

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Omaha will give an electrical parade on the occasion of the president's visit to that city.

Explorer Borchgrevink, the Norwegian, has taken out naturalization papers in the United States.

Anti-imperialists intimate that Aguilardo will be brought to this country for a lecture tour just before the elections.

Baron Severin Bronicki, a Polish millionaire who owned half a million acres of land, committed suicide at Vienna.

Two thousand employees of the American Tin Plate company were notified that the plant would shut down indefinitely.

George Shiras of Pittsburg, Pa., confirms the report that his father is about to retire from the United States supreme bench.

The Assumption day collection of Peter's pence in all the churches of Rome aggregated only \$5,000, much less than had been expected.

Dr. Gunsaulus denies the report that he will resign his Chicago pastorate and succeed Dr. Parker in the City Temple in London.

Gilbert M. Hitchcock, proprietor of the Omaha World-Herald, was nominated by the democrats of the Second Nebraska congressional district.

The Earl of Dudley was sworn in as lord lieutenant of Ireland, in succession to Earl Cadogan, resigned, in the council chamber of the castle.

Palmer S. Moseley defeated William L. Byrd for governor of the Chickasaw Nation by a majority of six votes.

Moseley was favorable to the supplementary treaty and Byrd opposed it.

Two companies have submitted bids for pneumatic tube service in Chicago, covering such a wide variety of routes that the award will be delayed.

The war department has decided to appoint army officers to investigate and report upon the needs for military purposes of the Fort Sill reservation, Oklahoma.

Marion Cullen, the leading lady of the "Shore Acres" company, and Percy Jones, the eldest son of Mayor "Golden Rule" Jones of Toledo, were married in Boston.

Orders have been issued at the navy department for the fitting out of the battleship Oregon at San Francisco for duty on the Asiatic station, to which it will be assigned.

The Mississippi railroad commission refused to authorize the state attorney general to attack the alleged merger of the Southern and the Mobile & Ohio railroad companies.

Andrew Carnegie has offered to donate \$150,000 for the establishment of free libraries in the borough of Marylebone on condition that the borough provide for their maintenance.

W. A. Nettleton, assistant superintendent of motive power of the Santa Fe system has tendered his resignation to engage in private business.

His successor has not been named.

French royalists deny the accusation of the cabinet that the movement in Finisterre and elsewhere in opposition to the closing of the religious schools is a royalist plot.

Minister Tarte of Canada, in a speech at Halifax, warned manufacturers against the advance of American commerce and urged improvements of waterways in the Dominion.

In New York Mrs. Eleanor Wallack, the beautiful young wife of J. Lester Wallack, the actor and grandson of the renowned Lester Wallack, committed suicide by inhaling gas in her room.

It is stated at the papal legation that owing to the death of the cardinal prefect at Rome and the various formalities necessary to be gone through with the appointment of a successor to the late Archbishop Corrigan will not be made until late in November and possibly December.

Senator Jones is said to be favored by the president for a place on the isthmian canal commission.

William "Manny" Holabini, one of the best known golfers in the west, died at his home in Evanston, Ill., of typhoid fever.

The new fire commission of Omaha has decreed that slot machines must go.

The will of the late Senator McMillan has been filed for probate. The estate is estimated to be worth from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

Luther R. Marsh, the venerable jurist and famous Spiritualist, is dead in New York.

President Roosevelt has directed that the names of soldiers who die in the Philippines be cabled every two weeks hereafter.

A saw mill boiler exploded at New Liberty, Ill., killing three men instantly and seriously injuring five others.

General J. C. McBride, formerly a state treasurer of Nebraska, will help the republicans of that state in the fall campaign.

THE FAIR ESTATE

THE PROPERTY OF MRS. FAIR TO GO TO RELATIVES.

SOME MONEY MAY BE ADDED

No Trouble is Expected—Whole Matter to Be Settled Out of Court and Relations of All Concerned Continue to Be Pleasant.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—Mrs. Hanna Nelson, mother of the late Mrs. Charles Fair, has arrived here from her home in Newmarket, N. J.

She is accompanied by her son, A. G. Nelson, who conducts a general merchandise business at Plainfield, N. J. Fred Fowler, a nephew of Mrs. Fair by marriage, and his wife, are also here.

Mrs. Nelson is a woman of 70 years of age and she was greatly fatigued by her journey across the continent. Joseph Harvey, the lifelong friend of Charles Fair, and Charles S. Neal, manager of the Fair estate, went to Reno to meet Mrs. Nelson and her son. Harvey and Neal also met Charles J. Smith, a brother of the late Mrs. Fair, at Reno, who has come to this city from Boulder Creek, Colo.

Mrs. Nelson declined to talk for publication, but to Mr. Harvey she said:

"I don't care much what becomes of my share of the estate, but I do want to see my children get all they are entitled to."

A. G. Nelson said:

"There will be no contest between my mother and Mr. Smith of Colorado. He is my half-brother. Of course, my mother will go into court, but the legal matters rest with her counsel altogether. She will ask for letters of administration on the estate and for that reason we intend to take up our residence in San Francisco."

"Our mother," he continued, "we regard as the sole heir, so there will be no contest as far as we are concerned."

"There will be no contest at all," remarked Joseph Harvey, who was present. The whole matter will be settled out of court, and, anyhow, nothing definite has yet been decided on."

The Call says:

"It is now generally known that the Fairs will authorize Hermann Oelrichs to inform the relatives of Mrs. Fair that they can take possession of certain properties of her estate. To this estate will also probably be added a sum of money. What the amount will be has not yet been settled upon. The details of the compromise have not yet been discussed."

SUPERSTITION WILL NOT SAVE.

Chinese Who Murdered Missionaries Are Ordered Punished.

PEKIN, Aug. 25.—An edict has been issued ordering the murderers of an English missionary named Lewis, and an Australian missionary named Bruce to be punished. The crimes were committed at Chen Chou, in Ho Nan province. The government expresses deep regret at the occurrence and promises to make reparation.

It is reported that the murders were the outcome of an outburst of superstitious frenzy on the part of the population, based on the idea that the missionaries in question had caused an epidemic of cholera, which is raging at Chen Chou, by poisoning drinking water. The mob wrecked the mission building and killed the missionaries, who had but recently arrived at Chen Chou, where they were cordially welcomed.

Hanna Talks of the Strike.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 25.—United States Senator Hanna arrived in Buffalo Saturday from Niagara Falls. For the first time Senator Hanna stated his abandonment of all efforts to end the coal strike. He believes that the operators should meet the miners in arbitration.

"I have exhausted my efforts," said Senator Hanna. "I have done all in my power and can do no more. I will make no further attempts, for it would be useless."

He said there is no chance of arbitration so long as only the miners are willing to arbitrate. He gave it as his opinion that the miners will not give in so long as they are able to fight.

Oklahoma Gets Chickasha.

GUTHRIE, Okl., Aug. 25.—Advices from Washington to the territorial officials state that the interior department has approved the Johnson and Kidder survey of the 98th meridian, which places it four and a fraction miles east of the present boundary between Oklahoma and the Chickasaw nation, Indian Territory, thus adding to Oklahoma the city of Chickasha, the most important commercial and railroad point in the southwest.

TAFT DEFENDS HIS COURSE.

Filipinos Appointed Were Better Than Their War Records.

MANILA, Aug. 25.—The defense in the Freedom sedition case has called Governor Taft as a witness to show that many former insurgent leaders who were guilty of various offenses not recognized by the law of war have been appointed to civil positions.

Governor Taft gave testimony to the effect that many such former insurgents had been appointed, but that they had proved, honest, straightforward and earnest. He said that some of them had been guilty of murder from American standards, but that from their own standpoint they undoubtedly believed their conduct of the war to have been legitimate.

Governor Taft said that he had found these appointees to be loyal and that they were not chosen because they happened to be insurgent generals, but because they were men of influence among their own people. He said the experience of the civil authorities among these men had been most satisfactory.

CHOLERA AND LADRONES KILL.

Two Fatal Agencies in Philippines Continue to Destroy.

MANILA, Aug. 21.—Official cholera statistics show a total to date of 25,664 cases and 18,040 deaths. The actual number of cases and deaths is greatly in excess of the official list. There were but eight cases reported last Saturday. In some of the provinces of Luzon the cholera situation is bad. Four hundred and fourteen cases and 317 deaths were reported from the province of Ilocos Norte last Saturday.

The members of the native constabulary were ambushed last Tuesday at a point near Magdalena, in the province of Sorsogon, Luzon, by a band of sixty ladrones. The latter were armed with rifles and bolos and a desperate fight at close range took place. One member of the constabulary was killed, two were wounded and three were captured. Seventy constabulary have taken the field in pursuit of the ladrones.

HOLMAN JUMPS INTO THE SEA.

Report on Death of American Naval Officer.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The death of Ensign Frederick R. Holman of the navy on August 13 on board the Celtic, while on the way from Manila to Sydney, Australia, is reported in a dispatch received at the navy department today from Captain Speyers.

The Celtic is a refrigerator ship and presumably was on her way from Manila to Sydney to obtain provisions for the army and navy in the Philippines. According to the dispatch, Holman met his death by jumping overboard. His act was presumably due to ill health. He was a native of Colorado and was appointed to the navy from Iowa in 1893. His father in New York City has been notified of his death.

Taps Sounded for Sigel.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Taps was sounded yesterday for General Franz Sigel. Simple and unostentatious was his funeral. Surrounding the flag-covered coffin wherein lay the dead general, attired in the well-worn uniform he had used during the war, stood the few surviving comrades who fought with the veteran in two hemispheres. Some of these spoke simple eulogies and then the body was carried to its last resting place in Woodlawn cemetery, followed by a long line of scarred and crippled veterans, bearing with them tattered flags.

Laborers Scarce in Mexico.

MONTEREY, Mexico, Aug. 23.—T. B. Fitzsimmons, a contractor, returned to Monterey after a trip over the republic in search of laborers for railway construction. He failed to secure a single workman. At Tampico he found that local contractors had entirely exhausted the supply of laborers and had dispatched a boat to Jamaica to bring over 1,000 more negroes of that island.

Carries Government Troops.

COLON, Columbia, Aug. 25.—The British steamer Bernard Hall of Liverpool, which was chartered by the Colombian government to transport troops, reached Colon from Savanilla with 600 government soldiers on board.

Russia is Shaken.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—"Violent earthquakes were felt last Friday," cables the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail, "at Andishan and Pavlovsk, near St. Petersburg."

Operation Kills Her.

BERLIN, Aug. 25.—Archduchess Margarete Sophie of Austria, wife of Albert, duke of Wurtemberg, died at Gunden, Austria, as the result of an operation for appendicitis.

SCHOOL LAND LEASE CONTRACTS

Holder Are Anxious to Obtain Full Possession.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 25.—Recent comment regarding the applications for the transformation of lease contracts on school land into sale contracts has had the effect of greatly increasing the correspondence of the land commissioner's office, for lease holders all over the state are anxious to obtain full possession and ownership of their land.

Under the law which remained on the statute books of the state from 1879 till 1897 a lease holder was entitled to purchase the land he occupied, provided he fulfilled all the obligations of the contract and would pay the state the full appraised value of the land. The legislature of 1897 repealed this law. Former Land Commissioner Wolfe held that the repeal of the law invalidated the contracts, and therefore he rejected all applications for the purchase of land. Mr. Follmer regrets that he is forced to take a different stand, for he would prefer to have the state keep all of the school land, but he recognizes the fact that the contracts entered into by the state under the old law cannot be repudiated. Holders of leases given prior to 1879 have also asked to buy their rented land, but all of their applications have by both commissioners been rejected, for the law under which their lease contracts were given made no provision by which they could buy the land, as was expressly provided in the subsequent act.

Any person desiring to purchase land under a lease contract given between 1879 and 1897 must pay all expenses of appraisal, review or reappraisal, and they must be willing to pay the full market value of the land. This will be determined by the value of land in the immediate vicinity. If land in the neighborhood is worth \$25 per acre on the market, the lease holder must pay that amount or else be satisfied with his lease contract.

It is estimated that there are upward of 1,000,000 acres of land now occupied under leases given between the years 1879 and 1897.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The Authorities Are Predicting an Increased Attendance.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 25.—Students will soon begin to gather in Lincoln for the thirty-second annual session of the University of Nebraska. The authorities of the institution predict an increasing attendance and are preparing for more than the usual number on the opening days of registration.

On September 8 the university school of music will open its session and two days later the lectures will begin in the affiliated school of medicine at Omaha. From September 16 to 19 inclusive there will be examinations and registration. On September 20 Chancellor Andrews will deliver his annual opening address to the students and on September 22 the regular class work of the first semester will begin.

Brown County Woman Wins Prize.

LONG PINE, Neb., Aug. 25.—Last spring an eastern seed company offered a prize of \$50 for the best onions grown from their seed. Mrs. George Hulshizer, who lives north of town, sent them a sample of her onions and has been notified that she is the winner of the prize. This speaks well for Brown county in competition with the rest of the country.

Bassett is Building Up.

BASSETT, Neb., Aug. 25.—Bassett, the seat of the government of Rock county, is experiencing a great boom in all lines of business. Several elegant and costly residences and business blocks are being erected, a new bank is to open its doors in a very short time, a fraternal building to cost not less than \$7,000 or \$8,000 is to be constructed.

Lightning Destroys Barn.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Aug. 25.—In the storm the barn of Jacob Deeds, six miles southwest of this place, was struck by lightning and burned, together with a quantity of grain, hay and two head of horses.

Run Over by the Cars.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Aug. 25.—Stephen A. Davis was accidentally run down by a freight car at Cedar Creek and instantly killed. Deceased was sixty-five years old and had resided in Cass county since 1856.

Boy Drowned Near Wahoo.

WAHOO, Neb., Aug. 25.—Roy, aged twenty-three, son of ex-County Treasurer J. L. Coleman, was drowned while in bathing with other young men, none of whom were good swimmers.

Restore the Old Style Recess.

FREMONT, Neb., Aug. 25.—The board of education has adopted a rule restoring the old recess interval of fifteen minutes each in the morning and afternoon.

PROMISE OF THE SUGAR CROP.

Acreege of Beets Reported Indicates an Increase Over Last Year.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 23.—Deputy Land Commissioner Watson has completed the tabulation of returns on acreage of sugar beets for Nebraska for the current year and gave out the figures. Last year Nebraska produced 14,912,300 pounds of beet sugar. If the average yield from the acreage this year is but ten tons of 12 per cent beets, the sugar production for the state will be 16,739,500 pounds. The acreage by counties is:

Table with 2 columns: County, No. of Acres. Lists counties from Adams to Wayne with acreage values.

NEBRASKA CROP CONDITIONS.

General Conditions Still Favor an Immense Yield of Corn.

The last week was wet and cool in the northern counties and warm and dry in southern and western. The daily mean temperature has averaged about normal in the eastern part of the state and 2 degrees above normal in the western.

The rainfall has exceeded an inch in some of the northern counties; in other parts of the state it has been generally less than a quarter of an inch.

The cloudy, moist and rainy weather in the northern counties the last week retarded haying and threshing. In the southern and western counties threshing progressed rapidly. The soil is so dry in the southern part of the state that little progress was made with fall plowing. Corn has grown well in most parts of the state; in the southern part of the state it is now needing rain, while in some southwestern counties the crop has already been injured by lack of rain; the acreage thus affected is small and generally the crop continues to promise a very large yield. Apples promise a good crop.

Demand for Space at Fair.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 23.—The state fair managers are being overwhelmed with applications for space at the forthcoming exposition. In the agricultural buildings practically every foot of space is already taken and the demand is almost as great in the others.

"In the agricultural hall we have 800 linear feet of space and we have exhibits now for much more than that," said S. C. Bassett, a member of the board of agriculture. "The counties that have thus far applied for permission to enter the collective exhibit class are: Washington, Howard, Burt, Antelope, Scotts Bluff, Hitchcock, Hayes, Nemaha, Franklin, Kearney, Frontier, Cuming, Saline, Merrick and York."

Mobilization of National Guard.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 23.—Adjutant General Colby announced that he will soon issue orders for the mobilization of a portion of the Nebraska National guard at Fort Riley, Kan., about September 29. He intimates that the order will include the two regiments and possibly one or more of the independent companies. The general received notice this afternoon that the military maneuvers of the regular army will be held at Fort Riley from September 29 to October 8. It is the intention of the Nebraska military authorities to have the state troops in camp at the fort during these maneuvers. No orders will be issued, however, until more definite information is received from the war department.

Child Drowns in a Tub.

CARROLL, Neb., Aug. 23.—A 2-year-old son of Bert Robinson was drowned in a half barrel filled with water which his mother was soaking up for pickling purposes.

Norfolk Man Badly Injured.

NORFOLK, Neb., Aug. 23.—As W. M. Deering was returning to his home in the country his team became frightened, and the pole dropping and catching, he was thrown out and injured.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations from South Omaha and Kansas City.

SOUTH OMAHA.

CATTLE—There was another big run of cattle, and in fact receipts were much heavier than was generally anticipated. Cornfed steers were scarce and the market could safely be quoted steady and active on desirable grades. Nothing sold higher than \$7.25. The cow market was just about steady on desirable stuff, but the medium and common stuff was a little slow and lower. Bulls, veal, calves and stags commanded just about steady prices. Handy weight feeder bulls in particular sold to good advantage, as the demand for them was quite active. The great bulk of the receipts consisted of feeders and a large proportion of them were of rather inferior quality. The western range steers that were good enough for packers commanded steady prices, but there were not many killers in the yards.

HOGS—There was not a heavy run of hogs, and the supply at other points was also rather limited. Packers all seemed to have liberal orders and as a result the market opened fairly active and 50c higher. The bulk of all the sales went from \$6.50 to \$6.90 and as high as \$7.00 was paid.

SHEEP—Quotations for clipped stock: Good to choice yearlings, \$3.75@4.10; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; good to choice wethers, \$3.25@3.60; fair to good wethers, \$3.15@3.25; choice ewes, \$3.00@3.25; fair to good ewes, \$2.50@2.90; good to choice lambs, \$5.75@6.00; fair to good lambs, \$5.25@5.60; feeder wethers, \$2.75@3.25; feeder yearlings, \$2.50@3.00; feeder lambs, \$3.50@4.25; feeder ewes, \$1.25@3.00.

KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE—Corn fed cattle and grassers, dull, steady to 2c lower; stockers and feeders, lower; choice export and dressed beef steers, \$7.45@8.00; fair to good, \$4.50@7.40; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@4.75; western fed steers, \$4.50@6.50; Texas and Indian steers, \$3.15@3.80; Texas cows, \$2.25@3.00; native cows, \$1.25@4.35; native heifers, \$2.30@4.00; canners, \$1.50@2.00; bulls, \$2.65@3.50; calves, \$2.50@5.50.

HOGS—Market active, 10c higher, closing weak; top, \$7.20; bulk of sales, \$6.90@7.10; heavy, \$7.00@7.20; mixed packers, \$6.80@7.05; light, \$3.35@6.95; yorkers, \$6.90@6.50; pigs, \$6.50@6.70.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep, steady; native lambs, \$3.20@5.60; western lambs, \$3.00@5.00; native wethers, \$3.40@4.40; western wethers, \$2.90@3.95; fed ewes, \$3.35@4.15; Texas clipped yearlings, \$3.00@3.85; Texas clipped sheep, \$2.90@3.10; stockers and feeders, \$2.30@2.50.

DIES WHILE HIS BAND PLAYS.

Samuel Pryor Passes Away Listening to Tones of Lively Music.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Aug. 23.—Samuel Pryor, founder of Pryor's band and father of Arthur Pryor, the celebrated trombonist, now touring with Sousa, died today of a gastric disease.

Prof. Pryor was one of the interesting characters of this city, 58 years of age, and had never performed a day's labor at anything except music. His band had filled engagements in many of the leading cities of the country. In response to a request of the dying bandmaster his musicians played lively airs for him as he passed away, several pieces being of his own composition.

Land Off the Market.

BUTTE, Mont., Aug. 23.—A special to the Miner from Great Falls says: An order has been received from Washington withdrawing another 1,000,000 acres of land in the Great Falls district from entry. The order is in line with the intention of the government to push forward the St. Mary's canal irrigation project as rapidly as possible. Three million acres have now been withdrawn and further withdrawals are recommended within thirty days.

Cuts the Flour Rate.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 23.—Traffic representatives of the North Coast lines and of the Minneapolis-Chicago lines held a conference today regarding the disparity between flour rates to Chicago and grain rates to that center. The result of the conference was a decision that a 2-cent cut should be made in flour rates to conform to the recent reduction in grain rates.

Smallpox Raging.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. 23.—The British steamer which arrived here today from West Indian points brought news of an alarming increase of cases in the second outbreak of smallpox at Barbadoes, where the bodies of the dead are being thrown into the sea. The Trent also brought details of the murder of Myron, a Scotchman, by 110 riotous East Indian immigrants in British Guinea.

Train Kills Many Sheep.

NEW SHARON, Ia., Aug. 25.—Farmer Thomas of this place lost a large number of sheep. The flock strayed over on the railroad track and got in the way of a swiftly moving train. Sixty-seven were killed.

General Sigel Dead.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—General Franz Sigel died at his home in this city of old age. He was in his 78th year.

Kills Pair of Deaf Mutes.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 23.—Rufus K. Cravens and a man named O. P. Nolan, quarrymen, were struck by a westbound Rock Island passenger train west of here today and killed. Both men were deaf.