

MAKES RETORT COURTEOUS

President Taft Gives Hearing to W. K. Kavanagh at White House. Washington, Dec. 9.—President Taft and W. K. Kavanagh, who made an attack on the former during the recent waterways convention at St. Louis, met in the White House. The president gave a respectful hearing to Mr. Kavanagh as spokesman of a committee which called on him to present a resolution adopted at St. Louis asking support for a fourteen-foot channel from Chicago to New Orleans and then said:

"Mr. Kavanagh, I was on the bench long enough to learn that it is the duty of a judge to listen to the testimony of any man, no matter how much he may have been abusing the court at the corner grocery."

Following this "retort courteous" the president promised to give the matter his earnest consideration.

Mr. Kavanagh is president of the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterways association. In a speech at the last convention he declared that the president had lost interest in the Mississippi project; that he had appointed engineers unfavorable to the project and that he had unduly favored the improvement of his own river, the Ohio.

CHAMP CLARK FAVORS WATERWAYS

Next Speaker Addresses Rivers and Harbors Congress.

Washington, Dec. 9.—That the house of representatives, "practically every man in it," is in favor of comprehensive and adequate legislation providing for the improvement of all the navigable waters of the United States and is equally ready to appropriate money for carrying on the work, was the declaration made to the National Rivers and Harbors congress by Representative Champ Clark, minority leader of the house of representatives.

The declaration was made in the course of the forceful remarks by Mr. Clark, during which he advised the delegates to concentrate their missionary efforts on senate and White House. Mr. Clark followed several speakers, among whom was Judson Harmon, governor of Ohio, introduced by President Ransdall as "another great son of the mother of presidents."

Governor Harmon was accorded a reception by the delegates second only to that given to President Taft.

Governor Harmon's address was brief. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Clark said he would be in favor of waterway improvement if no passenger or pound of freight passed over them after the work was done. They would act, when improved, he said, as an automatic adjuster of freight rates, and as such were worth all that might be spent on them.

TRADE HAS NEARLY DOUBLED

Commerce Between United States and Philippines Shows Great Gain.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Trade between the United States and Philippine islands has practically doubled since the enactment of the present tariff law which permits an interchange free of duty of practically all articles passing between the United States and those islands. The total value of imports into the United States from the Philippine islands in the first fifteen months' operation of the new tariff law amounted to \$24,333,000, against \$11,500,000 in the fifteen months immediately preceding the enactment of that law; while the exports to the islands in the fifteen months since its enactment are \$23,333,000, against \$12,500,000 in the fifteen months immediately prior to its enactment. Thus the imports from the islands in the fifteen months since the enactment of the law for which a record of commerce is now available, are slightly more than double, and exports thereto slightly less than double those in the fifteen months prior to its enactment.

FUNERAL OF MRS. EDDY

Judge C. P. Smith Officiates at Short Service at Chestnut Hill Home.

Boston, Dec. 9.—After services attended by her family relatives, the members of her household, officials of the Christian Science church and publishing society and her personal students residing in Greater Boston, the body of Rev. Mary Baker Eddy was placed in the receiving vault at Mount Auburn cemetery. The funeral services at the Chestnut Hill home were simple and were conducted with quiet dignity. There were about 123 persons present. Judge Clifford P. Smith, first reader of the mother church, conducted the services.

The terms of the will of Mrs. Eddy were learned here. To the Christian Science church, the source from which it came, she gives the bulk of her estate, which, inclusive of copyrights, is about \$1,500,000. This latter part of the estate which will be upwards of \$1,000,000, the testament of the will devotes to the propagation of the Christian Science faith.

Asserts Erdman Confessed.

Omaha, Dec. 9.—Held in the county jail on a charge of attempting to destroy Tom Dennison with an infernal machine, Frank Erdman, so far from repenting, is said to have sworn to William T. Applewhite, a fellow prisoner, that if he ever gets out of jail he will kill Dennison, and declared that he wished the dynamite in the suitcase had killed the intended victim.

BANK DEPOSITS SHOW DECREASE

Secretary of Banking Board Makes Report on Conditions.

LOANS ARE HIGHER AS RESULT

Very Little of This Year's Crop Placed Upon Market, Which Accounts for Depletion of Cash in Banks—Farmers Waiting for Better Prices.

Lincoln, Dec. 10.—The abstract of the condition of Nebraska state banks on Nov. 10, when the last call was issued, shows, according to the statement given out by Secretary S. S. Royse of the banking board, that deposits have materially fallen off as compared with one year ago and loans have advanced almost as much. The condition Mr. Royse does not consider in the least alarming, as he points out that crops have not been moving, farmers waiting for better prices, and this circumstance alone would, in his estimation, account for the decreased deposits and the increased loans.

The compilation of the reports indicates that in 666 state banks there are 230,067 depositors, and that the average reserve is 24 per cent. This last is an important item. The state banking law requires that the cash reserve be maintained at 15 per cent at least. Of the total cash reserve in the banks more than three-fourths of it is in the hands of eastern correspondents so that the actual cash on hand in the state bank vaults is only a little more than 6 per cent. This is not an unusual condition.

CAR RUNS OFF TRACK

Burlington Freight Meets With Accident That Causes \$5,000 Damage.

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 10.—Section Foreman Davey of the Burlington at this station has found two or three broken rails on the main track of the road west of this city within the last few days and since the cold weather set in.

The track for a distance of three or four miles west of town recently suffered injury at least to the extent of \$5,000. A large car, 100,000 pounds capacity, on a fast freight filled to the limit with wheat, left the track while the train was running full speed. It became out of place west of town and the train ran until the yard limit was reached before the enginemen discovered the big load bumping along on the ties.

The heavy trucks running along on the ends of the ties broke off the timbers for the whole distance of three miles, or about 3,000 ties.

YORK COUNTY CORN CONTEST

Hundreds of Ears on Exhibition From Few Kernels That Were Distributed.

York, Neb., Dec. 10.—At the York county corn contest, from the thousand kernels of champion corn given to the boys in York county, hundreds of ears of corn were placed on exhibition. Superintendent Florer states that before the corn contest began the boys had never thought of the value of pure seed corn, but that since the annual meetings, every farmer boy in York county has become interested in better seed and better farming.

The increased interest in stock judging, better farming, domestic science and manual training has resulted in the organization of over forty clubs in the county.

County Fair Managers.

Lincoln, Dec. 10.—Representatives of the Nebraska Association of County Fair managers met with members of the board of managers of the State Fair association and made arrangements for the annual meeting, which will be held in Lincoln, Jan. 17. It was decided to have papers on such subjects as "Our County Fair," "The Circuit," "The Stock Show," "Concessions" and "Publicity."

Heroine of Gettysburg Dying.

Columbus, O., Dec. 10.—Mrs. Hannah Taylor, aged eighty, mother of Dr. Henry M. Taylor, former assistant adjutant general of Ohio, is dying at her home here. During the battle of Gettysburg she lived in the heart of the battle district, and ministered alike to both sides of the great conflict.

Six Firemen Overcome.

New York, Dec. 10.—Six firemen were overcome in an explosion of gas during a fire which broke out in a five-story building in West Twenty-third street, occupied by Dempsey & Carroll, stationers, and other firms. The fire did damage amounting to \$100,000.

John W. Schaum Commits Suicide.

Milwaukee, Dec. 10.—John W. Schaum, formerly part owner of the Milwaukee Journal, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. Business troubles is assigned as the cause.

John Cudahy Seriously Ill.

Los Angeles, Dec. 10.—John Cudahy, millionaire packer, who arrived here from Chicago seriously ill is confined to his bed. Many friends have sent cards, but are not allowed to see him.

REPORT ON SOLDIERS' HOMES

Nebraska Institutions Caring for Fewer Veterans Each Year.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The annual report as to conditions at thirty-one homes maintained by the states for the benefit of the disabled volunteer soldier or sailor made by the inspector general and chief surgeon of the National Homes for Disabled Volunteers was sent to congress. In the main every state institution is reported to be in excellent condition. The returns and musters show an increase of 276, or 2.28 per cent, on the average number of inmates in the state homes during the fiscal year ended June 30.

Decreases in the number of veterans cared for at the two Nebraska state homes is noted. At Grand Island this year there were 228 inmates, as against 233 last year, a decrease of five. The average cost per capita at this home was \$226 per annum. The Milford home cared for ninety-seven old soldiers during 1910, as against 110 in 1909, at an average cost of \$162 per year.

FLEGE DENIES MURDERING SISTER

Case of Defendant Concluded in Court at Ponca.

Ponca, Neb., Dec. 10.—William Flege was cross-examined in the case in which he is defending himself on the charge of murdering his sister, Louise. Shortly before the state's lawyers took him in hand, he was asked if he shot his sister.

"No, sir," he replied with a strong voice.

He was visibly affected when confronted by his sister's clothes.

The defense concluded its case and arguments are being heard.

When asked about the wounds on his sister's body when he first came to the body that night the defendant stated that he had told his brother, Fred, that Louise was shot. He told Ida Heinrich and her brother that she was shot, and then counsel asked him if he knew she was shot, and he answered positively, "Yes, sir."

He stated that he had not seen the revolver after 2 o'clock the night of the murder until 8 o'clock the next morning, and yet insisted that he had given it to Mr. Kingsbury, county attorney of Dixon county. The defendant was on the stand nine hours.

The face of the defendant appeared more swollen and flushed than usual. He tried to smile a little, but it was not the smile of the earlier part of the trial.

NINETY-ONE MILLIONS IN U. S.

Increase of Twenty Per Cent in States Already Announced.

Washington, Dec. 10.—When announced by the census bureau today the total population of the United States will be shown to approximate 91,500,000.

This computation covers all the states, except Georgia, Montana, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming, the figures on most of which Director Durand has decided to withhold until the total returns for the country at large are announced.

The states so far given have an aggregate population of 65,362,725. This is an increase of 20.4 percent over the aggregate population contained by the same states in 1900.

The five states not included in the computation had an aggregate population of 5,139,330 in 1900. If they maintain the growth of the other states, their aggregate will be brought up to 6,186,774, giving a grand total for the United States of 91,849,503.

Even if there should be no gain at all the total would be 90,502,061.

PERKINS LEAVES SYNDICATE

Says He Will Devote Time to Solving Conflict Between Capital and Labor.

New York, Dec. 10.—George W. Perkins announced his retirement from the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., to devote his time to extending the principles of profit-sharing and other benefit plans for solving the conflict between capital and labor.

Boys Find Counterfeiting Outfit.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 10.—Two boys while trapping along a small stream west of Sioux Falls found a complete counterfeiting outfit, including a considerable quantity of spurious coin. The outfit was found near a hut formerly occupied by a counterfeiter named Levi Clark, who is now serving his fourth or fifth term in prison because he persists in making counterfeit money.

Robbers of Churches Taken.

La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 10.—The police captured the gang which has been robbing school houses and churches in the last week. The prisoners are students who were taken while attempting to enter the state normal. They confessed ten church and school robberies. They pleaded they were trying to get money for their education.

Princess Louise Files Suit.

Brussels, Dec. 10.—Attorneys for Princess Louise of Belgium entered a formal suit for the recovery of \$8,000,000 which belonged to her father, the late King Leopold, and is now held by the Niederfulbach foundation.



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PLATTSMOUTH, : : : NEBRASKA

FORMER PLATTSMOUTH CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

From Saturday's Daily.

F. B. Holmes, of Havelock, died at his home in that city last evening, after an illness with tuberculosis of more than a year's duration. Mr. Holmes was born in Plattsburgh about thirty-seven years ago, and grew to manhood here. He moved to Havelock about 1892, where he secured a position as timekeeper in the office of the master mechanic of the Burlington shops. He afterward went on the road as fireman, and after some years of service became an engineer. He was married to a Lincoln young lady, and his wife and one son survive him, besides a brother, who has been an invalid for years; another

brother, Walter Holmes, is deputy in the register of deeds office at Lincoln, and one sister, Mrs. Samuel Hinkle, wife of Havelock's mayor.

Mr. Holmes had spent much time in Colorado, where he thought the climate was better for his trouble, and had been back only two weeks when he died.

Mr. Holmes was a member of the A. O. U. W., and also a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

The funeral will occur tomorrow afternoon under the auspices of the Railway Trainmen's Association.

Mr. R. O. Cole, of near Murray, came to Plattsburgh to take the Burlington to Omaha this afternoon, where he was called on business.

Wreck on Missouri Pacific.

From Saturday's Daily.

An extra west bound freight train this afternoon was wrecked north of Oreapolis, the engine and four cars leaving the track. The trouble delayed the south bound passenger train so much that it was sent to the city via Louisville and Weeping Water. The accident was caused by the engine going off on the "derail," and the source of the trouble was either in the operator or the engineer, and it is not known which is to blame at present. The track was blocked for several hours.

Mr. B. F. Dill, of South Bend, was Plattsburgh visitor this afternoon.

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