

CATHOLIC WEEK OPENS AT NEW YORK

American Federation is Working for Cleaner Pictures, Books and Stage.

RADICALISM IS DENOUNCED

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New York, Aug. 21.—Business sessions of the American Federation of Catholic societies and allied organizations began here today with nearly 20,000 delegates attending.

The opening session of the federation today was devoted in part to hearing the reports of the national president, John Whalen, and of the national secretary, Anthony Matre.

Suppression in many states of objectionable motion pictures and successful efforts for more stringent divorce laws; a cleaner stage and the control of indecent publications were among the activities of the commission.

Friction Between England and Sweden

Copenhagen, Aug. 21.—(Via London.)—According to the Dagens Nyheter, the Swedish government has published a blue book containing the diplomatic documents relating to the negotiations between Sweden and England regarding the seizure of British mails to Russia.

Funston Assigns Guard Commanders

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 21.—Major-General Funston today gave out the tentative assignment of commanders of eight of the new divisions of the National guard.

Washington, Aug. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—President granted...

WILSON REVIEWS HIS DEMANDS ON RAIL PRESIDENTS

(Continued From Page One.)

ence this afternoon was arranged to allow the officials who arrived here today to get the president's viewpoint first hand.

Western Men Arrive. Western railroad presidents, summoned Saturday, began coming in this morning.

The incoming executives conferred with those already here and with the managers' committee to familiarize themselves with the negotiations so far.

Employers' Committee Meets. The brotherhood representatives held a brief meeting in their hall today and adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Western Men Optimistic. Some of the incoming presidents were more optimistic about the situation than those already here.

President Defends Plan. President Wilson yesterday replied indirectly to the contentions of the railroad officials that the principle of arbitration would be endangered by his plan for putting the eight-hour basic day into effect while a commission investigates its practicability and passes upon other points at issue.

The president's telegram defending his plan was in reply to an appeal from George Pope, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, urging that the principle of arbitration be preserved in the strike negotiations.

President's Reply. The president replied: "Allow me to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of August 18, and to say in reply that I hold to the principle of arbitration with as clear a conviction as I do in any other matter."

What I am proposing does not weaken or discredit the principle of arbitration. It strengthens it, rather. It proposes that nothing be conceded except the eight-hour day, to which the whole economic movement of the time seems to point.

Two Men Killed by Dynamite Explosion

Ashland, Wis., Aug. 21.—Two men were killed and \$2,000 damage was done in an explosion in the plant of the DuPont Dynamite works at Barksdale today.

Old Man Killed During His First Auto Ride

Salem, Va., Aug. 21.—A. W. Garner of Drapersville was 90 years old before he ventured to take a ride in an automobile and today he is dead.

GREAT WESTERN TO OPEN HERE TODAY

Country's Turf Stars Entered in Five Days' Meeting at Speedway.

CLASSIC TROT CARDED

When starting Judge Oliver Lehman of eDroit sends the field away in the 2:14 trotting class, Grain Exchange purse of \$1,000, at the Speedway track at 2:30 sharp this afternoon, Nebraska's maiden Great Western circuit meeting will have opened.

Omaha today is cynosure of all eyes in western turfdom, for the greatest assemblage of high class harness horses ever turned on a half-mile track in the United States or Canada has been entered in the local Driving club's five days' classic.

The \$12,300 hung up in stakes and purses has served as an incentive to attract the bright stars of the country's leading racing stables, and the prospect of seeing some turf battles that may make harness racing history has fashioned out the Cornhusker metropolis as the Mecca of prominent turfmen from the four winds.

The half-mile oval at the East Omaha Speedway, admittedly the fastest of its distance between the coasts, is in ideal condition, and every indication points to par-excellent racing weather for the week.

Trotting Classic Today. In addition to the 2:14 trotting class event, regarded by some as the keystone race of the entire meeting, having as it does, thirty-two entries, among them being several speed merchants who have won fame on the Grand and Great Western circuits this year, the fast 2:12 pacing class number—Luxus purse, \$1,000—and the 2-year-old trot—Bingen Silk stake, \$300—will be carded for this afternoon.

Horses that have shown by consistent performances that they are among the bright stars of the harness game world are entered in the opening day's events.

The starting judges will call the drivers and their charges at 2 o'clock. Besides Mr. Lehman, the other officials of the meeting are W. P. McCreary of Hastings, Neb., presiding judge; E. P. Peck and C. M. Buck of Omaha, associate judges; Charles Ronin of Fremont, Neb., clerk of the course; R. R. Colwell, scorer and programer.

THREE MEN ARE STABBED IN ROOMING HOUSE FIGHT

Lincoln, Aug. 21.—(Special.)—In a rooming house fight at 2344 North Twelfth street last night, three men were stabbed, one of them seriously, when they attempted to buy liquor and were refused.

INSURANCE IN FORCE. December 31, 1906.....\$ 569,000 December 31, 1908..... 1,463,218 December 31, 1910..... 2,641,084 December 31, 1912..... 4,895,802 December 31, 1914..... 6,580,804 December 31, 1915..... 7,818,000 July 31, 1916..... 8,878,855

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ROAD MONEY READY FOR STATE TO USE

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PLAN CONTINUOUS ROAD

Lincoln, Aug. 21.—(Special.)—What the state legislature will do regarding acceptance of the funds voted by congress for good roads in Nebraska is a question soon to come up, Nebraskans interested in good roads will have to take a hand in it if they want the right kind of action.

Governor Morehead and State Engineer Johnson favor allowing the amount to be held over and placed with the amount coming next year, because the season is so well along that they believe better results could be reached by using it all together.

The amount to be received this year and which if not used will be placed to the credit of the state is \$106,000. Next year the amount will be doubled, which will make the sum total for the two years \$318,000. As the state is required to duplicate this amount in order to secure the government aid, there will be a sum available of \$636,000.

As bridges are considered a part of road equipment, it is believed that in some instances the state could go ahead and build the bridges and then put in the roads later. The requirement of the government is that in building the roads there shall be a continued line. Short lines cannot be built and, therefore, a system which will run from one end of the state to the other, probably will have to receive first consideration.

Miss Kaiser Leads In Golf Tourney

Grand Rapids, Mich., Aug. 21.—Miss Laura Kaiser of Bloomer club, Chicago, turned in the medal card of 95 here this forenoon, in the qualifying round of 18 holes for the women's western golf championship.

As a result of the blind draw, the lower half contains most of the first ten ranking players of the United States, as well as the best of the foreign stars. The Pacific coast, south and middle west are well represented, although the larger number of the entrants will have to fight it out in the lower half.

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Rumors of a similar nature have been common since the canal was well under way, but it was not until several months ago that they reached a well defined outline. At that time it was commonly believed in diplomatic circles that private Japanese shipping interests were seeking land through Spanish intermediaries to establish a base for storing coal at lower rates than could be had from the American government monopoly base.

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McLaughlin and Johnston Caught In Tennis Draw

New York, Aug. 21.—The names of 128 tennis players were drawn here today for the national singles tournament, to begin on the turf courts of the West Side club, Forest Hills, N. Y., Monday.

Every American player of prominence is entered, as are the two Japanese experts, Kumagae and Mikama. Russia and Austria are represented by A. W. MacPherson and Count Otto Salm, respectively.

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Why Hughes Finds Wilson Wanting

When the Republicans and former Progressives in Carnegie Hall applauded the emphatic statements in Mr. Hughes' speech accepting the Republican Presidential nomination, they were endorsing "the real Republican Platform," as one writer calls it.

In THE LITERARY DIGEST for August 12th, is an extensive article setting forth the views of both the Republican and Democratic press of the nation on this, Mr. Hughes' first important public utterance since his nomination.

Other articles of timely importance in this issue, are:

Mr. Hughes' New Suffrage Plank

Mr. Hughes has "stolen a march on President Wilson and has delivered a telling blow against him in many States," remarks the Washington Post, by coming out for the Susan B. Anthony Constitutional Amendment, providing for Woman Suffrage.

- The Black List Protest
The Good the "Eastland" Did
On the Threshold of the War's Third Year
The Vindication of General Hughes
Horse-Chestnuts as Food
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Williams II, No. 21, is the leader, ranking with Clarence J. Griffin, No. 7, and W. Merrill Hall, No. 10, the other members of the first ten, according to the list prepared at the end of the 1915 season.

Other leaders among the first American ten, is well placed, but will have to dispose of a high class field to reach the semi-final round.

Among the more expert racquet stars in this half, in addition to those in the first ranking class, are R. D. Little, Roland Roberts and Willis Davis of the Pacific coast contingent; Dean Mathey, Harold Throckmorton, Frederick B. Alexander, R. Lindley Murray, A. S. Dabney, C. B. Doyle, James Webber and E. P. Learned.

Traction Trouble in New York Settled

New York, Aug. 21.—Announcement of the virtual settlement of the differences between the New York railway companies and their employees averting a strike was made today by Public Service Commissioner Hayward.

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A Skirt Sale. This week—Watch papers for date and prices. A New Dress. To finish out the summer season, in the basement dress section the problem can be solved easily and inexpensively, \$1.00 to \$2.95.

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