

WEATHER FORECAST. For Nebraska—Fair. For Iowa—Fair. For weather report see page 2.

BATTLE AGAINST HIGH PRICES

Anti-Meat Movement Continues to Spread, but Has Little Effect. BIG BOOST FROM LOUISVILLE. Members of Twenty-One Lodges Will Eat Meat but Once a Day. STOCKMEN GETTING THE MONEY. Farm Paper Says Last Year's Animal Crop Broke All Records. GAIN OF OVER HALF BILLION. The increase in value of live stock sold in 1909 amounted to \$560,000,000—Retailers Also Blamed.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The movement to combat the high price of food continued its spread here as little indication of a decrease in the price of meat. Milwaukee, which reported a big decrease in the prices quoted by two butchers, yesterday showed a general reduction in many places. None of the other cities in which the movement has been started, reported any reduction, however.

The most notable acquisition to the ranks of the anti-meat cause came from the Louisville, where twenty-one lodges of a fraternal organization adopted resolutions that all members refrain from eating meat more than once a day during February. The Women's Trade Union league and the Building Trades council of St. Louis announced today that they would take action against the high price of meat next week.

Indianapolis, St. Paul and Toledo reported that the attempts to launch a crusade against prevailing high prices in those cities had so far failed. From St. Paul came the report that Labor Commissioner McEwan had made the statement that the inhabitants of Minnesota were too prosperous to feel the effects of high prices.

Stockmen Get the Money. Apropos of the movement, the Orange Judd Farmer makes the statement that 1909 was the most prosperous year ever known in the live stock industry, according to the annual census review of farm stock. The total value of all classes of live stock in the country on January 1, 1910, was \$4,850,000,000, says that periodical. The increase during 1909 was the greatest ever recorded in twelve months, amounting to \$600,000,000.

There is an increase in the numbers of all classes of animals except beef cattle and hogs, showing an increase in numbers and a heavy advance in average values per head at the same time. Cattle, other than milch cows, total 4,750,000 head, worth on an average \$12.50 each. The number of sheep is increasing rapidly and now stands 54,750,000, worth \$4.07 each. Hogs showed a marked decline in numbers, reaching only 4,900,000, but the price per head, \$8.15, is the highest on record. With the exception of beef cattle, every class of animals showed the highest average value ever recorded.

Government is Hopeful of Bills Against Packers

Investigation of National Packing Company Has Been Going on for Six Months. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Active preparations are under way for the presentation to the grand jury at Chicago of the government's case against the beef packing concerns, whose alleged practices, believed to be in restraint of trade and possibly a factor in keeping up the price of fresh meat, have been under investigation by agents of the Department of Justice.

Wade H. Ellis, assistant to the attorney general, under whose direction the inquiry has been in progress, may be on hand to direct and assist in presenting the facts gathered by the government to the grand jury. The administration expects to present a strong showing and secure a number of indictments. The inquiry into the practices of the National Packing company and the various packing houses controlling it has been under way for six months.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Investigation of the methods of the leading meat packers is to begin next week, when a new federal grand jury convenes here. United States District Attorney Sims made preparations today to present the results of the investigation made last year when the question of alleged restraint of trade was raised by the grand jury. Without disclosing the exact nature of the acts by the government, it is authoritatively declared that there are three methods of attack which may be made against the packers.

Criminal prosecution for violation of the anti-trust law; civil action for the dissolution of the National Packing company, and contempt proceedings for alleged violation of Judge Grosscup's injunction restraining them from fixing prices in restraint of trade. It is expected the criminal prosecution will be taken up first.

Thaw is Held to Be Bankrupt. Referee Gives Trustee Right to Sell Personal Property to His Sister. PITTSBURGH, Jan. 22.—That Harry Kendall Thaw is a bankrupt and that his estate is subject to the United States bankruptcy laws is held by Referee William B. Blair, who today handed down an opinion on the petition of Roger O'Mara, trustee of Thaw's estate, for leave to sell the bankrupt's real and personal property to his sister, Alice Copley Thaw, in private sale.

Three Shocks Are Felt in Iceland. Earthquake Tremors Are Severe, but No Serious Damage is Done. SEYDISFJORD, Iceland, Jan. 22.—Three severe earthquakes, shocks were felt here at 7:45 o'clock this morning. The tremors were felt elsewhere in Iceland, but so far as reported no damage was done.

HEINZE CHARGE IS DISMISSED

Judge Hough Rules that One Indictment of Copper King is Invalid. BASIS OF THE DECISION. Expert Accountant Assisted the Prosecutor in Grand Jury Room. NEW HOPE FOR MORSE. Attorney for Ice King Says He Can Show Similar Cause. WILL GET BACK INTO COURT. Writ of Habeas Corpus Will Be Asked at Atlanta to Get Judgment on Certain Alleged Facts.

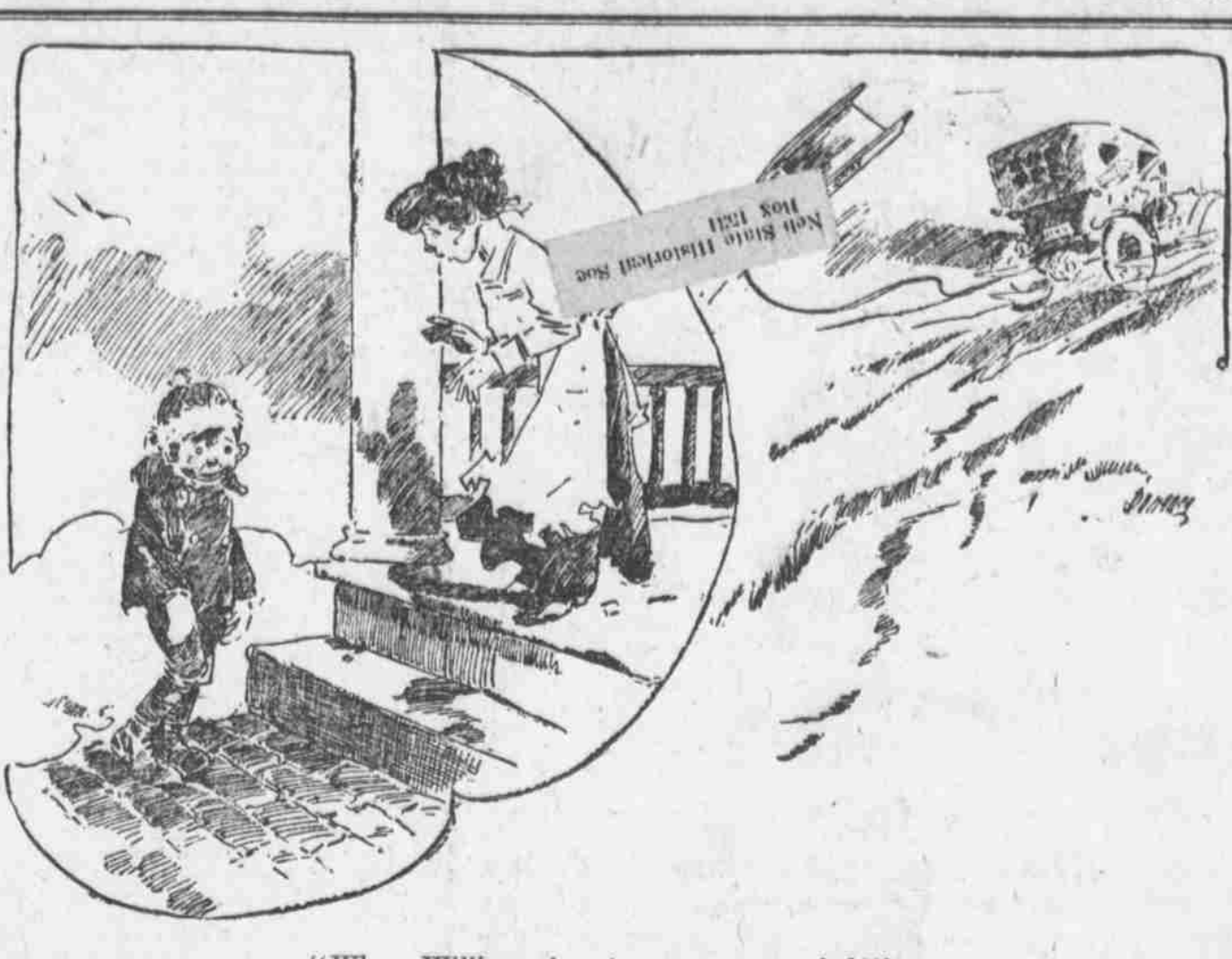
NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—A decision by Judge Hough, in the United States court today, quashing the indictment against F. Augustus Heinze, financier and promoter, has given renewed hope to the friends and counsel of Charles W. Morse, the banker, now serving a term of fifteen years in the federal prison at Atlanta, Ga. Martin W. Littleton, Morse's lawyer, said tonight that the Heinze decision of today may apply equally to the case of Morse and that if he could establish similar facts he would move that no valid indictment was found against his client.

Heinze was indicted on October 13, 1909, for violation of the national banking law. In quashing the indictment Judge Hough said: "The common law is that a grand jury, while deliberating, should listen to witnesses who give testimony and to no one else, except the authorized law officials of the commonwealth. When this indictment was under consideration in the grand jury room, John F. Fensler took part in the proceedings to the extent of asking some technical questions of the expert accountants, and throughout suggested the method of examining expert witnesses thought to be allied with the defendant."

Paris Buildings in Danger. Many Villages in France Are Under Water and Troops Are Rescuing People—Further Rise Feared. PARIS, Jan. 22.—The flood of the Seine threatens to assume the proportions of a catastrophe. The water at 3 o'clock had risen a foot since morning. The foundations of many buildings and notably the Eiffel tower have been infiltrated and the structures are in danger of collapsing.

Seine Banks Are Full. The Seine is debris-laden and its yellow torrents are almost flush with its banks. Collars along the quays are full of water and there will be a heavy loss in wines and other warehouse goods. Railroad and telegraphic communication is interrupted in the eastern provinces, where the streets of many cities and villages are flooded. The Rhone and the Marne are reported as apparently having reached their maximum flood.

Wrecked Through Phone. When the telephone bell rang in the deep, dark hours of the morning, the man was awakened by his wife. He lay still to listen, then dozed again. The telephone wouldn't be satisfied, refused to be snubbed and kept on ringing intermittently until the man's alert wife forced him to rise.



From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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TAFT FOR TWO DREADNOUGHTS

President Will Keep Navy Up to Standard in State of Economy. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—At a conference with Chairman Foss of the house committee on naval affairs and Representative Roberts of Massachusetts, member of the committee, President Taft today announced that he favored a provision for two new battleships of the improved dreadnought or all big gun type in the forthcoming naval appropriation bill.

The man who owns an automobile should take advantage of this severe weather to have his car thoroughly overhauled and painted. On the first want ad page, under the classification, Automobiles, are a number of firms who are skilled in automobile overhauling and painting.

Raise More Meat, Wilson's Remedy For High Prices

Immigrants Flock to City and Become Consumers, Not Producers, Says Secretary. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—"Undoubtedly if the farms were raising more meat the price would be reduced," said Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture today, in commenting upon the widespread boycott against meat products. "There are not enough people on the farms raising food, and too many are going to the towns to be fed."

Burkett Talks Before Committee

Nebraska Senator Thinks Irrigation Homesteaders Will Be Given Patents. (From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Burkett said tonight that he had every reason to believe his bill granting patents to homesteaders under irrigation provisions would become a law during the present session of congress. He frankly admitted that there might be a modification made in the measure and he rather looks for this, but the general principles of the bill he thought would be kept intact.

ADVISE ON NAVIGATION

Waterways Commission Will Recommend Plans for General Federal Policy. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Recommendations as to a general federal policy toward the improvement of rivers, harbors and canals, based upon investigations that have been conducted in this and foreign countries for a couple of years, will be made to congress by the United States National Waterways commission in a report to be submitted Monday.

MISSOURI AFTER PACKERS

Attorney General Files Information Against Nine Firms. CHARGE CONTROL OF MEAT PRICE. Petition Alleges Combination to Fix Amount Paid for "Packers," Live Stock and Dairy Supplies. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Information against nine of the big packing house companies, alleging that they are operating in violation of the anti-trust laws of the state, and asking that an examiner be appointed by the supreme court for the purpose of taking testimony, was filed with Judge Leroy B. Valliant of the supreme court by Attorney General Elliott W. Major shortly before 6 o'clock. No further steps will be taken in the premises before Monday.

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Man in Charge of Train Reaches Top of Car and Helps Occupants to Safety—Identity of Victims Not Known. SUDBURY, Ont., Jan. 22.—With three big drayloads of rough boxes waiting to receive the bodies of upwards of two score victims, the scene of yesterday's Canadian Pacific wreck at Spanish river today presented an almost hopeless field of labor for the hundred or more men sent to clear away the wreck and recover the victims' bodies. A hissing raged all day down the valley of the Spanish river.

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SUNKEN CARS STILL IN RIVER

Ice Closes Over Two Coaches Containing Bodies of Victims of Sudbury Wreck. TWO SCORES ARE DEAD. Second-Class Car Strikes Bridge Girder and is Split in Two. CONDUCTOR SAVES EIGHT LIVES. Passengers in Diner Are Standing in Water Up to Necks. DIVES THROUGH A WINDOW. Man in Charge of Train Reaches Top of Car and Helps Occupants to Safety—Identity of Victims Not Known.

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Two of the wrecked cars, the colonist car and the first-class coach, whose ventilators were visible above the water this morning, drifted under the bridge during the day and finally were completely submerged. The dining car remained partly on the river bank and partly submerged in the river. Little remains of the second-class coach, which was split in two when it struck the bridge girder and took fire. Ice that will bear a man's weight has closed over the first-class coach and the colonist car and it is impossible to determine their exact location. More than thirty injured were taken to the general hospital and the hotels of Sudbury.

The known dead: JOSEPH HEMMILL, Matheson, Ont. GE. ZULMAN, Chatham, Minn. NICHOLAS NICHOLANKO, Chisook, Minn. MRS. C. HOUE, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. M. SPINKOZUM, MIKE WYLOUKOU, LARRY H. HART (addresses unknown), JOHN ROSEBACK, North Bay, Ont. GEORGE MCILHENEY, North Bay, Ont. WILL LAVERY, North Bay, Ont.

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The injured in yesterday's wreck as reported by the railroad officials are: Perry Nicol, scalp wound. Joe. Chane, fracture of skull. J. McLaughlin, Angus, Ont. head injured. Mrs. H. Rogers, Winnipeg, head cut. Joseph Maher, Montm., the only one rescued in this manner, was taken out through a hole broken in the roof of the car.