SOVEREIGN URGES STRIKE

Acting for the Populist Committee He Foments Miners' Trouble.

AIM TO SECURE POLITICAL ADVANTAGE

Edmisten Countenances the Agitator's Conduct Because it Will Give Popocrats Something to Howl About.

LINCOLN, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—"Joe" Sovereign, formerly grand master workman of the Knights of Labor, and now acting as a professional agitator for the populist national committee in this city, has been in communication for several days with President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America and it is learned on reliable authority that he used the influence of the committee in a frantic endeavor to provoke the strike in the anthracite coal regions. Vice Chairman Edmisten aided Sovereign in the attempt and for several hours Thursday evening one wire between Indianapolis and Lincoln was kept alive with the messages that passed between Mitchell and the national committee officers in this city. What real effect the efforts of Sovereign and Edmisten had on the situation in the east cannot, of course, be determined, but it is known that immediately after they opened communication with President Mitchell the indications for a general strike became more apparent and pronounced, while previous to that time there were good reasons for believing that the mine owners and workers would soon adjust their differences.

State House Suggests It.

In attempting to provoke the strike Sovereign acted on the friendly suggestion of one of the beneficiaries of the popocratic administration, made during the course of a conversation at the Lindell hotel in this city early Thursday evening. Several bystanders overheard the conversation and assert that no effort was made to conceal the real subject of their discussion. Sovereign was sitting alone when the state house man and another political friend approached and sat down beside him. After they had been together a few minutes the state house man said:

"It seems to me, Joe, that our committee ought to do something to urge on that strike in the coal fields. It would be great political capital for our fellows if we could bring on some labor trouble. You stand closer to those miners than anyone else connected with the committee; why can't you push it?"

Sovereign seemed surprised at the remarks of his friend, but after meditating a few seconds he replied:

"It never occurred to me before. It's a good scheme and I think you're right in saying that I am in a better position to do the work than anyone else connected with the committee. Mitchell is the man to go to and I'll telegraph him tonight."

"Well, now don't delay that, Joe, for I see by the morning papers that there is a good prospect for the differences between the mine owners and the laboring men being adjusted," retorted the state house man. "As a matter of fact, you would be doing those workingmen a kindness by bringing on the strike. They are poorly paid and deserve recognition by our party. It would help us all over the country and give us something to talk about."

"Where is Edmisten?" then asked Sovereign as he became more enthusiastic over the plan, "perhaps he can help us."

The three populists then arose and started for Vice Chairman Edmisten's office on the third floor of the building. The next person that entered Edmisten's office was a telegraph messenger boy and when he left the hotel he carried a message directed to a man in Indianapolis.

Delays His Octopus Fight.

Attorney General Smyth took another step today toward delaying the hearing of the Standard Oil trust case until after the expiration of his term of office, which he hopes to accomplish through an extension of the time allowed for filing the findings of the referees. The case is set for hearing at the next sitting of court, but, as the referees have not completed their work, it must necessarily be delayed. In connection with his motion for an extension of time the attorney general asks the court to issue an order empowering him to investigate and examine the affairs and books of the Standard Oil company in this state. A motion was also filed for an extension of the time allowed for filing the findings of the referees in the case of the State of Nebraska against the Union Pacific Railroad company.

Should the Standard Oil trust case go over to the January term of court it would be necessary to retain Attorney General Smyth because of his knowledge of the action. Deputy Attorney General Oldham, the fusion candidate for the office, has taken no part in the trust and railroad litigation and probably would not be prepared to carry it on without some assistance.

Governor Poynter today honored a requisitin from Governor Stanley of Kansas for the return of James Davis, wanted in Atchison county, Kansas, to answer to the charge of robbery in the first degree. Davis gave himself up to Sergeant Whalen in Omaha Wednesday afternoon and was placed under arrest. The crime for which Davis is held to answer is that of train robbery committed in Atchison.

Miles' Will Case.

The well known Miles will contest case has been appealed to the supreme court. The suit was originally brought in the name of the heirs of the estate of Stephen B. Miles, the object being to break the will executed by the man a few years before he died. According to its terms he bequeathed practically all of his property, valued at several millions of dollars, to his son, Joseph H. Miles. Samuel A. Miles, another son, contends that there was a later will which divided the estate equally between them. The trial court found in favor of Joseph H. Miles and from this judgment the other son has appealed. A larger estate is involved in this case than in any suit ever brought before the supreme court.

Judge Baker at Valentine.

VALENTINE, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Hon. Ben S. Baker held two rousing meetings here, one at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and one in the evening. Both meetings was attended by members of all the parties, who gave undivided attention to his every utterance. His speech was logical and convincing and left its mark, which will be recorded by increased republican votes. He dealt in no abuse whatever, but presented the issues in a most clear and forcible manner.

The republicans in county convention nominated Hon. J. W. Tucker for county attorney and Mr. D. Stinard commissioner of First district.

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FUSION CONVENTIONS HELD

Candidates for the Various Offices Named by County Politicians in Nebraska.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The people's independent and democratic parties held conventions here today and nominated Hans Wiese of Weed River, democrat, and William Thompson of Alda township, independent (postoffice Grand Island), as candidates for representatives and J. W. Edgerton, populist, of Grand Island for county attorney.

The populist convention was a stormy one, some of the democratic steerers being too much in a hurry to carry out democratic orders. In doing this they stirred up some of the delegates who still felt a little individuality and criminations of dictator, cliques and ring were openly made. The democrats named supervisor and assessor tickets, naming a German in every case.

WEST POINT, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The Cuming county democratic convention met here this afternoon and renominated Fred D. Hunker of West Point for county attorney for a third term. Mr. Hunker is an able attorney and has filled the office for two terms satisfactorily. He is as strong a man as the democrats could put up, but the third term feature will prove his political downfall. For representative from this county Henry Schinstock was nominated. He is a stock and grain buyer of this place and heretofore has held aloof from politics. The convention was addressed at some length by Hon. T. M. Franz, but the old time enthusiasm which has always characterized the conventions of this party was noticeably absent.

YORK, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The York county fusion convention met today in the court house here, electing W. J. Russell chairman of the populist convention. Dave Zimmerman did not have the courage to make the run again for the house and declined the nomination for representative. Herman Diers, populist, of Gresham and Charles M. Smith, free silver republican, of McCool Junction were nominated for members of the house. Charles Keckly of York was indorsed for the senate, which means that he will be the nominee. One farmer delegate was rash enough to offer a motion to have some nominee of the convention stand up and pledge himself that he would not accept a railroad pass. There was no second.

The Kansas City platform was endorsed and the usual resolutions adopted, but no mention was made of Dr. Lang, one of the leaders of the fusion party in York county.

ALBION, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The populists held their county convention here today for the purpose of nominating a representative and county attorney. Every precinct was represented and the best feeling prevailed. F. M. Sillick, chairman, opened the meeting by statfng that the republicans expected a fight in the convention, but that they would be disappointed.

An informal ballot was then taken for representative, which showed five candidates in the field. The first formal ballot showed only three, viz: Ed Hall of St. Edward, Charles Preusser of Petersburg and Iver Bygland of Shell Creek. On the third ballot Charles Preusser was nominated.

Judge Campbell then made an appeal for money to run the campaign, resulting in a hat collection of $54. This was followed by nine ballots for county attorney with five candidates in the field, finally resulting in James Armstrong of Albion getting the nomination. The republicans are satisfied that with these men in the field they can carry the county.

FORMING REPUBLICAN CLUBS

Much Enthusiasm Attends the Organization of McKinley Voters Into Compact Bodies.

NELSON, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A McKinley-Roosevelt Republican club was organized here tonight with a membership of 340. F. E. Bottenfield was elected president; C. C. Tyler, first vice president; W. W. Hawley, second vice president; W. L. Minor, secretary; J. M. Hall, treasurer.

A Rough Rider club, with George Lyon, jr., as captain, was also inaugurated. The club will meet the first and third Saturdays of each month.

The meeting was addressed by a number of local speakers. It was the most enthusiastic gathering of the kind here in years. The republicans of Nuckolls are up in arms, determined to down Bryanism and they will be assisted here by a number who have heretofore voted the fusion ticket.

The cold wave predicted for this locality by the weather bureau came on schedule time and extended up into the fusion headquarters. This was the regular meeting night of the Bryan club and there were not enough members present to call the meeting to order.

NEWMAN GROVE, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Hon. John R. Hays spoke to a large audience in the opera house here this afternoon and evening. A McKinley and Roosevelt club was organized with 312 members. C. A. Randall was elected president; R. Pryor, vice president; J. A. Blomquist, secretary; George C. Johnson, treasurer. The club will have a membership of over 400 within a week.

CONVENTION DRAWS BIG CROWD.

Full Delegation is Present at Republican Gathering at Seward.

SEWARD, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A full delegation was in attendance at the republican county convention today and the district court room was completely filled with spectators, which gave the convention an old-time appearance. The convention selected Cy Fetterman of Germantown and W. H. Beekly of Dorchester as candidates for representatives in this county and R. P. Anderson of Seward was renominated by acclamation for county attorney. After the convention adjourned Hon. W. C. Ames of Denver gave a rousing address.

Politics at Humboldt.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The republican forces are getting in line to help furnish the necessary enthusiasm for the campaign. The organization at this point now consists of a Mounted Rough Rider club of young men, flambeau club and a marching club, all three of these wearing the regular Rough Rider costume; then there is a young women's marching club of about seventy-five members with uniforms to match the other clubs. A united effort is being made to get a special train from this point for Falls City on the date of Roosevelt's appearance.

Local fusionists are in a state of discontent over the fact that Humboldt has two candidates for the nomination as representative in the persons of A. H. Fellers and J. H. Beeler, both representative business men. The friends of both are active and an earnest canvass is being made for local support. The factional feeling is so strong that it may affect the result at the polls.

FREMONT STREET FAIR ENDS

Big Crowd is Present at the Closing Day of the Carnival.

MANY PEOPLE SEE THE MIDWAY SIGHTS

Dancing Girls, Trained Animals, Streets of Cairo and Diving Horse Taken in by the Visitors—Applause for North Bend Band.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The closing day of the street fair saw a good sized crowd on the streets, a majority of them being new faces. The usual platform entertainments and the foot ball game occupied the time of the crowd during the morning. During the afternoon there were shows going on at three platforms at the same time, all of them well patronized.

The Midway has been one of the best attractions of the fair and most of its shows have been well patronized. The trained animals have had thousands of interested and satisfied visitors. The two principal trainers were with the Hagenback show at the Transmississippi exposition and some of the lions are the same ones which amused the people there.

In the Streets of Cairo were two camels, donkeys, clowns and four dancing girls. Esau, the snake eater, had good sized audiences to witness his meals of raw rattlesnake. The German Village, Lunette and other attractions had their full quota of visitors. The diving horse made his plunge and splashed the water over those who crowded too near his tank at intervals during the day and everyone appeared to be having a good time.

The Junior band of North Bend has won its share of applause by its good playing, which equaled that of some bands composed of more experienced players.

Traveling Men Parade.

The closing parade of the street fair was that of the traveling men, which took place this afternoon. Following Hagenow's band and the managers of the St. Eeb Ragus came an old farm wagon drawn by two cows and carrying several men labelled "the past." The present was represented by about 150 knights of the grip wearing special badges and carrying exploding canes which they did not hesitate to use. A big express wagon piled high with sample trunks brought up the rear. This evening the program was a free show for everyone and it was carried out in full.

The streets and sidwalks were filled, those wearing masks having the right of way in the streets. The crowd surged up and down the streets blowing horns, pelting each other with rubber balls and confetti and having a good time generally, and it was long after midnight before the last one went home.

There was a good sized crowd at the driving park this afternoon. In the 2:30 trot Thalma had it all her own way. The 3:14 pace was a fight to the finish between all four of the horses. In the first and third heats it was anybodys race until the home stretch was reached, when Louisa M pulled in just a little ahead of Ethan H with Madcap only a neck behind.

Summary:

2:30 trot, purse $400:

Thalma	1	1	1
Maud L	2	3	2
Shadeland	3	4	4
Fanny K	4	2	3

Time: 2:32, 2:31½, 2:33.

2:14 pace, purse $400:

Ethan H	2	1	2	2
Louisa M	1	4	1	1
Madcap	3	2	3	4
Midget	4	3	4	3

Time: 2:23, 2:25, 2:25, 2:25.

DESCRIBES THE GALVESTON STORM.

Thomas Loronce at Auburn Tells of Narrow Escape from Death.

AUBURN, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Mr. Thomas Loronce, one of those who escaped death at Galveston, reached Auburn Friday evening and his story of the awful storm and conditions that followed are listened to with interest by his many friends in this county.

Mr. Loronce was twenty-seven blocks distant from home when the water became so high that he and others undertook to reach home. From 3 o'clock in the afternoon until nearly dark he waded, swam and climbed over rubbish and had reached within six blocks of home when he was obliged to take refuge in a two-story house, when he was driven to the upper part and saved his life by clinging to the rafters.

From a neighbor who escaped Mr. Loronce learned that Mrs. Loronce and little niece took refuge in a large residence but one block distant, but there is not to be found the slightest trace of any of those who took refuge in the house, nor is any part of the house to be found. The house where Mr. and Mrs. Loronce lived was swept away, but where it stood was found a doll belonging to Ethel Parker, the little niece.

Mr. Loronce believes that most of the people were killed by lightning. He says that of the hundreds of bodies he came across after the water receded not one had on any clothing, though many had rings on their fingers and several had gold chains and lockets on their necks.

In the struggle for life Mr. Loronce had his leg severely bruised and blood poisoning resulted. He is now at the home of his father, W. H. Loronce, and is in a critical condition.

Features at Madison Fair.

MADISON, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Yesterday was the biggest day in the history of the Madison Agricultural association. It was school children's day at the fair, but there were more paid admissions than ever before.

The exhibits in the agricultural, horticultural and floral halls were very good, but a little lighter than average years. The features of the day were a ball game between Stanton and Leigh, which was won by the former by a score of 17 to 1; music by the First Nebraska Regimental band, a drill by Company F, First Nebraska.

The running race was the feature of the speed program. Madie Powell, owned by George Losey of this city, won; Willie P. second, and Red Head, third. Best time, 0:51¼. The 2:30 trot or pace was won by Minnie D, owned by Clint Smith of this city; Alice G, second; H. G. Parsons, third. Best time, 2:29¼.

The rain of Monday night put a damper on the fair the opening day. The track could not be put in condition until yesterday.

Improve West Point Church.

WEST POINT, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The interior of St. Mary's Catholic church in this city is now being decorated in the highest style of the art. This church is now one of the finest ecclesiastical structures in the diocese of Omaha. The sum of $1,600 has been subscribed for the purpose of interior ornamentation. Statuary will be placed at all the pillars of the edifice and the original intention of the builders carried out. The rector, Rev. Joseph Ruesing, has made the building up of this church and congregation his life work.

Speeches Before York Conference.

YORK, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—This is the third day of the Eastern Nebraska United Brethren conference. Yesterday morning the following pastors gave short reports of their charges: Revs. H. E. Myers, J. M. Haskins, S. E. Lloyd, C. W. Five, C. D. Long, J. J. Lohr, F. W. Jones and L. E. Hart. Bishop Mills told how to raise money for support of churches and their pastors, by raising wheat, corn, potatoes, etc. Rev. H. E. Myers deplored the lack of revivals and urged a campaign of soul saving.

The Women's Missionary association took charge of the evening session, Mrs. Bowers presiding. After several fine selections by the women's quartet Rev. Bigler, who had been stationed seven years as medical missionary in China, told of her experience with the Chinese and gave a very interesting description of Hong Kong, the Chinese and other parts of China. Rev. C. W. Fry and Rev. F. D. Haroun were admitted to the conference.

North Platte Children Confirmed.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Seventy boys and girls, ranging from 10 to 16 years in ages, received their confirmation as members of the Catholic church at the hands Rt. Rev. Richard Scannell of Omaha, yesterday morning. The church was filled with a large audience, composed of members and outsiders. The ceremonies were most impressive throughout.

Beside Bishop Scannell, the following priests were present: Father Lynch of Wood River, Father Petlach of Kearney, Father Burke of Lexington and Father Wolfe of Grand Island. Father Burke preached the sermon and Father Petlach said mass. The other priests, including Father Haley of this city, assisted in the ceremonies.

The bishop addressed the candidates for confirmation in regard to the duties of life and the cultivation of Christian piety.

Offer to Replace Bonds.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Owing to the absence of Mayor Tom E. Parmele, President Lutz called the meeting of the regular session of the council to order. After disposing of the regular routine business, Mr. Barnett, representing Pitzner & Co., offered to replace the city's old bonds amounting to $96,000 with new ones at 5 per cent. The old ones are now drawing 6 per cent. The council decided to take thirty days to consider before taking action.

Modern Woodmen Entertain.

TRENTON, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Horace Huron, who has justly earned the title, "The Funmaker of the Modern Woodmen," gave one of his entertainments to a crowded house last night at the Modern Woodmen of America hall for Camp No. 5327.

The Trenton cornet band has been engaged to furnish the music for the Harvest Home fair. This band consists of eleven pieces and was but recently organized by young men who have made it a success.

Boy Falls from Horse.

LEIGH, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Last evening while James Leigh, a young man living north of town, was racing his horse the animal fell, throwing the rider to the ground and rendering him unconscious. He was immediately brought to a doctor's office, where he was cared for during the night. No bones were broken, but the boy received such a severe shaking up that he remained unconscious the greater part of the night. The horse suffered a broken leg.

Logan River Overflows.

LYONS, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The heavy rains north of here in the past few days has resulted in an overflow of the Logan, which will cause all roller flour mills here and below to shut down for a few days on account of high water. The overflow will destroy half of the hay crop now stacked on the Logan bottoms. Much corn has been blown down in the fields by recent storms, which will make it tedious picking.

Elks Organize Lodge.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—About 150 Elks from Omaha and Lincoln came down to Beatrice to assist in organizing an Elk lodge at this place tonight. There were about seventy-five members initiated as charter members. The ceremonies occurred at Odd Fellows' hall. Just previous to initiations there was a parade of visitors, headed by the band, from the depot to the lodge room.

Political Clubs Forming.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The political forces are beginning to align themselves rapidly. A Bryan club claiming between 400 and 500 members has been organized and opened headquarters and the republican forces are also organizing a McKinley and Roosevelt club and have secured headquarters directly opposite those of the Bryanites.

Hastings Women Will Organize.

HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.) There is some talk among the women of Hastings of organizing a city improvement society. The object of this organization is to improve the city's appearance in many ways and to attract the attention of the city council to many minor things that are being neglected.

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Crepe de Chine

New shades, 24-inch, $1.00. Very fine white 24-inch, $1.25, high finish. Black, 24-inch, $1.25, $1.35, $1.50.

Panne Velvets. Jacket and trimming velvets. New shadings.

Black Dress Silks

At $1.00—reliable, pure silk Gros Grain, 22-inch, Peau de Soie, Duchesse, 22-inch; Armures, etc.

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French Flannel Shirt Waists, $1.50—Black, navy blue and cardinal, plain French flannel. The latest style in the highest grade, plain French flannel, golf red, China rose, sapho, new blue and white, etc., $4.00.

Suits

$18 Eton Suit, jacket satin lined, skirt new flare, splendid stitching, best kind of tailoring, cheviot, venetian, covert cloth.

$22 double breasted jacket suit—taffeta, satin or silk serge lined—new flared skirt, splendid stitching, best Zibeline cheviot.

$25 Camel's Hair Waistcoat Suit—velvet collar, taffeta silk lined jacket, new flared flounce, braid trimmed.

Walking Skirts, $14 and $16

Two splendid styles in plaided back Golf cloth—expert tailoring and stitching.

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Cheviots, 50c—Whipcords, 85c—Silk finish (imported).

At $1.00—Granite, Mommil, Zibeline, Scotch Worsted, Rough Cheviot—50 inches wide.

Matelasse and Mohair Jacquards, small designs, $1.25.

Satin Twills, $1.35, 50 inch. Tailoring Cheviots, $1.00, $1.25, $1.35, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $3.00, $3.50.

Panne Cloth and Venetian Cloth—$1.50, $2.00, $3.00, $4.50, $5.50.

Interesting Items in Colored Dress Goods.

Homespun Suiting, 44-inch, 60c. Cheviot Homespun, 54-inch, 85c. Pebble Suiting, 50-inch, 85c Zibeline Cheviot, 50-inch, $1.00. Whipcord (satin finish), $1.00. Cheviot, 50-inch, $1.00. Scotch Cheviot, 54-inch mixtures, $1.25.

Walking Skirt, (plaid back), cloth, $1.25. Satin Covert, $1.35, 50-inch Camel's Hair Cheviot, $1.50. Scotch Worsteds, $1.50.

Cloths for Tailoring.

Cheviots and Venetians, $1.50. Satin Venetians, $2.00 and $3.00. Panne Cloth, $3.00. English Tweed andd Cheviot, $2.75, $3 and $3.50.

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MORE TROUBLE FOR LANG

Superintendent of Beatrice Institute Will Spend Next Week in Court.

GOVERNOR'S ATTORNEYS SERVE MANDAMUS

Chances Now Good for Members of Poynter's Party to Be Brought to Beatrice Under Arrest for Violating Court's Injunction.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The testimony in the case of Grimes against Dr. Lang, superintendent of the Institute for Feeble Minded, who is charged with resisting an officer, was concluded this afternoon and the case given to the jury. The jury was out about an hour and then announced that they were unable to agree. Judge Swiler then set the next hearing of the case for Wednesday, September 19.

While the jury was out the following writ of mandamus was served on Dr. Lang by Governor Poynter's attorneys:

In the district court of Gage county, the state of Nebraska: William A. Poynter, governor, plaintiff, against Benjamin F. Lang, defendant. Notice to Benjamin F. Lang, defendant: You are hereby notified that a hearing in petition and application, which has been filed in the district court of Gage county, Nebraska, above entitled cause, will be held in the district court at Beatrice, Gage county, Neb., at 2 o'clock in the afternoon on Monday, September 17, 1900. Said application and petition is for a peremptory writ of mandamus against you to compel you to surrender possession of the Institute for Feeble Minded Youth at Beatrice, Neb., and all books, papers, records, documents and property of the state in your custody to the relator, William A. Poynter, and his appointee, William H. Dearing, and you are hereby notified to appear at said hearing before Hon. J. S. Stull to show cause why said peremptory writ of mandamus should not be issued. By Murphy & Swain, attorneys for plaintiff.

Dr. Lang, when interviewed by The Bee representative tonight, stated that he didn't see how Governor Poynter could take up this case and override the supreme court. The doctor was very warm under the collar and it is rumored that Dearing, McIntee, Stewart and the others of governor's party may be brought down to Beatrice under arrest for attempting to violate the court's injunction which gives Lang possession of the institution for feeble minded until the supreme court hears the case. The doctor certainly holds the winning cards and expresses himself as intending to play them.

MEN ARE FOUND INNOCENT

Officials Acknowledge Mistake of Suspecting Schlatterman and Ertz of Train Robbery.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The following message was received by Sheriff Kelliher about 11 a. m. today

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 15.—The Schlatterman-Ertz theory of train robbery seems to be entirely exploded. Please extend this information as much as you conveniently can.

T. E. CALVERT,
General Superintendent.

The message related to two men living in the western part of this county, each of whom was suspected of being the person who robbed the Burlington train near Haigler last Wednesday morning. It relieves the two men, L. P. Schlatterman and Frank Ertz, from all suspicion of participation or complicity in the robbery.

The only thing which seems to have aroused the belief that Schlatterman and Ertz were the guilty men is the fact that they were seen near Wallace, in the southwest part of the county, about sunrise on Wednesday morning, going north toward Sutherland. This information was telegraphed to railroad headquarters at Lincoln and the officials have since been working on the supposition that one of the men was the lone robber and the other his assistant, or that both were the accomplices of the man who went through the train and relieved the passengers of their valuables.

Sheriff Kelliher was of the opinion that neither of the men could have been concerned in the affair from the fact that the robbery occurred about 2 o'clock in the morning, while Schlatterman and Ertz were seen only four hours later more than ninety miles from Haigler. In order to have covered this distance they would have had to ride at a rate of more than twenty miles per hour over the rougest kind of country.

The two men claim that they were returning from a trip to Elsie, where Schlatterman's mother owns a ranch, when they were seen on the road near Wallace. While this fact has not been positively established there is no reason to doubt the story, as the horses which they rode were practically fresh when they stopped at a ranch near Sutherland an hour before noon. It is considered impossible that they could have been within forty miles of Haigler when the train was robbed, and hence neither of them have been arrested.

SIDNEY RATE SWINGS BACK

Union Pacific Restores the Freight Tariff to Its Old Basis and Peace Reigns Again.

SIDNEY, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The Union Pacific railroad agent at this point received a message from the freight department at noon today countermanding the order to advance freight rates from Omaha to Sidney. This pleasing message was happily imparted to the merchants and peace and harmony again prevail.

Moore & Gault of this city sold to Milton Ahrens a bunch of 3-year-old steers and another bunch of 2-year-olds, for the former receiving $40 per head and the latter $33.

There was a large gathering at the McKinley-Roosevelt club last night. An order for uniforms was sent to an eastern manufacturer. The club will go in a body to meet Governor Roosevelt at Alliance on October 3. Rooms have been rented in a spacious building and literature is being dispensed with an open hand.

Coroner's Inquest at Fremont.

FREMONT, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff Kreader as acting coroner held an inquest this afternoon on the remains of the man found dead in the New York hotel yesterday. It was ascertained that his name was Benjamin F. Wright, that he had formerly lived at Seattle, Wash., and had been an engineer at the Independence mine, Victor, Colo., and that he was a sufferer from stomach trouble. No papers were found upon him showing whether he has any relatives living or not. The jury brought in a verdict of death from stomach trouble. His remains were taken in charge by members of the Elks and will be held pending orders from the Elk lodge at Cripple Creek.

Grand Army Chooses Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Hastings has captured the interstate Grand Army of the Republic reunion, to be held here next year during the holding of the state Grand Army of the Republic reunion. Mr. Isaac LeDioyt, secretary of the Hastings Commercial club, attended the interstate Grand Army of the Republic reunion at Superior this week and while there he secured a promise and was assured that the next reunion of that organization will be held at Hastings at the same time the state Grand Army of the Republic reunion is held here.

Fund from Bradshaw.

BRADSHAW, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The people of this place, who have not forgotten that dark night of June 3, 1890, when this place was storm-swept and flooded by a destructive cyclone, have responded to the call for relief for the Galveston sufferers, and in a few moments this morning some $15 or $20 was raised and placed with Mr. J. F. Housman, cashier of the State bank of Bradshaw, to be transmitted to the mayor of Omaha, who will forward it with other sums to the proper authorities at the scene of suffering.

Recovered Stolen Horse.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—On last Monday night S. Vaulukolk, living near Octavia, had a valuable horse stolen from his pasture. The thief was traced to Schuyler, where he had disposed of the animal to a horse buyer. The thief was still in town and the sheriff arrested a young man and placed him behind the bars in the Butler county jail on this charge. He is about 22 years of age. The preliminary hearing will be held some time next week.

Plattsmouth Must Pay Boyer.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The case of W. A. Boyer, ex-superintendent of the city's gas and electric light plant, against the city of Plattsmouth has been occupying the attention of County Judge J. E. Douglas' court for three days. The plaintiff brought suit for $126. The council offered him $28 and the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for $50.65.

Nebraska Store Changes Hands.

BEAVER CITY, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The general merchandise stock of Baer & Seibert was sold under cattle mortage yesterday, consideration, $400. The John S. Brittlan Dry Goods company of St. Joseph is the purchaser.

Veterans Leave Ainsworth.

AINSWORTH, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The third and last day of the soldiers' reunion fairly eclipsed the first two in point of numbers and interest and Ainsworth has again covered itself with glory as being one of the best entertainers of the state. Each and every citizen vied with the other in making it a great reunion for the heroes of the great rebellion. It was great in every way. Bassett was selected for the reunion next year.

OPEN CAMPAIGN AT WILBER

Closing Day of Saline County Fair Is Attended by Many Candidates.

WILBER, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The Saline county fair closed tonight after running for four days. The display was the finest in many years and except on Friday, when it rained, the attendance was good.

The ball game between Friend and Wilber was won by Wilber in the tenth inning, the score being 10 to 9.

Dietrich, Savage, Prout, Steufer, Pope and other prominent politicians were present today and with all the county candidates on the grounds were tossed in a blanket by the members of Company E, First regiment, to the amusement of the big crowd.

The republicans opened the campaign at the opera house tonight, when E. Rosewater and Robert Ruzicka addressed a crowded audience, the latter speaking in the Bohemian language. The Crete McKinley and Roosevelt club came down, about seventy-five strong, with a band and campaign glee club.

Reunion Ends at Superior.

SUPERIOR, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The interstate reunion closed yesterday afternoon. Speeches were made during the day by Charles Weston, republican candidate for auditor; Captain Jennings of Table Rock, Colonel E. P. Savage of Sargent, Governor W. A. Poynter, General H. C. Smith of Minneapolis, Kan.; Hon. F. J. Hainer and Hon. Charles H. Dietrich. Instead of the usual "campfire" at night the Hon. W. E. Amos, an orator of Colorado sent out by the republican national committee, spoke last evening. The attendance at the night meeting was quite large, though during the day the crowd was small.

Beatrice Girl Missing.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—West Beatrice residents are considerably wrought up over the disappearance of Alma Kemmer, a school girl who left home yesterday afternoon to go to school and has not been heard of since. The young lady is an adopted daughter of the Kemmers' and her right name is Henderson. She is said to have been dissatisfied at home and has threatened to leave frequently.

Boy Crushed Under Wagon.

HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Schneider had his leg broken and badly smashed yesterday. The boy ran out in the road to pull a stack of cane from a cane wagon, but slipped and fell under the wagon and was run over. The driver of the wagon did not even stop to see how badly the boy was injured and it was quite a while before the boy received assistance.

Grading Contract Let.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—William Carr & Sons, contractors of this city, have been awarded a big slice of the grading to be done by the B. & M. railroad in this vicinity. The contract includes three miles just west of town. It will take a big force of men and teams months to complete the work, which will be commenced at once.

Huckfeldt Named at Hastings.

HASTINGS, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The republican supervisors' convention in District No. 1 was held today and after several ballots had been taken, H. B. Huckfeldt was nominated. The race was between W. B. Brown and Mr. Huckfeldt.

Edgar Howard Sells Paper.

PAPILLION, Neb., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Edgar Howard has sold the Papillion Times to F. P. Morgan of Cappell, Deuel county, who took possession today.

A good many consumptives would be cured and the worst cases comforted and relieved by using Foley's Honey and Tar. Suggest it to those afflicted. You should do this as a friend. Myers-Dillon Drug Co., Omaha; Dillon's Drug Store, South Omaha.

Fatal Collision on Trestle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 15.—Two coal trains on the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway, on Vancouver island, collided on a trestle this morning two miles from Ladysmith. Superintendent Robert Fisher, late of Fernie, B. C., general manager of the Alexandrian mines, was instantly killed, as were also Engineer Walton and two firemen.