

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Paul Alexis, the French novelist, is dead.

The broom trust will raise prices 25 to 50 cents per dozen.

Acting Adjutant General Warren has received a cable announcing the death of Major William E. Almy, Porto Rican regiment at San Juan, from appendicitis.

People who are in close association with Mr. Kruger say that up to the present it has not been decided that the Boer statesman will visit the United States.

Bishop John Moore was buried at St. Augustine, Fla. The funeral was largely attended and dignitaries of the church from all over the United States were present.

Prussian officials take seriously the statement from St. Petersburg that Russia will forbid Russian farm laborers to cross the frontier for summer work in Prussia.

Commander William Swift, commanding the gunboat Yorktown, has been ordered to relieve Commander Seaton Schroeder as naval governor of the island of Guam.

The bureau of admissions announces the attendance at the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo during the first three months ending at midnight on July 31 as 2,724,808.

Former Congressman Blount is not critically ill. He received a slight touch of paralysis some days ago, affecting the muscles of his face and limbs, but he is steadily improving.

Myron A. Decker, a well known New York piano manufacturer, is dead, aged 83. Mr. Decker was born in the Catskills and began the manufacture of pianos in New York about forty years ago.

The navy department is about to establish a private school for children on the Samoan island of Tutuila. The naval commander, Chaplain Tilley, has made an urgent recommendation to this effect.

At Marlin, Tex., Porter Sawyer, aged 18, shot and killed his father and was overcome by heat while trying to escape and died. The boy is said to have become angry at his father for whipping a horse.

The president has commuted to life imprisonment the sentence of death pronounced by court martial upon James W. Allen, private, Company F, Forty-sixth infantry. Allen was convicted of rape at Humming, Luzon.

The Cincinnati Price Current in its weekly review of the crop situation says: "Important relief to corn by rains, but indications not above 60 per cent, or 1,500,000,000 bushels. Wheat threshing maintaining expectations."

Court martials are to be held in Manila on Lieutenant Preston Brown and Captain Francis P. Fremont, Second infantry. The lieutenant is accused of killing a native who refused to recover the body of a soldier from the river.

Dr. Henry B. Horlbeck, for many years health officer of Charleston, S. C., is dead. He was a confederate surgeon of ability, a former president of the American Medical association and an eminent authority on yellow fever.

The weekly crop report shows that in the great corn states late corn—and, fortunately, a much larger proportion than usual of this year's crop was planted late—has experienced a general and in some cases a decided improvement, but the early corn has been practically ruined.

Henry C. Payne, the Wisconsin member of the republican national committee, is dangerously ill in Berlin.

Shares in some of the Texas oil companies are selling as low as 5 cents each, with a splendid chance of losing even that amount.

The comptroller of the currency has authorized the First National bank of Dysart, Ia., to begin business with a capital of \$50,000.

President McKinley has sent the following message to Emperor William of Germany on the death of his mother: "I learn with deep sorrow of the death of your majesty's beloved mother, the dowager empress and Queen Frederick. Her noble qualities have endeared her memory to the American people, in whose name and in my own I tender to your majesty heartfelt condolence."

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FEAR OF A REVOLUTION

Amalgamated Association's Secretary Says Strike May Have a Bloody Ending.

THE BAYONET MAY BE POSSIBLE

Declares It Will Be Appealed to If All Other Means Fail—Unions Decide Their Course—Shaffer Disappointed at the Number That Will Stand Firm.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 12.—The iron masters are tonight claiming victory in the great steel strike. They base their claim upon the refusal of the Amalgamated men at South Chicago, Joliet and Bay View to obey the general strike order of President Shaffer and their success in maintaining operations in other plants where it was anticipated that there would be serious trouble.

The strike leaders meet the claims of the masters with the assertion that their cause is making satisfactory progress and that they will show themselves masters of the situation before the contest has progressed much further. They do not conceal their disappointment at the refusal of their western brethren to join with them in the strike, but none of the leaders would discuss the defection.

The association secretary, however, gave out an interview on the general situation, in which he said:

I tell you this question will have to be settled in some way, if not by peaceful strike, then by legislation. If that fails the ballot will be tried. If all else fails I believe that it will result in an appeal to the bayonet. I tell you, there is a condition existing today that places this country on the eve of one of the greatest revolutions that ever could occur in the history of the world.

Secretary Williams urged the blame for the strike upon the refusal of the United States steel corporation to arbitrate and declared that before the strike was over thousands of men in other trades would be drawn into it to save the Amalgamated association and the principles for which it stands. He said:

"We agreed to arbitration because the business men and citizens of Pittsburg urged us to do so. We were willing to risk the interests of our organization in the hands of others in this dispute if there was any prospect for peace. It is practically the first time in the history of our organization that we have gone this far. The effect upon the future would be far-reaching, as it would enable manufacturers to ask the same concession from us and this we have in the past declined to grant because we feared the results. This arbitration being turned down flat and unconditionally, those who have been urging us to submit to it will have a chance to prove their interest and friendship for us in our inevitable battle with the greatest trust that was ever organized."

Mr. Williams said that the strike had been studiously avoided by the officers of the Amalgamated association. It had been as studiously encouraged by the officials of the manufacturers' organization. The officers of the Amalgamated association had done all they could and had worked hard to bring about peace. The battle was now in the hands of the men, and it was up to them as to what the outcome would be.

BOUGHT BY ARMOUR AND SWIFT

Stock Yards at Fort Worth to Be Expanded by Branch Plants.

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—The packing firms of Armour & Co. became joint owners of the stock yards at Fort Worth, Texas, and will soon expend \$1,000,000 in building branch plants at that place.

Ownership of the stock yards was secured at a conference in the afternoon by J. Ogden Armour, president of Armour & Co.; G. F. Swift, president of the Fort Worth Stock Yards company. While the two firms become joint owners of the stock yards they will erect separate plants and will continue as business rivals. It is denied by the company that any combination is intended.

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SIGNOR CRISPI IS DEAD.

Famous Italian Statesman Passes Away at His Home in Naples.

NAPLES, Aug. 12.—Signor Crispi died at 7:45 o'clock this evening. He was surrounded by the members of his family and several intimate friends. The news was immediately telegraphed to King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helen. The evening papers assert that the body will be conveyed by steamer to Palermo, where the municipality will arrange for a great public funeral.

It is rumored that Signor Crispi's will authorizes a prominent Italian politician to examine his papers and to publish his memoirs.

ROME, Aug. 12.—In consequence of the low condition of Signor Crispi yesterday (Sunday) morning the injections of stimulants and the administration of oxygen were stopped, the physicians recognizing that both were quite useless. Throughout the day he lay inert and insensible, and he was virtually dead for hours before the physicians certified that life was extinct.

Some indignation was expressed when the public learned that the details of the funeral had been arranged before death came.

It is rumored that the affairs of the deceased are in the greatest confusion and that Signora Crispi will have to depend solely on the proceeds of the sale of the memoirs. The body will be embalmed and lie in state for three days in the drawing room of the Villa Lina, in Naples, the walls of which are adorned with frescoes presenting the principal episodes of the aribaldean epoch.

SOON THE PRESIDENT'S TURN.

St. Louis Fair Management Nearly Ready for Proclamation.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 12.—During the past week there has been a rapid closing up of the gaps in the work of organization at world's fair headquarters, the most important of which has been done by the executive committee, which had under consideration the classification reports of the various departments into which the exposition will be divided. All these were gone over carefully by a sub-committee and its work was approved by the whole committee. This was the last stage necessary to meet the requirements of the federal law before the president of the United States could issue his proclamation to all the governments of the world announcing that an international exposition would be held in the city of St. Louis in 1903.

WAR PROFITABLE TO KANSAS.

Sunflower State and Missouri Have Sold British Many Animals.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Col. Skinner, one of the English officers who has been stationed in the United States since the outbreak of the Boer war, buying horses and mules, returned to Kansas City from New Orleans today. With the shipments just made from Kansas City to Capetown the British government has spent \$1,000,000 in Kansas City for horses and mules for service in South Africa. Colonel Skinner says that approximately 100,000 animals have been shipped from this vicinity through the port of New Orleans during the past three years. The average prices paid for these animals is \$50 a head, making the total expenditure \$5,000,000 in Missouri and Kansas alone.

Another Negro Hanged.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Aug. 12.—The negro assassin of Mrs. J. J. Clark was captured at Liberty City by R. L. Young, a stationmaster of the Seaboard Air Line and identified by Mrs. Clark. While being removed from Ways to the Bryan county jail the prisoner was taken away from his captors by a mob and it is believed has been burned at the stake. Positive news of the lynching is lacking.

This Gold Brick Has Value.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 12.—A telegram received by Captain James Carroll from the Apollo Mining company of San Francisco states that a gold brick valued at \$20,000, which was shipped from Unga, Alaska, via the Steamer Newport last July, has not arrived in that city.

"Fighting Bob" Called Down.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The navy department has reprimanded Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, acting upon the complaint made by former Secretary of the Navy Chandler, for criticisms of the latter in Admiral Evans' book, "A Sailor's Log."

Mine Workers Lend Cheer.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 12.—The executive board of the United Mine Workers of America, in session here, has officially recognized the steel strike. It indorses the action of the Amalgamated association, pledging the support of the mine workers and calling on President Gompers to call a meeting of the presidents and secretaries of all bodies connected with the American Federation of Labor to aid the strikers.

SHOUSE SUES BURLINGTON.

Man Charged With Ticket Stealing Asks for \$10,000 Damages.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 12.—Oliver Shouse, who was arrested at Bladen, Neb., June 29 at the instance of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad for supposed complicity in the theft of about \$3,000 worth of tickets from the David City depot, but who soon afterward proved his innocence, now through his attorneys, Batty & Dungan, filed a suit against the railroad company for \$10,000 damages.

Superintendent Bignell with a detective and Sheriff Ren of Butler county went to Bladen on a special train to arrest Shouse. A Denver ticket broker was with them to identify Shouse. He claimed Shouse was the man who had disposed of one of the stolen tickets to him. Later developments proved to a certainty that he was sadly mistaken. Messrs. Batty & Dungan soon convinced Superintendent Bignell that they could prove their client had never been to Denver in his life. The railroad man was soon convinced of the serious mistake in the way of mistaken identity and hastened to release Shouse.

Mr. Shouse has sued for false imprisonment and for injury to his good name.

STUDYING TIN BER CULTURE.

United States Forestry Commission in Scotts Bluffs Country.

BRIDGEPORT, Neb., Aug. 12.—The United States forestry party has been in camp here some time and is making good progress in its study of Nebraska tree growth. During the past week the old military timber reserve on Lawrence fork of Pumpkin Seed creek was visited and an examination made of the yellow pine which occurs abundantly in that region. Although the best and nearly all the large specimens have been cut, there yet remain thousands of trees that with proper treatment would produce much valuable timber in the future. Residents use it extensively for fence posts and say that if well seasoned it is very durable.

This week the territory between Snake and Pumpkin Seed creeks as far west as Scotts Bluffs will be covered. E. A. Boostrom, teacher of botany in the Lincoln High school, joined the party here and will collect for the State university until about September 15.

Small Grain Yield.

WAUSA, Neb., Aug. 12.—Thrashing is in full force in this community and small grain falls considerably short of expectations. Wheat runs between ten and fifteen bushels; oats from twenty-five to forty; barley from twenty to thirty-five. The farmers now begin to realize that corn, especially the early planted, was damaged much more than was at first thought. Hay will be the best for years and pastures have been much benefitted by recent rains.

Studying Half-Breed Cases.

PENDER, Neb., Aug. 12.—John L. Webster, special counsel for the United States on behalf of the Omaha Indians in what are known as the half-breed cases and of which there are twenty-three or twenty-four suits now pending in the United States court at Omaha, has been here for the purpose of getting facts necessary in the hearing of the cases, which will like occur in November.

Fatally Kicked by a Horse.

ATLANTIC, Ia., Aug. 12.—William H. Disbrow, a prominent citizen of the county, who lived four miles northeast of town, was kicked by a vicious horse and was so seriously injured that he died as a result of the injury in a short time.

Young Man Drowned in Blue.

BLUE SPRINGS, Neb., Aug. 12.—Ed Craig, 19 years old, was drowned in the Blue river while bathing with two companions. C. A. Liedy, one of his companions, nearly drowned while attempting his rescue.

Mormons Seeking Converts.

SUPERIOR, Neb., Aug. 12.—Two Mormon missionaries are making a house to house visit here in the interest of the Church of the Latter Day Saints. They canvass principally among the women.

Deputy Sheriff Robbed.

NIORAKA, Neb., Aug. 12.—Deputy Sheriff John Conway lost by theft his watch, chain, and \$4 in cash. Retiring in the evening he left his room door open and awoke to find that he had been robbed.

Capt. Wiley Resigns.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 12.—Captain Wiley of company C, Second regiment, Nebraska National guard, has sent his resignation to the adjutant general, to take effect at once.

Nebraska City Man Disappears.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 12.—H. C. Sylvester, residing a mile and a half west of this city, has mysteriously disappeared and his family is at a loss to locate him.

DEMOCRATS AND POPULISTS.

They Will Hold Their State Conventions September 17.

LINCOLN, Aug. 10.—The democratic and populist state committees in session here both agreed to hold their state conventions in Lincoln September 17. The hour for assembling was left to the chairman.

The basis of representation in the democratic convention was fixed at one delegate for each 100 votes or major fraction thereof cast for Hon. W. D. Oldham for attorney general last fall. This will mean from 800 to 1,000 delegates in that convention.

There will be over 1,200 in the populist convention, representation being based on one delegate for each 100 votes or major fraction thereof cast for Hon. W. A. Poynter for governor last fall.

State Vegetation Improves.

LINCOLN, Aug. 10.—Secretary Adna Dodson of the state board of irrigation returned from a tour through the North Platte river valley. He says the recent rains have materially increased the flow of water in all streams in that section of the state.

"Vegetation in the North Platte valley is in excellent condition," said Mr. Dodson. "Corn is doing exceptionally well and alfalfa is now being cut for the second crop. In Cheyenne and Deuel counties hay is making a good crop. In those counties they grow what is called wheat grass. It is a superior grass and sells at \$3 a ton when alfalfa brings about \$3."

School Money Invested.

LINCOLN, Aug. 10.—Records of the state treasurer's office show that there is \$4,582,977.47 of permanent school money invested in interest-bearing bonds. The revenue on this investment averages 3 1/2 per cent, and all money so derived is credited to the temporary school fund, which is apportioned twice each year among the schools of the state. The amount of school money invested is \$108,476 greater than at any time prior to Mr. Stuefer's incumbency.

Want Single Women as Teachers.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Aug. 10.—At the meeting of the board of education a resolution was introduced by Member McAllister to the effect that hereafter should any woman teacher marry, her contract as teacher be terminated at once. The resolution was discussed and it was the general belief that married women should not be employed as teachers. On motion the resolution was laid on the table for one month.

Big Yield of Wheat at Genoa.

GENOA, Neb., Aug. 10.—The biggest yield of wheat reported in this section thus far is that of S. T. Battles, who lives one mile east of Genoa. Battles had 200 acres of winter wheat and fifty acres of spring wheat. He finished threshing his winter wheat Friday and found that he had 8,000 bushels. He has not threshed his spring wheat, but estimates that it will yield twenty-five bushels per acre.

Paul Hunger Passes Away.

LINCOLN, Aug. 10.—Paul Hunger, one of the youngest members of the bar of this county, died at St. Elizabeth's hospital from an operation for internal abscess. Mr. Hunger, who was but 23 years of age and had been ill about ten days, had a wide circle of friends in this city, belonging to many fraternal orders and was president of the Young Men's Republican club.

Burned to Death.

STELLA, Aug. 10.—Mrs. Ed Knapp of Nemaha was so terribly burned in a gasoline explosion that she died. She broke a jug of gasoline in a cave and the ground was soaked with oil. Later in the day she had occasion to go into the cave and, as it was dark, struck a match, which ignited the gas. She ran out in the air, but did not extinguish the flames until fatally burned.

Two Boys Sent to Penitentiary.

SIDNEY, Neb., Aug. 10.—Judge Grimes sentenced Harry Ickes, aged 19, and Fred Pierson, aged 20, to the penitentiary for one year each. Ickes and Pierson both pleaded guilty, the former to the charge of forgery and the latter to stealing a check and pocketing the proceeds.

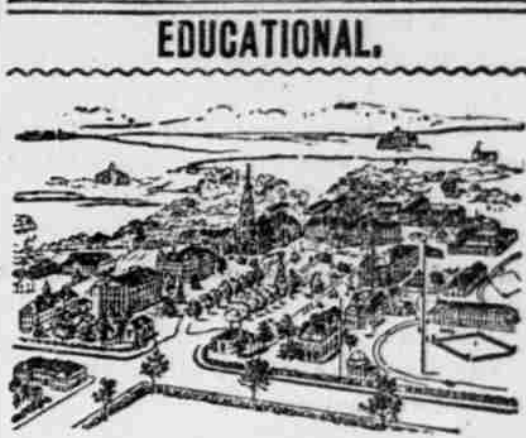
Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 10.—Today's statement of the treasury balance in the general fund, exclusive of \$150,000,000 gold, shows: Available cash balance, \$176,207,117; gold, \$102,436,748.

Townley Denies Wrong Intent.

LINCOLN, Aug. 10.—In his sworn testimony before the Manilla court martial on May 29, Lieutenant Townley said he was led into the commissary scandal by an impulsive desire to be of assistance in what at that time he believed to be a worthy cause, but he denied any intention of wrongdoing. A copy of the Manilla American, published the day following the trial, contains a detailed report of the proceedings in the court martial.

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