TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS.

Discount rates were 5 to 7 per cent on call and time loans. Clearances, $5,577,573; balances, $770,118. New York exchange, 70c discount bid, 60c discount asked; Louisville, 25c discount bid, par asked; Chicago, 40c discount bid, 30c discount asked; New Orleans, 25c discount bid, par asked; Cincinnati, 25c discount bid, par asked.

The local wheat market closed lower at 69⅝c n. Oct., 70⅝c b. Dec., 75@75⅛c b. May, 71@72¼c No. 2 red. Corn closed lower at 36⅝c Oct., 34c a. Dec., 33¾c n. year, 35c b. May, 37@37½c No. 2 white. Oats closed steady at 22¾c a. Oct., 22½c a. Dec., 24¼c b. May., 22¾c No. 2.

The local market for standard mess pork closed weak at $13 for new. Prime steam lard closed at 6.70c for East Side.

The local spot cotton market closed quiet and 1-16c lower.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

St. Mathew's German Evangelical Church will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of its organization next Sunday.

Governor Stone is in the East until the campaign is over.

"Jack," a bull pup owned by a Webster Groves liveryman was buried by friends.

Miss Ida Gruen and Doctor Herman A. Hanser are married on the anniversary of their parents' weddings.

Edward Rohlfing under indictment for robbery broke out of the cage at the Four Courts but was recaptured.

The pastor of the Clayton Presbyterian Church to resign because members play euchre and dance.

A joint committee from the Merchants' Exchange, Business Men's League and Real Estate Exchange has been instructed to secure legislation for deepening of the river.

John Brinning, a Civil War veteran, was found dead in bed in his room.

Frances Herman, who eloped to Clayton a year ago and was married, has returned to mother.

A thief drove off a wagon load of coffee from in front of the Exposition.

The United States Court of Appeals defines responsibility of railroad companies toward passengers.

A theater war in Pittsburg may result in an another theater being built in St. Louis.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

William J. Bryan completed his tour of Maryland yesterday and crossed over into the State of Delaware. He made nineteen speeches during the day to large and enthusiastic audiences.

Governor Roosevelt declined to answer questions put to him by members of his audience at Troy, N. Y. Slips of paper on which were printed these questions were thrown into his carriage, but these were ignored also.

Attorneys for Patrick and Jones, the two men who are accused of attempting to defraud the Rice estate, filed a motion yesterday for dismissal of the charges against them. The Court took the motion under advisement.

Colonel Luke M. Emmerson of Bowling Green, well known in this country and in Europe, and a lifelong Republican, has come out for Bryan.

The Republican State Committee of Indiana has sent out a letter asking for campaign funds, and stating that they are badly needed.

Ex-Secretary Carlisle has written a letter to a friend, in which he states that he will not vote at all at the coming election.

An explosion at the Indian Head Proving Grounds near Washington at 11 o'clock last night is causing the Government officials great anxiety. They fear the big guns there have been damaged.

Cornelius L. Alvord stole $60,000 from the First National Bank of New York the last day he worked.

Silver Republican Committee of Washington State is in possession of secret correspondence between Washington and Manila.

The Red Cross Society is arranging for 15,000 watch meetings on the night of December 31. A collection will be taken up at the meetings for the benefit of the society.

The population of California, according to the last census, is 1,485,052.

The wreck of the Maine in Havana Harbor is to be removed, under the supervision of Governor General Wood of Cuba.

The Government has not made any definite arrangements for bringing home the volunteer soldiers in the Philippines, who must be discharged next June, but it is expected that the homeward movement of troops, already begun, will be continued till all the volunteers are repatriated.

SPORTING.

Local owners of runabout horses are eager to defeat Mr. von Wedelstaedt's champion, the great McL.

Judge Steadman, Tony Lepping, Bummer, Go Out, Theory and Haviland were the winners at Kinloch Park.

Marine Intelligence.

New York, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Oceanic, from Liverpool; Mesaba, from London.

Southampton, Oct. 24.—Arrived: St. Paul, New York.

Liverpool, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Cufic, New York.

New York, Oct. 24.—Sailed: St. Louis, Southampton; Kensington, Antwerp; Majestic, Liverpool.

Auckland, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Moana, San Francisco, via Honolulu, for Sydney, N. S. W.

New York, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Noordland, Antwerp.

Browhead, Oct. 24.—Passed: Steamer Servia, New York, for Queenstown and Liverpool.

Rotterdam, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Maasdam, New York, via Boulogne.

Bremen, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Kaiserin Maria Theresa, New York, via Southampton.

Queenstown, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Montfort, Montreal, for Liverpool.

Southampton, Oct. 24.—Sailed: Lahn (from Bremen), New York, via Cherbourg.

London, Oct. 24.—The British bark Gladys, Captain Foote, from San Francisco May 16, passed Lizard Head to-day, with loss of fore-topgallant mast. She is probably bound to Falmouth.

Queenstown, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Servia, New York, for Queenstown (and proceeded).

Brow Head, Oct. 24.—Passed: Germanic, New York, for Queenstown and Liverpool.

Malin Head, Oct. 24.—Passed: Assyrian, Halifax, Nova Scotia, and St. Johns, Newfoundland, for Liverpool.

Gibraltar, Oct. 24.—Passed: Paramania, Genoa, Leghorn and Naples, for New York.

Queenstown, Oct. 24.—Arrived: Commonwealth, Boston, for Liverpool and proceeded.

Lizard, Oct. 25, 3:25 a. m.—Passed: La Lorraine, New York, for Havre.

Lizar, Oct. 25, 3:20 a. m.—Passed: Fuerst Bismarck, New York, for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg.

WILL WED JANUARY 17.

Queen Wilhelmina Announces the Date of Her Marriage.

SPECIAL BY CABLE.

The Hague, Oct. 24.—(Copyright, 1900, by W. R. Hearst.)—Queen Wilhelmina, who, with naive independence, selected her husband for herself, has now settled all doubtings and questionings as to the date of her marriage with Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin by naming January 17.

The Prince consort elect has made a very favorable impression on his sweetheart's subjects, and bids fair to rival in popularity the late Prince Albert, selected for husband by Victoria despite the advice of her Ministry.

Preparations for a splendid wedding will be begun immediately, and all Holland will ring with rejoicings. It will be one of the festivals of Europe. Everywhere approval of the young Queen's attitude is made manifest.

A Quick Cure for Malaria,

Colds, etc., Parker's Cascara-Quinine Tablets. Money back if they fail. Price, 25c. Parker's Headache Powders Never Fail, 10c

Shot and Robbed by a Negro.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Eufaluat I. T., Oct. 24.—Charles Smith was shot and robbed by a negro highwayman in the southeastern outskirts of Eufaula to-night at 7 o'clock. He was shot in the upper forehead, the bullett ranging under the scalp and passing out at the top of his head. He was chocked into insensibility and $210 was taken from his pocket. He was left lying in the road, but recovered and returned to town. Officers were sent to the neighborhood of the robbery. John Shields and Henry James, two negroes, are under arrest charged with the robbery. A pistol was found on Shields with fresh blood on the muzzle. They will be tried here to-morrow before United States Commissioner Marshall.

STRIKE MAY BE CALLED OFF TO-DAY.

Mitchell's Statement Expected to Announce the End of the Great Contest.

OFFICERS IN CONFERENCE.

Companies Controlling Seventy-Five Per Cent of the Anthracite Coal Output Have Posted the Required Notices.

Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 24.—President Mitchell to-night announced that he would to-morrow, probably late in the afternoon or evening, issue a statement defining the position of the United Mine Workers in the present situation of the strike. He also said that his statement would, in all likelihood, indicate whether the strike would be immediately declared off or whether it would be continued.

This announcement was made as a result of to-day's conference between the national and district officers of the United Mine Workers. The impression around headquarters to-night is that the statement will contain practically a declaration that the contest is ended.

Coal companies controlling about 75 per cent of the anthracite coal product, it is learned, have posted notices, but President Mitchell will not say that all of them comply with the terms of the Scranton convention.

The big companies in this district that have not posted the notices are the Lehigh Valley Coal and Navigation Company, G. B. Markle & Co. and Coxe Bros. & Co. The Markles have granted no increase of wages of any kind.

To-day's conference was in session three hours and was adjourned until to-morrow morning.

President Mitchell, at its conclusion announced that the situation was partly canvassed and that the review would be completed to-morrow. The conference discussed plans as to what should be done in the event of one or more of the coal companies declining to grant the demand of the miners, as set forth in the resolution adopted at the Scranton convention. No definite conclusion was, however, arrived at.

Mr. Mitchell declined to say whether the statement of the United Mine Workers that no man will be permitted to return to work unless they all go in together still holds.

The notice posted by several of the larger companies in the Lackawanna and Wyoming regions to-day announcing that the mine workers will be given 2½ cents on every car or ton in order to make up the 10 per cent increase came in for much consideration at the conference. When the conference adjourned this evening this matter was still under discussion.

DAVIS AT MILAN.

He Arraigned the Administration in Forcible Terms.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Milan, Mo., Oct. 24.—This has been a gala day for the Democracy of Sullivan and adjoining counties. Promptly at 11:30 a. m. the crowd was called to order, and E. M. Harber of Trenton made a speech. Webster Davis came on a freight train from Laclede, and while the train stopped at Linneus he made a short speech from the rear of the train to 500 enthusiastic Linn County Democrats. After Harber's speech the audience was dismissed until 1 p. m.

At that hour J. R. Page, Democratic candidate for Prosecuting Attorney, was introduced, and made a speech. Davis, escorted by N. J. Winters, a member of the State Central Committee; John N. Shepler, chairman of the county; R. B. Ash, Mayor; George F. Burnham and other members of the Reception Committee, appeared upon the platform. His arraignment of the administration was complete and forcible, and many old-time Republicans were heard to declare themselves against McKinley and for Bryan. At the close of his speech he made a strong appeal for the whole ticket, national, State and county.

MOTHER OF TRUSTS.

Senator Berry Thus Characterized the Republican Party.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Columbia, Mo., Oct. 24.—Senator J. H. Berry of Arkansas spoke at the Haden Opera-house here to-day to a large crowd of enthusiastic Democrats and converted Republicans. He showed the likeness of the cause of the Philippines to that for which our forefathers fought so gallantly, and said:

"You may call it rebellion if you will, but men who would not fight under these circumstances do not deserve freedom. There is not a man who does not know that the Republican party is the mother of trusts, and there is not a man who does not know also that there are not enough trusts or combines in this world to influence William Jennings Bryan."

Reese Illustrated His Lecture.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Greenville, Mo., Oct. 24.—W. J. Reese of Kansas City gave an illustrated political address at this place last night in the Raney Opera Hall. His lecture was instructive and enthusiastically received. John Reppy, the Republican candidate for Congress, also made a speech in the Courthouse, but his audience was very small.

Vandiver's Speech Was Cheered.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Morehouse, Mo., Oct. 24.—The Bryan Club of this city held their first rally last night with a big torchlight procession of nearly 600 Democrats, headed by the Morehouse Silver Band. W. D. Vandiver of Cape Girardeau, addressed a crowd of 1,000 people in Marshall Hall. His speech was appreciated by loud cheering and cries for Bryan, Stevenson and Dockery.

Increased County Majorities.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Frankford, Mo., Oct. 24.—O. H. Avery, Presidential Elector of the Ninth District, spoke to a large and enthusiastic audience here this evening. He gave it as his opinion that Missouri would increase her majority in every county.

Benton Explains His Votes.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Nevada, Mo., Oct. 24.—Congressman M. E. Benton addressed a large audience at the opera-house this afternoon. His speech was devoted to an explanation of his votes against the Hepburn Nicaragua Canal bill and against the proposed constitutional amendment for the regulation of trusts.

Wayne Democrats Enthusiastic.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Leeper, Mo., Oct. 24.—Major Henry Newman spoke to a crowded house at Millspring last night. Edward Robb and George F. Lee spoke here to-night to a full house. Wayne County is becoming enthusiastic and will elect the entire Democratic ticket.

Farris Made a Convincing Speech.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Wentzville, Mo., Oct. 24.—Senator F. H. Farris of Steelville spoke to a large and enthusiastic crowd here to-day. He discoursed all the leading features of the campaign and made the most convincing and vote-winning speech that has been made here since the campaign opened.

Flory Awakens Little Enthusiasm.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Springfield, Mo., Oct. 24.—Joseph Flory addressed the Republicans here to-night. His coming was widely advertised, and a tremendous effort was made to get out a crowd and awaken a little enthusiasm, but with scant results.

Lloyd Spoke at Memphis.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Memphis, Mo., Oct. 24.—Congressman Lloyd addressed a large audience at the Courthouse here to-night.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Celebrated Anniversary.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mascoutah, Ill., Oct. 24.—The silver jubilee of the Reverend Father Anton Pieke's ordainment as priest of the Catholic Church at Mascoutah was fittingly celebrated yesterday. The celebration was heralded abroad by the booming of cannon and the

chime of the church bells. The church and churchyard were profusely decorated and illuminated. The children of the parochial school rendered a programme, consisting of recitations and songs, and the Mascoutah Cornet Band enlivened the exercises with a few selections.

RUMORED CONFESSION.

It May Clear Up Mystery Surrounding Millionaire Rice's Death.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Oct. 24.—It was rumored to-night that a confession, which will clear away the mystery surrounding the death of William M. Rice, the Texas-New York millionaire, had been placed in the hands of District Attorney Gardiner. The report could not be confirmed, but probably found basis in the fact that Charles F. Jones, who was valet and secretary to Mr. Rice, was long in conference this afternoon with Assistant District Attorney McIntyre and Captain McClusky.

Jones, with Albert T. Patrick, is charged with having forged the name of his late employer to a check for $25,000. He was taken to the District Attorney's office at his own request, and whatever statement he made was entirely voluntary. Frederick B. House, counsel to both Jones and Patrick, when seen at his home to-night said that he did not believe Jones had confessed.

"He has nothing to confess," said Mr. House, "and when I last saw him to-day he was happy and confident. I don't know why he was taken to the District Attorney's office, but I am confident that he made no form of confession."

Before Magistrate Brann to-day Mr. House refused to present any testimony in defense of his clients, whose preliminary examination has been running for ten days. He argued for a dismissal of the charges, on the ground that the prosecution had developed no evidence in support of the contention that Jones and Patrick had forged the old man's name. Professor Witthaus, the chemist employed to make tests to determine whether Mr. Rice died from natural causes, will make his report to-morrow. The conference between Jones and the District Attorney to-day may have some connection with this report.

MISS SHELAGH WEST MOURNS HER LOVER.

Captain Wood, for Whom She Jilted the Duke of Westminster, Killed in Africa.

SPECIAL BY CABLE.

London, Oct. 24.—(Copyright, 1900, by W. R. Hearst.)—By a strange coincidence the news of the death of Captain Gordon Wood in South Africa reaches London almost simultaneously with the Duke of Westminster. Captain Wood was the poor man for whose love Miss Shelagh West, the lovely daughter of Mrs. Cornwallis West, and sister of the Princess of Pless, threw over the rich young Duke, who is due to arrive from the Cape to-day or to-morrow. Lord Roberts reported Captain Wood's death yesterday.

Wood was an officer of the Shropshire Yeomanry, fighting under Lord Methuen. In the battle at Zeerust on Tuesday he was wounded and borne to the rear on a litter. A second bullet struck him as he was being made comfortable and killed him.

He was a handsome man, but almost penniless. Miss West fell desperately in love with him and became engaged to him, much against the wishes of her ambitious relatives. Her engagement to the Duke of Westminster had already been announced, and this made matters worse.

The capricious beauty jilted him for the love of young Wood. The Duke had been in South Africa, and, after being jilted, returned to the Cape. He is now nearing home again.

Miss Shelagh West is prostrated with grief at Ruthin Castle. Society awaits with keen interest the next act in this drama, and is guessing whether or not the Duke will renew his attentions, and, if he does, how they will be received.

BURNED BRYAN BANNER.

Morgan Bulkley Rough Riders Create Excitement at Willimantic.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Willimatic, Conn., Oct. 24.—This quiet town was thrown into a state of consternation to-night by disgraceful doings of the members of an organization known as the "Morgan Bulkley Rough Riders." They marched through the town, and on reaching a banner of Bryan and Stevenson stopped suddenly and several torches were held under the banner until it was burned to a crisp.

After this they proceeded a little further and, coming upon an American flag which was flying from a Bryan and Stevenson banner, they began to yell and, brandishing their torches, tore down the flag and burned the banner. The young Democrats of the town had gathered in force by this time and succeeded in rescuing the flag and raising it again.

FUNERAL OF JOHN SHERMAN.

Services at Nation's Capital—Interment at Mansfield, O., To-Day.

Washington, Oct. 24.—In the capital of the nation, where his life work had been accomplished, there gathered to-day representatives of every Government department and the representatives of many foreign Powers to pay homage to the memory of John Sherman.

The funeral services held here were at the Sherman home on K street, where the aged statesman had spent the greater part of the past five years, and where a few weeks ago he had come with a full knowledge of his approaching end, to set his earthly affairs in order.

The funeral party left for Mansfield, O., on a special train over the Pennsylvania Railroad at 3:30 o'clock. There the interment will take place on Thursday, when President McKinley will attend.

SLAIN BY A MOTORMAN.

Victim Unidentified—Two Arrests in Case.

An unidentified man was shot and instantly killed at 2 o'clock this morning on Grand avenue between Kossuth and Bailey avenues.

E. G. Miller, motorman on the Broadway line, who lives at No. 2202 North Grand avenue, is under arrest, and admits firing the shot.

Miller says that he and John W. Setterly, a Union line conductor, of No. 4117 North Grand avenue, were going home, when four men attempted to rob them, and the shooting resulted. Setterly is also under arrest.

The victim is supposed to be a man known as Smith, who was being broken in on the Bellefontaine line.

Carelessness Caused Accident.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Centralia, Ill., Oct. 24.—Sherman Carter, an Illinois Central fireman, is dying, and George Marsh, his engineer, has numerous severe injuries on account of the carelessness of Tom Davis, a flagman. Marsh and Carter were pulling the fast northbound limited this morning, and at 3:30, at Hallidayboro, they crashed through an open switch into the head end of a freight train. They had only warning enough to apply the brakes and jump. Both engines were demolished, and Marsh and Carter hurt in jumping. Carter fell with his head on a rail and crushed his skull. There is no explanation for Davis not flagging the passenger train.

Address to Midroad Populists.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 24.—Jo A. Parker, chairman of the National Committee of the Middle-of-the-Roaders, to-day gave a signed address to the Midroad Populists warning them against what he terms the "lies" circulated about the organization he heads and calling upon them to vote for the national electors nominated by the Middle-of-the-Road Populists.

186 Boarding Places
Advertised in To-day's Republic.

Married a St. Louisan.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Olney, Ill., Oct. 24.—Miss Anna A. Mehmert, a popular young society lady of this city, and Mr. Valentine M. Hoyet of St. Louis were married in St. Joseph's Church here this morning and departed to-night on a two weeks' bridal tour to Chicago and the Northwest, after which they will live in St. Louis.

AMERICA TO INSIST ON THE OPEN DOOR.

United States Accept Only Two Articles of Anglo-German Agreement.

THIRD ARTICLE IS VAGUE.

While Germany Denies That the Alliance Is a Menace to Any Power, Other Nations Retain Their Suspicions.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, Oct. 24.—In his response to the British and German Governments regarding the Anglo-German agreement, Secretary Hay is likely to make another effort to induce all the Powers to join in an agreement for the maintenance of the integrity of China and the preservation of the "open door."

It is believed here that France and Russia will not decline to join in such a declaration, and in view of the Anglo-German reiteration of the principles of the integrity of China and the "open door" the London and Berlin Governments could hardly avoid assenting to such a proposal. Italy and Austria, which have assented to the Anglo-German agreement, will, of course, follow the lead of the German Emperor.

Count de Quadt, the German Charge d'Affaires, has assured Secretary Hay, in accordance with instructions from Berlin, that the Anglo-German agreement involves no menace to any Power in China, and that there is no foundation for the reports that there are any further or additional features in the agreement beyond those transmitted to the various Governments and made public.

The authorities, neverthless, insist that if this is true there was no necessity for the insertion of article 3 in the agreement. It is thought unlikely that the two nations would specifically "reserve to themselves the right to enter into a preliminary agreement" for the protection of their interests unless they understood in advance just what they proposed to do.

Must Preserve an "Open Door."

The United States will formally accept the principles set forth in the first two articles of the agreement, and it is likely that Secretary Hay will then make a move contemplating an agreement of all the Powers respecting the preservation of the integrity of China and the maintenance of the "open door," and omitting any declaration which might be twisted into a menace against one of the nations interested.

It is now said that in all probability General James H. Wilson, the second in command in China, will soon be detached, but will remain in Pekin. Instead of having the negotiations for a final settlement conducted through a commission in behalf of the United States Government, as at first proposed, it begins to appear that they will be conducted through the simple mechanism of the American Legation at Pekin.

Copies have been received of the British Blue Book on the uprising in China. It gives much diplomatic correspondence not heretofore made public, the point of which is contained in a statement made by the British Ambassador at Paris that the United States would not take part in the proposed naval demonstration at Taku. The correspondence shows that the bombardment of the Taku forts was planned long in advance and that all the Powers agreed to the bombardment excepting the United States.

Contrary to general impression, it appears also from the correspondence that Russia gave her consent to Japan sending a large emergency force into China, and that the real opposition to the Japanese plans came from Germany.

Germany Distrusts Earl Li.

Berlin, Oct. 24.—Discussing the present stage of the relations of the Chinese Government and the Powers, a high official of the German Foreign Office made the following statement to-day:

"Before Li Hung Chang can be accepted as a negotiator of the Powers his credentials must, of course, be examined. So far Earl Li, on various occasions, has refused to exhibit them. When Doctor Mumm von Schwarzenstein was in Shanghai he requested Earl Li to show them. The statesman replied evasively. However, Germany will not raise difficulties. If Earl Li's credentials will suffice for the United States they will for Germany. Furthermore, all the legations must jointly agree upon the precise wording of the demands to be addressed to the Chinese Government as preliminary to actual peace negotiations.

"These demands will be framed in accordance with the German and first French circular note.

"It is another question whether Earl Li will have power to enforce those conditions in case they are agreed to. All the Powers earnestly desire to show all possible advances making toward the restoration of peace."

Official confirmation has been received of the news already forwarded by private dispatches regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the health of the German forces in Pekin. Dysentery and typhoid fever have appeared epidemic and each day brings several deaths.

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To cure Headache, Fevers and Neuralgia. Contain No Bromos. Price, 10c.

MAIL CLERK MISSING.

Alleged to Be $1,000 Short in Obligations to His Friends.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 24.—Andrew Engelke, a clerk in the transfer mail agent's office here, has left the city mysteriously, and with his departure several forgeries and thefts committed by him have come to light.

It is estimated that by his operations Engelke's friends are short at least $1,000. He forged the name of a railway engineer to several small checks, and has also secured money by other criminal methods, passing several worthless notes on local parties.

Engelke is 35 years old, and has been well thought of in the past. It is said he has lived beyond his income. He leaves a sick wife and two children penniless.

FAVOR WORLD'S FAIR AMENDMENTS.

Democratic Leaders Bring Good News From Different Parts of State.

Extraordinary efforts are being made by the Democratic State campaign managers to insure the adoption of the World's Fair amendments. Every speaker assigned to the interior of the State is being instructed to devote a large portion of his time to a lucid and forcible exposition of the merits of the amendments to be submitted to the voters, and to dwell upon the immense benefits which will be derived by the commonwealth from the World's Fair. These instructions are being faithfully carried out, and already the good results of this campaign of education are being realized by reports received at State headquarters from every section of the country.

Attorney General E. C. Crow and E. T. Orear, State Superintendent of Insurance, who were visitors at State headquarters yesterday, brought encouraging news as to the manner in which the World's Fair amendments were being received by the voters in the interior of the State.

Attorney General Crow said: "I have traveled extensively through the State since spring, and have had extensive opportunity to acquaint myself with the mood of the voters on these amendments. I will say that I have yet to find a single community where there is any well-defined or organized opposition to the amendments, or any opposition to the World's Fair itself. Everywhere the expressions as to the proposed method of raising the money necessary to making the project a success, have been very friendly. The people seem to realize that the Fair is an assured fact, and this gives strength to the sentiment in favor of the adoption of the amendments.

"Out in the State the people have every confidence in the business men of St. Louis, I find, and every assurance that they can carry to a successful conclusion any reasonable project they undertake, of whatever

magnitude, hence their belief in the success of the Fair. You will also find, as I have, that Missourians, as a rule, have implicit confidence in St. Louis business men as safe and conservative financiers, and for that reason again, I find the people of the interior looking upon the World's Fair as a good investment from a financial standpoint.

"Personally, I am heartily in accord with the project. St. Louis is the most representative American city, located in the center of the most beautiful and fertile valley in the world. The preparations for and the conduct of the Fair will bring into our State hundreds of thousands of permanent residents, who will make the very best citizens and add to the glory of grand old Missouri. It will increase the permanent wealth and prosperity of the Commonwealth by inviting the attention of foreign capital to our splendid opportunities for investment. All that is necessary to procure this result is to place the necessity of the adoption of the amendments fairly and intelligently before the voters of the State. When that is done, I have no hesitation in saying they will be adopted."

Mr. Orear was equally optimistic in his view of the success of the amendments at the polls. "I have not yet found," said he, "any body of voters, to whom the amendments were fairly presented, who did not declare their belief that they were excellent measures, and avow their intention of using their best efforts to secure their adoption. In some communities, where the citizens have only a vague knowledge of the amendments, and relatively of the importance of adopting them, there is some apathy, but this is dispelled when the knowledge is brought home to them that the holding of the World's Fair depends upon their passage, and that the abandonment of the project at this time will entail incalculable injury to the State. The impression that has gone abroad that the people in the interior of the State are opposed to the amendments and will work for their defeat, I find is without any foundation. Those with whom I have come in contact in my travels throughout the State are almost unanimously in favor of the World's Fair, and the method proposed to raise the money necessary to insure its success."

AT DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS.

Visitors Tell of Progress of Campaign —World's Fair Amendments.

Yesterday was one of the busy days at the State Democratic headquarters. Among the visitors were: Attorney General E. C. Crow, E. T. Orear, State Superintendent of Insurance; Doctor W. S. Allee, candidate for State Representative from Miller County; E. A. Ely, candidate for Representative from Adair County; W. M. Barr of Tuscumbia; P. P. Shaw of Gallatin; W. L. Gupton of Montgomery City; E. M. Zevely, candidate for State Senator from Osage County; Judge R. L. Goode of Springfield, candidate for Judge of the Court of Appeals, and Captain Emmett Newton of Springfield.

Every individual brought his budget of encouragement and news of Democratic gains from the particular section from which he hailed, or over which he had just traveled.

Doctor Allee said, after shaking hands with Chairman Seibert and Sam Cook: "I hate to burden your ears with what must at this time be a tiresome repetition of how we are going to do the Republicans in the State, but the fact is I have been especially charged by my friends and neighbors in the district to tell you of the brilliant prospects out our way, and of the enthusiasm which has keyed up our people since the beginning of the campaign, without any sign of a let-up. Having this charge, I am in duty bound to obey orders and relieve my bind by telling you the situation."

E. M. Zevely, candidate for State Senator in Osage County, had a similar report to make. "There is no longer any doubt as to the victory of the Democratic ticket in the State," he said. "Dockery's majority will be easily 40,000, and we are so sure of our victory that our speakers and newspapers are now devoting their energies mainly to educating the voters to an intelligent comprehension of the World's Fair amendments, to insure their adoption at the polls. Everywhere I have gone in my district I find the people in favor of the World's Fair, but we want to convince them that the appropriation of the money will not only not impose any additional financial burdens upon them, but will in reality result in immense benefit to the State. I find the people very easy to convince on this point, and I have no doubt of the passage of the amendments."

There will be a large meeting at Ferguson to-night, which will be addressed by ex-State Superintendent of Insurance Waddell and other prominent speakers. The managers of the affair have made elaborate arrangements for one of the greatest rallies ever held in that community, and ample accommodations will be provided, as large delegations are promised from the surrounding towns.

REPUBLICANS WANT MORE MONEY.

Managers Anxious to Raise Large Fund to Close Canvass.

Another assessment has been called for by the Republican State and City committees. It is intended by the managers of the campaign to raise a considerable fund to be used in the last few days of the canvass. More money is needed, and the various Republican monied men of the city are being called upon to put up. Yesterday C. H. Spencer was raising a fund on the floor of the Merchants' Exchange.

Boggert and Lee at Carthage.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Carthage, Mo., Oct. 24.—T. O. Boggert of Bolivar and John A. Lee of St. Louis spoke to-night at Bryan Hall to a large audience. The former made an argumentative speech as a silver Republican and explained why the union of forces is necessary. Mr. Lee's address was a complete defense of Democracy from the slanderous charges made by Flory and other Republican speakers.

Warm Finish for Campaign.

The last five days of the campaign promise to be warm ones in St. Louis. The Republican State Committee expects to make an active fight. Joseph Flory will be in the city and will speak at various points. A week from to-morrow night the Republicans will hold a mass meeting at the Coliseum. Only local speakers will participate.

SECRETARY ROOT AT CANTON.

Eulogized the President to Mr. McKinley's Fellow-Townsmen.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Canton, O., Oct. 24.—Secretary of War Root delivered a speech here to-night, which he had prepared for delivery at Youngstown, but in consequence of the death of John Sherman was postponed.

Mr. Root began by talking of prosperity, saying: "This happy condition has not been created by government, but without good government it could not have been created."

He then reviewed the Spanish war and eulogized the President, "whose virtues plead trumpet-tongued." He said:

"The issues of 1896 remain open, avowed, insisted upon."

Considering the question of the "consent of the governed," Mr. Root said the doctrine "was applicable to the conditions for which Jefferson wrote it and to the people to whom he applied it." He continued: "Government does not depend upon consent. The immutable laws of justice and humanity require that people shall have government, that the weak shall be protected, that cruelty and lust can be restrained, whether there shall be consent or not."

"We have given to the people of Porto Rico the most munificent gift ever conferred upon one people by another—the free markets of the United States," said Mr. Root, in speaking of the charge that the administration had not dealt fearly toward the people of that island.

On trusts Mr. Root said:

"Mr. Bryan says that trusts have grown to an unprecedented degree during the present administration. Yes, the great industrial enterprises which are opening the whole world to American markets have grown beyond precedent. Some of them are monopolies and ought to be suppressed. Most of them have no element of monopoly whatever, except that which comes from selling cheaper than other competitors, and that is not monopoly, but competition."

Of the President's recommendation that the army be fixed at 100,000, Mr. Root said: "That would be a reduction and not an increase, as we have had 272,000 soldiers under arms."

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POLL IN KENTUCKY.

On the Strength of It the Democrats Are Claiming the State.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 24.—Kentucky is claimed for the Democratic ticket by a plurality of 17,000, according to the first authorized figures of the campaign, which have been given out by ex-Governor James B. McCreary, chairman of the Campaign Committee. The figures are based on the result of the poll. Mr. McCreary estimates the Democratic pluralities in the several districts as follows.

First District, 12,000; Second District, 6,000; Third District, 900; Fourth District, 4,200; Sixth District, 5,500; Seventh District, 4,300; Eighth District, 1,000; Ninth District, 800; Tenth District, 1,500. Total, 36,200.

In the Eleventh District, Mr. McCreary says that the Republicans will get a majority not exceeding 16,000. He gave no figures on the Fifth District, but said that he had made a pretty thorough investigation of the conditions existing here, and he thought the Democrats had a good chance to carry the district. However, he did not think there would be much difference between the votes cast for the Democratic ticket and the Republican ticket.

On Mr. McCreary's figures, the State would go Democratic by 20,200. Chairman Combs of the Republican State Committee is claiming this district by a majority of 3,000, which, if proved true, would reduce the Democratic State majority to about 17,000, or about the same figures that Shackleford carried the State by when he was elected Clerk of the Court of Appeals. According to Mr. McCreary's figures, the Republicans claim 18,000 for the Eleventh and 5,000 for the Fifth District, and a very close vote in the Third and Ninth. This, if true, would put the Democratic plurality at 10,500.

WORKING FOR REPUBLICANS.

I. P. Campbell's Letter Falls Into the Wrong Hands.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 24.—I. P. Campbell, who was a contestant for the fusion nomination in the Seventh District, wrote a letter the other day to the Middle-of-the-Road Populist Committee. In the letter Campbell admits that the Republicans of Kansas have been circulating his speeches and advise him that he might do good work in Nebraska by making speeches here. He asked the chairman to arrange dates for him, being especially desirous of speaking in Lincoln the night Mr. Bryan is here. He says his theme is that the Democrats are trying to kill off the Populists and against this he protests. It is a clear confession of complicity with the Kansas Republican organization.

HANNA'S INDIANA APPOINTMENTS.

Will Speak at South Bend, Goshen, Warsaw and Fort Wayne.

Chicago, Oct. 24.—The Republican National Committee announced to-day that Senator Hanna will speak in Indiana on October 31 at the following points: South Bend, Goshen, Warsaw, concluding with an evening meeting at Fort Wayne.

Protestant Missionary Council.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 24.—Bishop Whipple presided at the second day's session of the Missionary Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A resolution offered by G. K. Fairbanks of Illinois, indorsing the action of the Board of Managers and providing for an increased appropriation for missionary work, was adopted. There was a general sentiment in favor of renewed activity in missionary work.

The general topic for discussion was "Missions; the Vocation of the Church."

Alleged Defalcation Confirmed.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Fort Worth, Tex., Oct. 24.—Sheriff Williams of Wilbarger County, of which Vernon is the county seat, came in this evening and fully confirmed the story of the defalcation in the case of R. C. Neal of the Waggoner National Bank of Vernon. He says the exact amount of the defalcation is unknown. Sheriff Williams is a stockholder in the bank.

The Best Prescription for Malaria, Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c.

Nonpartisan Election Bill Approved.

Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 24.—Governor Beckham to-day approved the nonpartisan election bill passed at the extra session of the Legislature, which adjourned Monday.

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