

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Denver Times has been sold for \$110,000.
American troops in Cuba are being withdrawn.

John Field, an old-time Omaha contractor, died in Dubuque, Ia.
At Pittsburg, Pa., Michael Connelly quarreled with and killed his mother-in-law.

Reports from the sealing vessels indicate that the season's catch will be 270,000.

So far forty bodies have been recovered from the City of Pittsburg wreck at Cairo, Ill.

Miss Ellen M. Stone has been engaged to lecture at the Iowa Chautauqua meeting in June.

Mayor Crane of Denver, Colo., has just invented a rotary ore-working machine for use in gold mines.

James M. Humphreys of Franklin, Neb., has been admitted to practice before the interior department.

Governor Yates of Illinois was recently in a wreck on the Illinois Central, but was not much injured.

Colored women of Iowa will meet at Ottumwa on the 23d and 24th of May to plan a permanent organization.

Congressman Mercer has secured a favorable report on his bill for a \$25,000 fish hatchery for Sarpy county, Nebraska.

Thirty ladrones, armed with Mausers, ambushed five of the constabulary near Manila, killing one man and injuring another.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson entertained President and Mrs. Roosevelt and a number of other guests at a reception and dinner party.

W. D. Lowell of Des Moines, Ia., was the only bidder for the erection of the tank and pumping plant for the Fort Bartholdi Indian agency, N. D., at \$6,440.

The nomination was announced by the president of R. M. Withrop of Massachusetts to be secretary of the United States legation at Brussels, Belgium.

Alfred Smith, colored, was strangled to death officially in the Moyamensing prison at Philadelphia for the murder of his wife last spring. She refused to live with him.

The King's Daughters' home, a charitable institution at Oakland, Cal., was destroyed by fire. William Bray, an ex-New York editor, lost his life in the conflagration.

Every white laundry is closed in Portland, Ore., on account of a strike of the employees, who demand recognition of their union and an 8 per cent increase in wages.

While J. P. Glass, cashier of the Bank of Brownsville, Ore., was at dinner a robber effected an entrance to the bank and escaped with \$1,800, which was left outside the vault.

According to dispatches to the Colombian revolutionary junta in New York, Rio Hacha, a city on the northern coast of Colombia, has been captured by the revolutionary forces.

Manufacturers of burglar proof safes will test their safes with high explosives before the coming meeting of the South Dakota Bankers' association, to be held in Huron, May 21.

Bishop Frank R. Millspaugh of Kansas will continue in the charge of the Episcopal missionary diocese of Saline until fall, on account of the refusal of Rev. Nathaniel Thomas to take the place.

The senate has passed the Flynn resolution, which has already passed the house, directing the printing of 5,000 additional copies of the last report of the governor of Oklahoma territory.

It is reported that the Santa Fe has purchased the St. Louis, Kansas City & Colorado line. This would give the Santa Fe valuable connections for the coming world's fair, and St. Louis an additional line to Kansas City.

The president has signed the legislative appropriation bill. Under its provisions the 1,000 or more clerks who were temporarily appointed during the war with Spain are given permanent employment and placed within the operations of the civil service law.

The discovery of copper ore in rush of prospectors from Guthrie, Okl. The report that he will resign is vigorously denied by Bishop James Conaty, rector of the Catholic university of the Wichita mountains has caused a city of America.

The machinists' strike on the Northern Pacific in Minnesota is at an end.

Morris Hickey, aged 77, is dead at St. Joseph. He was a railroad contractor and one of the originators of the Hannibal road in Missouri.

A \$50,000 fire destroyed the manufacturing district at Glen Falls, N. Y. At Boston the international cable chess tournament between American and English college teams ended in a sweeping victory for the American team.

PUT OFF THE FAIR

PRESIDENT FRANCIS AND OTHERS FAVOR POSTPONING.

FOREIGN COUNTRIES NOT READY

Senate is to Be Advised to Ordain Postponement to the Year 1904 Before Final Passage of the Civil Sundry Appropriation Bill.

ST. LOUIS, May 2.—The following statement was given out last evening by President David R. Francis of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition company:

"The sundry civil appropriation bill, which passed the house several weeks ago and is now going through the senate, contains an appropriation of \$1,048,000 to provide for a government exhibit, a special Indian exhibit, and the additional cost of the government building at the Louisiana Purchase exposition. It was deemed advisable to have the date of the fair definitely fixed in that bill, in the event any change from 1903 should be decided upon.

"For many months past the fair has virtually been postponed for one year. A decided majority of the directors prefer 1904, and have for six months or more. The repeated request of business, domestic and foreign exhibitors for postponement; advices from foreign governments to the effect that they had not sufficient time to make preparations for a representative exhibit in 1903; the statement of Governor Taft that the Philippines would not be able to install their exhibits in a creditable manner if the exposition should not be postponed to 1904; the expressed fear of the government architect that he could not procure material for a government building by 1903, and the fact that the general public has for months past considered postponement a foregone conclusion, were some of the reasons that moved the executive committee to authorize me to inform the national commission that any action of congress changing the time of the exposition from 1903 to 1904 would be acceptable.

Senator Cockrell wired me this afternoon that the sundry civil appropriation bill would pass the senate on Saturday, and if a change of date was to be incorporated therein congress should be immediately advised of the wishes of the local corporation. The executive committee authorize me to express its wishes to the effect that a postponement should be ordained by congress.

"Up to this hour over fifty of the directors have been consulted and without exception every one favored postponement. I have therefore replied to President Carter of the national commission to that effect, and have asked that our conclusions be submitted to congress and to the president. I think there is no doubt as to the action congress will take, or that it will be in favor of postponement."

Fire Again Hits Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, S. D., May 2.—The second disastrous fire within a week visited this place early yesterday morning when flames, aided by a gale destroyed the opera house.

The strong wind threatened to drive the fire into the business portion of the city, but the fire department, aided by a falling rain, confined the blaze to the structure.

The origin of this conflagration, as well as the fire which destroyed the grain palace at this place a few days ago, is no doubt incendiary.

Henderson Renominated.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 2.—Congressman D. B. Henderson, speaker of the house of representatives, was renominated for the eleventh successive time at the Third district convention in Waterloo yesterday. The nomination was unanimous, Mr. Henderson's opponent having withdrawn.

Called to Meet the Pope.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 2.—Cardinal Martinelli, apostolic delegate to the United States, stated today that he had been recalled to Rome by Pope Leo XIII.

Flags at Half Mast.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—By direction of the president, the flags on all the executive departments were displayed at half mast yesterday in honor of ex-Secretary Morton.

Heroes of Manila Bay Meet.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—The fourth anniversary of the battle of Manila bay was celebrated here tonight at a dinner at the Raleigh hotel by those officers now in the city who participated in the engagement. They included the following: Admiral Dewey, Rear Admirals Coghlan and Entwistle, Captains Ford and Lambertson, Paymaster Galt, Lieutenant Commanders Bagley and Ransom, Commanders Briggs, Rees and Inch.

ORDERS TO MERRITT STRICT.

United States Not Committed by Action of Troops to Any Policy.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Major General MacArthur yesterday continued his testimony before the senate committee on the Philippines. Answering a question by Senator Culbertson, the general stated that Aguinaldo and the Filipino people were justified in concluding that the actions of the United States army are sympathetic.

The Filipinos, he said, were in a resentful and vindictive opposition to Spain and any active force on their part against Spain naturally helped the United States, and vice versa, but, he said, there was a distinct purpose through the intercourse between the Americans and the Filipinos to repudiate the idea of direct co-operation which in any way committed the United States to a policy.

General Merritt, he said, was under the strictest orders not to commit the government, but Aguinaldo was anxious to make an artificial record which would oblige General Merritt to do something he did not want to do. "The Filipino," said General MacArthur, "has quite a comprehensive knowledge of Latin diplomacy."

Aguinaldo was landed at Manila aboard an American warship because he was a useful individual, who could be employed in a manner that would contribute to American success.

TORNADO AT BAYARD, IOWA.

Depot and Several Dwellings Destroyed and Other Damage Done.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 2.—A tornado struck Bayard, Ia., at 7:30 last night. Two elevators, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul depot and a number of dwelling houses were destroyed. The agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul is missing and is supposed to have been killed or injured. Telegraphic communications with Bayard were paralyzed by the storm. Details of the disaster are difficult to obtain.

At Vanvert a funnel-shaped cloud dropped down on the town. The high wind blew down houses and barns and uprooted large trees. Several people were reported injured, but none killed.

At Weldon a farmhouse was blown down and three children were injured. The tornado was seen from the town of Leroy, but that town was not in its path. All these towns, except Bayard, are in Decatur county.

MOODY TAKES THE OATH.

Former Congressman Now the Secretary of the Navy.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Wm. Henry Moody, the new secretary of the navy, took the oath of office at the navy department yesterday morning. The oath was administered by E. P. Hanna, solicitor of the department.

Those present besides the retiring secretary, Mr. Long, were Assistant Secretary Darling, former Assistant Secretary Hackett and Representatives Roberts, McCall, Lawrence and Green of Massachusetts.

The entire personnel of the department was then presented to Mr. Moody, the clerks at the same time bidding Mr. Long farewell.

Army of Consuls for Cuba.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—The house committee on foreign affairs today offered a favorable report on the bill of Representative Hitt of Illinois, establishing a United States diplomatic and consular service in Cuba, with a United States minister at \$10,000; secretary at \$2,000; second secretary, \$1,500; consul general at Havana, \$5,000; consuls at Cienfuegos and Santiago, \$3,000 each. The bill differs from the plan proposed in the senate, which allows the minister a salary of \$12,000 and adds a consulate at Matanzas.

May Soon Get Together.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Senator Hanna, chairman of the conciliatory committee of the national civic federation said tonight that he had not yet received the report of the meeting of the representatives of the operators and the United Mine Workers, which has just been held in New York. Pending its receipt the senator is unable to say when a meeting of the conciliation committee will be held.

Extension of the Katy.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 2.—Contractors of Chicago and Terre Haute signed a contract to construct 265 miles of railroad in Oklahoma, an extension of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas.

Budget in British Columbia.

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 2.—The debate on the budget in the provincial legislature was continued until 10 o'clock Wednesday, the members of the opposition talking against time to prevent the house from going into committee of supply. They were successful in defeating the object of the government, which was to rush through the debate. The debate had not been completed when the house adjourned for executive work.

MORTON AT REST

THOUSANDS FOLLOW REMAINS TO THE GRAVE.

COMING FROM ALL SECTIONS

A Day of Mourning at Nebraska City—Business Suspended—Children's Touching Tribute to the Distinguished Dead.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 1.—Yesterday was a day of sorrow and mourning among the people of this city as the remains of the late J. Sterling Morton, the founder of many industries of this city and the father of Arbor day, arrived here, and the people testified their respect for the memory of one whom they held dear and had learned to dearly love in the forty-eight years that he had made this his home.

Everywhere the buildings were draped in mourning, and the people's faces told the story of the loss of a true and noble friend.

The remains arrived on a special train at 7:40, one hour ahead of scheduled time, over the Burlington road, consisting of a number of coaches and the funeral car, in which the remains lay in a casket covered with floral offerings from friends and relatives.

There was a monster crowd of people, representing every vocation in life, to pay tribute to the memory and assist in the removal of the remains from the train to the public library building, where they lay in state for over three hours. They were viewed by thousands.

The school children came in line, under the directions of their teachers, and passed to review the remains of the father of Arbor day and the advocate of timbering the treeless prairies.

There was a military escort from Company C, N. N. G. This, with the Commercial club, city council, fire department and factory employes, all formed in line and escorted the remains.

After lying in state at the library building, which was a present to the city from Mr. Morton's oldest son, Joy Morton, the remains were escorted to Arbor Lodge, the family home, and there they lay in state for three hours until the hour of the funeral. In each place the floral offerings, which were profuse, were banked about the casket, and so great was the supply of flowers that many of them were banked up in the ends of the room, making a very imposing sight.

The funeral services were conducted by Revs. Eason and Knickerbocker of the Episcopal church, and were mainly ritualistic. The remains lay in the room where those of his beloved wife, who died twenty-one years ago, and where also lay those of his favorite son Carl, a year ago last January, when they were brought here from Waukegan, Ill., he having died very suddenly from pneumonia.

Special trains bearing friends from Omaha and Lincoln arrived at noon, and these people joined with the throng here in the cortege that escorted the remains to their last resting place at the cemetery, where they were laid by the side of those of his wife and son.

At noon all of the banks, business houses and industries closed, and the schools were closed early in the day.

LIVES LOST IN PANIC.

Eight Factory Girls Killed in Stampede Caused by Their Own Fright.

PHILADELPHIA, May 1.—An unfortunate accident to a deaf and dumb boy, Isador Baucus, was today directly responsible for the death of eight girls and young women, the fatal injury of three others and the serious injury of more than two score of girls employed in the cigar factory of Harburger, Homan & Co., a branch of the American Tobacco company, located at Tenth street and Washington avenue.

The building in which the disaster occurred is a five-story brick structure, and reaches an entire block. Twelve hundred persons were at work at the time of the accident, 90 per cent of whom were girls whose ages range from 12 years upward.

Wilhelmina Doing Well.

THE HAGUE, May 1.—Queen Wilhelmina passed a quiet night and the feverish periods were more frequent. The bulletins issued by her majesty's physicians will hereafter be limited to one daily.

Thinning Out Supply Bills.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—The house has passed the agricultural appropriation bill and began consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill, the last but two of the regular supply measures. By the terms of a special rule adopted before the district bill was taken up it will be in order to attach a rider to it to make operative the existing personal tax law of the district, which has been a dead letter for twenty years.

OMNIBUS BILL IS PASSED.

Appropriates Over \$17,000,000 for Public Buildings.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Under a special order, which allowed three hours' debate, but which cut off all opportunity of amendment, the house passed an omnibus public building bill which will distribute \$17,405,450 among 174 cities. As the bill delivers into the treasury \$1,555,000, the total amount carried by the bill is reduced to that extent.

The bill provides for seventy-seven new buildings and sites, six buildings on donated sites and fifty-eight increases in appropriations for buildings already authorized.

It also provides for the purchase of sixteen sites. The majority for the bill was so overwhelming that only nine members backed a demand for the eyes and noses on the passage of the bill. There was some criticism of the method by which it was proposed to pass the bill without opportunity for amendment, which Mr. Mercer, chairman of the committee, answered by stating that if the bill had been subject to amendment the appropriations carried by it would have been increased to \$67,000,000.

MAKES PLACE FOR EVANS.

Vacant Place May Be Offered to Commissioner of Pensions.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—There is a probability that Commissioner of Pensions Evans will be offered the position of consul general to London to succeed William McKinley Osborne, whose death has been announced.

White House officials are reticent in regard to the matter as is also Mr. Evans, but there is reason to believe that the president would very much like to have him accept it, and the chances are decidedly in favor of its being offered him.

Mr. Osborne's death was not a surprise to his friends. He had been confined to his home since November last, suffering from Bright's disease and dropsy, which, latterly, affected his heart. He was conscious until near the end. The deceased never had been absolutely well since he arrived in England.

TREATY NOT YET RATIFIED.

Sale of Danish West Indies May Be Left to Inhabitants.

COPENHAGEN, April 30.—The bill providing for the sale of the Danish West India islands to the United States, amended by the Landsting, came up for discussion in the Folkething today, with the result that the party in the majority submitted a proposal as follows:

The Rigsdag (Diet, composed of both houses) approves the cession, on condition that the inhabitants of the islands declare in favor thereof by a plebiscite, similar to the one taken in 1867.

The Folkething, by a vote of 98 to 7, adopted the majority proposal submitted today.

Millions in Gold Dust.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 30.—According to the Nome Nugget of February 11, which has arrived from the north, coming by registered mail via Dawson, a very important discovery has been made there. A New York syndicate, at the head of which is a well known mining man of the Pacific coast, has been for eighteen months quietly prospecting the Tundra between Nome and Penny rivers. The result of the work accomplished, the paper declares, is startling. It shows that million of gold dust are deposited in the vast Tundra plains which skirt the Bering sea coast.

List Reaches Forty-four.

CAIRO, April 30.—The body of another of the Burke boys was taken out of the river just above Cairo, and the body of a colored roustabout was recovered just below the city. The body of William R. Bolinger of Cincinnati, steward of the Pittsburg, was recovered near the wreck. Forty-four bodies have so far been recovered and it is believed others are yet to be found.

Dentist Convicted of Assault.

OTTUMWA, Ia., April 30.—Doctor Mark Vance, a dentist of this city, was found guilty of the charge of assaulting a little girl who came to his office to have some dental work done.

Wilhelmina Improving.

THE HAGUE, April 30.—Queen Wilhelmina passed a quiet night and all her symptoms indicate improvement.

Smelter Closes at Helena.

HELENA, Mont., April 30.—The works of the American Smelting and Reduction company were closed today because of a strike order issued late last night by Mill and Smelters' union No. 146, which affiliates with the Western Federation of Miners. The strike was called because the company will not recognize the union. There is no question of wages, hours of labor or other grievance involved in the difficulty.

PRESIDENT SEEN

STOCK RAISERS' ASSOCIATION HAVE A HEARING.

AT TO HAVING FENCE REMOVED

No Encouragement that the Order Regarding Same Will Be Rescinded—President Rather in Favor of Small Settlers.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Senators Dietrich and Millard presented to the president the representatives of the Stock Raisers' association who have been in the city for the past week looking after general legislation that will open the public domain to the cattlemen under the leasehold proposition which is contemplated in bills now pending before congress.

President Roosevelt expressed himself as desirous of seeing the range problems of the west adjusted so the lands may be secured for small settlers with the least degree of hardship upon those now using them for grazing purposes. In the matter of removal of fences, which was taken up by the delegation, no assurance could be given of relief from the orders which have been issued by the interior department providing for taking down the fences around government land. The visiting cattlemen have little hope of securing any modification of the fence removal orders. They assert that the removal of the fences without the passage of the grazing land leasing law will cause the withdrawal of much capital from the cattle business and will force many investors and owners of herds to remove their property to Canada, where the government is very liberal in its treatment of stock owners.

Before leaving the capital the cattlemen will endeavor to formulate a bill providing a leasing regulation applicable to the state of Nebraska, leaving other states to depend upon their own exertions to secure leasing legislation suitable to their needs.

Most's Appeal is Denied.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 30.—The application of Johann Most of New York for a certificate of reasonable doubt in connection with his appeal from a judgment of conviction of violating the state laws relative to inflammatory publications was today denied by Chief Justice Parker of the court of appeals. Most was convicted of having published in his paper an article which, it was held by the court, "tended to destroy the public peace." Most will be compelled to go to prison pending the final settlement of the case by the court of appeals.

Packing House Employees Discharged.

CHICAGO, April 30.—Five hundred employees of the packing firm of Libby, McNeil & Libby, have been released, owing to "dull times." They were given their discharge Saturday night, but the fact did not become generally known till yesterday.

Superintendent Morrow of Libby, McNeil & Libby, said that the proposed government investigation of the packing business had nothing to do with the letting out of employees and the plant would by no means be closed. It is not unusual for the meat business to grow comparatively dull at this season.

Iowa Monuments.

DES MOINES, Ia., April 30.—The Vicksburg commission for Iowa has been selected by the governor and the contracts for the construction of monuments to cost \$150,000 will be let at once. These monuments will be erected on the battlefield of Vicksburg to the Iowa dead. The following is the commission: J. F. Merry, Dubuque; L. C. Blanchard, Osaloosa; J. A. Fitzpatrick, Nevada; E. J. C. Bealer, Cedar Rapids; D. A. Haggard, Algona; W. O. Mitchell, Corning; W. H. C. Jacques, Ottumwa; H. H. Rood, Mt. Vernon; J. H. Dean, Des Moines.

Installation June 19.

SIoux CITY, Ia., April 30.—Very Rev. T. Treacy, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church and dean of Northwestern Iowa, received a letter from Bishop-elect Phillip J. Garrigan of Washington, D. C., stating he would arrive in Sioux City June 19 and that his installation would occur on that date. He directed that Rev. Father Treacy be transferred to the deanery of Carroll, Ia., on June 1. Dean Treacy has been in Sioux City fourteen years.

Manufacturers of car and locomotive brake beams have formed a trust.

Conservative Dies with Him.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 30.—It has been announced that after this issue "The Conservative," a weekly journal established by the late J. Sterling Morton, will be suspended.

Hay Has Not Withdrawn.

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., April 30.—The friends of John W. Hay announce that he has not withdrawn his name as a candidate for nomination as congressman from Wyoming.