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WORLD'S—1903—FAIR.

A CIVIC FLAG. During the past few years civic pride in St. Louis has grown at a wonderful rate.

A suggestion that St. Louis should have a civic flag has met the welcome which it deserves. During the next two years there will be many occasions when this city will be represented at home and abroad in processions and other public functions where a distinctive emblem would be elegant and appropriate.

Prominent citizens have expressed their approval of a flag that shall embody in some degree the spirit of the municipality. The historical richness of St. Louis can make the flag an artistic production.

Mayor Wells has pointed out that the cities of olden times had their flags. If municipal pride is worthy of cultivation St. Louis should have an emblematic banner that shall concentrate the history and the spirit of our home.

STICK ANOTHER PIN. Yesterday The Republic isolated for inspection two peculiar features of the Cardwell case.

Republicans and their secret service in the Democrat camp have made all they could out of Chairman Selbert's refusal to gratify the plaintiff's attorney by going to Independence at great inconvenience to himself.

Mr. Selbert declared repeatedly in the public prints that, while he was willing to testify to anything he knew, he still did not intend to be jerked about at the pleasure of those plotters, and particularly would not put himself in the hands of men who were evidently bent on injuring both him and his party as far as possible.

Why did they not come to St. Louis and take his deposition? And why were they so especially anxious to compel him to go to Independence or Kansas City? Is it possible that they had some concealed but sinister motive for taking him there?

Good results of practical benefit to society should certainly follow the exceptionally important conference between the leading representatives of capital and labor which began in New York City yesterday.

The list of speakers for the first day indicates the significance of the meeting, including such men as Senator Hanna of Ohio, Charles M. Schwab of the Steel Trust, Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul, Bishop Potter of New York, Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America and Frank P. Sargent of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen.

With an attendance of so highly representative a character as this, there should be no doubt of material progress toward a better understanding between capital and labor and the ultimate solution of the problems in which both are so vitally interested.

Senator Hanna has assumed a new role in the interview which he gave out prior to his departure for the conference of the American Civic Federation.

For Chairman Hanna has never been known as a philanthropist. In his interesting statement regarding his part in former strikes and their settlement one fact stands out clear and distinct.

In St. Louis with the biggest piece of work—the seizing of Selbert—dead in his hands. And the lawyer did not seem to mind it; any more than Cardwell seemed to think that anything surprising had happened.

There are peculiarities connected with "Brown's" identity and the money credited on Cardwell's nice, fresh new bank book. But, as Mr. Cardwell has given \$5,000 to his mother or used it to organize a loan association—he seems to be rather undecided as between the two—we may let that rest for a few days.

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This difference lays upon the company a grave responsibility. True, there have been extensions. A larger territory is served. There are more people in St. Louis. But the chief cause of the greater death rate is the higher speed of the cars; and the chief cause of higher speed is that there are not enough cars to accommodate the traffic.

Mr. Du Pont says that on some lines there are more cars than there were before consolidation. But he must take into account the factor above mentioned—that there have been considerable extensions which have called for more cars.

Some of the officials have stated that the company would put on more cars if the electric power were sufficient, and that the new power-houses will be ready next spring. They ask the people to be patient until the new power supply enables the company to put on more cars.

The manner of the officials is as irritating as the deficiencies of the service. They do not seem to understand that they are as much as the Mayor of St. Louis bound to deal frankly and openly with the public.

Forecasters Hyatt has prophesied a continuance of the extreme cold weather. There is so much general prosperity in St. Louis that the poor should be well provided with the necessities of life through the various organized charities.

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PLANS OF LEWIS AND CLARK CENTENNIAL.

Commissioners Set Forth the Purposes and Expectations for the Proposed Exposition. WILL ASK GOVERNMENT AID. Declare the Exploration Was a Part of the Plan Which Jefferson Had When He Bought Louisiana Territory.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 16.—Commissioners of the proposed Lewis and Clark Expedition Centennial Exposition, which is planned to hold here in 1906, have issued this general address on the reasons for and the purposes of the celebration.

The outlook for the World's Fair increases in brightness as the work goes forward. Next Friday the ceremonies of breaking ground on the World's Fair site will constitute an epochal event in the history of that great undertaking.

Reports from the City of Mexico bring discouraging news of the Pan-American Congress. It is said that the delegates from the South American countries have fallen into a hopeless tangle over the compulsory arbitration question, the measure of greatest importance before the conference.

Chairman Payne of the House Ways and Means Committee is fulfilling expectations when he says that there is no hurry about reducing war taxes. With \$100,000,000 surplus in the Treasury as a result of the war tax measure Republicans will not hasten to cut off the chance to heap up expenses in the liberal fashion that is characteristic of the party.

There is need for better street car service on many of the important lines. During the busy morning and evening hours the inconvenience to which passengers are put because of inadequate facilities is at its worst.

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LONDON THEATRICAL GOSSIP. St. James Gazette Accuses George Broadhurst of Plagiarism. London, Dec. 16.—The next fortnight will be an eventful one for players. "The Belle of New York" removes December 16 from the Century to the Lyric, where it replaces the "River Slipper."

MISSOURI DEMOCRATS INVITED TO ST. LOUIS

State Organization of County Central Committees to Be Perfectly Organized by December 30 and 31. WILL DISCUSS CAMPAIGN WORK. Jefferson Club Hall Has Been Tendered for the Meeting—Chairman Selbert Had Not Heard of Plan.

Chairman and secretaries of all the county Democratic central committees in the State have been invited to gather in St. Louis December 30 and 31, to perfect a State organization. A majority of them have expressed the wish to take part in such a movement, and the formal call for the meeting was issued yesterday by Chairman Sterling P. Smith and Secretary Homer Osborn of Buchanan County.

The letter which has been sent to the officials of the Democratic Committee in each county says that some of the objects of the proposed State organization are to secure proper election laws and laws governing primaries, and to establish a bureau of literature, finance and campaign work, all to be auxiliary to the State Committee. It is also stated that other matters may be taken up when the organization shall have been completed.

Young Millionaire Will Become a Civil Service Commissioner—Says He Is Not a Politician. Cornelius Vanderbilt in these words made public this evening his decision to take a place in Mayor Low's cabinet.

Peter J. Barry Earned Honorable Mention by Conduct in War. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 16.—Peter J. Barry, the noted Confederate soldier, died at his home in Dallas last night. He was buried to-day by Camp Sterling Price, United Confederate Veterans of which he was a member.

WHITE HOUSE CARD RECEPTION. Mrs. Roosevelt Welcomes Two Hundred Guests in Blue Room. Washington, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Roosevelt gave one of her delightful card receptions this evening from 4 to 6, when 200 guests were welcomed by her in the Blue Room.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Nashville, Ill., Dec. 16.—John Zapp, a pioneer resident of Washington County, died at his home east of this city last night, aged 73 years.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Vandalia, Ill., Dec. 16.—A. G. Wall, former editor of the Vandalia Union, died to-day at Springfield, Ill., of consumption, aged 45 years. His remains will be brought here for interment.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Mattoon, Ill., Dec. 16.—Mrs. O. P. Spellman, a prominent resident of this section and wife of a prominent merchant at Gays, died yesterday of rheumatism.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Vandalia, Ill., Dec. 16.—After a three days' illness, Mrs. Duffy, wife of Owen Duffy, proprietor of the oldest hotel in this city, died to-day of heart failure, aged 74 years.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 16.—Captain James G. Williamson died at the home of his son, Jesse Williamson, in this city to-day. Captain Williamson was born in the State of Tennessee, in 1834, but had lived in Dallas since 1860. He was captain of Company C, Fourth Texas Cavalry, in the Confederate army, and served conspicuously throughout the war in the Transmississippian Department.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. The Beaux and Belles Octet got quite an ovation when it first appeared at the Columbia last night. "Twas better so, for the performance of the famous octet did not seem nearly so good as the Gainsboroughs, or their own sprightly efforts at Forest Park Highlands in midsummer.

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