

PUT INTO A PARAGRAPH

Washington, Congressional, Political and Other Events Briefly Told

Foreign.

A terrible railway disaster occurred when two trains came together in a collision thirty miles north of Santiago. Many persons were killed or injured. Both trains were completely destroyed. The monetary loss will reach \$150,000.

There was a suffragette disturbance at several political meetings in the British Islands. The women made determined efforts to invade St. Andrews' hall, Glasgow, and a crowd of British sympathizers came into violent conflict with the police, which resulted in riotous scenes.

Announcement of an amicable settlement of all pending questions that have served to disturb the friendly relations between Japan and China will be made officially within a short time. Arrangements of the differences relating to the Antung-Mukden railway probably will be contained in a note to the powers.

Greece's reply to the last Turkish note regarding Crete has been communicated to the powers. Its terms are conciliatory, and diplomats here consider that it should be satisfactory to the porte, to which it was delivered soon. The note regrets that after Greece's previous assurances the Turkish government still complains of the attitude of Greece in Rumeia and Crete.

A delegation of thirty-nine business men, representing the civic and commercial organizations of Tokio, Yokohama, Osaka and Manjo, sailed on the steamer Minnesota for Seattle. They will tour the United States as guests of various chambers of commerce.

A dispatch from Portsmouth to the London Daily Graphic says there is much alarm there owing to the discovery three lately of supposed dynamite cartridges among coal shipped to Portsmouth for the battleships. The latest find of this character was during the coaling of the cruiser Duke of Edinburgh.

General.

Authorities at Washington refuse to await a test before continuing seizures of bleached flour.

Naval experts figure that the United States is second in strength.

Over a million acres of land are to be opened for entry in North and South Dakota.

Returns from eighty-three counties in Nebraska, sixty-one of them official, give Fawcett a lead for supreme judge, which Hamer cannot overcome.

Treasury officials are unable to estimate definitely receipts and expenditures under the new tariff law.

One state trooper, one deputy sheriff and three foreigners were shot and killed in the wild riot at the Pressed Steel Car plant in Schoenville, Pa.

Cases of the bubonic plague have been reported at Honolulu.

Unconscious and believed to be dying of apoplexy, Mrs. Robert Potts, wife of Rear Admiral Potts, U. S. N., retired, arrived on the steamer Minnetonka.

Peru has not sent to Bolivia an ultimatum in the matter of the boundary dispute between the two countries, and from all reports it appears that both governments are approaching one another in this matter in a spirit of sympathy and good understanding.

Renewed talk is heard lately of the appointment of Charles E. Macoon, until lately governor general of Cuba, as vice governor of the Philippines. Mr. Macoon is not in office now, but is recuperating in Europe.

Thirty persons were injured, at least nine of them seriously, when a portion of Twelfth street bridge over the Chicago river at Chicago, which was weakened by construction work, collapsed.

Twenty casks and nine cases containing trophies of the hunt collected by the Roosevelt expedition in South Africa were brought to New York on the steamer Provincia from Marcellus.

The naval board of inquiry reaffirms former verdict that Lieut. Jas. N. Sutton committed suicide.

The Canadians announce with an air of surprise and regret that during the last ten years the Indian population of the dominion has increased 10,000.

Up to this writing seven persons have been killed in the automobile speed carnival of Indianapolis.

The late dry and hot weather is said to have cut down former estimates of the corn crop.

The government report on forest fires in Canada during the last year shows that timber was damaged to the extent of \$25,500,000 and that twenty-one lives were lost.

President Taft has accepted an invitation to visit Mexico on October 16 next, when he will exchange visits with President Diaz of Mexico at El Paso Ciudad Juarez.

President Taft is preparing some speeches that he will deliver on his southern and western jaunt.

The navy department has decided that David Williams, a mess attendant on the battleship Vermont shall be surrendered to the Massachusetts authorities.

Sterling Birmingham, the dismissed trust company clerk, wants to tell what he knows of the scandal.

A better quality of wheat than last week is coming into the Omaha Grain exchange and oats of far better grade than last year's crop are being received. The quantity of wheat received is ahead of last week, but corn has temporarily fallen off. It is believed farmers reading heat damage stories are holding back in the hope of higher prices.

Whiteley Reid, American ambassador to Great Britain has arrived on the steamer Mauretania from Liverpool and Queenstown.

Prince Albert Leopold, heir to the Belgian throne, arrived at Antwerp on his return from the Congo, and was given an ovation.

The porte has decided to recognize King Ferdinand's title as king of Bulgaria.

The Fuller prohibition bill passed the Alabama senate with little opposition.

That hogs, by being inoculated with the serum discovered by Dr. M. Dorset, a government specialist, are immune from cholera has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of United States government officials who have been conducting a test at the Kansas City stock yards.

Seventy-five work horses in the barns of the Cropper Stable company at Louisville, Ky., were cremated in a \$20,000 fire which destroyed the buildings.

Four hundred skilled machinists at the Puget Sound navy yard were discharged, and 500 more were laid off.

Governor Brown of Georgia signed the recent act of the Georgia legislature which prohibits the use by negro secret societies of the insignia, ritualistic work, grips, etc., of orders composed of whites.

Reese Huck, a prominent farmer, was shot to death and four others were probably fatally wounded, in a feud fight growing out of a controversy over a dog, at Hutersville, twelve miles from Charlottesville, N. C., on Sunday night.

The secretary of the interior has designated 631,680 acres in the vicinity of Portales, Talbot Yeso creek and in the Estancia valley, New Mexico, together with 60,320 acres in other parts of the territory as coming within the enlarged homestead act.

Walter Johnson takes issue with the statement that General Howard chose the battlefield of Gettysburg.

Naval officials are satisfied with the bid on battleships, regarding the price as reasonable.

C. O. Whedon filed a brief in defense of the Nebraska retaliatory law in the California insurance companies case in federal court.

Secretary Nagle says taking of the census will not cost as much as expected.

A number of Nebraskans and lowans were successful in the land drawings at Spokane.

Washington.

It was announced at the navy department that Rear Admiral William T. Swineburne, recently detached from command of the Pacific and now on duty at the navy war college at Newport, R. I., will be transferred to the retired list.

For the first time in history the South Pacific ocean with Australia and the East Indies on one margin and South America and Panama on the other, has been portrayed by a chart, issued by the navy department hydrographic office. This chart will appear quarterly.

Treasury officials are much gratified over the receipts of the bureau of internal revenue for the month of July—the first month of the new fiscal year—which shows an increase of \$939,326 over July of last year. The receipts during July, 1909, were \$22,968,642, and during July, 1908, \$22,029,314. In the view of the officials, this increase augurs well for the general prosperity of the country.

President Taft may ride in the big white house automobile in the floral automobile parade to be held here this fall under the auspices of the Washington chamber of commerce. Several cabinet officers will appear in their own cars. There will be three sections to the parade, a governmental, a floral and a commercial.

Rules governing the Philippine tariff act were sent to customs officers.

George B. Turner, chief taxidermist of the Smithsonian institute, has been recalled from his vacation in order that prompt attention may be given to the eighty-two skins of animals that have been sent to Washington by the Roosevelt party.

Personal.

Enemies of Senator La Follette in Wisconsin are maneuvering to beat him for re-election.

Congressman Hinshaw, in a speech printed in the Record made a defense of the new tariff.

On his trip to Mexico, President Taft, if he so desires, will be given an opportunity to witness a bull fight.

Orville Wright, the American aviator, has been engaged to make demonstrations with his machine in England.

Congressman Towney of Minnesota may have to fight to be returned.

Theodore Roosevelt has received many letters from the United States containing all kinds of requests with which it is impossible to comply and which it is equally impossible for him to answer.

Princeton university is given \$100,000 by the will of Cornelius C. Cuyler, the banker who was killed recently in an automobile accident in France.

THE RAILROADS WIN

DECISION IN MISSOURI RIVER RATE CASE.

THROUGH TARIFF IS ENJOINED

Decision Far Reaching, Majority of Court Holding that Commission Exceeded its Powers.

Chicago.—Manufacturers and producers generally in the territory between Buffalo, Pittsburg and Parkersburg, on the east, and the Mississippi river on the west are regarded as the greatest beneficiaries by the majority decision of the United States circuit court here Tuesday, permanently enjoining the Interstate Commerce commission from enforcing its seaboard-Missouri river through rate in the famous Missouri river rate case.

The opinion of Judges Grosscup and Kohlsaat (Judge Baker dissenting), if sustained by the supreme court of the United States, will greatly curtail the power of the commission over transportation rates, restricting it to a sort of police court adjudication of specific cases of alleged discrimination. The rate-making power remains in the hands of the railroads.

The Missouri river cities which would have profited had the commission's order been allowed to go into effect, benefit by the court's ruling in temporary restraining order was issued.

This case and the Missouri river case are similar in principle, the former concerning the commission's order of a new and reduced through rate between Chicago and St. Louis to Denver.

The commission's order of June 24, 1908, reduced the rate on first-class freight from the seaboard (east of Buffalo, Pittsburg and Parkersburg) to Missouri river points from \$1.48 to \$1.29. This order was issued upon representation of the Missouri river interests—manufacturers and jobbers chiefly—that the seaboard rate of \$1.15 to Minneapolis and St. Paul was a discrimination against them, inasmuch as the Twin Cities, using the cheaper water rate from the Mississippi, were the Denver rate case. In the latter a able to undersell them in their own territory on articles coming originally from the seaboard. The seaboard shipper shared in the profit seen in the commission's order over his competitors' in central traffic territory, who would not share in the reduced rate. According to sentiment aroused in Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit, St. Louis and other central traffic cities, the order was a discrimination calculated to ruin their industries. They were not aroused, however, by the Denver case. This case was the Missouri river case over again, save that central traffic points and Denver would reap the benefit of a 23-cent reduction in the through rate which the Missouri river points would not enjoy. Missouri river interests were to be protected against the middle west and Denver against the Missouri river. The seaboard had an advantage in both rates.

In their opinion Judges Grosscup and Kohlsaat held congress in creating the interstate commerce act had not intended to place a power in the hands of a few men to build up one community or to ruin another. They held that in ordering the through rates at issue the commission had greatly exceeded its powers.

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Chicago.—A telephone message received here from Mrs. "Billy" Sunday, wife of the evangelist, denies that Mr. and Mrs. Sunday were victims of an automobile accident near La Porte, Ind.

Drouth in Oklahoma Ends.

Kansas City, Mo.—The long drouth in Oklahoma, Arkansas and parts of Southern Missouri was broken Tuesday by a heavy rain. The heat, which has been excessive since July 15, was checked. Satisfactory yields of corn and cotton are assured.

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NEBRASKA NEWS AND NOTES.

Items of Interest Taken From Here and There Over the State.

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Madison county is planning for a big fair, September 20 to 24.

The total vote of Otoe county at the primary election was \$22, and the costs of holding the election was something over \$1,400.

F. L. Dinsmore, county attorney of Johnson county, recently filed his resignation with the board of county commissioners, and at a meeting of the board the same was accepted.

Motor car service is to be installed on the St. Joseph & Grand Island line for local traffic as soon as the Union Pacific begins detouring its through trains over this route.

Halvor Swensen, an aged German residing in Otoe county, had but little faith in banks, and so kept over \$1,200 in money in his home. A few days ago he went to look for the money and it was gone.

The pyro-aero sensation of the century. Pain's stupendous thrilling "Battle in the Clouds." At the State Fair, four evenings, September 6, 7, 8 and 9. The most entertaining open air creation ever conceived.

The Midwest Life of Lincoln offers a good commission contract to agents to represent it locally. This is what Best's Insurance Reports, Life, 1909 edition, says about The Midwest Life:

"Its policy contracts are liberal and fair. It writes both participating and non-participating policies. The cost of management is extremely moderate for a new company, and the net cost of insurance is low. The investments are of good character and yield a good return."

The executive committee of the Otoe County Live Stock association held a meeting and decided to have their annual parade on September 21, 22 and 23. This is an annual affair and is the biggest stock show held in that part of the state.

Joseph Richardson came to his death at the hands of Ernest Stout by being brutally beaten, according to a coroner's jury inquiring into the case at Grand Island. All the witnesses who were at the scene of the killing were examined.

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THE TWO-CENT LAW

AUTHORITIES ENCOURAGED BY THE OUTLOOK.

RAILROADS INCREASE REVENUE

State Fair Forces Busy With Preliminaries for Opening of the Exposition September 6.

Attorney General Thompson feels much encouraged as does the state railway commission regarding the showing they expect to make in the cases involving the 2-cent fare law, the Aldrich freight rate reduction and the Sibley express rate laws, and the longer the hearing is put off the better shape the state will be in to make good in its case. For over a year the commission has been getting weekly station reports, made out by the station agents showing the freight shipped in and out, the express sent in and out and the ticket sales. These statistics are being compiled in the office of the state railway commission and the compilation shows a remarkable increase in the amount of revenue paid to the corporations. Whether expenses have also increased in the same proportion of course the commission has no way of knowing except by the annual reports of the corporations. But the income of the railroads and express companies the commission has first hand and the fact that the railroads are offering reduced rates to Omaha, Lincoln and the state fair the commission believes is another indication that the 2-cent fare rate has not injured the railroads financially. Testimony in the cases is to begin shortly before a referee appointed by the federal court.

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Omaha Bee Protests Tax. The Bee Publishing company of Omaha has filed a statement with the secretary of state showing that it has an authorized capital stock of \$500,000, but that it has issued only a part of the stock. The company remits a fee of \$50 under the state occupation tax law under protest. The secretary of state will inform the company that it must pay a fee based on the authorized capital stock, and that it is \$25 short in its payment. The Bee Building company sent a fee of \$75 on an authorized capital stock of \$500,000, and the Tschuck Real Estate company paid \$30 tax on an authorized capital stock of \$100,000.

Evening Fair Attractions.

Always up to date with everything and the best that is going the State Fair will put on for an evening entertainment the world's greatest open-air exhibition. It is too big for a building or a tent or a roof to cover so it will be out in the open air. Pain's War in the Clouds. There will be fighting air ships, aeroplanes, electric bombs, aerial torpedoes. All of this every evening at the fair, in front of the grand stand.

Special Rate to Lincoln.

The Railway commission has given permission to the Northwestern railroad to install a rate of one fare and a half to Lincoln at the same time the fall merchants' meetings are being held in Omaha.

Extra Trains for Fair.

The Burlington has arranged for a number of special trains to the state fair from various points during the most important days of the exposition.

Getting Ready for Fair.

Secretary Mellor and a force of clerks are busy getting the final work done preparatory to the opening of the state fair, September 6. O. E. Mickey, superintendent of cattle, notified Secretary Mellor that enough entries had been made to fill the new barn, which has stalls for 635 head, but that the entries justified the construction of an addition to the barn. The barn south of the new structure will hold sixty head and this will be filled, as will the nursing cows' barn, which has room for sixty. The addition suggested by Mr. Mickey will be erected as a temporary arrangement and all cattle entries will be taken care of.

Secretary Mellor has closed the contract for five state bands in addition to the Liberator band, which will give four concerts daily as follows: 10:30, 1:30 and 4:30 in the auditorium and 7:15 before the grandstand preceding Paine's fireworks. The state bands which have contracted to furnish music are the following: Geneva, Monday and Tuesday; Nelson, Tuesday and Wednesday; Aurora and North Platte, Wednesday and Thursday; Stronsburg, Thursday and Friday.

Judge Good's Expense \$10.

Judge B. F. Good, of Wahoo, candidate for supreme judge on the democratic ticket, filed his campaign expense statement with the secretary of state. His expenses comprised the \$10 filing fee and that was all. Judge Good was the first to file his statement.

Picnic on Labor Day.

The labor unions of Lincoln will unite in a picnic at Capital beach, September 6. The usual parade will not be given, but at the beach there will be speaking and boating and a general good time.

Cash Grain Market.

With a view to establishing a cash grain market in Lincoln, four grain merchants signed themselves as incorporators of the Lincoln Grain Exchange and filed articles of incorporation, with a nominal capital of \$25,000, with the secretary of state.

Agitation for Commission Plans. Mayor Love, who has just returned from a vacation trip spent in Iowa, has announced himself for an early agitation in favor of a commission form of government. In Des Moines, he said, he found the plan working well and satisfactorily. He was told, he said, by the editors of the three newspapers, that it was the only thing they could all agree upon.—That the commission form of government was good. These editors spoke in favor of the system regardless of the men who composed the administration.

STATE FAIR IS NEXT.

Liberal Education in the Annual Exposition.

While other state institutions are at a standstill during August, the busiest office in the state house is the office of Secretary W. R. Mellor of the state fair.

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