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THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Page Wire Fence company went into the hands of a receiver.

At Independence, Kan., the hay crop is unusually good this year.

England, Germany and America are looking for horses for army service.

Postmaster Gordon of Chicago is charged with having violated civil service.

The cattle interest in the Black Hills is quite as large as the mining interest.

Some of the papers criticize the withdrawal of Mr. Towns as vice presidential candidate.

George M. Shelby, the postmaster at Memphis, O., committed suicide by taking Paris green.

The India relief fund contributed to by persons all over the country now amounts to \$200,000.

Colonel Frank O. Lowden of Chicago has declined the position of first assistant postmaster general.

Lewis G. Stevenson, son of the vice presidential candidate, has been selected as western manager of the national organization of democratic clubs.

Baring, Magoun & Co., New York, announced that \$28,000,000 of the new British exchequer loan has been allotted to the subscribers in the United States.

The secretary of the state of Illinois has licensed the Peoria, Decatur & Mattoon Railroad company, principal office at Chicago; capital stock, \$4,500,000.

Frank O. Lowden, who married a daughter of George M. Pullman, is said to be slated to succeed Perry S. Heath as first assistant postmaster general.

The population of Providence, R. I., according to the recent census is 175,597. In 1890 the population was 132,146. The increase in ten years is 32.88 per cent.

The count of the population of Buffalo, N. Y., just completed at the census office, is 352,219. The population in 1890 was 255,664. The increase is 37.77 per cent.

Major E. A. Consigney of Avoca, Ia., past department commander of the G. A. R. of Iowa, prominent business man and republican politician at that state, died at Manitow.

The report that Bishop Montgomery of Los Angeles has been appointed coadjutor of Archbishop Riordan has been denied both by Archbishop Riordan and Bishop Montgomery.

Jack Stillwell, one of General Sheridan's favorite scouts, formerly of Kansas City and Oklahoma, is now in charge of Buffalo Bill's ranch, near the town of Cody, in the Big Horn basin.

Luke Pryor, formerly United States senator and representative in congress, died at his home at Athens, Ala. Senator Pryor was a native of Alabama and was born near the birthplace of Senator Pettus, of that state.

Thousands of applications have been received by the surgeon general asking for appointment as contract surgeons in China and the Philippines. There were 100 vacancies and these have all been supplied, but the applications continue to pour in.

Miss Ella M. Platt, an artist of Washington, instituted suit for \$50,000 damages for breach of promise against Major George A. Armes, a retired United States army officer. The defendant has gained some national notoriety in several ways, once by tweaking the nose of General Beaver, then governor of Pennsylvania, and another time by a controversy with War department officials.

A remarkable story was brought by the steamer Empress of Japan to the effect that a number of Russian ex-officers and privates from Siberia had joined the ranks of the "Boxers" and that, having reason to suspect the fidelity of the Chinese transport coolies, the Russians had killed 200 of the Chinese and then loaded their bodies into a junk which they set on fire and sent down the Pei Ho river.

At Tampa, Fla., no new or suspicious yellow fever cases have been reported.

It is stated positively that President Kruger is willing and anxious to surrender, provided a satisfactory promise is given as to his ultimate destination.

At Sweetwater, Tenn., Dr. C. L. Tucker, a prominent dentist and a wealthy citizen of McMinn county, shot and instantly killed Walter Ramsey, 20 years of age. The shooting occurred on the principal thoroughfare. Tucker was released on \$1,000 bail. He says Ramsey was intimate with his daughter.

Dr. Liebknecht, the well known member of the Reichstag and one of the leaders of socialism in Germany, is dead.

At Fremont, Neb., James Wilson, a truck farmer, and Lena Kavich, eight years old, were struck by a train and instantly killed.

The thirty-fifth annual report of the secret service division submitted shows 654 arrests during the year, with 219 convictions, 253 awaiting action of the courts and four fugitives from justice. Missouri had the largest number of cases, seventy-eight. Of the persons arrested, 454 were born in the United States.

Miss Rose Cleveland, sister of Grover Cleveland, has bought a big farm in Maine.

At Columbus, O., F. M. Renick of Falling Springs leaped from the roof of the state house and was dashed to death on the stone pavement of a court fifty feet below.

From 5,000 to 10,000 people at Nome could not possibly bring out the and the only possible relief is through the United States government. Steamers now running to Nome could not possibly bring out the destitute gold hunters even if the owners could be expected to give them free transportation.

HE WILL TALK PEACE

Chinese Emperor Appoints Viceroy to Negotiate With Powers.

AMICABLE SETTLEMENT DESIRED

State Department Receives Official Notice to that Effect - Conger Expresses Ability to "Hold On" Until Relief Force Arrives.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—Indications of the desire of China for a peaceful settlement of her present difficulties have been displayed for several days. Official notice of that desire was presented to the department of state today. It was in the form of an edict promulgated by the emperor, Kwang Hsu, appointing Earl Li Hun Chang envoy plenipotentiary to negotiate with the powers for an immediate cessation of hostilities pending a solution of the questions which have grown out of the anti-foreign uprising in the empire. Earl Li is to act directly for the emperor and a fair inference is that whatever the terms of the settlement they reach with the powers will be approved by the imperial government.

During the day only one dispatch that was made public reached any of the government departments from China. A belated message from Minister Conger was transmitted to the War department by General Chaffee. It expressed simply his ability to "hold on" until General Chaffee should come to his relief. All the power of this government will be exerted to get that relief to him and the other imprisoned legationaries at the earliest possible moment.

Minister Wu was an early caller at the Department of State. Shortly after 9 o'clock he made an engagement with Acting Secretary of State Adee to meet him at the department at 10:30. Promptly at that hour the minister's automobile stopped at the west entrance to the department and Minister Wu alighted and hurried to Secretary Adee's office. He presented to Mr. Adee a copy of the imperial edict which he had received last night. It had been transmitted to him in the Chinese foreign office cipher and its translation and preparation for submission to the Department of State had occupied much of the night.

Minister Wu remained with Secretary Adee for three-quarters of an hour discussing the terms of the edict and the probable response to it of this government. Shortly before Minister Wu left the department Secretary of War Root met the two diplomats, but remained only long enough to receive a copy of the edict and discuss it briefly with the Chinese minister.

Minister Wu thought the edict presented a means of peaceful adjustment of the present trouble and that the request of the Chinese government for a cessation of hostilities pending peace negotiations was entirely reasonable. Immediately upon the conclusion of the conference the text of the edict, together with the details of the call of Minister Wu, was communicated to President McKinley at Canton. The president's reply has not yet been received. Later in the day Acting Secretary Adee made public the text of the edict in the following statement:

"The Department of State makes public the following imperial edict, appointing Viceroy Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipotentiary to propose a cessation of hostile demonstrations and negotiate with the powers, a copy of which was delivered by Mr. Wu to the acting secretary of state this (Sunday) morning at 10:30 o'clock:

"An imperial edict forwarded by the privy council at Peking, under date of the 14th day of the seventh moon (August 8), to Governor Yuan at Tsi Nan, Shan Tung, who transmitted it on the 17th day of the same moon (August 11) to the total at Shanghai, by whom it was transmitted to Minister Wu, who received it on the night of the same day (August 11).

EACH SUPPLIED WITH POISON.

Kaiser Provides Soldiers With Means to Escape Chinese Torture.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—(New York World Cablegram.)—The story is printed here that the Kaiser followed his "no quarter" speech by presenting to every German soldier bound for China a ring, in which was a tiny phial containing poison, his soldiers being thus furnished with the means of escaping Chinese tortures.

Trouble Spreading South.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—A special dispatch from Shanghai, dated Friday, August 10, says the British consul general, replying to protests of Chinese merchants against the landing of troops, explains that this is merely a precautionary measure, due to the fact that the disturbances north are spreading and coming daily nearer to Shanghai.

He also says Kiang Su is already in a state of revolt and that at Tai Tung there has been rioting, the telegraph station being burned.

Fifteen Killed outright.

SLATINGTON, Pa., Aug. 13.—Fifteen persons were instantly killed and eleven others, several of whom will die, were seriously injured tonight in a grade crossing accident three miles east of this city by a passenger train on the Lehigh & New England railroad crashing into an omnibus containing twenty-five persons. All the dead and injured persons were in the omnibus and only three escaped.

Corn is in Bad Shape.

SALINE, Kas., Aug. 13.—Unless a good rain comes with in a few days the corn in various parts of Central Kansas left by the last dry spell will be ruined. Dry, hot weather has prevailed for days.

GUTHRIE, O. T.—Oklahoma corn is suffering from the continued dry weather. Conditions are anything but favorable for the success of the late crop. The early crop was good, however, and will partially compensate the farmers if they lose the late seedling.

CHINA MUST TOE THE MARK.

Reply to Edict Authorizing Li Hung Chang as Peace Envoy.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—Tonight Secretary Adee, by direction of President McKinley, presented to Minister Wu for transmission to his government the reply of the United States to the imperial edict appointing Li Hung Chang envoy negotiate with the powers for a cessation of hostilities. The text of the reply will not be made public before tomorrow. In effect, however, it is a reiteration of the demands previously made by the United States upon China coupled with a vigorous intimation that no negotiations will be entered into until the Chinese government shall have complied with those demands.

This government, inspired by a determination to effect the rescue of the legationaries besieged in Peking, takes advantage of its reply to the edict to reiterate the demands previously made upon China. These demands first were made by the president on June 23, and subsequently were reiterated substantially by Acting Secretary Adee by direction of the president. The demands for the protection of the ministers, for free communication between them and the restoration of order in China form the keynote of the memorandum forwarded to the imperial government by the president today.

The iteration and reiteration of the demands must, it is thought, make it perfectly clear to the Chinese government that no negotiations will be entered on until a square-toed compliance to them be made. Should the demands be acceded to, there will be, it is said, no obstacle in the way of the settlement of questions arising. Mr. Wu declined tonight to make any statement, bearing on the reply, not even being willing to say whether or not it had been received by him. Copies have been sent to the United States representatives in Europe and Japan to be submitted to the governments at which they are stationed, also to the European diplomats resident here for their information.

Punishing the Ashanti.

BAKWAI, Aug. 13.—A column of 700 men under Colonel Burroughs has returned from Kumassie, having reinforced and re-ratoned the fort for two months. The force attacked and destroyed three old stockades after a desperate bayonet charge, in which four officers and thirty-four native soldiers were wounded and three killed. On the night of August 7 Colonel Burroughs attacked an Ashanti war camp near Kumassie, surprising the camp and bayoneting the enemy. Great numbers were slain.

The Shah Buys Wheels.

PARIS, Aug. 13.—The shah of Persia has taken great interest in the bicycle secret police of Paris, an escort of which always attends him when he leaves his palace, decided to establish a similar service in his own country. He has bought sixty wheels and engaged three instructors and two repairers, and as soon as he returns a bicycle bodyguard fifty strong will be organized. After competitive trials the shah purchased all his wheels from an American bicycle company.

Nashville Goes to New Chwang.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The Navy department has been informed that the edict in the following statement: "The Department of State makes public the following imperial edict, appointing Viceroy Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipotentiary to propose a cessation of hostile demonstrations and negotiate with the powers, a copy of which was delivered by Mr. Wu to the acting secretary of state this (Sunday) morning at 10:30 o'clock:

Americans Capture a Command.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The war department received the following dispatch containing the cheering news from General MacArthur, at Manila: "Adjutant General, Washington: Colonel Brassa, August 12, in the vicinity of Tayug, surrendered command to Colonel Freeman, Twenty-fourth United States infantry, consisting of one major, six captains, six lieutenants, 169 men, 100 rifles and fifty bolos."

Ruling in Shipper's Favor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The comptroller of the treasury today holds that a common carrier holding goods for shipment, although not accompanied by a bill of lading or shipping directions, is liable for their loss as such common carrier, provided there was no unreasonable delay by the shipper in furnishing the necessary shipping directions.

Body Found.

OMAHA, Aug. 13.—The body of James Gilligan, the 9-year-old boy, who was drowned while bathing in the Missouri river last Tuesday, was found late Wednesday afternoon near Bellevue, nearly ten miles below the point where he was last seen alive. The body has been identified by the boy's father.

Stockmen Killed by Robbers.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Aug. 13.—Joseph Philpot and Frank Craig, wealthy stockmen, were fatally shot three miles from Nodaway, Mo., by two men who attempted to rob them. The stockmen had just returned from selling cattle at St. Joseph. They had deposited the proceeds in the bank.

Prof. C. C. Plehm of San Francisco has been appointed to take a census of the Philippines.

Death Rate in Hawaii.

HONOLULU, Aug. 4.—The health reports for the months of June and July show an alarming increase in the death rate, especially among native Hawaiians and Japanese on the island of Oahu, which has the only complete records. In June the number of deaths per thousand was forty-five; in July 43.65. The increase for the past few years, as shown by tables just compiled, has aroused a good deal of discussion. In 1896 the July deaths numbered forty-eight. Since then the figures have jumped to 59.75, and this year 114.

AFTER ANOTHER TRUST

Complaint Against Secretary of the Nebraska Grain Dealers Association.

PROCEEDINGS IN CRIMINAL COURT

Secretary Pleads Guilty, but Date for Hearing is Not Fixed—Eight Counts in the Indictment.—Other Matters in Nebraska Here and There.

OMAHA, Aug. 8.—Attorney General Smyth filed a complaint in the police court against A. H. Bewsher, secretary of the Nebraska Grain Dealers association, charging him with violating the anti-trust law by seeking to control the price of grain throughout the state. The information is drawn in eight counts, which set out elaborately and at great length the various phases of the law which the secretary is supposed to have transgressed.

Learning that such a complaint was about to be filed, Mr. Bewsher appeared in court and pleaded not guilty to the charge. He was released on his own recognizance. No date was fixed for the hearing. The eight counts are as follows: First, he is charged with conspiring to form a trust for the control of the grain trade; second, with conspiring to form a trust for fixing the price of grain; third, with being a member of a trust for controlling the grain trade; fourth, with being a member of a trust for fixing the price of grain; fifth, with aiding and advising a trust for controlling the grain trade; sixth, with aiding and advising a trust for fixing the price of grain; seventh, with issuing orders and fixing rates in pursuance of a trust for the control of the grain market; eighth, with issuing orders and fixing rates in pursuance of a trust for fixing the price of grain.

It is set forth in the complaint that the Nebraska Grain Dealers' association controls all the grain elevators in the state and that the prices are fixed from the central office in Omaha.

"Let us suppose that there are two elevators in one town," said Attorney General Smyth, "there is no competition between them. The prices they shall pay for grain are regulated by the association of which they are members. If, at the end of the month, a comparison of their business shows that one elevator has bought more grain than another, a balance is struck between them, whereby the latter is paid for the share of business it failed to get. In this way competition is stifled. An independent elevator or grain buyer cannot do business in Nebraska because he can't find a market for his grain. Any market buying his produce is promptly blacklisted by the association."

Flnds Evidence of Coal.

BENNETT, Neb., Aug. 8.—Theodore Turner has sunk a well about four hundred feet and found no water to speak of. In drilling down, however, many varieties of strata were penetrated, not the least important of which was a vein of coal sixteen inches in thickness at a depth of about two hundred feet, and another three feet thick at a depth of two hundred and eighty feet. The coal is of excellent quality, and some believe it is not too deep to be mined in paying quantities. This, at any rate, proves the correctness of the theory of those who have maintained for a long time that there are coal beds lying under Nebraska soil.

Would Not Accept an Offer.

M'COOK, Neb., Aug. 8.—The management of the Nebraska Brigade band of McCook emphatically denies that the band is in any sense an applicant for the position of regimental band of the First Nebraska. Leader Sutton states that the band would not consider or accept an offer made on a silver salver, much less enter into competition for the place, as intimated in the daily press of the state recently.

Killed in a Runaway.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Aug. 8.—John Treba, a Polish farmer in Loup township, eight miles west of town, died of concussion of the brain, the result of a runaway in which he was thrown from his wagon near his home while returning from Columbus. No one saw the accident, but J. M. Curtis and John Bushnell of this city found the man lying in the road thirty feet behind his wagon. A little water revived him and he was taken home, where he died an hour later.

Dragged to Death.

ANSLEY, Neb., Aug. 8.—Last night Fanny Dobish, the 6-year-old daughter of Frank Dabish, a farmer living six miles south of Ansley, was dragged to death by a horse. It is supposed the child placed the bridle strap around her neck and tried to get on the horse, the horse became frightened and ran, dragging the child until the bridle broke, when the child was dead.

Breaks All Records.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Aug. 8.—The census enumerator here made a discovery while taking the census of the town which puts to shame all other census stories so far related. There is a Fairbury woman who, during the past year, has been twice wedded, presenting each husband with an heir.

Irrigation in Beet Culture.

NORFOLK, Neb., Aug. 8.—On August 3 the American Beet Sugar company commenced irrigating its beet fields at this place. The work was under the direction of J. L. Lang, an irrigation expert from Utah. Water is drawn from the Norfolk river and is pumped through a twenty-four inch pipe to a ditch at the upper side of the field, from which it is allowed to run through the rows of beets. Results are already apparent, for within seventy-two hours the irrigated beets have grown fully six inches higher than those beets without water.

SPECIAL RATES TO FAIRS.

Burlington Makes Them for County Shows and Races.

OMAHA, Aug. 13.—Low rates have been made by the Burlington for all of the county fairs along its lines in Nebraska this fall. Tickets will be sold on all fair days and the one preceding at one and one-third fare for the round trip from points within fifty miles of each of these places:

- Alliance Racing association, Alliance, September 17-22.
Chase county fair, Imperial, October 1-5.
Fillmore county fair, Geneva, August 21-24.
Franklin county fair, Franklin, September 25-28.
Furnas county fair, Beaver City, September 11-14.
Gage county fair, Beatrice, September 15-17.
Hamilton county fair, Aurora, August 15-17.
Hubbell fair and races, Hubbell, August 15-17.
Johnson county fair, Tecumseh, September 25-28.
Kearney county fair, Minden, September 19-21.
Nebraska county fair, Auburn, September 18-21.
Nuckolls county fair, Nelson, September 18-21.
Otoe county fair, Syracuse, September 11-14.
Pawnee county fair, Pawnee, August 25-27.
Phelps county fair, Bertrand, October 2-5.
Red Willow county fair, Indianola, September 11-14.
Richardson county fair, Salem, September 9-13.
Safford county fair, Wilber, September 12-15.
Saunders county fair, Wahoo, September 18-21.
Seward county fair, Seward, August 25-27.

Gave Bonds.

OMAHA, Aug. 13.—A. H. Bewsher, secretary of the Nebraska Grain Dealers' association, against whom Attorney General Smyth has filed a criminal complaint, charging him with maintaining a trust for control of the Nebraska grain trade, appeared in police court and waived preliminary examination. He was held under \$500 bonds to the district court.

Mr. Bewsher denies that the association of which he is secretary is a trust. "Its purposes is to look after terminal matters and bring before its members improved methods of handling their business," said he. "It would be impossible to dictate to the grain dealers of Nebraska now much they shall pay for grain. I think the attorney general is acting under a misapprehension."

Woodmen Celebrate.

GENEVA, Neb., Aug. 13.—The excursion trains came here crowded and between 10,000 and 12,000 people gathered in the park, on the streets and on the ball grounds. After the parade in the morning Bert Herriot and Mrs. Hurd were married on the grandstand by Rev. Colony of the Methodist Episcopal church. During the afternoon there were races, slack wire performance, music by all the bands in the county, water fight, tug-of-war and a ball game by Beaver Crossing and Ohio, Ia. Score: Beaver Crossing, 0; Ohio, Ia, 1.

Epidemic of Pink Eye.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Aug. 13.—A disease called the "pink-eye" is causing considerable trouble with the horses in this county. Liverymen are losing business as a result of the epidemic. A few fatalities have been reported, but with proper treatment it only lasts a few days. A veterinary said that if the animal was given rest for a few days upon the appearance of the first symptom there would be a speedy recovery in most of the cases. He also said the disease was occasioned by the blood becoming overheated.

Pronounced Insane.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 13.—Mrs. Minnie Reymann has at various times in years past been troubled mentally and recently was sent to a hospital in Omaha for treatment and was supposed to be doing well. Her people were surprised yesterday at her being brought here by a Mr. Reymann of Talmage. She came to his home but could give no account of herself. She was taken before the commission on insanity and after examination was declared insane and instructions given to have her taken to the asylum at Lincoln.

Orders for the Encampment.

LINCOLN, Aug. 13.—Adjutant General Barry has issued orders announcing the encampment of the National Guard at Hastings on August 20. His directions are for the colonels to report to his office the names of all members of their staffs and for the company commanders to present in like manner a complete list of the names of their commands, in order that adequate transportation may be secured. The place of rendezvous and the time of starting, together with the route to be taken, will be announced later.

Threshing Outfit Burned.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 13.—While the Henry Frederick threshing outfit were thrashing at the farm of Hickman Bowman, ten miles northeast of this place, a spark set fire to the straw and destroyed the separator, feeder, blower and everything excepting the engine and tank. Six large stacks of wheat were also destroyed. The loss will reach \$3,500.

Extend the Line.

EAGLE, Neb., Aug. 13.—The Nebraska Telephone company will extend their lines to Eagle this season, as the village board has granted them a franchise.

Decision Expected in Telephone Case.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Aug. 13.—County Judge Ellis will hand down his decision in the county court in the case of the Interstate Telephone company against several residents of Tecumseh in a day or two. The company sold some capital stock to these people and the amount subscribed was never paid. The subscribers hold that the company deferred in a portion of its agreement as to a service to be established in Tecumseh. The company sued the subscribers, the case was tried and the parties concerned now await the decision.

"MY OWN SELF AGAIN."

Mrs. Gates Writes to Mrs. Pinkham, Follows Her Advice and is Made Well.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—For nearly two and one-half years I have been in feeble health. After my little child came it seemed I could not get my strength again. I have chills and the severest pains in my limbs and top of head and am almost insensible at times. I also have a pain just to the right of breast bone. It is so severe at times that I cannot lie on my right side. Please write me what you think of my case."



"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as advised and now send you a letter for publication. For several years I was in such wretched health that life was almost a burden. I could hardly walk across the floor, was so feeble. Several of our best physicians attended me, but failed to help. I concluded to write to you for advice. In a few days I received such a kind, motherly letter. I followed your instructions and am my 'old self' again. Was greatly benefited before I had used one bottle. May God bless you for what you are doing for suffering women."—MRS. CLARA GATES, Johns P. O., Miss., Oct. 6, 1899.

Advertisement for W.L. Douglas shoes, featuring a portrait of a man and text describing the quality and variety of the shoes.

Advertisement for Magnetic Starch, describing its benefits for stiffening and whitening goods.

Advertisement for Tower's Fish Brand Pommel Slicker, highlighting its durability and protection.

Advertisement for Faultless Starch, emphasizing its quality for laundry work.

Advertisement for Toe-Gum, a remedy for corns and other foot ailments.