

FARMERS WILL LOOK INTO AFFAIRS OF THE STATE FAIR BOARD

Suggestion is Made at Meeting of the Board Yesterday Afternoon.

POLITICAL MACHINE CHARGED

Assertion is Made Passes Are Used to Keep Incumbents in Office.

COUPLAND IS RE-ELECTED

Former President Named to Serve for Another Year.

DELANO AGAIN SECRETARY

Number of Delegates to the National Farmers' Congress is Increased from One to Two—Baraj Credits Taken Up.

Whether the agricultural interests of the state can best be served by a thorough reorganization of the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture is a subject that is to be taken up by a committee representing the various agricultural interests of the state, if the suggestions of a resolution adopted by the Nebraska Farmers' congress at its closing session in Omaha yesterday are followed. This action in regard to the State Board of Agriculture was the result of an attack T. F. Sturgess of Omaha made in the convention Thursday on three members of the Board of Agriculture, Youngers, Mellor and Rudge, when he charged that they had a political machine for the perpetuation in office, that they issued free tickets to the state fair to a large number of their political supporters, and that these three were running the affairs of the state board without regard to the many other members.

Resolution to Investigate.

The resolution, which is a part of the general report of the resolutions committee, requests that the State Board of Agriculture, the State Horticultural society, the Nebraska Improved Live Stock Breeders' association and the Farmers' congress each appoint a member to a committee that is to investigate the advisability of reorganizing the Board of Agriculture. Also it proposes that this committee report back its findings, together with recommendations as to the best method of accomplishing whatever it may suggest.

Coupland Heads Farmers.

George Coupland of Elgin was re-elected president of congress yesterday. Arthur H. Shultz of Scribner was elected first vice president; Frank Tanshelf of Norfolk, second vice president, and J. B. Grinnell of Papillion, third vice president. W. S. Delano was re-elected secretary. George C. Junkin of Smithfield was elected treasurer.

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TALKS TO NEBRASKA FARMERS ON CAMPUS REMOVAL.



ROSS L. HAMMOND, President

Hope for Meat Supply Lies in the National Forest Reserves

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Hope for the future meat supply of the country is held out in the annual report of Henry S. Graves, chief of the United States forestry service made public today. Mr. Graves says the national forests under his supervision furnish abundant forage supplies, opportunity for the adoption of the best method and freedom from live stock diseases.

The forage resources of the national forests, the report continues, contribute to the maintenance of more than 2,000,000 head of live stock. The receipts from grazing, while second to those from timbering, last year were more than \$1,000,000 and showed an increase over the previous year. Over 4 per cent more stock was grazed because of increased forage facilities.

Aberdeen Senior Girls to Make Own Graduating Gowns

ABERDEEN, S. D., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—No heartburn, no jealousy, nor an excess of frills and furbelows will mark the graduation attire of the girls of the Aberdeen high school, class of 1914, next June. If the edict of the edict of the domestic science department of the school is adhered to, and it will be.

Miss Bernadine Cooney, at the head of the department, has issued an ultimatum, which is backed by the superintendent, the principal, the school board and the girls of the class themselves, that the graduation gowns of the girls of the class of 1914 must be made by the girls themselves, all of whom are taking the domestic science course. Furthermore, the entire cost of each gown will be limited to a certain sum, yet to be prescribed, but which must be moderate, and the girls will be required to keep within that sum.

MOVE TO AMEND INCOME TAX LAW IS STARTED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12.—The Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce has started a movement for a nation-wide appeal to congress to suspend or modify the provisions of the income tax law providing deduction of the tax at the source and the substitution of methods enabling the government to obtain at the source information for enforcing correct returns from taxpayers. More than 1,000 letters containing a copy of a memorial recently adopted by the chamber were sent to many cities yesterday advocating the changes and soliciting co-operation.

FREDRICKSON TO RETIRE AS GOOD ROADS CONSUL

To select a deputy state consul of the Lincoln highway is a task now before the good roads committee of the Commercial club. The deputy is to take the place of H. E. Fredrickson, who will be away from Omaha after the first of the year. Mr. and Mrs. Fredrickson plan to start for a trip to Florida and South America immediately after January 1. They expect to spend all winter there. Mr. Fredrickson called a meeting of the good roads committee to inform them of this fact. The committee is looking for a man who knows the good roads problems, is familiar with the Lincoln highway project, is chock full of enthusiasm, and will work without pay.

REBELS REPORTED TO HAVE TAKEN TAMPICO

Secretary of War and Minister of Interior Capital Deny Coast City Has Fallen.

TRANSPORT ORDERED THERE

U. S. Boat Will Be Sent from Galveston to Take Foreigners Aboard.

BRYAN MAKES THE REQUEST

Asks Secretary of War to Dispatch Vessel to Scene of Fighting.

EL PASO SPANIARDS PROTEST

Aroused by Order Countrymen Must Leave Chihuahua in Ten Days—Their Investments Heavy in Northern Mexico.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 12.—Reports reached here today—said to be on good authority—to the effect that Tampico has been taken by the rebels. The war office and the ministry of the interior deny the report.

Spaniards Make Protest.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 12.—Members of the Spanish colony in El Paso late today telegraphed protests to the Spanish minister in Washington and Mexico City against the action of rebels at Chihuahua, who are reported to have given notice that all Spaniards must leave the city within ten days. The investments of citizens of Spain in northern Mexico are large.

Mormon Loses Ten Millions.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—Revolution in Mexico has cost Mormon colonists from the United States about \$10,000,000. This was the estimate credited today to President Joseph Smith of the Mormon church, who is here on his return from a visit to the refugees in Arizona and Southern California.

The church head also said he favored a plan for the exiled colonists to settle where they now are instead of returning to Mexico when conditions permit. "The flower of our colonies was in Mexico," President Smith said. "Our people had labored there for a quarter of a century and achieved wonderful results. They were forced to give up whole towns and cities—their houses and churches, all to the value of more than \$10,000,000."

Schmidt Told Doctor He Expected to Wed Miss Aumuller

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—In the trial of Hans Schmidt, former priest, charged with the murder of Anna Arnold last September, Assistant District Attorney Stephenson called as a witness today Dr. Arnold G. Leo of this city.

Columbus Mystery Involves Two Girls

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 12.—A double mystery, in which two young women are involved, developed here today. Ruth Arnold, aged 24 years, who recently came here from Cincinnati, was found lying in the street unconscious yesterday, and the disappearance of Janice Black, aged 20 years, recently of Milton, W. Va., was reported to the police today.

Former Receiver Indicted by Jury

ATLANTIC, Ia., Dec. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—After being in session for twelve days the grand jury finished its labors and reported this morning in district court, turning in an indictment charging E. S. Harlan, former receiver of the Atlantic Northern & Southern Railway company, with embezzlement during his receivership.

The Low Tariff



TELL-TALE LETTERS IN COURT

Missives Written by Dr. Brantley to Wife Used Against Him.

SHOWS KNOWLEDGE OF FRAUD

Trial of Federal Case Against Dr. Brantley is Continued Until Saturday Afternoon on Account of Lawyers.

If Dr. E. D. Brantley, Memphis physician and former member of the state legislature of Tennessee, whose trial on a charge of using the mails to defraud has been in progress in the United States district court since Tuesday, is convicted, he may have cause for attributing his undoing to the influence of "the woman in the case." In completing its case against Brantley, the prosecution has introduced as damaging evidence ardently affectionate letters of the defendant to a woman who was at the time they were written his wife, but who has since been granted a divorce.

DR. McALISTER, HEAD OF DREXEL INSTITUTE, IS DEAD

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Dr. James McAlister, for twenty years president of Drexel Institute of this city, and an educator of international reputation, died at sea yesterday on the steamship Caribbean, bound from New York to Bermuda, according to a wireless message received today. He resigned the presidency of the institute last June because of ill health. Dr. McAlister was elected an officer of L'Academie, Paris, in 1890. He was 73 years old.

TEXAS FLOOD SUFFERERS SEND APPEAL FOR AID

CHEGAGO, Dec. 12.—An appeal for help to 4,000 flood sufferers of Navasota, Tex., was received here today by Mayor Harrison from A. F. Briganza and J. N. Haylor of the Navasota relief committee. The appeal came in a telegram which said that the committee had attempted to survive without outside aid, but was at last compelled to confess to an urgent need of clothing, bedding and money.

Metcalf is Not a Candidate for the Office of Governor

Richard L. Metcalf, civil governor of the canal zone, will not be a candidate for governor of the state of Nebraska in 1914, in spite of what has been said in some of the newspapers of the state in dispatches coming from Washington and others purporting to come directly from the canal zone.

MRS. JOHNSON IS CONVICTED

Ashland Woman Who Slew Husband Guilty of Manslaughter.

ATTEMPTS TO KILL HERSELF

Defendant Takes Dose of Poison While Jury is Deliberating and is Unconscious Most of the Night.

DR. CARL VON KLEIN DIES IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Dr. Carl V. Von Klein, widely known for his research work into the medical lore of the ancients, died here today. Dr. Von Klein spent a fortune in his studies. His health broke last summer, when his son, E. C. Von Klein of St. Paul, was arrested on complaint of Miss Ethel Newcomb, who charged that the young man had bigamously married her in Portland, Ore., when he then deserted her, taking with him her jewels, valued at \$5,000.

Judge Pollard of St. Louis is Dead

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.—William Jefferson Pollard, who as judge of a St. Louis police court achieved national fame by his system of paroling drunkards on condition that they sign the pledge, died here today of heart disease. Judge Pollard twice represented the United States at the International Conference on Alcoholism. At these conferences he expounded his system of dealing with drunkards and the system since then has been adopted in many foreign lands.

MISSING TWO YEARS

The famous painting had hung in the place of honor in the Louvre in a room which was supposed to be always watched. It disappeared on the morning of August 23, 1911, and its absence from its accustomed place was not noticed by its guardians until some hours later. At first a quiet search was made in every nook and corner of the museum and discreet questions were asked of the hundreds of copyists and photographers who daily crowd the museum. The questioning was all without result.

THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF EXCELLENCE

What a wonderful revolution there has been in the last decade in the marketing of the scores of different foods and household supply products. In the short space of ten years, household has seen marvelous changes, innovations and improvements that have greatly increased the bodily health, comfort and well-being of the public. Production on a large and scientific scale is constantly improving our food stuffs—and honest advertising is teaching us how to recognize the best.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Friday, December 12, 1913.

THE SENATE

Met at 10 a. m. Deferred consideration of legislation machinery for direct elections of senators. Resumed currency bill debate with Senator Newlands defending the caucus. Senator Lea introduced a bill proposing expenditure of \$50,000,000 in federal aid for the maintenance of post roads.

THE HOUSE

Met at noon. Disposed of miscellaneous business on the calendar.

FAMOUS MONA LISA STOLEN FROM PARIS FOUND IN FLORENCE

Most Valuable Painting in the World Which Was Stolen Two Years Ago is Recovered.

THIEF IS UNDER ARREST

Italian Offers to Sell Masterpiece to Collector.

RECOGNIZES IT AT ONCE

Man Says He Stole it to Be Revenged on Napoleon.

PROPERTY OF FRENCH NATION

Leonardo da Vinci Spent Four Years Painting it and it was Bought by King Francis I for the National Gallery.

FLORENCE, Italy, Dec. 12.—Leonardo Da Vinci's masterpiece, "Mona Lisa," the mysterious disappearance of which from the Louvre in August, 1911, threw the art world into consternation, was found today in Florence. The man who stole it was arrested. He is an Italian.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—The famous "Jaconde" was found today when the picture was offered by an Italian resident of Paris to an antiquary of Florence, according to an announcement made by the French minister of public instruction. Both the picture and the Italian are now in custody of the police of Florence. "I stole the picture," said the man, "in order to avenge the theft which Napoleon committed in Italy."

World's Most Famous Picture. "Mona Lisa," more properly known as "La Gioconda," is one of the world's most famous paintings and is regarded as priceless. Leonardo Da Vinci took as his model for the picture Lisa Del Giocondo, a woman of Florence. He worked on the picture for four years, from 1503 to 1504. It was bought for France by Francis I.

The value of the work can only be imagined, since all offers to buy it were refused, among them one reported to have been made by the British government of \$5,000,000. Since the disappearance from the Louvre of the picture the search had been world wide. It has been reported found in Germany, Russia, England, Spain and even in the United States.

It was widely believed in Paris and throughout France that the picture was not taken by thieves, but rather by some demented art lover, who wished to be able always to gaze on it.

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When the police authorities had been informed they ordered the museum closed. A thorough search by detectives followed. They found the empty frame lying on a servant's stairway in the museum building, but no trace of the picture which it had enclosed.

Telegraphic information of the disappearance was sent to every town in France and to the police headquarters of many nations. Ships were searched as they left French ports and trains as they crossed the frontier, while every package taken out of France and looking anything like a picture was closely scanned. A great scandal was aroused in France when it came to light that the guardianship of the public galleries and museums was very lax, and several high officials were dismissed from their posts.

Big Bond Issue Proposed

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The \$100,000,000 bond issue of the Illinois Central, designed to retire other issues and provide for improvements and extensions, was ratified at a special meeting of stockholders here today.

The Weather

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Locations include Omaha, Council Bluffs, and various cities in Iowa and Nebraska.

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Table with 2 columns: Location and Wind. Locations include Omaha, Council Bluffs, and various cities in Iowa and Nebraska.

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