

IS TAKING HIS TIME

MEDIATION DELEGATES ARE BECOMING ANXIOUS.

WANT ELECTION ON MONDAY

Commercial Travelers Want Election Day Changed from Tuesday—First Death from Pellagra in Nebraska.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Niagara Falls, Ont.—After waiting with no word of the plans of the constitutionalists with reference to the proposed informal conference with the Huerta delegates over Mexico's internal affairs, the mediation colony is showing signs of anxiety. Few are certain the constitutionalists will participate. It became apparent that although spokesmen of General Carranza had expressed themselves in favor of the conference, the constitutionalist chief had by no means made up his mind on the subject. It is expected that strong pressure will have to be exerted to persuade him to agree to the plan set forth by the mediators when they drew up the protocols outlining the methods of the adjustment of the international side of the problem and leaving the selection of a provisional president to be determined by the two Mexican factions.

First Victim of Pellagra.
Lincoln, Neb.—The first death in Nebraska directly due to pellagra occurred at the state hospital for the insane Thursday night. Harry L. Tyler, 38 years old, committed to the asylum from David City a year ago, was the victim. Tyler contracted the disease nearly three months ago, and grew steadily worse until death relieved him. Tyler's case was but the third to be known to Nebraska physicians. The first two cases appeared at the hospital for the insane during the last year. In one instance the patient recovered. In the second the sufferer died. Death was not, however, directly due to the disease, but to a cerebral hemorrhage. The disease is exceedingly rare in this country, and although prevalent in southern Europe, was unknown in America until a few years ago. Since that time its ravages have been confined chiefly to the south.

WANT ELECTIONS ON MONDAY.

Commercial Travelers in Campaign to Work Up Sentiment.

Columbus, O.—Plans for campaigns in every state and with the federal government to change voting days from Tuesday to Monday were formulated by the supreme council of the United Commercial Travelers, in session here. More than 100,000 of the 150,000 members of the order in the country are virtually disenfranchised by the present voting day because they cannot remain at their homes until Tuesday, officials of the organization said.

Disastrous Fire in Historic City.

Salem, Mass.—Nearly half of the old witch city of Salem, rich in historic buildings and tradition, was devastated by a fire that caused an estimated loss of \$20,000,000; destroyed one thousand buildings, including a score of manufacturing factories, and made 10,000 of the 45,000 residents homeless. Starting as the result of an explosion in the Korn Leather company's plant, the flames spread in all directions, defying all efforts of the firemen.

A Scene of Devastation.

Watertown, S. D.—Two hundred buildings in the path of Tuesday night's tornado present a scene of ruin. Some are entirely demolished, while scores are unroofed, twisted off foundations and moved many feet. Practically every building in a strip two blocks wide and ten blocks long was scattered along the trail. All the most seriously injured are said to have a chance to recover.

Seven Killed in Dynamite Explosion.

Sheffield, Ala.—Seven persons were killed and more than a score injured by a dynamite explosion on the government dredge fleet at Smithsonia, on the Tennessee river, eighteen miles below Sheffield.

Kookuk, Ia.—The Iowa vasectomy.

Plattsburgh, Neb.—A bill for the sterilization law passed by the last general assembly, has been declared unconstitutional, null and void in a decision filed by Judge Smith McPherson of Red Oak, Ia., United States district judge of the southern district of Iowa.

Washington.—Nebraska items in the Indian appropriation bill were increased by the senate to a total of \$101,340, being \$17,800 more than the house appropriated. All increases were for the Genoa Indian school.

Washington.—Treasury department officials are confident the unusual exportation of gold is drawing to an end and predict there will be little gold exported from now on, which had not been contracted for before the exchange rate fell. The sudden decline in the exchange rate to a point where the exportation of gold is no longer highly profitable is taken as an indication that the heavy shipments of gold already made to Europe have satisfied the demand in a measure and a further decline is expected by the treasury department.

BATCHING IT



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PUT A PENALTY ON TIPPING

BIG NEW YORK DRY GOODS HOUSE IN RECEIVERS' HANDS.
Senate Bill Would Make Tipping a Penal Offense—President Wilson Promises Big Boom in Business.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. New York.—The biggest mercantile failure in the history of the United States was precipitated Friday when receivers were appointed for the H. B. Claflin company of this city. The company, it is estimated, owes more than \$30,000,000, which at the present time it is unable to pay. Its assets are said to be \$44,000,000. John Claflin, head of the company, and its chief individual stockholder, is the owner of a chain of nearly thirty other dry goods enterprises throughout the country, which are involved in the failure. Receivers for several of these have been named, and similar action, it was announced, would be taken in the case of the rest. Their business will be continued under receivers' management until their financial affairs have been adjusted.

Promises Big Business Boom.

Washington.—Under a "new constitution of freedom" for business given by anti-trust legislation soon to be passed by congress, President Wilson has promised the country the greatest business boom in its history. This was the president's final answer to the opponents of trust legislation at this session of congress and to prophets of evil times, delivered with determined expression and every word emphasized with a clenched fist. "We know what we are doing," said Mr. Wilson; "we purpose to do it under advice for we have been fortunate enough to obtain the advice of men who understand the business of the country, and we know that the effect is going to be exactly what the effect of the currency reform was, a sense of relief and security."

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Bill Offered in Senate Would Make It Unlawful.
Washington.—Tipping to porters and waiters on trains and steamboats in interstate commerce would be prohibited by a bill introduced by Senator Works. At the same time it would make it unlawful for an employer to pay such low wages that tips were necessary for the proper compensation of the employe.

Zacatecas in Rebels' Hands.

Zacatecas, Mex.—After four days of preliminary fighting, the final assault on Zacatecas took place Tuesday, resulting in the capture of the city at 7:30 p. m. The battle was the most hotly contested during the present revolution in the belief of leaders here. Fourteen thousand federalists were entrenched in seemingly impregnable positions. Five thousand prisoners were captured by General Villa's troops. Twelve cannon, nine military trains, 6,000 rifles and three carloads of cannon and rifle ammunition were captured.

Manfield O'Brien Instantly Killed.

Plattsburgh, Neb.—Manfield O'Brien, son of the superintendent of the state fisheries at South Bend, was shot and killed here when he was struck by a bullet fired by George Barr, who was resisting arrest attempted by Chief of Police Rainey and Officer Newman. Barr pointed the revolver at Chief Rainey. The officer struck the gun up and to the side and it was discharged, the bullet piercing O'Brien's heart. Barr is now in jail and claims that the killing was the fault of the officers.

Found Daughter in Morgue.

Denver, Colo.—Mrs. E. E. Preston of Omaha came here to visit her 17-year-old daughter, whom she had not seen for six years. Mother and daughter had for days been rapidly preparing for the meeting, which each anticipated with delight. The mother found the daughter in the coroner's morgue. The daughter was Madeline Cunningham. She was injured in a motorcycle accident when Earl Hanz, with whom she was riding on his machine, was killed and her injuries caused her death a few hours later.

DIFFERENCES NOW REGARDED AS FINISHED.

Nebraska Newspaper People Wind Up Session by Electing Officers—Tornado Causes Deaths and Heavy Loss.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Niagara Falls, Ont.—Terms for composing all international differences between the United States and Mexico have been concluded. The conditions under which diplomatic relations will be resumed were embodied in a protocol which was signed by the ambassador from Brazil, the ministers of Chile and Argentina and the American and Huerta delegates. The character of the settlement is not expected to arouse opposition from the constitutionalists, who will participate in and to a large degree would mould the adjustment of all internal disputes. When a new provisional government is established to succeed that headed by General Huerta the result of mediation—recognized as a triumph for pan-American diplomacy—will become effective.

Tornado Claims Usual Toll.

Chicago.—Seven deaths, many injuries crop damages amounting to many thousands of dollars and minor damage to buildings were caused in a severe electrical and wind storm that swept over Minnesota and Wisconsin from the northwest Wednesday. Communication between many cities was stopped owing to the prostration of telegraph and telephone wires, and it is feared that a still larger loss of life will be revealed when the full extent of the storm becomes known.

EDITORS RETURN TO HOMES.

Nebraska Newspaper Folks Break Camp at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Neb.—Tired Nebraska editors began pouring out of the tented city at Epworth Lake Wednesday, making for their homes. The election of officers for the coming year, the selection of Omaha for the 1915 meeting and the windup of the discussion of office work were gone through with as the finale. H. A. Brainerd of Hebron was elevated to the presidency. Horace Davis of Ord, a democrat, was elected vice president. C. C. Johns of Grand Island was again chosen secretary-treasurer and Mrs. Marie Weekes of Norfolk was selected for the corresponding secretaryship for the coming year.

Farmer Lost in Wheat Field.

Hastings, Neb.—Theodore Siegner, Juniata farmer, went into his wheat field in search of a Hessian fly, reported to have been seen in the county, when he became confused and lost his bearings in the rank growth of grain. Postmaster Rickie of Juniata says Siegner wandered for hours in the tall grain and that he was located by a searching party after he had been heard calling for help.

Beatrice, Neb.—That the Gage at least ten bushels an acre by the county wheat yield has been cut short ravages of the Hessian fly is the opinion of C. H. Lubers, farm demonstrator for Gage county.

Saltillo, Mex.—General Felipe Angeles, acting secretary of war of the constitutional cabinet, has been deposed from that position by order of General Carranza, for disobedience of orders. No further details of the action reached here beyond a statement that Angeles had received certain orders from Carranza and had failed to carry them out.

Washington.—The Turkish government has protested formally against the proposed sale of the battleships Mississippi and Idaho to Greece.

Federal Regulation of Cotton.

Washington.—Administration democrats are preparing to put through the house legislation for federal regulation of cotton and grain under a special rule at this session. A favorable report has already been made upon the bill to regulate cotton by the house committee on agriculture, and they are now whipping into shape the grain bill. It will probably be reported by the committee next week. The terms of the grain bill have already been virtually agreed to.

THE EDITORIAL CAMP MEETING

MOST SUCCESSFUL GATHERING EVER HELD BY STATE PRESS ASSOCIATION.

WAS A RECORD ATTENDANCE

State Press Association Holds Its Initial Outdoor Session at Epworth Lake Park at Lincoln.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Lincoln, Neb.—With the folding up of the tents which for a week had sheltered and housed the editors of Nebraska and their families to the number of nearly 500, the most successful convention ever held by the Nebraska Press association came to an end at Epworth Lake park Wednesday morning. The innovation of camping out and extending to a week the usual three days' session of the association was a success far beyond the fondest dreams of the local committee, and far exceeded the expectations of any one connected with the arrangements for the state meeting.



HARRY A. BRAINERD
Of the Hebron Chamber, the Newly Elected President.

The business deliberations of the association took place in the morning, were interesting, and attended by nearly every member on the grounds, while the afternoons were devoted to every variety and form of entertainment that the fertile brains of the local committee could devise or suggest. And that the program as mapped out was appreciated was evidenced by the expression of supreme satisfaction pictured on the countenance of every man, woman and child on the vast assembly grounds. The women folks particularly enjoyed it, and one of them said: "I never saw such a meeting. We are all pleased, and it seems to be the desire generally among the wives and families of the newspaper people that the editorial camp meeting be made an institution, and we are glad that the association has endorsed the idea of another meeting of the same nature in 1916."

The program in the auditorium Tuesday evening was practically the closing meeting of the session. The first part of the evening was given over to the women, who staged a vaudeville performance for the amusement of the crowd. The short performance was followed by the installation of the newly elected officers, namely, H. H. Brainerd, president; Horace M. Davis, vice president; C. C. Johns, secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. Marie Weekes recording secretary.

Carl Stekelberg entertained the large audience with several violin selections. Mrs. Henry Richmond, the favorite of the press association, sang the "Lullaby" by request. Mrs. Richmond never fails to appear upon a program for the Nebraska State Press association, and at every appearance is called upon to sing the "Lullaby." Bess Gerhart Morrison of University Place gave a reading on "The Cow," which was enthusiastically received and vociferously applauded.

Following the evening's program the following were appointed as members of the executive committee for the coming year, G. S. Foxworthy, A. B. Schaffer, E. R. Purcell, Henry Richmond and Dr. Tanner. President Pool

Three Nebraska educators are scheduled for addresses at the National Educational association meeting which is to be held at St. Paul, Minn., July 4 to 11. These are Prof. G. W. A. Luckey of the university, who will talk on harmonizing of vocational and cultural education; County Superintendent Alice Floer of York, who will speak on "Hot Noonday Lunches in the Rural School," and Hulda Petersen, formerly of Holdrege, now of the state extension department. The latter will discuss "Club Project Interests in County and State Affairs."

Before turning over the affairs of the association to his successor, H. A. Brainerd, appointed the following to act as members of the legislative committee, J. W. Tanner, N. J. Ludi, Don Van Deusen, C. K. Bassett and E. R. Purcell.

The thanks of the convention were extended to the local committee, to George Tobey, to Professor Condra, Dr. Harmon, Dr. Wharton, and Bishop Tihen, and to the editorial band, Frank Harrison, Warden Fenton, Dr. Williams, the Lincoln hall club, the Barrow-Howard players, Sheriff Hyers, the South Omaha stock yards, and all



HORACE M. DAVIS
Of the Ord Journal, Elected Vice President.

others who had helped to make the camp meeting the grand success it was.

Almost every session was opened with the singing of "America," in which the entire audience joined standing. Moving picture machines were on the grounds getting films of all the events. These were reproduced at the Orpheum, and were much enjoyed and appreciated.

A large number of the ladies attended an Eastern Star meeting at Masonic Temple Saturday night to witness the initiation of one of the members of the association into the mysteries of that order.

A quartet of ladies was placed under arrest for indulging in the innocent but fascinating game of "500." They were allowed to finish the game, however, on the plea of one of the four, who declared she "never held such a hand in her life, and besides they weren't 'shootin' craps' as the officer declared they were."

The reception at the governor's mansion was attended by almost every member of the association.

George S. Foxworthy of the local committee was presented with an elegant gold watch as a token of appreciation by the members for the masterly manner in which every detail of the affair was carried out. His co-laborer, Frank Harrison, also received a magnificent tourist's toilet case containing a complete shaving and toilet paraphernalia.

The editorial band, under direction of Frank Harrison, gave a series of



FRANK A. HARRISON
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concerts daily, producing melody that Sousa, Liberati or Patrick might have equaled—but excelled, never.

The camp was thrown into a state of consternation Monday by the discovery that "Scoop," the prize cow and pride of the association, had been stolen. Sleuths were soon hot upon the trail, the perpetrators of the dastardly deed arrested, tried, convicted and punished according to their several degrees of complicity in the crime "Scoop" was recovered and later presented by the association to Mrs. Vils Schoenauer of the Plainview News.

The vocal numbers by Mrs. English and the whistling solos by her daughter, Miss Dorothy, were greeted with rounds of applause.

Boy Delegates to State Fair.

Among the boys who have been chosen as delegates to the boys' state fair encampment are the following: L. Thomas, Laurel, Bert Shively, Laurel, Cedar; Elbert Taylor, Trenton, Hitchcock; Lawrence Conklin, St. Paul, David Welch, St. Paul, Howard; Jas. Robison, Minden, Walter Yensen, Lowell, Kearney; Forest Sprague, Belgrade, Nance; George Duerfeldt, Gordon, Roscoe Hopper, Rushville, Sheridan. Two boys are eligible from each county. They must be between the ages of 15 and 21.

SPLIT IN THE RANKS

SITUATION IN MEXICAN TROUBLE AGAIN SERIOUS.

MONEY FAMINE AT TAMPICO

Recent issue of Mexican Federal Bills Prohibited—West Virginia Added to List of Prohibition States.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Washington.—The split in the ranks of the Mexican rebels has become dangerously acute. So serious in fact were the developments that they overshadowed all else in the minds of administration leaders. In a 4,000 word statement, Alfredo Breceda, military aide to Carranza, and his personal representative in this city, assailed General Villa, friend of General Villa; made him entirely responsible for the split between Carranza and Villa and in direct language characterized him as a Huertista aide. This statement was promptly reported to the White house, but it was finally decided that much of it was "home consumption" and no comment on it was obtainable from President Wilson or any cabinet official.

Prohibition in West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va.—State wide prohibition of the liquor business in West Virginia now in force, brings the total number of states in the prohibition column up to nine. With West Virginia added, the list will be: Georgia, Kansas, Maine, Mississippi, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, West Virginia. These nine states of total prohibition territory, plus the local no-license area, make up 2,132,726 square miles in which 46,029,750 persons, or nearly 50 per cent of the country's population, live.

MONEY FAMINE AT TAMPICO.

Use of Recent Issues of Federal Bills Prohibited.

Tampico.—Suspension of all business at Tampico is threatened by a money famine resulting from prohibition of the use of federal bills dated later than January 22, 1914, the failure of the constitutionalist authorities to fill the deficiency thus created by an adequate issue of their own currency and the disappearance of coin. The recent decree against the use of federal bills having proved ineffective, many arrests have been made and heavy fines imposed. Owners of many business places declare they will be compelled to close if relief is not extended soon, it being impossible either to sell goods or pay expenses.

Petitions Will Go to Congress.

Washington, D. C.—Petitions from Nebraska suffragists will be presented in congress before July 8 as the result of the efforts of representatives of the National American Women's Suffrage association, who called on Vice President Marshall and Speaker Clark. Nebraska petitions were dispatched by pages to the Nebraska members. Congressman Maguire will present the petitions from Lincoln, the Lancaster county W. C. T. U., Falls City and Table Rock; Sloan from David City; Lobeck from four Omaha organizations; Kinkaid from Broken Bow, and Barton from McCook, Upland and Kenasaw.

Archduke and Wife Assassinated.

Serajevo.—Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne, and his morganic wife, the Duchess of Hohenberg, were assassinated Sunday while driving through the streets of Serajevo, the Bosnian capital. A youthful Serbian student fired the shots which added another to the long list of tragedies that has darkened the reign of Emperor Francis Joseph.

Wheat Harvest in Full Blast.

Lincoln, Neb.—With the estimates based on a full crop placed at 119 per cent in the eastern part and 87 in the western part of the state, wheat harvest is on full blast, according to the Burlington crop report for the week ending Saturday. Thousands of machines were started during the week, many of them toward the latter part and it is probable that hundreds of them had to work Sunday.

Violent Earthquake in Sumatra.

Batavia, Java.—Many were killed or injured in a violent earthquake which caused widespread damage in southern Sumatra. The offices of the Dutch resident and many other buildings collapsed at Benkoelen, the capital, and telegraph and cable communication was interrupted. The British steamer Kintuck of the China Mutual Steam Navigation company, crowded with emigrants, was reported overdue and it was feared she had met with an accident in connection with the earthquake.

Butte, Mont.—Merchants of Butte have placed armed guards in their stores to guard against unforeseen contingencies.

Some of the larger stores have watchmen patrolling the sidewalks. Ever since the riots of two weeks ago, caused by factional fights in the local union of the Western Federation of Miners, Butte has labored under a tense situation. The city outwardly is quiet, as it has been since the last riot of Tuesday night, when 250 pounds of dynamite were exploded in twenty charges in the business center.