

ATHLETES GET READY

NEARLY 2,000 FOR OLYMPIC GAMES IN LONDON.

Though Twenty-Four Countries Are Represented, Experts Are Picking United States Teams for First Place in Many of the Events.

Athletes from twenty-four countries have been gathering in and near London for the Olympic games which opened Monday, and it is believed will prove the greatest games of modern times.

The original idea was to devote the opening day entirely to the formal ceremony, including a parade of the athletes before the king, but the committee in charge of the games eventually decided to run off some of the preliminaries, and the first heat of the 1,500-meter race was started as soon as possible after formalities were ended.

The parade, which was the harvest of the ceremonies, the representatives of the various countries formed into groups, divided according to the sports in which they are competing, and carried their national colors.

The stadium will seat 68,000 spectators, and there is room for 23,000 more, but no seats. By making use of a strip surrounding the stadium standing room also can be found for 50,000 additional, but this probably will not be necessary.

ALLEGES CRIMINAL LIBEL.

Mayor of Philadelphia Begins Action Against Newspaper Men. Mayor John E. Reybarn, of Philadelphia, has instituted proceedings against E. A. Van Valkenburg, editor and president of the North American, and six members of the staff of the newspaper, charging them with criminal libel.

The warrant was obtained upon an affidavit charging false and malicious publication in the North American of certain articles and cartoons "containing and intending to injure, oppress, defame and vilify the good name, fame, credit and reputation of a good mayor," and "to bring him into public infamy, contempt and disgrace."

TO SAVE LIVES OF BABIES.

Chicago City Council Appropriates \$10,000 to Pay Physicians. To save babies' lives the city council of Chicago has made a special appropriation of \$10,000.

Intestinal diseases among infants, caused chiefly by the hot weather, have been of such frequent occurrence in Chicago that, according to relative figures, the total deaths of babies due to these complaints this year will reach the startling total of 3,414.

Alarmed at the prospect of this wholesale slaughter of the innocents the council authorized the transfer of \$10,000 to pay 100 physicians who will be employed by the city to disseminate information concerning the causes and prevention of summer sicknesses among babies.

Hartje Kicks on Bills.

Augustus Hartje, the millionaire paper manufacturer, whose sensational divorce litigation has attracted wide attention, has taken an appeal to the supreme court of Pennsylvania from a decision of Judge Frazer, who ordered him to pay his wife \$26,750 expenses and \$7,000 counsel fees.

Hunting Gold in Congo.

Letters received in Brussels from R. Dorsey Mohun, the explorer and leader of the American expedition in the Congo, report that the party has reached its destination, some distance from Luebo, and has begun operations.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Beeves, \$7.50 @ 8.00. Top hogs, \$6.50.

Death of Insurgents.

A code message which escaped the Mexican censor, says 20 revolutionists who had been condemned to die were removed from Casa Grandes to Chihuahua, where they will be executed in the state prison later.

Troops After Navajo Indians.

Five more troops of the Fifth United States cavalry have been ordered to the Navajo Indian reservation in Arizona under Col. Huner.

KERN UP WITH BRYAN.

Hoosier Given Second Place on Nebraska's Ticket.

The democratic national convention concluded its labor late Friday afternoon by the nomination of John Worth Kern, of Indiana, for vice president, completing the ticket on which W. J. Bryan was made the nominee for president during the early hours of this morning.

The nomination of Kern was made by acclamation amid the resounding cheers of delegates and spectators. No ballot was necessary, as the tide of sentiment had set irresistibly toward the Indiana candidate, state after state registering their delegations in his favor and all other candidates withdrawing before the universal demand for his nomination.

The convention after adjourning at daylight with the nomination of Mr. Bryan resumed its session at 1 o'clock p. m. with a powerful undercurrent already in motion toward the nomination of Kern for second place. On the call of states Indiana presented the name of Kern; Colorado, through former Gov. Thomas, placed in nomination Charles A. Towne, of New York; Connecticut presented Archibald McNeill, and Georgia, Clark Howell.

The names of Judge George Gray, of Delaware, and John Mitchell, of Illinois, were not presented, owing to the positive requests of these gentlemen not to have their names go before the convention.

For a time it looked as though a ballot would be required, but the steady line of states joining in Kern's nomination soon made it apparent that the chances of all others had been extinguished.

Mr. Towne was the first candidate to recognize the decisive character of the Kern movement, and in a ringing speech withdrew his name from consideration and pledged his support to the ticket of Bryan and Kern.

ANARCHY ON RUSSIAN BORDER.

Formidable Force Ready to Bombard Town of Tabriz.

A special correspondent of the Novoe Vremya, who has just arrived at Tabriz, Thursday reports that the situation there has reached a state of extreme anarchy and that the bombardment of the town is a question of a short time.

According to the dispatch sent by Novoe Vremya's correspondent Rachin Khan, who is in command of a large force, entered the city at the head of several batteries of quickfiring and presented orders purporting to come from the shah that Russian subjects evacuate the Kiahvania quarter where the revolutionists are massed and have been holding uninterrupted meetings in the mosques.

After Rachin Khan's arrival the Russian council, M. Pobitoff, who has played a leading part has fled to his country villa, a few miles from St. Petersburg, taking along with him as an escort a majority of the available Cossacks. He left a mere handful of Cossacks in Tabriz to protect the lives and property of the Europeans and consular officials.

SHELDON READY FOR TASK.

Sees No Difficulty in Raising Campaign Funds.

William H. Taft has decided to devote next week to writing his speech of acceptance of the republican nomination for the presidency. During that time he will not invite anyone to Hot Springs, Va. Up to the present he has not written a word of his speech to be delivered in Cincinnati on July 28. Not until it is completed does he desire to discuss the document with his friends. Before it is made public, however, he will submit it to a number of the leaders of the party in order to get their views upon it.

Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, of the republican national committee, arrived Thursday, and after a short interview with Mr. Taft stated that he would not be ready to announce the membership of the executive committee, or to make any statement regarding his organization for the committee before a week from Friday. The selections of these places, he said, was a matter of importance requiring careful consideration, and up to Friday he had given it no attention.

Roy Murder Case.

Glacia Galla, the American wife of Paul Roy, has refused to come to France, and as a result the magistrate who has been conducting the Roy Case announced that steps would be taken to have her thoroughly examined in an American court on all the points made by her husband in his declarations taken in Paris.

Two Killed in Wreck.

A St. Louis and San Francisco freight train went into a ditch two miles east of Richland, Mo., 5 A. M. Monday, brakeman, was crushed to death and Charles J. Warren, fireman, was so badly scalded that he died after being removed to a hospital.

Unidentified Man is Browned.

An unidentified man about 30 years old, poorly dressed, drowned in the Chicago river near Rush street. Employees of the Kirk soap works saw the man fall, but were unsuccessful in their efforts to recover the body.

Race Track Gamblers Indicted.

Twenty-two indictments were returned by the grand jury at Brooklyn Friday against persons charged with betting at race tracks.

IT IS BRYAN.

Nominated for President on First Ballot.

At midnight Thursday, after the democratic national convention had struggled through a prolonged Bryan demonstration, more terrifying even than the one of Wednesday, and a sort of pagan effort in behalf of Gov. Johnson, Gov. Haskell, of Oklahoma, was introduced and began reading the report of the committee on resolutions.

Early in the evening it was announced that the committee on resolutions would not be ready to report for some time, and on motion of Congressman James, of Kentucky, the rules were suspended and the roll called for the nomination of candidates for president was begun, it being understood that a vote should not be taken until after the adoption of the report of the platform committee.

Alabama, the first state on the roll call, yielded to Nebraska, and I. J. Dunn, of Omaha, spoke in behalf of Bryan.

His address was liberally sprinkled with applause, but the fireworks did not begin in earnest until in concluding he uttered the name of Bryan with great dramatic effect.

Then the doings of Wednesday were repeated, the storm raging for an hour with even greater intensity, new appliances being brought to render the performance more theatrical.

One unusual feature was the releasing of a flock of white doves, which fluttered about the raging multitude in wild terror.

A shorter and less powerful demonstration followed the nomination of Gov. Johnson, of Minnesota.

Judge Gray, of Delaware, followed in the also ran class.

Then the convention settled down to await the report of the committee on platform, the reading of which was not begun until midnight.

The platform was adopted by unanimous vote and at 1 o'clock the nominating orators were again turned loose.

The scattering seconding speeches a ballot was ordered. At the conclusion of the ballot Bryan's nomination was made unanimous.

NEW BRIDGE FALLS.

Lives of Many Workmen Lost in Disaster at Cologne.

The new bridge under construction over the Rhine at Cologne fell in Thursday, and many of the workmen engaged on the structure lost their lives. Up to noon fourteen bodies had been recovered, and nine men had been taken from the water seriously injured.

The scaffolding supporting the powerful crane used in the erection of the central span of the bridge, collapsed, and the crashing down of this section carried with it several other spans. Several workmen were thrown into the river. Some of them are still underneath the scaffolding, and there is no hope whatever for their lives. Immediately after the accident boats put out for the scene and began the work of rescue. About a score of struggling men were quickly picked up.

The police and fire brigades of Cologne were notified and hurried to the river to assist in the work of salvage and rescue. They secured more boats and succeeded in saving several workmen who were laboriously swimming in the strong current fully clothed, toward the shore. It is impossible to tell at the present time the exact number of victims.

GRAIN COMPANY IS HIT.

Union Pacific Must Not Pay an Allowance to Peavy & Co.

On the ground that the allowance is unlawful the Interstate commerce commission ordered the Union Pacific railroad company to desist for two years from paying any allowance to Peavy & Co., on their own grain, received into any of their elevators at Kansas City or Council Bluffs, or on grain thus received in which they believe they have any direct or indirect ownership or interest that is not shipped out of the elevator within ten days of its receipt.

Declines the Nomination.

Convict Preston, who is in the state prison at Carson, Nev., for murder, and who was nominated for the presidency by the socialist labor party, has declined the nomination. It is thought he acted on the advice of his attorney, as he was willing to be a candidate.

To Enlarge Manitoba Province.

The announcement came from Ottawa that the boundaries of Manitoba are to be enlarged by being extended to Hudson bay. The province will have 400 miles of coast line, including the ports of Churchill and York Flay.

Will Meet Gans Again.

"Battling" Nelson and Joe Gans have signed articles for a finish fight to take place at Ely, Nev., on September 7, weight 133 pounds at ringside.

Fire at Coney Island.

A fire which caused a loss of \$250,000 at Coney Island early Thursday destroyed two large hotels, Pabst's and the Vandervier.

Ten Workmen Killed.

The roof of a house being constructed near the dumb buildings in St. Petersburg, collapsed and crashed down through the partly finished floors. Ten workmen were killed outright and forty others were injured.

Militia Called Out.

Acting Governor Bellamy of Oklahoma, has ordered the national guard at Chandler to the scene of the Indian trouble. Other companies are armed.

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NARROW ESCAPE FROM PEN.

Man Who Cannot Speak English Has Very Close Call.

After about as narrow an escape from the penitentiary as a man could have without actually going there, Peter Wlodarski, a Pole, of Omaha, was sentenced to thirty days in the county jail by Judge Sears, Wlodarski was convicted by a jury in criminal court of cutting William Oliver, an employe at the Smelter works with intent to wound and was about to be sentenced to the penitentiary when his attorney, T. A. Hollister, found some new evidence, that of the night watchman, which seemed to indicate Wlodarski had a good defense.

As he could not speak English he was handicapped when in court. Judge Sears finally granted him a new trial and after hearing the new evidence allowed him to plead guilty and take a thirty-day sentence. Judge Sears directed he should not be required to pay the costs.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK TRAIN.

Spikes Pulled and Ties Piled on the Burlington Track.

Eastbound Burlington train No. 42 had a narrow escape from a serious accident at Hrsell, that was only avoided by the engineer being able to clearly see some ties and other obstruction that had been placed on the track. The train was stopped and an investigation was made, showing that a number of spikes had been pulled along and a number of ties and pinch bars piled on the track with the evident intention of ditching the train.

The exact motive for the crime is not known, but was probably with the intention of wrecking the train and robbery, or else for revenge. There seems to have been no clue to the perpetrators of the deed and no one was seen near the place.

MANY LAND MEN DISCHARGED.

Rangers Against Whom Uncle Sam Brought Action Dismissed.

The case of the United States against H. B. Reed, Charles Teeter, Edward Teeter, Fred Stucky, S. S. Sears, James Wright, Elmer E. Lowe, Harry Haythorne, David Holloway, F. G. Hoxie, E. M. Seales, Adam Miller, Clarence M. Miller, Charles Miller, William O. Miller, Charles P. Nevins, Walter E. Coates and C. P. Kelley charged with fencing public lands near North Platte, Neb., was dismissed in the United States circuit court Wednesday by Judge T. C. Mangor, upon motion of United States Attorney Charles A. Goss, the case was instituted in 1905. Later the land involved was made a national forest reserve and the defendants have rented it from the government.

HOT FIGHT OVER SALOONS.

Liquor War at Herman Still Waging and Growing Hotter.

The saloon fight at Herman is still on, with the days having a slight advantage on account of the saloon men being unable to secure the thirty legal freeholders to their petition. The Anti-Saloon league and the Women's Christian Temperance union are working hard to get some of the freeholders that have already signed to take their names off, and it is understood that several of them have agreed to do so. The Women's Christian Temperance union have arranged for Mrs. Carrie Nation to come here and speak in the Methodist church Friday night. The Anti-Saloon league has hired Thomas Darnell, of Lincoln, to look after their interests.

SALOONIST IS ARRESTED.

Had Ben Running Saloon on a Government License.

Sam Barrett, who has been operating a saloon under a government license on "No Man's Land," near the river east of Tekamah, was arrested by Sheriff Rock, of Logan, Ia., and taken to Logan on the evening train. Barrett has only been running since the middle of May and was about to close up for lack of business, as it was almost impossible to get to his place on account of the roads. As the people living on this strip of land do not pay any taxes, either in Iowa or Nebraska, it is generally considered that neither state has jurisdiction over it.

More Bodies Are Found.

Two more bodies of flood victims were found Thursday and the search is still being prosecuted. The bodies are those of George Dan, 18 years of age, and Maggie Amen, 12 years of age, one of the missing children of the Amen family.

First New Wheat of Season.

The first new wheat of the season was marketed at Beatrice Wednesday by Frank Thornburg, living two miles east of the city. The grain is of excellent quality and tested a trifle over 60 pounds to the bushel. It was sold for 80 cents a bushel.

Insulted Negro Woman.

George Calhoun drew a fine of \$50 and costs in police court in Fremont for insulting a young colored woman at the Union depot. He had been drinking and his language was of the worst kind.

Poultry Men Elect Officers.

The Dodge County Poultry association held its annual meeting at Fremont. E. S. Mitterling was chosen president; John O'Connor, vice president, and C. W. Mulloy, secretary. It was decided to hold the annual show Dec. 14-19.

Fined for Bootlegging.

In the district court at Beatrice J. R. Dorfman, charged with bootlegging, was given a fine of \$100 and sentenced to thirty days in jail.

DIE IN NEBRASKA FLOODS.

At Least Ten Persons Perish in Swollen Streams.

Monday Lincoln experienced what was probably the worst flood in its history, causing the known loss of five lives and possibly two others, minor injuries to several, a property loss which cannot get even approximately estimated, an almost total suspension of railroad traffic to and from the city and misery to hundreds of families who have been driven from their homes and are sheltered in public buildings and private residences.

The known dead are: John Felton, Crown while trying to rescue stock; three children of Henry Amend, a boy aged 9, a girl aged 13 and a girl aged 11. They fell from a boat after being rescued from their flooded home. Mrs. Schuester, who died from fright and exposure after being taken from her flooded home.

A baby in the same boat also fell into the water, but was rescued by a man in another boat.

A young man named Gillard Nicholson was caught in the flood while returning home from town about 8 o'clock in the morning. He climbed a telephone pole, and persons say they saw him, after clinging for hours, fall into the water. No trace of him has since been secured. A child of a Russian family, name unknown, was reported drowned, but the report has not been verified.

The drownings occurred in the morning between 5 and 9 o'clock when the flood was at its height, but the identity of the victims could not be learned before Monday evening. The flood followed the greatest downpour of rain known here for many years—a fraction over five inches between 9 o'clock Sunday night and 4 o'clock Monday morning. The lowlands in the western extremity of the city occupied by the Burlington, Union Pacific, Northwestern and Missouri Pacific roads, and where the Russian colony lives, was a vast sheet of water varying in depth from three to fifteen feet. Rescue work by the police, men, firemen and citizen volunteers was prompt, also, there would have been a much larger death list.

Of the forty mail trains which daily enter Lincoln, only one, the Missouri Pacific, which was able to utilize its suburban depot at Peck's Grove, ran within the city limits. The Lincoln gas and electric light plant was flooded, and householders who depend on gas for fuel and light were obliged to return to primitive methods.

Acting Mayor Marshall has issued an appeal for aid in behalf of those whose houses are flooded and household effects ruined.

ENTIRE FAMILY DROWNED.

Father, Mother and Three Children Perish in Raging Torrent.

Five persons, all members of one family, were drowned in the Nemaha river near Chadula, Monday. The dead are John Doyle, Mrs. John Doyle, their three children.

The DoYLES lived on the Nemaha bottoms. A flood of water following a cloudburst Monday morning lifted their house from its foundation and carried it to the swollen river. Doyle got out of the house and started for help, but fell from a bridge into the torrent.

SIXTY HEAD OF CATTLE STOLEN.

Beatrice Feeder Victim of Raid by Thieves.

W. H. Bowman, proprietor of the Madding ranch, five miles northwest of Beatrice, Monday discovered that 65 head of yearling cattle had been stolen from his herd of 900, which he has been feeding the last few months. They were valued at \$2,000. Officers and bloodhounds have gone to the ranch with a view of running down the thieves. The robbery is supposed to have been committed since last Saturday.

NEEDED RAIN AT CULBERTSON.

Moisture Accompanied by Wind, Which Did Much Damage.

The first rain storm since June 16 struck Culbertson Monday. Two inches of water fell. The rain was accompanied by a heavy west wind and some hail, doing considerable damage to windmills and outbuildings. The front of Hill & Farenbruch's hardware store was blown in. There is damage to roofs, several buildings being unroofed. No one was injured. The rain was general and badly needed.

Change Name of Town.

Residents of the village of Smartville in Johnson county came into court with a petition and prayed that the name of the place be changed to St. Mary. The request was granted and the postoffice department acknowledged the new name. However, the Burlington railroad company objected and still call the village Smartville.

Murder Suspect Caught.

Jovan Rothlich, who is accused of having killed a fellow laborer named Deedie while working on the Lane cut-off, near Omaha, last March, has been caught in Gary, Ind.

Fined for Operating Racing Book.

County Attorney J. C. Moore has caused the arrest of Fred Boop, of Lima, O., on the charge of bookmaking at the Tecumseh races last week.

Fire in Print Shop.

Catter's print shop at Fremont was badly damaged by fire last Saturday night. The damage was about \$600 and the loss on the building \$100.

Elevator at 5-otia.

The W. B. Weekes grain elevator at Scotia was struck by lightning Sunday night. Loss, \$15,000; insurance, \$5,000.

Murder Near Rushville.

Emile Sandose, a farmer living on Pine creek, about seventeen miles south of Rushville, was shot by Ralph Newman. Newman came from Kansas. The murder was the result of trouble over a claim.

Jail Delivery at Alliance.

Through the assistance of friends, who handed them a crowbar through the window, six persons escaped from the county jail at Alliance Friday night.

THE CHICAGO BALLOON RACE.

Great Crowd Sees Nine Airships Sail Off Into Space.

Nine balloons sailed away with seventeen men and one boy from the grounds of the Aeronautique Club of Chicago Saturday in the second race for the balloon championship of the world. Dispatches said there were heavy winds and much thunder and lightning along the route in which the balloons were traveling and anxiety was expressed at the Aeronautique Club over the storm reports. Lightning is, of course, the chief dread of the aeronaut. To him it is what rocks and reefs are to the mariner.

The start from the club's grounds at Sixty-seventh street and South Park avenue was witnessed by 100,000 persons. In point of spectators and the number and character of entries it was the greatest aeronautic event that ever has taken place in America, and places Chicago on a par with Paris as a center for aerial sport.

The accounts of the "race" seem to show that luck was the most important factor in determining place. The balloons went in the direction of the wind. They sailed high or low, not as their occupants desired, but as the air currents carried them. Those that were favored by luck reached the ground with no accidents to their occupants. Those that were unlucky hit the surface of the lake or landed their passengers in dangerous places. In all accounts of the contest the element of control is conspicuously absent.

The balloon race made a good show. It afforded a topic of interest to many thousand people who watched the start from Chicago. It is a matter of satisfaction that none of the contestants lost his life, despite the exciting experiences through which some of them passed. It requires a stretching of the word "race" to describe a haphazard air journey in which one balloon managed to get 65 miles, another less than 300, and the winner 250 miles farther than the nearest competitor.

TEACHERS TO GO TO DENVER.

Next National Gathering Will Be in the Colorado Capital.

The annual convention of the National Educational Association at Cleveland was attended by thousands of teachers from all parts of the country. A popular feature of the first day was the spelling match, in which teams of pupils from different cities contested, with a list of 500 selected words. The Cleveland team won, and a 14-year-old colored girl was the champion, with a perfect score. Her name is Marie Bolden. Another girl, Mae Thurstby, of the Pittsburg team, also had a perfect score, but her team ranked second in the contest. New Orleans was third and Erie fourth. The Cleveland schools had challenged the schools of the country. A movement was started among the teachers to have the Federal government take a larger part in the educational affairs of the nation.

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SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

The geological survey reports the finding of valuable coal beds in the region of Controller bay, Alaska.

The plant of the Tamaqua Manufacturing Company at Tamaqua, Pa., was destroyed by fire; loss \$200,000.

Jules Lefevre, the artist, is anxious that the prize he has offered to American art students, consisting of a year's tuition at the Julian academy under himself and Robert Fleury, and a silver medal, shall be more generally competed for by art students in America.

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