

MISSOURI HOSPITAL UNDER FIRE

Rail Heads Oppose Plan of Coolidge

Object to President's Proposal for Lower Freight Rates on Export Wheat and Coal.

Will Visit Washington

New York, Oct. 30.—Presidents and other executives of every grain or coal hauling railroad in the country today drafted what was unofficially reported to have been an unfavorable reply to President Coolidge's recent proposal for revision of rail freight rates on shipments of those two commodities which were destined for export.

A committee of the presidents was named to submit the drafted reply to the president at Washington by Thursday or earlier if they could be received at the White House.

While the contents of the draft were withheld, to await the wishes of President Coolidge in regard to publication, several executives said it was based on a conviction that lowering rates on grain for export would not create an increased market for wheat in Europe, and therefore would not help lift the American farmer out of the trough of overproduction.

The president's suggestions, made to Samuel Rea, president of the Pennsylvania railroad, during a recent interview at the White House, were believed to have been aimed at stimulation of the foreign grain trade to the benefit of the wheat farmers.

Mr. Rea called the conference today, which was by invitation to individual roads and not an official session of any of the recognized national railway associations. Fifty executives were in attendance, most of them from roads east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio river.

War Finance Body to Aid Farmers Market Wheat

Federal Commissions Promise to Help in Making Co-Operative Marketing Success.

Denver, Oct. 30.—Eugene Meyer, jr., managing director of the War Finance corporation; former Congressman Frank Mondell of Wyoming, director of the corporation, and Aaron Sapiro, member of the reconstruction of the Lowden committee and the War Finance corporation in the attempt to make co-operative marketing effective.

"Conditions are now more favorable for the rapid organization of co-operative wheat marketing groups than any I have before seen," Mr. Meyer said. Mr. Meyer in company with Mr. Mondell has just completed a tour of the northern and northwest wheat growing areas.

Mr. Sapiro this morning urged the continuation of the open meetings today of the Lowden committee that local or state group be allowed to affiliate itself with the national movement unless it pools a minimum of 50 per cent of its wheat. The marketing expert also made it plain that any previous existing differences between himself and George C. Jewett of Minneapolis, manager of the association, and others had disappeared and that the fullest cooperation between the association could be depended upon.

"The American Wheat Growers Association," Mr. Sapiro declared, "is the only co-operative marketing organization founded upon and conducted along lines with the correct basic principles and methods."

Carl Gunderson of Mitchell, S. D., lieutenant governor of his state, presided at the open meetings today. The executive committee at both morning and afternoon sessions considered changes in the by-laws of the association and plans for co-operating with the Lowden committee. The convention ends tomorrow.

Three Runaway Indian Boys Are Captured at Fremont

Fremont, Neb., Oct. 30.—Three runaway boys from the Genoa Indian school were captured by police in Fremont. The boys were found hiding in the Northwestern railroad yards, after being westward for a train.

Hurt in Car Crash

Beatrice, Neb., Oct. 30.—Arthur Cooper's car was badly damaged and a young man named Stank, living just over the line in Kansas, sustained a broken hand when their machines collided a few miles south of Beatrice on the Cornhusker highway. Cooper was trying to avoid hitting another machine when the collision occurred.

Famous Little Film Star Makes Long Trip



"Baby Peggy," Montgomery, famous little movie star, stopped off at Chicago en route to New York with her parents and sister. The picture was taken as the little queen was standing on the cowcatcher of the California Limited.

The following was gleaned from the catchment of the infant star:

Q—What is a director?
A—A man who hollers at you.
Q—What is a vampire?
A—A lady with cup curls.

Warmer Weather Is Forecast Here

Snow Begins to Melt as Sun Comes Out Day After Storm.

More Indian summer is in store yet for Omaha folk, according to M. V. Robins, in charge of the weather bureau here. "Fair with a gradual rise of temperature," said Mr. Robins, when asked for today's weather forecast.

The wind from the north shifted its course yesterday, and a warming breeze from the west at the average rate of 10 miles an hour took place of the 15-mile wind of the day before.

The streets which had been covered with snow and slush the day before cleared rapidly. In some places a thin coating of ice remained, which made it equally dangerous for motorists and pedestrians.

Mercury in the thermometers began to rise steadily, after dropping to a low mark of 29 degrees at 7 a. m. yesterday. At noon the thermometers registered 29 degrees. At 3 o'clock the temperature was 31 degrees. At 8 p. m. it was back to 29.

Weather conditions more or less similar to those of Omaha were reported from points in Nebraska and surrounding states. "Weather clearing up" was the information from Minnesota, Iowa, Montana, and the Dakotas.

Cheyenne continued an exception to the general condition, showing only a rise of two degrees over the temperature of the previous night. The mercury in Cheyenne stood at four degrees above zero at 7 a. m. yesterday.

Frisco and Back for \$1.

It cost Jake Crounse, fish dealer, 924 North Sixteenth street, just \$1 to make the trip to the American Legion convention at San Francisco and return.

Incidentally, and for no reason whatever, it is here remarked that it was at the home of Senator Capner in Topeka that the kohn's conductor was initiated into the mysteries of the game called rummy. It is hoped, however, that the announcement will not imbue any Kansas reformers with the idea that something should be done about it.

Between ponderings, a glance at the calendar reveals the painful fact that November, with 30 days, has five Thursdays and five Fridays, but only four pay days.

Hughes Plan Agreed to by Powers

Britain Accepts Poincare's Terms on Ruhr Economic Meet—Experts May Assemble.

Want American at Head

By Associated Press.
London, Oct. 30.—Europe is to make another effort to unravel the everlasting reparation tangle. The British government today decided to accept the French premier's reservations and the British charge d'affaires at Washington was instructed by cable tonight to inform Secretary Hughes of the decision of the powers to enter a conference of experts such as Mr. Hughes suggested in his reply to Foreign Secretary Curzon's plea for American participation.

If all goes well this commission of inquiry will be started before the overseas premiers leave London, and it is hoped that in spite of France's severe restrictions it may lead to a larger plenary conference on the whole European situation, at Washington or elsewhere, in which the powerful neutral nations like the United States may make their voices heard.

Sir John Bradbury, British reparation delegate, informed the British government today that while some of the conditions would sharply limit the scope of the conference, he felt that Great Britain could not take the responsibility of uttering a peremptory "no" to France and risk the loss of America's participation.

There is a strong desire among British government officials that the "experts" committee shall have an American chairman, whose neutrality they feel would insure a greater measure of impartiality and justice in the committee's decisions. They would welcome as the American member, it is said, a financier of such international standing as J. P. Morgan or a lawyer of such repute and foreign experience as Roland W. Royden or Paul Cravath.

Japan will be invited to join in the discussions of the expert committee. The British believe Japan's detachment from the immediate affairs of Europe will enable the Japanese member also to take an objective, unbiased view of the reparation problems and, with the American delegate, exercise a moderating or even mediating influence upon the discussions of this more interested colleague.

It is understood that Gen. J. C. Smuts, premier of South Africa, and some of the other more progressive delegates to the imperial conference were opposed to acceptance of the French restrictions, favoring a larger, fuller conference, even without the participation of Germany, the more moderate and calmer counsels within the cabinet prevailed.

By Associated Press.
Paris, Oct. 30.—The interrelated reparation commission today unanimously voted to postpone consideration of the German application for a hearing on Germany's capacity for payment until further information is received on the negotiations between the allied governments for the creation of an experts' committee to investigate the subject.

Some delegates at first favored proceeding with the proposed experts' conference, but they abandoned their attitude upon the explanation of the British delegates, Sir John Bradbury, that the commission is so acting, might forestall or interfere with the plans for the international conference.

Noting that Dr. Cook wrote a prospective investor in his Petroleum Producers association that the newspapers were condemning him merely because he had refused to submit to their advertising demands, the advertiser, using loss at the front end of the shop sarcastically remarks that of Doc Cook is the last man in the world to kick about the lack of free advertising.

Young lady at Twentieth and Farman steps down into a puddle of slush and falls flat. Gallant young man goes to her rescue, steps in same puddle and falls by her side. Gallant young gentleman voices a profane ejaculation. "Thank you," said the young lady.

A ride on the Dodge street line reminded the days when the old cars climbed the toilsome hill. "These cars equipped with super-sensitive springs, conducive to ease and comfort." The trouble was you couldn't read the illuminated sign while the cars were running. You had to wait until they stopped and the sign quit signaling around.

Speaking of old signs, do you remember this one that used to hang over across Dodge street between Fifteenth and Sixteenth: "Maloney's German Theater." It may have been since the theater served the beverage that we've forgotten.

Somehow or other it seems that it would be perfectly proper for Dr. Cutter and Dr. Pruner to form a partnership.

W. M. M.

100 Maccabees at Columbus Meeting

Columbus, Neb., Oct. 30.—Nearly 100 representatives from the local reviews throughout the state attended the district convention of the Woman's Benefit Association of Maccabees in Columbus.

The proposed state camp for girls to be established by a national organization was one of the interesting subjects discussed. Mrs. Kate M. Swan of Kansas City, supreme commander of the district including Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado and Mrs. Della Hall of Fremont, state commander, gave interesting talks explaining the object of the organization. The convention closed with a dinner at the Federated church, where a special musical program was rendered during the banquet.

State Bankers Plan to Assist in Farm Relief

Aims Are Set Forth After Bank-Agricultural Body Inspects School at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Oct. 30.—"As soon as the agricultural committee of the Nebraska Bankers' association can be properly organized, it will get in touch with the college of agriculture, with a view to getting tangible results," authorities of the college were promised by the agricultural commission of the American Bankers' association at the conclusion of its visit to the college.

The commission, which arrived this morning at Lincoln, was shown the work the college is doing for the farmers of Nebraska and listened to suggestions by executives of the various departments, made with the view to getting bankers and farmers in cooperation.

The primary object of the visit was to acquaint bankers of the country with the work and purpose of agricultural colleges, that they may be able to work in cooperation with them to get farmers the results of their experiments and research.

Following the meeting, the chairman of the commission, Rosneath, declared, "I am sure that we have all benefited from our visit to the agricultural college and that some real good will come from it."

Tour Means to Solution.
"We mean to get in touch with both the college and bankers of Lincoln, who arranged the visit, for the courtesy that has been shown us. With bankers and agricultural colleges working together we can not only gain a deeper knowledge of the problems of the farmer, but do our share in solving them."

Dean Burnett, at a meeting held after the tour of inspection, outlined to the bankers the activities to which the college will devote the greater part of its facilities and assured them that nothing was being planned that was not sound and practical.

According to Dean Burnett, the question of hog sanitation will have the center of interest, since proper sanitation means the saving of millions of dollars to the farmers of Nebraska. Second on the program is the question of soil and water conservation by the farmers of the state, and the weeding out of cattle that are not showing a profit.

Farmers will also be advised to devote greater acreage to the growing of leguminous crops and in this connection Dean Burnett pointed out that 7,000,000 acres were being given to corn and kafir corn in Nebraska and only 1,000,000 to legumes, which he declared to be an improper balance. Farmers, he said, would not only make a profit from growing legumes, but corn yields would be increased 25 per cent when the land was later given to corn.

Replying to Dean Burnett, the president of the Nebraska Bankers' association, C. A. Minnick said if bankers of Nebraska could be organized into county associations, he believed that through occasional meetings, they could inspire the whole country. To this it was objected that more salutary results might be achieved by bankers joining farmer organizations, since farmers might resent advice given by organizations composed wholly of bankers.

In their short visit to the college, the bankers were shown experiments that are being made with purebred cattle, the results of feeding tests just concluded, the work of the extension department, and other activities of the college.

W. H. Brokaw, director of the Nebraska extension service, the first speaker on this morning's program, declared that the success of farm programs must be made through three aims, namely, elimination of plant and animal diseases as one in efficiency of agriculture; thoughtful marketing and more comfortable farm homes and plants.

"The biggest leak on farms today is that caused by uncomfortable surroundings," he declared, adding that "the farmer who spends a little less on barns and a little more on his house, yard and water will find it easier to keep the young people on the farm."

Fireman Hurt in Crash Is Stricken With Paralysis

Mystery Grows in Death of Woman Cut and Burned

Two Strangers Seen Near Scene of Tragedy—Husband Fails to Identify Butcher Knife.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.
Fremont, Neb., Oct. 30.—Considerable mystery and additional baffling angles were revealed at the inquest this afternoon started by a coroner's jury called to determine the cause of the death of Mrs. Olf Nelson, whose body, fully clothed and with her throat cut, was found lying on a burning bed by her husband Monday about 5:30 p. m. The fact that the husband was unable to identify the butcher knife found on the bed as belonging to the family's kitchen utensils presents another angle to the mystery.

In addition, the testimony of Mrs. Fred Christensen, who lives in the same vicinity, revealed that she saw two strange men in an alley back of the Nelson home about an hour before the charred body was discovered. At the same time she said, in passing the house, she smelled smoke of burning cloth.

The butcher knife, with a 19-inch blade and bloodstained, was exhibited at the inquest. Nelson stated that he had never seen the instrument before. Sobbing continually, Nelson related that his wife had never acted dependent or complained of her health. She was apparently in fairly good health, he said, and had never threatened to end her life. He told her he groped his way through the smoke-laden house to find the body of his wife on the burning bed.

There were no signs of a struggle within the home, Sheriff Condit testified. A Swedish Bible, found on the dresser, showed blood stains on various pages. Traces of blood were also found on the dresser mirror and the wall.

Women of neighboring homes testified that Mrs. Nelson had at times acted rather strangely. The trend of their statements showed that she was normally of a cheerful disposition, but when indisposed refused to speak or accept offers of aid.

The jury adjourned late this afternoon to meet again Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Henry Ford Will Not Accept Nomination

Savannah, Ga., Oct. 30.—D. B. Fuller, secretary of the Ford Presidential club, has received a letter from H. M. Cordell, secretary to Henry Ford, relative to the candidacy of Mr. Ford for president. Mr. Cordell refers Mr. Fuller to magazine articles expressing Mr. Ford's views on the presidency. The letter concludes: "This may be summed up as a determination not to accept any nomination whatever. He feels that he will be able to accomplish much more through his present and projected activities."

Visits Old Home in Wales After 42 Years' Absence

Columbus, Neb., Oct. 30.—I. N. Jones has returned from a three months' visit to his old home in Carnarvon, Wales, his birthplace, which he had not seen since he left it 42 years ago to come to Columbus. He took passage back on the steamship Mauretania and reached Columbus eight days after sailing from Southampton, England.

Describing conditions where he visited, he said the people are anticipating a hard winter because of unemployment.

Likes Platte County Best After 2 Years in Germany

Columbus, Neb., Oct. 30.—Mr. and Mrs. P. H. L. Meyer and five sons have returned from Germany, where they spent two years on a cattle ranch which Mr. Meyer had bought near Hamburg. They had expected to locate there permanently, but after 25 years of residence in Platte county, Nebraska, they did not find residence in Germany congenial, especially under the present adverse conditions, so they closed out their property interests there and came back.

Sunday School Aids Woman Who Lost Goods in Fire

Beatrice, Neb., Oct. 30.—Word has been received here that Mrs. W. H. Ashby lost everything she possessed in the disastrous fire at Berkeley, Cal., some time ago. Her former Sunday school class at the First Christian church here raised \$25 and sent it to her. She is the wife of the late Capt. W. H. Ashby, former attorney of this city, who died on the coast some years ago.

Buffalo County Farmers Want 200 More Huskers

Keosauqua, Neb., Oct. 30.—Buffalo county farmers could use about 200 more corn huskers. The farm bureau is placing men daily, but with husking getting well under way it is announced that at least 200 more men are needed. There is an abundance of corn in the county, it being estimated that the greatest yield on record here will be harvested.

Married in Council Bluffs.
The following persons obtained marriage licenses in Council Bluffs yesterday:

Let's Hope It Isn't Too Late



Sudan Grass Fed to Cattle Found to Yield Profit

Sudan Pasturage, When Used With Corn and Alfalfa, Gives Best Results, Report Shows.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.
Lincoln, Oct. 30.—Despite inclement weather, approximately 150 stock feeders of Nebraska attended the annual meeting at the college of agriculture here today. The feature of the meeting was a report by Professor H. J. Gramlich and W. J. Loefel of the department of animal husbandry on tests run on feeding cattle and hogs, using various combinations of feeds.

On three tests run on cattle in which corn and alfalfa were fed on a dry lot, corn and alfalfa on sudan grass pasture, and corn and alfalfa on sweet clover pasture, the results were strongly in favor of sudan grass. Cattle fed for 140 days showed a profit of \$2.10, whereas \$2.76 was lost on the sweet clover pasturage. A profit of 44 cents was netted on the dry lot.

The average gains per head on dry lot, sudan grass and sweet clover were 415 pounds, 391 pounds, and 392 pounds respectively, and the average daily gains were 2.99 pounds, 2.79 pounds, and 2.80 pounds respectively. The feeding costs per 100 pounds of gain were \$10.77, \$9.61, and \$9.71.

Hogs following the cattle showed a profit of \$6.13 on the sudan grass pasturage, whereas on the dry lot they only netted \$4.18, and on the sweet clover \$4.23. The total cost per head of the cattle over the 120-day period was \$124.55 on the dry lot, \$117.27 on sudan grass, and \$117.75 on the sweet clover pasturage. Corn was figured by the college at 70 cents a bushel, alfalfa hay at \$15 a ton and pasture at 2 cents a day per head was charged in the feeding costs.

In the hog-fed trials the report showed that animals fed on a small amount of tankage yielded substantial profits, whereas losses were sustained where no tankage was used.

"The price of corn at the present time makes feeding a much more serious problem financially than two years ago," Professor Gramlich told the feeders, "and this meeting is particularly timely." He gave the cash price of corn for the last three years, showing its rapid rise in recent months.

Woman Is Badly Injured When Auto Strikes Truck

Nebraska City, Neb., Oct. 30.—Mrs. Richard Foreman is suffering from concussion of the brain, as the result of an auto accident near Wyoming. The truck in which she and her husband were returning home was hit at a sharp turn in the highway and the truck turned over. The car that hit the truck was driven by a man named Steffens, who, with several companions, was on his way to Omaha. It is said the truck was on the proper side of the highway at the time of the accident. Both cars were badly damaged. The county attorney has been requested to investigate the accident.

Politicians Active in Land Sales

E. L. Morse Tells of Influence in Congress That Blocked Plans of Veterans' Bureau.

Enormous Prices Paid

Washington, Oct. 30.—Congressional influence was brought to bear to block a plan of the Veterans' bureau to abandon the projected tuberculosis hospital at Excelsior Springs, Mo. The senate investigating committee was told today by E. L. Morse, prominent in republican politics in Missouri, and manager in that state of the Lowden campaign for the republican presidential nomination in 1920.

Morse subsequently sold the plant to the government for \$115,000. The property consisted of the Morse homestead and 10 additional acres and was leased to the government under an agreement which it has been charged before the committee was rushed through by Ewing Laphorte, then assistant secretary of the treasury, on the last day of the Wilson administration, despite recommendations from the public health service that the place was not suitable for a hospital. Further adverse reports were made by medical men, the evidence showed, and in June, 1922, the Veterans' bureau decided to abandon the project.

Influence Is Used.
Morse testified that when he was notified of this decision he came to Washington to use his influence with senators and representatives who protested to the bureau. He said he saw 15 senators and that one of them, Senator Bursum, republican, New Mexico, took the matter to the White House. Later the sale was consummated.

Morse was on the stand today for more than two hours and near the close of his testimony he appeared to be on the verge of a physical collapse with a result that the committee recessed for 15 minutes. At the time he was being asked by Senator Red, republican, Pennsylvania, the chairman questions prepared by counsel for Charles E. Forbes, former director of the bureau, and relating to conferences with Forbes.

The witness testified that Forbes had appeared "very belligerent" against the Excelsior Springs project, but denied that he had any altercation with the then director. He denied also that he had been ordered out of Forbes' office here, but said he frequently had been compelled to wait many hours outside of the office without ever getting opportunity to see Forbes.

"They kicked me around here like a ball," he added.

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Farm Home Destroyed by Fire; Loss \$10,000

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.
Beatrice, Neb., Oct. 30.—Fire early today destroyed the beautiful farmhouse of D. W. Cooper, five miles southwest of Adams, with all its contents, entailing a loss of \$10,000, partially covered by insurance.

Two sons sleeping upstairs discovered the fire and the family escaped in their nightclothes. One of the sons was overcome by smoke, but was revived. More than 100 citizens of Adams rushed to the scene, but were unable to lend any assistance. The fire is believed to have started from an overheated furnace.

Deputy Sheriff Is Fined on Intoxication Charge

Fremont, Neb., Oct. 30.—Ten residences and business places at Schuyler were raided by Sheriff Hans Arps, accompanied by Dodge county state law enforcement officials, according to a report reaching here. Eleven officers staged the raids simultaneously.

Complaints have been filed against Charles Recter, Constable George Dowell, John Nachvatil, Alfred Rominger, V. J. Trokuff and James Krivyohavek. Sheriff Arps also reported today the arrest and fine of Deputy Sheriff Charles Kavorsky of Colfax county, on charges of intoxication.

Diphtheria Victim.
Beatrice, Neb., Oct. 30.—Diphtheria caused the death of the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Delehan of this city. She was ill but a short time. Private funeral services were held from the home and burial was at Wymore.

The Weather

For 24 hours ending at 7 p. m. October 30: Temperature, 51; wind, 14; humidity, 75; precipitation, 0.00; relative humidity, 75; barometer, 30.00; total since January 1, 1923, 1.00.