

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS. Yesterday's bank clearings were \$1,400,000. Local discount rates were between 4 1/2 and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 100 discount bid, par asked; Chicago, 200 discount bid, par asked; Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 100 discount bid, par asked.

WAP IN THE FAR EAST. The Japanese besieging Port Arthur have gained important new positions in the last few days, with a reported loss of 23,000 men.

Five battleships and two cruisers are now in Port Arthur harbors. General Stoswell, it is said, gave way to a wonderful burst of profanity when the Japanese demand for his surrender was presented.

Russia apparently is ready to accede to the wishes of England and the United States and make a new definition of combatant.

Rear Admiral Jevon of the Vladivostok Squadron gives his version of the fight in the Straits of Korea last Sunday, when the Rurik was sunk.

Count Cassini, Russian Ambassador to the United States, predicts that grave international complications will grow out of the Chefoo incident.

Russians generally accept with fatalistic calmness the prospect that Port Arthur will speedily fall.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. Republican politicians anxious to know whether Chairman Nidringhaus got such funds.

Directors of the Lincoln Trust Company will meet co-morally to discuss the proposition to merge it with the Missouri Trust Company.

The St. Louis Inmate Asylum is overcrowded, 190 patients sleeping on the floors nightly.

The ceiling in the Blatto building fell, but no one was seriously injured.

J. C. Vaughn of Chicago was elected president of the American Florists' Association.

After August 21 the St. Louis Post Office will close every Sunday at 4 p. m., opening Mondays at 6 a. m.

Charges were filed against Chief Clerk Diercke and Doctors Chiles and Keane of the Poorhouse by Superintendent Hart.

The selection of the International Jury of award for the World's Fair exhibits will be completed to-day.

John J. Lavin was acquitted of the charge of interfering with voters at the primary in the Twenty-eighth Ward last March.

The birthday of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria was celebrated at the Fair.

The city Democratic last night pledged its support of the State ticket.

Parents of Guy W. Nichols of Arizona ask the police to find him.

Chauncey J. Filley and the Good Government Club began a fight on Walbridge.

GENERAL DOMESTIC. General Wilton W. Blackmar of Boston is elected chief of year at the G. A. R., which adjourns national encampment at Boston, Denver gets the next convention.

Conflicting reports of the damage to wheat in the Northwest cause a winking panic on the Chicago exchange, prices making the widest fluctuations in many years. Futures were made and lost in ten seconds.

Mrs. Mary E. Fuller, wife of the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, dies suddenly at Sorrento, Mo.

New York detectives raid a room occupied by agents of New England bucket shops, who copied stock exchange quotations through an angle hole.

J. R. Williams of Carol, Ill., is renominated by the Democrats of the Sixth Congressional District.

A train bearing nonunion men to Zelleg is fired upon near Christopher, Ill., and three guards are wounded.

The chairman of the Fourth District Democratic Congressional Convention decides that a majority vote is sufficient to suspend the rules. During the balloting yesterday Nodaway County gave all her votes to Wilson at one time, giving him 66 votes, or one less than enough to elect.

The investigation of land frauds at Turin, Mo., is to be vigorously pushed. The new Indian agent will assist the Dawes Commission in the inquiry.

A former Republican office holder of New York comes out for Parker and Davis, declaring the Republican party to be hopelessly corrupt and President Roosevelt the honestest man in the country.

Judge Parker has about decided that it will not be the feasible thing for him to attend the World's Fair New York Day, and his visit to St. Louis will probably be made during the latter part of September, while the American Bar Association is in session in many cities.

Rains fall in several Missouri counties that did not receive wettings the first of the week.

The Supreme Council of the Knights of Pythias elects its officers at Louisville, Ky.

FOREIGN. Open hostilities begin in Paraguay. Three insurgent vessels bombard Asuncion for forty minutes, when a truce is arranged for the escape of the noncombatants.

SPORTING. The Browns broke even in double-header with Cleveland, the scores being 6 to 1 and 8 to 1.

Light Opera looks best in the last event at Fair Grounds.

Jockey, who Bookers' disability has been removed by Starns, H. Dade.

Efforts will be made to break auto speed race records at meet next Sunday.

Frank Bell won the Fair Grounds feature yesterday. Other winners were Carley's Dream, Lady Lou, Chorus Boy, Bureance and Lady Fosse.

Cardinals won both games from Philadelphia yesterday.

Andy Walsh knocked out Kid Hubert in the third round at the West End Club.

Cardinals may exchange Players Barclay, McLean and McFarland for Oscar Jones of Brooklyn.

Marine Intelligence.

Queenstown, Aug. 18.—Arrived: Carpathia, from New York.

New York, Aug. 18.—Sailed: La Touraine, Havre; Trave, Bremen; Hamburg, Hamburg; via Plymouth and Cherbourg.

Genoa, Aug. 12.—Arrived: Citta di Torino, New York; via Naples; August 15, Calabria, New York; via Naples.

Hamburg, Aug. 18.—Arrived: Pennsylvania, New York; via Dover.

Queenstown, Aug. 18.—Arrived: Baltic, New York; Liverpool, Sailed: Teuton, New York; Merlon (from Liverpool), Philadelphia.

Genoa, Aug. 15.—Sailed: Liguria, New York.

Gloucester, Aug. 17.—Sailed: Carthagenian, St. Johns, Newfoundland, and Philadelphia, Bermuda, Boston.

Queenstown, Aug. 12.—Arrived: Republic, Boston, for Liverpool, and proceeded.

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WILSON RECEIVED FIFTY-SIX VOTES

Platte City Man Came Within One of Getting Fourth District Nomination.

DEADLOCK IS MAINTAINED.

New Ruling by Chair Allows Majority to Suspend Rules—Buchanan County Stands by Cochran.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 18.—A new ruling by Chairman Thompson may be the means of breaking the deadlock in the Fourth District Democratic Congressional Convention. He held to-night that only a majority vote was necessary in order to suspend the rules. Therefore it had required a two-thirds vote. The ruling was on a motion by Boss Miles of Rockport that the rules be suspended and the Congressional Committee appointed. Buchanan County's forty-six votes were against the motion, but all the other counties, with sixty-six votes, were for it.

C. C. Crow of St. Joseph contended for the two-thirds rule, but the chair stated that the rules of the last Legislature, which he had read since the last session of this convention, declared that a majority was sufficient in such cases, and these rules govern here.

The new Congress to the Buchanan County delegation, as it will place the organization in the hands of the opposition in the event the nomination is referred back to the people.

NODAWAY BECOMES FLIRTATIOUS. There were a few changes in the balloting to-night. Nodaway County began giving Wilson one vote at a time until the entire twenty-one votes were cast for Wilson. This gave the Platte City man fifty-six, or one less than enough to nominate. The move was made advisedly, for Nodaway County was next to the last in the roll and there was no danger of a change in the result.

During the afternoon the vote was taken by secret ballot, allowing the delegates to vote individually, but it made little difference. Nodaway County did a little better than it had done in the past, and the other delegations to consider it seriously.

BUCHANAN DECLINES COMPROMISE. Word was sent to the Buchanan County delegation this afternoon that a compromise could be arranged by which Buchanan could be permitted to name any man in St. Joseph except Congressman Cochran. The offer was declined.

Since the rules may be suspended by a majority, it is possible that a dark horse might be elected. It has been impossible heretofore, since Buchanan County had sufficient strength to prevent the election of any man other than the man mentioned in this connection.

There is a story in circulation to-night that Frank Freytag, Congressman Cochran's manager, has conferred with the States party and has offered to withdraw his name, but the Buchanan County delegation deny it.

The new Congressional Committee selected under the Miles motion is: Andrew L. R. Williams; Atchison, James Hurst; Independence, C. C. Crow; St. Joseph, Cook and Abe Bohrer; Platte, J. P. Tucker and W. T. Jenkins; Buchanan, J. M. Stearns; Frank Freytag, G. P. Welts; and J. E. Horn.

SUPPORT OF CITY DEMOCRACY PLEDGED.

Continued From Page One. any man who raises his voice against the party in this organization will receive the same condemnation of both the Folk and the so-called Hawes factions.

"After to-night let there be no use of the words Folk men and Hawes men. We are all Democrats. No true friend of mine will further continue the factional differences or discussions.

"When the time comes that I feel that I cannot properly sink my own personality in the position of president of this club, then I will resign. It may be that my private affairs may later demand that I shall resign. Before doing so I will first satisfy myself that it can be done not only with propriety, but without disturbing the harmony which seems now to be established for the coming campaign."

Mr. Folk was asked at the Jefferson Club last night if he had anything to say in reply to Senator Stone's third and latest letter. He said:

"There is no occasion at present to add anything to what I have already said. Democratic harmony in many places here to-night indicates that Mr. Stone's methods cannot injure the Missouri Democracy."

SPEECH THE EVENT. The speech of Mr. Hawes was the event of the evening. The remark of the members as they left the clubrooms showed that he had measured the temper of his audience and that factional differences over the gubernatorial campaign had ended, so far as city Democrats were concerned.

All of the State nominees were present, with the exception of James Cowgill, non-comer for State Treasurer. During the meeting they sat with the audience and applauded the only speech of the evening. After the meeting they went downstairs, where they held a reception for the members.

Mr. Folk, Mr. Rubey, Mr. Cook and Mr. Oglesby shared alike in the greetings. Over the heads of the audience and the name of membership cards with the name of Nelson W. McLeod, his campaign manager, conspicuous as a new member proposed by the secretary of the organization.

An important decision of the meeting was to attend the opening of the campaign in Springfield. Major Emmett Newberry of Springfield was present and told of the plans to make the opening a success.

Secretary Ford Combs announced that a rate of \$3 had been secured over the Frisco if 200 would attend. The regular round-trip rate is \$4.35. It was then announced that the committee of fifteen be appointed to make arrangements for a special train.

Mr. Hawes appointed Colonel Moses Wetmore as chairman of the committee, with power to name the other members. Colonel Wetmore will see that the 200 persons are on hand. All who wish information regarding the trip are invited to see him at his office on the sixth floor of the Carleton building, Sixth and Olive streets.

Upon motion of Judge John H. Blevins, a committee composed of Judge Blevins, Virgil Rule, M. C. Wetmore, James Hagerman, Jr., and F. L. Hammer was appointed to draft resolutions regarding the death of Senator Vest.

Motions were also passed authorizing the president to appoint committees for the drafting of resolutions commemorative of the death of Mrs. Breckinridge Jones, wife of Director Jones, and Mrs. William Bennett, wife of Chief of Detectives Desmond, a member of the club.

President Hawes announced that a Parker Constitutional Club was being formed by lawyers for the better study

CASSINI PREDICTS GREY COMPLICATIONS WITH CHINA

Chefoo Incident Regarded as Striking Directly at Chinese Neutrality, Which, if Overcome, He Believes, Might Involve Other Nations With Interests in the Celestial Empire—Hay's Efforts, He Declares, Have Proved Useless, Though Well Meant.

EXPRESSES HOPE OF ULTIMATE SUCCESS FOR RUSSIAN ARMS

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Bar Harbor, Me., Aug. 18.—"As the situation presents itself to-day, without any further steps by the nations of Europe and by the United States, the grand scheme of the American Secretary of State, Mr. Hay, to insure the neutrality of China, has gone to wreck, and the entire grave question, fraught with danger to all nations that have an interest in that country, once more lies open to all eventualities."

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, used this vigorous and significant language today in an interview with a correspondent of The Republic in discussing the grave aspects of the Chefoo incident and its bearing on the whole world.

Count Cassini transferred the Russian Embassy to Bar Harbor early in the summer, on account of his health, which had broken down.

"Do you regard the Chefoo incident as closed by the excuses which Japan has given?"

"No, excuses that Japan can give can alter the occurrence, and instead of being closed, I regard it as only open."

"Do you regard the incident as serious?"

"I regard it as far more serious, in an international sense than any question that has been before the world since the Boxer troubles."

"And why do you regard it in such a serious light?"

"WHERE DANGER LIES. Because it is in a fair way to terminate suddenly and finally the international agreement for the maintenance of the neutrality of China. That would be a calamity, because of the danger with which it would threaten not only China but every nation that is interested in China."

"Will you outline briefly the history of matters in the Far East so far as they relate to this question of Chinese neutrality, which is offered by the Chefoo incident?"

"At the outbreak of hostilities between my country and Japan the suggestion was made that the principle of the neutralization of the Chinese coast should be maintained, and that they all subscribe to the principle of the neutralization of the Chinese coast, and that they all subscribe to the principle of the neutralization of the Chinese coast, and that they all subscribe to the principle of the neutralization of the Chinese coast."

"I have already had the idea that Japan would respect the neutrality of China. A few incidents like this will force war on China, perhaps. Look at the masking of the Chefoo incident. The Chefoo incident has been drilled by European officers and are now under Japanese officers."

"The ending of the neutrality of China opens up all eventualities. It is in the interest of the entire world, once and for all, to put an end to this menace. We are at war with Japan. The Chefoo incident has done these things at Chefoo and Chefoo will continue to do these things until a halt is called. And so in time we will fall back on the laws of war which have been in force since the beginning of time."

"What have you to say about the progress of the war?"

"I speak of this merely to call attention to the disregard of international law and neutrality which was exhibited by Japan at the outbreak of the war. Japan has gone into the agreement with Russia and Russia. This brings us down to Chefoo. My understanding of what occurred at Chefoo."

"My understanding is derived from the press reports, just as I assume yours to be of issues in the campaign, and that it would be formally launched within the next few days.

Showing the "get together" spirit of the meeting was the presence of such men as Virgil Rule, Thomas J. Mulvihill, James Hagerman, John P. Lee, John C. Roberts, Colin M. Selph, Frank M. Edes, Messrs. Harry Woodward, P. Hickman, and Bell, Harry Woodward, William J. Flynn and others, equally well known in local and State politics, representing all factions of the party."

TREASURY DEPARTMENT CONGRATULATES THE FAIR.

Detailed Report Made to Government Shows Gratifying Financial Condition

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The detailed report from the Exposition Company required by law was received at the Treasury Department to-day. The statement shows a gratifying financial condition, and the department officials now here express themselves as pleased with it.

The belief is freely expressed that from now on the attendance will steadily increase. According to the report received to-day, the total receipts from admissions and concessions for the first fifteen days of the current month was \$96,732.52. Forty per cent of this amount would be \$38,697.02, thus leaving \$58,035.50 in order to make the payment of \$50,000 deposited by the Exposition Company on Tuesday.

The receipts from admissions were \$28,428.20, and from concessions \$29,607.32, making the total of \$58,035.52. A letter was forwarded to the President this afternoon, acknowledging the receipt of the report, and congratulating the Exposition on the good showing made.

TERRORIZED NEGROES FLEE FROM STATESBORO, GA.

Exodus Threatens to Cause a Shortage in the Cotton Fields.

Statesboro, Ga., Aug. 18.—The exodus of negroes following the burnings and lynchings of the last few days, has threatened a shortage in the labor supply in the cotton fields, where the picking is soon to commence.

Exaggerated reports have been sent from here since the burning of the negroes Reed and Cato on Tuesday. These reports have created the impression abroad that violence had been directed against the better class of negroes. There is evidence that irresponsible manufacturers have committed some of the violence against the negroes, as the shooting of Edward Roberts, and his wife in their cabin Tuesday night, which has been deprecated by the better element.

Carlo Priest Visiting Fair. The Reverend Father Garry of Carlo, Ireland, is visiting the World's Fair. Father Garry, who is one of the most distinguished priests in Ireland, is making a tour of this country with a view of noting its educational progress. He will conduct a retreat for the priests of the Vicariate of the Indian Territory, of which the Reverend Father Theophile Merschert is Vicar Apostolic.

Father Nugent to Conduct Retreat. The Very Reverend Father F. V. Nugent, C. M., former rector of Kenrick Seminary, and now superior of the Vincentian Missionary Band, departed last night for the Indian Territory, to conduct a retreat for the priests of the Vicariate of the Indian Territory, of which the Reverend Father Theophile Merschert is Vicar Apostolic.

Contest Winners Coming. REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 18.—The Daily Journal and Tribune to-night sent twenty-five contest winners, representing many Tennessee counties, to the World's Fair.

HUNGER MAKES STRIKERS FIGHT

Starving Men Try to Capture Cattle Which Escape From Stock Yards.

BEATEN BACK BY POLICE.

Most Serious Riot of Packing House Disturbances Follows Attempt to Procure Fresh Meat.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Chicago, Aug. 18.—The fiercest riot incident to the stock yards strike occurred this evening, when destitute and hungry residents on the west side of the stock yards sought to capture and kill eight steers, which had escaped from the yards.

After the whole district had been aroused, both by the prospect of securing fresh meat, and by a desire to drive away the police, the streets were cleared only after 15 policemen, in five squads, had charged the mob on four sides and shots had been fired, heads broken and police officers bruised.

One shot was fired directly at Lieutenant George Prim, a police sergeant, who was stripped of his star and club by a woman striker, and dozens of men were sent to doctors' offices to have wounds stitched.

One man was so severely injured that he was sent to the hospital.

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FATHER OF REFORM SPELLING AT FAIR

Ben Pitman, Oldest Reporter in America, Urges Phonetic Orthography at Stenographers' Convention.

Ben Pitman, the inventor of a phonetic method of spelling, and probably the oldest reporter in the United States, delivered an interesting address yesterday before the third day's session of the National Short-hand Reporters' Association at the World's Fair.

Mr. Pitman gave an interesting account of his own experiences in his long career, and mentioned the trial of his reforming the trial of the assassins of Abraham Lincoln.

He also advocated "tonetic" spelling in a paper he delivered on "Phonography as the Pioneer of Phonetic Reform," and said that it has been computed that the adoption of a phonetic mode of spelling would save the people of the United States \$1,000,000 a day.

In the discussion following the paper it was argued that the introduction of phonetic spelling would destroy all of the sentiment and association that attaches to our best books of literature.

Mr. Pitman's address was postponed until the afternoon session and memorial exercises in honor of David Wolfe Brown, a prominent member, who died recently.

Carl Hempel of Charlottenberg, Germany, editor of a stenographic journal in Germany, added his address on the objects of his visit to America. At the close of his address Mr. Hempel was elected an honorary member of the American association.

STRINGER ATTACKS INJURED BY FALL AGAINST BATH TUB

Says Money of Illinois Taxpayers is Constantly Frittered Away.

Miss Julia Papin, Daughter of Prominent Real Estate Dealer, is in a Critical Condition.

Supposed to have fallen against some sharp-edged object on the rim of the bathtub, Miss Julia Papin, daughter of the late Joseph Papin, senior member of the real estate firm of Japin & Trouton of No. 622 Chestnut street, was found unconscious with a deep gash in her throat in the bathroom at her home, No. 272 Lindell boulevard, about 6:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Miss Papin was discovered by one of the servants of the family living on the floor above. Her condition is still serious. A physician was summoned, who quickly stopped the loss of blood.

Miss Papin was unconscious when discovered and has not recovered.

It is not known just how the accident happened. The young woman has been unable to tell anything, and no one else knows exactly how she happened to fall.

Two HUNDRED ATTEND VETERINARIANS' BANQUET.

More than 200 covers were laid for the guests of the American Veterinary Medical Association at a banquet at the Monticello Hotel, West Time and King's Highway boulevards, last night.

The Relation of the Two Branches