

GOVERNMENT MAY PUT A VALUATION STATION IN OMAHA

Interstate Commerce Commission Has a Plan for Making a Division of Its Work.

CENTRAL DISTRICT IS PROPOSED Office to Have Charge of Placing Values on Railroads.

NUMBER OF CLERKS EMPLOYED Three States to be Included in the New District.

SIGNAL CORPS IS TO REMAIN

Suspension of the Order of Removal is Advised by Assistant Secretary of War in Telegram to Chief.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, July 27.—(Special Telegram.)—The Interstate Commerce commission is considering the establishment at Omaha of a subdivision of the commission for work in the central district. A physical valuation is being made of the railroads of the country. Representative Lobeck and Senator Hitchcock have had the matter up with members of the commission, and it is said that it is practically certain that a number of employees of the commission will be stationed at Omaha.

They are proceeding under the proposed plan to have direct supervision of the valuation of the railroads of three states, Nebraska, Wyoming and South Dakota. Kansas City is making a bid for being chosen in place of Omaha for this proposed subdivision, but thus far Omaha seems to be in the lead.

Signal Corps May Stay. Suspension of the order removing the signal corps from Fort Omaha was advised by Assistant Secretary of War Breckenridge in a telegram he sent today to Secretary of War Garrison. It is believed that the order will be held up at least until the return of the secretary to Washington, when further influences will be brought to bear upon him permanently to vacate the order.

Chadron Must Wait. Although the city of Chadron supposed it was to have a new public building promptly, since congress appropriated the money for it last winter, apparently they will be disappointed. According to Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Sherman Allen, the plans and specifications for the building will not be ready until the fall of 1913. A suggestion was made by L. J. B. Jager of Chadron that the plans used for some other building be employed in building the Chadron building in order to save time, but the assistant secretary had nothing to say about this suggestion.

Members of the Nebraska delegation are in receipt of a letter from Victor B. Caldwell of the United States National bank at Omaha that the enactment of the proposed administration currency bill will "immeasurably harm" the banking and financial interests of the country. Mr. Caldwell thinks that the partisan spirit dominating currency consideration is not only unwise, but absolutely vicious in its effect, stating that such a measure should be by all means nonpartisan and not be made "the hot ball of politics."

Suffrage League Acts. The Lincoln Equal Suffrage league, through Mrs. F. M. Hall, chairman of the campaign committee, is urging the Nebraska delegation to support equal suffrage. A letter to that effect was received by various members today.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General D. C. Roper is to be in Omaha for a short time next week. He is going to Denver to make an address July 31, and will visit Omaha to confer as to local conditions.

Metacalf Meets Morrills. Richard L. Metacalf, governor of Panama, took luncheon today with Senators Bryan and Senator Morrills, minister from Panama.

Effort Being Made to Open Case Against Accused Hotel Man

BLAIR, Neb., July 27.—(Special Telegram.)—While no legal steps so far have been taken for the arrest of A. N. Frank, who is charged with the murder of George Carson, the Arlington telegraph operator, it is rumored that an effort will be made to institute such proceedings soon, probably on the return of parties who "have gone to the home of Carson to have the body taken up and examined. Public sentiment in Blair and vicinity is strongly in favor of the case being reopened.

The Weather

Table with weather data for Nebraska and Iowa, including temperature at Omaha yesterday, highest and lowest temperatures, and comparative local records.

HORSE THIEVES BUSY IN IOWA

Animals Stolen in Many Counties Traced to Des Moines.

TRAIL IS LOST NEAR THE CITY Iowa Bankers Are Opposed to Administration Bill for Reforming the Currency—Prouty Bill Is Given a Boost.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, July 27.—(Special.)—Horse stealing has again become so common in Iowa that vigilance committees are being organized and bloodhounds trained to do some quiet work in putting a stop to the industry. It is believed that horse buyers and shippers in and near Des Moines have been working in conjunction with the thieves, and have been quite ready to purchase and ship out of the state the horses that have been brought here. It is found that in numerous cases the men with the stolen horses have headed for Des Moines. In the last few days, horses stolen in Madison county have been traced to the city limits and also horses from Story county. In eastern Iowa several counties have for years maintained anti-horse thief associations and these have been effective where maintained in preventing thievery. In central and southern Iowa organizations are being revived.

While automobiles have become more popular it is pointed out that the price of good horses remains as high as ever and the incentive to stealing them is still strong. The number of horses in the state has not been diminished by the increasing use of the automobile.

Iowa Bankers Opposed to the Bill. Almost unanimously the bankers of Iowa are opposed to the administration bill for emergency currency and reserve banks. The bankers of Des Moines have given the matter a great deal of hard study and have held several meetings to discuss it among themselves. In only a very small way has the bill received any commendation at these meetings while its larger features have been denounced as dangerous and wrong in principle. The feature of the bill which causes greatest concern is that in regard to the requirement of banks to become stockholders in the reserve banks and then to have the reserve banks handled not by bankers, but by government appointees. The Des Moines bankers say that the bill would not accomplish what is needed in the way of banking and currency reform.

Comment Prouty's Bill. The local bankers, on the other hand, generally favor a bill that has been introduced into congress by Congressman Prouty of this district to provide for some emergency currency matters by a provision for an emergency currency. The Prouty plan does not contemplate reserve banks or the tying up of any of the capital of the banks, but a provision much after that of the Aldrich bill to supply emergency currency as needed with the government back of it.

Wild Animals in Iowa. Wild animals are reported at various places in Iowa. The latest is near Redfield, where the report is that a wild animal of unknown character killed a domestic animal. One farmer reported that the animal had a very fine young bull and lacerated its shoulder in terrible manner. Another farmer had fifteen sheep killed at one time. Some years ago a mountain lion was killed in that immediate vicinity by some hunters who had organized to attack it, and the belief prevails this may be another. In northeastern Iowa the effort to track down a lion of some size animal near Osage has been given up, but the accounts were authentic that there was a very large wild and ferocious animal seen there.

Trying to Find a Meteorite. In northwestern Iowa at several places they are making an effort to find a meteorite, or stone, which is supposed to have fallen to the earth last week. The meteor was seen here and it was so large that persons thought it surely must have been very near Des Moines. But later reports indicate it was seen in Pechonish, Sac, Ida, Crawford and other counties even more brilliantly than here so that as a matter of fact, the meteor fell at least a hundred miles from Des Moines. All the observers agree that it was such a large one that very likely some part of the unconsumed stone fell to the earth.

Committee for Charities Meets. Prof. F. E. Haynes of Sioux City, president of the Iowa State Conference of Charities and Correction, has announced the chairman of the committee for the annual conference. They will report at the annual conference, which will be held this year at Sioux City, November 15-18. The other members of the different committees will be announced later in the year.

Following are the committees and the chairmen as appointed by President Haynes. Defective and Insane—Dr. George McGree, Glenwood. Correction—Prof. F. C. Ensign, Iowa City. Charities and Children—H. S. Hollingsworth, Des Moines. Labor Problems—P. S. Pierce, Iowa City. Scientific Study of Social Problems—Prof. G. P. Wyckoff, Grinnell. Public Health—Dr. A. F. Kefford, Des Moines. Legislative—H. L. Houghton, Sioux City.

Progressive Party Plans Upset. Des Moines progressives will not hold a meeting here on August 5, as had been announced by the committee. They expect to get former Governor W. R. Stubbs of Kansas to make a speech, but the former Kansas governor is in Europe. The national committee was unable to send another man the local progressives were satisfied with.

"The committee cannot furnish us a man and J. H. Wylie, state chairman, is unable to help because of sickness in his family," said Joseph Dyer, chairman of the committee in charge of the rally, said. Iowa Does Well With Eggs. Close to 100,000,000 dozen eggs were marketed in Iowa last year. Reports of township assessors to county auditors show this. The agricultural department is getting this information for the 1912 year book. The figures show that 57,549,721 dozens eggs were marketed. At the end of 1912 there were 36,692,290 chickens in the state. Polk county led all other counties by more than 100,000 fowls. The reports show: Polk county, 725,532; Pottawattamie county, 691,762; and Jasper county, 587,985.

BIG RAILWAY STRIKE WILL NOT BE SETTLED

Threatened of Eighty Thous. on Fifty-Four Averted.

SIGN ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT Dispute Will Be Arbitrated Under Provisions of Erdman Act.

COMPANIES MAKE CONCESSIONS Waive Demand Mediators Shall Consider Their Grievances.

RESULTS OF BOARD'S EFFORTS Members Leave for Washington, Where They Will Report to President Wilson in Matter.

NEW YORK, July 27.—The threatened strike of 80,000 conductors and trainmen of fifty-four eastern railroads for higher wages and improved working conditions will not be called. Articles of agreement to arbitrate, under the Newlands act, the questions at issue were signed yesterday by the employers' representatives and the conference committee of managers.

The agreement was not reached until the managers had withdrawn the proposal that their own grievances against the men also should be arbitrated. This agreement, the managers announced today, they had relinquished to "protect the public" from a tieup which the employees intended to force if the railroads persisted in pressing their point. Result of Board's Efforts. Today's peaceful outcome of the dispute was the result of efforts made by the board of mediation and conciliation, recently created in the hurriedly passed Newlands act, to meet the situation. The board, consisting of William Lee Chambers, Martin A. Knapp and G. W. Hanger, brought about today's agreement after conferences with the disputants, which continued more than a week.

With the elimination of the eight grievances, for which the railroads desired consideration, the articles of arbitration comprise, without alteration, the sixteen original demands presented by the conductors and the trainmen. To Take Effect in October. The only point gained by the railroads was a provision that the award of the board of arbitration, to be later constituted of six members, shall take effect October 1 next, instead of May 1 last, the date requested by the employees.

The members of the mediation board returned tonight to Washington, where they will report to President Wilson. The board will not again be called into action unless the four arbitrators, nominated by the railroads and the men, fail to agree on a fifth and sixth to complete the arbitration board. In that contingency the mediation board will select the two necessary members.

Other Powers Don't Like Russian Plan to Check the Turks

ST. PETERSBURG, July 27.—The proposal made by the Russian government that a joint naval demonstration be made off Constantinople to check the mobilization of Russian troops in the southwestern provinces has been abandoned. Germany flatly declined to consider the plan and Russia's allies, Great Britain and France, replied vaguely. Russia is unable to assume the task single handedly of bringing pressure on the Turks in Europe as it is unwilling to do so in Asia Minor, realizing that such a course would encourage an Armenian uprising which would only further complicate the problem. Owing to the breakdown of the European concert the Russian government sees no hope of arresting the Turkish advance.

Nicaraguan Pact Will Be Altered

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Important modifications are to be made in the proposed treaty with Nicaragua, by which the United States would establish a protectorate over the southern republic. It has been discovered that by the terms of the agreement, originally outlined by Secretary Bryan, Nicaragua would be prevented from ever joining with other republics to form a single central American union. This was not contemplated by the administration when the treaty was proposed; and the suggestion has created suspicion among other central American countries. At a conference today between Secretary Bryan and members of the senate foreign relations committee, it was agreed that the original draft of the treaty should be changed, and definite statements be included in the compact, providing that it should not stand in the way of any future action Nicaragua might decide to take toward joining a central American combination.

Entire Fire Force of Oklahoma City, Ninety Men, Strike

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okl., July 27.—The Oklahoma City fire department, ninety men, struck today because the city commissioners had not their wages and dismissed their chief. Their places are being filled temporarily by thirty citizens. When the proposed cut in wages was announced several days ago the firemen threatened to walk out. The commissioners then discharged Fire Chief Keeler, whose salary had been reduced from \$150 to \$120 a month, and today the men whose 95 a month had been reduced to \$80 left their stations at a given signal.

The Little Brother.



From the Indianapolis News.

PIPER VISITS CANON CITY Says Nebraska Might Well Follow Example Set There.

CONVICTS WORK UPON ROADS Large Amount of Public Improvement Accomplished and Number of Escapes So Small as Not to Count.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, July 27.—(Special.)—Secretary J. A. Piper of the state board of charities and corrections attended the national conference of charities at Seattle last week and has made a report to the governor of his observations on the trip. After telling in his report of the conference he speaks of visits to different prisons, among them the Utah state prison and the Colorado prison. In both of these institutions the inmates are used in the building of roads, and as Nebraska at this time is interested in a proposition to work its state prison

Pellagra Spreading, Say Health Officers

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Pellagra, for which physicians have found no cure, is spreading beyond the zone to which it has previously been confined and is invading new territory, according to the belief of the United States public health service, based upon statistics made public today on the prevalence of the disease in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas from 1907 to 1912. Reports from these three states, bordering on the area in which pellagra has most extensively existed in this country, show, says Surgeon C. H. Linder, the prevalence of the disease "to no inconsiderable degree."

Republicans Refuse to Get in the Way of Tariff Steam Roller

WASHINGTON, July 27.—After several hours of long orthodox tariff discussion in the senate today during which the republicans were consistently defeated on amendments, the minority leaders began to tire of fruitless efforts to amend the bill and rapid progress was made. The chemical schedule practically was approved without change when the senate adjourned. In discussing the heavy cut on whiting, Senator Lodge said he knew it was useless to offer amendments and therefore contented himself with a protest. He also protested against the duty on loupes, but said: "I will not uselessly delay the senate by offering an amendment."

Funeral of the Late R. B. Schneider to be at Fremont Today

FREMONT, Neb., July 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Stores will close here Monday afternoon in honor of the memory of R. B. Schneider whose sudden death Saturday as he was on the way to his office in his automobile, shocked the entire community where he was so well and favorably known. The funeral will be held from the First Methodist church at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon with interment immediately following at Ridge cemetery. The pallbearers will be: Frank Fowler, William Fried, Ray Nye, Frank Hammond, Luther Drake of Omaha and J. M. Jenks of Chicago.

Bandits Attempt to Hold Up Northern Limited in Montana

HOMESTEAK, Mont., July 27.—The eastbound north coast limited on the Northern Pacific was held up by three masked men early this morning a mile and a half west of Homestead. The attempt resulted in a farce, for the would-be robbers secured nothing. The train was stopped with torpedoes secured from a bridge watchman, who was held up shortly before the limited was due. The desperadoes compelled the engineer and train crew to uncouple the engine and express car from the rest of the train and proceed ahead, leaving the train on the other side of a tunnel about 400 feet distant. When the engine was brought to a stop one outlaw announced that he had forgotten to bring the "flam" along and the powder was back with the train. The incident brought forth snickers from the trainmen, which were stopped by the firing of shots. The bandits then disappeared among the rocks and it is said they left near the scene. The bandits had cut the telegraph wires and it was some time before word could reach the authorities of the attempted robbery. Sheriff Driscoll and a posse are en route to the scene from Butte.

Cincinnati Man Comes as Mail Head

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, July 27.—(Special Telegram.)—By order of the postmaster general, Clyde M. Reed, division superintendent of railway mail service at Cincinnati, has been transferred to become division superintendent at Omaha. James L. Stice, division superintendent at Omaha, is transferred to become division superintendent at Pittsburgh, vice J. M. Masten, resigned.

Breaks Beachey's Altitude Record

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 27.—A dispatch from Beth says that Frank Beachey, flying in a biplane, today broke Lincoln Beachey's American altitude record of 11,600 feet, made in Chicago two years ago, by attaining a height of 12,360 feet.

ELLA FLAGG YOUNG PUTS IT UP TO SCHOOL BOARD

CHICAGO, July 27.—"My resignation rests entirely with the school board. I don't see that I have anything further to do with it," said Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, superintendent of Chicago's public schools, today. Mrs. Young's friends interpreted this statement to mean she would consent to remain in her present position if the school board declined to accept her resignation. A majority of the board already is on record as favoring her retention.

HASTINGS MAN ESCAPES FROM AUTO THAT UPSETS

HASTINGS, Neb., July 27.—(Special Telegram.)—A. C. High, manager of the Hastings Brewing company, was pinned beneath his automobile when it turned over near here last night. His breast bone and several ribs were broken, but the physicians say his recovery is assured. The breaking of a door enabled Mr. High to crawl from under the car. He halted the first person passing, a doctor, who gave him first aid and took him home. The car overturned when Mr. High steered to avoid hitting a team.

FIRE IN STRIKE DISTRICT Store of Men Refusing Credit Destroyed by Flames.

TROOPS DISPATCHED TO SCENE Proprietors Assert Miners on Walkout Responsible for Blast and Fear for Safety of Another Building.

CALUMET, Mich., July 27.—Two companies of militia, stationed here to preserve order in the copper mining district where 15,000 men are on strike, were dispatched to Centennial, two miles from here, tonight, where the general store and market of Morgan & Grierson was burned. The proprietors assert the building was set on fire by strike sympathizers because the proprietors today announced that hereafter no credit business would be done. A dwelling next to the store was partly burned. The proprietors of the store expressed fear for the safety of another store owned by them at Ahmeek. The loss was \$7,000. The fire was the first destruction of property incident to the strike affecting interests not directly connected with the mine managements.

A special guard tonight was thrown around the home of Richard Hawden, superintendent of the Mt. Mansfield mine of the Copper Range Consolidated company. Strike sympathizers drove Mrs. Hawden and her two children away from home by threatening to burn the house. The woman with her children took refuge in a hotel at Houghton tonight and Mr. Hawden asked a guard of militia to protect his home.

Shoots Self After Telephoning Wife Who Had Left Him

KANSAS CITY, July 27.—Douglas Hertz of Kansas City, whose wife disappeared from her hotel in St. Louis last Thursday, shot and dangerously wounded himself after a telephone conversation with his wife here tonight. Mrs. Hertz was located tonight at the home of a friend. Hertz entered a saloon and telephoned Mrs. Hertz from there. After a long conversation he stepped away from the telephone and drawing a revolver shot himself over the heart. He was taken to a hospital. As Hertz lay on the floor of the saloon after he had shot himself, he moaned: "I want my wife; I want my wife; she has ruined me, but I want her." Hertz has had two wives in the last two weeks. His first wife was killed in a motor car accident while they were on their honeymoon trip. Eight weeks later he married Miss Mamie Hoy, who disappeared from their hotel in St. Louis last Thursday. Mrs. Hertz tonight refused to explain why she had left her husband. Hertz is a graduate of Cambridge university and, it is said, a son of a member of the British Parliament.

Mrs. Bryan Leaves to "Put Up" Farm Fruit

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Like a loyal helpmeet, using every means to help stretch her husband's salary of \$12,000, Mrs. William Jennings Bryan has gone to Lincoln, where she will preserve fruits and berries and make pickles to keep the wolf from the door. Mrs. Bryan has for many years personally superintended the preparation of the winter canned stock for the Bryan larder. HASTINGS, Neb., July 27.—(Special Telegram.)—John Densen, aged 30, died last night at midnight at his home in Jordan, N. Y., where he had lived for the last fifty-three years. Burial will be Tuesday in Jordan.

SOLDIERS OF HUERTA SHOOT AN AMERICAN INSPECTOR IN BACK

United States Immigration Official Given Ley Fuga by Federals in Juarez.

CROSSED BORDER ON BUSINESS Investigating White Slave Case When Put Under Arrest.

WOUNDED AS HE RUNS AWAY Flees as Captors Start to March Him Off to Execution Ground.

BALL THROUGH BODY; MAY DIE Victim Believes Negro He Was Seeking Bought Drinks for Assaultants and Induced Them to Take Action They Did.

EL PASO, Tex., July 27.—Charles B. Dixon of San Diego, Cal., United States immigration inspector, was given ley fuga by Mexican federal soldiers yesterday. He was shot in the back and may die. Dixon was in Juarez on official business, investigating a white slave case, when he was arrested by a band of federal soldiers who started marching him away from the city in the direction of the foothills, where many executions have taken place. Dixon started to run, and after getting a block away was fired upon and hit in the back. Dixon's father lives in Wharton, Tex. The federal authorities refused to allow the wounded man to be removed from the military hospital, where he was taken. Federal soldiers guard the ward where Dixon lies, refusing admission to everyone, except a doctor.

Says Soldiers Drunk. Dixon made a statement this afternoon in Juarez to American officials that he was satisfied the Mexicans were marching him out to shoot him when he ran. He says the Mexican soldiers were drunk. Dixon was sent by a superior to Juarez to see a negro in connection with a white slave case that was being probed here. He says he believes the negro, after he had talked to him in Juarez, bought drinks for the soldiers and induced them to arrest him. "I told the soldiers I would go with them to the commandant's office," Dixon said this afternoon, "but instead of taking me in that direction, they started with me in the direction of the outskirts of the town. As I had on a suit of khaki I thought that perhaps they had taken me for a United States soldier acting as a spy, so I ran on and they shot me after I had got about half a block away from them."

Shot in Small of Back. "Mr. J. E. Tappan of the immigration service in El Paso went to Juarez and treated the wounded man. He found that Dixon was shot in the small of the back, the ball going completely through his body and coming out through his stomach. It did not strike the spine. Immigration men claim that a half-negro lieutenant in the federal army in Juarez, a friend of the negro under investigation, was instrumental in causing the arrest and the shooting.

Ordinarily, United States immigration men are permitted to work in Juarez under an agreement with Juarez officials. "Serious," says Bryan. "It looks like a serious case. We will do whatever is necessary." Secretary Bryan said tonight in commenting on the shooting of Dixon. He telegraphed American Consul Edwards for an immediate investigation. President Wilson was advised of the incident, but made no comment.

While immigration officials on the border have frequently had their troubles over Mexicans being detained until their identity could be established, no affair as serious as that in Juarez could be recalled by officials of the State department. It was pointed out that strict orders have been issued to keep American

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