

# BOOM WESTERN WATERWAYS

**National Rivers and Harbors Congress Meets at the National Capitol Today; Three Thousand Delegates to Attend.**

**FIFTY MILLIONS WILL BE ASKED**

**Speeches by the Heads of Three Railway Systems Favoring Navigation a Feature; Jim Hill One of the Number.**

A special from Washington, under date of Tuesday, December 2, says that the national rivers and harbors congress, which meets there today (Wednesday) is expected to develop a tremendous boom for the improvement of inland waterways. More than 3,000 delegates representing every section of the country will attend. The congress will be opened by a speech by Secretary Root, M. J. Jusserand, ambassador of France, also will be one of the speakers at the opening session. His address will deal with the development of the waterways of France.

The governors of fifteen states will address the convention, as will merchants and shippers from throughout the United States. Ambassador von Sternberg will talk on the rivers, canals and harbors of Germany. Many notable persons will take part in the deliberations. Andrew Carnegie will come at the head of a delegation from the Pittsburgh chamber of commerce. Washington, Oregon and California will send representative men, and Secretary Ellison yesterday received a telegram dated Houston, Tex., from ex-Governor George C. Pardee of California, saying that a special car containing a delegation from California was headed this way.

A significant feature of the convention will be speeches by three heads of big railroad systems—W. W. Finley of the Southern, James J. Hill of the Great Northern and M. E. Ingalls of the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis. The presence of these railroad men is interpreted as a public denial of the statement that the railroads are opposed to a broad and liberal national policy of waterways improvements. The opposition undoubtedly existed in the past, when the roads were physically able to care for the traffic, but now the steam lines realize the necessity for an auxiliary system of transportation.

#### Fifty Millions for Rivers.

"The national rivers and harbors congress which meets in Washington this week is a very important meeting," Lawrence M. Jones said last night. "It is the culmination of the efforts that have been made toward the improvement of our internal waterways the last few years. The movement was given a great impetus by the recent inspection trip of President Roosevelt over the Western waterways."

"This big convention will have a great influence upon the country at large. The President will recommend that congress take some action looking toward a large appropriation for internal waterway improvements."

"The men who are pushing the Missouri river work have won a good position and the sending of this big delegation to the rivers and harbors congress will show them that the Missouri river boosters mean business. Kansas City will have about sixty workers at the congress and should be able to get good recommendations made for the Missouri work. The action of the rivers congress, I believe, will have considerable influence upon the national congress."

The Kansas City delegation is desirous of seeing that Representative E. C. Ellis is retained on the rivers and harbors committee in congress and wants to elect a vice-president of the rivers and harbors committee in congress. The special purpose of the congress is to obtain a continuing congressional appropriation of 50 million dollars for internal waterways improvement.

The inland waterways commission has been disappointed in its effort to complete its proposed preliminary report to the President before the beginning of the present congress, and it is not believed that the work will be accomplished by the middle of next week. It is understood that the commission will recommend among other things a general plan for the improvement of the rivers, lakes and canals of the country with a view of encouraging navigation, and that to this end it will suggest the division of the country into various sections. The deepening of the channel of the Mississippi will be recommended.

The movements of the rivers and harbors congress will be watched with considerable interest by the river towns. With the opening of navigation on the Missouri river, Plattsmouth will again be the principal shipping point in Cass county, and will resume its old-time activity, when produce was shipped from here to all sections of the country.

#### Our Old Friend Improving.

Mrs. O. J. Wortman, of near South Bend, was in the city today and gave the Journal a pleasant call. Mrs. Wortman reports our old friend, C. S. Wortman, and father of our former county superintendent who was thrown from a lumber wagon about five weeks ago and quite badly injured, is now only able to get up some. The Journal hopes he will soon be able to get around as lively as ever for a man of 75 years.

#### Was a Good Shot.

Albert Shaefer west of the city shot and killed the other day two wild Canadian geese at one shot, using only number four shot. The geese were flying overhead and were a good distance away which makes the shot a pretty good one.

#### A Home Made Happy by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

About two months ago our baby girl had measles which settled on her lungs and at last resulted in a severe attack of bronchitis. We had two doctors but no relief was obtained. Everybody thought she would die. I went to eight different stores to find a certain remedy which had been recommended to me and failed to get it, when one of the storekeepers insisted that I try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did so and our baby is alive and well today.—Geo. W. Spence, Holly Springs, N. C. For sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

When winds shriek in fiendish glee, And enters winter with his key Protect yourself, from disease be free, Take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea.

#### Mrs. J. W. Lowthers Improving.

Wm. Marks, of Union, was in the city this morning looking after some business matters, and also stopping near Mynard at the home of J. W. Lowthers to visit his sister, Mrs. Lowthers, who has been very sick for some time past, but whom he reports as being somewhat improved. Mr. Marks' mother known, as "Grandma Marks," who is well advanced in years, is still very sick at her home near Union.

#### DEATH OF A PROMINENT LADY

**Wife of the Late Senator Hayward Passes Away.**

A special from Nebraska City gives the following account of the death of a prominent Nebraska City lady, who is known by many Plattsmouth people:

"Mrs. Jennie Hayward, being a widow of the late Senator Monroe L. Hayward, died Monday at her home in this city, of heart trouble superinduced by an attack of pneumonia. She suffered from a slight cold last week. A week ago today she went to the home of Mrs. A. P. Stafford, where the supplies for the Helping Hand society were being unloaded. She personally assisted in carrying the same to the cellar. Here she contracted additional cold, and when she reached her home it was found that she was sufficiently ill to cause alarm. A physician was summoned, but despite the fact that everything possible was done to arrest the progress of the disease it had such a hold that it would not yield to medical treatment."

"Her maiden name was Jennie Pelton. She was born in Cold Springs, N. Y., and on June 17, 1814, was united in marriage to M. L. Hayward, and with him came to this city to make their future home. She was the mother of three children—Dr. Edward P. Hayward, who died in this city three years ago; Mrs. Mattie Lowe, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Judge William Hayward of this city. The latter is chairman of the republican state central committee. Mrs. Hayward for the past three years had been president of the Helping Hand society and for three years has been identified with the society and works of charity. In every way she sought to aid the less fortunate people of this world. She was president of the Woman's club, and it was due to her efforts that it was organized. She was a devout church member and a great worker. She was one of the leading members of the Baptist church here. Through her aid and work a fine church building was erected here several years ago."

#### A Real Wonderland.

South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mound City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine, that saved his life and completely cured him." Quarantined for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, sold by F. G. Fricke & Co., druggists. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

#### Returned Home This Morning.

J. G. Kendall and wife, living near Union, who have been at Kirksville, Mo., taking treatment at the home of Osteopathy, for rheumatism, for the past three weeks, returned home this morning. They report that the treatment has improved them both. Mr. Kendall was much the worse of the two, and claims much improvement, though he says he will have to go back and take more treatment. Not knowing how things were going on the farm they came back, and if necessary, after they shall have seen to things at home will return to Kirksville for further treatment.

Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup, the new Laxative, stimulates but does not irritate. It is the best laxative. Guaranteed or your money back by F. G. Fricke & Co.

#### Increases Subscription Price.

Every paper in Cass county, with the exception of the Plattsmouth papers have increased their subscriptions to \$1.50 per year. The last one to do this is the Weeping Water Republican. As we have said from time to time, the fellows who were guilty of cutting the price in the first place are the ones that should suffer. The first ones that we knew to reduce their prices from \$1.50 to \$1.00 per annum, were two young school teachers over in Missouri, who thought that a big subscription list was all that was necessary. They found out their mistake in less than a year and then tried to put them back to the old price. It is unnecessary to say what the consequences were. They are not in the business now.

Torturing eczema spreads its burning area every day. Doan's Ointment quickly stops its spreading, instantly relieves the itching, cures it permanently. At any drug store.

#### SPOTS VISIBLE ON THE SUN

**Followed by a Series of Storms, Earthquakes and Other Violent Disturbances.**

Signor Alfani, of the Naples Observatory, is a celebrated astronomer. He has made "predictions which have been realized." Hence his prediction that a new series of spots on the sun will be followed by a series of storms, earthquakes and other violent disturbances is cabled to the United States and all over the civilized world.

It was once believed that the approach of every comet threatened some violent disturbance. The approach of many comets can now be predicted. At times they are followed by disturbances. It is impossible or at least imaginable that they have made some disturbing influence. It is even argued that the tail of one of them caused the "Black Death." It is not possible to know, however, and it may not be possible for centuries to come, if it ever is at all.

For this reason and others we do not now beat kettledrums and make loud and hideous noises to show our objections or our alarm at any astronomical event. They do this still in Siam and some other parts of the world. There, too, they are encouraged by their moralists to lead better lives on such occasions. This is always timely in Siam, as it is elsewhere. But as for astronomical events, not yet knowing their relations to affairs on earth, the best we can do is to use what we do know to the best advantage, regardless of them.

This applies as fully to Signor Alfani's sunspots as it does to comets and eclipses. The only difference is one which concerns Signor Alfani as a reliable scientist. It is that sunspots have been observed and compared with other results for so short a time it is impossible to do anything more than form a mere theory of their possible relations to the earth.

It may be an advantage to hold such a theory, based on a few known facts, and to state it for the benefit of others. But it is not science to use it to appeal in any way to the same impulses which once resulted usually in leaving work to beat kettledrums because of events in space from 15,000,000 to 90,000,000 miles distant.

The better plan, when work is to be done, has been scientifically condensed into a "formula" in this country. And the formula is "to do it now," regardless of spots on the sun or of conclusions from telescopes in Italy or elsewhere.

#### A Former Resident Plattsmouth.

Simon Obernalte, a prominent German farmer, of near Wabash, who came in yesterday as a witness in the J. A. Bauer case, gave the Journal a pleasant call this morning, and while here renewed his allegiance to the Old Reliable. Mr. Obernalte is a former resident of Plattsmouth, having resided here when most of the ward school houses were built with him as contractor for doing the work. He lived here several years, and knows most of the residents who lived here at that time. He now owns plenty of rich farm lands near Wabash, and has plenty of this world's goods as a result of industry and enterprise in his earlier days. He is now badly crippled up and his gray hair tells that old age is creeping on him at a lively gait. We trust, however, that our old friend may live many years longer to enjoy in his declining days what incessant toil has brought to him.

#### For Sale at a Bargain!

A fine Kimball piano, mahogany case. In splendid condition. Enquire at the Journal office.

#### Determined Suitor at Sidney, Iowa.

The people of Sidney, Ia., were furnished a sensation Saturday when Warren Booten, who went to the home of his betrothed, Miss Lucy Hickey, to accompany her to the train which was to take them to Plattsmouth, where they were to be married, there met with opposition from the girl's father. Booten was told that he could not marry the girl. Booten said he would. The two mixed, and according to all accounts, the girl's father was bested, emerging from the melee with a black eye and other minor evidences of the trouble. Booten was unharmed. The girl was in the house all the time.

The young people then went to Plattsmouth and were married. Both are of age, and the young man is said to be of good character.—Glenwood Opinion.

So far as we are able to learn no such parties were in this city, and the records do not show that any such ones secured a permit to marry at the county judge's office.

#### CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Pritchett*

#### Clerk of Lodge Absconds.

A special from Nebraska City says: "Charles Mack, clerk of Elm camp No. 23, Woodmen of the World, left for parts unknown and an examination of his accounts shows a shortage of between \$400 and \$500. Mack was employed as clerk in the drug store of the Marshall Bradley Drug company. When leaving town he sent word to the store to give any salary due him to his mother. The young man came from poor parents and worked his way up to the position of trust that he held. Living beyond his means and associating with companions whose pace he could not afford are the causes of his downfall. "The bonding company and examiner of the head camp will arrive tomorrow to examine his accounts. The local board of managers demanded an accounting and this probably hurried his departure."

#### ONE HUNDRED AT-TEND RECEPTION

**Given by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spangler Their Home at Weeping Water**

At the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spangler, at Weeping Water, yesterday and last evening were given two receptions, or one reception making two parts, one for the elderly portion of the invited guests and the other for the younger people. At each of the divisions about fifty were present. During the afternoon and evening music, games, and social conversation were indulged in and refreshments were served. One year ago a like reception was given at which about the same number of people were present and participated in the festivities of the occasion.

Most of the invited guests were relatives, a large number of families of Spanglers residing in the county. Mrs. Spangler was formerly Miss Wiles, daughter of Mrs. Stephen Wiles, south west of the city. The occasion was enjoyed by all present.

#### Has Secured a Very Fine Bird.

Yesterday morning, Dr. J. H. Hall received from a breeder of fine Plymouth Rock chickens, a cockerel, son of "Maitland," claimed to be one of the best Plymouth Rocks in the West, and has scored, according to Rhodes, 933 points. The dam of this young bird is a grand cockerel breeder and is the mother of two fine cockerels, taking respectively first and second prizes at the St. Joseph, Mo., poultry show, and scoring 933 and 934 points. The doctor says that the grand blood back of this fellow which he has purchased, should make him a strong producer for general utility purposes, if not of fancy stuff.

#### Here's Good Advice.

O. S. Woollever, one of the best known merchants of LeRayville, N. Y., says: "If you are ever troubled with piles, apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It cured me of them for good 20 years ago." Cures every sore, wound, burn or abrasion. 25c, at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store.

#### HAVE THANKS-GIVING EVENING.

**The Fairview Woman's Club, Give Their Husbands and Sons a Delightful Evening.**

The ladies of the Womans Club known as the Fairview Womans Club, about twelve miles west of the city, gave a very unique and enjoyable evening to their husbands and sons on Thanksgiving evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse B. Livingston, at which there were about 75 people present. A delightful program was rendered and bounteous supper served by the good mothers and sisters. Games for the younger of the people assembled, while social conversation and reminiscences occupied the time of the older ones, when not interested and entertained by the excellent program furnished. The Livingston Glee Club, consisting Mr. and Mrs. Grover Livingston, Miss Lela Livingston and Cyrus Livingston gave a few delightful songs, while Misses Lela Livingston, Dora McNurlin, Mattie Urish and Mrs. J. W. Treitsch sang solos, which were a joy to listen to, Misses Louise and Helena Hennings pleased everybody with a duet.

Misses Helen Horn and Viola Becker gave readings which were enjoyed by everybody both from the mirthfulness of the compositions and the ability of the young ladies at rendition. The evening was a very enjoyable one.

#### A Dangerous Deadlock.

that sometimes terminates fatally, is the stoppage of liver and bowel functions. To quickly end this condition without disagreeable sensations, Dr. King's New Life Pills should always be your remedy. Guaranteed absolutely satisfactory in every case or money back, at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store. 25c.

Itch cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Never fails. Sold by Gering & Co., druggists.

#### MANLEY ELEVATOR COMPANY'S CASE

**The Railway Commission Will Hear the Case—Objections Over-Ruled.**

Regarding the Manley elevator case now before the railway commission, a special from Lincoln says:

"The right of the Manley Elevator company, a co-operative farmers' concern, to have side tracks laid to its property was in dispute today before the railway commission. The company wanted, first, free access from its elevator to the stock yards of the company across property of a competing elevator. Second, it wanted the railroad to run a sidetrack to its property. J. H. Orr, speaking for the railroad, denied the right of the company to proceed through the commission to get the track, claiming legal action in the state courts was necessary, through the Come law, which provides a way for enforcing the Harsh elevator law, enacted at an earlier session. The chief contention, and one which strikes at the root of the right of the commission to act against any railroad was that the railroad is engaged in interstate business and as a corporation doing an interstate business the Interstate Commerce commission alone could rule. The road threatened to appeal the case to this commission. Extracts from the recent message of President Roosevelt were read to show this view of railroad legislation to be correct."

"A suit in which judgment for \$500 damages was secured against the Missouri Pacific in trial court, is now pending in the supreme court in the Manley company over the same track. County Attorney Rawls appeared for the elevator company today."

"After listening practically all day to Mr. Orr argue against the jurisdiction of the commission to hear the complaint, the commission late in the evening overruled his objections and the hearing will proceed."

#### The Woodman Rally.

An effort is being made and will no doubt be successful, to secure a class of 150 candidates for initiation into the M. W. A. lodge. The plan is to work in Weeping Water and surrounding towns, including Wabash, Edmwood, Eagle, Manley, Louisville, Avoca, Berlin and Nehawka. This grand rally will take place on Friday, December 20th. A prize is to be given to the lodge having the largest class present. On that occasion Mayor Gorder is to deliver the address of welcome, and that alone is worth the price of admission, but there will be others to speak, and in response to the mayor will be an address by state deputy E. E. Kester, and a short talk on Woodcraft by State Lecturer J. M. Leidy. But back of all the good that comes in joining the order is the fact of the insurance, the protection to the families in case of death. While death is a sad visitor in any family, yet two or three thousand dollars helps lift a load of grief sometimes when a family is left almost destitute.—Weeping Water Republican.

#### County Commissioners to Meet.

The state association of county commissioners and supervisors will meet in South Omaha on Tuesday, December 10, for a three days session. We note that Commissioner L. D. Switzer, of this county is down for an address entitled, "The County Official." The South Omaha officials are arranging to show their guests a good time.

#### Why Not Do Same Here?

The farmers over in Mills county, Iowa, have organized a protective association against the chicken thieves, and have made an offer of \$25 for the conviction of every thief "lifting" poultry from any member of the association. This is the way to put a stop to chicken stealing. Two or three convictions will do the business.

#### Board of Trustees Meet.

George H. Griffin, superintendent of the Masonic Home, W. J. White and W. L. Pickett were passengers to Omaha this morning, where they will attend the meeting of the board of trustees of the Masonic Home, which convenes in Omaha today. Some matters pertaining to the management of the home will be brought up for adjustment.

#### Will Attend the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of the Woodmen of the World, is in session at Omaha today, and George Becker of this place is in attendance, having going on the Missouri Pacific this morning. On account of the continued sickness of Gus Rhode, he has not been able to get out at night and on that account there has been no meeting and no delegate elected from this lodge. George will look after the interests of the local lodge here and report what has been done, when the lodge here meets again.

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