

Nebraska

CHARGES AGAINST COAL MEN

Judge Cornish Instructs Grand Jury to Investigate Rumors.

MONOPOLY TO RESTRAIN TRADE!

Western and Southern Fire Insurance Company Takes Over Business of Farmers & Merchants Organization.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Jan. 23.—(Special.)—An accusation of conspiracy in restraint of trade has been made against Lincoln coal dealers by Judge Albert B. Cornish, who instructed a grand jury today to investigate the rumors which are abroad to that effect. Lumber and insurance men are also mentioned in the general instructions of the judge, which cited the laws against monopolies and all combinations in restraint of trade. That coal is higher in Lincoln than in surrounding cities was asserted as a proof of the charge. "Kokoi," an organization of coal men, is termed by the members a purely social organization. The use of the schedule for insurance rates promulgated for the state in Omaha by A. G. Benson is cited as another instance of illegal trade. There is a proposal to be a central office in Lincoln which acts as supervising office for all rates.

Farmers and Merchants Re-insured.

The Western and Southern Fire Insurance Company has agreed with State Auditor Barton to take over all the risks of the Farmers and Merchants' insurance company of this city, together with its assets. The hearing of the company before Judge Stewart was this morning continued to Wednesday, and it is generally understood that the affairs of the company will be straightened out by this purchase by the Southern company.

Phoenix Club is Raided.

Three members of the Phoenix club, a social organization, with a locker system, which was raided last night, will have a hearing in police court, where they were, Virgil Bowman, Burnett Straka and William Keene. The three men arrested were the only members of the club found when the raid was made.

MAN FALLS' BREAKING ANKLES

Bruce Heffron Sustains Injuries Which Will Cause Loss of Limb.

KEARNEY, Neb., Jan. 23.—(Special.)—Bruce Heffron, a man about 30 years of age, fell this morning from a cross beam at the new coal chutes being occupied by the Union Pacific railroad into a network of iron and concrete. His feet caught in a steel, wedged and held him there, and the weight of his body splintered his ankles. It is probable that one foot will be amputated. He will be treated at the Union Pacific hospital in Grand Island. Heffron lives at Albany, Mo., and has been employed as bridge builder here since the coal chutes were begun. He is unmarried.

Nebraska News Notes.

BEATRICE—John Hadden, a civil war veteran, died this morning in Wayne county. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock, interment in Memorial cemetery.

BEATRICE—The funeral services for the late J. G. Wiebe, the lumberman who died here Friday, will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, interment in Memorial cemetery.

BEATRICE—A meeting of the business men of Beatrice was held today to discuss the proposed bill of Senator Jansen relative to placing the funds of the feebleness and infirmity fund in the state treasury instead of one of the local banks.

TABLE ROCK—The local chapter of the American Legion, No. 1, has purchased for \$500 the lot just a short distance west of the public square, known as the Allison lot, where they are to begin work on the erection of a chapter house.

BEATRICE—H. E. Vernon, an old resident of Wayne county, died at the age of 70 years, at his home here Saturday. The funeral was held Sunday under the auspices of the Masonic lodge, and interment was in Wayne cemetery.

TECUMSEH—The body of Mrs. Lona E. McVicker, wife of J. H. McVicker, who died in Lincoln Thursday, was brought to Tecumseh today, and the burial was in the local cemetery this afternoon. A short service was conducted at the grave by Rev. C. H. Loomis, pastor of the Methodist Christian church. Mrs. McVicker was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Logan, who lived just east of this city for a great many years. She was 47 years of age, and is survived by the husband and a daughter.

MORGAN MAKES RECORD TRIP FROM CAPITAL TO NEW YORK

Special Train Averages More Than Mile a Minute Over Pennsylvania Road.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 23.—What is believed to be the fastest railroad trip ever made between Washington and New York occurred today when J. Pierpont Morgan, the financier, was whisked from one city to the other over the Pennsylvania railroad in the unparalleled time of three hours and fifty-six minutes.

The special train averaged more than a mile a minute. The distance is 224 1/2 miles and express trains make it in five hours.

Mr. Morgan's train, composed of a locomotive, a tender, one steel coach and a private car, left Washington at 11:12 o'clock this morning. A brief stop was made at the West Philadelphia station, where the engines were changed, and the train arrived in New York at 2:08 o'clock this afternoon.

The purpose of Mr. Morgan's trip was not made known to the railroad officials.

Improved Shipping Facilities.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Improved shipping facilities and communication with Latin-American republics and other countries, calculated to enlarge the foreign trade of the United States, are sought by delegates to the Merchant Marine congress which convened here today.

The congress was called by the committee of 100 of the National Association of Manufacturers, which has been conducting a campaign of education on the extension of American manufacturing interests abroad through commercial organizations of many cities.

Iowa News Notes.

QUINCY—An old gentleman coming from Quincy and with the company in destination, was picked up on the street here in a deplorable condition. His feet were numb from frost, and he was shivering all over with nothing on his feet but old socks and a pair of low rubber shoes. He was taken to the poor farm where he will receive treatment. He says his name is James P. Johnson.

CRISTON—Thomas Curt, one of the old residents of the county and a former county treasurer who served two terms and refused the nomination for a third term, died at the family home in Platte township Saturday afternoon, following several years' illness. His death, which his reason was undiminished. He is an old soldier of the civil war, enlisting in Company K, Fifteenth Illinois Infantry.

Mr. Curt was 84 years of age, a native of England. He came to Union county in 1852 and engaged in farming. He owned a fine 20-acre farm in Platte township. He was the father of eleven children. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at the home.

Mahmout Is Hot on Trail of Zbyszco and Hackenschmidt

J. A. King, in Charge of Machinery Exhibit, Shows How Cost Is Reduced.

Yusif Mahmout, the big Turkish wrestler, has not given up his pursuit of George Hackenschmidt and Zbyszco in the wrestling game. In fact Mahmout is just beginning his campaign to get back in the game. His latest move, made through his managers, is the offer of \$1,000 cash to the man who will secure a match with either the Russian Lion or the Pole.

Here is his challenge: "\$1,000 will be paid to any person who can induce Hackenschmidt, the Russian Lion, or Zbyszco, the Wonderful Pole, to wrestle Mahmout, the Terrible Turk, in a finish match. If Mahmout loses to either of these men, he does not want a cent. Messias and Kron's managers."

The Turk's managers are loudly advertising the statement of Goteh, that he would like to see Hackenschmidt and Zbyszco meet Mahmout before he would wrestle them.

His last move of the Turk, coupled with this manager's declaration that he is willing to post money and wrestle anywhere, shows that the Turk is at last taking the right method to get back.

After Mahmout has taken on a few more fights and proved that he will wrestle no more takes, Hackenschmidt and Curley will be forced to recognize him in some manner, as will Herman and Zbyszco.

Irrigated Lands Attract Settlers at the Land Show

J. W. Fitzgerald Tells of the Work of Irrigation in the Arkansas Valley in Colorado.

The Nepeseta ditch and reservoir lands are represented by a display at the Land Show which places emphasis on the advantage of farming irrigated lands. The booth is in charge of J. W. Fitzgerald of Omaha.

"There is no soil more fertile than these lands in the Arkansas river valley," said Mr. Fitzgerald, "not only because it is in its virgin state, but also because the natural chemical salts which nature originally put there for plant food have not been drenched and leached out by centuries of heavy rainfall, as is largely true in the case of humid climates. This is not a theory; the heavier yield of crops here as compared with those of wet climates actually proves it."

"The right amount of water applied at the right time is rarely possible in a humid country where rainfall is relied upon. It makes no difference how rich a soil is or how excellent in other respects, unless a crop receives the right amount of moisture at the right stages of its growth, a heavy yield cannot be expected. Too much moisture at the wrong time is just as bad as too little at the right time. It corrects the fickleness of the soil, by gathering up the rains and the snows in times of plenty and distributing them for use in times of drought and scarcity. It concentrates the precipitation over a large area for a long period of time, to be applied upon a comparatively very small area at just the right time. It is water insurance against the herefore crop insurance."

"The storage and ditch systems under which this land is located, we have no hesitancy in saying is one of the best to be found in this valley. The drainage area tributary to it is more than 2,000 square miles, composed of territory for the most part high, rough and mountainous, where both the precipitation and the run-off are much greater than on the plains. The two reservoirs, Nos. 1 and 2, are jointly supplied from three streams, namely, the Chisaca creek, the Doyle Arroyo and the Huerafio river. Immense feeder ditches have been constructed to convey the water into these storage basins. The combined carrying capacity of these feeder ditches is about 2,800 cubic feet per second of time sufficient to store 3,500 acre feet of water in twenty-four hours. The available storage capacity of the two reservoirs is 13,000 acre feet. These ditches, running full three days out of the entire year, will store this amount of water, which is sufficient to supply every acre of the 10,000 acres under the system with a quota of one and one half acre feet of water at one filling; that is, enough water to cover every acre one and one-half feet deep, which, with the natural rainfall, is considered ample, although if more is drawn out as it is needed the reservoirs can be partially refilled from time to time."

KIMBALL DRAWS UP MEASURE

City Solicitor Prepares Bill that Will Permit Quick Purchase of the Water Works System.

Senator C. G. Saunders on Saturday afternoon introduced in the Iowa senate the amendment to the condemnation law under which the Council Bluffs city water plant is being acquired, correcting the defects pointed out by Attorney W. H. Kimball and otherwise changing the procedure of notice serving on all interested in the ownership of the plant.

When his attention was called to the matter on Tuesday following the first meeting of the condemnation court Senator Saunders said he thought he could get the required amendment through with a week. In a letter to Mr. Kimball received yesterday he said he thought he could secure the passage of the amendment with its emergency clause, making it immediately effective by Wednesday or Thursday of this week. The condemnation court reconvenes on Friday to consider notice served.

Mr. Kimball said yesterday that he felt some reluctance in asking for an amendment that in any way affected the provisions of the general condemnation law of the state, but as the law providing for the creation of the three-judge court was a special enactment relating exclusively to Council Bluffs he felt that it could safely contain every provision that would make the finding of the court final in legality.

The extra feature of the amendment, besides providing fully for notice junior and known lien-holders shortens the period for notice under the general law to serve notices by publication. Under the general condemnation law of the state eight weeks consecutive publication is required. The amendment cuts this down to four weeks, making possible the acquisition of the water plant a month sooner.

The key to the situation—See Want Ads.

IOWA DEADLOCK IS STILL ON

Insurgents Are Attempting to Secure Another General Caucus.

YOUNG MEN WANT PRIMARY

Fifth Joint Ballot in New York Shows Little Change—Lake Lea is Elected Senator from Tennessee.

DES MOINES, Jan. 23.—The joint ballot for United States senator in the Iowa legislature today was as follows:

Young, 31; Funk, 21; Kenyon, 25; Byers, 12; Garst, 7; Franke, 2; Porter (dem.), 6. Although there were several changes in the balloting today the results are practically the same as when the Iowa legislature voted last Tuesday. Although the insurgents are attempting to secure another general caucus and the standpatners are urging the deadlock as a reason for a state-wide primary, there is no material change in the situation.

Little Change in New York.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 23.—Fifth joint ballot for United States senator:

Democrat, Shesahan, 31; Shepard, 23; Parker, 1; Gerard, 2; Hercock, 2; Littleton, 2; O'Brien, 1; Kernan, 4; Governor Dix, 1; Glynn, 1. Republican, Dewey, 1. Total votes cast, 136. Necessary to a choice, 69.

Lea Elected in Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 23.—The deadlock in the Tennessee legislature over the election of a United States senator to succeed J. B. Frazier was broken this noon by the election of Luke Lea, an independent democrat, regarded as the candidate of the fusionists. Mr. Lea is a lawyer and publisher.

Addicks May Get Into Game.

DOVER, Del., Jan. 23.—The movements of certain prominent republicans and others, including J. Edward Addicks, who fought for twelve years to get into the United States senate, has lent interest to the senatorial situation in this state. The two houses of the Delaware legislature will take a separate vote on Addicks tomorrow and a joint ballot on Wednesday.

Up to this time there has been only one candidate in the field, Senator Henry A. Dupont. Addicks and some of his former political followers have been here for several days.

INSURGENTS ARE UNDER NEW FLAG

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sey, and the president, vice president and treasurer members ex-officio.

Declaration of Principles.

The declaration of principles signed by nine republican United States senators, the governors of six republican states, thirteen members of the house and others, is as follows:

We, the undersigned, associate ourselves together as the National Republican League. The object of the league is the promotion of popular government and progress, and popular government in America has been thwarted and progressive legislation strangled by the special interests which control caucus, delegates, conventions and party organizations, and through control of the machinery of government dictate nominations and platform select administrators, legislators, representatives in congress and United States senators, and control cabinet officers.

Under existing conditions legislation in the public interest has been baffled and defeated. This is evident in the long struggle to secure laws, but partially effective, for the control of railway rates and services, the revision of the tariff in the interest of the producer and consumer, statutes dealing with trusts and combinations, laws based on sound economic principles as applied to modern industrial and commercial conditions, a wise, comprehensive and impartial reconstruction of the banking and monetary laws, the conservation of coal, oil, gas, timber, water powers and other natural resources, and laws for the people, and for the enactment of all legislation solely for the common good.

Just in proportion as our government has in certain states superseded the democratic constitution, and the people have assumed control of the machinery of government, has government become responsive to the popular will and progressive legislation been secured.

Direct Elections Advocated.

The Progressive Republican League believe popular government is fundamental to all other questions. To this end it advocates: The election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Direct primaries for the nomination of all elective officials.

The direct legislation of delegates to national conventions with opportunity for the voter to express his choice for president and vice president.

Amendment to state constitutions providing for the initiative, referendum and recall.

A thorough general corrupt practice act.

State Organizations.—The league will cooperate in the several states, and wherever acceptable, will render assistance in promoting the organization of state leagues.

Whenever requested by any progressive state league or by progressive leader in state legislatures, the national progressive republican league will aid in the preparation of appropriate bills and resolutions, and will furnish speakers and literature in support of legislative action upon the propositions enumerated in the five numbered paragraphs set forth in the foregoing declaration of principles.

List of Signatures.

United States Senators—Jonathan Bourne, Jr., Oregon; Albert J. Beveridge, Indiana; Joseph L. Bristow, Kansas; Norris Brown, Nebraska; Albert B. Cummins, Iowa; Moses E. Clark, Minnesota; Joseph M. Dixon, Montana; A. J. Gronna, North Dakota; Robert H. La Follette, Wisconsin.

Governors—Chester H. Aldrich, Nebraska; Joseph M. Carey, Wyoming; Hiram W. Johnson, California; Francis E. McGovern, Wisconsin; Chase Osborne, Michigan.

Congressmen—Henry Allen Cooper, Wisconsin; William J. Cary, Wisconsin; C. E. Davis, Minnesota; E. H. Hubbard, Iowa; G. N. Hansen, Iowa; Irving L. Tenney, Wisconsin; C. A. Linbergh, Minnesota; Victor Murchok, Kansas; E. H. Madison, Kansas; E. A. Bloor, Wisconsin; John M. Nelson, Wisconsin; George W. Norris, Nebraska; Miles Poindexter, Washington.

Other Signers—Alfred Ray Stannard Baker, Louis A. Brandeis, Charles R. Crane, Frank L. Dingley, James R. Garfield, Hugo T. Halbert, Francis J. Hayer, Frederick C. Howe, Fred S. Jackson (congressman-elect), Kansas; E. Clarence Jones (congressman-elect), California; George S. Loftus, William L. LaFollette (congressman-elect), Washington; Gifford Pinchot, Ames, Pinchot, James A. Peterson, George L. Record, Gilbert E. Roe, W. O'Brien, Oregon; Merie D. Vincent, William Allen, White.

BILL FOR CRAWFORD FAVORED

Sub-Committee on Military Affairs Recommends Measure.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—J. E. Porter of Crawford arrived in Washington today and together with Representative Kinkaid, appeared before the sub-committee on military affairs to argue in favor of the Kinkaid bill, which obligates the government to aid the city of Crawford to the extent of appropriating \$25,000 to aid in building a new water works system.

At the meeting this afternoon Mr. Porter explained what his city could do and explained at considerable length the reasons why the government should aid them. The sub-committee, which had heard through Judge Kinkaid most of the testimony of the pollution of the water by sewerage from Fort Robinson, decided to report the Kinkaid bill favorably, with some few minor amendments. Representative Kinkaid now feels confident that he can get the bill through the house at this session and Senators Burkett and Brown have agreed to see that it is taken care of in the upper branch.

Senators Burkett and Brown, after consultation today, decided to recommend the

Welch picks out his meats personally each day. Choicer lines than ever for Tuesday and Wednesday. And please note the prices.



Thirteen Liquor Dealers Are Fined; Six Sent to Jail

Judge Landis Sentences Men Convicted of Defrauding Government Out of Large Sum.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—Fines aggregating \$31,500 and penitentiary sentences ranging from fifteen months to two and one-half years were imposed on liquor dealers by Judge Landis in the United States district court today. The defendants are charged with violating the internal revenue law, six of the thirteen accused escaped the prison sentence, but all were fined.

Judge Landis intimated that the commissioner of internal revenue had been too lenient when he attempted to settle the cases on payment of \$50,000 to the revenue department.

"It may be good business to settle a case like this at 50 cents on a dollar," said the judge. "I won't criticize that action, but I will say it cannot be done in this district."

The defendants and their sentences are: Simon Frindel, head of Illinois Distilling company, thirty months imprisonment, fine, \$15,000.

Davis Shapiro, wholesaler and rectifier, two years' imprisonment, fine, \$10,000.

Harry Rosenstein, wholesaler and rectifier, two years' imprisonment, fine, \$5,000.

Philip Blum, retailer, two years' imprisonment, fine, \$5,000.

Hyman Levinkind, wholesaler, two years' imprisonment, fine, \$5,000.

Abraham Tucker, retailer, eighteen months, fine, \$2,500.

Henry Rosenfeld, retailer, fifteen months, fine, \$2,000.

Isadore Cohen, wholesaler, \$2,000.

William Schimmer, retailer, fine, \$1,000.

Sigmund Natenburg, retailer, fine, \$1,000.

David Mendelsohn, wholesaler, fine, \$1,000.

Berthold Weiss, rectifier, fine \$1,000.

Jacob Shapiro, son of David, fine, \$500.

For Tuesday and Wednesday Orders

SUGAR—Granulated Sugar, 21 lbs. for \$1.00	NAVY BEANS—Hand picked, at per lb.60	SWEET CORN, Peas or Tomatoes, can 10c. doz. \$1.10	BEEF TENDERLOIN—"No. 1" grade, at lb.150
LIMA BEANS—California fancy, 2 lbs. for800	IVORY SOAP—5c size 50 at 2 bars for190	BEE ROAST—"No. 1" rib roast beef, lb.134c	OVENBREAD—Famous "Real-shit" at quart500
COAN FLAKE—Reduced to 10c pkgs. at74c	LEMON SOAP—Reduced to 10 bars for250	BUMP ROAST—"No. 1" rump roast beef, lb. 124c	BAKED—"No. 1" sugar cured at, per lb.150
OAT MEAL—Regular 10c pkgs. at74c	BAKING POWDER—1-lb. can, net, at lb.180	LEAF LARD—"No. 1" 1-lb. kind, at lb.124c	BACON—"No. 1" very lean sugar cured, lb.224c
PUREWHEAT FLOUR—100 lb. fashioned, at lb.80	MINOR MEAT—Regular 10c pkgs. at74c	LAMB STEW—"No. 1" lamb stew at lb.60	BACON BACON—"No. 1" sugar cured, at lb. 174c
POST TOASTIES—The regular 10c pkgs.74c	POTATOES—Colorado, at per bushel85c	LEG MUTTON—"No. 1" at per lb.124c	Speediest of deliveries all over the city.

Iten Biscuit Co's Demonstration

Come In! Sample These Famous Omaha Made Products

Come in any time Monday and Tuesday; munch many free samples of "ITEN OMAHA BAKED" products; nothing else like them. Try "Iten's" Graham Crackers especially; absolutely the highest grade; produced of specially select flour with best of shortening; packed whole; buy them crisp at 10c per package. There will be free samples of "ITEN'S" Oatmeal Crackers, Tourist and fancy Biscuits, Angel Biscuits, Cheese Squares, Coronado Sugar Wafer Squares, Golden Rod Water Sticks, Delico Sugar Wafers, Frau Frau Square Wafers, etc. Test "ITEN" products by eating them.

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Wire President Taft Today!

The solid south is using sectionalism and political methods to prevent an exposition in the West.

Impress upon the President that the West AS A UNIT demands the settlement of the exposition question on bigger and broader lines.

Keep the Wires Busy

Impress the President with your earnestness by the number of telegrams he receives and the number of people interested. There is no solid west appreciated in Washington today. The west has never been a believer in sectionalism. It realizes the benefit of running the government on broader business lines. But the solid south is demanding political recognition for New Orleans as the exposition city based entirely upon southern sentiment. All the arguments in favor of San Francisco, all the advantages of location, climate and financial backing have been given absolutely no consideration whatever.

To compel recognition of the rightful claims of the west prompt, vigorous, united action is imperative.

Every commercial organization.
Every labor union.
Every fraternal society.
Every civic body in every city.
Every business house.
Every individual in the west.

Telegraph to President Taft TODAY and by the very number of telegrams he receives impress him with your earnestness, your enthusiasm, your sincerity and with the unbounded interest of the west in demanding that which it has a right to expect from the administration it has so strongly supported.

A solid south committee in congress has reported favorably a bill to create an INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION at New Orleans. Mind you, this was done against San Francisco's simple request that congress authorize the President of the United States to invite the Nations of the World to participate in an Exposition in 1915, created and WHOLLY financed by the people of the West, without government aid. This big business proposition of the west, backed by Seventeen and a Half Million Dollars (\$17,500,000) already available with millions to follow, has been turned down by a SOLID SOUTH committee in congress in favor of Southern sentiment.

Telegraph Today

Impress the President and his party leaders by the very number of telegrams received and the interests represented.

Send Your Wire Now

Using the following form as an example of the arguments which should be presented:

William H. Taft,
President of the United States,
Washington, D. C.

The West expects you and your party leaders to use all the force and power at your command to settle the Exposition matter on broad business lines.

(Signed.)

Also telegraph your business connections, affiliations and friends East of the Rocky Mountains to wire their Congressmen and also their President at Washington to support San Francisco as the Exposition City.

As this matter comes before Congress Tuesday, January 24, it is imperative that you act AT ONCE. Washington Delegation of the Panama Pacific International Exposition Company.

R. B. HALE,
LEON SLOSS,
M. H. DE YOUNG,
A. W. SCOTT, JR.,
JAMES McNAB.