

EIGHTEENTH YEAR.

THE BOOMERS ARE EXCITED. Serious Charges Made Against the Federal Officials.

COLLUSION WITH LAND SHARKS. They Are Said to be Implicated in the Filing of Several Fraudulent Claims—Humors of a Battle.

Trouble Brewing. Guthrie, Oklahoma, April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—What was said of a broad expanse of prairie yesterday morning is a city of a thousand tents and about eight thousand inhabitants this morning.

Compis said he and his partner had entered Guthrie on ponies. All the lots were given to the man who had the ponies and had staked a claim. Compis and his partner offered to divide. To this the fellow objected, and warned them he would shoot before he would strike. Compis did not believe this threat would be carried out, and as he left the tent he said he would sleep on that claim. A half hour afterward Compis was shot.

Believing secrecy the easiest way out, Compis partner dragged the dying man into the bushes, and said no one had been hurt. He would not give his name, and the peculiarity of the situation prevented a searching inquiry. Compis companion took possession of the murderer's outfit of a wagon and two horses. The man will never return. He knew his shot was fatal. The body was buried in the bushes. This was the only murder near Guthrie up to midnight.

After 4 o'clock yesterday and all night there was much suffering for water. The men were without water. The settlers take water from the tank for fear of exhausting it. Water in the Cottonwood is red with mud, and a water famine would result. A bucket of water from the depot last night with buckets of water charging 5 cents a glass. The water was poor, but found ready sale.

Filing Claims and Town Sites. KANSAS CITY, April 23.—A Star correspondent, who has been at Guthrie all night, returned to Arkansas City to-day and sends the following:

The first homestead filed at Guthrie was by Mark S. Kohn of Fort Smith, Ark. The first soldier to file a declaratory statement was Benton Turner, a private in company I, Sixth Illinois cavalry. During the night, Guthrie was visited by a party from Oklahoma City and Edwards, three homesteads and twenty-one soldiers declaratory statements were filed.

At 6 o'clock last evening an indignation meeting was held near the land office to get the voice of the people on these matters. Runners were sent through the camp, calling the people out, and about two thousand of them quit their work and assembled at the meeting. Speaking was continued until after dark, and whenever the improper location of lots was referred to the greatest applause was elicited. A committee was appointed, consisting of one member from every state and territory in the United States, to draft resolutions covering the case and report at a citizens' mass meeting, at 9 o'clock this morning.

Report Everything Quiet. The secretary of the interior to-day received telegraphic reports from several department inspectors stationed at Guthrie, Oklahoma and Arkansas City, Kan. The former says: "Everything is quiet here. A good class of people is in charge of affairs. The Guthrie land office is in full operation. Kincaid's report is to the effect that the people are settling the townsite question quietly, and await legislation to perfect their titles. There is absolutely no ground for administration of the federal lands here. The night was as orderly and conservative in character as it would be in New York."

Star Routes for Oklahoma. WASHINGTON, April 23.—Second Assistant Postmaster-General Whitford has under consideration the establishment of several star mail routes through Oklahoma. It is expected that one or more will be decided upon to-morrow.

THE DANMARKI CONDITION. One of Her Passengers Tells About a Conversation He Overheard. New York, April 23.—Olaf Waegland was one of the few English-speaking passengers on the steamer Danmark who arrived here from Copenhagen yesterday.

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A Precocious Infant Gets a Marriage License. BEER, REVOLVERS AND KNIVES. The Combination Which Caused Considerable Trouble at Valparaiso—A Bloody Affair Near Norfolk—Other Nebraska News.

Rather Young to Marry. DAKOTA CITY, Neb., April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—A marriage license was issued at this place to-day to a youngster of fifteen, hailing from the southern part of the state. His proposed bride, of this county, is three years his senior. No objection, however, was raised, as he had the written consent of both parents.

Beer, Revolvers and Knives. VALPARAISO, Neb., April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—Beer, revolvers and knives were in order at the wedding of a party given at Iver Jansen's house last night. S. Gustafson came out of the racket with several severe knife wounds, two of which came near taking out his eye. Gustafson is accused of welding the knife and was arrested this morning. Gustafson held a revolver in his hand but did not shoot. County Attorney Simpson came, this afternoon, to look into the affair, but it is doubtful if anything will be done as all parties were drunk at the time.

Crushed His Skull With an Ax. NORFOLK, Neb., April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—L. M. Reckard and George W. Ives, a brother-in-law from Huron, were cutting trees this morning on the river banks south of town on land belonging to William Boche, when William and Herman Boche came upon them armed with an ax and a revolver. The stories differ as to exactly what followed, but it seems a quarrel ensued in which a club upon William, when Boche came upon them, was struck on the head, and he died. The Boches came to town and gave themselves up to the sheriff.

Pera Notes. PERA, Neb., April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—The state normal school observed Arbor day by planting a large number of trees in the campus. Appropriate exercises were held in the chapel, ex-Governor Furnas delivering the main address. Each class having planted a few trees, had its respective names on a speech dedicating the trees in honor of noted men.

Rev. Hoopinger, evangelist, is conducting the most successful revival meeting ever held in this town. During the first week more than one hundred conversions were made and seventy-five new members united with the M. E. church.

Newspapers Consolidate. FULLERTON, Neb., April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—A change in the newspaper of this county was effected a few days ago. M. H. Barber, of the Nance County Journal, has purchased from A. L. Bixby the Nance County Sentinel. Hereafter, the two papers will be consolidated and continue under the name of the Nance County Journal. Both were reported to be in a very prosperous condition for some years as an independent republican paper, under the name of the Fullerton Telescope. When Mr. Bixby assumed control he changed the name to Nance County Sentinel and made its politics straight republican.

Wild West Indians. FREMONT, Neb., April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—Major John Burke, manager of Buffalo Bill, passed through Fremont on the Elkhorn road this afternoon with a band of nearly one hundred Indians from Pine Ridge agency. They are going to the fair which will be held at the new boat house on the river. The Indians were slow during the exposition. Among the chiefs were Red Shirt, Nonce, Medicine Horse and Reddy. John S. Jans accompanied them as interpreters.

Horses and Cattle Burned. YORK, Neb., April 23.—[Special Telegram to THE BEZ.]—A large barn and its contents belonging to Robert James, one of the prominent farmers of this county, living one mile east of this city, was destroyed by fire last night. Eleven head of cattle and a number of horses perished. A large amount of grain and machinery was destroyed. Loss \$4,800. No insurance.

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Milwaukee 6, St. Joseph 5. ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 23.—Poorman's base on being hit by the pitcher after two game Milwaukee the winning run and the game in the ninth inning. The score:

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MEMPHIS RINGS.

Memphis, April 23.—The weather was pleasant, the track in splendid condition and the attendance large. Summary: Three-year-olds, three fourths of a mile—Les Webster won, Aubrey second, Mandolin third. Time—1:17. All ages, one and one-sixteenth miles—Lottie Wall won, Long Cassius second, Tudor third. Time—1:51. Two-year-olds, five-eighths of a mile—Amelia won, Lady Blackwood second, Mt. Lebanon third. Time—1:14. All ages, one and one-sixteenth miles—Hamlet won, Incubance second, Red Leaf third. Time—1:50.

Bay District Races. SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—There was a small attendance at the second day's racing of the Blood horse association at the Bay district track to-day. Summary: Three-year-olds, three-fourths of a mile—White Cloud won, Emotion second, Nancy third. Time—1:42. One mile—Welcome won, Killdare second, Jack Brady third. Time—1:42. Pacific derby, one mile and a half—Car won, Sorrento second, Wild Oats third. Time—1:30. One mile and eighth—Lady Helen won. Mena second, Black Pilot third. Time—1:06.5.

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A Strong Probability That It Will Be Called For October. JIM LAIRD STILL A SICK MAN. His Condition Not so Hopeful as Recently Supposed—The Presidential Centennial Party—Other Washington Items.

WASHINGTON BUREAU, THE OMAHA BEZ.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23.) Thomas H. Reed is the only aspirant for the speakership of the fifty-first congress now in Washington, with the exception of Mr. Cannon, of Illinois. He was at the white house and the various departments to-day, and the appointments for his cabinet are made. Mr. Reed says there will undoubtedly be an extra session of congress called in the middle of October. Major McKinley, of Ohio, is the only republican presidential candidate, said, on Saturday, to your correspondent that an extra session would be called in October. The same opinion was expressed by Messrs. Cannon and Burrows of Michigan, the other well-known speakership candidates, within the past two weeks. These men have talked with the republicans on the subject of an extra session, and their opinions are based upon the knowledge they gleaned from the chief executives. The republicans are now in both houses of congress are of the same opinion. All of these men have expressed their willingness to accept of a republic announced within a fortnight after the house is organized. This alone will save at least two weeks of time. Under the constitution the extra session must be called on Monday in December, and it is very rare that the committees are announced before the second week in January. Sometimes the committees are not announced until the third or fourth week in January, and thus six weeks are wasted. The question of having congress meet in extra session is a matter simply involves the question of the advisability or comfort of having the regular session run through all of the winter months, or whether to adjourn for the winter is not by calling the session five or eight weeks in advance of the usual time. Only one member and two senators were seen at the capitol building to-day. The capitol building which has been observed for fifteen months.

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