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CATTLE DISEASE

FOOT AND MOUTH TROUBLE BECOMES ALARMING.

ORDER OF SECRETARY WILSON

Prohibits Railroads from Transporting Cattle, Sheep or Swine in the New England States or Their Exports from Boston, Mass.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson on Thursday issued a sweeping order directed to the managers and agents of railroads and transportation companies of the United States, stockmen and others, notifying them of the establishment of a quarantine on cattle and sheep and other ruminants and swine in the New England states and prohibiting the exportation of such animals from the port of Boston until further orders.

Recent investigations in the department of agriculture disclose the fact that what is known as foot and mouth disease exists in an alarming extent in Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Vermont. The expert at the department, Dr. Leonard Pearson of the University of Pennsylvania and Dr. James Law of Cornell investigated the infected districts and united in a recommendation that in order to prevent the spread of the disease a quarantine should immediately be established.

Secretary Wilson said that this is the most serious case the department has had to handle for some time, but that all the resources of the department would be employed in stamping out the disease. He declared that if it should spread westward to a national calamity.

The orders, which are dated Thursday, are as follows:

"To the Managers and Agents of Railroad and Transportation Companies of the United States, Stockmen and Others:

"In accordance with section 7 of the act of congress, approved May 23, 1894, entitled 'An act for the establishment of a bureau of animal industry, to prevent the exportation of diseased cattle and to provide means for the suppression and extirpation of pleuro-pneumonia and other contagious diseases among domestic animals' and with the act of congress, approved June 2, 1902, making appropriations for the department of agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, you are hereby notified that the contagious disease known as foot and mouth disease exists among animals in the states of Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Vermont and the cattle, sheep and other ruminants and swine of said states have been exposed to the contagion of said disease; therefore, it is hereby ordered that, to prevent the spread of the said disease from the states of Connecticut, Rhode Island and Vermont into other states or foreign countries, and to aid in its eradication, no cattle, sheep or other ruminants or swine shall be moved or be permitted to move from or across the territory of any of the states named into any other state or foreign country.

"Any person, company or corporation violating this order will be proceeded against as provided for by the act of congress above referred to.

"It is hoped that all transportation companies, cattle shippers and others interested in the welfare of our animal industry will co-operate with the department of agriculture in the enforcement of this order, to the end that the restriction on traffic may have the desired effect and be removed in the shortest possible time.

"JAMES WILSON, Secretary."

MEAN TO STOP HOLDUPS.

Railways May Combine to Throttle Train Robbing as an Industry.

CHICAGO.—Train robbery as an industry may be throttled through the concerted action of railroad and express companies operating throughout the middle west.

Local officials of some of the roads directly interested, through recent reports, have been spurred to concerted measures. Theavenport robbery of the fast Rock Island train was the straw that broke the camel's back. The company, in conjunction with the United States Express company, jointly offered a reward on Monday of \$5,000 for the arrest and conviction of the men who robbed their train.

In addition the Burlington officials announced that a dead train robber would be worth \$1,000 to any of its employees.

Officials of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Illinois Central and Chicago & Alton roads coincided with Mr. Delano's statement, and declared that they would not hesitate to bear their share of any burden brought about by a concerted movement to eradicate the evil.

INDIAN SCHOOLS PROSPER.

Both Boys and Girls Become Better Citizens by Education.

WASHINGTON.—Estelle Beal, superintendent of Indian schools, has submitted her annual report.

She notes a marked advance in industrial training and says the course of study prescribed has materially assisted Indian youths in learning agriculture as a means of self-support, while the girls have benefited by the class room curriculum, which fits them for duties and responsibilities of the home.

THE CUBANS RIOT.

Two Killed and Eighty Others Are Wounded.

HAVANA.—As the result of conflicts of a serious nature on Monday between the police and the strikers here two are dead and eighty-two others wounded. Five of the wounded, one a lieutenant of police, whose throat was cut by a striker, have severe injuries.

The police had the rioters well under control in the evening, but every precaution was being taken to prevent further outbreak of disorder, and all the police and rural guards in the suburbs have been summoned to concentrate in Havana.

The strike, which at first only concerned the cigar workers, became general when all trades walked out in sympathy. Merchants closed their doors, clerks, cooks, and every class of workmen having obeyed the command of the union, except the motor-men and conductors of the electric cars.

Trouble began early when the electric cars were held up by the strikers, whose wrath was directed against the street railroad employees.

Several cars were held up and stood on the outskirts of the city and the passengers were compelled to walk into Havana, among them being the British and German ministers. Several cars were wrecked and some motor-men and conductors were injured during the rioting.

The car men, however, continued running their cars until 10, when the superintendent ordered a suspension of traffic. The employees were willing to remain at work, but the officers suspended traffic.

A mob of strikers drove the men on the Western railroad from the trains during the morning.

The mayor of Havana and the secretary of the government, Diez Tamayo, had during the past week openly sympathized with the strikers and had given orders to the police not to use force in dispersing the crowds, and under these conditions the police were unable to cope with the strikers.

The situation was approaching a critical point at noon, serious disorders having taken place in front of the palace itself, in which a police officer named Maso and a number of policemen and strikers received injuries.

President Palma sent word to the mayor that unless the city authorities could preserve order the state would intervene. The mayor then took drastic measures and issued an edict prohibiting crowds from gathering in the streets and authorizing the chief of police to kill if it was necessary to preserve order.

American Corsets the Vega.

WASHINGTON.—American corsets rule this market, says United States Consul Mahin, reporting to the state department from Nottingham, England, on popular wear in England. He says so popular have American styles become that French makers are compelled to get their patterns from the United States.

MANILA WANTS GOLD MONEY.

Silver Drops Again, Squeezing Business and Government Men.

MANILA.—Silver has suffered a further decline and the government has issued a proclamation making the official rate \$2.60 for \$1.00 gold. The former rate was \$2.50.

The possibility of Mexico and the Straits Settlement adopting a gold standard have greatly weakened the Indian and Asiatic silver market. Large quantities of Mexican silver are coming from China, as it is believed that much gold is being circulated here on account of government expenditures.

Native officials are beginning to petition for salaries to be paid in gold. The secretary of finance says: "There is nothing to indicate a more hopeful future for the currency question. It will probably be as bad as now, if not worse, until congress acts and gives us a stable currency."

NEGROES PRAISE ROOSEVELT.

Express Pleasure at Chief Executive's Philanthropic Letter.

NORFOLK, Va.—At the session of the African Methodist church conference on Friday, representing 75,000 colored people, strong resolutions were adopted expressing profound pleasure at what is termed President Roosevelt's "broad and philanthropic letter on the appointment of Dr. Crum of Charleston," and heartily commending his attitude toward the negroes. Bishop Walters and others prominent in the conference spoke in support.

The conference also passed a resolution commending the attack John S. Wise is making on the new constitution of Virginia.

NUMEZ SAYS CUBA REMEMBERS.

Insular Governor Protests that People Still Reverse Americans.

WASHINGTON.—General Emilio Nunez, governor of the province of Havana, Cuba, is in Washington, and in an interview said:

"The public sentiment in Cuba toward the United States has not changed. Our deep and sincere friendship toward this country continues. Moreover, President Roosevelt's generous and persistent campaign for redress of our people, increasing, if it were possible, the debt of gratitude that we contracted with the United States."

Cleanliness and godliness are neighbors, but neighbors are not always on speaking terms.

TO A DEAD STOP

NEGOTIATIONS ARE OFF IN THE CANAL TREATY.

COLOMBIA REJECTS PROPOSAL

United States Will Make No Further Concessions at All—Nicaragua and Costa Rica Will Not Be Used to Coerce Their Neighbor Republic.

WASHINGTON.—Exceptional interest was displayed in Thursday's meeting of the cabinet, in view of the near approach of the short congressional session.

The president presented his annual message to congress in completed form. Most of the features were familiar to the members of the cabinet and only such parts as had not been considered previously were read in full. All of the members were present except Secretary Root.

Secretary Hay, in presenting the canal negotiations, said that they had come to a dead stop and while no such thing as an ultimatum had passed, the Colombian minister had informed the state department that he could not accept the last proposition of the United States as a basis of a treaty.

The state department has already let it be known that it had come to the end of its concessions, so the chance of a renewal of the negotiations in the near future were not bright.

This state of affairs would, it was believed, stimulate the negotiations with Nicaragua and Costa Rica for the alternate route, but it now appeared that those countries were not disposed to allow themselves to be used for the purpose of coercing Colombia, and were desirous of remaining in the background until it was certain no treaty would be made between the United States and Colombia.

The original Panama concessions would expire in 1904, and it had been suggested that the Colombian government had that fact in mind and was disposed to daily now in the expectation that the franchise would relax and enable it to build the canal itself or sell a new concession. Such a course would raise a serious question between the Colombian government, the Panama company, the French government and the government of the United States as to whether a supplementary decree extending the concession ten years from 1904 was valid.

Railroads Advance Rates.

Put Up Prices for Carrying All of the Commodities.

CHICAGO, Ill.—General traffic officials of the Central Freight association lines met here Tuesday and took formal action for putting in effect the advance in freight rates ordered at the joint meeting of the executive officers of the trunk lines and Central Freight association last week. The new rates will go into effect on December 8.

Advances on Grain and Flour Rates to be 2 1/2 cents per 100 pounds and 5 cents on provisions. Rates on coal, iron, cement and other special commodities will go up from 10 to 35 per cent. No changes have been made in class rates, but the classification has been revised so as to make the class rates on many articles considerably higher.

Roosevelt Consults Wright.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—General Luke E. Wright, vice governor of the Philippines, left on Monday for Washington, where, it is understood, he has been summoned by the president for a conference on proposed Philippine legislation. It is expected he will assist in the preparation of bills which will be presented to congress at the forthcoming session, among which will be one for the establishment of a stable currency, and another extending the civil service laws in the archipelago.

Kills Fifty Ladrones.

MANILA.—The constabulary are carrying out an aggressive campaign against the ladrones and fanatics in the northern part of the island of Leyte and Billiran. Inspector Crockett with a force of constabulary engaged them six times near the village of Ormoc, on the south coast of Leyte, and killed thirty-nine. Corporal Montague, at the head of another detachment of constabulary defeated a band near Talibang on Billiran island, killing thirteen and capturing thirty-six.

President to Come West.

WASHINGTON.—Senator Cockrell of Missouri, accompanied by Judge William M. Springer and E. M. Cleendinning, secretary of the Board of Trade of Kansas City, Monday invited the president to attend the National Live Stock association in Kansas City on January 13. The president expressed his sincere regret at his inability to accept, but said after congress adjourned he expected to take a western trip, on which he would visit Kansas City.

British Regard Washington.

WASHINGTON.—The British labor commissioners who are traveling in the United States as the guests of Alfred Moseley are in Washington for a brief visit. They arrived on Tuesday, and after calling on the president to pay their respects will depart for New York. They visited the congressional library and the patent office and afterward made a call on Labor Commissioner Carroll D. Wright.

Selects South Dakota Site.

WASHINGTON.—Assistant Secretary Taylor has selected as the site for the federal building at Pierre, S. D., the northeast corner of Retreat and Huron streets. The price is \$5,000.

AMERICANS ARE DECORATED.

French President Honors Officials of United States Army.

WASHINGTON.—The state department has been notified that the president of France has conferred the Legion of Honor on the following officers of the state, war and navy departments for the part played by them in the dedication of the Rochambeau monument:

State Department—Edwin Morgan, chevalier.

War Department—Major General John A. Brooke, commander; Brigadier General S. B. M. Young, commander; Colonel Albert L. Mills, officer.

Navy Department—Rear Admiral F. J. Higginson, commander; Captain Willard H. Brownson, officer; Captain Henry W. Lyon, officer; Captain Joseph M. Hemphill, officer.

These diplomas are in addition to a number transmitted several months ago and, like them, may not be accepted until congress has given its approval.

Dies Watching Foot Ball.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Excitement caused by watching a local foot ball game on Thursday caused the sudden death of Rev. John J. Barth of the German Methodist Episcopal church by apoplexy.

Official Vote of Missouri.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.—The state vote in the recent election was canvassed Tuesday by Secretary of State Cook, showing that Missouri went democratic by a plurality of 44,695. As compared with 1900 the democratic loss was 75,248 votes and the republican loss 85,154.

HENDERSON ON TRUSTS.

Constitutional Amendment is the Only Way to Deal with Them.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Senators and members of the house of representatives are beginning to arrive in Washington to the meeting of congress next week. Most of the leaders will be here during the early part of the week as the president desires to confer with them before putting the fishing touches on his message.

Sunday's arrivals included Senators Spooner, Allison, Fairbanks and Bailey and Speaker Henderson. Senator Spooner spent some time at the White House tonight in conference with the president. Speaker Henderson expressed the opinion in an interview that there would be little legislation at the coming short session aside from the passage of the appropriation bills. He added that the president would have the first inning. The speaker to some of his callers, expressed his belief that a constitutional amendment would be the only method of dealing with the trust question.

CHAFFEE SEES PRESIDENT.

Goes to Washington and Receives Roosevelt's Congratulations.

WASHINGTON.—Major General Chaffee reported to Secretary Root on Monday. He appeared in uniform and upon his arrival held an impromptu reception in the secretary's office. Later, accompanied by Adjutant General Corbin, he made official calls on Secretary Hay and Secretary Moody. Subsequently he had a long talk with Secretary Root upon conditions in the Philippines, with especial reference to the plans of the department for the reduction of the army. As a result of his recommendations a general order relative to the methods of reducing the army will be issued.

Later in the day Secretary Root presented him to the president, who cordially congratulated General Chaffee on his work in China and the Philippines.

BANK AT SAN CROFT ROBBED.

Burglars Get Away with Two to Four Thousand Dollars.

SAN CROFT, Neb.—The Bancroft bank, owned by J. E. Turner, was entered by burglars Monday morning about 2 o'clock. Entrance was obtained by use of a skeleton key to the front door.

The building is a one-story brick. The safe was not kept in a vault, which made it easier work for the burglars.

It is not known exactly what amount was taken, probably from \$2,000 to \$4,000.

All the cash on hand is missing, except \$125, which was found in the wreck in the morning.

Two explosions were made, the first one on the outer door, which blew it across the room and almost through the brick wall. The second was on the inner steel chest and was a clean job.

Oklahoma Elects a Republican.

GUTHRIE, Okla.—The territorial election board met Monday and issued a certificate of election to B. S. McGuire, the republican candidate for delegate to congress, placing his majority at 294 over W. M. Cross, democrat. Cross' papers of contest are ready to be filed when congress convenes. The legislative certificates of election were also issued to show the joint assembly to be one democratic.

Urge Civil Service Rules.

WASHINGTON.—Colonel Emmett Urell, commander-in-chief of the Spanish War Veterans, accompanied by Fred C. Hodgson and G. Leyburn Sherry, officials of the organization, on Monday urged the president to place under the civil service all the Spanish war veterans who are now serving the government in a clerical capacity in the Philippines. President Roosevelt promised to consider the request.

LEFT TO FREEZE

ROBBED ON THE PRAIRIE, THEN DESERTED.

THE FATE OF AN OMAHA MAN

Drugged by Bandits, All of His Money Taken, Then Left on the Desert Unconscious—Feet Badly Frozen When Found.

RAWLINS, Wyo.—A. H. Bree, employed by the Flato Commission company of South Omaha, was found in a railroad cut west of town on Thursday morning.

His feet were badly frozen and he had been without food since Sunday noon. He was taken to the state hospital at Rock Springs, where both legs will probably be amputated.

Bree tells an almost incredible story, but his appearance certainly bears out his statement. He says he arrived in Rawlins Friday from his home in South Omaha. Sunday he met three men who said they had a bunch of sheep three miles from town that they would sell cheap.

Bree accompanied them to the place, but the sheep were not to be found. One of the men suggested they sit down on a rock, eat a lunch and rest and then continue the search for the flock. Bree assented and remembers nothing that occurred after he partook of the lunch.

He regained consciousness during the snow storm of Tuesday night. His feet were so badly frozen that he could not start and he was almost famished. With the lights of the town as a guide he started to crawl the three miles. All night he kept up the snail-like pace over the snow-covered ground, his hands and knees torn and bleeding. At daylight he crawled into the railroad cut and was seen by the section men who brought him in.

When Bree went out on the prairie with three strangers he carried \$250 in his pockets, but when he awoke from his long sleep the money was gone. The authorities are satisfied the strangers drugged Bree, stole the money and left him on the prairie to die. There is not a single clue to the identity of the would-be murderers.

MOSSBY BRINGS HIS BROOM.

Bears from Washington Instructions to Sweep Away Illegal Fences.

Omaha.—Col. Mosby, who is in the city, says: "I have come out here with instructions from President Roosevelt down to the landoffice, to clean out all the fences on government land and incidentally to clean out all the fraudulent homestead entries, particularly those of subsidized soldiers' widows. If District Attorney Sumner is indifferent in the matter I shall report so to the attorney general, as I have once before reported. As for the interview recently given out by Special Agent A. M. Lesser, concerning the charges against him, it is simply an evasion of the real charges, which is obtaining money from the government by the use of false and fraudulent vouchers. Senator Allison, at whose instance he was originally appointed, has not yet spoken in his behalf. Senator Millard has requested his reinstatement, but that is because those cattlemen up there want Lesser kept. I haven't heard anything from Senator Dietrich."

NEBRASKA IS TRIUMPHANT.

Wins Up the Foot Ball Season with a Great Victory.

LINCOLN.—The foot ball season of 1902 at the University of Nebraska was terminated Thursday in a blaze of glory. Before 6,000 people, the greatest crowd the ever assembled about a Nebraska gridiron, the unbeaten Cornhuskers administered a decisive defeat to the Northwestern university eleven, scoring twelve points and emerging from the contest with their own goal line still unbreached, a record not achieved by any other college aggregation in the country.

Nebraska, not having lost a game this season or even being scored against, on the record claims the championship of the west. It defeated Wisconsin and Chicago, against which Nebraska did not play. Michigan on Thursday also defeated Minnesota, and while it was by a larger score than Nebraska's victory, it was scored against in this game, as well as several others during the season.

Cholera Spreads in More.

MANILA.—The cholera is spreading among the Moro towns on the west coast of Mindanao, and there is much destitution among the people. Quarantine increases the suffering by stopping work and the movement of supplies. General Davis has telegraphed to General Sumner, directing the distribution of food supplies to the sufferers in the infested and quarantined towns. The disease is disappearing from this city.

West Point's Big Brick Output.

WEST POINT, Neb.—Eight kilns, containing an average of 300,000 brick, making a total of 24,000,000 brick, have already been burned at the West point brick yard this season, and if the weather remains favorable until the first of the year the entire output will have been disposed of. The output of brick for this year surpasses all records and it has been impossible to fill orders from outside points.

Will Pay for Postoffice.

At the next meeting of the city council of Lincoln a resolution will be offered reciting that the city will pay \$50,000 to the federal government for the old postoffice and the ground upon which it is located. Congressman Burkett will take this offer with him and present it to the proper persons at Washington.

Knowledge is ability to read between the lines.

NEBRASKA IN GENERAL

DOES HARVEST HANDS' WORK.

York Laboring Man Patents Bundle Carrier and Shocker.

YORK, Neb.—L. E. McCann, a laboring man, has patented an attachment to a harvester, by which bound bundles of grain are drawn together, and when there are just enough bundles to make a good shock of grain, drops the grain shocks on the ground in such a way that the bundles stand up of their own weight as close together as if it were done by a harvest hand. Nearly all of the large harvester manufacturers have investigated Mr. McCann's patent and they all think it will save the farmers of the world millions of dollars paid out for labor. The bundle carrier and shocker looks like a small platform set on four wheels. Capitalists have offered to form an organization with a large amount of paid-up capital, and to give Mr. McCann a one-half interest in addition to a large amount of cash.

Canning Factory to Be Started.

GRAND ISLAND.—During the past ten years few, if any, bonuses have been granted in this state. But Grand Island is to the front, having about completed such a deal for the rejuvenation of its canning factory. And it is safe to say that even with the general tendency on the part of the business men and citizens to pull together the raising of a bonus proposition would not have been accomplished at this time but for the fact that the proposition came from a man who was a former citizen of the city and upon whose integrity and ability the utmost confidence could be placed. James F. Rourke of Omaha, brother of the base ball manager, and formerly a citizen of this city, where he managed the canning factory under the management of Archer & Baker, has completed the deal for the purchase of the factory building, the citizens of this city having all but two hundred dollars of the \$2,000 necessary for putting the building in the proper shape.

Gets Three Years in Prison.

SIDNEY, Neb.—A jury in the district court here found W. F. Cook of Banner county guilty of obtaining \$1,200 under false pretense from the Bank of Bayard. Cook represented to the bank that he had 150 head of cattle branded "X" and later it was found he only owned forty-three head and under a different brand. His defense was that the bank had advanced the money to purchase cattle which were to have the above brand. Judge Norris sentenced him to three years in the penitentiary, the jury having recommended mercy.

Device for Unloading Corn.

NORTH BEND.—A new device for unloading corn in the ear after being shucked in the field has been invented by Alvin Olson, a farmer living in the Purple Cane neighborhood. As it is intended to save shoveling off every load into the crib, it will be a great time and labor saver. It works like a derrick, lifting the entire load in the box and dumping it into the crib. The inventor says that one man and a team can unload a cargo of any size in two minutes' time by the use of his machine. He and Mr. Folds of Rogers have applied for a patent on it.

Lincoln Bandit is Held.

GUTHRIE, Okla.—One of the men who participated in the robbery of the Burlington train near Lincoln, Neb., several weeks ago is under arrest in Oklahoma, having been placed in custody for some territorial offense. The authorities refuse to make public either his name or the place of his incarceration, but he has confessed to his part in the Lincoln robbery, and has sent word to Governor Ferguson that if assured a pardon for his territorial offense he will reveal all the facts of the train holdup.

End of Brick-Making Season.

TABLE ROCK.—The Table Rock Clay company quit making brick last week for the season. A ready market has been found for its products, and it has been hard work to get enough brick ahead to meet the winter and spring demand. The Gotton brick plant has also quit for the season. It has transacted a large business, the most successful in its history.

The Nebraska City Electric Street Railway company has issued \$100,000 bonds at a low interest rate and sold them to eastern parties. More than half the lines will be completed this fall, the remainder and the power house to be finished next spring.

The new wing of the chronic insane asylum at Hastings was opened last week and 160 patients from the Lincoln asylum were placed in it. There are now 560 patients at the Hastings asylum, and within the next two weeks there will be nearly 1,200.

W. H. & F. B. Elmers, for many years prominent business men at Columbus and at Humphrey, left last week with their families and household effects for Los Angeles, Cal., where, it is said, they will engage in business.

J. S. Bolin, near Papillion has sold 1,800 bushels of apples and has several hundred yet on hand. Mrs. John Miller, near Springfield, has sold 2,000 bushels. The price ranges from 60 to 80 cents per bushel. The fruit is very fine.

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