

CHANGE IN CONTROL

Presbyterians Make Important Amendments to Church Law.

BLOW AT SO-CALLED RING RULE

Paid Agents and Officials Excluded from Commission.

NEW BLOOD FOR RULING BODY

Control Devolves on Men Heretofore Outside Executive Work.

TEMPERANCE AND MARRIAGE

Church Reaffirms Position that Divorce Should Be Granted Upon Scriptural Grounds Only.

KANSAS CITY, May 28.—Church government, temperance and marriage and divorce were the important subjects before the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America today.

By far the most important action of the session was the adoption of a resolution which makes it impossible for any paid agent or member of the church boards or any permanent officer of the general assembly, except the moderator, to serve on the executive commission, the ruling body of the administrative affairs of the church.

The creation of the executive commission was embodied in the report of the committee on administrative agencies adopted by the assembly, and it is the direct result of the ever recurring cry that certain men in the church were acquiring too much power.

From this time forth new men will be in charge of the government of the church. The action today means that all the church boards will report to the executive commission of fifteen members, which has been selected, and that the government of the church will devolve upon men who have not heretofore served in executive capacities.

While the speeches made before the assembly indicated that a half dozen men were in the so-called "ring," it is an open secret that Dr. William Henry Roberts of Philadelphia, the retiring moderator, was the one man against whom the protests were aimed.

Dr. Roberts said that he was not a member of the so-called "ring," but that he was an efficient in the affairs of the church that his very ability gave him more power than one man should have. He said that he had an intimate knowledge of every detail of the church government and practically dominated the business affairs of the church.

Warm Debate on Resolution.

The resolution came up today in the form of an amendment to the report of the committee on administrative agencies. Rev. The Vernon Hunter of Buffalo, was one of the first to support the amendment. He declared that the resolution was a blow at the assembly two days ago that too much power was being given to a few men.

Seven Nebraska Sailors

Boys from Annapolis State Will Be Graduated from Annapolis Academy.

Nebraska will be represented by seven graduates at the coming commencement exercises of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., June 6.

Basin Land Sells Rapidly

Wyoming Country Continues to Settle Up, Says D. Clem Deaver.

Reverent sales of land were made near Basin last week and but two of these were for less than \$1,000, said D. Clem Deaver, manager of the Homesteaders' information bureau at the Burlington road, who returned Thursday from conducting a large party of homesteaders to the Big Horn basin.

DR. JOSEPH BELL IS DEAD

Resident of Omaha for Twenty-Eight Years Dies at Age of Sixty-Five.

Dr. Joseph Bell, a resident of Omaha for twenty-eight years, died early Thursday morning at his home, 116 North Sixteenth street, at the age of 65 years.

ONE PASTOR REFUSES RAISE

Rev. L. W. Brigham of Unitarian Church Will Not Accept New Salary.

NEW YORK, May 28.—Rev. L. Ward Brigham, a pastor of All Souls Unitarian church of Flatbush, has refused an increase in salary. It is said that the trustees of the church will increase the pastor's salary in spite of his refusal.

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Thursday, May 28, 1908.

Table with columns for dates (1908, 1908) and various metrics (SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE, TEN, ELEVEN, TWELVE, THIRTEEN, FOURTEEN, FIFTEEN, SIXTEEN, SEVENTEEN, EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN, TWENTY).

THE WEATHER

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity—Friday fair.

For Iowa—Friday partly cloudy, with cooler east portion.

Temperature at Omaha: Hour, Deg. 6 a. m. 62, 7 a. m. 64, 8 a. m. 66, 9 a. m. 68, 10 a. m. 70, 11 a. m. 72, 12 m. 74, 1 p. m. 76, 2 p. m. 78, 3 p. m. 80, 4 p. m. 82, 5 p. m. 84, 6 p. m. 86, 7 p. m. 88, 8 p. m. 90, 9 p. m. 92, 10 p. m. 94, 11 p. m. 96, 12 m. 98.

OCEAN STRAITS

NEW YORK, May 28.—The weather in the North Atlantic today was fair, with a light breeze from the west.

WIFE WANTS NO NEW TRIAL

Woman Satisfied in Insurance Case Even if Her Husband is Alive.

Cora E. Rummerly, who recently secured a verdict for \$1,000 against the Equitable Life Assurance society of New York on a policy held by her husband, does not want a new trial of the case if her husband, supposed to be dead, has been located alive and well.

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FAIL TO SHOW PAPER TRUST

Majority of House Committee Submits This Report.

PUBLISHERS PARTLY SUCCESSFUL They Excite Suspicion in Minds of the Members that Combination Does Exist—Against Tariff Removal.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The special committee of six members of the house appointed upon complaint of the American Newspaper Publishers' association to investigate the wood pulp and print paper situation in relation to the tariff and with regard to an alleged conspiracy in restraint of trade, today submitted a majority and a minority report.

The majority report, which is signed by Representative Major Illinois Miller of Kansas, Stafford of Wisconsin and Stanton of Ohio, is a preliminary report, and recommends that no legislation affecting wood pulp and print paper be enacted until the committee has further investigated and reported.

The minority report, which is signed by Representative Sims of Tennessee and Ryan of New York, recommends the passage of the Stevens bill to place wood pulp and print paper on the free list.

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MYSTERIOUS SHEEP DISEASE

State Board of Wyoming Receives News of Serious Outbreak of Rattling Character.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 28.—(Special.) The State Board of Sheep Commissioners has received advice of another outbreak of a strange disease among the sheep of central Wyoming, which for the lack of a better name, has been called "grub-in-the-head."

The Department of Agriculture has been notified of this outbreak, and a special agent will be sent to the scene. The State Board of Sheep Commissioners will not delay, however, and will engage expert veterinarians, botanists and chemists who will at once repair to the scene and make a close and exhaustive examination.

The Wyoming state veterinarian and his force will cooperate with the State Board of Sheep Commissioners and the general government.

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CURRENCY BILL IN SENATE

Democrats Show No Disposition to Obstruct Its Passage.

THREE SPEECHES AGAINST IT

Senator Aldrich Says It Will Be Passed and that Congress Will Probably Adjourn Today.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The consideration of the currency bill in the senate today showed that there would be little or no obstructive tactics against its passage.

Senator Aldrich briefly explained the measure, and a little political byplay was introduced by Senators Calhoun of Texas and Bacon of Georgia, who insinuated members of the majority were in the senate today to pass the bill.

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DES MOINES RIVER OVERFLOWS

Fertile Valley Submerged and Many People Are Looking for High Ground.

BOONE, Ia., May 28.—The Des Moines river today in the vicinity of the Moines river bridge at Boone, Iowa, was submerged. A dozen families living there were forced to leave their homes yesterday and seek safety on the hills. Many acres of corn and garden are already totally ruined. A heavy rain fell last night and heavy rains are reported from the up river. The river is expected to continue to rise and the waters are still rising.

FERTILE VALLEY A REVELATION

Crops Which Make the Heart of the Beholder Twice Glad.

TRIP OUT ALONG THE CANALS

Towns in Scott's Bluff County Extend Cordial Welcome.

SOMETHING TO SHOW VISITORS

On Trip Up from Sterling Boosters Run Into Snow, but All Nature Smiled Along North Platte.

From a Staff Correspondent. BAYARD, Neb., May 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Paralleling the North Platte river along the foothills of the Black Hills, passed people and sand hills and lakes covered with snow. Rain and had struck the trail at Maywood, and there was snow along the line from Sterling to Bridgeport, but the cold air was a brace to the travel-worn boosters, and the new spirit was evident at Bridgeport, where the first triumphal march of the day was given.

Before the party reached the Guernsey line, and from there on, the great irrigation ditch made Thursday's trip one of unusual interest. Beginning west of Bridgeport, the train crossed and ran along a narrow-gauge canal, which made the North Platte valley, a section 80 miles long and thirty miles wide, probably the best developed irrigated country in America.

Met at Bridgeport by business men of Scott's Bluff, Mitchell, Gering and Morrill, the party arrived in Scott's Bluff at 11 o'clock and drove to Gering, three miles distant, where the party was met by the bright and prosperous people of the old town and county seat, which has banks, stores and mills large enough to supply the needs of the rapidly increasing population. Scott's Bluff's 1,200 population turned out to meet the visitors, and the entire number in the town could have been counted in the street.

The alfalfa mill, the great canal and the tanks of the Standard Oil company which supply the North Platte valley were some of the modern things which interested the visitors.

Morrill citizens had been planning to receive the Omahas for weeks. H. J. Fenton and a number of others met the party at Bridgeport and when the train pulled into Morrill at 2 o'clock, wagons, carriage and automobiles carrying ninety Omahas left on a sight seeing trip.

Tri-State Canal.

The tri-state irrigation canal here heads on the north side of the Platte river at the Wyoming-Nebraska line, extends southeast 130 miles, covers 4,000 acres, it is ninety feet wide at the bottom when it starts and averages about forty feet for its whole length and in depth over ten feet. Stops were made at the head-gates of the canal after the train left Morrill.

Besides the trip to the canal the Morrill people provided a special speakers' bureau for the day, and the party had a hot ball game played in atmosphere unfit for a Thanksgiving football game.

Besides the Mitchell canal, the country around the town is watered by the Enterprise and Tri-State canal and the land is worth \$10 to \$15 an acre. Besides the scenic interest in the Nebraska river, the farmers along the new line of the Burlington stood at several road crossings and waved flags and a banner held by a Nebraska jay miles out of Bridgeport said "Help Nebraska by Helping Omaha."

PROMOTION FOR WAINWRIGHT

Admiral Sperry Recommends that He Be Made Rear Admiral at Early Date.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 28.—Rear Admiral C. S. Sperry, commanding the Atlantic fleet, is being recommended by the navy department that Captain Richard Wainwright, in command of the second division, be appointed acting rear admiral at once. That it is the purpose of the navy department to place Captain Wainwright in command of the fleet for part of the cruise around the world is the belief of the officers. Captain Wainwright's promotion would ordinarily have come when he was on his way to the Orient.

PORTLAND BANKER SENTENCED

Five Years and Heavy Fine for J. Thorburn Ross, Who Converted School Funds.

SALFORD, Ore., May 28.—Judge Burnett in the circuit court today sentenced J. Thorburn Ross, the Portland banker, to five years in prison and a fine of \$10,000. Ross was recently convicted of wrongful conversion of state school funds in his capacity as president of the Title Guaranty and Trust company.

FRESH MILK GOES TO PANAMA

Government Will Send the Genuine Product in Storage for Use on Zone.

NEW YORK, May 28.—The steamer Tagus will carry to the zone some three tons of fresh cow milk in bulk, which will be refrigerated and served to the employes on the canal. If the experiment is successful, the government will probably arrange to have refrigerating plants on ships going to Colon so reconstructed as to carry still larger supplies.

MANY CONTESTS BEFORE NEW

Republican National Chairman Has Seventy-Eight Already on His Hands.

CHICAGO, May 28.—Chairman New of the republican national committee today issued a call for a meeting of the sub-committee on convention arrangements to be held on June 4. Up to date seventy-eight contests have been filed with the secretary of the national committee.

Stock Brokers Bankrupt.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 28.—An involuntary bankruptcy petition was filed today in the United States court against George W. MacMillan, and the twenty-five stock brokers. The petition was filed at a time when the court is usually closed and the fact was not generally known until this morning.

MORRIS APPEALS TO CUMMINS

Wants Governor to Help Him Out of His Trouble in Michigan and Colorado.

DES MOINES, May 28.—Mrs. Sherman Morris will in a few days appeal to Governor Cummins to aid her in securing the freedom of her husband, who is better known as Frank Shercliffe, the now notorious diamond robber.

Sheriff is under arrest in Michigan, charged with a murder committed in Colorado many years ago.