RIVER BOATS BOW TO ORLEANS BARGE

Whistles and Dipping of Flags on Steamers Is Method of Recognizing This Strange Craft.

CARRIES BIG BANNER

"Revived Inland Navigation" Is Legend Which Is Flaunted From Big Steel Barge.

The log of the Bernhard barge which is making its way north to St. Paul with a full load of freight continues to be interesting. James E. Edmonds, in the New Orleans Item writes of the trip in the following interesting manner:

ON BOARD "BARGE NO. 5," Bound for St. Paul, via the "All Water Route," July 15.—"Revived inland navigation" is the legend painted in six-foot letters on the sides of our awkward looking barge, buffeting its three and four miles an hour against the Mississippi's current northward to St. Paul with the first through cargo old river men remember.

Just above Natchez we passed the United States snagboat McComb, hurrying southward, great side wheels thundering at the muddy torrent, black smoke pouring from her towering funnels, the red flag of the "engineers" at her jackstaff, and the stars and stripes at her stern. Fit and trim she looked, spick and span, one of the great fleet of government steamers that look after the welfare of a merchant fleet that exists chiefly in fond hopes.

Our little compressed air whistle tooted shrilly the signal for a starboard passage, and the "put-put" of our gas engines sounded ridiculously inadequate and futile behind the solid trainload of lumber, sugar and coffee piled high upon our bulwarked deck.

We came abreast, and on board the McComb pilots, captains and crew crowded curiously to the rail to watch us. They read the legend. Some one on the hurricane deck waved an order. The flag dipped in salute and the mellow notes of the harmoniously chorded steamboat whistle echoed and re-echoed over shore and stream in welcome and farewell.

Somehow the incident seemed a good omen of a happy voyage, even if it had started on July 13, with 13 aboard, and a smashed mirror into the bargain.

Friends Drop Off.

We have dropped our friends who saw us off. John M. Barnhard, Donald K. Jeffris and his son, all left us at Natchez, going home by motorboat. We slowed our engines for a few moments off "Natchez Under the Hill," once the wildest and the busiest spot along the Mississippi. The same old brick buildings along the river front, where the steamboat men gathered "before the war" still stand, weary and fagged in paintless dilapidation. At the foot of the rusty "elevator railway" once used to take steamboat cargoes to the top of the bluff, the "Betsy Ann," little stern-wheeled packet boat, nosed lonesomely at the shore, nibbling at a handful of freight destined for scattered way landings on the Louisiana shore.

When our well-wishers had departed, we moved off "under full gas," in the shadow of the bluffs. Away at the top of the hill we glimpsed the railway station of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad and a sleeping car standing on the siding awaiting the night train. Here and there, among the trees, came into view the pillared front of some old home, looking out across the river.

Just above the city is a sawmill, said to be the oldest on the river, operated under the same management save for a few years during the war, since 1829. It cut the lumber for nearly all the plantation quarters, ginhouses, residences built during the quarter-century between 1830 and 1855, when the country along the Ouachita, the Black, the Momochitto and the lower Red rivers was being opened up.

State's Old Capital.

Mississippi's first capital, the old town of "Washington," is not far back in the country from Natchez, and here the historic "Natchez trace" struck the river after its long overland stretch from the hills of middle Tennessee. In the days before the steamboats the flatboatmen and keelboatmen, the raftsmen, who brought the products of the Ohio valley down, sold their craft for the lumber, used here to leave the river and start on the 60 days' cross-country tramp back to their homes. Here used to gather the people and the produce of the oldest settled portion of Mississippi for journey down to New Orleans and thence by sea to the older states or to Europe.

After the war Natchez saved herself aloof from the wretched turmoil of reconstruction, but gave herself, full heart, to the task of rebuilding. First, perhaps of Mississippi she recovered. For many years she seemed destined to win back her place in river traffic.

Then the railroad came, and left Natchez to one side.

River Terminals.

Natchez has her face to the future.

When the new day of "revived inland navigation" comes, she will have prepared herself to build modern river terminals. Her ancient sawmills, her wholesale houses, her packing and canning plants, will ship by the barge lines to St. Louis and to New Orleans and her wholesalers will send their goods into the Black, the Ouachita, the Red and the Momochitto by the new craft that are to replace the old-time spendthrift "sternwheelers."

So we leave Natchez behind.

Away from the bluffs, the river sheers westward. Nestling against the woods is a government fleet, buff-trimmed tugs and launches, and two or three "quarter boats," whereon live the working force that keeps watch and ward over the caving banks, the threatened levees, in such measure as the meager funds afforded by the government give them opportunity.

The long afternoon passes. The empty, silent river, bordered by sandbars and monotonous reaches of cottonwood and willow forests, is as deserted as when LaSalle first ventured down these curves to make the acquaintance of the Natchez Indians.

Sundown comes, and we have turned eastward again.

The pilot tells us we have come 18 miles and are back again "where you could see Natchez if you were up above the trees."

We are in Giles Bend, where the government has fought for years to keep the river from making a "cut-off" that would send the full tide of the current setting fiercely against the Natchez bluffs and perhaps threaten the city itself.

President Taylor of the Mississippi river commission, appearing before the senate committee on commerce a year or two ago, explained how narrowly Natchez once escaped.

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AMERICAN MAN IS BEST IN THE WORLD

The Way to Find This Out, is to Look at the Women in Other Places.

PARIS, July 22.—"The American man is just about the grandest institution of his kind in the world," declared Mrs. Mabel Potter Daggett, writer of international repute, in an interview granted the United Press correspondent here. Mrs. Daggett is in France studying sociological conditions as they affect women, following a similar investigation in Germany.

"Back home," she said, "I would have you know I am something of a suffragette. I have always felt that woman was not getting what she deserves from the tyrant man. I felt she was imposed upon, that she was the victim of an enormous number of wrongs which simply cried aloud to be remedied.

"Since I came to Europe I have changed my mind on more than one point. I have come to realize a few things I was not aware of before. One of the things I know now, for instance, is that the American woman is the best treated, the most highly respected and generally the most looked up to lady of the universe.

"In Germany the woman is not much better off than a servant; in fact a wife is regarded as a sort of chief-maid, an unsalaried female person whose duty it is to see that his majesty, the man of the establishment, has everything as he wants it. After his wife, the unpaid servant, skims the cream from everyday life and gives it to him, she can have what is left. This rule holds through the entire relation of man and woman in Germany, and, though perhaps to a somewhat lesser degree, the same thing is true in France.

"Throughout Europe I have found the working woman working, not side by side with the man, but in places inferior to what is considered a 'man's work.' She does the hardest labor; she sweeps the streets; carries the coal in sacks on her shoulders; works in the fields—yet she has not one of the liberties, not one of the advantages we women in America forget we have always had.

"In America the man treats the woman as his superior in many ways; he looks up to her. If she is kept from having things, it is not because he is tyranising her—he simply thinks the things desired are not good for in her quality of 'wonderful woman.' Far from treating her as his servant he is prone to make himself hers, and instead of forcing her to do work too menial for him, if one of the two must do it, he not only does it himself but insists upon doing it.

"I smile when I confess it, but I have come to realize more fully than ever before I could, that America is the woman's country of countries, and when I go back I shan't feel ashamed to cuddle down and purr in real contentment."

Mrs. Daggett returns to America shortly where she will write of her European experiences and observations.

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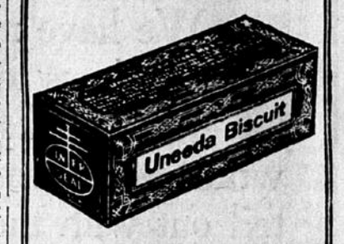

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Random Sketches

Tri-State Old Settlers.

The Tri-State Old Settlers association was organized and the first reunion held in 1884, composed of residents of Illinois, Missouri and Iowa, only about two other annual reunions followed and the movement was abandoned. It was a notable organization, in which great interest was taken in this vicinity and deserves to be remembered as a part of the permanent historical memories of Keokuk and vicinity.

It was organized with the best of feeling owing to an earnest desire on the part of many old citizens of Keokuk to meet their friends of early days and review old friendships and acquaintances and to form new ties. To this end the organization known as the Citizens association was asked to take the preliminary steps towards establishing on a permanent footing an association that would bring together, in annual reunions, the pioneers of the three states. Accordingly the Citizens association invited the citizens of Keokuk to meet together in the evening of July 3, 1884 at the United States court room, then located on the second floor of the Estes house, to determine the question as to whether such reunions should be held, and if so, the time and place, etc.

There was a liberal response to this call, and it was resolved unanimously to organize a Tri-State Old Settlers association, and the following executive committee was selected: J. M. Reid, Dr. George F. Jenkins, J. O. Voorhies, D. F. Miller, Sr., J. B. Paul, S. E. Carey and J. H. Cole. On account of the local fairs, October 2, 1884 and Rand park in Keokuk were agreed on as the time and place for the holding of the initial reunion. At the meeting of the executive committee fixing the time and place, a constitution was reported with an elaborate program of exercises which was strictly adhered to, and in addition there was a dancing platform, a soldiers dinner of hard tack, pork and beans, etc., for all old soldiers, a game of baseball and other features of a social nature, including interesting stories of old times and pioneer experiences.

At the program exercises in the park, Samuel E. Carey, chairman of the executive committee called the meeting to order. By invitation, Rev. L. B. Dennie, a well known old settler preacher, of Knoxville, Ill., invoked the divine blessing. He had followed his calling in all the three states named. General Belknap made an interesting address and Judge Edward Johnstone made a pleasing and eloquent eddress of welcome. Gen. John W. Noble, a former Keokuk resident, then of St. Louis, gave the response on behalf of Missouri. Hon. Henry Strong, also a former resident of Iowa, gave the response for Illinois.

In the afternoon the late Rev. William Salter of Burlington, opened the exercises with prayer and the late Mayor A. G. Adams of the same city, entertained the listeners with an intertaining address. Other addresses were made by Hon. William Hatch of Missouri, Capt. J. W. Campbell of Fort Madison, Capt. William Hillhouse, Hon. Edwin Manning, Col. G. A. Hawley of Hamilton, Ill., which program was occasionally intercepted with music, vocal and instrumental.

A committee appointed by the executive committee to report officers and an executive committee for the ensuing year submitted the following which was adopted:

Hon. Wm. N. Glover, Hon. Thomas C. Sharpe, Hon. Samuel M. Chittenden, for Illinois; Col. David Moore, Major R. D. Cramer, Joseph McCoy, Esq., for Missouri, and Hon. Edward Johnstone, Capt. J. W. Campbell and Hon. Edwin Manning for Iowa. The committee further recommended that Hon. Edward Johnstone be selected as president of the board and the other members be vice presidents, and also the election of John H. Cole as secretary and J. O. Voorhies as treasurer.

Officers and Committees.

The following is a complete list of officers and committees from the inception of the association to October 2 when the first reunion was held. Look over the list and note how many have gone to the other shore, in your recollection:

D. F. Miller, Sr., chairman of the first meeting held July 3, 1884; D. C. Daugherty, secretary. Executive committee—Samuel E. Carey, president; J. H. Cole, secretary; J. O. Voorhies, treasurer; D. F. Miller, Sr., J. M. Reid, Geo. F. Jenkins and J. B. Paul. Only three of these are now living, two of whom are still residents of Keokuk.

Committee on constitution—S. E. Carey, J. O. Voorhies and John H. Cole; only one living.

Finance committee—J. M. Reid, J. B. Paul and Dr. Geo. F. Jenkins; only one living.

Committee on invitations—C. F. Davis, W. A. Brownell, J. M. Reid, John Walker, R. E. Hill; none of whom can be recalled as living.

Committee on music—Conrad Elmbock, H. C. Landis, Dr. J. C. Hughes, Dr. A. Weismann; only one of this number is living. They were all residents of Keokuk at the time.

Committee on grounds—Hugh Copeland, H. C. Anschutz, Fred Hilpert; two living.

Committee on rooms, baggage, etc.—Col. Richard Root, Patrick Gibbons; both dead.

Committee on transportation—W. A. Brownell, F. T. Hugger, H. H. Trimble, J. F. Daugherty, J. K. Mason, J. C. Coombs; only two living.

Committee on program—C. F. Davis, J. H. Cole and Dr. J. M. Shaffer; one living.

Committee on Reception—Hon. John N. Irwin, Col. J. M. Reid, Charles P. Birge, Judge D. Mooar, S. M. Clark, Richard B. B. Wood, Dr. W. A. George, Hon. Geo. D. Rand; only one living.

Committee and park seats, etc—Geo. D. Rand, J. B. Paul, John T. Griffey, John Culbertson, Horace H. Ayres, Conrad Elmbock.

Committee to provide accommodations for orators—J. H. Cole and W. A. Brownell; one living.

Decorating committee—J. M. Huiskamp and H. T. Graham.

Publication committee—J. H. Cole, and Dr. J. M. Shaffer.

There were many incidents occurring at this first Tri-State Old Settlers meeting which might produce interest did space allow and which may be referred to in a future sketch.

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Industrial Association Bulletin No. 51.

People onced believed there would be three great cities on the Mississippi from the mouth of the Ohio north—St. Louis, Keokuk and St. Paul. Circumstances worked against Keokuk for years.

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