

NISARD WAS URGENT

Demands from Cardinal Merry Del Val an Immediate Answer to a Question

DIRECT REPLY REF' AMBASSADOR

Bears Upon Answering the Note to the Catholic Pope

RECALL OF NISARD A NATURAL SEQUENCE

Cardinal Desired Time to Reply to Ambassador in Writing

ANSWER IS SUBSEQUENTLY REFUSED

Deservatore Romano Insists that the Recall of Nisard is Result of Papal Protest Against Loubet.

ROME, May 25.—The Observatore Romano, the Vatican organ, publishes an official statement reviewing the relations existing between Cardinal Merry Del Val, the papal ambassador to state, and M. Nisard, French ambassador to the Vatican, who points out that the recall of the latter as the result of the papal protest against President Loubet's visit to Rome is a natural sequence.

Friday last, according to the paper, M. Nisard visited Cardinal Merry Del Val and told him he had been instructed by President Loubet to inquire as to the authenticity of the text of the note to the Catholic powers as published in L'Humanite, which varied from that directed to the French government, and to ask especially if the phrase regarding the recall of the note, which was omitted from the note addressed to France, really occurred in that sent to the other powers.

The cardinal said he would reply immediately if the ambassador's interrogations were put in writing. M. Nisard pointed out that there was no time to do this and the cardinal then said that he would give an answer within an hour, or even within half an hour. M. Nisard, however, insisted on an immediate reply and pleaded that the cardinal should answer "yes" or "no."

The latter said he was sorry that he was unable to comply with the ambassador's demands, and M. Nisard then said he would have to draw the conclusion that Cardinal Merry Del Val did not recognize the authenticity of the note as published.

Cardinal is Evasive. The cardinal returned that he had not said anything of the kind, to which M. Nisard replied that he had received the Minister Deservatore's reply that he declines to answer. To this the cardinal replied that on the contrary he had promised a written answer within an hour.

M. Nisard then withdrew, saying that he would write two hours later. Cardinal Merry Del Val then said to the ambassador, sent a communication to the embassy saying that he was at the ambassador's disposal and prepared to give an answer, but no reply to the communication was received.

On Saturday M. Nisard again visited the secretary of state and informed him that the instance upon a written form of his question had been interpreted as a desire to elude the subject and that therefore he had been instructed to leave Rome on vacation.

First, that Cardinal Merry Del Val not having given an answer, the recall of the ambassador was not justified; second, that the answer which the cardinal would have given within an hour would have been exhaustive and thoroughly satisfactory; and third, that the request of M. Nisard to be informed as to the contents of the notes sent to the other Catholic states was absolutely contrary to diplomatic usage and that there was no rule which obliged the papal government to send a collective note.

CHINESE DEMAND A FUGITIVE

Make Demonstration Which May Be Resisted by Portuguese.

HONG KONG, May 24.—Four Chinese gunboats and two torpedo boats destroyed recently arrived at Macao, the Portuguese settlement in Kwang Tung province, to support the demand of the viceroys of Canton for the extradition of a fugitive from Chinese justice.

The government of the Portuguese settlement is preparing to resist a landing by the Chinese.

Coolies for South Africa. LONDON, May 25.—The British steamer Tweedale sailed from here today for Durban, Natal, with 1,655 coolies. The coolies are going to South Africa to work in the Transvaal mines.

LINCOLN IS CONSIDERED

May Be Selected as Next Convention City for Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

LOS ANGELES, May 25.—The International Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers are interested in the selection of the place of the next biennial convention. The following named cities are being considered: Peoria, Ill., Columbus, O., Memphis, Tenn., Montgomery, Ala., Indianapolis, Ind., Cleveland, O., and Lincoln, Neb.

The women's auxiliary today took up the work of electing its grand officers. The following, all present incumbents, were chosen: Grand president, Mrs. W. A. Murdoch, Chicago; grand vice president, Mrs. D. M. Cassell, Columbus, O.; grand secretary, Mrs. Harry S. Clair, Loganport, Ind.

BROKEN RAIL WRECKS TRAIN

Fast Passenger Express on the Union Pacific Leaves the Tracks Near Hallville.

RAWLINS, Wyo., May 25.—Westbound Union Pacific train No. 1, known as the Overland Flyer, in charge of Conductor Kerwick and Engineer Robinson, was wrecked today near Hallville. The entire train left the rails, one car turning completely over. All the passengers were badly shaken up, but none was seriously injured. A broken rail caused the wreck.

STORM DESTROYS BUILDINGS

Union Pacific Station, Armory Building and Residences in Path of Tornado.

LINDSBORO, Kan., May 25.—A tornado this afternoon destroyed the Union Pacific station, the armory building and several residences. Assaria, Marquette and Falun, small towns near here, were founded by a cyclone.

VERDICT IN CONSPIRACY CASE

Jury Finds Tyrer and Barrett Not Guilty of Crime After Short Deliberation.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Within twenty-two minutes of the retirement of the jury in the case of James N. Tyrer and Harrison J. Barrett, tried on charges of conspiracy in connection with their duties of law officers of the postoffice department, a verdict of not guilty was returned. The through which filled the courtroom throughout the trial, the jury hardly had time to leave the building before the jury was back and the foreman announced that a verdict had been reached. General Tyrer, expecting a longer wait, had been wheeled from the room and his nephew and codefendant hastened to give an order which caused him to return.

General Tyrer appeared greatly excited as he attempted to face the jury, and when the verdict was returned he broke down completely. Several of the jurors went with him and all of them shook hands with him.

The Tyrer-Barrett case was begun on May 2 and has been before the court ninety full days. A great mass of testimony was offered. The prosecution brought forward an army of witnesses, a majority of whom were former officers of bond investment companies, through which Harrison J. Barrett, the junior defendant, was alleged to have profited after he left the postoffice department by practicing before his uncle, who remained in the department.

Major Holmes Conrad, special counsel for the prosecution, directed his efforts almost entirely to counteract any influence on the jurors' verdict which might result from sympathy for General Tyrer. He told the jury that it had no right to entertain sympathy for General Tyrer or the young wife of Mr. Barrett. Tyrer was a witness in the defendants' behalf.

In connection with the decision of the postoffice department to take steps to eliminate objectionable patent medicine and other objectionable advertisements from the newspapers, as announced some weeks ago, it was stated today that all these cases would be taken up individually on their merits. Each case will be considered carefully by the law officers of the department and when the cases are found to involve violations of the law governing such matters the American Newspaper Publishers' association will be notified.

That body, according to the present plan, is to notify all of its papers who are members of the organization that the advertisement is contrary to law. The papers that are not represented in the publishers' association will be notified directly. Papers which refuse to eliminate the objectionable matter will be excluded from the mails.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL

Nebraska Society at Washington Holds Meeting.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—The first meeting of the Nebraska association under its new president, Mr. William J. Denison, was held last evening. Addresses were made by Congressman McCarthy and Hendaw. Several new names were added to the membership, among them that of Congressman McCarthy.

The following will graduate in the department of law: Jurisprudence and diploma from Columbia university, May 21; Department of Law—Nebraskans: Bond Parker Geddes, son of W. M. Geddes, former mayor of Grand Island and now disbursing officer for the government board of the Louisiana Purchase exposition. Dan A. Albert Knapp, Ames, Iowa; James Ward, South Dakota; Oliver Clinton Carpenter, Robert S. Person, auditor for the interior department; James Garfield Stanley, Department of Jurisprudence and Diplomacy—Nebraskans: Howard Saxon, L.L. B., University of Nebraska; Ivan J. Paul, Victor Keyser, Albert Louska Thompson.

Rural carriers appointed: Nebraskans—Cedar Rapids, regular, Peter Johnson; substitute, Nathan R. Deaver, Syracuse, regular, John W. Holliday; substitute, Howard J. Smith, regular, Lester M. Ball; substitute, John F. Bell, Iowa; regular, Charles H. Anway; substitute, Andrew Dahl, Knoxville, regular, Floyd Southward, Parker Long, Simon J. McGinnis; substitute, Ray Brice, George W. Long, Stephen D. McGinnis, Lenox, regular, George Robinson; substitute, Fannie Robinson, Letta, regular, Harrie V. Crull; substitute, Frank L. Stump, Linden, regular, Ellwood S. Young; substitute, A. L. Gilmore, Linville, regular, George W. Lushbaugh; substitute, Joshua A. Kreider.

PRESIDENT BACK IN WASHINGTON

Returns from Groton After Participating in Exercises of School.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—President Roosevelt arrived here this forenoon from Groton, Mass., where yesterday he participated in the prize day exercises of the school at which two of his children are students.

Assistant Secretary Barnes was at the depot to meet the president and a large number of detectives and policemen were present, while there was a small crowd back of the gates. Miss Roosevelt greeted the president at the train and walked down the aisle of the train shed with him. She held her handkerchief, as usual, and was accompanied by Mrs. Waters of this city, left at 10:30 over the Pennsylvania railroad for St. Louis.

The president, in accordance with his invariable custom, stepped to the side of the engine car and grasping the hands of the engineer and fireman told them he was glad to see them. The president then drove to the White House.

WIND RUINS FRUIT CROP

Growers of California Suffer Large Loss Through Destruction of Prunes and Cherries.

SAN JOSE, Cal., May 25.—The fruit growers of the Santa Clara valley suffered an almost incalculable loss from high winds that at times blew almost a hurricane. The winds of the day destroyed more than one-half of the ripening cherry crop and one-third of that from 20,000,000 to 20,000,000 pounds of prunes are on the ground.

PANAMA SENDS FOR MONEY

Will Invest Nine Million Dollars in Securities of the United States.

NEW YORK, May 25.—Ricardo Arias and Dr. J. E. Morales, special commissioners appointed by Panama to receive \$9,000,000 on account of the canal commission, arrived here today. Mr. Arias said it was the purpose of the commission to invest the money in first mortgage bonds on New York or any other locality wherever obtainable.

WOMEN FINISH THEIR WORK

Election of Officers Only Important Event on the Day's Program.

NEBRASKA AMONG THE DIRECTORS

After Much Debate and Voting Down Many Motions Dues of Clubs Are Finally Decided Upon.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

ST. LOUIS, May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—While, owing to the late arrival of the ballots, only 50 ballots, less than half the voting strength of the convention, were cast, the large majority of delegations, most of them representing the incoming executive, Nebraska was given a board member by a vote of 403. The work of the Nebraska federation, as reported by its president this morning, warranted the recognition of the state received.

The election of Mrs. Ellen M. Hennott of Chicago as honorary president of the federation was accomplished this morning. As anticipated, however, the validity of her election is questioned by many, on the ground that it was not unanimous. Pennsylvania and many other delegations decline to endorse the motion, not through any objection to honoring Mrs. Hennott or eliminating Mrs. Lowe's name from the honor roll, but through disapproval of the method by which Mrs. Lowe's exclusion was accomplished, that of misreading the convention by an indirect method.

The sentiment of the convention was expressed in the passage of the resolutions against Mormonism and of a resolution from the legislative committee urging that each state federation study its state laws regarding divorce and alimony with a view to compiling a uniform divorce law for all states. The presence of Mormons in the Utah delegation is generally resented, and the attempt of Miss Reynolds of Utah, a Mormon, to uphold her church from the floor during the legislative session might have caused indignation and without an adjournment of the session by its chairman.

During a meeting of the Nebraska delegation this morning Mrs. W. E. Page was presented a replica of the general federation's Louisiana Purchase memorial as a token of esteem and appreciation of the delegation. It was decided that finances would be secured permitting Mrs. Nellie Kedzie Jones of Michigan to speak on the domestic education program of the Nebraska meeting next fall, also that Mrs. Decker, of the new national president, be entertained on that occasion.

Resolutions of appreciation were also passed upon the work of Mrs. Denison during her administration and a copy sent her together with an expression of esteem from the women of Nebraska.

Close of Session.

With the selection of the place for principal officers settled before the balloting yesterday afternoon and without any questions of unusual interest having been presented before the convention, the seventh biennial of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, which convened in the Odeon May 17, ended today, after one of the most harmonious conventions in the history of the organization.

The fact that there was no opposition to the candidacy of those seeking the most important offices in the federation tended to prevent the usual interest and excitement incident upon the closing sessions of a large conference of this kind.

Mrs. Dincol T. S. Denison, president, who will retire with the closing of this convention, called the last session to order. Following the report of the result of the election, the reports of presidents' of state federations were presented.

The result of the election of officers was as follows: President, Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker of Colorado; first vice president, Mrs. Philip N. Moore of St. Louis; second vice president, Mrs. May Alden Ward of Boston; recording secretary, Mrs. Mary Belle King Sherman of Illinois; corresponding secretary, Miss Louisa B. Poppenhelm of Charlotte, S. C.; treasurer, Mrs. Percy V. Pennypacker of Texas; auditor, Dr. Sarah H. Kendall of Washington.

Directors—Mrs. Joseph E. Cowie of California; Mrs. William T. Orr of Ohio, Mrs. Charles Yardley, Mrs. Lida P. Williams of Minnesota, Mrs. Belle M. Stutenborough of Nebraska, Mrs. Charles A. Perkins of Tennessee, Mrs. Mary T. Wood of New Hampshire, Mrs. E. L. Johnson of Rhode Island. After considerable debate and the voting down of several proposed plans of amendment it was decided to reappoint the annual dues as follows:

The annual dues of clubs of fewer than twenty-five members shall be \$2.00; of clubs having more than twenty-five members the dues shall be 50 cents per capita.

The previous question was moved and denied. Deputies elected an honorary president by a rising vote.

Mrs. Denison attempted to express her thanks and appreciation, but choked, and with tears in her eyes stood smiling upon the delegates, while they gave her the "Chauntiqua salute."

Mrs. Ellen M. Hennott of Chicago, who was president of the general federation in 1896 and 1898, was then elected an honorary president. The name of Mrs. Rebecca Douglas Lova, the president in 1900 and 1902, and formerly an honorary president, was not mentioned.

STRIKE SITUATION IS BETTER

Strikebreakers Work Day and Night to Move Freight at Mothaven.

NEW YORK, May 25.—The embargo on southbound freight at the Mothaven yards of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company, resulting from the strike of firemen on the river transfer boats yesterday, was being gradually lifted today and the officers of the company announced that they expected soon to have traffic moving without interruption. Seventy-five nonunion freight handlers who had been engaged to take the places of strikers had worked throughout the night and by today, it was said, had succeeded in bringing about some degree of order, although the congestion had been by no means entirely removed.

Along the East front there was practically no change from the conditions which obtained yesterday.

COMMITS CRIME TO HIDE LOSS

Sewing Machine Agent in Washington Charged with Forging Notes in Iowa.

EVERETT, Wash., May 25.—W. T. Allen, a sewing machine agent, is under arrest on account of the forgery of \$250,000 in notes. Mr. Allen is accused of forging notes to the amount of \$750. He conducted a music store at Oskaloosa. He says he dabbled in stocks and forged in order to make good his losses.

FOR KILLING OMAHA WOMEN

Norman Williams is Charged with Murdering Alma Nesbitt and Mother.

THE DALLES, Ore., May 25.—The trial of Norman Williams on a charge of murdering Alma Nesbitt near Hood River, Ore., four years ago, today a case which is probably the most peculiar in the criminal history of the Pacific northwest. On March 8, 1900, Alma Nesbitt and her mother, both from Omaha, Neb., were seen to get into a rig just at nightfall with Norman Williams at Hood River, Ore., to go to a homestead claim which Williams had induced Alma Nesbitt to locate upon some weeks previously. They disappeared in the darkness, the two women never to be seen again. On October 28, 1903, Williams was indicted at the instance of the government in the United States district court at Portland on a charge of forging the name of Alma Nesbitt to a homestead claim, which had the same claim for which the women and Williams had started on the night of March 8, 1900.

The Associated Press account of the indictment and an elusion to the almost forgotten disappearance of the two women was brought to the attention of George Nesbitt, the only brother, at Omaha, and he came to Oregon to search for his lost relatives. The mother and sister were not found, but evidence of their having met with foul play was discovered abundant enough to warrant the authorities to cause Williams' arrest on a charge of murder.

The man was arrested at Bellingham, Wash., February 9 and brought to this city to answer to the charge. A jury has been secured and the hearing of the case began today.

Wife's Death Mysterious.

Rumors have been in circulation about Omaha since the arrest of Williams in Oregon to the effect that his wife died here under very peculiar circumstances. For a long time Williams was in the employ of the Omaha Union. When he secured employment there he said he was the sole support of a mother who was totally blind. During all the time he worked for the firm no one connected with it ever saw or heard anything more of the blind mother, some months after he went to work Williams secured a leave of absence and went to Springfield, Mo., where he was married. He brought his wife to Omaha and she entered two lodges, insuring her life for \$3,000. In a few months the woman died and Williams secured the insurance money. He worked for a time after his wife's death, but as soon as he recovered he left the city and it is supposed went direct to Oregon.

About two months ago an Oregon detective appeared in Omaha and spent several days looking up Williams' record. It is supposed for some time before the detective he found Williams had at one time been in the penitentiary, and he also alleged he had information which led him to believe Williams had been the cause of the death of his wife in Iowa prior to his appearance in this city.

Several brothers of Alma Nesbitt worked for Johnson Bros. during the time that Williams was employed there.

TEN MINERS DIE IN A TUNNEL

Aphyzitized by Fumes of a Locomotive During Short Trip on Their Way Home.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 25.—A telegram received at the Susquehanna Coal company's office in this city this evening states that ten miners were suffocated by gas and sulphur fumes from a locomotive in the mines here at 1:15 p. m.

The mine is the property of the Wilkes-Barre Coal company, at Williams-town, Dauphin county. The dead:

MICHAEL GOLDEN, general inside foreman; GEORGE RAIDLE, master mechanic; JOHN KURNEY; JOSEPH KEENE; JOHN MORGAN; ALBERT PAU; ADAM SCOFFENHEIMER; JOHN FREDERICH; and FRANK SCHOCH.

The accident was one of the most peculiar in the history of the anthracite mines and no reason for it can be assigned by the officials. The victims include Michael Golden, general inside foreman of the company and nine miners and laborers.

The tunnel in which the disaster occurred is one mile in length and is used by the coal company to convey the coal mined in the workings in the Bear valley to the breaker in the Williams valley. The men employed in the Bear valley, who reside in Williams-town, have made a practice for years of riding to and from their work on the trips of cars that are hauled between the two valleys by small locomotives.

About 4 o'clock this afternoon General Golden and John F. White of Lower Merion, a committee appointed by the United Mine Workers of America to act as delegates to the convention, were admitted to the floor, but will not be allowed to vote.

No action was taken on the invitation to join the American Federation of Labor.

OHIO CONVICT GOES GUNNING

Kills One Penitentiary Guard, Seriously Injures Another and Then Commits Suicide.

COLUMBUS, O., May 25.—Frank Green, a convict at the Ohio penitentiary, is dead, Henry Gearhart, a guard, is dying, and Albert Hubler, another guard, is suffering severe injuries as the result of a tragedy at the prison today.

The shooting was all done by Green, who shot the guards, then committed suicide. Green was a desperate character, having been sent up for participation in a bank robbery.

No one knows the cause of the tragedy or where Green procured the revolver. The prisoner laid in wait for the men and without a word began to fire.

TORNADO DAMAGES PROPERTY

Wind and Hail Demolish Farm Buildings and Do Much Damage to Growing Crops.

GUTHRIE, Okl., May 25.—A tornado struck out two miles south of Guthrie late this afternoon, doing much damage to property, five farm houses and many outbuildings having been demolished. From the wind and hail the crops also suffered heavily, the growing wheat being blown and broken down. Stock suffered, but no lives have been lost.

INDIANA TRIAL IS CLOSING

Arguments Begin in Case Wherein Gillespie is Accused of Killing Sister.

RAISING SUN, Ind., May 25.—Long before Attorney McMullen began his argument in the Gillespie murder case today the court room was packed almost to suffocation, while crowds stood round the building hoping to gain entrance or to hear the speeches through the open doors and windows. Although the weather was sultry, the court will occupy the court room and hot to go to the laws, as has been suggested. The continuous excitement is being maintained on the trial by the fact that McMullen's friends say his hair is rapidly turning gray. James Gillespie is pale from his long confinement. Barbour and Mrs. Seward enter the final ordeal of their trial with considerable bravado.

OMAHA GETS HEADQUARTERS

Republican Committee Overrides Recommendation of Candidates.

H. T. LEHR OF ALBION THE NEW CHAIRMAN

A. V. Allen of Tecumseh is Secretary and A. H. Hennings Treasurer, with New Office of Vice Chairman Filled by C. H. Sloan.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Albion captured the location of the state republican headquarters at the meeting of the republican state committee here tonight, as a result of a sharp lineup of the committee members. Lincoln had its whole board of lobbyists out trying to create sentiment in its favor and managed to procure as recruits the candidates on the ticket, who attempted to influence the committee by a recommendation in favor of Lincoln, but in this they were turned down by a vote of 15 to 13, and one of the thirteen was handed to them by setting J. L. McPhee without even a proxy to represent an absent member from his district.

In the debate on the location of headquarters speeches were made in favor of Omaha by Lieutenant Governor McGilton, Victor Rosewater, Charles A. Robinson, R. Y. Appleby and one or two others, while Bud Lindsay and J. L. McPhee led the fight for Lincoln, assisted by C. F. Reavis and Byron Clark.

The candidate had been authorized by the state convention to recommend the chairman, secretary and treasurer, and of their own accord they added a vice chairman, naming for the places H. T. Lehr of Albion, chairman; C. H. Sloan of Geneva, secretary; A. V. Allen of Tecumseh, treasurer, the last two being re-elected.

The chairman was afterwards authorized to appoint an executive committee of eight members, one from each congressional district, and an additional member for the first and second districts, to be selected from Lincoln and Omaha, respectively. This last proviso was cleverly tackled on by Bud Lindsay, who was the only member from Lincoln, and this insured for himself a place on the executive committee.

It was brought out in debate that a deal had been proposed by the chairman that was to go to a North Platte man by the suppression of the Lancaster county candidates in consideration that Lincoln retain the headquarters, and the recommendations of the nominees seem to verify this. The committee's action in selecting Omaha in place of Lincoln spoiled the scheme. After the headquarters had been ordered removed to Omaha Secretary Allen resigned, giving as a reason that he could not attend to his duties as secretary to the governor and be in Omaha at the same time. His resignation was accepted by the committee, which instructed the nominees to make another selection. Mr. Allen was again chosen and agreed to serve. The office of vice chairman was created, such an office heretofore having been a part of the committee organization.

The headquarters will be located by the chairman and treasurer of the committee after a conference with the hotel men of Omaha. Rome Miller submitted a proposition which was referred to these officers.

With the exception of William Hayward of Nebraska City, E. G. Tuttle of Holdrege, L. H. Cheney of Stockdale and E. L. Myers of Newport, the entire committee was present.

Chairman Lindsay presided and with Secretary Allen was given a vote of thanks by the committee for the able manner in which each had done his duty. V. R. DENVER, Colo., May 25.—In the convention of the Western Federation of Miners today an invitation was extended to that body to become a part of the American Federation of Labor, in speeches by President W. D. Mahor of the Street Railway Employees' union, R. Cornelius of the Fireman's union of San Francisco and Max Morris, fifth vice president of the American Federation of Labor.

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ISLANDERS SAID TO HAVE RESUMED MOVEMENT ON RUSSIAN BASE.

RECENTLY, MAY 25.—According to the latest information obtainable, the Japanese have resumed their forward movement. Several columns are advancing, though the invading army is still near Feng Wang Cheng.

There are persistent reports of a bloody battle having taken place between the Japanese army advancing along the railroad from Pulantien, and the Russians, near Kin Chou, Liao Tung peninsula, resulting in the defeat of the Japanese with great loss.

Small parties of Japanese scouts have been seen northeast of Mukden at a considerable distance, but no important body of the enemy has been located in this vicinity.

JAPANESE ARE NORTH OF MUKDEN

Cossacks Said to Be Burning Villages of Koreans.

(Copyright by New York Herald Co., 1904) WONSON, May 24 (Via Seoul), May 25.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to the Bee.)—The Russians engaged Korean troops in two small skirmishes at Ham Heung. The Koreans, showing unusual spirit, succeeded in driving off the Russian forces. The Koreans advanced last night were said to be burning Korean villages, fired by Cossack scouting parties, who continue raids in this direction.

GIVES MONEY TO THE RED CROSS

Chinese Emperor Subscribes Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars.

(Copyright by New York Herald Co., 1904) PEKING, May 25.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to the Bee.)—The emperor, together with an imperial edict, dated May 24, subscribes 100,000 taels (\$75,000) to the Red Cross society.

NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Fair Thursday and Friday; Warmer Friday.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour, Deg. Hour, Deg. 8 a. m. 61 1 p. m. 60 6 p. m. 62 2 p. m. 61 9 p. m. 61 8 a. m. 62 4 p. m. 60 7 a. m. 61 3 p. m. 61 10 a. m. 59 6 p. m. 59 11 a. m. 59 7 p. m. 59 12 m. 59 9 p. m. 51

SUMMARY OF THE WAR NEWS

Japanese Advance From Feng Wang Cheng and Then Retire to the Towns Again.

(Copyright by New York Herald Co., 1904) NEW YORK, May 25.—(New York Herald Service—Special Telegram to the Bee.)—General Kouroupatkin, in a dispatch to the emperor, stated that the Japanese army has again taken up its advance from Feng Wang Cheng, where 40,000 troops had been concentrated, but a later message from Liao Yang, the Russian headquarters, reported the mikado's soldiers as again returning to the town.

Another furious bombardment of Port Arthur by Vice Admiral Togo was unofficially reported, while continued rumors of fierce land battles outside the fortress were sent from various dispatch points. From Wonson comes dispatches detailing the Russian movement in northern Korea. Cossacks clashed with Korean troops at Ham Heung and altogether the indications were that the Russian descent on that section was in the nature of an important strategic movement.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST DISEASE