

FIRE LOSS SMALL

In 47 Kansas Counties No Loss in August.

In None Was Damage in Excess of \$12,000.

In 47 of the 103 counties of Kansas, no fires occurred in August, while in but two counties were the losses greater than \$10,000.

Hussey's report by counties was issued today and shows that fires were reported in but 53 of the counties, while no fires are shown in the remaining 47 counties.

The fire loss in Shawnee county for August was \$1,070, according to the state fire marshal's report.

Losses by counties in the state were as follows:

Table listing fire losses by county in Kansas for August, including Adair, Adair, Barber, Bourbon, Brown, Chase, Cherokee, Cheyenne, Clark, Clay, Cloud, Crawford, DeWitt, Edwards, Ellsworth, Franklin, Grant, Greenwood, Harper, Hodgson, Jackson, Jefferson, Jewell, Kearny, Kingman, Labette, Leavenworth, Lincoln, Lyon, Marion, McClain, McPherson, Montgomery, Morris, Nemaha, Ness, Phillips, Pottawatomie, Pratt, Rawlins, Republic, Rice, Saline, Sedgewick, Shawnee, Seward, Sumner, Washington, Wilson, Woodson, Wyandotte, and Total.

JOHNSTON VS. WILLIAMS

Perfect Weather Favors Tennis Players at Forest Hills Today.

Forest Hills, Sept. 11.—Perfect weather conditions and a gallery of several thousand spectators greeted the players in the final round of the east versus west matches here this afternoon.

Chief interest centered in the singles match between Johnston and Williams. Although the latter was eliminated by the California player in the semi-final round of the national singles, he hoped to reverse the result today in an effort to gain a higher ranking in the season's records.

Johnston won the second set against Williams at love, the latter showing a complete reversal of form.

Williams won the first set of his match against Johnston, the new singles champion, at 6-4.

Griffin won the first set of his match against Niles at 6-4.

Niles won the second set, 6-4, thus evening his match with Griffin.

Williams won the third set of his match against Johnston at 6-4, showing the best tennis of the day.

Niles won the third set from Griffin, 6-2, by superior all round tennis.

Williams won the fourth set and match from Johnston at 6-4.

Niles defeated Griffin in the fourth and deciding set of their match, 6-1.

SUES A WANAMAKER

Woman Accuses Merchant Prince's Grandson of Breach of Promise.

New York, Sept. 11.—John Wanamaker, Jr., son of Rodman Wanamaker, merchant prince, philanthropist and former postmaster general, has been named as defendant in a breach of promise action for \$100,000.

Miss Lucille Storer of this city is plaintiff. Miss Storer alleges Wanamaker began to court her in the spring of 1912. She says he promised them to marry her within a reasonable time and she relied implicitly on him.

'FAKE' SAYS THE COUNT

Bernstorff Declares He Did Not Authorize Warlike Interview.

New York, Sept. 11.—Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador when shown a newspaper today containing an interview purporting to have been given by the ambassador through a person close to the ambassador, quoting him as saying if the United States severed diplomatic relations with Germany war would follow almost immediately, made this statement:

VILLA GENERAL FLEES FROM MUTINEERS TO U. S.; IS INTERED IN TEXAS

Del Rio, Tex., Sept. 11.—General Silva, in command of the Villa garrison at Las Vacas, across the river from here, fled from his own men last night and today was in Texas.

Friday's Declines Wiped Out Most of the Advances.

New York, Sept. 11.—Foreign relations, foreign exchange, highly promising crop prospects and continued improvement in the steel and iron trade furnished the diverse factors which governed the short week in the stock market.

Trading was resumed after the holidays with an increased relief in the adjustment of differences between Washington and Berlin and sentiment derived further encouragement from the arrival of the Anglo-French finance commission authorized to correct the intolerable conditions between this center and Europe's leading monetary markets.

HE IS FACITIOUS

Do Kansans Want to Pay More for Gasoline.

And Sell Crude Oil for Less, Asks Evans.

Earl Evans of Wichita, attorney for the Standard Oil company, is anxious to know if Kansans oil producers really want less money for their oil.

The Wichita attorney came to Topeka today to confer with S. M. Hawkes, assistant attorney general, regarding the oil situation and the recent complaints of Joe Longshore, former state oil inspector.

Evans is inclined to see the humorous side of the oil and gas dispute and he wonders if Kansans has really lost her interest in the down-trodden producer.

Recently Longshore, as a representative of an independent company, complained to S. M. Brewster, attorney general, as to the unfair treatment of the independent oil producer.

The Standard had advanced the price of crude oil beyond all reason and refused to advance the price of refined oil.

Now Evans recalls the days when Kansas sided with the independent producers and the badly treated ultimate consumer.

That was when Kansas insisted that the refinery of her own and stopped only because of an adverse constitutional provision.

It has been out of the state since this thing started," said Evans, "but I am anxious to know if there is any determined demand that the producers get less money for their oil and that the consumers pay more for their gasoline.

ONE OF THE BIG ONES

Meeting of Santa Fe Storekeepers at Albuquerque This Month.

One of the biggest meetings of the Santa Fe railway this year will be the session of the storekeepers at Albuquerque, September 28 and 29.

The program was announced today by H. E. Ray of Topeka, general storekeeper for the Santa Fe, who will preside at the meetings.

A. P. Wolf, general foreman of the Topeka store, will speak on "Errors and Delays in Filling Orders Due to Incorrect Pattern Numbers, Blue Print and Catalogue Reference."

Thomas Scully, the Topeka storekeeper, will talk on "Unnecessary Telegraphing for Material and Shipments by Baggage: How to Overcome It."

E. H. Bunnell, auditor of disbursements, will have as his subject: "Thoughts of Accountants Difficulties With and How to Correct Them."

C. F. Ludington, chief fuel supervisor, will speak on "Fuel and Fuel Accounts: Data on Results Obtained by Despatching for Improvements."

George E. Rex, manager of the treating plants system, will talk on a subject to be decided later.

Frank W. Thomas, supervisor of apprentices, will give an address on "How to Secure Co-operation Among Store Department Employees. Would an Apprenticeship System Be Practicable?"

These Topeka officials, along with other representatives of the store, operating, auditing and mechanical departments of the Santa Fe, will give talks. F. E. Connors of Chicago, assistant to the vice president, and a former Topeka man, is also billed for a lecture.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Rosetta Wilt will be held at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon from Shellbarger's chapel.

The funeral of Mrs. Bright Chapman will be held at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the house of representatives, who performed Mrs. Wilt's wedding ceremony five years ago, will officiate.

The funeral of Martin Oehmke, who died Friday, will be held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the Free Methodist church. Interment in Topeka cemetery.

At the Iris. Marguerite Clark in "Helene of the North" is the bill at the Iris today and tonight. In all the annals of the screen few stories have equalled "Helene of the North" in originality of conception and construction.

North Topeka Camp No. 1243, Modern Woodmen of America, will meet Monday night, September 13, at 8:30 North Kansas avenue, to transact very important business. Members please be present.—Adv.

Step Ladders at Forbes.—Adv.

MARKETS FLUTTER

Depressions Followed Brisk Trading of Early Week.

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IN JUSTICE TO DYCHE

The Statement That He Died Poor Is Denied.

A denial of the story that Prof. L. L. Dyche, late state fish and game warden, left young Dyche in want, is entered by Mrs. W. D. Moore of Wakarusa, Kan., in a letter to the State Journal.

The legislature made it possible for his children to complete their education at the university without expense.

Professor Dyche had just completed a fine modern house in Lawrence. He had also several farms; property in Kansas City, had carried life insurance. His friends and relatives do not think it just to his memory that the statement should go out that he left his family unprovided for.

Steel Mills Busy. Steel mills continue to work at full capacity and another advance of prices confirms recent predictions.

The decline, which wiped out most of the mid-week's advances, was accelerated by renewed foreign selling, coupled with further bearish activity.

Some of the war specialties soared to new heights but much if not all the gain was lost in Friday's declines.

As a matter of fact interest in these issues is steadily diminishing except insofar as they point to the increasing demand for our war products.

Traffic returns by leading roads show irregular conditions. Increased copper dividends declared during the week are the result of recent rather than present conditions in that trade.

BOXERS SHAKE HANDS

McFarland and Gibbons "Weigh In" at 3 O'Clock This Afternoon.

New York, Sept. 11.—At 3 o'clock this afternoon Packer McFarland and Mike Gibbons weighed in at the Brighton Beach baths, about 200 yards away from the ring in which they are to meet tonight.

Both fighters touched the beam at 145 and seemed to be in perfect condition, although McFarland's features appeared somewhat drawn, due to hard training.

McFarland greeted Gibbons with a smile after he had left the scales, then they shook hands.

"I wish you luck," remarked Packer. "I hope you won't beat me."

KANSAS FAIRS IN 1915

Following is a list of fairs to be held in Kansas in 1915, their dates (where they have been decided on), locations and secretaries, as reported to the state board of agriculture and compiled by J. C. Mohler:

Adair County—Wakarusa Agricultural Association—Eugene E. Hines, secretary, Wakefield; October 8-9.

Atchison County—Four-County Fair Association—Eugene E. Hines, secretary, Wakefield; October 8-9.

Butler County—Douglas Agricultural Society—J. A. Clav, secretary, Douglas; September 15-18.

Clay County—Wakarusa Agricultural Association—Eugene E. Hines, secretary, Wakefield; October 8-9.

Coffey County—Eastern Cowley Fair and Agricultural Society—Howard Collins, secretary, Burden; September 22-24.

Dickinson County Fair Association—C. R. Bager, secretary, Abilene; September 21-24.

Douglas County Fair and Agricultural Society—C. W. Murphy, secretary, Lawrence; September 21-24.

Ellsworth County—Wilson Inter-County Co-operative Fair Association—W. E. Schermerhorn, secretary, Wilson; October 5-8.

Ellsworth County Agricultural and Fair Association—G. C. Gebhardt, secretary, Ellsworth; September 28-October 1.

Ellsworth County Fair—Clarence Montgomery, secretary, Oswego; September 15-18.

Lincoln County Fair Association—C. A. Miller, secretary, Mound City; September 21-24.

Logan County—Inter-County Fair Association—A. Spencer, secretary, Oakley; October 5-8.

TURKEY TO TURN OVER TERRITORY TO BULGARIA; BOUNDARY PARLEY ENDS

Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept. 8.—(Via Paris, Sept. 11.)—The Turco-Bulgarian boundary adjustment, which a boundary adjustment, have been concluded. Turkey will formally turn over to Bulgaria the territory in question within a few days.

REAL KING DEAD

End to Sir William Van Horne, Empire Builder.

From Bottom of Ladder to Wealth and Fame in Canada.

Montreal, Sept. 11.—Sir William Van Horne, for years prominent in trans-continental railroad development, died today in the Royal Victoria hospital here.

Sir William Van Horne rose from the bottom of the ladder to wealth and fame as one of the so-called empire builders of Canada.

He was born in the United States in Will county, Illinois, February 3, 1842, and gained railway experience through many years' connection with railroads in the central and western United States.

He was vice-president from 1888 to 1899, and chairman of the board of directors from 1899 to 1910.

Sir William was the son of Cornelius Covenhoven Van Horne, who was a lawyer at Joliet, Ill. The death of his father Van Horne to fight the battle of life with the Chicago & Alton brought him up to his first important executive position as general superintendent of the St. Louis, Kansas City & Northern in 1872.

Before going to Canada he also served as general manager of the Southern Minnesota and general superintendent of the Chicago & Alton and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

He was knighted by Queen Victoria in 1904 in recognition of his remarkable work in Canada, which included not only his railway and industrial interest, but semi-public service as governor of McGill university and the Royal Victoria hospital and numerous other institutions, and notable contributions to the Canadian store of art treasures.

DOCTORS, BEWARE!

"A Chief's Among Ye Takin' Notes" Faith He'll Prentitt."

Ubiquitous reporters have caused a terrible row among Topeka doctors. Yes, a terrible row. The ethics of the profession have been violated and the Shawnee County Medical association is going to see to it that no one doctor gets any more publicity than another. It is entirely wrong.

An order has been sent out to all doctors that they must not talk before reporters. If any new discovery is made the medical journals must get the story of the discovery and not the newspapers.

If a physician attends an unusual case, that has interesting details, nothing must be said about it. The ethics of the profession must be held inviolate at all times.

Any doctor who so much as breathes before a reporter is in great danger of losing his seat in the Shawnee County Medical association—whatever that means. Every public service performed by local doctors is frowned upon by the association especially if there happens to be a mention of it in the newspapers.

It is expected that the doctors will issue a "white paper" or "yellow paper" giving the members of the association rules and regulations as to their conduct before reporters. A great breach of ethics has been made and it must not take place again.

DAMAGE TO RAILROADS

Three Lines in Fort Scott Estimate Loss at \$45,000.

Fort Scott, Kan., Sept. 11.—The Missouri Pacific is one of the heaviest losers according to the estimate of Alex Robertson, chief operating officer under Mr. Bunch, receiver, who is here.

Mr. Robertson said that the loss to the company as the result of the flood here will be fully \$20,000, much of this loss was sustained in the wet days and at the shore.

Seventy-four freight cars of all kinds were either practically destroyed or badly damaged.

The loss to the Katy, according to a rough estimate made by Agent Gilbert, is less than \$20,000. There was practically no damage to equipment.

The loss sustained by the two passenger trains marooned here, which amounted to about \$500.

The Frisco estimate their loss at about \$4,500.

BERNHARDT MUST QUIT

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KANSAS STATE FAIR

ASSOCIATION SAM'L E. LUX, PRESIDENT AND MANAGER

TOPEKA, SEPT. 13-14-15-16-17



THE BIG FAIR AT TOPEKA IS FREE

The gates of the Kansas State Fair Association at Topeka will stand open September 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, 1915, for the first Big Free Fair held in the United States.

The beautiful eighty-six acre fair ground, all of the twenty-four permanent buildings, and every exhibit will be open free to the public day and night.

The citizens of Topeka and Shawnee County voted a special tax to pay the premiums of the Big Free Fair. The Kansas Legislature made a direct appropriation.

Topeka bids every Kansan welcome to the Capital City. Rooms in private homes will be listed. Information bureaus, rest rooms, nurseries and play grounds provided.

PREMIUMS PAID BY THE CITY, COUNTY AND STATE

\$45,000 in Premiums, Purse and Prizes. Barns and pens for 2,100 head of show stock. Entire building devoted to auto show. Forty thousand square feet of displays in Agricultural Hall.

Individual, Grange and County agricultural exhibits. Beautiful art and textile displays. Bug culinary section. Model kitchen. Domestic Science, Child Hygiene and Home Handicraft demonstrations daily. Model nursery and play ground. Sunday School exhibit.

400 Entries in Trotting and Pacing—Running Races Daily

Four days racing, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Races, fastest half-mile track in the West. Twelfth Kansas Derby Tuesday. Thousand dollar trotting and pacing stakes. Largest number of entries of any race meet in the West.

Thrilling Automobile Races—Daring Monoplane Flights

Professional speed kings and their famous world record breaking racing cars will compete for \$2,000 prize at the Big Free Fair Friday afternoon. Thousands of spectators will witness the thrilling races in full view of the crowds daily. Demonstration of aerial acrobatics.

Exciting Polo Played on Ponies—Beautiful Horse Show

Harness and high school horses, fancy hitchers, elaborate turnout, coaches, four-in-hands from the finest private stables that will be at Topeka. New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Detroit, one thousand dollar saddle horse championship.

Mammoth Live Stock Exhibits—Fifteen Acres of Machinery Tractor Demonstrations—Actual Plowing of 100 Acres. BIG DAIRY SHOW—BUTTER FAT CONTEST—THE 100 PER CENT DAIRY HERD

THE GREAT LIVE STOCK, AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION. FAIR GROUNDS 7 BLOCKS FROM STATE CAPITOL. Every day a big day. Three Concert Bands. Big Wild West Show. Original Georgia Minstrels. Motordrome. Special Shetland Pony Show. Giant Carousel. High-class Vaudeville and Big Feature Acts. Grounds and buildings brilliantly illuminated by electricity.

SPECIAL SERVICE ON ALL RAILROADS

The First Big Free Fair To Be Held in the United States

The temporary local organization of the National Security League of America was formed today at the Commercial club with Luther C. Bailey, president, and J. Will Kelley as secretary.

The local league was formed following an address by William B. Brewster, a representative of the league from New York, wherein Mr. Brewster outlined the purpose of the organization as was set forth in his interview printed in the State Journal Friday evening.

Today Mr. Brewster stated that the league was working to establish the budget system of army and navy appropriations in congress and do away with the pork barrel in such matters. The league also expects to increase the size of the mobile standing army and National Guard in this country and make efforts to have the recommendations of the country's experts adopted and carried out by congress.

The temporary organization formed today will take up the matter of organizing a permanent league in Topeka immediately after fair week. Those who attended today's meeting at the Commercial club, J. Will Kelley, P. N. Bonebrake, Frank P. MacLennan, C. S. Elliott, Scott Hopkins, J. C. Bailey, J. P. Slaughter, J. A. Troutman, and C. W. Carson.

Washington, Sept. 11.—General Carranza's answer to the Pan-American peace plea reached the state department this afternoon. As expected, it was a refusal, did not include a direct request for recognition and did propose a conference with the border. How soon it would be made public in detail was uncertain.

Motor Washers at Forbes.—Adv.

Card of Thanks. Words cannot express our gratitude to the kind friends and lodges for the beautiful flowers sent to our loved one and also for the many loving favors done for him during his long illness.

MRS. ALFRED EITREIM, MISS EUNICE EITREIM, MRS. E. O. EITREIM, MR. AND MRS. E. L. GERTZ, Advertisement.

Fight in Sight of Border. Nogales, Sept. 11.—Within eight miles of the American line, 5 miles east of here, 2,000 Carranza soldiers attacked about an equal number of Villistas this afternoon. A hot engagement was reported in progress.

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