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ference with Ambassador de Rosen. The intimation conveyed by his remarks was that publicity at this moment might imperil if not wreck entirely the negotiations pending.

It is quite evident from the trend of events today which made Oyster Bay for an hour the center of the peace proceedings that the Russian envoys now are in possession of information that Russia will not materially to concluding an agreement with the Japanese plenipotentiaries.

It would be futile to speculate as to the nature of this information or as to the character of the proposition the president submitted to Baron de Rosen. It can be said if the conference, after communicating with their governments are able to proceed with their labors next Tuesday without a rupture, it will be due to the final effort made today by President Roosevelt.

Depends Upon Roosevelt. PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 19.—All hope here that the peace negotiations may yet be saved from a break on Tuesday is fastened to the proposition which Baron de Rosen is bringing from President Roosevelt to M. Witte.

This proposition, it is understood, concerns only Russia. And, it is believed, will be accepted by M. Witte as soon as it shall have received the sanction of the emperor.

When M. Witte retired tonight he was ignorant of the nature of the proposition. All that he knew about it was the fact that at midnight the president was aroused by a message from the president, brought to him by Assistant Secretary Peirce, requesting that he send immediately to Oyster Bay Baron de Rosen or some other confidential agent of high rank to receive a message of the most confidential nature.

It is not expected that there will be a battle south of the Tumen. The Japanese army is confident and the weather is improving.

Weather Stops Operations. PEKING, Aug. 19.—While the Japanese and Russian peace plenipotentiaries have failed to arrange an armistice during their negotiations, the weather is enforcing an effective suspension of the military operations.

White's Brief Outing. M. Witte returned to the hotel tonight at 10 o'clock, after what he called a "day off," saying that for a long time he had not enjoyed so much and had not attained an equally magnificent country.

Russian Will Not Yield. ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 19.—(Special.) M. Witte refused absolutely to speak about the peace conference, the journey of Baron de Rosen to Oyster Bay and the probable result that may derive from it saying that today he needed a complete rest and therefore he abandoned himself absolutely to his sleep.

Good Food Tastes Good and Does Good. Try Grape-Nuts 10 days for a reason.

KANSAS CITY GETS MEETING

Town on the Kaw Captures Transmississippi Congress. HENRY S. CLARKE MAKES ADDRESS. Omaha Man Urges the Improvement of the Missouri River and Other Waterways.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 19.—Kansas City, Mo., was unanimously selected by the Transmississippi congress as the convention city for 1906.

John W. Noble of St. Louis, former secretary of the interior, addressed the Transmississippi congress today on "The Department of Commerce and Labor."

The congress adopted the report of the committee on permanent organization, which carried with it the endorsing of officers for the ensuing year. They include: President, David R. Francis, St. Louis; Secretary, Arthur P. Francis, Cripple Creek, Colo. (re-elected); and treasurer, H. B. Topping, Kansas City.

The committee on resolutions urging a strict enforcement against Chinese immigration was adopted after a spirited debate in which the California delegation protested that the resolution proposed to instruct President Roosevelt as to his duty, and that the whole matter, being of a political and social nature, was barred by the bylaws of the congress.

Address by Henry T. Clarke. Mr. Henry T. Clarke of Omaha, president of the Missouri River Improvement association, spoke of "The Duty of the General Government to Improve the Missouri River and Other Waterways and Ports."

He said in part: "This congress should take the initiative to make it necessary, a committee or commission composed of one representative or more for every important waterway improvement within the limits, and reaching across the border of the Mississippi, combine with the interests of the south and middle west in this all-important internal betterment. This important project must be accomplished through the national government. The first effort must be in providing for the ways and means for the improvement of the second must be for the proper direction and supervision of its expenditure, providing such safeguards as will insure the results will be obtained with no criticism for the past and must be guaranteed that the money appropriated will be properly expended and the work done under the most modern, effective and conservative methods. The improvement should be made upon the basis of a plan of the Panama canal. I should advocate the issuing of 2 per cent government bonds which bear a premium to the amount of at least \$200,000,000 for this work. Vast sums of money have been expended on our rivers and harbors, much of it to a disadvantage by reason of the limited and restricted nature of the project to the work to be accomplished. It is believed that the improvement upon a scale comprehensive enough to insure the permanent benefit of the nation may be accomplished. We may encounter opposition and the prejudice sometimes existing against the issue of government bonds is only one of the means of reaching the end desired and is but a part of the means of the past. The states and cities and local districts cannot accomplish the improvement. Therefore, it is along this line that we must make our appeal, make it as broad and national as the issue itself."

JUDGE SCORES ARMY OFFICERS. Dismisses Charges Against Two Men, but Holds Officers in Taggart Case.

WOOSTER, O., Aug. 19.—Judge Eaton rendered his decision today in regard to the motion filed yesterday to rule out the charges against the military officers named as co-respondents in the Taggart divorce case. Judge Eaton stated that he would dismiss the charges against Captain Rither and against Clinton Spencer of Chicago, but that he would not dismiss the charges against General Lewis H. Bush, lieutenant Colonel Fortesque, and William Taggart. In regard to the letters Judge Eaton stated that if half of the charges against Major Taggart were not disproved, Major Taggart would have been justified in writing almost any kind of letter to get out of prison.

He went at length into the other charges and severely scored Major Fortesque, Bush and William Taggart, stating that the evidence so far produced must be disproved or it was scaling.

The depositions of Lewis H. Bush and Lieutenant Fortesque, both of whom are named as co-respondents, were read today at the opening of the hearing for the defense. Both depositions were distinctly favorable to the plaintiff. Both also denied the charges against them as stated in Captain Taggart's petition.

WESTERN MATTERS AT CAPITAL. Barney B. Hill is Appointed Postmaster at Hough, in Dawes County, Neb.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—(Special.) Telegram.—Joseph F. Mark and L. Mark, substitute, route 1 were today appointed the rural carrier force at Attica, Ia.

The following vacancies have been filled in the rural carrier service: Iowa, Lake Mills, route 3; Iosco, Ia., route 1; Nebraska, Clay Center, route 2; Francis E. Dickson, carrier; John P. Cooney, substitute. South Dakota, Irene, route 4; C. Nelson, carrier; Hans T. Nielson, substitute.

The commissioner of the land office today instructed the land officials at Rapid City, S. D., to withdraw from entry \$500 acre in their district on account of the Belle Fourche irrigation project. The land thus withdrawn from entry is thus described: Section 21 and 22, township 8 N., range 4 E., section 1 and 4, township 8 N., range 4 E.

Postmaster appointed: Nebraska, Hough, Dawes county, Barney B. Hill, vice E. Kleiman, resigned.

TURKEY CALLS OUT TROOPS. Three Additional Battalions of Regulars Are to Be Sent to Macedonia.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 19.—Three additional battalions of regulars have been called out for service in Macedonia in consequence of the activity of revolutionary bands.

The collection of bombs recently unearthed in Smyrna is now alleged to have been intended for use by Armenians against the foreign consulates and banks. The Armenians, it is averred, planned the outrages for August 11, the anniversary of the sultan's accession, with the view to compelling the powers to intervene for their protection against the Turks.

FIRE RECORD. Factories in Delaware. WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 19.—The barrel factory of William E. Tuckton, on Christian avenue, South Wilmington, was destroyed by fire early today. The flames communicated with the sheet plate mill of the Diamond State Steel company and the residence of Mrs. Jane Gilmore. The entire loss is \$55,000.

French Designer in Omaha.

As every man who is acquainted in Omaha knows, Dresher, the Tailor, has always given entire satisfaction to his customers, who, by the way, are so numerous that if one has any acquaintances at all he must number one or more of his friends as patrons of Dresher's.

Now he has gone one step further by engaging Mr. A. H. Proud to be his head cutter and designer. Mr. Proud is late of Brooks Bros., New York, famous the country over for the class of trade they cater to, which is composed of such people as the Vanderbilts, Astors, etc.

Mr. Proud was desirous of living in the west and after long negotiations Mr. Dresher secured his services. He is the highest salaried designer west of Chicago. Mr. Proud was born in England and learned his profession in Paris, and to quote him is to say: "I cut and design as full dress, professional and as business clothes, as well as as livery and horse show clothes, or clothes for any occasion."

We are sure that Mr. Proud will be of great interest to you when you meet him, and he will follow the old saying, "A satisfied customer is the best promoter of a permanent trade."

YELLOW JACK UNDER CONTROL. High Water Mark of New Cases Was Reached One Week Ago—Decrease in Death Rate.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 19.—Official report of yellow fever to six p. m.:

New cases... 38. Deaths... 4. Total deaths to date... 193. New for the past 24 hours... 13. Total lost to date... 256. Cases under treatment... 603. This Saturday's record creates quite a contrast when compared with that of a week ago when 105 cases were reported. It has never reached that figure since, but it is believed now that the record will indicate that the patients under treatment are recovering more generally than heretofore.

There was no news of special importance from outside the city today, only two new points of infection being reported, one at Madisonville, La., and another at Kenner in Jefferson parish. The case at Madisonville is traced directly to New Orleans. Patterson reports seven new cases and no deaths.

No new cases developed at Barry, (Terre Haute) and at other points. Another case of yellow fever was reported at Kenner, La., at the other end of the Mississippi river. Dr. Gustine, health officer at Kenner, also reported that there were nine positive cases at Hanson City, which is three miles above Kenner. They are all Italians but one.

The board of health today telegraphed to Surgeon General Wyman: "Simply in the interest of fair play and honest dealing, and because merchants of this city are being outbid and their goods are being unsold, we ask you kindly to give detailed answers to the following questions: Is there any risk involved in outside points receiving goods shipped from New Orleans limited to the rules of your service and is it not a fact that goods of any kind per se cannot carry infection?"

Surgeon General Wyman answered: "Merchandise of any kind, per se, cannot carry infection of yellow fever. It must harbor mosquitoes to do so."

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 19.—Quite a scare has been caused in the vicinity by the report that a party of twelve Italians alleged to have evaded the yellow fever blockade at New Orleans, have arrived here. An immediate investigation by the authorities disclosed the fact that the Italians spent Wednesday in Pittsburg and Thursday at the home of a countryman on Ann street, Homestead, and later had departed for New York. The health department quickly fumigated the Ann street house and will maintain a strict quarantine for several days.

METHODISTS SHIP MANY BOOKS. Largest Consignment of Religious Publications Goes from Cincinnati House to Chicago.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 19.—The largest shipment of a religious publication ever made, according to the book publishers, was made today by a party of twelve Methodists, who shipped to Chicago 21,800 copies, the first consignment of the new Methodist hymnal, to the branch house in Chicago.

The new hymnal is the only one on which the Methodist churches, North and South, have united since 1848. The book contains 717 hymns and 600 pages.

HYMENEAL. Donaldson-Cheyney.

The marriage of Miss Annetta Cheyney to Mr. William Henry Donaldson of Philadelphia, Pa., took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Cheyney, at Glenwood, Ia., Wednesday evening, August 17. Rev. A. H. Weaver of the First Baptist church officiated. The bride was attired in white crepe-de-chene over white tulle, and carried a shower of bride's roses. Miss May Vandort of Omaha acted as bridesmaid and wore white and carried carnations. The little ring-bearer was Miss Lucille, who wore Philadelphia, a niece of the groom. Mr. James Donaldson of Philadelphia acted as best man. The house was decorated in cut flowers and ferns. After refreshments were served the couple left for Omaha, where they will reside. The happy couple are away on a tour of the east.

McConkie-Haley. DUNLAP, Ia., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—The marriage of Ernest C. McConkie and Alice Haley recently occurred here at the home of Mrs. E. E. Gorham, Rev. R. D. Douglas officiating.

Laramie Moves for Good Roads. LARAMIE, Wyo., Aug. 19.—Wellington E. Loucks, organizer of the National Good Roads association, held an important meeting in Laramie yesterday with an enthusiastic gathering of prominent citizens, and it was decided to hold a good roads convention in Laramie next Thursday to organize Albany county for good roads. The invitation was made by W. H. Moore, president of the National Good Roads association, to bring his experts here in the special car which has been touring Colorado, was hearty and unanimous. The various committees necessary to arrange for the convention were appointed and a large attendance is expected. The highway has splendid road material, which, if used scientifically, will give a fine system of heavy traffic roads. The Laramie Commercial club is back of this movement, and will have charge of all the arrangements of the convention. Mr. Loucks will visit other points in Wyoming, with a view to accident here this afternoon. The injured man is recovering.

Strange Adventure. In auto ed to painful accident, but Buckle's Arnica Salve quickly healed all wounds. 25 cents; guaranteed. For sale by Sherman & McConnell Drug Co.

AUTOCRACY IS PRESERVED. Czar Has Complete Power Over the Representative Assembly of Russia.

OFFICIALS ARE BARRED FROM MEMBERSHIP. Meetings of Body Not Open to Public, but Press Representatives May Be Admitted by President.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 19.—The text of the document constituting a Russian Parliament discloses many points of special interest to foreigners enjoying constitutional government. Safeguards for the maintenance of the autocratic power of the emperor are actually included in the course of the lengthy document. Although the members are to be elected for a five-year term, paragraph 13 provides that the Duma "can be dissolved by the emperor before the expiration of the term of five years and new elections ordered by imperial ukase."

Paragraph 14 sets forth that the length of the sessions of the Duma and its adjournments during the year shall be determined by the emperor. Paragraph 15 provides that the president of the Duma shall report to the emperor. Other paragraphs provide that in case of dispute between the cabinet ministers and the Duma in regard to bills the emperor shall have the final word as to the disposition thereof.

Obligation of the Members. The obligation to be taken by the members is as follows: "The members of the Duma shall be bound to perform their duties to the best of their knowledge and ability, in all respects, and with a view to the welfare of the Russian empire."

Members of the Duma can only be deprived of their liberty or limited therein by order of the judicial power, and they may not be arrested or detained. Their payment is provided for at the rate of 10 roubles (about \$5) per day during the session, and members will receive for traveling expenses 5 kopecks per verst twice yearly and from St. Petersburg.

The usual procedure is made for the removal or suspension of disorderly members and for holding executive sessions. Paragraph 18 declares the public from admission to either the general or sectional sessions, but gives the president of the Duma the right to admit representatives of the press to open sessions. Another clause provides for the preparation by sworn stenographers of reports of all sittings of the general session of the Duma with the exception of the executive sessions. These reports may be made public with the approval of the president of the Duma.

The electoral scheme debar governors, vice governors, police prefects and their subordinates from the voting places in the districts where they exercise their functions. The elections will be held under the general supervision of the minister of the interior, governors and police prefects, while each electoral ward in the principal cities will have an electoral commission consisting of a president and two members chosen by the mayor from among the possessors of the franchise. Civil functionaries may not be elected to the Duma unless they resign their posts, nor may anyone be elected who is not acquainted with the Russian language.

In the imperial ukase ordering the ruling senate to promulgate his manifesto for the creation of the assembly, the emperor rescinds the ukase of March 3, as he considers that all questions relating to the perfecting of the system of government are to be submitted to the assembly. This decision was emphasized by General Durnovo, governor-general of Moscow, yesterday at his reception which was attended by members of the senate.

The governor-general informed them that in view of reforms now granted all privileges accorded by the previous ukase had lapsed, that private conferences would be no longer necessary and that he would not permit in Moscow private meetings of senators from any of the provinces of constitutional questions.

Considering Special Districts. The emperor lost no time in starting an investigation into the best manner of securing representation in the national assembly of Poland and other districts not included in the manifesto, which refers to them as "some regions wherein special conditions obtain." An imperial decree issued this morning appoints a commission under the presidency of Count Solmsky, president of the economic department of the ministry of the interior, to discuss the procedure to be followed in elections for the Duma in Poland, the Ural and Turgai districts, Siberia, Turkestan, the Caucasus and among the nomadic tribes.

The commission is also instructed to arrange for the revision of the estimates of the different ministries and the state budget, as well as the grant of credits not provided for by the Duma regulations. All questions arising from the establishment of the Duma are to be settled as expeditiously as possible.

Disaffiliation in Poland. WARSAW, Aug. 19.—The promulgation today of the plan for a national assembly which overlooks the rights of the Poles caused a bad impression here and a general strike which is to begin Monday, it is feared, will be made the occasion for violent excesses.

BURGLARS AT WALNUT HILL. Dr. Mercer's House Ransacked and Another Residence Disturbed on Friday Night.

The epidemic of burglaries which started in the Walnut Hill district several weeks ago continues with unabated regularity. A burglar broke into the residence of Dr. S. D. Mercer, 329 Cuming street, and ransacked the house from top to bottom, although so far no valuables have been missed.

The man gained entrance through the back door, unlocked the door of the house, this being the only one of the premises which was unlocked, raised the screen and went to the dining room where he ransacked the drawers of all the furniture. He then made his way to the linen closet, which adjoin the dining room, and literary tore things to pieces, but took nothing. The thief then went up stairs in Dr. Mercer's sleeping room and took possession of his trousers which were hanging on a hook near the door. He took the trousers down stairs with him and left them lying on the floor in the hallway, securing only a couple of dollars in silver. This is all that the thief took away with him.

A few nights ago a burglar attempted to break into the residence of H. A. Thompson, 104 North Thirty-ninth street, by prying the rear door open, but Mr. Thompson's dog heard the noise and began barking so loudly that the thief was frightened away before he gained entrance. The burglar attempted to silence the dog by leaving by putting a handkerchief saturated with chloroform in his nose, but the occupants of the house heard the disturbance and the man was frightened away.

DEATH RECORD. Aged Hamburg Citizen Dies.

HAMBURG, Ia., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—Crosby Stoner, proprietor of the Stoner Drug company, died here today after a short illness. The cause of his death was abscess of the liver. Mr. Stoner was 58 years old. He was born in this section and has always lived here. He leaves a wife and three children.

GREAT NORTHERN SLASHING. Reduction on Grain Announced from All Points East of Idaho.

OTHER ROADS MEET REDUCTION. Railway Official Says Move Means Saving of Over Two Million Dollars to Farmers of the Northwest.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 19.—Just as the movement of the grain crop is about to begin the Great Northern railroad today announced a sweeping reduction in grain rates throughout its eastern territory, extending to the boundary of Montana. Three weeks ago the road made important reductions in the western section. The new rates, it is claimed, will add millions to the potential resources of the farmers of the northwest. The reduction is not made, it is claimed, in pursuance of any pressure, but as a voluntary act and, in the words of an official, "a profit-sharing policy of the road between the railroad and the tillers of the soil of the northwest that has been fundamental in the management of the Great Northern."

This reduction of rates ranges from 5 cents per 100 from the most distant points to 4 cent from points nearest the Twin Cities and the heads of navigation on the Great Lakes. From Williston, N. D., distant from the head of the Great Lakes 618 miles, the reduction is 5 cents per 100. On the Grandview branch, the Tower branch, the line from Roseau, Minn., to Minneapolis from York to Thoreau, the Lakota branch to Barles, the rates are cut 2 cents per 100. This covers an immense stretch of country, much of it recently brought under cultivation in North Dakota.

From Minot, N. D., to the head of the lakes, from Grand Forks, Fargo and Hillsboro, N. D., on the Hanna line, running north from Larimore, the Neche line and the St. Vincent line, the reduction is 2 cents per 100. On the St. John's line, running from Chicago, Perry, and Minot, the rate is 24 cents, and from Larimore it is 14 cents per 100.

South Dakota Benefited. Similarly in South Dakota, there is a reduction of 4 cents per hundred from Huron; 2 cents from Aberdeen and Yankton and corresponding reductions from other points in the same territory. In Minnesota, the new rates show similar concessions. A prominent railroad official said: "The meaning of these reductions to the farmers of the northwest is something more than the winning of a battle or the signing of some advantageous commercial treaty. It affects the entire grain-product of the northwest for the same years and must be met by every other line doing business in the same territory and tributary to it. You cannot tell how far a movement like this will reach. It will mean a saving on more than 200,000,000 bushels to the ordinary farmer. This means a saving of \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 that will remain in the pockets of the farmer, of which the Great Northern will contribute at least one-half."

"This movement is not only voluntary but the revenue thus remitted cannot be made good from any other source. There can be and is no increase of rates to make up for the concession. Moreover, it was made in the face of the fact that in three years that have elapsed since the last reduction of rates was made, the pay of employees in the various departments of the system has been materially advanced, adding that much to the cost of operation."

DEATH KNELL OF AUTO RACING. Such in Opinion of Many is What Large Number of Accidents Means.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 19.—Webb Jay was so seriously injured in the ten-mile automobile race at Kenilworth, N. J., yesterday, continued to improve today. While he is not out of danger, every hour of improvement will help him to fight the crisis when it comes. Pneumonia and pleurisy have not yet set in, as was anticipated, and his punctured lung is not so badly injured as was thought. Jay was partially conscious at times today, but he did not recognize his wife and little boy at his side.

Many leading officials in automobile racing, including Buffalo, N. Y., officials, locally a unit in declaring the accident to Jay following so closely on others of a similar character, has sounded the death knell to automobile racing on circular tracks.

William H. Hotchkiss, former president of the Buffalo Automobile club, said: "There will never be another automobile race in Buffalo or vicinity if I can enlist the power of the supreme court of New York to prevent it. I shall hereafter devote the holding of any such events, both as a lawyer and an enthusiastic automobilist."

D. H. Lewis, secretary of the Buffalo Automobile club and manager of the present meeting, said that notwithstanding the statement made by former President Hotchkiss, racing would be continued today. Barney Oldfield has volunteered to finish Jay's race and if he can win to turn over the prize money to the injured man.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 19.—Earl Kiser, the automobile racer, who lies in a hospital here recovering from an injury that cost him his left leg, stated today that he will give up racing. The accident to Webb Jay at Buffalo made a profound impression on Kiser and led him to make this decision.

WHAT LAKE MANAWA OFFERS. Music and Other Free Features at the Beautiful Bathing Resort Today.

Oper at Lake Manawa for today and for the ensuing week as usual a varied list of high entertainers is promised. Covalt's concert band will render a change of program including selections from the works of the best known composers of classical and popular music. At each concert during the week some one of the solo artists will perform. Another musical feature will be the singing of "Just Plain Folk" and "Mid the Orange Trees" and "The Blue Bird" and "The New Sleepers on the Deadwood Line" and "The Strenuous Life or Anti-Race Suicide." Instead of a high dive "Dare Devil" Fackler will perform a slide for life suspended by his teeth. Prof. Fackler will make a balloon ascension and parachute jump. Base ball and the numerous regularly established pastimes in the park will add to the variety of amusements. Bathing and boating are still the best attractions at the lake.

NO CHANGE IN GRAIN RATES. Cut Made by All Roads Except Northwestern Remains, but Not Generally Effective.

No change was manifest as the grain rate situation Saturday, all of the roads making the rate of 14 cents except the Northwest and it is thought this road also will join in, although the local offers have received no advice on the matter. The Illinois Central, Burlington, Milwaukee and Missouri Pacific have announced a slight rate effective Saturday and the Great Northern. This cut will be quite an item in the moving of the immense volume of grain which has been grown on the broad fields of Nebraska this year.

AFTER 52 YEARS. Of success in curing Stomach, Liver and Bowel troubles, you ought not have a doubt as to the ability of the Bitters to cure you. Then why delay, and thus prolong your suffering and make a cure so much harder?

Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Has proven its worth so many times that we do not hesitate in saying that it will cure you, too. Try it today. For Sick Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, Biliousness, Dyspepsia or Malarial Fever it is excellent. Weak women are also strengthened by using the Bitters each month.