

HOPE LOST FOR
CHEAPER MEATS

American Packers in Chicago Believe
Permanently Low Prices Are
Things of Bygone Days.

SLIGHT DROP THOUGHT PROBABLE
President Says There Will Be Lower-
ing Soon, but Will Not Last.

INSPECTION LAW WILL BE ENFORCED
Secretary Wilson Thanks Packers for
Assistance in Executing Law.

PAST YEAR IS UNSATISFACTORY
Committee Declares Prices of Live
Stock Have Been High and That
Products Have Been Sold
at Low Figures.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—No hope of permanently lower prices was held out by the delegates to the fourth annual convention of the American Packers' association, the first session of which was held here today.

Michael Ryan, president of the association, said that prices might drop slightly for a short time, as there has been some increase in the number of cattle raised recently, but this boom to American hives would be short lived.

At the same time a letter from Secretary Wilson was read to the convention thanking the packers for the assistance they had given the Department of Agriculture in the execution of the meat inspection law, and declaring that the outside work done with American hives. Secretary Wilson in his letter says:

"We have inspectors now in over 800 packing houses, which will give an idea of the comprehensiveness of our work. With few exceptions we have cordial cooperation from the packers in the rigid execution of the law.

"I am convinced that the outside world receiving our meats is satisfied with regard to their purity and cleanliness, and I know from correspondence within the United States that there is very little fault found with the meats that enter into interstate commerce. I might remark that in the execution of the meat law and of the pure food law we have very little friction. There is difference of opinion with regard to a few things only, and entire harmony with regard to the great bulk of meats and foods put upon the American market.

"We are having trouble with imports from foreign countries where people preparing goods for shipment to the United States evidently do not have a tinge of the supervision that is exercised in the United States.

Price of Cattle Up.

In considering the high cost of meat, the executive committee said:

"The past fiscal year has been a very unsatisfactory one to the meat packers of the country. The price of live stock, our raw material, have been abnormally high and the products have had to be sold at comparatively low figures. The price of live stock foodstuffs have been extremely high throughout the year, and this has resulted in a consequently increased cost of production to the feeders and raisers. It naturally follows that where our raw material is high priced that the products must go up in proportion, and we think it is our duty to the public to explain this situation. It seems to be but little prospect of a decrease in the cost of live stock, which we will be compelled to buy, and, if the prices of our raw material continue upon a high plane, it will, therefore, be necessary for us to maintain a proportionate price upon our products."

Good Chance to
Draw State Land

One in Every Eight Applicants for
South Dakota Reservation Tracts
Will Be Successful.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Oct. 18.—The third and last week of the registration for the opening of the Cheyenne River and Standing Rock reservations began today with a rush that indicates that the total for the week will probably equal the huge figures of the first week, omitting local names.

Notwithstanding this, the total probably will not exceed 50,000, of which 10,000 will have registered here. These figures are much lower than expected, and will make the chance of getting a farm on in that ratio lower than in any recent opening.

FISH IS NOT TO BE
MINISTER TO CHINA

Says Mission Was Offered Him Last
Spring, but He at Once
Declined.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Sturgeon Fish, being asked today as to the report from Shanghai as to becoming minister to China, said:

"It is true that the Chinese mission was offered to me, but that happened last spring while I was in Europe. Needless to say the offer was at once declined. I did not mention the fact then or should not do so now, were it not for the persistence of the baseless rumors of my going there."

Surrender of Cornwallis
Celebrated at Yorktown

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Oct. 18.—With a gaily decorated grandstand in front of the court house and arches along the street, the historic little village of Yorktown is ready for the celebration of the 125th anniversary of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. The celebration will be held tomorrow by the descendants of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, assisted by four companies of coast artillery from Fort Monroe, a torpedo flotilla and a large body of interested citizens from this section and elsewhere.

Today was "Thomas Nelson day" at Yorktown, and was marked by a reunion of the descendants of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. The principal speaker will be Congressman J. Hampton Moore of Philadelphia.

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Shippers Hear
Talk of Higher
Freight Rates

Middle-Western Traders Rouse to
Arms and Call Meeting to Consider
Railways' Intentions.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—A meeting of important shipping interests of the country is to be held in Cincinnati tomorrow night to consider the prospective action of the railroads in the eastern part of the country in increasing freight rates in the territory east of the Mississippi river.

No determination has been reached to increase the rates, but the question is under advisement and the advance will be made, probably in the near future, if the conditions in the judgment of railway officials, justify it.

Apprehending that such an advance is likely, many organizations of shippers throughout the middle western country have joined in a call for the meeting in Cincinnati. In addition they have prepared a letter, which was addressed to W. C. Brown, president of the New York Central line; Oscar G. Murray, president of the Baltimore and Ohio, and James McCrea, president of the Pennsylvania railroad, setting forth the reasons, as they view them, for not making an advance in the freight rates.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 18.—President McCrea, of the Pennsylvania railroad company, in a letter to commercial bodies and firms in Cincinnati, Dayton, Indianapolis and other points east of the Mississippi river, denies that the question of "general advance in freight rates or in classification is now under consideration or contemplated."

He says further that C. C. McCain, who has written the pamphlet upon which the letters of Presidents Brown, Murray and McCrea were based "does not speak for the carriers, but solely for himself."

Marshal and Court
at Logerheads

Former Hangs Onto Prisoner on
Omaha Warrant Despite Order
of Judge.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A conflict between Federal Judge Lewis and United States Marshal Bailey arose today over the custody of Ernest L. Powers, wanted on a number of widespread charges in connection with the Mayby gang, when a fresh warrant for his arrest arrived today from Omaha.

Judge Lewis had instructed the marshal to turn the man over to the state courts for trial October 25. Powers is still in custody of the marshal, who has refused to surrender him to the state courts. Judge Lewis' order, Powers was re-arrested on the second warrant received this morning from Omaha, charging him with perjury. He was taken before Commissioner Hindsdale and his bond fixed at \$5,000.

Swindler Given
Five-Year Term

Used Fictitious Omaha Estate to
Secure Money from Brooklyn
Merchants.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Samuel T. Bondhus, who recently attempted to swindle the Franklin Trust company out of \$50,000, was sentenced today to five years in Sing Sing. He was a veteran of the Spanish war.

On the strength of his representations that he was the son and heir of M. T. Bondhus of Omaha, Neb., he succeeded in getting the trust company to accept a draft of \$50,000, payable to himself, for collection from the estate, and received a pass-book. By showing the pass-book he was able to get a Brooklyn merchant to cash his check on the trust company before his draft had been dishonored in Omaha.

There is no Bondhus estate in Omaha and never has been. The whole story of the swindler being a fiction.

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TAFT WILL REST
ON TEXAS RANCH

President to Enjoy Four Days' Respite
on Brother's Farm in the Lone
Star State.

GOLF LINKS ARE READY FOR USE
To Divide Recreation Between Greens
and Horseback Riding.

IS GUEST AT FORT SAM HOUSTON
Attends Cornerstone Laying During
Day and Takes Part in Service.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GIVE WELCOME
After Leaving Fort Taft Meets Ad-
miring Friends on the Alamo
Plaza—Informal Luncheon
Tendered by Citizens.

GREGORY, Tex., Oct. 18.—President Taft arrived here tonight shortly after 9 o'clock to spend four days on the ranch of Charles F. Taft, his brother. Reports as to the size of this ranch vary from 100,000 to 200,000 acres. In either event it approaches the proportions of a principality and, during the time here, the president will be secluded from local committees, from the giving of banquets and from the duties of constant speech making.

Asked today what he was going to do on the ranch, the president replied that he was going to do as he pleased. This means that he will golf every morning over the links laid out on the ranch, that he will ride in the afternoon and that he may go duck shooting, although he does not claim to be much of a shot.

Mr. Taft was met at the Gregory station tonight by his brother and a number of hands from the ranch, which lies three miles east of here. The ranch faces three bays on the Gulf of Mexico. Tarpon fishing is a favorite sport of this section, but it is doubtful if Mr. Taft will try his hand.

Busy Day at San Antonio.
SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 18.—At 6 o'clock this morning an automobile was waiting for the president at the steps of the St. Anthony hotel, where he stopped last night, to convey him to Fort Sam Houston, where with a simple ceremony he laid the cornerstone of the nearly completed post chapel building. This chapel, one of the handsomest buildings to be found in the jurisdiction of the War department was presented to the post by the citizens of San Antonio and was formally accepted and dedicated by President Taft shortly after his arrival from El Paso last night.

On his way to Fort Sam Houston this morning the president was driven through the ranks of school children, 14,000 in number, who sang "America" as he passed. The president halted his march in Hates to the song and to the cheers of the children.

Arriving at the fort, he greeted all the troops stationed there before proceeding to the chapel, where the simple service of placing the cornerstone in the niche reserved for it was performed. The troops were those that acted as escort to President Taft and President Dix at El Paso. Following the chapel ceremony, the president held a reception from a grand stand on Alamo plaza. At noon the president's visit ended with an informal luncheon given by the citizens.



From the Cleveland Leader.

Laying in for a Hard Winter

RATE CASE TO WAIT TURN
Supreme Court Refuses to Advance It
for Speedy Hearing.

INVOLVES JOINT RATE PROBLEM
Nebraska and Other Western Men in
Washington to Attend Annual
Meeting of Scottish Rite
Masons.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The supreme court today refused to advance the case of the Interstate Commerce commission against the Northern Pacific Railway company as prayed for by Solicitor General Lloyd W. Bowers in his motion to advance, filed June 5 of this year. The Interstate Commerce commission in May, after a hearing, made an order requiring the Northern Pacific Railway company, the Chicago and Northwestern Railway company, Union Pacific Railroad company, Great Northern Railway company and Oregon Railway and Navigation company to establish on July 1, 1910, through and joint rates applicable thereto from Chicago, Council Bluffs, Omaha and Kansas City, being terminal points of the rates named on the east, inclusive via Portland, Ore., to points in the state of Washington between Portland and Seattle, said joint rates to be the same as the joint rates contemporaneously in effect between said points via the Northern Pacific and its connection. On May 25 the Northern Pacific company filed a bill of complaint for an injunction against the commission, and the attorney general having filed his certificate under the expediting act, the four circuit judges sitting in a circuit court, enjoined the commission from putting its order into effect on the ground that there were reasonable and satisfactory through routes which would be established by the Interstate Commerce commission, and by reason thereof the order of the commission was erroneously and wrongfully made, hence the motion to advance, which is denied.

Noted Actress
Tires of Stage,
Also of Husband

Margaret Illington Files Long-Ex-
pected Suit for Divorce from
Daniel Frohman.

RENO, Nev., Oct. 18.—Mrs. Daniel Frohman, more familiarly known by her stage name of Margaret Illington, today filed suit for divorce in the district court of this city, alleging that her husband has for the last two years failed to contribute to her support.

The complaint contains only the bare statement that the plaintiff has resided in Reno for more than six months prior to filing the action, and that there are no children and no community property. No alimony is asked.

For nearly a year Mrs. Frohman has resided here. She has lived quietly, never appearing in social events. It is thought the suit will not be contested. Mrs. Frohman's attorney stated today it would be devoid of sensational features so far as their client is concerned.

Some time ago Mrs. Frohman said she was tired of the stage and wished to lead a domestic life. She was married to Mr. Frohman in New York, November 23, 1908.

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CHURCHMEN HONOR BISHOP

Nebraska Club Banquet on Anniver-
sary of Bishop Williams' Ordination.

COMPANY IS A NOTABLE ONE
Bishops Millspeugh, Sheldon and
Morrison Attend and Congratu-
latory Letters Received from a
Number of Others.

"A bishop must love his people if he expects them to love him. A bishop who is more careful of the rights of his clergy and his people than his own rights will never have any trouble with his people and there will never be any question as to the recognition of the proper authority," said Rt. Rev. Sheldon M. Griswold, D. D., bishop of Salina, at the annual banquet of the Nebraska Church club, which was held last night at the Paxton. "There is nothing that a bishop dislikes more than to be looked upon as a ruler."

The banquet of the Nebraska Church club was held on the tenth anniversary of the consecration of Rt. Rev. Albert L. Williams, bishop of Nebraska, and the occasion drew to Omaha a large number of his friends in the church. These paid tribute to his worth as a man and a bishop. Three other bishops were in attendance at the banquet and regrets were read from a dozen others, all testifying to their esteem of Bishop Williams.

The banquet was well attended and was held in the large dining room at the Paxton and after the menu was finished nine speakers, several of a national reputation, responded to different assigned topics.

Kind Words for Bishop.

R. S. Hall, president of the club, acted as toastmaster, after paying his respects to Bishop Williams, said: "The strength and show of any nation is its men. We love Bishop Williams because he is a man."

Rev. John Sage of Dubuque told how to raise an endowment fund, saying: "It must be gone about in a businesslike way and it must be a layman's move. An Episcopalian is a lover of his bishop and I do not take much to arouse him to a sense of duty."

Rev. Charles H. Young, who left Omaha to succeed Bishop Williams at Christ church, Chicago, testified to the splendid condition in which he found the church, which he said was due to the magnificent foundation which had been laid by Bishop Williams.

"A layman must assist in other church work besides looking after the financial end of the church," said H. W. Yates in responding to the toast of "The Layman and the Bishop."

"The Priest and the Bishop" was a theme which Rev. Irwin P. Johnson of Minneapolis handled in a humorous and yet pleasant fashion, making many strong points which were home by his wit. Dean Becher insisted that there were but three orders in the church, bishop, priest and deacon, and said that the word deacon looked good on the program, but he was still a priest. He said that prayer was the great lever of all things when they went bad.

Rev. Francis J. Hall of the Western Theological seminary of Chicago told of the training of a bishop and Frank L. Haller of Omaha used as his subject "The Church Club, the Bodyguard of the Bishop."

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WARM DEBATE ON
CAR FARE BILLS

Council as Committee of the Whole
Hears Some Arguments and
Some Sharp Words.

FIRST ROUND IN FIGHT A DRAW
Both Sides Ready to Go Farther at
Any Time.

COMPANY RESISTS LOWER FARES
Wattles Says It is Not Justified by
Present Conditions.

ZIMMAN LEADS FOR REDUCTION
Former Councilman Debates the Bills
at Length and Supports His Con-
sultations with Many Figures
from Other Cities.

Principals and their seconds met Monday afternoon in the city council chamber before the committee of the whole to fight out the battle for and against six tickets for a quarter. One long round of talk was indulged in, with some stinging remarks, rejoinders, counters and cross-counters scattered about.

Then, when everybody was tired, adjournment was taken to next Monday afternoon. Previous to the encounter direct Councilman Berka, with fine foresight, had a motion passed that no decision should be given on the result. All the arguments were to be heard, then the vote that would settle the position of the council as referees was to be deferred until City Clerk Butler can get precedents and decisions from forty other cities that have been officially requested to send data touching the dispute here in Omaha.

"Bob" Holmes, highly illuminated, rose at one point to tell former Councilman Zimman that he (Zimman) was a ding doing ping pong prevaricator; Holmes used ugly, unpolitic language and Councilman Funkhouser, presiding, conveyed to Mr. Holmes the information that his feelings were ruffled by the tone used.

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CUTTER TO BE DREGDED OUT

Government Tugs Are Unable to
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KEY WEST, Fla., Oct. 18.—The revenue cutter Forward, which ran on the mud flats near Man-of-War harbor in the hurricane of last week, probably will have to be dredged out. Government tugs which have been working with it for several days have been unable to move it. No lives were lost in the accident.

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Among Those Present.

As spectators of the riot of language and the tornado of argument there was a large delegation of striking street car men, a smaller aggregation of Federated Improvers and a dignified group of what Judge Wharton designated broadly as cooperative business men. Besides Judge Wharton, whose voice was in excellent condition; there were Robert Cowell, E. H. Brute, N. F. Dodge, Jr., David Cole, Samuel Ross, T. J. Mahoney, Walter Jardine, J. E. Sunderland, Frank Hamilton and some others who modestly took seats well back.

These were all in fine physical condition, while A. L. Reed and Frank Judson showed the marks of other combatants by areas dug up to slugs. They denied physical slugs, however, blaming ignorant and bally pato-