Uncle Sam Faces Big Land Problem, Declares Howell

Senator Speaks on His Observations From Panama to Alaska—Critizes Government Railroad.

America's colonial possessions provide a growing problem of government, Senator R. B. Howell declared in an address before the Lions club at the Fontenelle hotel yesterday. He did not mention the Philippines or Hawaii, but spoke of the Caribbean regions and Alaska, both of which he has visited in the last year.

"Porto Rico has a full grown movement which is demanding independence," he said. "But what they really are seeking is statehood. This island is densely populated. If Nebraska were as thickly settled, this state would have 27,000,000 people. Since their annexation their trade with the mainland has grown many times, and they could not afford as a business proposition to cut themselves off, taking the risk of being outside the tariff wall."

"Cuba is on parole. Hayti and San Domingo have been adopted temporarily at least. The Virgin islands have been acquired by purchase from Denmark. I would not give 50 cents an acre for St. John-s, the isle of this group that I visited. It is without water, and is all on edge.

Alaska Overestimated.

"The United States holds also the Panama Canal zone and even runs the Republic of Panama. In Central America 100 United States marines behind the American minister, run the state of Nicaragua..

Senator Howell in giving his observations of Alaska made it plain that this territory is not all its boosters have made it appear. The placer mines have been worked out, and only eight lode mines are being run.

There is much excellent coal, but the cost of mining it is more than the cost of shipping Pochahontas coal from the Atlantic coast to Alaska by way of the canal. The high cost of coal mining is due to the faults in the structure of the land. A fine vein will be discovered, but will end suddenly where the earth has slipped, and will have to be sought many feet above, below, or to one side.

The cost of clearing land for farming is $250 an acre. Hay sells at $70 a ton and is shipped in from the states. This is because the native grass will not cure unless it is laid on poles or platforms.

Exposes Alaskan Railroad.

The senator told of his interest in the government owned railroad and announced his conclusion that this 540-mile line was built only that two spurs belonging to the great mining interests might be sold to the nation. One of the private lines that was sold to the government was losing $210 a day when bought, he declared, and the government line now is losing more than $1,000,000 a year. The timber in Alaska is so poor that railroad ties are brought in from the states at a cost each of $2.

"I am an advocate of public ownership as a means, not as an end," Senator Howell concluded. "I believe that if it does not pay the people to own a utility, they should not consider taking it over. You have not heard any great interest objecting to government ownership of the Alaska railroad. That is because there is no profit in it, and htey consider it a good place to demonstrate the failure of government ownership."

Man Shoots Self in Facing Arrest

Cafe Owner May Die From Wounds Inflicted While Officer Waits for Him.

Crippled and in ill health, Charles Richards, 48, 1009 Pacific street, shot and probably fatally wounded himself Monday night while an officer waited to take him to jail on a statutory charge.

Ernest Fee, who was given a warrant for Richards' arrest, found him at home with Mrs. Marie McCue, a boarder. Richards was given permission to change clothes. He entered a bedroom and shot himself in the chest with a shotgun.

Richards held the gun so tightly against his body that Fee heard only a slight report like that made by a popgun.

After shooting himself, Richards called to the officer, "I've done it! Come and get me." He was taken to St. Joseph hospital. A police surgeon said part of the charge entered the left lung and that the man had only a fighting chance to live.

Richards said he had undergone 47 operations. He is the proprietor of a restaurant at 1110 South Tenth street. Mrs. McCue was held as a state's witness.

Matsen to Plead Guilty to Fur Store Holdup, Claim

Charles Matsen, arrested Saturday by Patrolman Ben Dunbaum for investigation in connection with the $9,000 pay roll holdup of a Metropolitan Utilities district car, has agreed to plead guilty to a charge of robbing the I. Berkowitz fur store, 2318 Leavenworth street, more than a year ago, provided the state will drop its charge against him of carrying concealed weapons, according to his attorney.

Over 1,500 Tourists Camped Here in August, Report Says

J. B. Hummel, park commissioner, Tuesday submitted a report of the activities at the automobile tourist camp at Elmwood park for the month of August to the city council.

According to the report, 1,518 tourists stopped at the camp during the month, some of whom remained more than one day.

At the rate of 50 cents a day for each tourist, receipts for the month were $961.

Concert Program.

Program of concerts for the coming season has been announced by the Business and Professional Women's division of the Chamber of Commerce.

Sun Kissed Monograms

Branding their backs with the initials of their beaux is fad among bathing beauties of California beaches. Initials made of adhesived tape are pasted to the skin and the sun does the rest.

State Bankers' Program Ready

Committees Are Named for Two Days' Meeting in Omaha in October.

The Nebraska Bankers' association will hold its annual state convention in Omaha October 24 and 25. Hotel Fontenelle will be the headquarters of the convention. A program has been arranged and speakers engaged.

The following local committees have been appointed for the convention:

General committee on arrangements: F. W. Thomas, chairman, vice president First National bank; W. Dale Clarke, vice president Omaha National bank; E. H. Melle, vice president Merchants National bank; F. Brinkman, vice president United State National bank; F. E. Hovey, president Stockyards National bank; H. C. Nicholson, vice president Packers National bank; E. F. Folda, vice president Corn Exchange National bank; J. R. Cain, Jr., vice president Peters National bank; Alvin Johnson, vice president Livestock National bank; C. J. Claassen, vice president Peters Trust company; J. H. Donnelly, cashier State Bank of Omaha; L. M. Mielenz, cashier Union State bank; W. A. Rathsack, president Security State bank; W. T. Graham, vice president First Trust company; C. W. Mead, vice president Omaha Trust company; H. M. Bushnell, vice president United States Trust company.

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Entertainment committee: J. F. Coad, chairman, president Packers National bank; R. F. Wright, cashier Livestock National bank; H. W. Potter, vice president Peters Trust company; J. S. McGurk, vice president State Bank of Omaha; E. J. Horacek, assistant cashier Union State bank; J. S. Kramolisch, assistant cashier Security State bank; W. D. Cameron, treasurer First Trust company; E. F. Peters, vice president Omaha Trust company; H. T. Cutler, vice president United States Trust company; T. L. Davis, vice president First National bank; S. S. Kent, cashier Merchants National bank; G. H. Yates, cashier United States National bank; C. L. Owen, assistant cashier Stockyards National bank; L. H. Tate, cashier Corn Exchange National bank; R. B. Miller, assistant cashier Peters National bank.

Former Nebraska Cityans to Attend Homecoming Day

More than 30 former Nebraska citizens were present in Robert C. Druesdow's office Monday night at a meeting to organize for Homecoming day. According to Mr. Druesdow, more than a hundred individuals have signified their intention of going to Nebraska City on the special train September 7.

Another meeting will be held in Mr. Druesdow's office Monday evening.

H. W. Burkett Dies.

H. W. Burkett, 82, died Monday night at the home of his son, William H. Burkett, 5003 Davenport street.

He is survived by two other sons, R. E. Burkett of Los Angeles and E. J. Burkett of Lincoln, and by four daughters, Mrs. Anna Reeves of Los Angeles; Mrs. J. H. Feltham, Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. Charles Edmonds, Springfield, Ill.; and Mrs. E. R. Herick of Glenwood, Ia.

Funeral services will be held Thursday morning at Glenwood, Ia.

5 Die in Dresden Riots.

Dresden, Germany, Sept. 11.—Five persons were killed and many injured in unemployment riots here today.

Sugar Price Increased.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—The Western Sugar refinery announced an increase of 15c a hundred today in the basic price of all grades of refined cane sugar, effective tomorrow. The new price will be $8.35 a hundred. Other companies are making a similar advance.

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Looters' Prey Are Decapitated With Knives on Bamboo Poles

Harrowing Experiences Are Related by Foreigners in Japan Who Journey Miles Amid Desolation and Deat hin Earthquake's Path.

By Associated Press.

Shanghai, Sept. 11.—All of the regugees relate harrowing experiences in the quake. The most graphic of the tales are those told by Miss Esther Robertson, a Shanghai stenographer; Miss Billy Coutts and Mrs. William McBain. Mrs. McBain is prominent in the orient and wealthy, Miss Coutts is one of the most widely known horse women in China.

Miss Robertson said she was sitting in her room at a hotel in Kamakura knitting when the building suddenly started to vibrate. Her chair was upset and she was thrown to the floor.

"I scrambled to my feet," Miss Robertson said, "and rushed outside. The ground shook with great violence and I was forced grequently to seize the trunk of a tree to avoid being thrown down. My ppermost thought was to remain in the open to escape being crushed by the falling buidings.

First Night in Woods.

"I spent the first night in the woods and started the following morning to walk in the general direction of Yokohama, 18 miles away. I was scantily dressed and my feet were covered only with thin slippers. My feet were bleeding, ut I realized the impossibility of remaining in a country that was the scn of dath desolation.

"All houses that I saw were flattened and the bodies of men, women and children were strewn everywhere along the roadway. Bodies filled fissures along the way. Some of the fissures were five feet wide and 10 feet deep.

"I finally reached the seashore and beckoned to a fisherman, who placed me in his boat and rowed four hours, eventually putting me down at a small village which was destitute of humans, except the dead. There was no sign of lige except for prowling dogs. I spent the night in a small thatched hut and drank water from a well with fear and trembling.

Groping in Ruins.

"When I resumed my journey I saw Japanese country folk groping in the ruins of their homes and carrying their wounded in their arms as though they could love them back to strength and health. I found roads torn up and railroad lines bent and twisted.

"I reached Yokohama late Monday, having traveled since Saturday noon before. The whole place was desolate and in ruins. I scrambled over the debris and the bodies of the dead. I was sickened by the moans of the injured whom I was unable to help. At last I reached the water front and was taken in a fainting condition aboard a Sampan which conveyed me to the steamer Empress of Australia, where I found temporary refuge and good."

Miss Robertson's home formerly was in Lndon. She says she has no relatives.

The stories told by Miss Coutts and Mrs. McBain are similar in many respects to that told by Miss Robertson. They were stopping at Dzushi, a summer resort five miles from Kamakura. They were both in their rooms when the quake occurred. They rushed outside with their servants. Mrs. McBain was caring for her niece, Jean Curry, 17 months old. They all started to walk to Yokohama, going two days without food and with little water.

Pass Scores of Bodies.

The party, Mrs. McBain said, finally reached a small village, where they obtained jinrikishas, but these were of little use, as the roadway was filled with huge fissures.

"We passed scores of bodies," Mrs. McBain said, "and in one place we saw a slightly burned street car with all the occupants sitting dead in their natural attitudes. They had been electrocuted. Some had smiles on their faces and one woman held a coin in her outstretched hand. She apparently was killed while tendering her fare to the conductor.

"In one village we found all the Japanese terrorized with fear. Korean looters were stealing everything in sight and killing those who resisted them with large knives attached to the ends of bamboo poles. We saw many victims of these murderers lying along th eroad with their heads choped off. The house in which we stoped for a time at this village was entered by these Korean marauders who held huge weapons over our heads. We thought our time had come. Hugging my baby niece to my breast I kissed her goodby. But the marauders only mumbled a few words and stalked out. A little later we resumed our journey to Yokohama. We reached the ruined city that evening and made our way to the waterfront. We saw the Empress of Canada in the distance.

"The nearest the sampan could aproach to the liner was under the bridge and we got a spill into the water in trying to get aboard. The fact that Miss Coutts is a fine swimmer saved us."

Through it all Miss Coutts managed to save her favorite bull dog.

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Senator Howell to Address Douglas County Pioneers

Senator R. B. Howell will address the meeting of the Douglas County Pioneers' association at the court house Thursday afternoon at 2.

Mrs. Ernest A. Reese will play a violin solo, accompanied by her husband. Miss Marie Danielson will sing and Mrs. James Stribling will talk on the "Frolics of Picnicking."

Community singing will complete the program.

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