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PRESIDENT EN ROUTE

CHIEF EXECUTIVE CONGRATULATES PEOPLE OF NEBRASKA.

Train Sent From Fremont to Cross River at Blair and Then Speeds Across Iowa Homeward Bound Met by Cheering Crowds.

Omaha, May 10.—It was decided to change the route of the presidential train and send it across the Missouri river at Blair, Neb., twenty-five miles north of Omaha. When the train reached Fremont it was turned over to the Northwestern road, which took the train across the cutoff to Missouri Valley, Ia., where the main line branches off and runs direct to Chicago. Quite a large crowd had gathered at the Union station in this city in the hope of securing a glimpse of the president. Upon learning of the change of route they waited for the special train, which arrived at 10:30, highly decorated, and with the president's car missing.

The Northwestern sent a pilot train out of Omaha at 9:30 p. m. to Missouri Valley, Ia., where it met the president's special and took it east.

The trip across Nebraska was a most pleasant one for the president. Several speeches, all brief, were delivered by the president from the rear platform of his car.

Talks on Irrigation at North Platte.
The president spoke longest at North Platte, where he said:

"This is the third time in recent years I have been in North Platte, and it is a peculiar pleasure to be with you once again. This neighborhood is one of the pioneer spots of the west in irrigation. It was your good fortune to lead in showing just what could be done by means of irrigation for the prosperity of this country. Nothing will count more in the next half century in building up the United States than what is done in irrigation. I am particularly glad to see all of you here, but especially the children. I heartily believe in you people, and I am glad that the stock is kept up. Although I congratulate Nebraska on many crops, the best crop of all is the crop of citizens. What counts in any nation more than anything in the end is the average of the citizenship here, as everywhere else in the west. I see men who wear the button that shows that they fought in the great civil war. In the civil war the winning or losing of that fight depended upon the average quality of the average soldier. We saved the nation because the average man was of the right stamp. So it is in civil life. The one thing that we have got to have is the average man and the average woman of the right type. And you cannot have that if you do not have the children taken care of and trained up as they should be. So I congratulate you of Nebraska upon your school system and your family life as being the two things that count most in training up the children of the present to be the men and women of the future. Success for any community, and therefore success for the nation, means success in having the average family the kind of family that it should be. We need material prosperity. We must have that as the foundation, but upon it we must build the structure of a happy family life in order to make the nation what it should be. Two years ago I went from the Atlantic to the Pacific. I have just been a little while ago down in Texas, as I had been previously in Maine and Oregon, and there is one thing that strikes me more than anything else in going through this wonderful country of ours, and that is that fundamentally wherever you address a crowd of Americans, it is a pretty decent crowd."

Train is on Time.

Despite the rain 5,000 people had gathered at the Union Pacific depot at Grand Island to see and hear President Roosevelt. The pilot train arrived at 6:10 and promptly at the minute the presidential train pulled into the station. The president, smiling and happy, was out upon the rear platform and lost no time in greeting the Nebraskans gathered there. He had already begun to address the throng when Miss Anna Garmire and the members of the high school gradu-

ing class worked their way through the crowd and presented the president with a fine bouquet of roses and Easter lilies on behalf of the business men of Grand Island and the schools. He expressed his appreciation, especially as coming from the school children, venturing the assertion that he need not call attention to his fondness for school children. After referring to his former visit here, his address took the more general turn.

Denounces Hard Roads Bill.

Galesburg, Ill., May 10.—Congressman George W. Prince of this district announced his antagonism to hard roads at the good roads convention, and said that unless otherwise instructed he should vote against such a bill in congress. He declared the farmers of this district are with him in this stand and was vigorously applauded. Other speakers were Colonel W. H. Moore, president of the national association; G. W. Cooley of Minnesota; Colonel T. P. Rixey of Missouri; and Martin Dodge of the agricultural department.

Dorf Elected Grand Master.

Baltimore, May 10.—The event of the session of the convention of the National Order B'nith Abraham was the re-election of Grand Master Samuel Dorf. Providence, R. I., will be selected for the next meeting.

MORE TEAMS MOVE IN CHICAGO.

Employers Teaming Company Successfully Sends Out Wagons.

Chicago, May 10.—The large department stores and the express companies have resumed business on almost a normal basis. They sent their wagons into the extreme parts of the city, in some instances without police protection, and transacted their business without interruption or trouble of a serious character. Sixteen hundred teams are at work and the number will be increased. Notwithstanding this apparent gain, however, there are strong indications that the strike will spread within the next few days, not only among the teamsters, but will involve other unions as well. The drivers of the Wenig Teaming company, a large concern chiefly engaged in delivering flour, went out when one of their number was discharged for refusing to deliver flour to a boycotted house.

In some quarters it was feared that the strike of the Wenig company drivers would produce a shortage in the supply of flour, but the officers of the company say that they have a supply sufficient to last the city for a week and that at the expiration of that time they will be able to make deliveries as before.

There were numerous clashes in the streets between nonunion men and the police and union teamsters, who attempted to block the passage of the wagons of the Employers' Teaming company. There were also a number of attacks made on nonunion men by workmen in buildings, who pelted them with all sorts of missiles from a safe distance. These fights were all in the character of rear guard attacks and bore no resemblance to the open violence committed during last week.

The taking of evidence relative to the granting of the injunctions issued temporarily by the United States circuit court in favor of the employers and the seven express companies commenced before Master-in-Chancery Sherman.

Honor Schiller in Austria.

Vienna, May 8.—Festivities incident to the centennial of the poet, Schiller, are in progress here and elsewhere throughout Austria, where the German language is spoken. Several thousand citizens marched to the Schiller monument in Vienna, sang and listened to addresses and recitations. The observances will be spread over several days, under the auspices of various societies, and will include public recitations from Schiller's works, choral celebrations and torch-light processions.

Cut Rates to Meet Trolley Competition

Chicago, May 9.—The Illinois Central railroad announced a reduction of nearly 100 per cent in passenger fares between Chicago and Kankakee, Decatur and Bloomington. The object is to meet the competition of the interurban trolleys. This is said to be the first move in a plan formed by the big steam railroad managers of the country to fight the trolleys. The Chicago and Alton road has already begun competition between Bloomington and St. Louis.

Boys Wander in Woods; One Dies.

New York, May 9.—Frank Levine and Samuel Marks, three and four years old respectively, ran away from their homes in Port Chester to gather wild flowers in the woods. The body of Levine was found floating in Byram river, three miles from Port Chester, while the Marks boy was found exhausted, lying under a big boulder.

One Fatality at Kingman.

Kingman, Kan., May 10.—A windstorm here did much damage to buildings. One two-story brick store was demolished and John L. Franks fatally injured.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Day's Trading and Closing Quotations.

Chicago, May 9.—Profit-taking, in anticipation that the government crop report would be bullish, caused an easy finish to the wheat market today. At the close July wheat was off 1/8c. Corn was down 1/4c. Oats showed a loss of 1/8c. Provisions were practically unchanged. Closing prices:

Wheat—May, 92c; July, 87 3/4c; Sept., 78 1/2c.
Corn—May, 18 1/4c; July, 40 3/4c; Sept., 40 1/2c.
Oats—May, 29 3/4c; July, 29 1/4c; Sept., 27 1/2c.
Pork—July, \$12.32 1/2; Sept., \$12.52 1/2.
Lard—May, \$7.15; July, \$7.39.
Ribs—May, \$7.05; July, \$7.25.

Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.50; No. 3 hard wheat, \$1.49; No. 2 cash corn, 49 1/2c; No. 2 cash oats, 29 1/2c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, May 9.—Cattle—Receipts, 15,000; steady; poor to medium steers, \$4.40 to \$5.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.75 to \$5.00; cows and heifers, \$2.75 to \$5.00; canners, \$1.50 to \$2.40; bulls, \$2.50 to \$4.75; calves, \$2.75 to \$6.00. Hogs—Receipts, 22,000; 5c lower; mixed and butchers, \$5.30 to \$5.52 1/2; good to choice heavy, \$5.30 to \$5.50; rough heavy, \$5.00 to \$5.20; light, \$5.25 to \$5.50; bulk of sales, \$5.35 to \$5.50. Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; strong; good to choice wethers, \$4.50 to \$5.10; fair to choice mixed, \$4.40; native lambs, \$5.75 to \$6.25; western lambs, \$5.50 to \$5.75.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, May 9.—Cattle—Receipts, 9,300; 5c to 10c lower; choice beef steers, \$5.50 to \$6.25; fair to good, \$4.50 to \$5.40; western fed steers, \$4.50 to \$6.15; stockers and feeders, \$1.25 to \$5.00; cows, \$2.25 to \$4.00; heifers, \$4.25 to \$5.40; bulls, \$2.00 to \$4.00; calves, \$3.00 to \$5.50. Hogs—Receipts, 10,500; 7 1/2c lower; bulk of sales, \$5.15 to \$5.27 1/2; heavy, \$5.25 to \$5.32 1/2; packers, \$5.17 to \$5.27 1/2; pigs and light, \$4.25 to \$5.25. Sheep—Receipts, 7,000; 10c lower; lambs, \$5.50 to \$7.00; ewes and yearlings, \$4.25 to \$5.85; stockers and feeders, \$2.50 to \$5.00.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, May 9.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,700; steady to 10c lower; native steers, \$4.50 to \$6.35; cows and heifers, \$3.40 to \$5.00; western steers, \$3.50 to \$5.20; canners, \$2.00 to \$3.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.75 to \$5.00; calves, \$3.00 to \$6.00; bulls, stags, etc., \$2.50 to \$4.75. Hogs—Receipts, 9,500; shade lower; heavy, \$5.12 to \$5.20; mixed, \$5.12 to \$5.15; light, \$5.10 to \$5.17 1/2; pigs, \$4.00 to \$5.00; bulk of sales, \$5.12 to \$5.17. Sheep—Receipts, 5,200; steady; westerns, \$4.25 to \$4.75.

A VERDICT IN RHYME.

The Suit Was In Jest, but the Fine Was In Earnest.

An interesting verdict was rendered in the district court of Travis county, Tex., in 1857.

The defendant, Frank B. Rafer, at that time a well known citizen of Austin, was accused of gambling, which was not regarded as a very serious offense in Texas in those early days, especially if the offender chanced to be a prominent citizen.

The prosecution was generally treated as a pleasant jest, but was nevertheless carried through in earnest, and a jury composed of lawyers brought in the following verdict:

We, the jury, lawful men,
Fine the defendant dollars ten;
A guilty man beyond all doubt,
Let the defendant pay himself out.
Thus we've said this freezing morn,
Your obedient servant, A. O. Horne,
Foreman.

The composition of this verdict is attributed to A. W. Terrell, who at the time of his service on the jury was a young lawyer. Afterward he attained great distinction in practice, served as a district court judge and was United States minister to Turkey under President Cleveland.

Other members of the same jury who afterward achieved renown were Charles S. West, who rose to be a justice of the Texas supreme court, and F. W. Chandler, who became one of the leaders of the Texas bar.—Law Notes.

He Was Loyal to His Friend.

Coventry Patmore's talk, as Mr. Gosse describes it, was apt to be startling. Behold an example:

In the presence of a number of men of letters Patmore mentioned an accomplished writer who was an intimate friend of his. The conversation passed to the lyrical poems of Herrick, whereupon Patmore, in his most positive manner, exclaimed, "By the side of —, Herrick was nothing but a brilliant insect!" There was a universal murmur of indignant protest. Patmore pursed up his lips, blinked his eyes and said nothing. The conversation proceeded, and an opinion of Goethe's was presently quoted. Then Patmore lifted up his voice and cried, "By the side of —, Goethe was nothing but a brilliant insect!"

The "Thin Rice" of the Chinese.

The very first thing that a Chinaman takes when he gets up in the morning is a bowl of hot "congee," or, as he calls it, "thin rice." This is simply rice boiled away to a thinish drinkable consistency. If allowed to cool it would thicken into paste. Some care is required to make it properly. "If the water is visible and not the rice," says Yuan Mei, "that is not congee. If the rice is visible and not the water, that is not congee either. The two must be indistinguishably blended before you can call the result congee."

Not Negotiable.

"Do you ever look back, Blobs, on the days of your boyhood, the dear faces in the home, the moon shining on the river, the hills, the valleys, the —"
"No," interrupted Blobs brusquely, "it doesn't pay!"
"Doesn't pay what?"
"Dividends," — Chicago Record-Herald.

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