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DRYDEN DROPS OUT

New Jersey Senator Announces Withdrawal from Contest for Re-election.

ACTION TAKEN ON ADVICE OF DOCTORS

Health Check that He Cannot Attend Conference at Trenton Today.

PREPARED ADDRESS TO THE LEGISLATORS

Expected to Convince Cautious Bosses that They Are Mistaken.

IT WILL BE MADE PUBLIC TODAY

Senator's Secretary Says Mr. Dryden Had Concluded Continuance of Deadlock Would Injure the Party.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—

Senator John F. Dryden of New Jersey today authorized the Associated Press to announce that he had withdrawn as a candidate for re-election to the United States Senate.

This action was taken on the advice of the senator's physicians, who warned him of the danger to his health if he persisted in attending the public meeting arranged at his request, to be held in Trenton tomorrow.

Senator Dryden's intention to withdraw from the contest for re-election on advice of physicians, was announced today to the republicans in the New Jersey senate and house of assembly.

Following the senator's decision to withdraw his name, his physicians, Drs. J. H. and Charles L. Hill, sent the following telegram to the republican leaders in the New Jersey senate and house of assembly:

The condition of Senator J. F. Dryden's health is such on account of the long and severe strain under which he has been that we, his physicians, have advised him that his health is imperiled and that he should not attend the proposed conference at Trenton on Monday.

Senator Dryden said he had hoped at this meeting to be able to convince the eight republicans who refused to be bound by action of the party caucus that their opposition to him is based upon mistaken grounds. The speech which the senator intended to deliver before the republican caucus at Trenton will be made public tomorrow.

In explaining the senator's withdrawal from the senatorial race his private secretary made the following statement:

Senator Dryden is a candidate for re-election to the United States Senate. He has today, however, decided to withdraw. Senator Dryden is not a candidate for re-election to the United States Senate. He is a candidate for re-election to the United States House of Representatives.

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SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Monday, February 4, 1907.

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN			
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THE WEATHER.

FORECAST FOR NEBRASKA.—Snow Monday and Tuesday, with slowly rising temperature.

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Temperature at Omaha, yesterday:

Hour	Temp.	Hour	Temp.
6 a. m.	36	2 p. m.	34
7 a. m.	35	3 p. m.	33
8 a. m.	34	4 p. m.	32
9 a. m.	33	5 p. m.	31
10 a. m.	32	6 p. m.	30
11 a. m.	31	7 p. m.	29
12 m.	30	8 p. m.	28

LOCAL.

Dr. George L. Miller resigns as a member of the Police Board.

Rev. L. O. Baird preaches sermon advising passage of child labor law.

Memorial service for Dr. Alexander Gillis at Central United Presbyterian Church.

Dublin talks with people of neighborhood on location of gas tank at Twentieth and Center, and proposes action Monday on Brucker ordinance.

New plays at all theaters.

Senator Dryden of New Jersey announces his withdrawal from contest for re-election on advice of physicians.

Differences of opinion develop among members of legislative committee over appropriations asked by state institutions.

Moses P. Sydeman, pioneer citizen of Kearney, drops dead while on way to church.

Review of the federal laws for equipment and control of the militia.

Insurance companies begin campaign to secure repeal of Blanchard law prohibiting combination to raise rates.

Daniel A. Farrell, former city clerk of Council Bluffs and sheriff of Miller county, is dead at San Antonio, Tex.

RABBIT EXTERMINATOR BUSY

French Scientist Preval on Island Until He Can Prove Truth of Theory.

MELBOURNE, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Broughton Island, off the coast of New South Wales, has been the scene of some very remarkable experiments.

The victim of these experiments has been the Australian rabbit, which has fallen under the severe blow of the sheep farmers and is threatened with utter extermination.

So serious to the farmers is the problem of the ubiquitous rabbit that they subscribed a fund of \$50,000 some months ago and procured the services of a French scientist, Dr. Danzys, a professor of the Pasteur Institute in Paris.

Dr. Danzys came to Broughton Island last week and was accompanied by a number of his assistants.

He soon found himself met by others, for the frozen rabbit trade has developed on a big scale and brings considerable profit to a good many people, who are not particularly pleased to see the doctor.

These men and their families are some of the difficulties, however, and on the scientist's assurances to the authorities that the microbe was perfectly harmless to everything but rabbits his cases were returned and he was politely banished to Broughton Island.

The system should be proved. There he is still carrying on his work with the collaboration of a government expert and has been given supplies of rabbits and other wild animals for the purpose of inoculation.

It is believed that his case will be allowed to transfer his operations to mainland.

LONDON TELEPHONE SUCCESS

Assistant Secretary of Telegraphs Talks of System Under British Postal Department.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—With a constant addition of new subscribers at the rate of 10,000 a year, and the prospect of a new scale of rates London's postoffice telephone system promises to become in a few years the most efficient in the world.

So declares Mr. John Ardron, C. B., assistant secretary of the postoffice in charge of telephones, foreign telegrams and wireless telegraphy, who has just returned to office after forty-three years continuous service. In an interview he said:

"The present annual rate is 1d for each call within the London district or 1d for each call outside, or 5d for unlimited service outside of London. It is not so high a proportion to the cost of producing the service. In the United States, where they have a service which in any way corresponds to ours, the charge is not much less. The more telephones there are the more calls each subscriber can make, so that the cost of increasing the service actually increases as it expands. With 500 square miles we have the largest local area in the world. So scattered are the subscribers that each telephone requires an average of 3 1/2 miles of wire. In New York the average is only a half a mile. Norway and Sweden are ahead of us in proportion to the population. Germany is about equal with France. Behind the United States, which has no government service, is ahead of all. We have one telephone for every fifty people, but San Francisco before the earthquake had one for every four."

COUNT CREIGHTON RESTS WELL

Reports from Bedside of Sick Man Sunday Are Slightly More Favorable.

BOGUS IRRIGATION PROJECTS

Official Warns Investors Against Buying Leads of Shady Promoters.

PLENTY OF BONA FIDE OPPORTUNITIES

Intending Settlers Are Advised to Investigate All Propositions in Person on the Ground.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—The vigorous publicity which the press has given to the national work of reclamation, and the honest promoters of legitimate private enterprise, have furnished unnecessary hardship and delay in the prosecution of the laudable work of settlement and colonization.

"As every fake scheme works to the detriment of honest promoters, the government, as well as the honest promoters, is interested in driving out this brood of swindlers who are seeking to fatten their pockets at the expense of innocent investors."

"Down in Arizona, a pseudo-religious corporation (organized in principal way for the extension of the true faith) has been deluding innocent people into buying water rights in an irrigation scheme which has as much chance of ultimate success as a lace curtain in a fiery furnace."

"Some tourists indicate that they are seeking to invest in the water rights of the company, and no hope of getting either. Yet the government mails are full of letters from the victims asking for information. If these people had been as anxious to inquire before investing, they would not now be out of pocket."

"The companies in prospecting its work largely through the religious press, a rather singular medium to use to perpetrate a swindle, and the victims seem to go generally from the east and the south."

"In New Mexico several companies are preparing to launch great works on streams, the waters of which were long ago appropriated and whose supply is not sufficient for the present needs of old settlers."

"It is no province of the government to warn these people. They should seem properly the duty of the Postoffice department to exclude their literature from the mails, when an investigation would show the fraudulent character of the scheme and the utter impossibility of their being carried out."

"One word of warning to all who are looking for investments in the west: Do not buy anything without carefully investigating. Do not buy water rights until you are convinced the water is there, and the company financially able to deliver it. If you see a man in a hurry to sell a water right do not buy until you investigate in person on the ground. The best is all at once."

"The movement of internal commerce during the last year exceeded that for any preceding one in the history of the country, according to a statement issued today by the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor."

Live stock receipts at the seven primary producing districts aggregated 2,659,430 head, making a total for 1906, 48,948,000, being over 10,000,000 pounds in excess of the previous year.

The total grain receipts at fifteen interior primary markets were 29,525,536 bushels, an increase of 26,000 bushels over 1906. The total movement embraced: Wheat, 22,785,400 bushels; corn, 5,200,000 bushels; oats, 22,300,232 bushels; barley, 6,240,530 bushels; rye, 2,204,324 bushels.

The receipts of grain at six Atlantic and Gulf ports aggregated 21,848,000 bushels, an increase of 3,000,000 bushels.

Shipments of anthracite coal from eastern producing districts aggregated 2,967,200 tons, a perceptible decrease.

The total freight shipments from all ports on the great lakes, exclusive of exports to Canada, aggregated 7,650,000 net tons, an increase of almost 5,000,000 tons.

FRAUDS IN MARKSMANSHIP

Records Made by Companies L and M of Fifth Infantry Are Ruled Out.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—After long correspondence with the Department of the East and three months of investigation, the War Department has discovered what is believed to be an illicit deal between Companies L and M of the Fifth Infantry in their target practice and has ordered General Grant to wipe out the remarkable record made by these companies last summer at Ft. Pickett barracks. Moreover, the Department of the East was ordered today to deduct from the pay of the men all additional sums paid them since last summer because of their marksmanship.

Colonel Henry O. Holstead, military secretary of the Department of the East, said today that ample proof of irregularities in scoring had been established. A private who qualifies as a marksman receives an increase of pay of \$1 a month, a sharpshooter \$2 and an expert rifleman \$3.

Chester Thompson Acquitted.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 3.—Chester Thompson, on trial for murder of Judge George Meade Emory in Seattle on July 7, 1906, was found "not guilty by reason of insanity" by the jury today. The boy was committed to a mental hospital.

Hotel Man Kills Himself.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—G. Sinclair Moulton, 25, well-known hotel man, committed suicide by shooting in the Grand Union hotel some time between noon Saturday and noon today. He was president of the Park Gate Hotel company, owners of Manhattan Square hotel. He had been suffering severely from gastric trouble and it is believed that his illness led to his suicide.

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FORECAST FOR THE WEEK

Both Houses of Congress Will Take Several Days to Consider Appropriation Bills.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—In the senate the Indian bill is now under consideration, while the house has the rivers and harbors bill under way. Several days this week will be required to dispose of these measures, and when they shall have been finally voted upon, a debate will take on the arm of the house the article bills. The four measures will practically monopolize the time of the two bodies, as there are many points in each of them over which there is wide difference of opinion. It is expected that the senate amendments to the Indian bill will be reported to the house before the close of the session. The development of a bill concerning the administration of business in that territory, while the question of high battlements will be fought out in the house in connection with the consideration of the naval bill.

The trial of Harry K. Thaw has reached the stage where the actual taking of testimony will begin on Monday unless more of the jurors already selected are excused when the court resumes its session.

The taking of testimony concerning the conduct of the colored troops at Brownsville, Tex., which resulted in their demobilization, is expected to begin before the senate committee on military affairs in Washington on Monday.

A conference between President Roosevelt, Secretary Root and the San Francisco Board of Education, which Mayor Schmitz will attend, is expected to be held in Washington on Friday or Saturday to discuss the Japanese school question.

The Japanese school question, which the president is expected to endeavor to induce the board of education to rescind its action excluding the Japanese children from the schools.

The question whether or not the New York stock exchange which increased in value by 100 points nearly as much as the stock market in the curb market is expected to be taken up by the exchange at a meeting to be held on Thursday.

James Bryce, British ambassador to the United States, is to be given a dinner by the British Legation in New York, February 5. The American ambassador, Whitehall, is expected to attend the dinner.

Mr. Bryce, and the speeches of the two ambassadors are expected to sound the keynote of the friendly relations existing between their respective countries.

COLD WEATHER GENERAL

Zero Temperature and High Winds Prevail at Many Points in Mississippi Valley.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—The cold wave that descended upon Chicago, accompanied by a gale of biting wind, sent the mercury down to 2 degrees below zero during the night. The temperature in the city was moderate, the thermometer did not rise higher than 4 degrees above zero during the day, and at 10 o'clock tonight was hovering about the zero mark.

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DR. MILLER RESIGNS OFFICE

Decides to Conform to the Bee's Report of His Retirement from Board.

ONLY COURSE OF ACTION OPEN TO HIM

Says His Age and Self-Respect Demand that He Resign Under Such Circumstances as Exist.

Dr. George L. Miller is the member of the Omaha Board of Fire and Police Commissioners who placed his resignation in the hands of Governor Sheldon last week, as intimated by The Bee's Lincoln correspondent yesterday. Dr. Miller said yesterday after lunch his resignation, which he had decided to make a simple statement that he had resigned and give his reasons. He said he had not communicated with other members of the board in taking the action.

"When I entered that board, reluctantly as I did," said Dr. Miller, "I made it my duty to investigate thoroughly and impartially the pending charges of the Civic Federation against the chief of police. I studied carefully the mooted question of the power of the board to issue orders to the chief of police. In order to get right on this question, I sought such legal advice as that of Judge W. D. McHugh, whose place on the board I had taken, and also of Carl C. Wright, formerly city attorney, both men of the highest standing in the legal profession. I then went to Judge Lee B. Estelle, chief justice of the county court, and asked him privately what, as a member of the board, I was to do, and he said solemnly, 'Follow the decision of the court.'"

"The decision of the court and the advice of Judge McHugh and Mr. Wright convinced me that I was wrong. I followed it. After the charges of misconduct on the part of Chief Donahue and the board, which touched me personally, were repeated with Governor Mickey by the Civic Federation I still followed the legal and judicial advice I had received. And where have I brought up? Under the ban of T. J. Mahoney and his Civic Federation associates."

Still of the Same Mind.

"Well, if judicial authority and the best legal advice obtainable cannot be accepted or followed with safety, then Mahoney is right, it is my conviction. I am not moved from my conviction of right. I believed at the time I took my position in line with the legal counsel I received that I was on safe ground; I believe so yet, and because I believe that and because other honorable gentlemen believe that and because I am honest and upright, I believe that and because this belief is based upon unbiased ground, I decided to resign my position. My age and my self-respect demanded it. I could not bring myself to think that any other course was open to me."

"I want the public, which knows me so well, to know that I conceal no motive in resigning the office as a member of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners."

Other Commissioners Silent.

Commissioner J. W. Thomas was asked if he had anything to say on the subject and replied that he had not. He said he had not consulted or conferred with any of his colleagues about the matter.

Commissioner Lee Spralen was out of the city and Commissioner Ernest H. Spralen said he did not care to make any expression on the matter.

SWITCHMAN DIES UNDER TRAIN

Elmer Ramsey Falls to Death Beneath Cars in Union Pacific Yards.

In attempting to climb over a moving train of cars Sunday afternoon in the Union Pacific yards near Severn and Davenport streets Elmer O. Ramsey, a switchman, slipped and fell beneath the cars, receiving injuries from which he died a few moments later. The car did not pass over his body, but he was dragged more than twenty feet and crushed between two freight cars and the ties. Blood oozed from his wounds and his abdomen crushed between the train was brought to a stop by fellow switchman who had witnessed the accident.

Ramsey was attempting to crawl over a coal car of the moving train in order to reach the switch engine, which was standing on the track beyond, and it is believed he lost his footing on the ice with which the car was covered.

The cars were quickly stopped and Ramsey removed from beneath the cars. He died after gasping for breath one or twice. The Union Pacific surgeon, Dr. E. H. Smith, was summoned, but Ramsey was dead probably even before the surgeon reached the doctor.

Mr. Ramsey is survived by a wife and one child, who live near Twenty-second and Leavenworth streets, where they moved by a short time ago from their former residence at 143 South Eleventh street.

Coroner Bradley took charge of the body and will hold an inquest Tuesday afternoon or evening.

MOHLER IS ILL AT CHICAGO

General Manager of Union Pacific Confined to Room, but is Recovering.

General Manager Mohler of the Union Pacific, who is in Chicago attending the conference of railroad managers with the representatives of the conductors and brakemen, has been confined to his room at the Auditorium Annex for nearly a week with a slight touch of pneumonia. He is reported greatly improved and is expected to be able to be out in a couple of days.

Miss Mohler, who has been in Chicago several days with