanston, Ill. The death recalled the wreck of the Calumet off Point Gratiot, when Captain Lawson and his men saved the crew of 18.

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Commissioner of Education Claxton presided over the meeting of the Association for the Study of Exceptional Children in New York.

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Mrs. Belva Ann Lockwood of Washington, candidate of the Equal Rights party for president in 1884, and the first woman admitted to the bar of the country's highest tribunal, received the good wishes of admirers the country over on her eighty-second birthday.

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SHERMAN EXPIRES AT HOME IN UTICA

Vice-President's Death Had Been Expected for Days—Family Is at Bedside.

UREMIC POISONING IS CAUSE

Death Will Not Affect Election—Republican Electors Will Choose Successor Should Party Be Successful on Nov. 5.

Utica, N. Y., Oct. 31.—After weeks of illness during which he had suffered intensely the last few days, death came to Vice-President James Schoolcraft Sherman at 9:42 o'clock Wednesday night at his Utica home.

The vice-president lapsed into a condition of coma during the afternoon. That his condition was hopeless was announced soon after noon, about an hour after a message had come from the bedside of the stricken man stated that his condition was "deeper and deeper."

The last hope that the vice-president might rally from the uremia had fled deadly hold on the statesman's hypodermic injections employed throughout the day to ease the pain of his suffering was dropped, together with the ravages of Bright's disease, produced a condition of complete unconsciousness.

Family Present.

The entire Sherman family, as well as other relatives, were in the house when the end came. Mrs. Sherman was seated in the room adjoining that occupied by her husband. Friends and neighbors had been in the house.

When Sherman's name was proposed for the vice-presidency in 1908, his most enthusiastic support came from Utica, because of the fact that he was known on account of his work in congress. The state, however, had had the second vice-president of Oklahoma, his colleague in the senate, Thomas Platt, a delegate from that territory. He received the votes of all the territories in the convention.

Does Not Affect Election.

Washington, Oct. 31.—The death of Vice-President Sherman will have no effect on the election, Nov. 5, in the absence of a Taft victory at the polls next Tuesday, will choose a vice-president. The selection will probably be made by the republican national committee, in case the Republican ticket wins.

Disregarding the outcome of the election the country will have a vice-president up to March 4, 1913, owing to the death of Mr. Sherman, as the Constitution makes no provision for a successor to the vice-president.

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Taft Moved to Tears.

New York, Oct. 31.—William H. Taft, president of the United States, almost burst into tears when he received the news announcing the sad news of the death of Vice-President James Schoolcraft Sherman.

The president at the time was seat ed at the banquet table in the Thirteenth Regiment armory, where he was the guest of honor at the dinner given by the Lotos club. Surrounded by scores of the members of the Lotos club, he was engaged in the enjoyment of the occasion when the message was brought to him by one of the secret service men.

Mr. Taft was visibly affected and then told those nearest to him of the death of Mr. Sherman, as the information came to his eyes and he started to leave the room. The Brooklyn Daily Eagle correspondent, who was present, published his speech the president never made.

Vice-President's Voice Stops Emotion.

With a voice that trembled with emotion he sadly conveyed the news. He said:

"My friends, three years ago you met me at the banquet in the city to celebrate the founding of the Florida. I was honored by the vice-president of the United States—Vice-President Sherman. It is a very sad duty for me to announce that word has just been received by me that Vice-President Sherman is dead."

Asks Assemblage to Adjourn.

Then there was a pause. Then he said: "Now since the services be reverent I am directed by Mrs. Sherman to ask that this assemblage adjourn at once." Then he turned to his company and that no further proceedings be had.

One Way.

The late William Wright, says the Washington Star, had a way of doing everything else in accordance with construction. He always began a story with the right end of it, a very unusual way, and ended it with a climax or surprise, when a little girl said to him: "Uncle Billy, you are going to tell us one of those machines?" "No, child," he answered, "I am going to tell a story, but if you have fixed a very good life you may do so by coming over."—Smith's Companion.

Platinum Production.

Though the production of platinum increased considerably last year over 1910, the price was also higher. The total production is placed at slightly over 29,000 ounces, having a value of $787.87 an ounce, an increase of more than $1 over the preceding year.

Silence.

A habit of silence in conversation is pleasing and wins applause when it is known that the silent one could talk and talk to the purpose if he would choose.—Leopardi.

Miss Carrie Babcock of East Orange, N. J., granddaughter of Col. Elisha Williams, a noted Indian leader in New York in the days of Henry Clay, took her own life.

His children are Sherrill, a banker; Mathew Hugh, a Hamilton college student, and Adelaide and Thomas M., an official in one of his father's banks. The family is prominent socially.

Many Points of Personal Friends.

Sherman was not long in congress before he became one of the most influential men in the senate. From the beginning he was one of the most powerful supporters of Speaker Reed with a host of friends. He was known as a friend of all the men who served in his party. His appointments during the eighteen years as senator from New York were generally satisfactory with Speaker Cannon, and although he tried to get the speaker to withdraw when Reed retired. A deadlock followed the organization election. However, Sherman stood best with the party in the event of Speaker Cannon's withdrawal.

Being called for the speakership, Sherman was offered the position of president pro tem of the senate, but was compelled to decline because of the urgent request of his colleagues that he continue to represent that state in the senate. This action was followed by his unanimous