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PRESIDENT ASKS HOW

He Confers as to Means of Ending the Coal Miners' Tedious Strike.

FEDERAL INTERFERENCE NOT POSSIBLE

Knox and Others Find No Constitutional Provision for It.

ROOT'S NEW YORK VISIT PART OF PLAN

May Have Gone There to Talk With the Business Leaders.

DETROIT'S MAYOR HAS MANY RESPONSES

Several Governors and Mayors Express Inclination to Send Delegations to Proposed Strike Conference in Michigan City.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The president today took initiative steps to ascertain what, if anything, could be done by federal authority to settle the coal strike. The result was a rather general expression of opinion by the advisors of the president who were parties to today's conference to the effect that the federal laws and constitution do not offer means of federal interference to end the strike, but another conference will be held tomorrow and the president will do all he properly and legally can to bring about a settlement.

At the temporary White House a conference was held with three cabinet officers, Attorney General Knox, Secretary Moody and Postmaster General Payne. Governor Crane of Massachusetts also was present. These gentlemen met with President Roosevelt first, and after the subject had been considered for some time they adjourned to another room and conferred together for an hour. They all returned later in the day and held another conference with the president and the strike situation was discussed further.

Roosevelt Much Concerned.

President Roosevelt is deeply concerned over the situation. The approach of winter with a coal famine imminent, and the distress and suffering that must ensue unless coal becomes available, presents a situation which, he thinks, should receive the attention of the administration if there is anything that can be done by the government. Many appeals have beeen made to him and many suggestions have been received by him, and it was with a view to ascertaining what power the federal authority could evoke that caused the conference to be held.

During the conference every phase of the situation was discussed. The general opinion of the advisors of the president was that the situation did not present a case in which there could be federal interference by any warrant of law. There has been no interference with federal authority in the mining region, either by stoppage of the mails or resistance of the United States court process. It was pointed out that there was no occasion for the use of federal troops, as Governor Stone of Pennsylvania had not called on the government for assistance nor had he even exhausted the resources of the state by calling out the full strength of the state militia.

Several Plans Considered.

The questions of the right to seek appointment of a receiver for the mines in order that they might be operated was discussed, but neither in the constitution nor in any known law could any legal warrant be found for such action. The tenor of the whole discussion was to the effect that there was a lack of power in the federal administration to take action at present, though the seriousness of the coal famine now and the much greater evils to follow were considered at length and with a wish to discover some method of ending the industrial deadlock.

Governor Crane's presence naturally brought into prominence the proceedings begun in the Massachusetts courts to secure the appointment of receivers for the coal properties, but the opinion was expressed that the situation could not be met successfully by this method.

During the day advices were received that the strike might be settled by the operators and miners themselves, and it was suggested that hasty interference of any kind by the federal government might prevent the consummation of the plans for a strike settlement if any such are maturing. Realizing the futility of efforts to end the strike, it was stated that the president was anxious that the end of the strike should be brought about at the earliest possible moment, and if the attorney general or other member of the cabinet could devise a method by which the president could proceed, he would not hesitate to adopt it unless meanwhile assurance of a settlement were forthcoming.

Root Returns to Report.

The conference will be resumed tomorrow, at which time Secretary Root will be present. It is understood that the visit of Secretary Root to New York was for the purpose of consulting prominent business men on the subject. The secretary left for New York Monday after a short conference at the White House. It has been intimated that the president may send for the managers of the coal properties, but this will not be done until after the conference tomorrow, and perhaps not then.

Some confidence is expressed in the report which Secretary Root may bring from New York, although it could not be learned what communication, if any, had been received here from the secretary while in New York. He reached Washington about 10 p. m., but denied himself to all newspaper men. No official report of today's conference was given out, but it is thought that a statement will follow the conference tomorrow. As heretofore stated, the main fact remained apparent that the president will make every effort that he can exert, properly and lawfully, to stop the strike and avert a fuel famine.

Detroit's Mayor Gets Responses.

DETROIT, Sept. 30.—The telegraphic invitations sent out last night by Mayor William C. Maybury to governors of a number of states and the mayors of the principal cities in the east, middle west and northwest, asking them to send delegations to participate in the national conference on the coal strike, have met with a great number of responses and the proposed conference bids fair to be a tremendous gathering. The mayor's office was kept open late tonight to receive telegrams and answer those calling for a reply. A great majority of the messages received expressed hearty sympathy with the conference and promised to send delegates.

In answer to the message from Mayor

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ZOLA DIES FROM GAS FUMES

Autopsy Shows That Suspicion of Foul Play is Unwarranted.

PARIS, Sept. 30.—The autopsy on the remains of M. Zola has resulted in an official declaration that he died from asphyxiation from carbonic gas fumes.

A crowd of people drawn there by curiosity has remained in front of Zola's house since morning. His tragic death continues to be the [illegible] of conversation here. The funeral [illegible] fixed for Friday, and interest is shown in the question whether Dreyfus will attend.

The Patrie says:

If he dares to show himself in the procession the looks and contempt of all spectators will be centered on him. If he hides himself in this decisive hour it will show himself to be his own judge of the work of his benefactor.

The post-mortem examination of Zola's remains this morning resulted in the addition to the official report that his death was due to asphyxiation caused by carbonic oxide fumes, in showing that the novelist fell into a densely saturated atmosphere as he attempted to open a window and was suffocated.

Mme. Zola, it was further declared, owed her life to the elevated position of the bed.

A medical bulletin this morning says:

Mme. Zola is progressing as satisfactorily as expected, considering the shock from the news of her husband's death. Complete rest and isolation are indispensable. She had a heartrending fit of anguish when told of his death, which was only communicated to her this morning. It was followed by a state or torpor. She is now calm, but is unable to utter a word or make a gesture.

The body of Zola will be interred in Montmarte cemetery. The funeral will be a civil ceremony, though probably the body will be accorded the military honors to which the deceased is entitled as an officer of the Legion of Honor. The League of the Rights of Man is organizing an imposing demonstration for the funeral, and has issued an appeal for subscriptions to erect a monument to the dead novelist.

Among those who signed the register at Zola's house or sent condolences were Premier Combes, a majority of the cabinet ministers, M. Waldeck-Rousseau, Maitre Labor, Colonel Picquart and M. Millerand.

Jules Claretie has written for the Temps an eulogistic appreciation of Zola's literary labors in which he says the name of the dead novelist "will resound in the history of French letters; his name and work will live for centuries," and concludes with recalling how the votes for Zola at the elections for members of the academy dwindled until the last time there was only one recorded, "and," M. Claretie says, "that vote was mine."

ASKS FOR PAYMENT IN GOLD

Attorney Before the Hague Tribunal Says it is Only Money Representing Real Value.

THE HAGUE, Sept. 30.—At today's session of the international court of arbitration, which is hearing arguments in the Pius fund case, after Senator Descamps had concluded his argument for the United States, during which he contended that Mexico ought to pay in gold, "the only international money and the only money representing real value," Solicitor Penfield of the United States department continued his pleadings. He paid tribute to the sovereigns of Russia, Great Britain, Denmark and Holland as rulers of the countries of some of the members of the tribunal whose judgment will be of the highest importance in the maintenance of the peace and justice of the entire world.

Counsel proceeded to argue that the governments of Spain and Mexico had fully recognized the sacred obligation to employ the Pius fund in accordance with the original intention of the founders for the propagation of the Catholic religion. He maintained the finality of the verdict of the arbitration court of 1875. International arbitration, he added, must be regulated by international law.

In conclusion Mr. Penfield thanked the court for its patient attention to the pleadings, and expressed the hope that Mexico and the United States would maintain their close bonds of friendship and sympathy.

The pleadings will conclude tomorrow with Mexico's reply.

CUNARDERS GET BIG SUBSIDY

British Government Makes a Move to Head Off Shipping Combine.

LONDON, Sept. 30.—The directors of the Cunard Steamship company sent a letter to the shareholders tonight setting forth the terms of the proposed subsidy. It will include payment by the government of $750,000 annually, the company to build two fast steamers for the Atlantic trade. The agreement will remain in force twenty years after the completion of the second steamer. The company is to remain a British concern and the undertaking is given not to unduly raise rates. This arrangement renders the Cunard Steamship company strong for the express purpose of meeting the alterations in transatlantic travel caused by the formation of the Morgan shipping combine. During the continuance of this agreement the Cuard company will hold its entire fleet, including any new vessels which it builds, at the disposal of the government.

PEACE AND ORDER IS URGED

Papal Bull Issued on the Subject of Religious Affairs in the Philippine Islands.

ROME, Sept. 30.—A papal bull issued today on the subject of religious affairs in the Philippines concludes with inviting all the clergy to use their best endeavors to bring about the re-establishment of peace and order, helping with their influence the authorities working to the same end.

The document at the same time exhorts the clergy to hold aloof from politics and to devote their attention to religion and to promoting by every means the welfare of the people under the new regime.

BIRTH OF A NEW REPUBLIC

Inhabitants of the Territory of Acre Proclaim Independence and Take Up Arms.

RIO JANEIRO, Sept. 30.—Revolutionists, under Galvez, have proclaimed at Xapury the independence of the territory of Acre and have declared war against Bolivia.

Inhabitants of the territory are supporting the revolution. Many Bolivians who have been taken prisoners have been well treated.

Crew of Abandoned Bark.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 30.—The British steamer Capdoe, from New Orleans, September 10, which arrived here today, had on board the crew of the Norwegian bark Winona, which was abandoned at sea after having been set on fire.

HILL'S SLATE IS GIVEN OUT

Celer Heads It and Some Opposition is Developing Among Delegates.

ONE BILL DEVERY IS MAKING TROUBLE

He Doesn't Propose to be Kept Out and Demonstration for Him Scares Hill Into State of Indecision.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 30.—At 8:30 tonight it was announced the following candidates had been agreed upon:

For Governor—Bird S. Coler of Kings.

For Lieutenant Governor—Charles S. Buller of Oswego.

For Attorney General—John Cunneen of Erie.

For Comptroller—C. M. Preston of Ulster.

For Secretary of State—Frank H. Mott of Chautauqua.

For Engineer—Richard W. Herman of Oneida.

For Treasurer—D. J. Vauken of Ontario.

For Judge, Court of Appeals—John C. Gray of New York.

This is the ticket promulgated tonight from the headquarters of Senator Hill. It was the result of a conference of many of the state leaders, in which Senator Hill and Hugh McLaughlin took a leading part. The announcement of this tentative ticket was received quietly by the throngs in the hotel corridors, and later rumors were circulated that when it came before the convention it might not stand.

The Kings county delegates, led by Senator McCarren, were talking of prospective changes. Despite of this the Hill people went on making arrangements for the nomination of the ticket. In all of this preliminary work Tammany took no part, and, in fact, after the first conference Kings county absented itself.

What Hill Says.

Senator Hill did not deny that the slate given out by those in his room was absolutely the one which the convention would nominate. One of the rumors was that Kings county was preparing to bolt and that several of the delegates would refuse to abide by the Coler system, or vote in the unit system. Senator McCarren, in answering this, said: "It is useless to try to disguise the fact that several members of our delegations are not heartily in favor of Mr. Coler. We still believe that Judge Parker would accept the nomination if confronted with the fact that the convention wanted him by acclamation. Still, I don't think we will break the unit rule."

Important news of the night from semi-official sources, but lacking authorization, was that the committee on platform had decided to declare for a 1,000-ton barge canal, and that the committee on credentials, to avoid further trouble, would seat the delegation headed by William S. Devery.

A committee on resolutions was appointed this morning, consisting of fifty members, each representing a senatorial district. Chairman George Raines and the committee met in the afternoon. Two proposed planks of the platform caused somewhat of a flurry. In the committee, the liberal democracy, with a committee of five headed by Robert Baker as spokesman, demanded, "that the democratic state convention stand for a reaffirmation of the Kansas City platform as a whole."

The Chicago-Kansas City platform party of New York state, through Calvin J. Keach, demanded the incorporation of this: "The democratic party of the Empire state recognizes the national platform of 1900 as the organic law of the party until it can be changed by another national convention and regrets that it was not ratified by the people at the polls."

Baker's Suggestions.

Mr. Baker offered these suggestions for the platform: "That every article produced by a trust or combination be at once deprived of all tariff protection; election by the people of the federal judges and United States senators, pending which the state convention should nominate candidates for the United States senate; governmental acquirement and operation of railroads and coal mines; entire home rule over local affairs to municipalities, including local option; that municipalities be empowered to acquire, construct and operate all public service utilities, pending which all new modified and extended franchises are only to become operative when ratified by popular vote, the initiative and referendum; constitutional amendment to secure the prevailing rate of wages on all public works, exclusion from municipal debt limit of all obligations issued for revenue producing properties; adequate provision to widen and deepen the state canals; complete safeguards for freedom of speech and against government by injunction, bp enaction of an anti-injunction law; forfeiture of office by public officials accepting free passes, and finally an explicit pledge that if elected its candidates will strike to uproot all forms of special privilege.

In presenting these suggestions Mr. Baker said: "Do not think for a moment that any vacillating policy on these questions will gain for you our vote. Don't dream for a moment that you are helping your cause with us by shouting harmony and putting on your platform men who once repudiated real democracy. Do you want to throw out friends and disrupt the party? So sure as you do, defeat awaits you."

Senator Grady—Well, Mr. Baker, most of the things you suggest are of national importance and it will not be policy to cumber our platform with them. So far as your anxiety for labor is concerned, let me tell you that the democratic vote in the legislature has been uniformly in favor of the laboring man.

Asa Bird Flies Up as Dove of Peace.

Mr. Baker—I am not speaking for just the labor vote. I am speaking for a great indignant public, who demand relief and who will defeat your party if—

Asa Bird Gardiner rose at this point and asked that the debate be limited. Chairman Gainer agreed and Mr. Baker was forced to stop.

When Calvin J. Keach appeared with his endorsement plank he called upon the party to take an honorable open stand for its last national platform.

Senator Grady (interrupting)—It is not the thing for a party in the state to take up national questions or go into the endorsement of national platforms in an off year. This party has never endorsed a national platform to my knowledge but once and that was in 1888.

Mr. Keach—That is not any reason. You don't want to be branded cowards, do you? And if you ignore the last platform you will be so branded. The republican party has had the manliness to endorse their tariff. Do you want to be less faithful to your issues?

At this point Mr. Keach was cut off. A delegation from the Brooklyn Democratic club presented some planks which they desired incorporated in the platform, at least

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PAY IN POSTAL DEPARTMENT

Postmaster General Makes Further Estimates of Amount Required for Salaries.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The estimates of the postmaster general of the appropriations required for all the postmasters in the United States during the next fiscal year aggregate $46,925,220, an increase of $3,614,700 over the appropriations made for the current year. The estimates for the regular free delivery postal service, which is separate from the rural free delivery, and which constitutes the free delivery services in cities and large towns of the United States, aggregate $21,328,300, an increase of $1,882,850.

The estimates for postmasters embrace the following items: Compensation for postmasters $21,500,000, increase $500,000; compensation to assistant postmasters at first and second class postoffices, $1,894,100; increase $192,600; to clerks in postoffices $18,101,900, increase $2,412,100; to substitutes for clerks in first and second class postoffices on vacations $200,000; temporary clerk hire $200,000; for separating mails at third and fourth class postoffices $1,300,000; increase $200,000; rent, light and fuel for first, second and third class postoffices $2,500,000, increase $150,000; miscellaneous and incidental expenses at first and second class offices $250,000; advertising and purchase of newspapers $25,000; rental or purchase of cancelling machines $300,000; compensation to seven assistant superintendents of salary and allowance division $14,000, and per diem allowance of $12,220 per annum.

The principal items in the free delivery service are $19,028,800 for pay of the carriers in present offices, and for subcarriers and temporary carriers at summer resorts and on holidays, elections, and emegency service, an increase of $1,598,350; horse hire allowance $750,000; car fare and bicycle allowance $300,000, and fees to special delivery messengers $800,000.

First Assistant Postmaster General Wynne has issued a circular to the postmasters of all rural free delivery postoffices instructing them that postmasters and rural free delivery carriers are not permitted to condemn the letter boxes used by patrons. The order directs that they shall continue to serve boxes already erected until a regular inspection of such boxes can be made by the route inspectors and special agents, who will condemn the boxes found unsafe or which otherwise fail to meet the requirements.

REUNION DATE IS CHANGED

Fifth Army Camp Probably Will Have to Have Open-Air Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The time for the reunion of the Fifth army corps in connection with the Grand Army encampment to be held in this city next week has been changed by the program committee from the night of Wednesday, October 8, to the forenoon of the preceding Tuesday. The change has created some dissatisfaction among members of the corps. The assignment for Wednesday evening was made on a misreading of an application for that date which was filed by the Sixth army corps, the word Sixth being read for Fifth. The committee had now given the date to the Sixth corps because its application was received first. The Sixth corps will hold its meeting in the Sheridan tent on that night and if the weather is good the Fifth corps probably will have an open air meeting at the same time, instead of accepting the assignment for Tuesday, as made by the committee.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Reserve Agents Approved for National Banks and Other Department Routine.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The comptroller of the currency has approved the Des Moines national bank of Des Moines as a reserve agent for the First National bank of Belle Plaine and the Citizens National bank of Cedar Falls, Ia., and the United States National bank of Omaha for the First National bank of Elmwood, Neb.

The following Indian school appointments have been made: A. F. Shering, of Billings, Mont., engineer, and Miss Annie Triplett of Pueblo, Colo., nurse at Yankton, S. D.; Miss Minnie F. Brown of Lower Brule, cook at Lower Brule, S. D.; Miss Flora Hoff of Des Moines, Ia., teacher at Rapid City, S. D.; Miss Margaret A. Stanley of Pine Ridge, cook at Yankton, S. D.

Postmasters appointed: Iowa, Edwin Hough, Mount Hamill, Lee county; South Dakota, George R. Maynard, Yale, Beadle county.

EXPECT OMAHA DELEGATION

Irrigation Congress Committeemen Are Relying on Gate City Commercial to Send Representation.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Sept. 30.—The committees in charge of the arrangements for the tenth National Irrigation congress, which convenes here October 6, have received encouraging reports which promise a large attendance of noted men from all parts of the country. Large delegations from the Commercial clubs of Omaha and St. Paul will come in private cars. New Mexico, Texas, Wyoming, Kansas and Nebraska cities also will send large delegations.

The subjects to be handled, affecting as they do the proper expenditure of $8,000,000 of public money now available and the proceeds from further land sales for the reclamation of millions of arid acres and the making of homes for millions of people now crowded in the cities, have attracted the brightest minds of the nation, from captains of industry to the leaders of the labor organizations. Letters of endorsement of the probabilities of the congress are pouring in every day from these people.

BOB EVANS WILL JOIN BOXERS

Rear Admiral of Fighting Fame Goes to Investigate Cause of Renewed "Cussedness."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The Navy department received a cablegram today from Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, second in command on the Asiatic station announcing his departure from Kuikaang for Hankow, aboard his temporary flagship Helena. He is enroute to the port of Ichang on the Great Yangtse river near the province of Sze-chuan, to investigate the newly risen Boxer disturbances. The Navy department received also a cablegram today announcing the arrival of Rear Admiral Silas Casey aboard his flagship, Wisconsin, at Panama after an almost unequaled run down the Pacific coast of 3,177 miles in one day less than two weeks. Rear Admiral Casey will assume general command of the American naval forces on the isthmus.

MARKET MAKES RECOVERY

Prices Improve at Opening and Grow Better Every Hour.

COAL STOCKS GIVE WHOLE LIST A LIFT

Rumor of Strike Settlement Electrifies Exchange About the Time that Shaw Gives Money Market a Helping Hand.

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—The stock market, which closed yesterday utterly demoralized as a result of stringent monetary conditions and other unfavorable consequences, made a sensational recovery today. The chief cause for the complete reversal was the action of Secretary Shaw in removing the restraint on bank reserves, and persistent reports from various quarters that the coal strike had at last reached the point where negotiations for settlement were under way. For this last rumor there appeared little or no foundation, according to the individual and collective statements of the leading operators made after the regular weekly meeting.

Another influence for better prices was the decline in call money rates, though during the morning loans were made as high as 19 per cent. A large part of the day's loans was made at around 10 per cent, and the rate at the close went down to 2, but this was really nominal, no money being placed at that figure.

Opening prices were better all the way from a fraction to five points. Wide operations in which blocks of 2,000, 3,000 and 5,000 shares changed hands were numerous. The greatest gains were in the standard railway shares, notably St. Paul, Louisville & Nashville, which bore the brunt of the previous day's pounding, Missouri Pacific, Union Pacific, the coalers and a number of specialties.

Strenuous Hours on the Floor.

On the floor of the stock exchange the greatest excitement and activity prevailed during the first hours. Brokers on the short time were covering with all possible speed, and the bull faction was in absolute control. The list manifested a vacillating tendency soon after the first bulge, and many of the active stocks whose initial gains had been largest receded from one to three points

The opening rate for call money was 12 per cent, but this soon advanced to 18, creating general confusion among those committed to higher prices. The most sensational operations developed in the afternoon on news from Washington that the president and his cabinet had taken steps to terminate the coal strike. In spite of the absence of any confirmation, the market seized upon this announcement and, with the coal stocks in the lead, the entire list shot upward. The market developed a buoyant tone in the last hour, though operations were confined largely to the coalers, which were heavily traded in and at practically the best prices of the day. The day's operations were in excess of $1,200,000 shares.

Secretary Shaw's visit to the street and his talks with the leading banking interests helped in no small way to restore confidence. Local banks loaned moderately.

Shaw Feels Pleased.

Secretary Shaw was an early visitor at the subtreasury today. Mr. Shaw came to the financial department for the purpose of discussing the financial situation with the bankers. His calls included George Banckers and Vice President Vanderlip of the National City bank. The secretary expects to remain down town the greater part of the day. He expressed himself as being much gratified at the improvement shown by the monetary outlook.

In an interview, the secretary said that all savings bank securities accepted by the treasury department in place of government bonds would be of the highest class panic proof and as good in London as in New York.

The secretary said he had been assured that fully $40,000,000 cash will be released today as a result of his action. Among the secretary's other callers were W. Nash, president of the Corn Exchange bank, and chairman of the clearing house committee; Joseph Hendrix, president of the National Bank of Commerce; W. H. Perkins, president of the Bank of America, and James I. Blair. The representatives of two leading bond houses conferred with the secretary, who will leave for Washington tonight.

Action of Shaw Commended.

Chairman Elbert H. Gary of the United States Steel corporation, and James Stillman of the National City bank, called in the early afternoon.

"I simply called to congratulate the secretary," said Mr. Gary. "In my opinion he has shown good judgment and I firmly believe his plan will go a great ways toward easing the situation."

Mr. Stillman remained with Secretary Shaw for some time. Upon taking leave he said: "I think the secretary's act is very commendable."

Mr. Stillman declined to say whether he thought the financial situation would show more than temporary improvement.

Comptroller of the Currency Ridgley met the secretary at the sub-treasury. Mr. Ridgley said he came to town "just to look around."

H. W. Cannon, president of the Chase National bank, and United States Senator John Kean of New Jersey, spent a brief time with the secretary, who is reported to have requested the bankers to increase their circulation without delay. Several of them, it is understood, promised that they would do so.

President G. G. Williams of the Chemical National bank, and President Delafield of the National Park bank, paid their respects to the secretary.

Wild Scenes in Wall Street.

There were wild scenes for an hour on the stock exchange this morning owing to the violent rebound in prices from yesterday's panicky closing. Opening gains over last night's prices were from a fraction to 4 and 5 points.

First sales were of 1,000 to 9,000 shares, simultaneous prices varying as much as 4 points in the case of Missouri Pacific, which made the maximum gain of 5¼ points. Eventually buying by distressed shorts played an important point in the buoyant upward rush, as there was a prompt relapse. Buyers in yesterday's slump hastened to take profits at the expense of the market. Prices ran off from 1 to 1½ for important stocks. Louisville lost all of its rise and Missouri Pacific relapsed 3½.

Fluctuations were wild and trading very excited. Loans on call at 10 to 18 per cent helped to unsettle the trading again, but the market steadied and became quiet by 11 o'clock, with prices at about the lowest. The subsequent decline was much more orderly. The principal cause of the rebound this morning was the announcement of Secretary of the Treasury Shaw's intention to

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Showers Wednesday and Cooler in Northwest Portion; Thursday Fair and Warmer in West Portion.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

Hour.	Deg.	Hour.	Deg.
5 a. m.	46	1 p. m.	62
6 a. m.	45	2 p. m.	63
7 a. m.	44	3 p. m.	64
8 a. m.	46	4 p. m.	65
9 a. m.	50	5 p. m.	63
10 a. m.	53	6 p. m.	62
11 a. m.	56	7 p. m.	61
12 m.	59	8 p. m.	60
		9 p. m.	58

CLARENCE THURSTON SUFFERS

Gas Nearly Overcomes Son of Former Nebraska Senator at Room in St. Louis Hotel.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 1.—Clarence Thurston, a son of former United States Senator Thurston of Nebraska, and an attache of the World's fair offices in St. Louis, was found unconscious from asphyxiation in his apartments at a hotel late last night. The door of his room was tightly closed, the key hole plugged, the windows bolted, and the gas jets open, indicating that an attempt had been made at suicide.

Thurston is 22 years old and has been in St. Louis about three months. He was taken to the city hospital, where at 2 o'clock the physicians say there is a possibility he may not recover.

STAGE ROBBERY IN NEW YORK

Three Masked Men Successfully Pursue Western Methods in the East.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Sept. 30.—The stage coach "Pioneer," which makes daily trips between Warwick and Goshen, was held up and robbed by three masked horsemen late this afternoon.

The coach was bowling along the road two miles from Florida, and at a lonely spot Clinton and Horatio S. Wisner, who own the coach, and were on it, saw the men on horses suddenly emerge from the dense woods which line the highway. Clinton was driving. The robbers pressed him to pull up his horses, which he refused to do, and the highwaymen opened fire with revolvers. None of the shots took effect, but the shooting had the effect of compelling the whip to bring his horse to a stop.

Inside the coach were Mrs. J. A. Chamberlin, Mrs. Fred Webster, Mrs. James Fuller, Mrs. Hart and Mrs. Ed Johnson of Florida. While two of the highwaymen covered the Wisner brothers with their revolvers the third, using many threats, compelled the passengers to give up their money and valuables. After the robbery had been completed the robbers spurred up their horses and escaped.

When the news of the holdup became known posses of armed men were hastily formed and started a search for the highwaymen. Clinton W. Wisner is president of the village of Warwick.

AFTER STAGESTRUCK GIRL

Denver Fire Chief Said to Be in Omaha in Search of His Daughter.

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 30.—(Special Telegram.)—Chief William E. Roberts of the local fire department has been in the east for the past few days searching for his 16-year-old daughter Grace, who left the city a week ago last Sunday night, it is thought with a theatrical company. Miss Roberts was greatly enamored of the stage, and has often expressed a desire to become a leading lady. The parents objected, however, and Miss Grace decided that she would go anyway. Her departure was kept a profound secret until yesterday, when it was discovered that Roberts was in Minneapolis, traveling incog, searching for the daughter. It is believed he is now in Omaha, as a rumor is current tonight that he had found the missing girl in that city, but the report has not been confirmed here.

Inquiry at police headquarters elicited the statement that nothing was known about the matter here, and that Roberts had not asked the police to assist him and that if either the father or daughter were in the city they did not know it.

AT LOUISVILLE HORSE SHOW

Palmer of Denver Gets a Blue Ribbon with "Creighton" and "The Parades."

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 30.—The opening night of the third annual exhibition of the Louisville Horse Show association brought together here this evening fancy entries from England, Canada and several states of this country. Nine classes were shown, including harness and saddle horses, roadsters, single pairs and four-in-hand, hunters and jumpers. Aurel Batony II, the noted western whip won for Dr. John L. Wenz first money in high stepping harness horse class. With Lord Golden, Robert Aull of St. Louis captured second and third money in the trotting roaster class. In the high-stepping horses in harness, pairs, G. E. Palmer of Denver won the blue ribbon with The Parader and Creighton.

PORK COMBINE IN ST. LOUIS

Two Dealers Testify that it Existed Prior to Last Spring—Crow Moves.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 30.—Two pork dealers, Charles P. Hell and Louis Gruenefelder, testified today in the beef trust inquiry proceedings that a combine existed in St. Louis prior to last spring to control the price of pork.

Today's proceedings closed the inquiry here for a while and Attorney General Crow on October 3 will take testimony in Kansas City in the quo warranto proceedings against several packing companies.

Movements of Ocean Vessels Sept. 30.

At New York—Arrived: Friesland, from Antwerp; Blucher, from Hamburg; Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen; Mesaba, from London; Bovic, from Liverpool; Nord America, from Genoa and Naples; Friedrich der Grosse, from Bremen and Southampton; Ethiopia, from Glasgow. Sailed: Kensington, for Antwerp.

At Queenstown—Arrived: [illegible]ic, from New York, for Liverpool, and [illegible] sailed.

At Sydney, N. S. W.—Arrived: [illegible]conoma, from San Francisco.

At Bremen—Arrived: Kron Prinz Wilhelm, from New York.

At Boulogne Sur Mer—Arrived: Ryndam, from New York, for Rotterdam, and proceeded.

At Antwerp—Arrived: Kronland, from New York.

KING JOYFUL TODAY

Ak-Sar-Ben Will Be Greeted by Thousands of Faithful Subjects.

DAYLIGHT PARADE THIS AFTERNOON

Every Effort Expended to Make It Best in History of the Carnivals.

PEACE REIGNS AND PLUVIUS IS GOOD

All the People Shout for Joy When Old Sol Wakes Up Smiling.

CROWDS COME FROM EVERY DIRECTION

Indications Are that Whole Realm Will Be Filled and Courts of King Become Scenes of Great Demonstrations.

Omaha's Red Letter Dates.

October 1—Ak-Sar-Ben Daylight Parade.

October 2—Ak-Sar-Ben Electrical Parade.

October 3—Ak-Sar-Ben Royal Court ball.

October 4—Ak-Sar-Ben Street Fair closes.

Peace reigns in the kingdom of Ak-Sar-Ben. Joy abounds where sorrow was, and all the realm is aglow with cheer and gladness because the stubborn will of J. Pluvius at last has been conquered (at least the weather man says so), and conditions are propitious for a grand crisis today in the annual festivities thus far marred by rain and clouds. Yesterday when Old Sol peeped his laughing red face above the eastern horizon a thrill of delight shot through the heart of every faithful subject of the great king—every one who was not asleep at that hour—and throughout the day brightness dwelt not only in the skies but in the hearts of the people. It looked, indeed, as if the weather would be entirely favorable for the grand daylight parade today—one of the three essential features of the week.

Best of All Such Parades.

Every effort has been expended to make today's parade the greatest of all similar daylight exhibitions. It is indeed questionable if a single endeavor will prove to have been exerted in vain. If so, then who will care if it did rain and storm on other days? Thursday and Thursday night will follow so closely upon the heels of today that it's two to one the grand electrical pageant, the crucial function of the week, will be pulled off without a hitch. And be this true the carnival will have started into history as a most successful one, for what could mar the brilliance of the great ball Friday night under the broad canopy of the king's very palace?

This parade today will surpass in grandeur and scope any daylight exhibition heretofore given under the auspices of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben. The first division will be composed of the military companies of Omaha, South Omaha and Council Bluffs, and the others will be made up of the fraternal societies, all of which will make unique displays and many of which will have expensive floats in line. There will be eight or ten bands, enough to keep music in the air every moment that the parade is moving. The line of march will be on South Sixteenth from Nicholas to Leavenworth, countermarch on Sixteenth to Douglas, on Douglas to Tenth, on Tenth to Farnam, on Farnam to Nineteenth, on Nineteenth to Harney, on Harney to Fifteenth, on Fifteenth to Capitol avenue.

Vehicles Must Keep Off.

While the parades are moving this afternoon and Thursday evening no vehicles will be permitted to travel on the line of march or to stand on the streets while the parades are passing. This was decided upon by Chief of Police Donahue yesterday, his object being to give the entire space in the streets not occupied by the parades to the people.

"At every parade," said the chief, "there are some who drive their vehicles beside the curbstone and stand while the parade is passing. This obstructs the view of many and greatly hinders the police in keeping the crowds out of the way. Besides, it is dangerous and people are likely to be injured by runaway horses. Should a horse become frightened at a passing float and go to kicking or running someone would be sure to be hurt. This I shall prevent by keeping the streets along the line of march entirely free of vehicles and horses."

Banda Rossa Concerts.

The afternoon and evening concerts of the Banda Rossa, which were omitted on account of the rain Monday, were resumed yesterday and will be continued throughout the festival season. The programs for today and tonight are as follows:

Wednesday afternoon, October 1:

PART I.

March—The Prophet.....Meyerbeer
Overture—Fanetta.....Aubeer
Duet—Titti Serenade.....Meyer
Flute solo, Signor Ciffi; French horn, Signor Palmieri.
Selection from "Boccaccio".....Suppe
Solos, Signor Bottega, Lodato and Barilotti.

PART II.

American Sketch—Down South..Myddleton
Selection from "Ernani".....Verdi
Solos, Signor Bottega, Lodato and Barilotti.
Valzer—Toujours ou Jamais.....Waldteufel
March—A Message from Mars.....Heed

Wednesday evening, October 1:

PART I.

March—Le Pere et la Victoire.....Ganne
Overture—Tannhuser.....Wagner
"Artesienne Suite".....Bizet
Intermezzo and Minuette.
Incidental Flute Solo, Signor Ciffi with Harp Accompaniment, Signor Farrelli.
Grand Selection from "Carmen".....Bizet
Introduction, Intermezzo, Habanera, Torreador's Song, Prelude and Finale, Act. IV.
Oboe Solo, Signor Di Nardi; Trumpet, Signor Bottega; Trombone, Signor Lodato; Baritone, Signor Barilotti.

PART II.

Selection from "Fausto".....Gounod
With Incidental Solos.
"Ave Marie".....Bach-Gounod
Oboe Solo, Signor Di Vardi; Trumpet, Signor Bottega.
Harp Solo.....Selected
Signor Farrelli.
March—A Francesa.....[illegible]

Special Train from [illegible].

The Burlington announces that it will run a special train from Lincoln Thursday for the benefit of Ak-Sar-Ben visitors. The train will leave Lincoln at 6 p. m., arriving here in time for the electrical pageant and leaving Omaha at 10:30. Plans are under way to have the street cars in Lincoln connect with the special on its return.

The city schools will be dismissed at noon today to permit the pupils to participate in the Ak-Sar-Ben festival and enjoy the daylight parade of the military and fraternal organizations.