

### KING SUMMONS PRIVY COUNCIL

George Consults Advisers with Regard to Packing House of Lords by Royal Prerogative.

### MAY HAVE REFUSED HIS SUPPORT

Postponement of Government's Announcement Causes Speculation.

### EXPECT CABINET'S RESIGNATION

Throne Cannot Escape Being Involved in Political Crisis.

### OPPOSITION GETS FIRST BLOOD

Government's Original Plan for Immediate Dissolution of Parliament Disorganized by Delay—Debate Not Limited.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—King George summoned the privy council to meet today, presumably for the purpose of obtaining the advice of the council regarding his course in the matter of giving Premier Asquith guarantees to increase the number of peers sufficient to support the government in its policy of reforming the House of Lords. This summons brought together the leaders of both parties. The cabinet also held sessions today. The postponement of the government's announcement and the frequent communications between the king and the cabinet have deepened the impression that his majesty may have refused to give guarantees of the creation of new peers under the present circumstances. The resignation of the cabinet appears more probable than the dissolution of Parliament.

### Newspaper Discussion

Already the action of the king is being discussed in the newspapers. It appears difficult for the king to avoid being involved in the political crisis, an outcome to which the king is not averse.

The extreme liberal papers hint that King George has taken sides with the House of Lords. The Daily News says the resignation of the cabinet would mean that a monarchical revolution has been added to the revolution of the peers.

The Earl of Crewe, secretary of state for India and government leader in the House of Lords, announced to the lords today that the government would introduce the lords veto bill in the upper house tonight.

The impression is widespread that at the meeting with Premier Asquith and with the privy council, the king suggested that the veto bill be sent in due course to the upper chamber for consideration. This probably coincides with Mr. Asquith's personal wish.

### Opposition Seizes Point

The opposition seized the point of the debate on the veto bill, but said the government later would consider when the second readings of the measure should be taken.

Lord Lansdowne, the opposition leader, thus scored the first point in the political game and disorganized the government's original plan for an immediate dissolution of Parliament, though there is nothing tangible to show how long the day may be deferred.

The Earl of Crewe said the government would accept no amendments to the veto bill.

The veto bill passed the first reading tonight.

### Cummins and Good Consult Indians

Effort Being Made to Induce Sac and Fox Chiefs to Abandon Tribal Organization.

TAMA, Ia., Nov. 16.—(Special.)—Senator A. B. Cummins and Congressman James W. Good of the Fifth district today were here in conference with the Indian agent and Indian chiefs of the Sac and Fox tribes. Under a special commission from the commissioner of Indian affairs to investigate and ascertain whether a method or plan could be devised for abolishing the tribal life of the Indians and allotting their lands in severalty in the hope of bringing some progress to them in civilization. The Indians are very much opposed to abolishing their tribal organization, preferring to live in their collective rather than to owning separate farms and hunting for themselves. There is great difficulty in devising a method of forcing them to do otherwise, for the reason that they bought the land they hold with their own money. The tribes number about 400 and they own 2,000 acres of valuable land. But by the tribal existence they have made no progress and are a band of degraded trappers and hunters, living in primitive wretchedness. It is the desire that they should be enabled to learn agriculture and other pursuits and it is hoped to convince them that the allotment of their land is the best plan for them.

### CHICAGO BAR TO INVESTIGATE

Attorney for Lee O'Neil Browne Not Allowed to Withdraw Charges Against Wayman.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Attorney Charles E. Erbstein, counsel for Lee O'Neil Browne, attempted unsuccessfully before the grievance committee of the Chicago bar association today to withdraw the charges of jury tampering which he made recently against State's Attorney Wayman. Counsel for Mr. Wayman then asked that the charges be dismissed on that showing alone. He attempted to withdraw them. But the grievance committee refused to withdraw or dismiss the charges and announced that it would proceed with the investigation.

### Banquet for Senator Young

DEER MOONING, Ia., Nov. 16.—(Special.)—A grand dinner was given at the Hotel Grand at Deer Mooning today to honor Senator Young, a member of the organization. Saturday night, Senator A. B. Cummins and Governor H. P. Carroll, will attend.

### Alleged Diamond Thieves Arrested

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 16.—On the charge of robbing a store in that city, two men, Louis J. and John J. were arrested today. They were valued at more than \$500. Held at the Philadelphia city jail.

### Visit of American Warships Excite Lively Interest

Ports Make Elaborate Preparations to Entertain Officers and Men of Fleet.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The visit of the American warships to English ports is exciting the liveliest interest in England. It is expected London will be filled with American sailors during the next few weeks, and arrangements have been made to entertain the thousands of bluejackets who will come here from Portland and Gravesend.

Commander Edward Simpson, American naval attaché at London, has received offers of hospitality from British sea men's and soldiers' clubs and the proprietors of music halls and theaters. Rear Admiral Schroeder, commander-in-chief of the American Atlantic fleet, is not expected to visit London, but the Pilgrims society will give a luncheon to the officers of Rear Admiral Murdoch's division, the third, on Friday. The third division is due at Gravesend today.

PORTLAND, England, Nov. 16.—The first division of the American battleship cruising fleet, which includes Rear Admiral Belknap's flagship, the Connecticut, arrived here this morning. While coming from Tor bay the American warships passed the second division of the fleet home fleet which was passing out. Salutes were exchanged. The visiting vessels also made the customary salutes as they entered Portland harbor.

GRAVESEND, England, Nov. 16.—The battleship Minnesota, flagship of Rear Admiral Murdoch, the Idaho, Mississippi and Vermont, comprising the third division of the American Atlantic fleet, arrived here today. Mayor Davis hoisted the flag and cordially welcomed Admiral Murdoch, his officers and men on behalf of the borough. Gravesend is gaily decorated.

### Democrats Trying to Get Together

Leaders from All States Will Be Asked to Come to Baltimore for a Conference.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 16.—Preliminary steps were taken today in the movement for a conference to be held in this city of democratic party leaders from every section of the country for the purpose of outlining a general policy of the party.

Representatives Champ Clark and Lloyd of Missouri early next week to consider the matter with the Maryland committee, which is composed of Governor Crothers, United States Senators Rayner and Smith and Congressman Covington and Talbot.

National Chairman Norman E. Mack has sent word that a previous engagement prevented his coming, but said he would cooperate.

### Tolstoi's Condition is Not Hopeless

Physicians Diagnose His Illness as Creeping Inflammation of the Lungs.

ASHTAROVA, Russia, Nov. 16.—His physicians this afternoon diagnosed Count Leo Tolstoi's illness as creeping inflammation of the lungs. The condition of the aged author is critical, but not hopeless. He experienced an increased temperature during the night, but late today the doctors said his temperature had fallen to 38.5.

TELAV, Russia, Nov. 16.—It is said that Count Leo Tolstoi wishes to return to his land on a special train from Ashotarova, where he is lodged in the hut of a railway station master, to Yasnaya Polyana, but that he refused to return to the home which he left voluntarily to seek solitude elsewhere.

### STICK OF DYNAMITE IN MAN'S POCKET EXPLODES

Murvin Hudson of Bassfield, Mass., Has Narrow Escape from Instant Death.

BASSFIELD, Mass., Nov. 16.—Murvin Hudson, a farmer living near here, placed a stick of dynamite in his pocket yesterday with a view of taking it to employ in his field. Hudson stumbled and fell. That he was not blown to pieces when the dynamite exploded in his pocket is a miracle. He has a slight chance to recover from his injuries.

### Dempsey is Made Captain of the Omaha Police Force

To fill the vacancy caused by the death of Police Captain Mostyn, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners last night acting upon the recommendation of Chief Donahue, ordered Sergeant M. F. Dempsey raised to the position of police captain. In his communication to the board Chief Donahue spoke highly of Captain Dempsey's past record of twenty-five years on the force.

Captain Dempsey was first appointed to the force as a patrolman in 1885. He was made a detective in 1888 and became a sergeant in 1891. Since 1896 he has had charge of that branch of work connected with the pawn shops, and the last few years has been in charge of the carnival grounds in the fall. Since the death of Captain Mostyn, Captain Dunn has been taking care of both the day and the night shifts. Captain Dempsey will at once assume the duties of his new office, but owing to the shortage of the force, will not receive a captain's pay until the first of the year.

For the past several months Sergeant Dempsey has been prominent through efficient work on special detective cases. The detective most of the time has been attached to Chief Donahue's office, investigating special reports sent there.

At different times he has been in charge of the detective department, owing to illness on the part of Captain Savages. As police captain in the place of the late Captain Mostyn, Captain Dempsey will be the junior officer, next in rank to Captain Dunn.

### CATHOLICS SCORE NEW GOVERNMENT

Officers of Portuguese Republic Denounced by Annual Convention of American Federation.

### AMERICAN ACTION APPROVED

Delay in Recognition of Present Administration Commended.

### WANT POSTAL LAWS AMENDED

Urge Prohibition of Literature Attacking Religious Convictions.

### MEET NEXT IN COLUMBUS, OHIO

Federation Adjourns After the Election of New Officers—Resolutions of Sympathy with Labor Are Passed.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 16.—Principal among the resolutions adopted at the concluding session here today of the annual convention of the American Federation of Catholic Societies was one of bitter denunciation of the administrative officers of the new republic of Portugal and of commendation of the state department at Washington for delaying recognition of the new government.

Horror was expressed at the "barbarous inquisition" of the new republic. President Braga and his associates were scored for alleged persecution of Catholics and their harsh and insulting treatment of nuns and monks and the government was declared to be founded on injustice and ungodliness.

Following the adoption of the resolutions and the election of officers the federation adjourned to meet next year in Columbus, Ohio.

### Denounce "Educational Trust"

The National Educational association was denounced "for attempting to set up in this country an educational trust as a menace to individual liberty and to the primary rights of every American citizen."

The resolution declared against the substitution of ethical teaching for religious training in schools and colleges, protested against bible reading in public schools, deprecated the use of public funds or of public buildings for lecture courses in philosophy, literature or science, urged the establishment of more parish schools and demanded "some equitable compensation" for the secular education given in Catholic schools.

Congress was urged to amend the postal laws so as to include within the scope of prohibited literature, "books, papers, writings and prints which outrage religious convictions and contain scurrilous and slanderous attacks upon the faith."

### Endorse Labor Unions

In connection with the announcement of President Feeny that for the first time the Federated Catholic societies were represented by two fraternal delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor now in session in St. Louis, resolutions were adopted expressing sympathy with every legitimate effort of organized labor for a living wage, reasonable hours, protection of life and limb, workmen's compensation laws and decent and helpful conditions in the home, shop, mine and factory.

The evils of child labor were deplored as was the "traffic" in women. Catholics everywhere were urged to make prompt and vigorous protest against the publication of every newspaper or magazine article offensive to the church and to withdraw support from such publications which paid no heed to protests.

### PRESIDENT HARRAHAN RETIRES

Head of Illinois Central Reaches Age Limit—Other Officers Also Re-elected.

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—The old officers of the Illinois Central railroad, with the exception of President J. T. Harrahan who is to retire January 21, when he reaches the age limit, were re-elected today by the directors of the railroad. No action was taken by the directors with respect to choosing a successor to Mr. Harrahan.

### Millard Limpo Released on Bail

YANKTON, S. D., Nov. 16.—(Special.)—Millard Limpo, who shot and killed John Cheek recently at Utica, while Cheek was resisting arrest at the hands of Limpo, who is marshal of Utica, is now out on \$10,000 bail, which was raised very quickly by Limpo's relatives and friends. The case will not reach trial until next March.

### When the New York Returns Reached the Ananias Club



From the Chicago Evening Post.

### BEEFSTEAK IS STILL CHEAPER

Quite a Further Fall Taken in Retail Price of Meat.

### REASONS FOR THE PRICES

C. H. Pickens Says People Are Demanding All Goods Put Up in More Fancy Packages—Syrup in Jugs.

Still further down the price of beefsteak goes, and in the wake of the steak there trails cheaper lamb chops, cheaper pork chops, cheaper steaks, cheaper steaks—cheaper everything, in fact, among things that appeal to the palate of carverous mankind.

Announcement in The Bee yesterday of the fact that there is a general and marked decline in the price of meat and other food stuffs has created widespread interest, and perhaps no publication in many months has been more widely read.

Reference to the present and past price list of meats published in The Bee Tuesday showed at a glance that the poor man today has his chance along with the man of plectric purse so far as dealing with the butcher is concerned, and Wednesday morning brought news from one of the most prominent meat markets in the city to the effect that a revised schedule of beefsteak prices had been made over night, and that the revision was decidedly downward.

Here is what steak was selling for Wednesday:

Sirloin	12 1/2
Porterhouse	13 1/2
Round	12 1/2
For retail points	13

Retail dealers declare that they welcome the lowering of prices, and it is declared that already the trade in meats is increasing, the public buying much more liberally than formerly. Such prices as are quoted above—and that, too, by a shop that is noted for selling meats of good quality, seems almost unbelievable in this era of high living, and there is every reason to believe that the price is inclined to rise up these frosty mornings and chant blessings upon the corn crop.

Even Thanksgiving turkey, it is said, will be cheaper than for many years, and that is anomalous in view of the almost unending turkey crop which places a premium on the turkey crop immediately prior to Thanksgiving day.

"When I was a boy, a piece of 'so'belly' in the winter time was deemed pretty good," said C. H. Pickens, general manager of the Baxter's meat company, "but in the last few years everyone demands breakfast bacon, and who would eat a slab of pork. In this lies the real reason, or one of the most important, why the cost of certain foods has been high.

A few years ago bacon was eaten for breakfast, say once a week. Then, for reasons, the price went up, and because the price was higher, everyone just had to have bacon for his or her breakfast every day. The same way with porterhouse steak.

"Who eats cornmeal for breakfast now? Most breakfast foods are commonly held to be cheap. Suppose you get a dish of oatmeal at a cost of a cent—you have to pour 30 cents worth of cream on it.

Must Have Pretty Labels.

"No one will buy syrup in the jug any more. It must come in a can with an expensive label on it, and this label, besides the cost of the cost of production and to the cost of living. The Ultimate Consumer insists on the can and the pretty label—nowadays they even want the labels embossed and the Ultimate Consumer pays for all this."

Price reductions in meat products will not be followed by declines in grocery prices nor will dry goods nor hardware show down, according to opinions of Omaha dealers.

Hardware prices have been dragging the bottom in some lines for a year, said William M. Glass of the Lee-Glass-Anderson company.

"We look for higher prices, if anything, but not by any means immediately. The grocery products outside of a few lines, including milk and cheese, are now lower than at any time for the last eleven or

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### Mrs. Stevens is Again President of the W. C. T. U.

Miss Anna Gordon is Appointed Vice President-at-Large—Third Degree Methods Condemned.

### Charges Against Grange Officers

Insurgents Allege that Clique of Standpatters is Using Funds Recklessly.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Nov. 16.—Charges that the National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, is being run by a clique of standpatters who are attempting to throttle progressive legislation and are discrediting, betraying and defeating a strong constructive leadership and using the funds of the organization recklessly, were made at the first session of the powerful farmers' organization here today.

M. S. Godfrey of Olean, N. Y., declared that George P. Hampton of New York and J. W. Helme of Adrian, Mich., the recognized leaders of the insurgents in the organization, had caused to be printed articles attacking the integrity of the grange and its leaders.

The insurgents claim the present administration retains its power because of the number of their followers. This, they say, demonstrates that a state with a membership of 70,000, as Pennsylvania has, should be given representation in proportion, which would allow insurgents to take control from the standpatters who, the insurgents claim, are backed by western states, whose membership is still in the hundreds, but who are entitled to equal vote on the questions to be discussed by the convention.

### NOTED INDIAN FIGHTER DEAD

Colonel Fechet, Who Commanded the Force Which Killed Sitting Bull, Dies in Illinois.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Nov. 16.—Lieutenant Colonel Edmund Gustav Fechet, U. S. A., retired, died today from heart failure. He was a famous Indian fighter and was in charge of the troops which killed Sitting Bull, near Fort Yates, while the Indian was resisting arrest. He was professor of military science in the University of Illinois from 1896 to 1910. Every male member of the Fechet family in the United States has served in the army.

### Two Hundred Probably Drowned

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### DRY GOODS RATES SUSPENDED

Railroads Attempt to Renew Tariff Condemned by Supreme Court.

### AFFECTS MISSOURI RIVER POINTS

Limit on Decrease Ordered by Court Expires Soon and Effort to Restore Old Rates is Balked by Commission.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—The attempt of about fourteen railroads operating between the Mississippi and Missouri rivers to resume advances in rates already condemned from Washington, was thwarted by a suspension order announced by the Interstate Commerce commission today in what is known as the Burnham-Hanna-slinger case of Kansas City.

The suspension involves a long-standing fight between St. Louis and Kansas City against raising interests and affects an immense traffic from the east. The ultimate decision will be of vital importance to not only the immediate volume of business, but as a precedent to rate making by basic points.

The commission ordered the class rates from the Mississippi to the Missouri applicable on shipments moving from points east of St. Louis to Kansas City and beyond. The principle involved is that the rates from the east to Kansas City should be lower than the aggregate of the rates from the east to St. Louis and St. Louis to Kansas City.

The railroads appealed to the courts and when the supreme court of the United States sustained the commission, the railroads put into effect the decreased rates. The litigation extended over almost two years and with the near expiration of a fixed period the roads gave notice of the contemplated restoration of the rates that had been condemned.

The roads which filed these schedules include the Santa Fe, Chicago & Alton, Chicago Great Western, Burlington, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Chicago & Northwestern, Rock Island, Illinois Central, Iowa Central, Missouri Pacific, Wabash and others, some hundred other shippers being made defendants. The Burnham company is a Kansas City jobbing concern.

### BAD MEAT SOLD IN NEW YORK

Investigation into Food Conditions Discloses Alarming State of Affairs.

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—Bad meat so decayed that it has to be sprayed with sulphuric acid to conceal its condition is being sold daily to the public, is one of the disclosures made today by the municipal investigating into general food conditions here. Canned meat has been treated with sulphuric acid to prevent stickiness in sold to children, it was also developed.

The office of the commissioners of accounts is making the investigation, and a general attack is also being made on United States bakers and chicken slaughterhouses. Investigation of bakers shows that in many concerns rotten eggs are used in the making of all kinds of cakes.

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### President Taft is Getting Information at First Hand

His special message to congress will recommend that provision be made for the establishment of postal banks in the zone.

During the day the president heard discussions of mechanics and laborers who are making increased wages based on increases in the United States. Conditions here, however, differ from those in the United States, as the government commissary has been successful in preventing the increased cost in living that has been general elsewhere. It is doubtful if larger wages will be paid in the zone.

Tonight President Taft left United States territory to enter Panama City, where he was the guest of President Dawson, who recently returned from a special mission to Nicaragua, where he accepted Provisional President Estrada of the United States in organizing a new government of the republic and in solving the financial difficulties of the country.

### FRUIT SHOW GETS MANY VISITORS

Nebraskans and Iowans Flow to Council Bluffs to Inspect the Exposition.

### SIOUX CITYANS COME ON SPECIAL

Storm Town in Force and Give Big Boost.

### MAYOR SITH HOST IN SELF

Brilliant Scenes in Halls Where Show is Spread.

### CATTLEMEN AT CORN EXHIBIT

Nebraska Sends Many Representatives to Note Advance in Corn Growth and Fruit in the Missouri Valley.

There was nearly a week of days combined into one yesterday at the National Horticultural congress and corn show at Council Bluffs. It was Nebraska day, beef and cattle day, Montgomery county (Iowa) day and Sioux City day, each of sufficient importance to be an event of itself. There were many people here from Nebraska, especially from the beef and dairy cattle districts, and they saw and learned enough to fully repay them for the trouble of coming, but they only became a part of the crowd when the special train arrived over the Northwestern carrying the Sioux City delegation. The Sioux were so full of sapient vigor, so willing to see and be seen that they swept everything before them and certainly made it "Sioux City day" in fact as well as name.

The train arrived an hour or more in advance of the time anticipated. It left Sioux City in advance of the hour scheduled, according to the information given to the exposition managers, and came down the tracks at a clip that made it interesting for its passengers. A telegram was received after the train left Missouri Valley giving the time of its arrival at Council Bluffs, and there was scurrying in hot haste to get the reception committee together and the string of automobiles ready for the guests when they arrived at the depot.

The committee was less than twenty minutes late. There was a painful shortage of autos to carry the crowd. Excuses were cut short, however, by Mayor A. A. Smith. There was the biggest, fattest and apparently the best natured man in the delegation, a splendid distinction in a crowd where a grouch could not have lived an instant.

"Come on, boys," we want to walk," shouted the Sioux City mayor. "We've had a bully good breakfast and we want to walk far enough to get up an appetite for one of your best Bluff dinners, and we've bought a little along to help us walk. The middle of the street is good enough for us. 'Come on, boys, we're off!'"

The special train arrived about 9 o'clock amid shouts of "Welcome, Sioux City!" and in a flutter of badges, banners and streamers. The Sioux City band of twenty pieces, which has maintained its organization for twenty-eight years, accompanied the excursionists, and at a signal from its leader started up Broadway playing "There'll be a hot time in the Old Town Tonight." The Sioux City crowd swallowed up the reception committee and swept them along in the procession that formed behind the band and marched to the Auditorium. There the crowd broke up, its bluff organization and scattered for a preliminary tour through the buildings.

The crowd was headed by Mayor A. A. Smith, former Mayor W. G. Sears, Aldermen Hely, Brown and Wesley; George D. Perkins, president of the Council; C. G. Davidson of the Commercial club; George S. Parker, president of the Sioux City Clearing House association; F. S. Eaton, president of the Stock Yards and Interstate Stock Fair; Frank Wilson, editor of the News; and several hundred others, for each man was the head part of the time during the visit.

Before the Sioux City crowd had lost itself in the exhibition multitude the special train from Red Oak arrived, bearing the Montgomery county people, several hundred in number. They were met at the Burlington train and escorted to the exposition grounds with proper ceremonies.

Special Features of Day. Special programs were prepared for each interval during the afternoon, but the principal feature was the welcoming ceremonies and responses. Colonel G. Saunders extended the glad hand for Council Bluffs and Editor Perkins responded for Sioux City. He also spoke for Montgomery county, declaring that he felt it was his duty to take advantage of the opportunity to welcome every man to such a show as the fruit growers of the United States had staged for their benefit. The speeches were brilliant and snappy and were thoroughly appreciated by everybody.

All of the out-of-town visitors remained until late in the afternoon, many of them for the purpose of seeing the show under the more favorable conditions at night, when the illuminations add much to the beauty and brilliancy of the scene.

Today will be another double-header on the official program. It is southwestern Iowa day and also Rice day. Special trains will be run on the Burlington and Wabash, bringing people from half a dozen towns on those lines, and also on the Milwaukee and Rock Island. Following is the official program for the day.

Today's Program. M. Address, "Relations Which Should Exist Between Suretymen and Orchards," by George A. Hurlbut, Council Bluffs, Mo. Address, "Horticulture in the Mississippi Valley," by William A. Johnston, Council Bluffs, Mo. Address, "Fruit and Fire," by J. T. Denton, Glenwood, Ia.

Band concert, 2:30 to 2:50 p. m.; 3:30 p. m., chorus of songs from the primary grades of the city schools. Band concert, 4 to 4:30 p. m.

Special Announcements. Friday is Northwestern Iowa day and Eagles day. Friday, November 18, the Concordia Ladies' singing society will appear on the program from 8:30 to 9:30 p. m.

The management is indebted to the superintendent of the city schools and to the children and teachers of the primary grades for furnishing an entertaining feature of yesterday's program.

Today is Southwestern Iowa day and Elk day and the management of the exposition and the citizens of Council Bluffs extend to our visitors a most cordial welcome to this exposition.

At 3:00 p. m. H. O. Blaisdell of New York City, an expert in the art of shorthand, will attempt to break his record of 100 words