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NATIONAL AID INVOKED.

Keynote of Irrigation Congress is Government Control.

FUTURE OF THE ARID WEST.

Gathering at Chicago Discussing Proper Preservation of Water Supply—Letter From Vice President-Elect Roosevelt. Views of General Miles.

Chicago, Nov. 23.—Vice President-elect Theodore Roosevelt, in a letter read last night before the national irrigation congress, placed himself on record as heartily in sympathy with the aims of that organization.

His letter contained his practical promise of assistance in the effort which will be made from now on for government aid to irrigation and an appeal to all "far-sighted citizens" to interest themselves in a movement which will benefit the entire nation.

Governor Roosevelt's letter was directly in line as regards its point of view with the feeling of the congress as developed in discussions which had lasted all through the day. It was the paper on the construction of great storage reservoirs by the government for the general use of entire districts by farmers, read by Captain Hiram Chittenden, engineer corps, U. S. A., which started the discussion, and perhaps half of the delegates to the congress found a chance to support the project with strong words.

The congress believes that it is as much the duty of the government to take measures to prevent drought as it is to prevent the filling up of harbors. It believes it is just as real a duty for the government to open up vast areas of arid land as to provide new courses for shipping. It believes further that the time for action is ripe, that the ground has been well prepared, and that all efforts should be concentrated during the coming session of congress to secure satisfactory legislation.

At the afternoon session Colonel H. B. Maxson, secretary of the congress, submitted his annual report. He stated that the membership of the association now comprises nearly 1,000 of the leading mercantile and manufacturing concerns of the United States and extends from California to Maine and from Minnesota to Texas. Agricultural, commercial, horticultural and labor organizations from one end of the country to the other have strongly indorsed the movement by resolutions and given to it their earnest aid and co-operation.

Smyth Will Ask Rethinking. Lincoln, Nov. 23.—Attorney General Smyth will file a motion before the supreme court for a rehearing in the case decided Wednesday against the state board of transportation. Many lawyers are of the opinion that while the decision of the court establishes the fact that the board as at present constituted is without authority, it does not necessarily abolish it. The original act creating the board of transportation was passed at the legislative session of 1885. At the session two years later it was amended so as to make it in many respects a new law. It was on these amendments that the question of constitutionality was based, and the claim advanced is that the original act of 1885 is not nullified by the decision.

Lindsay to Be Secretary. Hastings, Neb., Nov. 23.—Office-seekers from every nook and corner of the state have been flooding into Hastings this week and are camping on the trail of Governor-elect Dietrich, who has kept mighty close to his rooms in the Postwick hotel. Yesterday Mr. Dietrich gave it out that he had appointed H. C. Lindsay of Pawnee City private secretary and Mr. Lindsay called upon the governor and notified him of his acceptance. O. G. Smith of Kearney has been appointed assistant superintendent of the state industrial school at Kearney.

Moore Denied New Trial. Chicago, Nov. 23.—Abram Moore, a Nebraska traveling man, who was convicted a year ago of swindling a stock yards firm out of \$47,000 by selling a herd of cattle which he did not own and of the actual existence of which there is still some doubt, has been denied a new trial by the appellate court. The firm which Moore was said to have swindled was the Strahorn-Hutton-Evans company. He will be sent back to Chicago to serve a sentence of one year in jail and pay a fine of \$1,000.

Gray Guilty of Manslaughter. Marshalltown, Nov. 23.—After 12 hours' deliberation, the Gray jury agreed at midnight, finding Joe Gray guilty of manslaughter in the killing of Joseph Williams. Williams was a most respected negro in this city and several weeks ago, while on his way home, rebuked a crowd of tramps for interfering with four little girls. The tramps were drunk and Williams was shot three times. Joe Dunn will be tried as an accomplice.

Decision Will Kill Off Irrigation. Lincoln, Nov. 23.—The decision of the supreme court in the case of Leroy Hall against the Crawford Irrigating company, if adhered to in a future hearing, will probably be a deathblow to irrigation in Nebraska. In this case the court held according to an old English law that the proprietor of a river bank is entitled to have the stream flow through his land, undiminished in quantity and unimpaired in quality.

HERRIOTT TO QUIT OFFICE. He Does Not Intend to Take Advantage of Titus Law.

Des Moines, Nov. 23.—State Treasurer John Herriott announced yesterday that he would not take advantage of the defect in the Titus amendment, but would turn his office over to G. S. Gilbertson at the beginning of the year. In his statement he says: "I expect on Jan. 1, 1901, to give up my office of treasurer of state and to turn over to the treasurer-elect all of the state's funds then in my possession. If by that time the effect of the amendment upon official terms has not been decided by the supreme court I shall as a protection to myself and bondsmen, formally resign my office as I cannot in view of the grave doubt generally entertained respecting the effect of the amendment step out in the ordinary way."

AGUINALDO WOUNDED. Said to Be Suffering as Result of Shot in the Stomach—Junta Will Risk Eviction From Hong Kong.

Hong Kong, Nov. 23.—R. Wildman, the United States consul here, has information that the Filipino junta, at a meeting held Nov. 15, decided to brave the chances of deportation rather than quit Hong Kong. Recent correspondence between the junta and the insurrectionists proves that Aguinaldo is still alive, but he is said to be suffering from a gunshot in his stomach. The Hong Kong junta has also decided to make another attempt to send arms to the Filipinos in a launch, which will probably fly the German flag. The venture will be in charge of Colonel Julio del Pilar. Heyes and Garcia, two Filipino agents, have a large stock of munitions of war at Macao.

MADE A RICH HAUL. Iron Mountain Train Robbers Said to Have Secured Large Sum.

Hot Springs, Nov. 23.—The indications are that the robbers of the express car on the Iron Mountain train near Malvern secured a large sum of money. It is known positively that a man in Hot Springs telephoned to Malvern just before the train arrived to ascertain if the express company would have the large safe in the car en route north opened and deposit therein \$15,000, which he desired to send away. The agent at Malvern replied that the safe was to go through and would not be opened. The money was sent and hence must have been placed in the small safe, which was blown to pieces and robbed of its contents. The robbers are still at large.

DIVIDES DUBUQUE DIOCESE. Archbishop Keane Receives the Ecclesiastical Ordering It.

Dubuque, Nov. 23.—It is authoritatively announced that Archbishop Keane has received a papal encyclical ordering a division of the Dubuque diocese, with the new see at Sioux City. The bishop's council and suffragan bishops meet here next week to decide on the candidates. Bishop Meehan of Cheyenne and Father Heer of Dyersville are said to be the leading candidates. The apportionment of the new see has not yet been decided, but the present diocese probably will be equally divided, putting Fort Dodge into the new diocese.

Colombian Rebels Defeated. Colon, Colombia, Nov. 23.—The rebel forces at Buena Ventura have been completely crushed by the Colombian government troops, who captured three cannon and two generals. General Alban, the governor of Panama, personally directed the operations from on board the British ship Taboga, seized by the Colombian authorities, and saved the situation there.

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