

SUGAR IS ABOUT ALL MADE

Campaign of Grand Island Factory One of Longest in Its History. MOST OF THE BEETS SHIPPED IN BY RAIL.

Unless More Are Raised in Vicinity of Factory Fears Are Expressed it Will Be Discontinued Ultimately.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The longest history of the local plant of the American Beet Sugar company is about to draw to a close. The factory has now been in operation on the 1906 crop of beets for 131 days, while the average run will not be much over 100 days. Over 5,000 acres of beets were contracted for and the tonnage and quality of beets has been good—above the average. A fine product of sugar is being turned out, and, especially considering all the disadvantages the management has been under, the "campaign" has been a very favorable one.

BEATRICE—The Farmers' institute at Winnebago closed Saturday afternoon after a successful run of two days. PLATTSBOUTH—This was the coldest morning of the season, the mercury registering below.

BEATRICE—The Gage County Teachers' union closed Saturday afternoon, at which an interesting program was given. FIFTY teachers were present.

BEATRICE—The Otis Elevator company, carpenter, has purchased a building on the corner of 10th and Broadway streets and will operate it in the future in connection with the plant here.

BEATRICE—The funeral services for the late Mrs. Amelia Osborn were held Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of Rev. W. G. Brown.

BEATRICE—The Board of Supervisors has let the contract for printing and stationery to Millburn & Scott of this city.

BEATRICE—The Engineer Johnson, who was killed on the Atlantic Coast line last week, was not Engineer Frank H. Johnson, son of Captain J. W. Johnson of this city, who was an engineer for the Burlington for many years before going to Florida, where he holds a similar position, but is not pulling a passenger train.

SAY THEY WON'T TREAT, BUT...

Washington—An anti-treating society was organized in Washington on New Year's day. The original members formed rather a small group, but now the outfit has become so formidable in numbers that the accounts of skillful evasions of the basic principle of the outfit are being whispered about. Two or three prominent congressmen are under suspicion.

POSTAL LAW REPORT

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Counting combined of the individual pieces of third, fourth and second-class matter, according to its natural subdivision in such matter as to show not merely the average weight of a piece of such matter, but the average weight of the individual pieces according to the classification in respect to character and method of handling; the ascertainment of the average haul of all classes of matter under each subdivision of classes and the ascertainment of the average load of railway postoffice cars, as well as the average load of storage cars.

Continuing, the report says: "This commission is in accord with the views of the postmaster general that the whole business system of the postal service should be examined and overhauled by a commission of experts and technicians secured from the ranks of those professions outside the department. It is in submission that this examination can best be made through the agency of congress. The commission realizes that this is a task of great magnitude, and that it cannot be forgotten that great interests are at stake. It involves, first of all, the expenditure of over \$100,000,000 of the people's money. It will shortly involve even more than that, for at this rate at least \$200,000,000 of the people's money will be expended before the annual expenditure of \$200,000,000 of the people's money is reached. It is not a temporary or provisional one. It is an attempt to get into the very heart of the postal service organized once for all on an economic and administrative basis. It involves the reorganization of the postal service in the way in which the burden of that tremendous service is to be adjusted between the various classes and elements of the immense public which makes use of it.

Defects in Present Law. The commission points out that there are four cardinal defects in the present system of charges for second class matter, as follows: 1. The difference between the second class rate and the next higher rate, the third class, is too great. In other words, the second class rate is too low. 2. Wholly dissimilar services are performed for the same rate. Substantially similar services are charged at different rates. 3. Concerning the first defect the commission says: "The mere fact that the next higher rate, that for printed matter, is so much greater than the periodical rate, creates an irresistible temptation to give all printed matter the periodical rate, inasmuch as quantities of printed matter are put up in periodical form for the bald purpose of accomplishing its distribution at the cent-a-pound rate. It is pointed out that this abnormal proportion does not exist outside of the United States and Canada.

NEBRASKA FROM DAY TO DAY

Qualit and Curious Features of Life in a Rapidly Growing State. Chances for Cupid—W. R. Bowman has some woefully pretty valentines in—Hay Springs correspondent, Rushville Recorder.

Expert Opinion Wanted—Can anybody answer the question: Why is the picture on a woman's knee always rough?—Silver Creek Band.

Reports of railroad building in Nebraska indicate that managers have less fear of unfriendly laws than remarks of press agents would indicate.

No Ceremony Forgotten—The party of young people who went out for a delightful Monday night had a general break-down in the south part of town. The whole party was dumped promiscuously into a large snow drift and after the usual ceremonies on such occasions wended their way home on foot.—Nelson Gazette.

Fatal Fight for Water. MEL PASO, Tex., Jan. 27.—In a fight for water on the Arizona desert Friday one man was killed and another seriously injured. The water hole with its slender supply of what in that barren region, was priceless. It was killed by a man named Despain, brothers nearly perishing for water, came upon the water hole twenty-five miles from the original party. The named Jones had taken possession of it and forbade the prospectors to drink there. The desert was a fine one. A fight began when the prospectors, James and dead and William Despain, a party wounded.

STRIKES AT THE PATRONAGE

Abolition of Pension Agencies Stirred; Number of Congressmen. FOUR HUNDRED CLERKS ARE INVOLVED. Total Pension Payment Since the Close of the Revolutionary War—Amount to Three and a Half Billion.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Unless the senate amend the pension appropriation bill by restoring the appropriation for pension agencies every one of the eighteen agencies now in existence will be wiped out except the one in Washington. The agencies are located in Augusta, Me., Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Columbus, Conn., Des Moines, Detroit, Indianapolis, Knoxville, Louisville, Milwaukee, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Topeka and Washington. The committee on appropriations in preparing the pension appropriation bill decided to reduce the number of agencies to nine, as it was shown that this could be done without injury to the interests of the pensioners or the government. But the threatened loss of patronage created a great howl, and Mr. Daisell of Pennsylvania, who represents the Pittsburgh district, announced that if Pittsburgh was deprived of the agencies he would make a fight to have them all wiped out. He carried out his threat and the house struck out seventeen of the eighteen. Now, if the action of the house is endorsed by the senate, the government will save the salaries of seventeen pension agents at \$5,000 each, or a total of \$850,000, and of four hundred clerks at an average annual salary of \$1,000 each, or in round figures \$400,000. The number of clerks employed in each of the eighteen agencies is: Topeka, 30; Columbus, O., 33; Chicago, 32; Knoxville, 28; Indianapolis, 33; Boston, 26; Philadelphia, 27; Buffalo, 21; San Francisco, 20; Detroit, 20; Louisville, 14; Concord, 10. The number of employees now required is 434, at an annual cost of \$435,000.

The number of pensions paid at the different agencies is: Topeka, 11,577; Chicago, 78,894; Knoxville, 6,246; Indianapolis, 6,248; Columbus, 9,985; Boston, 59,973; Philadelphia, 59,235; New York, 55,632; Washington, 54,177; Des Moines, 53,561; Milwaukee, 49,000; Pittsburgh, 45,944; Buffalo, 43,813; San Francisco, 43,514; Detroit, 41,308; Louisville, 27,544; Augusta, 17,722; Concord, 14,523. It is proposed to transfer about 350 clerks from the different agencies to Washington; and it is the opinion of the commission of pensions that the change will not delay the payment of pensions east of the Mississippi more than twenty-four hours and it is estimated that 40 cents will all we saw you put on the bar in payment for the two drinks?"

So the one drink—for my own drink—practically permit me to insist that I disbursed the 40 cents exclusively for my own drink," replied the representative. "I defy any man here present to prove that I didn't pay out that 40 cents for my own drink and not for two drinks."

So the representative who gave his architect friend the absent treatment, as it had been called, won out, but the anti-treaters are now engaged in endeavoring to find some method of flagging that absent treatment system, which they fear may endanger the existence of the order if it is not abolished in some way. During pension payments, on an average, 14,000 pensioners are paid each day at the larger agencies, such as Topeka. In this connection the committee on appropriations has furnished an interesting statement showing the amount which the United States has paid out for pension since the revolution. The totals are as follows: War of the revolution (estimated)..... 70,000,000.00 War of 1812..... 6,542,099.34 Indian war, without regard to disability..... 8,296,143.33 War with Mexico (on account of disability, without regard to service, without regard to disability)..... 33,660,246.23 War of the rebellion (on account of disability)..... 8,359,166,306.60 War with Spain and insurrection in the Philippine Islands..... 15,433,855.18 Regularly disbursed..... 7,239,312.82 Unclassified..... 16,138,878.90 Total disbursements for pensions..... \$3,459,800,811.23 Of the above amount \$96,444,213 was paid from July 1, 1790, to June 30, 1868. It is almost certain that the senate will restore the agencies stricken from the bill by the house, and almost equally certain that the conferees will support the action of the senate.

Beans Were Good. Many amusing stories are told in connection with the experiences congressmen have with their constituents growing out of the distribution of seeds of "the good garden variety." The latest is told by Representative Ryan of Buffalo. "Many of my constituents," said Mr. Ryan, "live in small houses, with no space for gardens around them. I have always tried to distribute my quota of seeds among such of my constituents as can make proper use of them, but occasionally a package gets into the wrong hands. A short time ago I sent out a sack full of what I called the name of an old fellow was put into one package which contained an assortment of beans, peas and other vegetables which he sent me by an old rouser. He doesn't own a garden spot as big as a pocket handkerchief and he spends most of his time in a saloon where a hot lunch is served each day with a glass of beer. "The proprietor of the saloon bears the name of Mike and my constituent on receiving the package went to him and asked, 'Mike, have 'ya a little on the stove?' "I have that," replied Mike. " 'Wud 'ya cook these vittibles for me?' " 'I will that,' was the response. And they were cooked. "And I have just received this letter," continued Mr. Ryan, and he handed it over: "Honorable William Ryan—Dear Sir: I thank 'ya extremely for the peas, corn and other vittibles which 'ya sent me by the mail. They made a fine meal. Mike O'Flaherty cooked 'ya a sup of cutlets 'an 'an I livin' at anything before 'ya which was quite as good 'ya. Yours respectful, "TIMOTHY J. O'COLEMAN."

HACKMAN IS HELD FOR MURDER

Ball Fixed at Twenty-Five Thousand, Which He Is Unable to Furnish. NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Moses Silverman, the St. George back driver who was arrested after Dr. Charles Wilmot Townsend, a prominent physician, had been shot and mortally wounded at his home in New Brighton, N. Y., yesterday, was arraigned in court today and held in \$5,000 bail for further examination. Mrs. Silverman today said she and her husband entertained callers until after midnight Friday night. The husband went to bed after the visitors left and did not leave his home again until 3:30 Saturday morning. Dr. Townsend, she said, attended her professionally nine months ago. He also attended her husband shortly after that, but was never in the house again. Last week she communicated with Dr. Townsend to engage his services again. He did not call at the house.

TRADE TO CUBA INCREASES

Two Million Dollars More Than that of the Preceding Year. WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Never before in the history of United States commerce with Cuba was the export trade of this country to that island so great as during the last calendar year. American importations from that republic are considerably below that for the preceding year, according to a statement issued by the bureau of statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor today. The total exports from this country to Cuba were valued at \$46,619,944, which is more than \$2,000,000 over the exportations for 1906. The imports from Cuba were valued at \$5,585,256, showing a falling off of \$10,000,000 as compared with 1906. The marked decline in American importations from the island is accounted for because of the reduction in the price of sugar.

COAL COMPANY IS ENJOINED

Old Concern Objects to New One Using the Name of Monarch. SHERIDAN, Wyo., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A suit to restrain the Monarch Coal Mining company from using the name "Monarch" has been filed in the district court here by the Wyoming Coal Mining company, shippers of "Monarch" coal. The suit is against John B. Kendrick and E. E. Entler, well known men of Sheridan, W. C. Irvine and W. Williams of Douglas, who have recently organized the new company. The petition alleges the new concern seeks to injure the plaintiff "and obtain an undue advantage, and to deprive plaintiff, fraudulently and unlawfully, of just profits, and to create a confusion of mind and appropriate to themselves the good will of plaintiff's business by appropriating its trademark of 'Monarch Coal.' The new company's mines are also at Monarch, but the old company insists it has no right to the use of the words "Monarch Coal," as the plaintiff has expended thousands of dollars in advertising the name and is entitled to the benefit. The case will be heard as soon as Judge Parmelee can assign a date.

MOVE FOR FREE SYNAGOGUE

Rabbi Wise Formally Launches the Project in New York Meeting. NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The movement to establish what will be known as a "free synagogue" was formally launched today at a meeting in the Hudson theater, at which the founder, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, formerly of Portland, Ore., delivered the first of a series of addresses. He referred to his call to occupy the pulpit of a New York synagogue, which was not accepted, but which he had accepted under certain restrictions which have been put upon him. Dr. Wise declared that the suspicion that the ministry of both the Christian and Jewish religion was controlled and owned by the rich, and that the ministers thereof were mere "clerks of the wealthy," was a party, at least, borne out by the conduct of the ministers themselves. "The average minister," he declared, "is a tolerated social necessity, who prefers peace and servility to strife and freedom. "Even if the Jews would not observe their Sabbath, it would still be the duty of this synagogue to proclaim the message to them on the one day in the week when it is possible to reach them. If we must sacrifice the form of the Sabbath we will conserve its substance."

DIAMONDS—Fraser, 11th and Dodge.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 27.—W. P. Fife, an oil man, died suddenly from heart disease in his room at the St. James hotel today. Fife had been in the city for several days. In the hotel lobby in apparently the best of health, in his clothing were found papers signed by Dr. J. W. Fife of Denver, Colo., said to be his.

YOUR HOTEL will serve Grape-Nuts

Order the food served dry and with cream to pour over it. If you ask.

STOP WOMAN AND CONSIDER

First, that almost every operation in our hospitals, performed upon women, becomes necessary because of neglect of such symptoms as Backache, Irregularities, Discharges, Pains in the Side, Dragging Sensations, Dizziness and Sleeplessness.

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