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STOCKMEN VISIT SHELTON

Ask That Changes Be Made in Quarantine Proclamation.

Lincoln, Jan. 28.—Complaining that his quarantine proclamation against mumps and itch in cattle is working a hardship to the live stock industry in this state, Governor Sheldon was visited by stockmen of the range country and representatives of the South Omaha stock yards, who asked that changes be made in his proclamation. Accompanying the delegation was State Veterinarian McKim and Dr. McWhirter of the government bureau and Drs. Clark and Ramsey, Colorado inspectors. The complaint was that the proclamation was too general, and prevented shipments from localities where no disease existed. It was also asserted that lack of funds, both state and government, prevented inspection of herds, even when the owners desired it. One range stock owner said he was willing to pay inspection charges himself if he could secure an authorized inspector. Governor Sheldon told the delegation to draft regulations, and if they did not violate the statutes and were reasonable he would consent to the changes.

LAMBERT MUST SERVE ONE YEAR

Supreme Court Affirms Sentence Imposed Upon Father Scheil's Assailant.

Lincoln, Jan. 25.—Logan Lambert, a former saloon keeper and alleged "bootlegger" among the Indians on the reservation in Thurston county, must serve a sentence of one year in the penitentiary for assault on Father Joseph Scheil, a Catholic priest. This was the decision of the supreme court. Father Scheil was active in preventing the illegal sale of liquor to the Indians, and incurred the enmity of some of the saloon men. In April, 1905, at Dakota City, Father Scheil, while in the town in attendance at a trial, was assaulted by Lambert, knocked down, and his jawbone broken. Lambert was arrested, tried and the lower court sentenced him to a year in the penitentiary. He appealed on the ground that the sentence was excessive, but the supreme court affirmed the sentence. Father Scheil gained prominence by his activity in denouncing alleged land frauds practiced against the Indians.

FATAL AFFRAY AT GILCHRIST

Frank McNess Killed in a Fight With Delbert Walcott.

Aurora, Neb., Jan. 28.—Frank McNess is dead at Gilchrist, this county, as the result of a fight with Delbert Walcott of the same place. Both of the participants in the fight are young men and unmarried.

The two men had an altercation in a pool hall and this led to blows. The two men clinched and fell to the floor, with Walcott on top. Several more blows were exchanged and the bystanders then interfered. Walcott arose, but McNess was unable to regain his feet. Efforts were made to revive him, but they were unavailing, he dying in a few minutes, only speaking a few words.

So far as can be ascertained, no weapons other than fists were used by either of the participants in the affray, and it is thought death was caused by concussion of the brain. Walcott is in jail here.

Grain Dealers Favor Federal Inspection

Lincoln, Jan. 23.—At a meeting of the Nebraska Farmer Grain Dealers' association a resolution was passed declaring for the system of federal supervision over grain grading and weighing, particular reference being made to the practice of boards of trade of some central markets. B. R. Beal of Kansas City read a paper on federal inspection of grain, in which he advocated such legislation as proposed in the bill of Senator McCumber of North Dakota.

Rainbow Trout for Nebraska Streams.

Lincoln, Jan. 28.—Superintendent O'Brien of the state fisheries is in Lincoln, going home from Valentine, Neb. He has been there with 200,000 brook trout eggs to place in the hatchery at that place. In April he will take a lot of rainbow trout eggs there for hatching, to be scattered in the streams of northern Nebraska, wherever conditions are favorable to their existence.

Nebraska Adopts Texas Rule.

Lincoln, Jan. 28.—No more railway stations can be established or closed in Nebraska without the permission of the state railway commission. At a meeting of the commission a rule similar to the one in force in Texas was adopted. The adoption of the rule does not give to or take from the power of the commission to regulate such matters, but is merely notice to the railroads.

THAW CASE NEAR END

ALIENISTS NOW SWEAR IT WAS "MANIC-DEPRESSIVE" INSANITY.

Attorney for Prisoner Reads Hypothetical Question Embodying Evidence in His Case—Prosecution Begins Its Evidence in Rebuttal.

New York, Jan. 28.—The Thaw defense closed its case with "manic-depressive" insanity as the explanation of the death of Stanford White at the hands of the young, Pittsburgh millionaire. The prosecution has begun its evidence in rebuttal and the case seems to go to the jury by Thursday noon. District Attorney Jerome will apply for the appointment of a commission to take the testimony of Abraham Hummel, the convicted lawyer who is confined in the penitentiary on Barkwell's island, and who is said to be too ill to appear in court. Mr. Littleton of the defense said he would oppose any such action, whereupon Justice Dowling announced that if necessary he would go to the island himself tonight, in company with the defendant and his counsel, to preside at the taking of Hummel's testimony. The jury, it was said, would not be compelled to take the night trip across the river. Thaw seemed delighted at the prospect of the outing—even to the grim shores of New York city's penal colony—and smiled broadly at the court's suggestion.

Alienists on the Stand.

District Attorney Jerome disappointed a crowded court room when he refrained from his tactics of last year in baiting the expert witnesses for the defense, three of whom—Drs. Wagner, Evans and Jelliffe—declared that Thaw at the time he killed Stanford White was suffering from such a defect of reason as not to know the nature or quality of his act or that the act was wrong. The prosecutor contented himself with drawing from the alienists the fact that last year they swore it was during a "brain storm" that Thaw committed the homicide. He also read from the affidavit made by Dr. Wagner before the lunacy commission last year giving conversations had with Thaw in court which tended to show that the defendant had a distinct recollection of occurrences on the roof garden immediately preceding the tragedy.

Dowling Secures Information.

It was left to Justice Dowling to make a most important inquiry of the alienists. He desired to know the exact nature of "manic-depressive" insanity and if the attacks were likely to recur. He also asked if a person suffering from this form of insanity would be likely to commit assaults. He learned that it was a recurrent form of mental disorder, the attacks coming suddenly and without warning, a period of insanity being followed by a maniacal outburst, then by a period of complete depression and then by another lucid interval. It seemed that the presiding judge was securing information upon which to predicate judicial action in the event of a verdict of not guilty on the ground of insanity or of a straight acquittal. Even in this latter event it was pointed out that Justice Dowling would have the right to have Thaw committed for examination.

English Physician's Diagnosis.

An English physician, one of the three men of medicine who testified, first gave the name of "manic-depressive" or "sub-acute mania" to Thaw's mental condition. Dr. Sydney Russell Wells of London made the diagnosis during an outbreak by Thaw in London in 1899, when with a normal temperature Thaw demanded that the walls of his rooms in a nursing home be torn down so that he might have air and that twenty tons of ice be put in the apartment to cool it. Mr. Littleton's question, which was answered by the three experts, was a complete resume of the evidence, with the exception, as District Attorney Jerome pointed out, of the testimony of James C. Smith, brother-in-law of Stanford White, who talked with Thaw for fifteen minutes just before the shooting on the roof of Madison Square Garden. The question contained some fifteen thousand words.

ARGENTINA GREET'S FLOTILLA

Led by Home Boats, Americans Enter Buenos Ayres Harbor.

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 27.—Attended by a division of Argentina torpedo boats, the American torpedo boat flotilla, which left Rio Janeiro, Jan. 21, entered the port of Buenos Ayres at 8:30 a. m., the arrival being witnessed by a great crowd of spectators. A few minutes later Commander Moreno of the ministry of marine went aboard the Whipple and welcomed the American officers in behalf of the government of the Argentine republic. The entire extent of the public docks, where berths had been prepared for the visiting fleet, was lined by detachments of marines and prefecture guards. Almost up to the moment of entering port the weather had been extremely stormy, but it gradually cleared and brought increased numbers of spectators down to the harbor to give silent, but hearty, welcome to the American sailors. On entering the

main one of the tugs which had the torpedo boats in tow was cast off, leaving the tug Enriqueta to conduct the Whipple to her moorings. Lieutenant Cone, commander of the flotilla, was greatly pleased with the hearty reception. The Americans were met by the Argentine flotilla on Flores island. The welcoming fleet saluted and steamed around the flotilla and for half an hour there was a warm exchange of greetings. Commander Cone subsequently boarded the Argentine flagship and the trip to this port was continued.

Every boat in the American flotilla is in excellent condition and made the passage here without a hitch. The boats will remain here until Thursday morning, when they will steam for Sandy Point, in the Magellan strait, to join the battleship fleet.

A number of entertainments have been arranged in honor of the visitors, which will include excursions to interesting points, a banquet to be given by the minister of marine and receptions by the president of the republic and the naval club. These will take up today and tomorrow, and on Wednesday there will be a reception at the American legation and a number of private parties.

It is expected that the Argentine squadron, which has been ordered to meet the American battleships and escort them down the coast, will come into communication with the Pacific fleet about 125 miles out from Cape Corrientes today. The battleships left Rio Janeiro on Jan. 22.

PRESERVED FOODS KILL MANY

Dr. Wiley Shows Great Dangers in Use of Adulterants.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture, reported to the house committee on agriculture the results of experiments conducted by the bureau to determine the poisonous effect on the human system of such drugs as borax, benzoic acid, benzoate of soda, sulphate of copper, sulphur dioxide, formaldehyde and salicylic acid when contained in foodstuffs. Dr. Wiley said that the expulsion of those and kindred drugs from the body is performed almost entirely by the kidneys, and that he is satisfied the term of American life would be lengthened if the use of such drugs in foods were wholly discontinued. He said he was convinced that kidney disease, so prevalent among Americans, is partly the result of constant introduction in the system of such preservative substances as benzoate of soda carried in foods.

The committee was informed by Dr. Wiley of plans to teach the farmers of the United States to make denatured alcohol. Next August he proposes to erect a still at the bureau of chemistry and operate it himself for two or three months, producing denatured alcohol daily from damaged fruit and vegetable substances. He has invited the agricultural colleges of each state to send representatives to Washington to observe his still and master the process of distillation. "The law permitting the free distillation of denatured alcohol," said Dr. Wiley, "has not benefited the farmers of the country at all, for they do not know how to build a still or run one. I propose to teach them through the agricultural colleges, if they want to learn. Denatured alcohol is an excellent fuel and makes a fine light. As it can be manufactured from farm waste, the farmers ought to avail themselves of the new law permitting it to be made without imposition of a revenue tax."

Vessels Limp Into Port.

New York, Jan. 27.—Tales of a shipwreck at sea and possible loss of life are the echoes of the recent severe storm that were brought to port by belated and tempest-tossed steam ships.

Fears that an unknown three-masted schooner, with her crew, has been lost in the storm off the Delaware capes are expressed by officers of the steamer Manna Hata, which limped into harbor from Baltimore. The schooner was seen struggling in the trough of the sea off the Delaware capes.

Mohler Makes Further Reduction.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Jan. 28.—Supplementing the order of Saturday, issued by Vice President Mohler, reducing the work in the Union Pacific shops to five days per week, the order was posted here reducing it still further, to three days per week, apparently in pursuance of the policy of retrenchment which Mr. Mohler is quoted as saying would be followed as long as the president's attacks on corporations continued.

American Ship Founders at Sea.

Honolulu, Jan. 28.—The American ship Eclipse, laden with a cargo of coal, in command of Captain C. B. Larsen, and bound from Newcastle, Australia, to San Francisco, foundered in latitude 36 north and longitude 155 west. All the members of the crew took to the boats. Three men died from exhaustion before reaching land; Captain Larsen, the mate and eleven men landed at Hana.

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URGE REVISION OF TARIFF
National Board of Trade Adopts Resolutions and Adjourns.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The National Board of Trade concluded its sessions here with the adoption of a number of important resolutions, among them being one urging an expeditious revision of the tariff and endorsing the proposition for the creation of a permanent tariff commission. It was unanimously agreed that the president and congress should be petitioned to take immediate steps to bring about reciprocity trade treaties between the United States and other countries. Postmaster General Meyer's proposition for the establishment of a postal saving bank was commended.

The National Board of Trade went on record in calling upon congress to clearly define the status of the tariff with reference to our insular possessions. Resolutions also were adopted commending the administration's policy in the preservation of the national forests and the redemption of the arid lands by irrigation.

The following officers were unanimously elected to serve during the ensuing year: President, Frank D. La Lanne of Philadelphia; first vice president, P. M. Estes of Nashville, Tenn.; second vice president, Clinton White of Boston; treasurer, William R. Tucker of Philadelphia.

Pearl Banks of Ceylon.

In a report from Colombo the United States consul says that of the world's great fisheries none can compare either in point of antiquity or in the continuity of their prosecution with the pearl fisheries of Ceylon, which he thus describes: "The pearl banks of Ceylon date back to the sixth century before Christ. It is recorded that Vijaya, the first Singhalese king of Ceylon, in the year 550 B. C. presented his father-in-law, the Pandyan king of Madura, a gift of pearls," thus indicating a settled fishery for pearls on the coast of his dominion prior to the historic date."

Lack of Confidence.

A party returning home in hired brougham, the driver of which is somewhat inebriated.

Paterfamilias (who at a hill climbs on to the box at the request of materfamilias)—Give me the reins.

Coachman—'Ave you never druv down this 'ere 'ill afore?

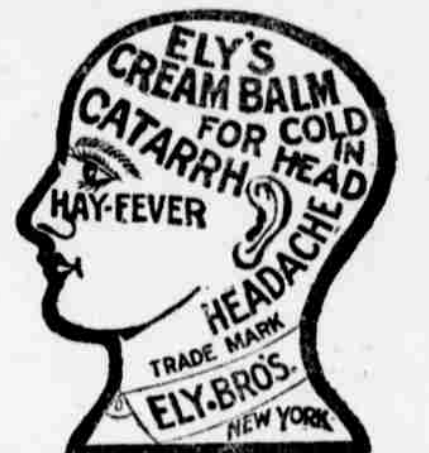
Pater (taking the reins)—No, I have not.
Coachman—Then I'll walk. (Does so.)—London Punch.

Clever Retort.

"Yes, I am going to marry Mr. Bullion."

"Why, he is old enough to be your father!"

"I know he is, but unfortunately he doesn't seem to care for mother."—Louisville Courier-Journal.



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