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SEA LEVEL OR LOCKS

Consulting Engineers of Panama Canal Hold First Meeting.

SPECIALISTS FROM TWO CONTINENTS

Board is Composed of Men Foremost in Their Profession.

WILL DECIDE AS TO TYPE OF WATERWAY

All Physical Data Regarding Isthmus Laid Before Them.

FINANCING IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW

President Will Go Over the Report and Send It to Congress for Final Action of that Body.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—A notable board of distinguished engineers assembled in Washington today on the request of President Roosevelt to discuss the relative feasibility of a sea level or a lock canal in the division of the American continent at the Isthmus of Panama.

The letter in part says: In accordance with the directions of the president dated April 1, 1905, the Isthmian canal commission has been organized.

Mr. Shonts, after enumerating the documents presented calls attention to that portion of the act of congress which prescribes the physical features of the project.

By executive order made last June the board is thus constituted: General George W. Davis, Alfred Noble, William Barclay Parsons, William H. Burr, General Henry L. Abbott, Frederic P. Stearns, Joseph H. B. Stewart, all American engineers; Henry Hunter, nominated by the British government; Herr Eugene Tincauer, nominated by the German government; M. Guérard, nominated by the French government; M. Queneau, consulting engineer, Belgium; and Dr. W. W. Walker, nominated by the government of the Netherlands.

The decision of the board will not be final, but will be made to the Isthmian Canal commission, which will submit its own judgment in a report and recommendations to the president.

The board of consulting engineers will not have referred to it detailed questions of engineering connected with the construction of the canal, after the type has been determined.

The executive work of the Isthmian Canal commission has been much simplified by the retirement of Mr. Wallace as chief engineer. Previous to that time the duties of the chief engineer and executive body were distributed between Chairman Shonts, Chief Engineer Wallace and Governor Magoon.

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NEGOTIATIONS AT KARLSTAD

Commissioners May Take Months to Arrange the Terms for Separation.

KARLSTAD, Sweden, Sept. 1.—The Swedish and Norwegian commissioners appointed to consider the dissolution of the union of Sweden and Norway, who assembled here yesterday afternoon, were again here this morning and this afternoon.

The commissioners are expected to meet for the day at 5:30 p. m. It was expected that the negotiations would not far advance to admit of an official statement.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Sept. 1.—The Dagblad this afternoon received a telegram from Christiania saying that immediately after the morning session of the commissioners at Karlstad a high Christiania authority received information from Karlstad that negotiations might last for weeks and perhaps for months.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 1.—It is expected that the negotiations between Norway and Sweden will soon result in a full agreement on the subject of the dissolution of the union of the two kingdoms.

GENERAL CHAFFEE IN PARIS

Commander of the United States Army Will Visit Maneuvers at Chalons Next Week.

PARIS, Sept. 1.—Lieutenant General Adna R. Chaffee, accompanied by his aides-de-camp and family, arrived from Waterloo today and was met at the railroad station by officials of the American embassy and the French army, who were detailed by the ministry of war for duty on his personal staff.

General Chaffee and his party will be the guests of General Brugere, director of the military school of Chalons, during the time General Brugere will officiate. He will attain the age limit in June, 1906.

The eastern maneuvers this year have particular importance. Over 100,000 men and 20,000 horses will be engaged. This force is divided into two armies, the first under General Hagron, comprising two army corps and two divisions of cavalry.

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FATAL WRECK IN ENGLAND

Express Crashes into Station and Ten Are Killed and Many Injured.

WITHAM, England, Sept. 1.—As the express from London to Cromer on the Great Eastern railway was entering Witham station this morning several passenger cars left the track and crashed into the station buildings, causing the death of ten persons, six of whom were women, and seriously injuring twenty people.

He was crushed to death. Two ticket sellers were buried in the wreckage, but they escaped serious injury. The gasometers beneath the cars caught fire and continued to burn for some time.

LICK EXPEDITION IS UNLUCKY

Heavy Clouds Prevent Observation of Eclipse by Party Sent to Labrador.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Sept. 1.—The Lick astronomical expedition, which went to Cartwright, Labrador, to observe the solar eclipse of Wednesday last, met with complete failure.

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CRISIS IN FEVER PASSED

Number of New Cases Below Forty for First Time on Week Day.

COUNTRY INFECTION SOURCE OF DANGER

Two Doctors of the Marine Hospital and a Priest Reported Ill—Children Quarantined at St. Louis.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 1.—Report of fever situation at 6 p. m.: New cases reported today, 29. Total cases reported, 1,938. Deaths, 4. For the first time in several weeks, the number of new cases each week has been below forty, which is regarded as cumulative evidence of the steady improvement in the local situation.

Two More Doctors Stricken. Two doctors of the marine hospital service were reported ill today. Passed Assistant Surgeon Donald Currie, however, is not suffering with yellow fever, but with appendicitis.

Children Quarantined at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Sept. 1.—Two children, Frank and Gertrude Whipple, aged respectively 11 and 9 years, who returned home today from a visit to Vicksburg, Miss., but had no health certificates, were taken in charge by officers today with the intention of putting them on board the quarantine steamer Kennedy, but they slipped to the extent of a dispensary and eluded their captors.

Quarantine at Pensacola. WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Captain Robert M. Barry, commander of the naval station at Pensacola, Fla., informed the Navy department today that four cases of yellow fever in that city and because of that fact he recommended the establishment of a quarantine at the naval station against the city and a discontinuance of the work in the city.

Plans for Palace of Peace. Carnegie Foundation Offers Five Prizes to Architects for Best Drawings.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—About \$100,000 in prizes and the honor of being one of the five architects who plan the peace palace for the use of the permanent court of arbitration at The Hague, is today offered to the architects of all nations in a prospectus issued by the Carnegie foundation.

Bank to Handle Much Money. New San Francisco Institution Will Act as Financial Agent for Goulds.

ST. FRANCISCO, Sept. 1.—The Examiner says today that it is authoritatively announced that during the two years, or two years and a half, the Western Pacific building being constructed in this city, will be between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 in amount.

Strike in New York City. Work on Hundred Buildings Tied Up by Walkout of Sheet Metal Workers.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Work on nearly 100 buildings in process of construction throughout the borough of Manhattan was stopped today among 3,500 members of the Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' union.

Red, White and Blue Flower. New National Blossom Produced by Hybridizing Chrysanthemums and Asters.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—Joseph Frey, head gardener at Lincoln park, is seeking to give the country a national flower in the form of a chrysanthemum plant which will grow red, white and blue blossoms on the same stalk.

Tilden Succeeds McLean. Chicago Banker is Elected President of the National Packing Company.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—Edward Tilden, for years prominent in packing and banking circles, was today elected president of the National Packing company to succeed the late Samuel McLean, Jr.

DAMAGES FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY

Railroad and Indian Inspector Agree on Amount Due to the Indians.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—The commissioner of Indian Affairs has received a preliminary report from Special Agent Frank M. Conroy, who was sent to Nebraska to consult with officials of the Sioux City & Western railroad to determine the amount of damage which should be paid to the Omaha and Winnebago Indians, growing out of the construction of eighteen miles of road through their reservation.

Little Fear of an Epidemic. Legal and Medical Machinery of the German Empire is Now Working Under Full Pressure.

BERLIN, Sept. 1.—Forty-three cases of cholera in all have been reported. Nine persons have died from the disease, and many suspicious cases are under observation. The legal and medical machinery for dealing with this invasion of Asiatic bacillus is now working at full pressure.

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Printers' Strike May Spread. Question of Calling Out Men in Other Cities Under Consideration at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—The spread of the job printers' strike to other cities is a possibility which the officers of James Lynch of the International Typographical union tomorrow. In a conference here President Lynch will talk over the situation as it applies to Chicago and the whole country with President Wright, J. C. Hardington, secretary of the union.

Visitors Crowd Denver. Grand Army Boys and Their Friends Pouring into Colorado's Capital.

DENVER, Sept. 1.—Thousands of visitors attracted by the thirty-ninth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be here today. The city is crowded with visitors and the streets tonight presented an animated appearance.

Moyer Murderers Convicted. Frank Weakley and Tom Sherman of Independence, Mo., Found Guilty of Homicide at Detroit.

DETROIT, Sept. 1.—Frank Weakley, alias Harry Parker, and Tom Sherman, alias Harry Johnson of Independence, Mo., were this afternoon found guilty of murdering Pawbroker Joseph Moyer in his shop here yesterday. They were sentenced to life imprisonment.

Marine Hospital on Lookout. WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—The officers of the public health and marine hospital service are not apprehensive over the outbreak of cholera in Prussia. They say that in the past the German authorities have generally been able to control such epidemics and express confidence that they will do so in the present instance.

Severe Storm in Chicago. Rainfall of Two Inches Accompanied by Forty-Mile Gale Does Considerable Damage.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—The most severe storm of the year raged for two hours this evening. The wind at times blew forty miles an hour and nearly two inches of rain fell. In the business section of the city a number of signs and awnings were torn loose and some windows blown in.

No Cases of Cholera in Russia. ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 1.—An official communication was issued August 25, saying that there had been no case of cholera in the Russian empire since May 4. An official communication dated August 25 says: "Two cases of cholera were discovered in April on a raft descending the Volga river. One of the men died before the raft reached Culin, where the raft was disintegrated and the cabin in which the sick men lived was burned. The others on the raft, numbering twenty-five, were thoroughly examined and isolated."

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Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. 6 a. m. 70 2 p. m. 81 7 a. m. 70 3 p. m. 81 8 a. m. 68 4 p. m. 79 9 a. m. 69 5 p. m. 79 10 a. m. 71 6 p. m. 75 11 a. m. 70 7 p. m. 75 12 m. 70 8 p. m. 75

SQUABBLE OVER MUSICIANS. Row Among Chicago Labor Unions Will Interfere Greatly with Monday's Parade.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—Prospects for holding a successful Labor Day parade received another blow today, when the union musicians informed the Chicago Federation of Labor that they would withdraw from the line of march rather than play with men who were uniformed other than those adopted by the Chicago Federation of Musicians.

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