

TELLS OF IOWA IDEA

Address by Governor Cummins Read Before Manufacturers and Bankers of Boston.

GOVERNOR IS NOT ABLE TO BE REACHED

After Reaching Boston He is Recalled to Iowa by Illness of Mother.

WANTS RECIPROcity OF JAMES G. BLAINE

Claims that Plan was Later Endorsed by President McKinley.

BUSINESS RESTS ON SOLID FOUNDATION

Iowa's Executive Believes that Tariff Should Be Changed as Conditions Change and Has No Fear of Results.

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—The opinions of men of national reputation on important questions of the day were laid before the business men of Boston at an annual banquet of the Merchants' association.

Senator John W. Daniel of Virginia spoke on the negro question, Senator Joseph V. Quarles of Wisconsin on "Chamberlain's Revolution," while the speech of Governor A. B. Cummins of Iowa on "Reciprocity with Canada" was read by Charles S. Hamlin, as the governor was obliged to return home this morning, owing to the illness of his mother.

Coramessan Samuel W. McCall of Massachusetts echoed the sentiments of Governor Cummins on reciprocity.

President Mellen of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, was also among the speakers.

The banquet was held at the Hotel Somerset and was largely attended. Senator Daniel took for his subject, "The Unities of the Union." Senator Daniel pointed out that although the north and south were in unity, there was one subject on which they were divided, the color question.

You have never seen slavery from the standpoint of some of us. Having destroyed slavery and abolished it, what are you going to do with the colored man? The colored people have never received a problem to deal with for which their courage and skill were inadequate.

Charles S. Hamlin was then called upon to read the address of Governor Cummins.

It goes without saying that we ought to, if we can, secure treaties that will help nobody, but to allow an interest that puts \$100,000 of our money into the hands of a foreigner to stand in the way of a series of interests putting \$100,000 of goods into a foreign market.

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PARIS SEES THE WHITE DOVE

Is Quite Certain the Peace Bird is Settling on Russian and Japan.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—Definite information has been received here to the effect that the czar has signed his approval of the general conditions preliminary to a Russo-Japanese agreement.

Further information received here is that the czar has also given his approval of the general conditions preliminary to a Russo-Japanese agreement.

The pessimistic reports from Tokio are believed by the officials here to reflect the feeling aroused over the delays preceding the czar's approval of the conditions for a Russo-Japanese agreement.

It is confidently believed that Japan's early receipt of official information regarding Russia's pacific course will result in a much improved in the Japanese aspect.

MACEDONIA PREPARES FOR WAR

Leader Says that Trouble Will Come with Return of Spring.

VIENNA, Dec. 10.—General Tzontcheff, Macedonian leader, tonight left for Paris. He will later go to London, and it is possible that he will visit the United States.

Interviewed today General Tzontcheff said that he thought a war between Turkey and Bulgaria next spring was inevitable and that Serbia would co-operate with Bulgaria.

He said that the scheme of reforms in Macedonia formulated by the Austrian and Russian governments and formally consented to by the ports, was a doomed affair.

The recrudescence of the Macedonian insurrection, the general said, was certain, but he thought that the conflicting personal ambitions of the leaders might militate against its success.

General Tzontcheff said the belief prevailed in Serbia that Austria would oust Bulgaria and that Austria was now secretly preparing to occupy Macedonia.

This explanation of Austrian influence in Macedonia was greatly dreaded in Serbia. Meanwhile Bulgaria, the Macedonian leader said, was steadily preparing for war, and had recently received \$5,000,000 in munitions and large quantities of munitions of war.

FATHER HARTLEY FOR BISHOP

Pastor at Steubenville Named by Congregation of Propaganda for See of Columbus.

ROME, Dec. 10.—The meeting of the congregation of the propaganda, which was postponed from Monday to enable all the cardinals in Rome to be present at the advent services, was held today.

The cardinals present were Vanuttoli, Mathieu, Agliardi, Stoll, Pierrot, Martinielli, Steinhilber, Della Voipe, Segna and Gotti, the last presiding.

After considerable discussion over the candidates for the bishopric of Columbus, O., Cardinal Vanuttoli declared that the congregation and the congregation decided to submit to the pope for appointment as bishop of Columbus the name of the Rev. James J. Hartley of Steubenville, O.

STUEBENVILLE, O., Dec. 10.—Rev. James J. Hartley, who, according to a dispatch from Rome, will be named as bishop of Columbus, has been in charge of Holy Name church in this city for more than twenty years. He is about 53 years of age and a native of Ohio.

WOULD ABUSE MEN TO BE FREE

Member of Bavarian Diet Charges Army Officers with Desire for Dismissal.

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—The upper house of the Bavarian Diet yesterday rejected the unanimous resolution of the lower house demanding the dismissal from the army of officers and non-commissioned officers found guilty of the maltreatment of soldiers.

War Minister Von Aah, who favored the resolution in the lower house, changed his attitude in the upper house, declaring that if the non-commissioned officers knew they could dissolve their relations with the army by maltreating soldiers, he feared the maltreatment of the latter would increase, as many of the former would regard their discharge as a privilege rather than a punishment.

Another Bavarian commander, General Von Friess, declared that the slight punishment inflicted by the military courts was mainly responsible for the abuses complained of.

ABDUCTOR CAUGHT IN LONDON

Solomon Segal, Wanted in Chicago, Captured with His Prey, Sophia Corngold.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Solomon Segal of Chicago was arrested here today on an extradition warrant, charged with the abduction of a young girl. The police took a small sum of money from the prisoner and gave it to the girl, who will remain in London.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—The warrant for Solomon Segal, who was arrested in London, England, today, was sworn out in Chicago last October, when Segal, whose wife committed suicide, was charged with the abduction of a young girl.

DOES MOST FOR ARBITRATION

London Editor is Awarded the Great Peace Prize for His Work.

CHRISTIANA, Dec. 10.—The Norwegian Parliament has awarded the annual Nobel Peace prize, \$20,000, to William R. Crozier, M. P., publisher of the Arbitrator of London, for his work in behalf of international arbitration.

NO HOT AIR FOR THE SWEDES

It's the Real Thing in Northern that Has Swept St. Paul and Surroundings.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 10.—A strong breeze from the north has brought the coldest weather of the season to St. Paul and the surrounding territory. While some thermometers today registered zero, the official temperature of the Weather bureau at 7 a. m. was 2 degrees above.

FIRE THREATENS THE QUEEN

Wife of England's Ruler Awakened Just in Time to Escape.

BEDROOM FLOOR FALLS AS SHE LEAVES

Flames Caused by Defective Electric Wire Cause Little Damage but Much Excitement at Sandringham Palace.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—A fire occurred today in Queen Alexandra's bedroom at Sandringham. It broke out in the chimney flue, where a beam is supposed to have been rotting for several days.

Queen Alexandra had a narrow escape from the first accounts of the fire indicated. Miss Charlotte Knollys was awakened by the smoke in her bedroom, which is immediately below the chamber occupied by her majesty.

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CANADIAN SAYS LOWER TARIFF

John Charlton Declares Such Action Would With His Colony to Uplift Sam.

BOSTON, Dec. 10.—John Charlton, member of the Canadian parliament, delivered a forceful address upon the subject of "Reciprocity with Canada," before the Boston Chambers of Commerce today.

The speaker declared that the United States must grant more liberal tariff provisions or Canadian tariff rates would be eventually advanced.

Absolute free trade between the two countries could not yet be attained, he said, but the nearer it could be approached the better.

At the present moment two great forces were engaged in the struggle for the United States and the American people.

These were reciprocity between Canada and the United States and preferential trade between Great Britain and its colonies.

Loyalty to the empire and a feeling of soreness toward the United States for alleged unfair treatment on tariff predisposed the Canadian people to look with favor upon the preferential trade arrangement outlined by Mr. Chamberlain.

A close investigation of the matter would, however, demonstrate that reciprocity or trade with the United States would offer vast advantages to Canada than the British differential that Mr. Chamberlain asked for, and the question would be one of sentiment and opposed to interests.

It was not to be understood that reciprocity meant the removal of duties upon all articles. It meant necessarily be confined mainly to natural products.

Mr. Charlton discussed the objections of the American farmer and lumberman to Canadian reciprocity. He maintained that their fear that their business would be injured was a groundless one.

In conclusion he said: "The critical hour is at hand when Canada will have arrived at the parting of the ways, and will decide whether she shall cultivate the United States and natural relations with the United States or whether she shall put up her tariff wall against that country and become a component part of a great imperial trade federation.

The United States can decide that the latter shall be the case by maintaining its present tariff policy."

MURDER TO BE THE CLIMAX

Italian Sporting Man Plans Unique and Complicated Crime, but Assistant Spills It.

ROME, Dec. 10.—One of the strangest of crimes had a most dramatic solution today. A young man named Beretta, a millionaire of Milan and a famous sportsman, was invited by the chemist Angelo Vecchio, an organizer of sporting shows, to his villa outside of Milan on the pretext that Beretta examine some old pictures.

Once there, Beretta was seized and bound and obliged, with a revolver pointing at his head, to make a will leaving his fortune to Vecchio, besides writing a letter saying he had committed suicide.

Vecchio left the villa, after instructing an accomplice to drown Beretta the next day in a bath and carry the body far away from the villa so as to give Vecchio a chance to prove an alibi.

But the heart of Vecchio's accomplice softened and he not Beretta at liberty, and Vecchio, who read in the newspapers that his plot had been discovered, disappeared. The police thought he had gone to America.

Today, however, it was learned that Vecchio had committed suicide by shooting while driving in an open carriage on the famous Monte Pincio drive.

JAP DIVULGES NO SECRETS

Emperor Opens Diet with Speech that Does Not Tell Anything Not Already Known.

TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 10.—The emperor opened the Diet this morning. In referring to the situation with regard to Russia he only said that his ministers are now conducting, with prudence and circumspection, important international negotiations for the preservation of peace in the far east and of Japan's rights and interests.

BIDDLES' FRIEND IS NOW FREE

Wife of Jailor Released After Twenty Months' Prison Service.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Katherine Soffel, wife of the warden of the Allegheny county jail at the time of the escape of the notorious Biddle brothers from that institution, was liberated from the Western penitentiary today, having served twenty months for the part she played in that sensational affair.

It will be remembered that Mrs. Soffel released the two bandits and then accompanied them in their flight from Pittsburg.

During the incarceration in the penitentiary her husband was granted a divorce. It is said Mrs. Soffel has rejected two offers to go on the stage and that she proposes to retire to her father's home and live quietly.

SALT LAKE TO BE A PORT

Senate Committee on Commerce Reports Favorably Bill in that Interest.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The senate committee on commerce today directed favorable reports on bills to apply to foreign vessels the laws which now prohibit lodging housekeepers from boarding United States vessels for the purpose of soliciting seamen as lodgers within twenty-four hours of the time vessels arrive in American ports; to establish a life-saving station at Half Moon bay, south of Point Montara and near Monterey Reef, Cal.; to establish a port of delivery at Salt Lake City, Utah; and to appropriate \$25,000 for the construction of a vessel of the first class for the revenue cutter service, to be stationed at Honolulu, Hawaii.

HESKETT IN A TIGHT PLACE

Former Nebraska, Arrested on Charge of Bigamy, Has Angry Woman on His Trail.

ST. JOSEPH, Dec. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Cornelia Heskett of Denver, came here today to prosecute J. W. Heskett, a railroad conductor late of Lancaster county, Nebraska, whom she charges with bigamy. She brought a photograph of herself and Heskett and their marriage certificate and other documentary evidence to prove that she is his wife No. 1. She created a scene in court by exclaiming that she would stay here ten years if necessary to send him to the penitentiary. Heskett was married November 19 to Miss Verma M. Miller, a telephone girl of Hanover, Kan., whose brother said to him after his arrest: "We are going to stay with you until the trial but if you are guilty, look out."

WOOL MEN IN CONFERENCE

Growers and Manufacturers Make Successful Effort to Get Together.

TWO TREATIES THOUGHT ANTAGONISTIC

Anti-Shoddy Bill Now Before Congress Not So Easy to Reach an Agreement on and Question is Not Pressed.

(From a Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—An important conference was held today in Senator Warren's committee room between officers of the National Wool Growers' association and the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, two antagonistic heretofore antagonistic, to discuss legislation affecting wool interests.

The wool growers were represented by Senator Warren, A. J. Knolton of Kansas City, W. H. Markham of New York and T. C. Power of Montana; the manufacturers by President Charles H. Harding of Philadelphia, William Whitman and John R. McChesney of Boston and John F. Wood of Philadelphia.

The conference was emphatically opposed to two treaties pending with France and Argentina claiming that their ratification would be disastrous to the wool interests.

The Grosvener anti-shoddy bill was discussed. The manufacturers pointed out features of the proposed legislation that would seriously embarrass wool manufacturers and held that its provisions for inspection and tagging of mixed goods are impracticable.

Wool growers favor the Grosvener bill, which is designed to protect consumers of woolen goods and to enable them to know that goods sold as pure wool are so in fact.

The conference was harmonious and it is believed the two big organizations will now be united in protecting the wool growing industry. The results of today's conference will be presented at the coming meeting of the National Wool Growers' association at Portland, Ore.

New Bids for Army Depot

Senator Millard, who has been closely watching developments in the new quartermaster's supply depot at Omaha, was informed by Quartermaster General Humphrey today that the department had decided to readvertise bids for the depot for ten days.

General Humphrey also stated the plans had been modified to such an extent that it is believed the building can be built within the \$75,000 appropriated for that purpose.

The quartermaster's department is exceedingly anxious to get the work done, and should any of the bids fall within the \$75,000 limit the contract will be let at once.

Secretary of the Civil Service Reform League has been advised of the action taken and the department at Omaha has been instructed to readvertise bids for ten days.

Cannot Furnish Gun Carriages

Major R. S. Wilcox of Omaha has written Senator Millard asking the latter to interest himself in securing gun carriages for the soldiers' plot of ground in Forest Lawn cemetery.

The letter was sent to General Crozier of the ordnance department, who today notified the senator that the gun carriages could not be furnished, and as they rapidly disintegrated, the department had made plans for stone foundations upon which the guns might rest.

Blue prints of these plans have been sent Major Wilcox and the members of the Grand Army of the Republic will have the foundation put in according to the plans the ordnance department will send guns to Omaha to be mounted on stone bases.

Pension for Colonel Giesle

Senator Millard today introduced a bill pending Colonel Hamilton S. Giesle of Omaha and giving him a pension of \$30 per month.

Colonel Giesle was lieutenant colonel of the Fifth Ohio regiment, which fought at the battle of Gettysburg, and was discharged in 1864.

Notes from the Capital. Senator Millard has been advised of the discharge of Seaman Apprentice Howard E. Lutz of Blair, who has been on the U. S. S. Wisconsin.

The rural free delivery route will be established January 1 out of Litchfield, Sherman county, with one carrier.

R. B. Schneider, republican national committeeman from Nebraska, and wife arrived in Washington today and are quartered at the Raleigh. Mr. Schneider said he brought no news from Nebraska except that conditions seemed propitious for another alibi crop yield.

W. D. McCready of Hastings, Neb., is in Washington on matters connected with the Interior department, and are quartered at the Raleigh. Mr. McCready is secretary of the National Republican league and member of the executive committee. He is in Washington with others of the committee to meet with the national republican committee tomorrow. Mr. Weeks said Iowa was unservicably for Theodore Roosevelt and the war for Hon. George D. Perkins of Sioux City for governor and for Craig Wright of Sioux City for federal judge.

KANSAS GRAND JURY BUSY

Wyandotte County Will Try to Run Down Rumors of Fraudulent Deals.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 10.—The Wyandotte county grand jury, in session at Kansas City, Kan., began its boodles inquiry today and the first thing considered was the report of numerous charges of grafting on the part of city contractor, James H. Heskett, in the city contracts. It has been charged that certain councilmen have solicited and received bribes from brick companies.

J. D. Cruise and William N. Woodward, real estate men, were examined. Some time ago Mr. Woodward, who formerly was a brick laying contractor, made the statement, which was published, that a member of the Board of Education demanded \$100 from him to get the signatures of the board for a certain paving job. Another man to testify was W. W. Atkins, a contractor.

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NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Increasing Cloudiness Friday, Probably Snow in West Portion; Saturday Fair.

Table with 4 columns: Temperature at Omaha Yesterday, Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows for 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

TALKS ON EVILS OF TRUSTS

Mr. Edward Rosewater Responds to Invitation to Address the Woman's Club.

Sixty members of the department of political and social science of the Woman's club, at a meeting held in the chapel of the First Congregational church yesterday afternoon, listened to an entertaining and instructive talk by Mr. Edward Rosewater on the "Evils of Trusts."

The speaker referred to the merging and concentration of capital, of the past and present, as "colossal enterprises, carrying top-heavy capitalization, a menace to this and future generations, and liable at any time to disturb the equilibrium of the country by causing a stringency in the money market."

"Overcapitalization," he said, "and unsafe expansion have caused trust securities to so contract in value that today much of the common stock is worth little or nothing, and the common stock of the Morgan steel trust is no common that people will hardly pick it up from the street."

Mr. Rosewater dwelt on the more complex phases of the subject and explained the system of contraction and expansion employed by the big trusts as occasion demands. He dwelt at some length on the now being employed by some of the lately organized combines, speaking particularly of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph combine, which he said proposed putting a mortgage on the air.

At the close of his edifying talk Mr. Rosewater was asked to answer a few questions by Mrs. Charles S. Lobinger, leader of the meeting, with which request he generously complied.

FUND WILL CLOSE TOMORROW

Contributions for Relief of Firemen's Families Open but One More Day.

Over \$5,000 is now in the hands of Mayor Moore for the benefit of the families of the four firemen who sacrificed their lives in the Allen Bros. fire on Thanksgiving morning. When this fund was started it was the purpose to run it up to at least \$10,000, so that each family would receive \$1,000, but that mark has been passed, and the chances are that the amount will reach \$6,000 or more before the fund is closed.

Mayor Moore announces that the fund will be closed Saturday (tomorrow) night. So that those who still intend contributing will have to do so today or tomorrow. The list of names and the amount of their contributions is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes: Officers and patrolmen of Omaha police department, John K. Rasmussen, 74.50; J. J. K. O. T. M., 10.00; Omaha