

THE DAILY PIONEER.

VOL. I, NO. 10

BEMIDJI, BELTRAMI CO., MINN., THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 1903.

TEN CENTS PER WEEK.

CABINET TO MEET

PRESIDENT AND ADVISORS WILL DISCUSS MANCHURIAN AFFAIR.

MEETING TO BE HELD IN ST. LOUIS

IMPORTANCE OF QUESTION RESPONSIBLE FOR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE.

WAITING FOR RUSSIA'S REPLY

STATE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT ACCEPT PRESS REPORTS OF DENIAL.

Washington, April 30. — An important conference between the president and the members of his cabinet to consider the Manchurian affair will be held in St. Louis, probably to-night. The special train bearing the president and his party will arrive at St. Louis this afternoon at 4:10. President Roosevelt and Secretary Shaw, who is to be one of the party at that time, will be joined there by other members of the cabinet.

The state department is waiting for Russia's reply to the inquiry as to the meaning of several of the demands made on China in the proposed treaty. The department does not accept the press report of the Russian foreign office denial. Russia does not answer diplomatic inquiries through the columns of the newspapers. The department is inclined to suspect that the press associations have been imposed upon.

If this press report from St. Petersburg were true, Ambassador McCormick ought to be able to get the same denial from the foreign office or Ambassador Cassini ought to be able to make denial to Secretary Hay. Neither of these things have happened. The government has received no reply from Russia. Its inquiries as to the meaning of the proposed treaty

Have Not Been Answered. Count Cassini on Sunday said he had no official advice from St. Petersburg, but he assured Secretary Hay that Russia would not shut out American commerce from Manchuria. He intimated that Russia would cover this question in new commercial treaties with the United States. The state department has the best of reasons to believe that Minister Conger received information regarding the new treaty from the Chinese foreign office. One hopeful view of the press dis-

patch from St. Petersburg is that the statement accredited to the Russian foreign office was given to the press association to quiet the agitation and as an indication that since the United States had advised China not to sign the treaty Russia would not press it. This is what Russia did two years ago. It is regarded as probable that Russia will let the treaty rest and continue her occupation of Manchuria. This she may do without criticism from the other powers because they have not kept their promises to withdraw all troops except legation guards from China.

The government will make every peaceful diplomatic effort to protect our interests in Manchuria, and, while the state department hopes that Russia has concluded not to press the treaty on China, it cannot accept a press report. It wants an official reply to its inquiries from Russia.

LOOKS SUSPICIOUS.

Russia's Minister of War Starts on a Special Train for Manchuria. St. Petersburg, April 30.—The war minister, Gen. Kuropatkin, started on a special train yesterday for Manchuria. He will possibly go to Japan. Lieut. Gen. Sakharoff has been appointed acting war minister during the absence of Gen. Kuropatkin. The latter, who intends to make a thorough inspection of Manchuria, will be absent two months and will visit Port Arthur, Dainy and Vladivostok. Although the general's intention to make the trip was announced publicly some weeks ago, his departure has excited speculation in view of the recent news from Manchuria. The marine minister has decided to order the construction of twenty gunboats for the protection of the Russian frontier at the Amoor river.

FELL THROUGH THE FLOOR.

Mourners at a Chicago Funeral Have an Unusual Experience. Chicago, April 30. — A score of mourners gathered around the coffin of Mrs. Martin Meyerhoffer in a small cottage, suddenly felt the floor sink under them. Before they could escape the living were plunged into the basement with the coffin which contained the dead woman. Seven persons were severely injured, but all will recover. The coffin was not injured.

Sets Convention Date.

Des Moines, Iowa, April 30. — The Republican state central committee at its meeting here decided to hold the next state convention on July 1, in Des Moines. Hon. George Perkins was chosen temporary chairman.

Tiger Caged.

New York, April 30.—There will be no gambling at Saratoga this summer. The city and county authorities have decided to close all the games of chance. Canfield and others will be shut out.

FIRES QUICK WORK

PLANT OF INTERNATIONAL SALT COMPANY DESTROYED AT CHICAGO.

LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$1,250,000

BUILDINGS COVERING NEARLY SIXTEEN ACRES ARE WIPED OUT.

GIVES FIREMEN A HARD FIGHT

THREE GRAIN BOATS ON CALUMET RIVER ARE ALSO DESTROYED.

Chicago, April 30.—The plant of the International Salt company, located at South Chicago, with three boats lying in the Calumet river, were destroyed by fire last night. The loss is estimated at \$1,250,000, that of the International Salt company being placed at \$800,000. The buildings of the salt company plant covered nearly sixteen acres, extending along the Calumet river. In these buildings were stored 400,000 tons of salt, and the greater part of his salt to have been ruined by fire and water. Included in the company's loss are the docks extending 1,500 feet along the Calumet river. The fire threatened to spread to a number of grain elevators along the river and to other large manufacturing plants, but after a hard fight the flames were got under control. About 125 freight cars were consumed. Fifty of the burned cars are said to have belonged to the Michigan Central railway.

Easy Prey to the Flames.

The fire was discovered by a watchman, who noticed a small flame creeping over the edge of the roof of one of the sheds at the plant. He turned in an alarm 10 minutes before the first engines arrived. One of the big sheds was a roaring furnace. The first alarm was followed by several additional calls for engines. Streams of water from every side were poured on the sheds, but as the buildings were constructed of pine, and the roofs of tarred paper, the inflammable material fell an easy prey to the flames.

The wind blew the flames against the three grain boats tied up in the Calumet and Peavey elevator docks and soon the vessels were on fire from decks to the top of the masts. A fire-boat that was pouring water on the salt sheds was summoned to save the boats, but before it could reach them they sank.

SECRETS COME OUT.

How Legislative Business Was Transacted in Missouri. St. Louis, April 29. — The report of the committee on criminal jurisprudence of the Missouri senate two years ago was prepared by attorneys for the so-called baking powder trust at New York. It was delivered to Daniel J. Kelley, who sent it to Lieut. Gov. Lee, and was then given to the chairman of the committee, Senator James T. Orchard. This fact was developed by Attorney Folk yesterday in his investigation of state legislative hoodluming schemes. It is believed the information came from John A. Lee, who was again a witness before the grand jury yesterday.

MASSACRE OF JEWS.

Dispatch From Russia Says It Was a Barbarous Affair. New York, April 30. — The Jewish Daily News prints the following St. Petersburg cable dispatch: "The anti-Jewish riots in Kishiney, Bessarabia are worse than the censor will permit to be published. There was a well laid plan for the general massacre of Jews on the day following the Russian Easter. The mob was led by priests and the general cry 'Kill the Jews' was taken up all over the city. The Jews were taken totally unawares and were slaughtered like sheep. The dead number 120 and the injured about 500. Babies were literally torn to pieces by the frenzied and bloodthirsty mob."

TOWN BADLY SCORCHED.

Old Citizen Drops Dead From Excitement at the Sight. Sioux Falls, S. D., April 30.—A telephone message from Conova, Minor county, says the business portion of the town was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The postoffice, Herald office and many small business houses were burned. Fred Trippler, an old citizen, dropped dead from excitement. The loss is \$20,000; partly covered by insurance.

Farmer's Home Burns.

Belle Plaine, Minn., April 30.—John Murphy, a rich farmer living six miles south of here, lost his fine residence yesterday by fire.

DASH ACROSS IOWA.

President Puts in Day Talking to the Hawkeyes.

Ottumwa, Iowa, April 30. — President Roosevelt dashed across the State of Iowa yesterday and was everywhere met by large and enthusiastic crowds. His speechmaking began at 7 o'clock in the morning, when he made a brief stop at Shenandoah, and his last speech was delivered here shortly after 8 o'clock at night before thousands of people. His speech here was preceded by a short drive through the city, although his train was late, and did not arrive until after dark. He spoke on the good work of Secretary Wilson in the field of agriculture. The president had as his guests yesterday Gov. Curamins and Secretary Shaw, and for a part of the day Congressmen Hull and Hepburn.

POSTPONE THE RESOLUTION.

Election of Senators by Direct Vote is Probably Sidetracked.

Madison, Wis., April 30.—A substitute bill prohibiting the use of gifts, coupons, etc., was introduced in the assembly yesterday, making it unlawful for any person or corporation to give with cigars, cigarettes or tobacco and tickets, coupons vouchers, certificates or other memoranda to be redeemed with gifts. The Merton joint resolution calling for a constitutional convention to provide for the election of United States senators by direct vote came out of the judiciary committee with a divided report, stating that a majority of the members who were at the meeting recommended that the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

HAVE BROAD SCOPE.

New Training Schools Are Set Up at Menomonie.

Menomonie, Wis., April 30. — The Menomonie board of education decided yesterday to establish two normal schools of national scope, one for preparing teachers for manual training and the other for domestic economy. They will also maintain and enlarge the present kindergarten teachers' training school. This action is in response to the general demand from all parts of the country for teachers of industrial branches. The equipment here for this work is the best in the country and it will be further enlarged and improved by Senator Stout, who is behind the project.

SMASHES HIS SKULL.

Quarrel at a Boat Landing Results Fatally.

La Crosse, Wis., April 30. — In a quarrel over a trifling matter while the steamer Musser was being loaded with wood at his farm near Bab Axe bend, William Tibbets, the bad man of that district, struck Ira Shrake, a former newspaper man employed on the boat, over the head with a stick of cordwood, crushing his skull. Tibbets leaped into a boat alongside and made good his escape. Shrake is dying at the La Crosse city hospital. Shrake was a resident of Trempealeau. The crime was committed after the quarrel, when the heat of passion had died down.

J. P. YOUNG

A few of the ideas of this store:

To improve each day—each week—in method and system.

To build this business for the future as well as for the present.

To see that every transaction is completed in an entirely satisfactory manner.

To make every individual sale—every quotation—a forerunner of further business.

To perfect an organization which will have the highest place in commercial history.

NOTICE.

Two excellent brands of flour are carried by us and we want all good housekeepers and other consumers of the imported articles to become better acquainted with their merits. These goods are of fine flavor, rich in nutritious elements and go farther than any others.

J. P. YOUNG

Reduced Prices

For this week only, in Jewelry, Silverware, Stationery, Cut Glass, Toilet Articles, Watches, Fountain Pens, Etc.

Rings

All Rings in our store, including flat solid gold, oval and set rings will be sold for

25 per cent off

Watches

Our line of Watches, including Crescent—Street 21 jewel movement; John Bun special 21 jewels; Hampden, Duober, Grand, 17 jewels, this week at

15 per cent off

In Emblems

Lodge Pins, Chains, Bracelets, Studs, Sleeve Buttons, Stick Pins, Fobs and Solid Gold and gold filled Chains, we have the most complete line in the city. This week for

15 per cent off

Ladies' Goods

Pocketbooks, Wrist Bags, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets and gold novelties of all kinds at

25 per cent off

A line of the newest and up-to-date Parchment Stationery. Positively the very latest styles in Correspondence Stationery.

N. M. JOHNSON

1st Door East of First Nat. Bank — Bemidji, Minn.

C. H. MILES

Wholesale Liquor Dealer

The Pioneer Wholesale Liquor House of Northern Minnesota

A FULL LINE OF

Imported and Domestic Whiskies, Brandies, Gins, Rums, Wines and Cordials Always on Hand :: ::

Large and Small Buyers Can Save Money and Time by Purchasing at Home. Mail Orders Promptly Attended to. ::

Special Distributing Agent for the Celebrated Old

JAS. E. PEPPER WHISKEY

C. H. MILES

BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA.

IT IS NOT SURPRISING

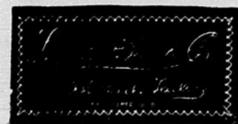


that the most pleased customers we have are those men who were accustomed to wearing the most expensive made-to-order garments, because in

Stein-Bloch Smart Clothes

They find as much goodness as they formerly paid double the money for. We are agents here for the famous Stein-Bloch Smart Clothes, and will be pleased to have you call and examine critically every feature of these fine individual hand-tailored clothes.

This Label



Stands for

such clothing excellence as is not to be found outside of high-grade made-to-order clothes and Stein-Bloch Clothes.

SUITS, \$15.00 to \$25.00

BARNEY BURTON One Price Clothier Bemidji, Minnesota