

TRAINS ARE DELAYED

Low Temperature Interferes with Passenger and Freight Traffic

DIFFICULT TO MAKE ENGINES STEAM

None of the Roads Able to Bring in Their Trains on Time

DELAY FROM FEW MINUTES TO HOURS

Cold Weather is the Rule All Over the Western Country

SNOW A HANDICAP IN SOME SECTIONS

Reports from the Range Country that Stock is Suffering and Losses, Especially of Sheep, Are Heavy

Below-Zero Temperatures

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Includes locations like Williston, N. D., Grand Encampment, Wyo., Medicine Bow, Wyo., etc.

Despite the fact that there was no snow and not a great deal of wind in the middle west Sunday and Sunday night, all trains about this part of the country were delayed by the cold.

Boilers were cooled to an alarming extent, despite the most heroic efforts to keep them up to the heat required for a schedule speed.

Burlington trains were not badly off, but all were late.

With the other roads it was much the same. The Illinois Central train from Chicago, due here at 9:05 in the morning, was an hour late.

Wide Range in Temperature

According to the reports received by the local weather forecaster a most peculiar condition prevailed over the United States at the time the observations were taken yesterday.

CATTLE AND SHEEP DYING

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REPORTS ON WHITE DEATH

German Chancellor Tells Astonishing Tale of Consumption's Ravages

BERLIN, Feb. 16.—Chancellor von Bülow sent to the Reichstag today a memorandum on tuberculosis treatment, in which he recited statistics gathered by the imperial health office.

Out of 1,000 deaths in Germany, 600 were caused by tuberculosis.

The mortality of the whole population averaged 242 per 100,000 yearly, rising in the Bavarian Palatinate to 328, in Bremen to 337 and in Hesse to 314.

Conditions in Germany are shown to be better than in France, Austria and Russia, but worse than in Switzerland, Belgium, Denmark, Norway and especially England.

The statistics for 1896 to 1901 showed out of 100 cases treated 85 were dismissed as cured or improved 85 as not better, 21 as worse and 74 as died.

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CLAIMS OF UNITED STATES

Venezuela Takes Steps to Adjust Its Debts Through Mr. Bowen

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Preparations were begun today at a conference between Mr. Penfield of the State Department and Mr. Bowen for the adjustment of the protocol providing for the settlement of the claims of the United States against Venezuela.

The protocol will provide for the appointment of a commission, one member each to be appointed by President Roosevelt and President Castro, to pass upon the claims, and in the event of a disagreement the king of Spain is to appoint the umpire.

Under the protocols of the allies, it is expected that the United States agreement will provide for the appointment of this commission within a certain period.

For the satisfaction of these claims the protocol will stipulate that 30 per cent of the customs receipts of the two ports of La Guayra and Puerto Cabello shall be set aside to be held in trust until the Hague tribunal shall decide in what way this amount is to be distributed among the creditor nations.

When the United States protocol is signed Mr. Bowen will call it to the attention of the representative of the other creditor nations, namely, the French ambassador, the Mexican ambassador and the charge d'affaires of the legation of Norway and Sweden, and proceed to draw up separate protocols with each which shall conform to all essential details to that of the United States.

At the conclusion of the conference between Solicitor Penfield and Mr. Bowen it was announced that the United States protocol would be signed as soon as the Venezuelan protocol is signed.

Secretary Hay will sign for the United States and Mr. Bowen for Venezuela.

It is probable that this protocol will provide that the claims of the United States must be passed upon by the commission within six months.

PIEDMONT, Va., Feb. 16.—After the blockade had been raised here the captured Venezuelan sailing vessels were turned over to the United States consul.

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