

THIS IN NEBRASKA

EVENTS OF INTEREST OR MORE OR LESS IMPORTANCE.

Railroads Want Tax Hearing Cases Put Over—A Swindler Who Works Small Towns.

LINCOLN—Attorneys for the Burlington and Union Pacific railroads have served notice on Attorney General Brown that they will ask that the railroad tax cases be put over for hearing. Mr. Brown has replied that he will appear before the United States supreme court October 9 to resist the motion of the railroads and that he will insist on a trial of the cases at that time. The railroad attorneys have insisted from the start that they were anxious for a speedy hearing and their present attitude comes as a surprise. The Burlington case was decided by Judge Munger of the United States circuit court against the railroad, which sought an injunction to prevent the collection of the taxes levied on its property for the year 1904. An appeal was immediately taken by the Burlington and later the Union Pacific agreed to submit its case at the time the Burlington case was submitted. The date set for the hearing in the United States court was October 9. Now John N. Baldwin, attorney for the Union Pacific, informs Attorney General Brown that it was the understanding that the cases were to be submitted before a full bench. As Justice Brown has resigned and there is no probability of the president filling the place soon, Mr. Baldwin gives notice that he will on October 9 file a motion to have the case assigned for hearing at a time when there is a full bench. Attorney C. J. Greene for the Burlington has given similar notice.

Disaster from Tornado.

LINCOLN—Three men and two school children are dead, six persons are seriously injured and thousands of dollars worth of property were lost in a series of storms which visited some of the southern tier of counties of Nebraska Friday afternoon. The death-dealing storms, so far as has been learned, were confined to Pawnee county. One came as a tornado, picked up a district school house containing thirty children and a young woman teacher, dropped the building a tangled wreck in a ravine fifty rods away, leaving the dead, injured and unhurt upon the floor, which remained on its foundations. Less than ten miles to the southeast of the school three men, at about the same hour, crawled beneath a threshing machine to get out of a storm's deluge of rain, when a bolt of lightning struck and demolished the machine and killed all three men, two of whom leave widows and several children.

Swindler Gets a Thousand.

FREMONT—A swindler who has been "working" small towns is ahead about \$1,000 by his transactions and that fact has just come to light through the appearance of some of the worthless checks at Hooper. The first check was cashed at the Valentine State bank at Valentine, Neb., last Thursday. It was presented by a stranger who claimed to be a Dodge county farmer in search of ranch property. The check was for \$550 and was drawn on the First National bank of Hooper, with the forged signature of Cashier John Heine. It purported to be signed by Perry Smith and was made payable to Joseph Smith. The Valentine bank cashed the paper without investigating. On Friday a check for \$450, drawn on the First National bank of Hooper, was cashed at the Torrington, Wyoming, State bank, bearing the signature of C. W. Adams and being made payable to F. W. Young. This check was presented at the Hooper bank and the forgery discovered. The officers have a clue which they will follow.

Parole for Indian.

Governor Mickey has decided to parole Joseph Boucher, a half-breed Indian, convicted of manslaughter in Kewa Paha county. He was sentenced to serve eight years. His victim was a French-Canadian rancher named Belle Isle. Boucher has been in the penitentiary since January, 1903.

To Celebrate Syracuse Day.

SYRACUSE—Syracuse day will be celebrated here September 27 with an old-fashioned ox roast, speeches, music and a grand round of jollification. The celebration will be held under the direction of the Syracuse Commercial club.

Grieved at Son's Action.

FREMONT—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pscherer have received word that their son, Edward, deserted from the United States cruiser Boston, on which he was a sailor. Young Pscherer had been sick and an application for his discharge was pending at the time he left. His parents are greatly grieved over his action.

Former Lincoln Resident Killed.

ABERDEEN, S. D.—The body of a harvest hand, Jack Foster, formerly of Lincoln, Neb., was found on the Milwaukee track near Mellette, a small station near here, terribly mangled, three trains having passed over him before he was discovered. It is believed he threw himself in front of one of the trains with suicidal intent, the result of domestic troubles. It is not known just when he committed the deed. About three months ago he separated from his wife after a quarrel, the result of long disagreement.

Fire at Imperial.

IMPERIAL—Imperial had a \$15,000 fire, burning the Krotter Lumber company, Sheriff King's livery barn and residence, also J. I. Salesman's store-room, all fairly well insured.

To Investigate Trusts.

OMAHA—A special grand jury to investigate the ice and coal trusts will be called for the October term of district court at the request of County Attorney Slabaugh who, after examining a number of witnesses, failed to uncover any illegal combination.

NEBRASKA BRIEFS.

The Saunders county fair will be held September 26, 27 and 28.

Ashland claims to have the best amateur ball team in the state. Its potato production Scotts Bluff county takes the lead. Last year it shipped out 109,500 bushels.

An Albion contractor has purchased 250,000 brick to be used in the construction of a new Catholic church.

The schools of Beatrice and Gage county carried off a number of prizes at the state fair, the most important being the best equipped country school in Nebraska.

M. Cox, Burlington agent at Marshall, was killed by an explosion of gasoline, which occurred while he was filling the tank that supplies the water works pump.

In a field near Newman Grove a stalk of corn was found that measures fourteen feet and a half in length. It had two ears of corn, the first eight above the ground.

Gustaf Wilhelm Engdahl, one of the very early settlers of Burt county, died last week at his home in Oakland. He is survived by a wife and nine grown children.

The Callaway Queen is fighting the constitutional amendment to a finish. It pleads that its adoption would mean more taxes, and that above all things should be avoided.

D. C. Wright, a farmer, drove into Shelton to attend church and some time during the services parties unhitched his team and no trace of them has since been found.

Fred Gutshall of Blair, a fence man on the M. & O. road, was killed near Norfolk, when a hand car struck by the train from Sioux City, was hurled through the air and struck him. Death was instantaneous.

The new hospital that is about to be built at David City is to be built of artificial stone manufactured in that city. The building is to be 30x46 with eighteen rooms in all. The operating room is on the second floor.

A flagman, mistaking orders, sent a through freight into the rear of a grain freight at Crete. Several cars filled with grain were broken open and the contents strewn along the track. Traffic was delayed for several hours.

Fred Metz, formerly connected with the Omaha Y. M. C. A., and more recently from South Carolina, has been selected as the secretary and manager of the Y. M. C. A. of Beatrice. The association building will soon be ready for opening.

The farmers of Brown county are feeling fine, as they have their threshing about all done, and it is the best crop the county has ever had. Wheat will average twenty bushels to the acre and oats fifty bushels and other crops in proportion.

The National Carnival company had a balloon destroyed by fire at Superior while preparing for an ascent. Gas was being generated by burning gasoline and from some cause there was an explosion that burst the balloon. No one was injured.

At Imperial, a \$10,000 fire occurred, burning the Krotter company's lumber yard, Sheriff King's livery barn and residence and Fiesbach's storage house. The fire started in the livery barn. It was a hard fight to save the business portion of the town.

John Hall, who while serving a thirty days' jail sentence at Dakota City for stealing a saddle broke jail and was afterwards captured in Burt county, has completed his time and been taken to Thurston county where he has a similar crime hanging over him.

The first of the four elevators to be built at different points in the state by the proprietors of the Beatrice Corn mills will be erected at Cortland, Gage county. The building will be 20,000 bushels capacity, and work will be started upon it at once. The locations for the other three elevators have not yet been decided.

Failing to secure the release of her husband from the state insane hospital, Mrs. John Ryan, an aged Irish woman from Omaha, declared in trembling anger to Superintendent Hay that she would take her petition to the president of the United States. On the superintendent's suggestion, she decided instead to lay the matter before Governor Mickey.

One man was killed, another probably fatally wounded and another shot in the hip as the result of a shooting scrape in a saloon at Norfolk. Lee Bailey was killed instantly and Charles Dugan so badly wounded that it is believed he cannot live as a result of a fight between them with guns, while Erhardt Clause, a bartender, was hit in the hip by a stray bullet. The trouble arose from an old feud of long standing.

The Edgar canning factory has just completed canning this year's crop of sweet corn. The acreage this year was only half what it was last year, on account of the sweet corn market being overstocked. The factory worked just ten days this year on corn and the output was 415,000 cans, the average of the factory being 41,550 a day. The factory has already canned 1,000 cans of tomatoes and will can several thousand more before the season closes.

Byron Miller of Wausa seized his loaded rifle by the muzzle and swung it through the fence. The bullet is supposed to be flattened against the inner surface of his shoulder blade, but the doctors think he will get well.

Mrs. Clarkson, a negro woman, about 30 years of age, who has been living with her sister, Millie Hawkins, in the south part of Falls City, took an overdose of cocaine and died from the effects of the drug. She was a habitual user of cocaine, so it is thought she took it this time with the intention of committing suicide.

Sheriff Hollister of Merrick county and Sheriff Dunkle of Hall county were at Wood River looking for a stolen team from Clarks. They found it at Warren's livery barn. The thief sold it to Warren for \$65 and bought a ticket to Denver.

A thirteen-year-old boy was picked up at Crawford by J. N. Hartman, washed, fed, clothed and through the aid of other kindly disposed citizens, furnished with a ticket to his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., from which he had been absent for more than a month.

"GEE WHIZ! WON'T I EVER GET TO BE A MAN?"



PULAJANES ATTACK TROOPS

RUSH CAMP ON ISLAND OF LEYTE BUT ARE ROUTED.

Assault Planned as Revenge for Punishment for Slaying of a Lieutenant.

Manila.—In revenge for the punishment inflicted upon them by the regular troops for the killing of Lieut. Roscoe Treadwell, of the Philippine scouts, the Pulajanes attacked a detachment of the Twenty-fourth Infantry (colored) on the night of the 10th, and before they could be driven back they killed two and wounded eight of the colored soldiers.

Early on the evening of the 10th the bandits rushed the camp of Treadwell and succeeded in killing the officer. The colored troops came to the rescue and drove the fanatics from the field, killing and capturing a large number. The Twenty-fourth then went into camp near Bara, Leyte, near the scene of the engagement.

The band returned during the night, bled the outposts and rushed the camp. In the confusion of the darkness the regulars were badly cut up before they realized that the Pulajanes were upon them. The colored troops were attacked in their tents, the natives slashing the canvas with bolos and falling upon the sleeping soldiers.

The men of the Twenty-fourth were aroused by the shouts of their comrades, and went into the fight with their pistols and bayonets, and finally routed the Pulajanes, killing and wounding many of them.

In the darkness a few of the Pulajanes escaped.

BANK CASHIER TIRES OF CHASE

Returns to Hayti, Mo., to Face Trial for Alleged Shortage.

Hayti, Mo.—After having traveled leisurely through the United States and around the world, a fugitive from justice for nearly a year, Granville M. Gwyn, former cashier of the Bank of Hayti, who fled from this city leaving an alleged shortage of \$17,021, has returned and surrendered to the authorities for trial.

Gwyn was at once bound over in the sum of \$5,000.

On November 19, 1905, Gwyn suddenly disappeared from Hayti, leaving a note to the president, John L. Dorris, of the bank, stating that the books and papers would be found all right, and nothing would be found wrong excepting a shortage of \$17,021 in cash.

Gwyn admits that his sole purpose in returning voluntarily was to clear up the charges against him. His grandfather, Dr. S. M. Hayes, established the town of Hayti 12 years ago, and it now has a population of 2,000.

Miss Roosevelt in Accident.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—While driving from Sagamore Hill to Oyster Bay Friday, Miss Ethel Roosevelt, daughter of the president, was thrown out of her buggy, her horse becoming frightened at an automobile.

The accident occurred near the residence of P. L. Fearn, where Miss Ethel stopped for a few moments to regain her composure.

She was not hurt and insisted on having her horse harnessed to another buggy and on driving back to Sagamore Hill.

Killed by Explosion.

Mount Sterling, Ky.—The boiler of the Riley-Waters mill at Mariba, exploded Friday, killing instantly John Hale and Ross Byrd. Three others were burned so they will die. The mill was blown to pieces.

Revolutionist Deported.

El Paso, Tex.—Abram Jose Salcido, president of the Douglas Junta of Mexican revolutionists, was deported, it is said, on the order of the secretary of commerce on the grounds of being an undesirable foreigner.

St. Louis Police Chief on Trial.

St. Louis.—After several months of delay the trial of suspended Chief of Police Kiely was finally begun before the board of police commissioners Wednesday. The charges are neglecting his official duty.

Lightning Strikes a Schoolhouse.

Marquette, Mich.—The schoolhouse at Three Lakes, Mich., was struck by lightning and completely wrecked. School was in session, but none of the pupils was killed. Several were made unconscious.

TRAIN HOLD-UP MEN ARE FOILED

Resistance by Conductor Causes Bandits to Abandon Their Plans.

Peoria, Ill.—Four masked men attempted to hold up passenger train No. 311 on the Rock Island road one and one-half miles north of Peoria, Friday night at ten o'clock, and but for the presence of mind of Conductor Robert Murray, who disarmed one of the men after being struck on the head, the passengers would have been robbed.

There were about 100 people on the train, which left Chicago at six o'clock.

Sheriff Potter and a force of deputies and Peoria policemen are searching the woods near the scene of the attempted hold-up.

The would-be robbers placed an obstruction of railroad ties on the track, which brought the train to a standstill. They then, at the point of revolvers, commanded the engineer and fireman to remain on the engine. Running back to the front end of the smoker they mounted the platform with drawn revolvers.

Conductor Robert Murray met them at the door. One of the bandits pushed a gun into his face. He struck the weapon up and knocked it from the man's hand. He was struck over one wrist and over the head with a club, but the robbers became alarmed at his unexpected resistance and fled.

The men are described as being about 25 or 30 years of age, all of slight build. All wore masks, but evidently were amateurs at the business. A posse of deputy sheriffs and officers left the city in automobiles to search the vicinity of the attempted hold-up, but reported no captures.

One traveling man, representing a Peoria brewer, had on his person \$2,500, the result of a day's collections, and sat near the front end of the smoker.

CONVICTED OF LAND FRAUDS.

Oregon Jury Returns Verdicts Against Three Prominent Men.

Portland, Ore.—State Senator Franklin Pierce Mays, ex-Representative Willard L. Jones and George Sorenson stand convicted in the Blue mountain land fraud case.

The sealed verdict returned by the jury at 1:45 o'clock Thursday morning was read in the federal court when it opened, finding all three defendants guilty of conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with the creation of the Blue mountain forest reserve.

Counsel for the defendants immediately gave notice to move for a new trial, and were allowed time to do so.

TWELVE KILLED IN RAIL WRECK

Airbrakes Fail to Work and Harvester Train Bumps Into Passenger.

Montreal, Que.—Officials of the Canadian Pacific railway say 12 persons were killed and 12 injured in the wreck near Chelmsford Wednesday. All the killed were in the colonist car, next to the engine of the west-bound train. Most of them were harvest hands.

A harvester train going west was to meet the regular east-bound Winnipeg train. On a very steep grade the airbrakes failed to work and the harvester train bumped into the Winnipeg train, smashing the first two coaches to pieces.

Big Swindle Alleged.

Chicago.—Five men, who are said to have operated a dozen fraudulent concerns, one capitalized at \$1,000,000, are under arrest, and it is declared, frauds involving thousands of dollars have been uncovered as a result.

Wealthy Man Ended Life.

Philadelphia.—The body of Henry K. Wampole, the wealthy Philadelphia manufacturer of chemicals who had been missing for several days, was found in the East River, at New York. He had committed suicide.

Banquet to Speaker Cannon.

St. Joseph, Mich.—Eight hundred Republicans attended a banquet given in honor of Speaker Joseph G. Cannon here Wednesday evening. All of the Republican candidates for state offices were in attendance.

Liberty Given the Humberts.

Paris.—The council of ministers authorized M. Clemenceau, minister of the interior, to issue an order for the immediate release of Frederic and Theresa Humbert, under the conditional liberation law.

PANIC AT UNVEILING

GREAT CRUSH AT M'KINLEY CEREMONY AT COLUMBUS.

SPEECHES ARE DELAYED

Unruly Mob Forces Postponement of Programme, Two Women, Badly Injured, Being Removed by the Police.

Columbus, O.—With a panic threatening in a crowd estimated at 50,000 people, surging about the stand erected in the capitol grounds, frantic to secure a glimpse of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, the president's daughter, the exercises arranged for the dedication of the McKinley monument were suddenly terminated Friday afternoon after the statue of the martyred president had been hurriedly unveiled by Mrs. Longworth.

The prompt action of the committee on arrangements was regarded as most fortunate, for the crowd was beyond control and the shrieking of women and children who were caught in the crush was rapidly working the crowd into a frenzy.

Many women fainted and were carried out of the crowd by the police. Two were so badly hurt that they had to be removed in an ambulance.

The McKinley monument stands at the west entrance to the grounds, facing the street, and the crowd was packed into this space between the speakers' stand and the monument. The exercises were set for 2:30, and began promptly.

It was not until the band was playing the overture that the danger of a panic became apparent. Suddenly



STATUE OF M'KINLEY. Unveiled by Mrs. Longworth at Columbus, Ohio.

women in the crowd next to the speakers' stand began to scream and cry for help. Then several women fainted and were carried up to the stand. Rev. Dr. Washington Gladstone rose to deliver the invocation, but he spoke only a few sentences when the roar of voices forced him to stop. Gov. Harris then attempted to quiet the crowd. "Keep back!" he shouted. "You are crushing these people in front to death."

The governor's voice could not be heard 20 feet away, however, on account of the din. The commotion then became so alarming that those on the stand asked Mrs. Longworth to come forward in the hope that a glimpse of her might satisfy the crowd. She came to the front of the stand and it was seen at once that something must be done, and it was decided to unveil the statue at once.

Mrs. Longworth then pulled the ribbon attached to wires which drew the flags covering the statue aside. A man hoisted on another's shoulder grasped the ribbons and the wire and they were quickly torn into fragments by relic seekers.

The crush was stopped for a few moments, but it was soon renewed, and Mrs. Longworth again came to the front of the platform and bowed to the throng. In the meantime, however, the committee on arrangements had decided to defer the addresses until evening at the Memorial hall, and as soon as Mrs. Longworth retired the announcement was made. The people struggling for their lives in the crowd around the stand cheered, but a storm of hisses came from the people on the outskirts of the crowd, who did not understand the situation.

The programme of exercises which had been arranged for the unveiling of the McKinley monument was carried out at Memorial hall at night.

Split on Presbyterian Union.

Bloomington, Ill.—A proposed three days' session of the Lincoln presbytery of the former Cumberland Presbyterian church at Stanford came to a sudden end when nearly one-half of the delegates repudiated the union.

Shut 48 from Country.

San Francisco.—Quarantine officers refused landing to 48 persons on the steamer Siberia, which just arrived from the orient, who had unmistakable evidence of trachoma. Of these 37 were Japanese and 15 Hindus.

Fraternal Union Meets.

Denver, Col.—The supreme lodge of the Fraternal Union of America convened here Tuesday for its third quadrennial session. F. P. Rose, of Denver, is supreme president and its headquarters are in this city.

Railroad Fireman Now Rich.

Escanaba, Mich.—From \$60 a month to the possession of a fortune of \$975,000 within one week is the record of James A. Devlin, a fireman on the Northwestern road. Devlin invented a turbine steam engine.

WILL REMAIN "ROAST BEEF"

LABEL ON CANNED PRODUCT NOT TO BE CHANGED.

Chicago Packer, Senator and Secretary Wilson Arrive at Decision After a Conference.

Washington.—Canned roast beef will continue to bear the label of "Roast Beef," notwithstanding the fact that it really is boiled beef. This was a decision reached at a conference Thursday between Secretary Wilson, of the department of agriculture, and Senator Hopkins, of Illinois, and Thomas E. Wilson, general manager of the Nelson-Morris Packing company, of Chicago.

Senator Hopkins and Mr. Wilson discussed the matter with President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay Wednesday and were referred by him to Secretary Wilson. Thursday the subject was considered fully in the light of all the technical information bearing upon it. Mr. Wilson explained that the method of preparing canned roast beef was to parboil the meat for 15 minutes and then put it in cans and subject it to steam heat for three hours. The term "roast beef" which was applied to this product was of particular value to the packers, Mr. Wilson said, because the method had been copied by the Australian and South American packers, who would profit by it if the American packers were forced to abandon it.

After full consideration, it was decided that the cans might bear the label of roast beef, but that it should be stated on the labels how the beef was prepared and cooked. Secretary Wilson made it clear that only perfectly healthy beef could be used in the preparation of the canned roast beef, although the product is not of the highest grade of cattle. No preservatives of any kind will be used in the preparation of the product and the label must state just how it is prepared.

The decision was entirely satisfactory to the packers.

RUSSIAN TOWN BURIED BY MUD

Fifty-five Bodies Recovered Out of 255 Caught in Avalanche.

Tiflis.—Practically without warning the side of a mountain rising above the township of Kwarell broke away, and in a sea of semi-liquid mud, sand and stones swept down on the township and overwhelmed and obliterated it.

About 255 persons have been buried alive. Fifty-five bodies have been recovered from the mire, which is about six feet deep. In addition to the lives lost, countless numbers of cattle perished and the crops were destroyed.

Kwarell township occupies an area of five kilometers in the district of Tslaw, in the Caucasus. Similar disasters are of common occurrence in Caucasian valleys.

[Kwarell is in the mountainous regions of the Caucasus, where the mountains are of a semi-volcanic nature and where hot sulphur springs abound. Disasters of the kind occurring at Kwarell are so common the people have learned to disregard them, but it is comparatively seldom that towns are destroyed, much of this region being sparsely inhabited.]

PRESIDENT AWARDS YACHT CUP

Congratulates the Winners and Felicitates the Losers.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—President Roosevelt placed himself on record Friday as an enthusiastic supporter of amateur sports. He also took occasion to weld a new link of friendship between the United States and Germany.

He did this by making the official presentation of the Roosevelt cup to the American Yacht club, the trophy which was won by the yacht Vim of that club, during the recent international races of Marblehead, Mass., in which several German boats competed unsuccessfully.

The president commended the sportsmanship of the Germans. They had, he said, demonstrated that they could withstand the supreme test of sportsmen—they could lose gracefully. While the president congratulated the winning club most heartily, he said there was a note of regret in his indorsement because the Germans had lost. However, he felt great satisfaction that the yachts which had come across the ocean for the race had been "in the winners" (referring to the one race won by a German yacht).

Move for Two-Cent Fare.

HARRISBURG, Pa.—S. M. Williams, secretary of the Pennsylvania State Board of Trade, made public copies of letters received from the governors of several states on the movement to obtain uniform legislation throughout the United States for a two-cent maximum fare on all steam railroads.

Forty Thousand People Celebrate.

BLISS, Okla.—Forty thousand people attended the celebration of the thirteenth anniversary of the opening of the Cherokee strip at the "101" ranch Sunday. The celebration consisted of a wild west show and Indian exhibition.

Death of General Trepoff.

ST. PETERSBURG—General Trepoff, feeling relieved of the trying duty of protecting his imperial master, retired to his cabinet to rest and have orders that he should not be disturbed until dinner was served. When at 7:30 o'clock dinner was announced, General Trepoff did not answer the call and finally a member of his staff knocked at the door of his cabinet. Receiving no reply, he entered and found the general lying stretched out at the foot of his couch with a newspaper in his hand, dead.

Riots in Paris Streets.

PARIS—Although a majority of the stores here Sunday complied with the compulsory weekly rest law, several remained open, causing numerous demonstrations. The police were forced repeatedly to charge a mob of 400 persons.

Washington—The naval tug Potomac sailed Sunday from New York for Newfoundland to prosecute an inquiry into the fisheries. Prof. Alexander was aboard as the representative of the fish commission.

UNCLE SAM READY

ABLE TO LAND 4,000 IF FOUND NECESSARY.

VESSELS ARE ON THE WAY

Three Battleships Ordered Down Atlantic Coast, Will Keep in Touch With the Government by Wireless—Efforts to Restore Peace.

WASHINGTON—It was announced at the navy department that the battleships Louisiana, Virginia and New Jersey have been ordered down the Atlantic coast on a "shakedown" cruise and that they have been directed to keep in touch with the government at Washington by wireless telegraph and if necessary, in the event of an emergency arising, they will be sent to Havana. It was also stated that the cruisers Tacoma and Cleveland have sailed from Norfolk, Va., and that the cruisers Minneapolis and neapolis and Newark carry about 700 men altogether and the Tacoma 150. Should all these vessels go to Havana the navy would be able to land a force of 4,000 in Cuba or Thursday, of any developments should occur rendering such action necessary. Final instructions will be given the Cleveland and other vessels when they reach Key West. The Cleveland's sailing from the Norfolk yard occurred yesterday, while the Tacoma left here today. The Louisiana and Virginia left Newport yesterday after hurriedly coaling. The New Jersey sailed from Boston.

HAVANA—The government Sunday evening is making final strenuous efforts to restore peace in Cuba, and thus avoid any kind of American intervention. The object of these endeavors, it is stated, is that it may be able to say, by the time Secretary of War Taft and acting Secretary of State Bacon arrive, that peace already has been secured, and that, therefore, there is no need for the American government's intervention either to restore peace or insure permanent tranquility.

Members of the government informed the Associated Press that they are making the efforts in accordance with the advice contained in President Roosevelt's letter; that they have no objection to the friendly assistance of the United States in the matter if it becomes necessary, but that they believe they can settle it between the government and the revolutionists without the necessity of any intervention. At least, they say, they are making an attempt to accomplish this end unaided, and with fair prospects of success.

BRYAN ON CUBAN SITUATION.

Says Islanders Should Be Allowed to Settle Their Own Troubles.

ROANOKE, Va.—William Jennings Bryan gave the first expression he has made on the present Cuban situation. When seen in his car just before he left for Lynchburg by a representative of the Associated Press and asked if he would say anything about the situation in Cuba and whether in his opinion the United States should intervene, Mr. Bryan dictated the following statement:

"I am very glad that the administration recalled the troops landed at Havana. While we should do all in our power to bring about peace by offering the good offices of our country, we have no business interfering with their local affairs. They must settle the disputes among themselves, but I would be glad if both parties would be willing to accept mediation with the idea of bringing about an agreement through the good offices of our government."

Cloudburst in North Nebraska.

JACKSON, Neb.—At 7:30 o'clock Sunday morning water from a cloudburst in the northwestern part of Dakota county and the eastern part of Dixon county, rushed down the valley of Elk Creek, sweeping away hundreds of tons of hay, flooding hogs caught in the pens, drowning cellars, washing away railroad tracks and doing other damage, all of which is conservatively estimated at \$100,000. The wave of water in the creek, when it struck this town, was seven feet high. The Omaha and Great Northern roads both lost considerable track.

Move for Two-Cent Fare.

HARRISBURG, Pa.—S. M