

Today The President's Condition.

Food a Danger. One Million Young Men. God Owns This Land. By ARTHUR BRISBANE

The president's serious illness, which, happily, presents at this writing no serious danger, is the one topic that interests the nation.

Such illness as now prostrates the president threatens every man past 50 who lets devotion to duty drive him beyond his normal powers.

The indications of pneumonia are such as often follow a violent attack of indigestion, lowering vitality, and facilitating the work of the pneumonia bacillus.

Many European physicians would be disturbed by the statement in the doctors' bulletin: "Nourishment is being taken regularly."

It is, of course, nourishment of the lightest possible kind, most easily assimilated. But it is not easy for the system simultaneously to eliminate poisons and assimilate food.

The doctors locate the poison effects, at present, in the gall bladder. About that mysterious organ medical science knows little, but the work that it does certainly is important in the digestive process.

This writer can testify to the details of one severe case of gall bladder trouble, in which able doctors insisted on regular feeding, to be followed by an operation, as soon as the patient could stand it.

It will be recalled that some of Europe's most famous physicians protested earnestly against the announcement that Caruso, suffering from internal poisoning, was "eating well."

Canada proposes to bring over 1,000,000 young men from England, boys about 18 years of age. They will be taken in at the rate of 200,000 to 300,000 a year.

Meanwhile, this highly intelligent country shuts out in its self satisfied ignorance the very pick of Europe's ambitious, energetic population that would gladly come here to build up the nation.

The Fiery Cross, Ku Klux Klan newspaper, prints a "klan creed." It says among other things, "I am a native born American citizen, and I believe my rights in this country are superior to those of foreigners."

Steel stocks are feeble, the change from the 12 to the eight-hour day frightens speculators. That change wouldn't mean enough to make any real difference.

There is something for wheat farmers to think over. For the first time in many years France will import no wheat.

Law Officers Being Rushed to Tempe, Ariz.

Belligerent Depositors Demand Explanation and Burning of Institution and Burning of Bank Records.

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 1.—Sheriff's deputies were rushed to Tempe, nine miles east of Phoenix late last night following reports that a crowd that had gathered before the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Tempe, which closed its doors last Friday was showing a belligerent attitude.

When they arrived at Tempe, however, the officers found that the crowd, with the exception of a few scattered groups, had dispersed. According to reports to the officers, members of the crowd had voiced demands that some action be taken in connection with the closing of the bank and had threatened to go to the home of W. J. Kingsbury, president of the bank, and make known their protests to him.

The bank closed after important records had been burned in a fire in the vault and feeling among the depositors is reported to be running high. Although Thornton Jones, Jr., cashier of the bank, confessed that he set fire to the records and surrendered to the authorities, he has not been placed under arrest.

State bank examiners, who have been conducting an investigation, have declared that nothing has been found to be wrong with Jones' accounts.

Alyce McCormick Nabbed for Speeding Fremont to Vote on Sewerage Bond Issue

Alyce McCormick, native Omaha and erstwhile Broadway chorus girl, was arrested and lodged in the bullpen at police station yesterday afternoon, charged with speeding.

She was arrested by Motorcycle Officer Sheehan at Thirtieth and Farnam streets.

"How fast were you going?" she was asked.

"Not very fast—but fast enough to get in."

She experienced difficulty in locating her father, and the toe which tapped the boards behind the footlights on the Great White Way beat a tattoo of impatience on the cement floor of the prisoners' enclosure before the desk sergeant's window over the unavoidable delay.

She declined assistance from any other quarter and announced her determination to stay in jail until her father appeared to bail her out.

An unidentified girl, a brunette, who vied with Miss McCormick herself for beauty, appeared at the station half an hour later with the \$50 which obtained the singer's release.

Nickerson Bank Operated by State Under New Law Lincoln, Aug. 1.—K. C. Knudson, head of the state banking department, announced yesterday that the First State bank of Nickerson, which Monday turned its affairs over to the department, had been opened and will be operated by the bank guarantee fund created under the provisions of the new banking law which authorizes that commission to operate banks.

The commission has placed W. E. Fanestock, cashier of the Scribner State bank, in charge of the Nickerson institution. The bank recently was robbed of \$26,000 in cash and Liberty bonds.

Medicine Lodge, at 110, Hottest Place in Country Topeka, Kan., Aug. 1.—The highest temperature in the United States yesterday was 117 at Medicine Lodge, in south central Kansas, according to official reports received at the weather bureau here today. A hot wind that accompanied the highest temperatures of the season throughout central and southeastern Kansas damaged the corn crop. It is believed.

Other high temperatures reported were from Anthony, Hays, Ellinwood and Phillipsburg; 106; Larned, 105; Garden City, Hutchinson and Ellsworth; 104; Dodge City and Wichita, 102.

2 Guard Fliers Killed. Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 1.—Lieut. Taylor J. Roscoe and Sergeant Cleo Cook, both of Franklin, Tenn., National guard, were killed at Roberts field in Birmingham yesterday afternoon when the air plane in which they were flying fell about 300 feet and burst into flames.

They were en route from Nashville to Maxwell field, Montgomery, Ala., for maneuvers.

Nebraska Child, 4 1-2, Establishes Possible Record for Schools Finishes First Grade

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outcome of the present situation which makes it clear that reparations money will not be forthcoming, should necessarily be followed by some definite developments of French internal finance.

Spend Billion in Excess. The French, during the entire five years since the armistice, have been spending more money than they collected in taxes.

They divided their budget into three parts. In the first, the ordinary budget, expenses have been about the same as the entire amount of taxes collected. A second budget, known as the extraordinary budget, has spent about one hundred million dollars a year without any attempt to meet it with taxation.

The French government has raised the money by selling bonds to their own people and have gone along on the expectation of reimbursing their people so soon as they should collect their reparations money from Germany.

Harriet started her school work at Whitten-Carille, in Lincoln, under the instruction of Miss Hammond.

She is the only granddaughter of Mrs. Harriet Chapman of Nebraska City, a pioneer of the state.

Fremont to Vote on Sewerage Bond Issue

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Fremont, Neb., Aug. 1.—Citizens of Fremont will be called upon in the near future to vote bonds of \$120,000 for a new sewerage disposal system, according to an announcement made by Mayor Harry P. Larson.

The project was voted down at a previous election but since then the courts of the state have ordered that the present system, decreed a nuisance, be replaced by an improved method of sewerage disposal.

The city officials have been working on a new plan but as yet no details have been made public. The use of Rawhide creek to carry off the sewage of Fremont has been attacked by the farmers of Douglas county in the courts for the past number of years and it appears as last that they will have relief in the near future.

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Franc Holds Balance in French Republic

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Higher Corn Price Doesn't Make Up Loss in Wheat. Chicago, Aug. 1.—Although the deferred deliveries of corn are selling on the Chicago board of trade 25c higher than at this time a year ago, and higher than since 1920, the advance in corn prices does not compensate the American farmer for the losses he is experiencing as a result of "dollar wheat," it was stated today by the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Thompson, Belden & Co. Thursday--A Sale 120 Imported Gingham Home Frocks \$1.95. Attractive styles with becoming organdy collar, clever pockets and sash. The gingham is that soft lustrous quality characteristic of the English mills, which comes from the tub looking better than ever. The patterns are desirable small checks in pink, green, lavender, brown, black and red. Sizes 38 to 46. This is one of those Thompson-Belden satisfying sales. Second Floor

Railroad Earnings Are Not Guaranteed

A common impression exists that railroad earnings are in some way guaranteed by the Government. This is not a fact. The railroads were paid for the Federal Control period a fixed rental and were given an option for continuance of this basis for six months thereafter. This arrangement expired August 31, 1920, since which time nothing even resembling a guarantee has been in effect. Under the Constitution a railroad has always been entitled to earn a fair return upon its property devoted to the public use, the percentage which constituted such fair return being a question for determination by the courts. The transportation act says: "In the exercise of its power to prescribe just and reasonable rates, the Commission shall... adjust such rates so that carriers... will, under honest, efficient and economical management... earn an aggregate annual net railway operating income equal, as nearly as may be, to a fair return upon the aggregate value of the common carrier property, giving due consideration... to the transportation needs of the country and the necessity... of enlarging such facilities in order to provide the people of the United States with adequate transportation." For the two years ending March 1, 1922, such fair return was fixed at 6 per cent. Since then it has been reduced by the Commission to 5.75 per cent. In no year, however, have the railroads secured the fair return contemplated by the Act, as the following will show:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Percentage Actually Earned. Rows for 1920 (0.33), 1921 (3.3), 1922 (4.14)

It is entirely clear, therefore, that the law in no sense guarantees the earnings of the railroads. If it did, the Government would owe the railroads more than a billion dollars for deficits in 1920, 1921 and 1922. Since January 1, 1923, the earnings of the railroads as a whole have been better than for the same period in any of the three preceding years, but the rate of return is still lower than the Interstate Commerce Commission has prescribed as reasonable. The Transportation Act has not been the cause of increases in railroad rates. One of the authors of the Act has said: "Rates have advanced simply because the cost of maintenance and operation has more than doubled since pre-war days while railroad rates, taken as a whole, are now about 54 per cent higher than they were before the Government took over the railroads at the beginning of the year 1918." The price of transportation can only be reduced as the cost of transportation is reduced and the railroad's cost of living has increased in like proportion to that of the individual. Every effort, however, is being made to reduce it. Constructive suggestions are always welcome. C. R. GRAY, President.

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