

WEATHER FORECAST. For Nebraska—Fair. For Iowa—Generally fair. For weather report see page 3.

GIFFORD PINCHOT IS GIVEN OVATION

Chief Forester's Defense of Roosevelt Policy of Conservation Loudly Applauded at Denver.

FOR PROTECTION OF FORESTS

His Reiteration of Stand Taken at Spokane Provokes Enthusiasm.

RESOLUTIONS ARE INTRODUCED

Delegation from Arizona Asks Separate Statehood for Territory.

ADDRESS BY GENERAL NOBLE

Former Secretary of Interior Discusses Importance of Protecting National Wealth from Corporate Monopoly.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 18.—Gifford Pinchot with a plea for the conservation of natural resources, based on the Roosevelt policies, brought a burst of enthusiasm from the delegates to the Transmississippi congress this morning when he reiterated his stand taken at Spokane for the protection of the national forests.

Before Mr. Pinchot spoke a number of resolutions were offered. The citizens of Arizona backed a resolution demanding separate statehood for their territory and snipers urged a resolution asking that railroads be not permitted to increase rates without due application to the Interstate Commerce Commission. Also there was a demand for more industrial schools.

Mr. Pinchot was given a hearty ovation as he began to speak.

"That the national duty lies in the direction of conservation there is no doubt," he said. "I can conceive of no higher plane of duty than that we conserve our waste resources along the lines of the Roosevelt policies and to these policies I am committed."

This brought a round of applause and the situation to Roosevelt gained applause for the former president.

"It is folly for us to say there is land in plenty and forests in plenty. We must know that our forests are being depleted far more swiftly than it is possible for us to reforest. We have forests in plenty for the present generation and perhaps for the next, but in the years to come there will be famine aplenty if we do not at this time take a stitch in time."

"Conservation on the lines laid down by Roosevelt will not only keep our present forests, but will give us timber when we need it most. To save these forests now may require much self-denial, but it will give the country resources in the years to come."

Following his plea for the forests he urged reclamation and said it was with the west to make fertile with its own labor the vast tracts which otherwise would be lost. He promised the aid of the government in every meritorious enterprise looking toward conservation.

Demand for Conservation.

General John W. Noble, former secretary of the forestry program since at today's session of the congress pointed out that there had grown up a public opinion almost universal in the nation that showed not only an intelligent, but a determined purpose that the country's natural resources be preserved. He pointed to the national vitality program as a source of protection from private and particularly corporate greed and monopoly and controlled for the public welfare now and hereafter.

The speaker showed the present benefits and future prospect from forest and water reservations.

He discussed the matter of protecting the reservations from infringement and their being gradually pared down by the claims of individuals and small local communities who asserted that the reservations were too large and that covered areas, which might be of use for grazing, should be turned back to the public domain and be subject to settlement and private ownership.

General Noble says that the system as now practiced and being enlarged was natural in its character, its benefits extending not only to the first state, but reaching as the waters thus preserved ran on, state after state and whole sections of our country.

Particularly conspicuous would be the mouth of the various rivers; and that the system and policy were to be considered from a national point of view.

It was apparent, the speaker continued, that these great benefits if they were allowed to fall into the hands of individuals and particularly corporations, would be administered for the greatest pecuniary gain possible to the owners.

That the very least that could be expected of the government would be to keep ultimate control of rates and regulations, so that the administration of the trust could not be successfully perverted.

MAUPIN TELLS TALE OF NEBRASKA'S MANY GLORIES

Deputy Labor Commissioner Orator at Annual Dinner of St. Joseph Ad Club.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—W. M. Maupin, deputy labor commissioner of Nebraska, was the guest of honor at the annual dinner of the St. Joseph Ad club this evening. Mr. Maupin responded to the toast, "Nebraska." A native Missourian, he paid a tribute to the state of his birth, and then launched into an eloquent eulogy of the state of his adoption.

He told of the manifold glories, advantages and blessings that follow a Nebraskan from his cradle to his grave, all the long road being strewn with those good things of life that dwellers in less favored regions vainly long for. His presentation of the facts on which Nebraska rests its claim to greatness was done in a witty way, vivid figures being mingled with humorous sallies or dressed in most attractive garb.

MRS. CULLOM PASSES AWAY

Wife of Illinois Senator Succumbs to Heart Trouble in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Mrs. Cullom, wife of Senator Cullom of Illinois, died here at her residence shortly after noon today. Mrs. Cullom had suffered from heart trouble for a long time. She became ill last spring and went to Atlantic City, but experienced no marked improvement. She returned here Saturday.

Cloudbursts in Royal Gorge Tie Up Traffic

Forty-Five Miles of Track in Arkansas Valley Washed Out—Property Damage Enormous.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 18.—Another cloudburst at Four Mile creek, near Canon City tonight made more disastrous the flood in the Arkansas river valley.

Since early today threatened downpours washed out railroad tracks and many trains containing eastern tourists.

The cloudburst was exceptionally heavy and the river, swollen by mountain torrents, risen 3 feet 6 inches. Denver & Colorado Grande and Colorado Midland tracks were blocked at many places, and scores of tourists were reported delayed at Salida, Grand Junction and other points.

The picturesque Royal Gorge, where the Arkansas river rushes through a canyon 1,000 feet deep, was a scene of wild fury. The water had reached the level of the famous "hanging bridge" although the bridge was said to be intact.

At Pueblo tonight the water was splashing over the levee at the State asylum grounds, and with a six-inch rise, the grounds of the asylum as well as a large portion of the residence section near will be under water.

Denver & Rio Grande officials here state that 45 miles of their track between here and Salida is washed out and that it will be at least a week before traffic can be resumed.

A few Denver & Rio Grande trains are being detoured by way of Alamosa, over both standard and narrow gauge roads.

Bold Attempt to Rob Cliff House

Bandits Try to Intimidate Clerk at Manitou Hotel and One is Killed.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Aug. 18.—Fashionable Cliff house at Manitou was the scene of one of the most daring attempts at robbery in the history of the Pike's Peak region at 3 o'clock this morning.

Edward Clark, who has been working at the hotel as a fireman all summer, and Peter Webster, said to have come from Salt Lake City, appeared at the room of Day Clerk James Morrow at that hour and forced him at the point of a gun to accompany them to the office, where they demanded that he open the safe.

In some manner one of the robbers laid a gun on a nearby desk. Morrow, who is a powerful fellow of 300 pounds, jumped for the weapon and securing it, fired at the men and an exchange of shots followed, during which Morrow shot Clark through the head, inflicting a fatal wound.

Clark escaped with a bullet hole through his shirt, although the weapon was so near when it was fired that his clothing was burned.

The men fled, followed by a hastily gathered posse and were later captured near Colorado Springs. Clark was taken to a local hospital, where he cannot live, and Webster was placed in the county jail.

Thousands of dollars in money and jewelry were saved by the pick of the clerk, for the safe was filled with valuables, the intended robbery coming at the height of the tourist season.

Chicago Bridge Drops Into River

Thirty Persons More or Less Injured When Twelfth Street Structure Collapses.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Ten persons were injured seriously and twenty others had narrow escapes tonight when 250 feet of the Twelfth street bridge over the river and viaduct collapsed. It was thought at first that several had been killed, but workmen digging in the ruins until late tonight did not find any bodies.

The bridge was closed on its west approach for construction work on the railroad viaduct underneath. The accident occurred just after a street car had run part way across the bridge and thirty passengers had alighted to walk over the dangerous portion to get another car.

The passengers were hurrying in a huddled group when there was a loud rumbling and a crash and the footway sank beneath them, carrying many to the pits below.

Many escaped by clinging to side timbers. Those, with the car crews, began the work of rescue and most of the injured were taken out before the police ambulances came. Several were found with legs and arms broken and internal injuries. Traffic on three railroads was delayed for an hour by the accident.

Dog's Sagacity Leads to Saving Man Adrift at Sea

Refreshed, fed and in dry clothes, Pierson told his story. He is a big Swede 48 years old.

"I had just made fast a life line shot out to me by the coast guards," he said, "when I was washed overboard by a combler. I did not jump, or have time to think of it."

"When I got my head out of the smother of foam, I saw a bit of drifting wreckage near me. There was iron bolts on it and loose ends of cordage. With these I lashed myself fast, leaving play enough so that I could stand erect and wave my shirt."

It was early morning and I could see that it was rapidly being carried out to sea. "All day Tuesday I shouted and waved my flag. All last night I fought off sleep and the numbing cold. Sixteen vessels, one a revenue cutter, passed me, but I could not attract their attention, as I was often out of sight in the trough of the sea."

"At last I could see by the way the Irene and Mary changed its course that the lookout had sighted me. I have been a sailor for twenty-two years, but no schooner ever looked so good to me as the Irene and Mary, heaving up to windward. It was Pierson."

FARM PROGRESS IN TWELVE YEARS

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson Reviews Work of His Department for Three Terms.

BALANCE OF TRADE GROWN

Yearly Average of Exports Over Imports is \$411,000,000.

INCREASE IN YIELD OF SOIL

Wheat Production in Nebraska Shows Gain of 45.9 Per Cent Per Acre.

DEPARTMENT WORK MULTIPLIED

New Tasks Assigned to It by Congress Now Necessitates Employment of Over Ten Thousand Persons.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—During the last twelve years, the period covering the administration of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, the agricultural balance of trade in the United States increased from a yearly average of \$234,000,000 to \$411,000,000, or 75.6 per cent, according to the department's year book, just made public.

This wonderful development is in keeping with the progress that has been made along all lines of agricultural activity. At the same time, it is stated, many conditions affecting the lives of the farmers of the country have advanced in even greater ratio until many of the undesirable features of farm life have been eliminated.

Department's Work Grows. "So increasingly disposed has the public been to ask and receive the aid of the department, and so large have been the new fields of work assigned to it by congress," says Mr. Wilson, in a resume of his work, that the number of employes has increased enormously. On July 1, 1902, 2,444 persons were employed, and eleven years later, in 1908, the number was 10,430, or over four times as many."

Among the notable increases were in the bureau of animal industry, from 777 to 3,132 employes; in the forest service, from fourteen to 2,732; in the bureau of chemistry, from twenty to 425, and the bureau of plant industry, from 177 to 956. Most of the additional workers in these bureaus are employed outside of Washington, there being 2,488 within and 7,932 outside of this city.

Many have been the innovations and developed into potential forces for the betterment of farm life during this period, says Mr. Wilson. The entire system by which the work of the Agricultural Department has been operated has been changed. Never before has the work of state agricultural colleges and experimental stations been so intimately related with the department as now.

Increase in Yield of Soil. During these years there has been a great diversification and geographic extension of products, partly from the cultivation of new land. Although there has been a decreasing production per acre of what was only recently virgin soil, there was an increased production per acre of the entire country. The yield per acre of cotton during the ten years ending with 1908 was from a mean of 172 pounds per acre during the preceding ten years to a mean of 191 pounds, or an 11 per cent increase. Other crops have kept pace with cotton. Within ten years the production of corn per acre in Ohio increased 17.5 per cent and in Virginia 18.3 per cent. Oats increased 17.9 per cent in Indiana. Wheat increased 62.5 per cent in New York and 62.9 per cent in Nebraska. Similar advancement was made in the yield per acre of other products. In some degree this upward movement began twenty years ago, but in all lines it has been marked during the last decade.

Plans for New Legislation. Attorney General Wickersham is coming to see the president Friday to discuss with him a plan for reorganization of the duties of the Interstate Commerce commission, amendment of the Sherman anti-trust law, and bringing interstate corporations more definitely under the control of one branch of the government.

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According to Mr. Taft's view the machinery to enforce the laws on the statute books is now inadequate. He believes that the Interstate Commerce commission is overworked with work and that it ought to be relieved of its jurisdiction as a legislative body, its functions to be limited to the quasi-judicial investigation of complaints made by individuals and by a department of government charged with the legislative business of supervision. The president also believes that under the Sherman anti-trust law as it stands today, there is much to interfere with legitimate business, but that by amendment it can be made an effective and just instrument.

Quick, Decisive Action. To bring about a coalition of the law departments of the various government departments which have to deal with railroads and other interstate corporations and "trusts" so as to permit of quick and decisive action in cases of offense against the statutes, is another of the tasks which the president has set himself.

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THE TARIFF PRODIGAL'S RETURN. From the Washington Star.

TAFT IS READY FOR TEST

President Not Alarmed by Rumors of Attack on Corporation Tax.

SUCH ACTION IS ANTICIPATED

is Something of a Lawyer Himself and Eminent Attorneys Agree with Him that it is Valid.

BEVERLY, Mass., Aug. 18.—Reports which are reaching Beverly daily from Washington and New York that the constitutionality of the new corporation tax is to be tested just as soon as an effort is made to collect it have not disturbed the president the least, as he laughingly told a number of callers at the Taft cottages today. The tests and the protests, the president declared, were all anticipated.

Mr. Taft, himself a lawyer of some eminence and father of the corporation tax idea, is thoroughly convinced that the law will stand any test that may be applied to it. Attorney General Wickersham, a corporation lawyer of note, and Senator Root, celebrated on the corporation tax provision of the tariff bill and the measure as enacted, they believe, will survive any attempt to nullify it.

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Seven Western Railroads Ask for Injunction

Attempt to Set Aside Order for Reduction of Through Rates from Eastern Points.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad, with seven western railroads as co-complainants, filed suit in the United States circuit court here today to enjoin the Interstate Commerce commission from enforcing its rate order of June 29. This order reduces the through rates from points east of the Illinois-Indiana line to Des Moines, Ia. This is the third attack of the western railroads against the commission, involving the commission's order that through interstate freight rates from the east shall be less than the sum of the local rates. The roads lined up with the Rock Island are:

The Illinois Central, Chicago, Great Western, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Chicago & Northwestern, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, Iowa Central and the Wabash railroad.

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Kills His Father to Wed Stepmother

Remarkable Confession Made by Oklahoma Boy Charged with Patricide.

PAWHUSKA, Okla., Aug. 18.—Peter Brown, under arrest here charged jointly with his stepmother with the murder of his father, L. P. Brown, last April, has, according to the sheriff, made a remarkable confession to him.

According to the alleged confession, young Brown killed his father with an axe and was assisted by his stepmother in throwing the body into a brush pile where it was burned. Brown is credited with saying his stepmother had promised to marry him.

Today there was another arrest in connection with the crime, when Bert Blumfeldt was arrested, charged with being an accessory. Ruby Waters, aged 13 years, a niece of Mrs. Brown, is being held as a witness.

CROOK HIDES IN A HOSPITAL

Takes Treatment for Imaginary Trouble for Nearly Week Before Discovered.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Charles Alexander, wanted by detectives here in a hospital in this city and was treated for nearly a week for an imaginary internal trouble before he was forced into the street. Detectives discovered him yesterday and arrested him.

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CHADBOURNE FOR PRESIDENT

Hotel Men Elect Officers and Adjourn Annual Convention.

MINNEAPOLIS GETS TWO PLUMS

Presidency and Next Meeting Both Go to Minnesota Metropolis—O'Brien Chosen First Vice President of Association.

President—Charles N. Chadbourne, Vendome hotel, Minneapolis.

First Vice President—T. J. O'Brien, Hennepin hotel, Minneapolis.

Second Vice President—C. W. Johnson, Hotel Ellis, Waterloo, Ia.

Third Vice President—W. C. Keeley, Cataract hotel, Sioux Falls, S. D.

Fourth Vice President—J. D. Bacon, Grand Forks, S. D.

Fifth Vice President—J. E. Little, Cook hotel, Rochester, Minn.

Secretary-treasurer—Irvin A. Medlar, Omaha.

These were elected officers of the Northwestern Hotel Men's association Wednesday morning.

Minneapolis was chosen as the place of the annual meeting for 1910.

The seventh annual convention of the Northwestern Hotel Men's association concluded its highly successful session at the Rome hotel shortly after noon Wednesday.

The morning meeting was opened with a telegram of greeting from President Fred Van Ormon of the national association, expressing his regrets at his inability to be present and congratulating the association in its meeting and wishing for it every success.

J. H. Richards of Spaulding read the paper of F. Melville Lewis of Cleveland, O., on "Hotel Associations," in the absence of Mr. Lewis.

Sidney S. Spence of the New National at Fall City gave an off hand talk on how to run a hotel on the European plan in a small city.

J. P. Letton of the Hotel Bentley of Alexandria, La., gave an interesting sketch of how to make a \$20,000 hotel pay in a remote community, and presented each of the delegates with a souvenir plate to remind them that Alexandria was on the map. He was an ardent advocate of advertising.

Mr. Spence extended a cordial invitation to the association to visit his hotel at Falls City on the occasion of his birthday, on March 17, 1910.

T. J. O'Brien of Omaha was made chairman of the arrangements committee by special request.

The auditing committee submitted its report upon the books of the secretary treasurer, and found them all correct, and recommended that the secretary-treasurer be paid \$200 for his services for the last year. The report was unanimously adopted.

Standing Committees Named. Standing committees for the convention were appointed as follows: Nomination—W. B. Nation of Sioux Falls.

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SEDGWICK IS IN THE LEAD

Barnes Close Behind and is Assured of Nomination for One Place on the Bench.

THIRD POSITION IS IN DOUBT

Fawcett Has the Lead So Far as Returns Are Received.

HAMER IS RUNNING CLOSE UP

Count is Proceeding Slowly and Returns Are Fragmentary.

VOTE LIGHT OVER THE STATE

Prospects It Will Not Reach the Total of Last Year, as There Was No Contest Except on Supreme Judge.

Returns from Tuesday's primary are still decidedly incomplete and not conclusive as to the third place on the republican ticket for supreme judge. Sedgwick leads the poll on the returns now in, and Barnes a close second, and there two have been nominated without question. For the third place Fawcett has a lead of 688 on the face of the incomplete returns over Hamer. Cobley is next in the list, but from present indications the nomination lies between Fawcett and Hamer, with the chances favoring the former.

The vote was light, probably considerably less than in last year's primary. As predicted before the primary, many democrats voted the republican ticket, having no contested places on their own ticket except where local issues and candidates created them.

Following are the figures received up to date:

Table with columns for County and Precincts, and rows for Adams, Barnes, Sedgwick, Fawcett, Hamer, Cobley, and Total. The table shows the number of votes received by each candidate in various precincts across the state.

LINCOLN, Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The primary in Lincoln was a great frolic for the democrats, who took advantage of the work of their legislature, which amended the primary law so that voters could vote for their ballots for candidates regardless of party affiliation, and were busy all day. They dipped in not only in the fight of the republicans for positions on the state ticket, but they worked hard for and against republican candidates on the county ticket.

Last night hard working democrats walked the streets and bragged about voting for or against this republican and that republican. They had no contests of their own in this county and were left free to vote for the republicans.

T. J. Doyle, three years ago democratic candidate for congress in this district, said he voted the straight republican ticket for the first time in his life. His excuse was that he believed the republicans would be successful in this fall and therefore he desired to assist in the nomination of the strongest men. Felix Newton, bookkeeper at the Lincoln asylum, said he voted his Russians for the men he considered the weakest on the republican ticket.

The "Independent" voter who would get in politics providing he did not have to tell his party affiliations, failed to get busy, as the vote was far short of expectations. When the primary bill was pending in the legislature, it was thought the open primary would mean a largely increased vote.

With several precincts still missing the following have beyond doubt been nominated in Lancaster, each having a hard contest: H. V. Hoagland, sheriff; Jack Matthews, coroner; Billy Clinton, registrar of deeds; Harry Wells, county clerk; Fred Beckman, treasurer.

BIDS FOR NEW BATTLESHIPS

William Cramp & Son Are Low on Construction of Wyoming and Arkansas.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—William Cramp & Sons of Philadelphia were the lowest bidders for constructing the battleships Wyoming and Arkansas, bids for which were opened at the Navy department today. They submitted two bids, one at \$4,450,000 and another at \$4,475,000. Only one ship can go, however, to any firm of builders. The New York Shipbuilding company of Camden, N. J., made the next lowest bid at \$4,675,000.

The vessels are to be of 25,000 tons each, the largest ever undertaken by the American naval establishment, the increase in tonnage in this class of vessels being from 20,000, the size of the original American Dreadnaughts, the Delaware and North Dakota.

The Utah, now under construction by the New York Shipbuilding company, and the Florida, now being built at the New York navy yard, are the two remaining Dreadnaughts, their tonnage being 22,000.

Greek Flag in Crete is Shot Down by Blue Jackets

CANEA, Island of Crete, Aug. 18.—A well directed shot fired by one of the parties of blue jackets landed early this morning from the international squadron anchored in Canea harbor brought down the flagstaff of the Canea fort and with it the Greek flag that has threatened to bring war between Turkey and Greece.

A combined landing party composed of detachments from the ships of the four protecting powers was sent ashore before sunrise today and the task of removing the Hellenic emblem was carried out in a few minutes without any attempt at interference on the part of the islanders. Most of the blue jackets then returned to their ships, but small detachments representing each of the four powers were left behind in occupation of the bastion of the fortress to prevent any attempt on the part of the Cretans to raise another flag.

Cretan gendarmes have been posted throughout Canea to maintain order.

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