News of the Week Cut Down for Busy Readers

Personal

Mrs. Jane Kirkwood, ninety-nine years old, widow of Samuel J. Kirkwood, secretary of the interior under President Garfield, died at Iowa City, Ia. Mr. Kirkwood was Civil war governor of Iowa.

Sporting

Kelly, the New York Giants' first baseman, made his fifth home run in Wednesday's game with the Brooklyn team, thereby equaling Babe Ruth's count.

Washington

President Harding, at Washington, nominated Montgomery Schuyler at New York to be minister to Salvador.

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Armed with Answers in its stand relative to the mandate over the island of Yap was expressed in a note received from the Italian government at Washington.

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The house immigration restriction bill was reported favorably by the senate immigration committee at Washington after elimination of provisions to accord special privileges for entrance of aliens.

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Governor Harding of the federal reserve board announced at Washington that he would at once begin a personal survey of the farm credit situation in the middle West and Southwest.

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The naval appropriation bill, carrying appropriately $356,000,000 for maintenance of America's sea forces for the next fiscal year and providing $50,000,000 for construction, passed the house at Washington.

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President Harding appealed to bankers in an address before the District of Columbia Bankers' association at Washington to assist him in helping put America "on the forward track once more."

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A decline of 2 per cent in wholesale prices during March was announced by the federal reserve board at Washington.

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The McCormick budget bill was passed by the senate at Washington after brief debate.

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Secretary Hughes at Washington sounded allied opinion on the German reparations proposals. They pronounced the terms unacceptable.

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Former Rep. John H. Sherburne of Boston was named at Washington as special counsel by the house committee appointed to investigate the escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, Philadelphia draft dodger.

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Fair-price lists may be published by the government as a consumers' guide on the cost of commodities, Secretary Hoover announced at Washington.

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Raw material exports during March exceeded imports by more than $100,000,000, while foodstuff exports were about $20,000,000 in excess of imports, Department of Commerce figures at Washington disclose.

Domestic

The Arlen-Smith bribery-conspiracy case went to the jury at Chicago after Assistant State's Attorney Crowe had made a speech of the appointment of a commission agent at Puerto Barrios.

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Four men, convicted of making war against Great Britain, were executed by a firing squad at the military prison at Cork. They were Patrick O'Sullivan, Maurice Moore, Patrick Donoghue and Thomas Hennessy.

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Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, speaking at a dinner in Tokyo, made it plain that America has no intention of asking for a share in Oriental trade. Most of the representations on that question made by the Japanese was "most courteous."

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New Drying Wrinkles.

In drying washcloths, dishes, etc., at home, I have found that to prevent a lovely dark green, blue or brown, I used only cold one package of black dye to one package of the color desired. The result is a beautiful rich shade, especially with blue or brown.—Good Housekeeping.

Don's review of national trade, issued at New York, says: "The business situation has lost little of its fortnightly, but the hopeful phase is attaining more prominence."

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The severe tornado which swept through Jimsea and adjacent counties destroyed all buildings on a number of farms and killed cattle and horses. The dives were lost, according to reports reaching Elroy, Wis.

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Charles Chait, said to be wanted at Denver in connection with a $20,000 express robbery, was shot in the lungs and fatally wounded by city detectives, who said he resisted in the act by during a fight at Erie, Pa.

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Matthew Lyons, baggage master on the Jersey Central railroad at Bayonne, N. J., was shot and serious wounded by one of four men who held up a group of post office employees and escaped with mail.

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Nearly a million dollars in property value went up in smoke and flame when the fire-fiend of the Keystone Tire and Rubber company at Erie, Pa., was destroyed by fire.

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Mystery surrounds the death of Isaac Brooks of New Windsor, Ill., found dead with a bullet wound through the chest and another through the brain.

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Laboratory tests are being made at Fort Worth, Tex., by experts of the state veterinary department to determine the cause of the mysterious deaths of cattle in Llano county.

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R. C. Ewen, owner of a theater at Niagara, Wis., was fined $100 on a charge of violating blue laws by keeping his house open on Sunday, was found not guilty by a jury.

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Willie Dalton, sixteen-year-old bank clerk, was arrested at Chicago charged with the theft of $772,000 in Liberty Bonds from the Northern Trust company bank on February 24.

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The bill for a referendum to authorize a $15,000,000 bond issue to provide compensation for Illinois men who served in the war passed the senate at Springfield, 45 to 0. It already has passed the house.

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Wages in the common industry at Cleveland, O., will be reduced 9½ cents an hour, effective May 1, under a decision handed down by a board of arbitrators.

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Harry B. Gibbons, late county treasurer at Chicago, who died last week in West Baden, Ind., left an estate estimated to be worth almost $1,000,000, all of which goes to his widow, Mary E. Gibbons.

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Foreign

Ten workers were killed and a dozen others badly burned through an accidental explosion at Pumpkina, Spain, in the cartridge factory of Jose Martules Gosi, in the outskirts of the city.

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A number of aviators were killed and a magazine and sub-police building were wrecked during rioting at Malagoon, near Nasuk, 100 miles northeast of Bombay, India.

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Nine hundred persons whose punishment has been demanded by the senate for crimes committed during the war, will face trial at Leipzig, beginning May 23.

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C. F. Foster, recently-one, agent for the Northwest Mutual Life Insurance company, was found dead in his automobile in a swamp alongside the new road near Escanaba, Mich.

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A Guatemala City dispatch says employees of the entire Guatemalan railway system have ordered a general strike as a result of the appointment of a commission agent at Puerto Barrios.

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Information that approximately 1,000,000 Japanese will soon come to the islands in California this year has been given to Governor Stephens, his office at San Francisco.

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J. T. Chisholm, stock air mail pilot, was killed at Chicago when he fell from his machine while preparing for the Chicago-New York air mail service, which is to be managed by the government.

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Two more cents in the United States will be required to mail a letter to Canada or Mexico, it is announced at Washington by Postmaster General Hubert Work, effective June 1.

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Chicago's Municipal Pier a Great Attraction

The great Municipal pier of Chicago is growing in pop-ular favor each day and, aside from being a big attraction for visitors, is being utilized for many civic enterprises. T he "Pageant of Progress" to boost Chicago will soon occupy the pier.

Texas Rangers Real Fighters

Most Picturesque Body of Fighting Men the World Has Ever Known.

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Organization Dates Back to Time When the Lone Star State Was a Separate Republic—Self-Reliant, Resourceful and Brave.

Dallas.—Texas is the only state which has the distinction, not to say privilege, of working out its own institutions before becoming a member of the Union, writes W. J. Lyon of the history department of the University of Texas in the Dallas News. This fact has given Texans a singular feeling of independence and has enshrined the state's institutions with a peculiar sanctity. Texas has always been a law-abiding state, but when any president, her foreign or domestic policy does not suit her, she will come in for a share of the song and dance of secession and rebellion of the Lone Star republic.

All her institutions, however, Texas has come which has attracted more attention at home and abroad than that organization of fighting men known as Texas Rangers.

Just what is the Texas Ranger? The question can be answered only by finding out what he has been, discovering his origin, tracing his development and examining his duties. The exact date of the origin of the Rangers is lost in the obscurity of early Texas history. Stephen F. Austin mentioned them in his letters of 1823, nearly a century ago. Reports were made of beginning to 1826, but in this he was clearly wrong, for the Rangers had not only come into existence but had acquired a legal status before that time.

Rangers Date Back to 1835.

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From his experience with the Mexicans the Texans had come to distrust every move by the body of the law. They doubted their honor, feared their sincerity and knew that their promises were clearly wrong. For the Rangers had not only come into existence but had acquired a legal status before that time.

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