

KING CORN RULES EUROPE

American Products Have Tight Hold on the Old World.

C. H. PICKENS IMPRESSED BY THIS

Omaha Returns from Abroad with Report that Europe Was Struck by Yankee's Triumph Over Money Stringency.

In a trip through continental Europe and England, Charles H. Pickens, general manager of Paxton & Gallagher company, who returned Wednesday, found scores of products of American corn, from roasting ears on the streets of Naples, to glucose confecting along the banks of the Danube, from bread and biscuits at the hotels of dear old London to corn cakes on the transatlantic steamers.

"These corn products are getting a fast hold on Europe," said Mr. Pickens. "In Germany, Switzerland, France, Italy and England American demonstrators are introducing corn products and they are nearly all made in America or from corn grown in the United States."

"There is some corn produced in Italy and more in Austria-Hungary, but it does not seem to be equal to the American corn. The Italian corn is not served at the hotels of Italy, but we saw the people cooking it on the banks of the Danube, and still in the milk and suspend them in kettles of boiling water. The passengers on the streets buy an ear or two and eat them on the sidewalk. In fact, the people in one or two streets in Naples almost live on the sidewalk. We saw dealers selling corn cobs in bundles to the drivers of cabs who drove up to the curb and bought a bunch for a few cents and a bundle of alfalfa for the horses."

Interest in Fall Election. Mr. Pickens said there was more than ordinary interest in the coming presidential election in America, Europe, and especially in France and England.

"The wonder of the financial interests in Europe is the way in which American securities have advanced regardless of our financial disturbance of last winter," he said. "They felt certain that our securities would go still lower when the panic was heralded by the press of Europe. Then when the country recovered quickly and the prices of securities went upward, it caught some of the Englishmen and others."

"Everywhere there is interest felt in the American crop, and it requires no careful observer to see how prosperity in America affects the European world."

Coming through the east, Mr. Pickens said he noticed how much business had improved since he sailed for his trip, and as he returned to Nebraska has seen and heard enough to justify his belief that Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri are the four best states in the union.

"Trade has recovered in the west in much better shape than in the east," he said. "Our reports now are very satisfactory and I find business in Omaha has improved to an astonishing extent during my absence."

While in Switzerland, Mr. and Mrs. Pickens and daughter, Elizabeth, met Miss Elizabeth Baum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baum and a party of young women and instructors from an art school. Everywhere the party met Omahans, Nebraska or people of their acquaintance in the west.

ELKHORN FARMER ENDS LIFE

In Fit of Despondency Ferdinand J. Martin, 58 Years Old, Dies.

ELKHORN, Neb., Aug. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Ferdinand Martin, a well known and prosperous farmer living four miles northeast of here, committed suicide about 5 o'clock this morning by blowing the top of his head off with a shotgun. The deed was committed at his home, with his family near him.

Mr. Martin had been in poor health for some time and it is believed he took his life in a fit of despondency over his condition. He was 58 years old and leaves a widow and five children. He owned 100 acres of land and was considered well fixed financially.

Damage by Storm at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—Monday night's electrical storm was one of the most severe this city has experienced for a number of years. Three homes were struck by lightning and several persons stunned, but not seriously hurt. At the home of Mrs. A. A. Burnett two chimneys were shattered, the plaster broken in several rooms, a number of pictures broken into fragments and a streak buried across the room. Mrs. Thurmond saw a streak of lightning flash across the ceiling of her bed room. She was awakened, but soon recovered consciousness. Mrs. McKenna was awakened by the noise of the storm when lightning struck the home of her father, Michael McKenna, in which she was sleeping. She recovered in a few moments. Her father saw a streak of lightning from the window she was sleeping in, and was on the opposite side of the

The Modesty of Women

Naturally makes them shrink from the immoderate questions, the obvious examinations, the immoderate local inquiries, which some physicians consider essential in the treatment of diseases of women. Yes, if help can be had, it is better to submit to this ordeal than let the disease grow and spread. The trouble is that so often the women who are afflicted with the annoying and shameful condition, thousands of women who have been cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription write in appreciation of the cure which depends on the examination and local treatment. These women either refuse to give and set for delicate women as "Favorite Prescription." It cures debilitating strains, irregularity and female weakness. It always helps. It almost always cures. It is strictly non-alcoholic, non-secret, all its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrappers; contains no deleterious or habit-forming drugs, and every native medicinal root entering into its composition has the full endorsement of those most eminent in the several schools of medical practice. Some of these numerous and strongest of professional endorsements of its ingredients, will be found in a pamphlet, "Trapped around the bottle," which is sent free on request, by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. These professional endorsements should have far more weight than any amount of the ordinary lay, or non-professional testimonials.

The most intelligent women now-a-days doubt on knowing what they take as medicine instead of opening their mouths like a lot of young birds and gulping down whatever is offered them. "Favorite Prescription" is a "Favorite Prescription" for weak women strong and sick women well.

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HOW GRANT HONORED ENEMY

Federal Leader Ordered Bonfires for Confederate's First Born.

MRS. PICKETT TELLS ANECDOTE

Widow of Southern General Who Led Famous Charge at Gettysburg Speaks to Grand Army Veterans.

Mrs. George E. Pickett, widow of the late Confederate general, George E. Pickett, leader of the famous charge of Pickett's division at the battle of Gettysburg, delivered an address last evening at the Benson Grand Army reunion grounds on the "Battle of Gettysburg."

"I did not become the bride of General Pickett until shortly after the battle of Gettysburg," said Mrs. Pickett in an interview yesterday afternoon. "though I was familiar with every detail of the battle from his reports and letters. General Pickett died eleven years after the war. We have one son, who is named after his father. He is now a major in the United States army, connected with the paymaster's department and is on duty at the Presidio, San Francisco, Cal. He has served also in the Philippines and it is a pride to me to know that when the opportunity offered he proved himself worthy of his father."

Grant Pays a Tribute.

"Major Pickett died at Richmond, Va. on July 7, 1862, at Richmond. At that time you will remember General Grant had begun the investment of Richmond and the two armies were pretty close together. While on his road to Richmond to see his boy, General Pickett, who was very popular with the army, was constantly congratulated by his soldiers and officers and some of them built bonfires in honor of the event. These bonfires attracted the attention of General Grant, who asked the cause. Being told that General Pickett was thus being congratulated over his new son, General Grant remarked, 'Put a match to some of the bonfires among our front lines and let the flames burn out from the lines to our house with the donors names attached to a card and the most cordial expressions of congratulations. The signers were General Phil Sheridan, General Meade and other old friends and West Point classmates of my husband's."

"I think I am one of the few widows of Confederate generals now living. Mrs. 'Stonewall' Jackson is still living. She is quite aged and is extremely bright and vivacious for her years. She has a most charming personality and she and I enjoy a very dear and close personal acquaintance."

Cordially Greeted in North.

"Everywhere I go I find that the bitterness of the war has completely vanished. The Grand Army of the Republic and the wives and daughters of Union soldiers, extend to me that same cordiality that comes from the confederates. I love to meet them. There is a fraternity of sympathy between those who passed through that mighty struggle of nearly half a century ago, both north and south, that grows with the years and which none but they can understand."

How strongly this was manifested at Appomattox, when General Sheridan, who was a class mate of General Pickett, asked him to be his guest and entertained him in the sizeable room of his academy. He and two following until the terms of the dispersal of the confederate army could be arranged. Only a short while before they were engaged in the most deadly conflict, and within a few short hours were renewing the friendships of former years, and the mighty struggle of nearly half a century ago, both north and south, that grows with the years and which none but they can understand."

"During the day Mrs. Pickett was visited by a number of Grand Army men and several Confederate veterans now living in Omaha. A delegation of women of both the Union and Confederate Auxiliaries and clergymen called upon Mrs. Pickett during the afternoon."

Denial of Camp Sickness

Major McCarthy Says Report of Epidemic at Camp Crawford is Not True.

Major D. E. McCarthy, chief quartermaster, Department of the Missouri, and chief quartermaster of the provisional division at the army maneuver camp at Camp Emmet Crawford, Wyoming, stopped in Omaha yesterday to see Mrs. Pickett, Indiana, who was called by the death of Mrs. McCarthy's mother.

Major McCarthy enters an emphatic denial of the report that any considerable sickness prevails at Camp Emmet Crawford, either of typhoid fever or any other of the Great Western kind. He said that the reports of sickness are a mere fabrication, as indicated by some of the press dispatches from illness or any other cause.

SIXTEEN COUPLES TO WED

Cap'd Has Good Day at the Office of the Marriage License Clerk.

June is not the only month when people like to get married. Wednesday morning at the office of Charles Purdy, marriage license clerk, thirteen couples presented themselves for permission to assume the holy bonds of wedlock, and in the afternoon three more. This is about three times as many as usual per day. They were young people, most of them, gathered from Omaha and suburbs, but one man had come all the way from Missouri to meet his bride, another from Wyoming, and one couple came almost 500 miles. Harry King, who took a license to marry Miss Ethel Hennon of South Port, Ind., came from Hubert, Minn. Judge Leslie performed the ceremony for John Bly and Susie Palenick of Omaha and for Luther W. Lingner and Eunice M. Harle of Gretna.

IRON WORKS AT LARAMIE

Vision of the Wyoming Town in View of Process of Treating Ore in the Mountains.

Laramie has a bright vision of a large reduction iron works within its borders as a result of the new process for removing metallic iron from the ore in iron mountains, and preparing vast quantities of this ore.

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HILL LINE IS FOUND OUT

Burlington's Midnight Pro-St. Joe Rate Just Discovered.

TWO YEARS OF SECRET EXISTENCE

Unearthed by Shippers at Last in Their Excitement Over the New Tariff of the Great Western.

Discovered! (Accent on "dis," ala Stage.) Probabilities of a "grain rate war" as a result of the new Great Western tariff are apt to come to a sudden end by all roads leveling similar tariffs, or become more aggravated by their refusal to do so, since the discovery that for almost two years the Burlington line has had a similar tariff in effect for the benefit of St. Joseph and Omaha grain shippers has never known it until Wednesday morning.

The Great Western threw some of the railroads into spasms and caused more war to be predicted than Richard Pearson Hobson ever dared dream of by filing last week tariffs to equalize rates between Omaha and Chicago and Omaha and St. Paul on grain coming west of the Missouri river. The new rates vary from 8 to 10 cents, the former charges being 11 and 12 cents.

It amounted simply to the Great Western giving a large number of towns west of the river on the Burlington and Missouri Pacific lines an opportunity to slip the grain to Omaha, have it stopped on market which has been paying the highest prices for corn and wheat, and forwarded to Chicago or St. Paul, the Great Western agreeing to take the little end of the rate.

When the Great Western issued the tariffs the Burlington railroad had nothing to say—no objection to make or other threat of a rate war.

This led some of the curious to look around a little and their sleuthing was rewarded by the discovery that the Burlington had issued, almost two years ago, one of the "midnight" tariffs, giving St. Joseph the benefit of the same kind of a rate, which the Great Western has just given to Omaha.

Whether the Burlington will now issue a tariff meeting the Great Western rate and other lines follow suit, or the Burlington and Missouri Pacific are compelled to take a stand against all competitors, is a matter of conjecture both with railroad men and grain dealers. It is almost certain that the Burlington will be asked to issue tariffs equalizing the rates from Omaha to Chicago and St. Paul on shipments originating west of Missouri river, the same as the Great Western road has done.

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Branches Out, having bought the entire stock of Oelins Heaslip Carpet company of Des Moines. These goods consist of carpets, rugs, lace curtains and portieres, which were bought far below the market value. Orchard & Wilhelm Carpet company will offer part of this stock for sale on Monday next at 8:00 at prices less than any ever made in Omaha. Note our window on Thursday. See Sunday papers for prices.

Newspaper Men on Auto Trip.

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War against dirty bread...

Mrs. Harriett MacMurphy, inspector of the State Food Commission, says there are 17,000 loaves of dirty bread each day put on the market of Omaha.

Dirty flour won't make clean bread.

The first basis of clean bread is clean flour. See that your bakery uses

Updike's Pride of Omaha Flour

If you want to know for yourself that our flour is clean as the new fallen snow, come to our mill and let us show you the care taken by us to make clean flour. The wheat is thoroughly washed before it is ground and no human hand touches it after it enters our mill. The mill is as clean as a Dutch kitchen.

The sign in a bakery, "This Bakery Uses Updike's Pride of Omaha Flour," is the best guarantee of clean flour for clean bread.

UPDIKE MILL COMPANY

Sixteenth and Charles Streets, Omaha, Neb.

HILL HEIRS MAY CONTEST

Rumor Has It that Disagreement May Arise at Probating of Will.

George J. Wilson of Dallas, Tex., and John H. Hill of Carthage, Ill., nephew and brother of the late Lewis Hill, are engaged in the probating of the Hill will, which occurs Thursday before Judge Leslie. The other heirs at law who will receive a share of the property from the special administrator, John H. Hill, Jr., are James H. Hill of Sidney, Shirley Wilson of Sidney and Miss Elizabeth Simon of Carthage. They have not yet arrived. The \$200,000 estate will be divided equally among the heirs after a period of several years.

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