

SEEK TO END RANGE WAR

Cattle and Sheep Men Agree on Plan of Settlement.

TO ENLARGE GRAZING LANDS.

Resolution Adopted at Live Stock Convention That Committee of Experts Shall Inspect Conditions and Advise—Springer's Report.

Kansas City, Jan. 16.—The National Live Stock association, by a rising vote, adopted a resolution endorsing President Roosevelt's suggestion that congress appoint a commission of experts to settle the range problem, which for years has been a bone of contention between cattle and sheep men. The resolution had already been favorably passed upon by the executive committee as a substitute for a resolution presented by A. R. Robertson of Texas, which favored the leasing of public lands for grazing.

The question was opened by the reading of a paper by Colonel John P. Irish of California in line with the resolution. Colonel Irish was unable to be present and the paper was read by the secretary. A lively discussion followed. E. Harris, a member of the executive committee from Iowa, talked at length in opposition to the resolution. He argued that this question, which was of the greatest importance to the farmers of the west and middle west, was being manipulated. The supporters of the resolution, he asserted, were juggling with President Roosevelt's name in order to curry favor. Mr. Harris gave a history of the discussion of the question at previous conventions and said that the supporters of the resolution had always evaded the issue until now, when they had a distinct majority. He advised against action on the question at this time.

Jerry Simpson, former congressman from Kansas and now from Roswell, N. M., ridiculed the stand taken by Harris, and favored the resolution, as did also Delegates Williams of West Virginia and Gehfelder of Nebraska. Then, upon the motion of John D. David of Idaho, the discussion was closed. When the resolution was put to a vote it was carried by a large majority, the delegates rising in their seats.

Later Senator Francis E. Warren of Wyoming, president of the National Wool Growers' association, in a speech, endorsed the resolution and complimented the convention upon its passage. He said congress, the president and the secretary of the interior were anxious to do something on the public domain question.

Another important resolution adopted asks congress to give the secretary of agriculture power to order the disinfection of imported skins and hides at the different ports of entry.

Other resolutions favor a 15-cent duty on pelts, pickled hides and skins, which are dutiable because they are partly manufactured, and endorse the proposed live stock exhibition at the St. Louis exposition.

Judge William M. Springer, general counsel for the association, in his report, said that the most important legislation of the year affecting the live stock industry was the passage of the oleomargarine law. He said that it was the general impression that the oleomargarine business had been injured by this law, but that such was not the fact, and that the output had increased since the passage of the measure. Judge Springer said that the chances of the passage by the present congress of the Grosvenor anti-shoddy bill was very remote and suggested that the live stock association should solicit the co-operation of the newspapers of the country that the people might be enlightened relative to the adulteration of woolen goods. Speaking of the forty-hour unloading bill, Judge Springer said that some recent opposition had developed from the packing houses at Chicago, which allege that the operation of the law would be injurious to beef cattle.

Before adjournment for the day was taken a new executive committee was named.

Retail Grocers Adjourn.

Kansas City, Jan. 16.—The next national convention of the National Association of Retail Grocers will be held in San Francisco. Other important business transacted by the convention before final adjournment was taken was the fixing of the per capita tax at 10 per cent per annum and the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, C. R. Lott, Chicago; vice president, A. W. Farlinger, Atlanta, Ga.; secretary, Fred Mason, St. Paul; treasurer, F. A. Newland, Topeka.

Ryan Knocks Out Stiff.

Kansas City, Jan. 16.—Tommy Ryan, the middleweight champion, knocked out Billy Stiff of Chicago in the fourth round of a ten round bout at the Delaware club last night. Ryan fought without his usual caution, trying for a knockout from the start.

Murder in First Degree.

Storm Lake, Ia., Jan. 16.—The jury yesterday found Phillips and Brooks, the bank robbers, guilty of murder in the first degree and fixed the penalty at life imprisonment.

ST. LOUIS LONG OVERDUE.

Officers of Steamship Company Declare There is No Reason for Alarm. New York, Jan. 16.—No news has yet been received of the American steamship St. Louis. Crowds of inquirers called at the offices of the company, where the agents take a cheerful view and assured all that there was no need for alarm.

To those who made inquiry, a copy of this statement, signed by Clement A. Grisco, the president of the line, was given: "There is no apprehension whatever felt about the ship, as several causes have contributed to her delay. She did not leave Cherbourg until Sunday forenoon, nearly sixteen hours late, and, according to her average speed for the last few voyages, was not due here until Tuesday. Furthermore, most incoming ships are a day late and report heavy weather. It is not even believed that she met with any mishap, such as breaking of a shaft or loss of propeller."

POLICE DRIVE AWAY HERD.

Indians Turn Out Cattle When Owners Refuse to Pay Tribal Tax.

Chickasha, I. T., Jan. 16.—Captain J. C. West and twenty-six members of the Indian police department yesterday began the work of rounding up and driving out 114,000 head of cattle belonging to Maxwell & Morris and Mr. Norton, the principal non-citizen cattle owners in the Chickasaw nation. This is the result of their persistent refusal to pay the tribal tax of 25 cents a head. The cattle will be driven across the South Canadian river into Oklahoma. The herd is the largest in the country. It probably will occupy the entire efforts of the police several days.

Fatal Gasoline Explosion.

Rich Hill, Mo., Jan. 16.—Mrs. Charles Walker of this city and her grown daughter were fatally burned yesterday as a result of an explosion of gasoline, and Charles Walker, the husband and father, was seriously burned while trying to extinguish the flames. Mrs. Walker poured some gasoline into a kettle of boiling clothing, believing that it would soften them and add to the cleanliness of the clothes. Some of the gasoline came in contact with the fire and the explosion resulted. The daughter, in trying to rescue her mother, set her own clothing ablaze and fell to the floor, striking a protruding axe helve, receiving a mortal wound.

Jersey Justice is Queer.

Freehold, N. J., Jan. 16.—Dr. Hendricks and former Justice of the Peace Stanton, convicted of conspiracy to secure the entire estate of Henry M. Bennett, a wealthy resident of Pittsburgh, were yesterday sentenced to two years and six months' imprisonment each. Dr. Hendricks and Stanton were tried with Laura Biggar on the charge of conspiracy. Miss Biggar was acquitted.

Kelly Placed on Trial for Perjury.

St. Louis, Jan. 16.—The case of Charles F. Kelly, former speaker of the house of delegates, who is charged with perjury in connection with the Suburban railway franchise deal, was called in Judge Ryan's division of the criminal court. A venire of sixty special jurors from which to select twelve to serve in the case has been summoned.

Girl Accidentally Killed.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Jan. 16.—Alena Miksch, the thirteen-year-old daughter of a prominent resident of Wellington township, twenty miles west of Sioux Falls, was killed last night by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Cecil English, a boy who recently was adopted into the Miksch family from the Orphans' home.

Legislators to Take Rest.

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 16.—Both houses passed resolutions to adjourn from Jan. 21 to Jan. 27. The intent is to take the adjournment immediately after voting for United States senator in joint session at noon of that day, and most of the members will leave for their homes on the afternoon train.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

J. W. Egan, general superintendent of the Denver and Rio Grande railway, has resigned from that position to become general superintendent of the Colorado and Southern.

In an explosion of gas at Packer No. 4 colliery, Shenandoah, Pa., Thursday two Polish miners were instantly killed and two others so badly injured that their lives are despaired of.

The secretary of war has submitted to congress an estimate for \$1,000 for one year's lease of a tract of land on the Winnebago reservation for use of a rifle range for the soldiers at Fort Crook, Nebraska.

John G. Bulling, seventy years of age, and an old and prominent resident of St. Joseph, was struck and instantly killed by a Rock Island engine at the crossing at Hickory and Seventh streets Thursday.

In the kitchen of the Washington hotel, Kansas City, Thursday, C. E. Posten, a panwasher, shot Gus Glazer, the third cook, the outcome of a quarrel. Glazer died on the way to the hospital. Posten was arrested.

The Montana supreme court disbarred County Attorney F. C. Woodward of Carbon county, who in his application for a license was charged with having forged the name of Fox & Fox, attorneys of Red Lodge, to a letter of recommendation.

SHOT DOWN ON STREET

Lieutenant Governor Tillman Uses Editor as Target.

OLD FEUD ENDS IN TRAGEDY.

Gonzales, the Victim, is in Critical Condition—Wildest Excitement Prevails in South Carolina Capital. Editorials Had Offended Tillman.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 16.—Narciso Gener Gonzales, editor of the State, is at the Columbia hospital in a critical condition from a pistol wound inflicted by James H. Tillman, lieutenant governor of South Carolina, and a nephew of United States Senator Benjamin R. Tillman.

The shooting occurred at Main and Gervais streets, in full view of the state capitol, the most frequented corner in Columbia.

It was just a few moments before 2 o'clock when the cry was passed along the streets that "Jim Tillman has shot N. G. Gonzales." It took but a few moments for a great throng to assemble in front of the newspaper office. The excitement and indignation on the streets was intense.

Mr. Gonzales was taken to the office of the State, where physicians pronounced his wound probably fatal.

Tillman was arrested and taken to police headquarters, where he was relieved of two pistols—the one with which he shot Gonzales and a large revolver of thirty-eight caliber. From the police station he was taken to the county jail, where he is under protection of the officers.

The only attributed cause for the shooting is that during the recent primary election Gonzales bitterly opposed Lieutenant Governor Tillman in his race for governor.

During the spring of that campaign, Gonzales, in his fight to defeat Tillman, had editorially called him a debauchee and blackguard and had denounced him as a "criminal candidate," and a "proven liar." This and other such editorials are supposed to have goaded Tillman to shoot Gonzales.

It is rumored that the immediate cause of the attack was a message sent Wednesday by Gonzales to Tillman. Wednesday night, at the Columbia hotel, Lieutenant Governor Tillman said to a group of his friends: "Gonzales has sent me word that when we meet again we shall settle our difficulties with pistols."

Gonzales friends deny that he sent a message of any character to Tillman. Statements of eye-witnesses to the tragedy are somewhat conflicting, and it cannot be stated positively whether or not any words passed between the men before the shot was fired.

TRIES TO GET WIFE'S CASH.

Youthful Husband Raises Check Given Him by Elderly Spouse.

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 16.—George E. Dust, aged twenty-one, of Garrettsburg, Mo., was recently united in marriage with Mrs. Mary Greenard, aged sixty, a very wealthy widow. He was arrested yesterday on a charge of presenting a check for \$20,000 on a St. Joseph bank, which bore the signature of his wife. She claimed to have given him a check for \$20, which is said to have been raised. Mrs. Dust relented, refusing to prosecute her youthful husband and took him home with her.

Western Roads Involved.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Alleged serious violations of the interstate commerce law by eastern and western lines are to be investigated by the interstate commerce commission at another session in Chicago, beginning next Tuesday. The breach is said to have occurred in connection with the movement of foreigners going from their homes in the west and northwest to their former homes in Europe.

Farmers Give to University.

Mason City, Ia., Jan. 16.—Novel arrangements have been made for Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12, by the National Memorial university of this city. Every farmer within a radius of 500 miles of the university is being asked for funds, produce, or stock, and thousands have already made contributions of cattle, hogs, sheep, grains, and produce. The contributions will be measured by trainloads.

Pugilist in Critical Condition.

San Francisco, Jan. 16.—Clarence Forbes was knocked out in the seventh round last night by Frankie Neil. In the second preliminary Frank McConnell was knocked out in the fourth round by Spider Welch. McConnell was knocked unconscious and is now in a critical condition in a hospital. It is thought the base of his skull is fractured. Welch and his seconds are under arrest.

Carr Withdraws From Race.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 16.—General Julian S. Carr of Durham withdrew from the senatorial contest last night, his purpose being to end the struggle. Four ballots were taken. Overman received 57 votes, Watson 52, Craig 31. There seems to be no prospect of a caucus nominee as long as the three leaders stay in.

Major Ham Appointed.

Dubuque, Jan. 16.—Major Clifford D.

Ham, a son of the late M. M. Ham, for many years editor of the Herald, received notification yesterday of his appointment to the position of provincial treasurer in the Philippine Islands. Mr. Ham expects to sail next week.

PEOPLE ARE EATING BARK.

Intense Privation in the Famine District of Northern Sweden.

London, Jan. 16.—Telegrams from Stockholm confirm the distressing accounts of famine in northern Sweden, as given in these dispatches.

About 30,000 people are affected by this famine, which extends from the sixty-first to the sixty-seventh degree north latitude and from the Gulf of Bothnia and the Russian border into the interior.

The starving people are eating bark, which is dried, ground into powder, mixed with stewed Iceland moss and made into a kind of famine bread.

Coincident with the failure of the crop is the extreme scarcity of fish. The fishermen return from their expeditions empty handed. Even ptarmigan, usually found in great numbers in the stricken district, have almost completely disappeared. It is estimated that the expenditure of about \$5,300,000 will be necessary to save the population from decimation. Thus far about \$200,000 has been subscribed, of which sum over \$12,500 was sent by Swedes in America.

CARDINAL PAROCCHI IS DEAD.

Death Removes the Most Likely Successor of Pope Leo.

Rome, Jan. 16.—Cardinal Parocchi, subdean of the sacred college and vice chancellor of the Catholic church, died yesterday of heart disease. He was born in 1833, was of Italian nationality and was created a cardinal in 1877.

The death of Cardinal Parocchi removes one of the prelates considered to be the most likely to succeed Pope Leo. There was always considerable friction between the pope and Cardinal Parocchi on this account, and it led to the unprecedented step of the pontiff in removing the cardinal from the post of vicar of Rome because, it is thought, he too openly posed as the future pope. Nevertheless, the pope was deeply affected by Cardinal Parocchi's death. He knelt in prayer and exclaimed, "These frequent deaths have made me feel quite an old man."

SHOT FOR TRIFLING OFFENSES.

Lieutenant Dutton of Colombian Cruiser Tells of Cruelty.

San Francisco, Jan. 16.—Among the passengers on the steamer Newport, from Panama, were Lieutenant Arthur H. Dutton and J. J. Many and four enlisted men of the American-manned Colombian cruiser Bogota, which sailed from this port Oct. 7. They speak in anything but enthusiastic terms of their experiences in Colombian waters. Lieutenant Dutton, executive officer of the Bogota, in a signed statement, says: "I never heard of a court-martial while I was in Colombia. Punishments were carried out and sentences inflicted at the will of those in power. The so-called discipline of the armies was maintained by the bullet or the lash. A trifling offense was at times punished by 100 lashes on the bare back with a flexible cane. Men were shot for mere nothing."

Marroquin Not a Candidate.

Panama, Jan. 16.—President Marroquin has declined the proposal of his friends that he be a candidate for reelection, saying that re-elections are among the chief causes which make revolutions possible in South America. Dr. Joaquin Velez, former governor of Bolivar, and General Gonzales Valencia have been proposed as candidates respectively for the presidency and vice presidency by the conservative powerful but for the fact that Dr. Velez opposes the cession or lease of a canal zone to the United States.

Fighting Renewed at Tangier.

Tangier, Morocco, Jan. 16.—There was a renewal of the fighting yesterday between the factions outside of Tangier. The house of a British subject was threatened with attack. The sultan's deputy sent troops to protect this property, whereupon the assailants retired. The imperial troops fired one village. Most all the Europeans now in Tangier followed yesterday's operations on horseback.

Steamer Burns at Sea.

Funchal, Madeira, Jan. 16.—The British steamer Brunswick, from Maranzam, Brazil, arrived here today. She reports that the British bark Veronica was burned at sea Dec. 20. Part of the Veronica's crew are on board the Brunswick. The remainder took to the boats and have not been heard of since.

University in Darkness.

New York, Jan. 16.—On account of the coal shortage the University of Pennsylvania was in darkness last night. If coal cannot be obtained the institution will be compelled to close and 3,000 students will be out of classes. There is also danger of cold to the 500 patients in the university hospital.

German Cruiser Shells Fort.

Puerto Cabello, Jan. 16.—The German cruiser Vineta at sunset last night fired a shell at Lavigia, the fort crowning the hills behind this port. The shell, which was fired because men were believed to be in the fort, exploded without causing damage.

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