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CALENDAR FOR WEEK

American Tennis Championship Will Be Settled This Week at Newport.

FOUR POLITICAL CONVENTIONS TO BE HELD

Nebraska and Illinois Republicans Will Nominate State Tickets.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO MEET

Distinguished Physicians Will Read Papers Before Toronto Convention.

GERMAN CATHOLICS MEET AT ESSEN

Organizations of German Catholics in the United States Will Be Represented by Alphonse G. Koelb.

NEW YORK, [illegible] The American tennis championship [illegible] settled this week on the courts at [illegible] R. I. In the double, winners of the [illegible] tournaments held at Chicago and [illegible] will fight it out between themselv[illegible] the winning team will meet Holc[illegible]rd and Beals C. Wright, the present [illegible] of the title. The championship mat[illegible]bly will be called on Wednesday. T[illegible]s tournament will be played on A[illegible]st 21 and following days and the winner will meet Beals C. Wright, the present champion, for the title. The winners of several interscholastic singles' tournaments also will play at Newport for the scholastic championship.

New England will be the center of interest for followers of the light harness horses the coming week, the Grand Circuit meeting moving from Poughkeepsie to Beadville, Mass.

The tournament of the National Roque association will be held at Norwich, Conn., begining Monday and cintinuing for several days.

Four Political Conventions.

Of the four big political conventions which will take place during the week, two will be held on Tuesday. These are the republican state convention at Springfield, Ill., and the democratic state convention at Columbus, O. The republicans of Nebraska will hold their state convention at Lincoln, on Wednesday and the republicans of Tennessee will meet at Chattanooga the same day.

The annual meeting of the British medical association will be held at Toronto, August 21-22. Addresses will be delivered among others, by Sir. Victor Horsley, surgeon to the university college hispital, London, on surgery; by Sir James Barr, senior physician to the Liverpool Royal infirmary, on medicine; and by Dr. W. S. A. Griffith, of St. Barthomew's hospital, London, on obstetrics. It is estimated that 300 British medical men will attend the session.

At Essen, Prussia, the fifty-third annual convention of Catholics of Germany, is to be held August 19 and 23. Alphonse G. Koelb, who is the delegate of the American federation of Catholic societies to the conference, will also represent the Roman Catholic Central Verein, the organization of German Catholics in the United States. While these organizations always have been in close touch with Catholic organizations in Germany, Mr. Koelb is the first delegate to represent American organizations at the convention of Catholics in Germany.

HURT IN RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

Three Council Bluffs People Badly Damaged in an Omaha Street Wreck.

Laverne Johnston, Viola Hester, and the latter's 11-year-old son Paul, all of 620 South Main street, Council Bluffs, were painfully though not seriously injured in a runaway at Seventeenth and Jackson streets late Sunday afternoon. The three were in a livery rig drawn by one horse, when, at Seventeenth and Jones streets, the shafts fell, sending the buggy forward on the horse, which started to run.

At Jackson street the horse turned at full speed, overturning the buggy and spilling the occupants in a promiscuous heap, all of them falling on their faces. The horse continued with what remained of the buggy and at Sixteenth street almost completely wrecked an automobile which stood in the way.

The police were notified and Surgeon Harris sent to attend the injured. He took them to 611 South Seventeenth street, and upon examination found all to have been badly bruised at all exposed points, and Mrs. Hester suffering from two broken bones in her hand, while her little boy received a broken nose. After their wounds had been dressed they went home in a cab.

SPAULDING BRINGS SUIT

Former Banker Alleges That He Was Defrauded While Serving Penitentiary Sentence.

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 19.—Charles W. Spaulding, former treasurer of the University of Illinois and former president of the Globe Savings bank, Chicago, who recently completed a term of seven years' imprisonment in the penitentiary at Joliet for embezzlement of funds entrusted to him, began suit in the federal court here yesterday against James H. Brady, chairman of the republican state central committee, and others, to recover valuable interests in the Idaho Canal company and the Pocatello Power and Irrigation company. Spaulding alleges that while confined in the Illinois penitentiary he was defrauded of his interest in these properties. Spaulding charges that through connivance with the trustees handling his property the Idaho men gained control of his interest in the two companies, worth $207,000, for $70,000. Spaulding alleges that the property involved is now paying dividends on more than $1,000,000.

JEROME IS WILLING TO RUN

District Attorney Will Accept Nomination if It Comes Without Conditions Attached.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—District Attorney William Travers Jerome today issued the following statement:

In the present shameful condition of our political life in this state, I am willing to run for the office of governor of the state, if the democratic convention shall nominate me without any understanding, expressed or implied, other than that, if elected, I shall obey my oath of office as I understand it, in letter and spirit.

WILLIAM TRAVERS JEROME.

Death From Heat in Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 19.—John T. Wintermote, aged 75 years, was overcome here today by the heat and died. Ninety-two degrees was recorded.

WRECK NEAR JOHNSTOWN, PA.

Fast Freight on Pennsylvania Road Crashes Into Work Train and Kills Seven Men.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Aug. 19.—Plunging through a blinding rainstorm at the rate of forty-five miles an hour early today a fast freight train on the Pennsylvania railroad crashed into a slowly-moving work train at Sang Hollow, killing seven and seriously injuring seven others of the work train crew. Three of the latter will probably die.

The work train had stopped at a water plug near Sang Hollow to take water. A Fort Wayne freight was following, and because of the rain the engineer was unable to see the work train until just before the crash. The engineer of the freight jumped and was fatally hurt. The fireman remained on the engine and was uninjured. When the freight engine crashed into the work train it plowed its way through the cars. All of the laborers and others of the work crew were asleep and those who were killed probably never knew they were struck.

According to reports Engineer S. N. Woods of the freight train had increased the speed of his train just before the crash, that he might take water from the water pans along the track, and in so doing is said to have exceeded his orders.

Some of the injured who had been thrown from their bunks to the side of the train were crying and moaning on the ground. One man lay against the side of the train badly crushed and kept crying feebly for his wife and child. The big engine lay on its side, belching streams of hot water and clouds of steam, which enveloped several of the injured men on the ground. With all haste the wreckage was lifted away from the injured men. One of these, a one-legged man, was pinned under a timber from a derrick and terribly crushed. Calling one of the wreckers to him he said: "For God's sake kill me and put me out of misery. I cannot live, anyway. Please don't tell my wife I am hurt. She is away on her vacation and it would be a shame for me to spoil things for her."

When the wreck had been cleared away it was found that part of the last car on the work train had been thrown 150 feet up a hill, at the point of the wreck, and one set of the trucks had been hurled in an opposite direction, seventy-five feet into the river.

Officials from Pittsburg will arrive here tomorrow to investigate.

MICHAEL F. DWYER IS DEAD

Famous Race Track Plunger Dies Penniless After a Long Illness.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Michael F. Dwyer, long one of the most prominent figures of the American turf, died today at his little cottage in Brooklyn opposite the Gravesend race track of the Brooklyn Jockey club, of which Philip J. Dwyer, a brother of the dead horseman is president. Michael Dwyer suffered a stroke of paralysis some years ago after he had returned from a disastrous racing campaign in England and since that time had been practically helpless. He was constantly attended by two nurses and helped about from place to place. Although he had long ceased to hold an interest in any racing stable or association Mr. Dwyer was often seen at the Metropolitan tracks on the days when the big events were run.

Dwyer was one of the most famous plungers the turf has ever known. He was a large operator and amassed a greater fortune, it is said, than even "Pittsburg Phil" Smith, the most noted of the modern race track betters. Smith died wealthy while Dwyer was practically penniless. It is related of Dwyer that on one occasion at Sheepshead Bay when James McLaughlin, now a well known owner and trainer, was jockey for the Dwyer Brothers, the plunger put up $60,000,000 to win $10,000 on the famous old racer Joe Cotton. The distance was seven furlongs and a hundred yards from the wire it seemed that Joe Cotton was beaten but McLaughlin rode a magnificent finish and landed his employer's money by a short head.

It was because of his plunging proclivities that Michael Dwyer parted company with his brother Philip. It seemed from that moment that his luck went against him. He formed a racing partnership with Richard Croker a few years later and took a stable to England. The experiment was costly and Dwyer came home a poor man. The last horse of note to win a race for him was Ben Bush, which captured the Kentucky derby. Ben Bush was afterward purchased by James R. Keene and is now at his Castleton stud in Kentucky.

SITUATION AT FORT BROWN

Inspector General Bleckson Looking Into Charges Made Against Colored Soldiers.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 19.—A special to the Republic from Brownsville, Tex., says: Major A. P. Blockson, United States army inspector general of the Southwestern division, arrived here today to investigate the recent outrage committed by federal negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth infantry, stationed at Fort Brown.

Typewritten copies of all the testimony taken by the citizens' committee last week were turned over to the inspector general, who will resume his inquiries tomorrow at the fort.

While it is believed that no further trouble is likely for the present at least, the citizens of Brownsville are as determined as ever that the negroes shall not remain at this station, and they propose to continue to bring pressure upon the federal government to remove them to some other fort.

A special to the Republic from San Antonio, Tex., says General McCaskey, commanding the Department of Texas, has made a recommendation to the War department that the negro troops at Brownsville and elsewhere along the Rio Grande in Texas, be immediately withdrawn.

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 19.—Following a further appeal from the officials and citizens of Brownsville, United States Senator Culberson has again appealed to the War department for prompt investigation and immediate action in the situation in the southwest Texas city. He sent a telegram today to General Ainsworth of the War department, urging telegraphic communication with the commanding officers at the post and a removal of the troops from Fort Brown, deeming this the only means to bring peace.

Fatal Fight in Kentucky.

COLUMBIA, Ky., Aug. 19.—Elijah Burton today shot and instantly killed James Dooley following a difficulty yesterday when two bystanders were wounded. John Powell and his son, 12 years old, were with Burton when several shots were fired, it is claimed, by Dooley. The boy was mortally wounded and his father only slightly. The men were rival merchants and quarreled over business.

TWELVE PERSONS DROWNED

Series of Tragedies in Waters in Vicinity of New York.

THREE DEATHS NEAR CONEY ISLAND

Police Will Investigate Suspicious Circumstances Surrounding Triple Drowning Near This Resort.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Twelve persons lost their lives in the waters about New York today. Most of the victims were bathers. A number of heroic rescues of imperilled swimmers were made, and these reduced what would otherwise have been a much larger death list. Three persons were drowned in a group near Manhattan beach in a manner that could not be ascertained, and the police of the Coney island station are conducting an investigation. The only eye witness to the drowning disappeared. The victims in this instance were Morris Grosse, Martin Anderson and an unidentified bather about 20 years of age. Harold Sellars, 25 years of age, was drowned while diving with his father from a launch in Jamaica bay. The father dived frantically in the hope of rescuing his son and continued to plunge into the water until he became unconscious from exhaustion and was with difficulty rescued and resuscitated.

Swimmers Become Exhausted.

William O'Keefe, 24 years of age, was drowned in Gravesend bay, becoming exhausted while swimming far from the shore. John Bisinski, 9 years old, of Jersey City was drowned while swimming in the Hudson river. William Hill, 26 years old, of Long Island City was swimming in the East river when he became ill and went down before rescuers could reach him. The bodies of two unknown men were found floating this afternoon in the East river. One was supposed to be the captain of a sand barge moored nearby.

Albert Haggenborn, 28 years old, of Brooklyn, was instantly killed tonight when he dived from a balcony twenty feet high into five feet of water in the swimming tank at a pleasant park in Coney Island. His neck was broken.

Edward Moore, 7 years old, was drowned in the Hudson while trying to climb aboard of a barge. Sven Remsen, 35 years old, was drowned off Yonkers.

Two Drowned in Lake Minnetonka.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 19.—Two men were drowned this afternoon at Lake Minnetonka while in bathing.

Ralph Strole, 22, lost his life at Salsburg Point.

The other, a man named Baker, was in bathing at Shady Island.

Both victims were seized with cramps and sank before aid could reach them.

Five Drown at Duluth.

DULUTH, Minn., Aug. 19.—The water claimed five victims in the head of lakes today. Frank Zutter, aged 33, and his brother, William, aged 21, while bathing near Hibbing this morning got out beyond their depth and, being unable to swim, sank before help could reach them.

The 16-year-old son of Harry Thom, living seven miles north of Aitkin, was drowned in the Mississippi.

Hans Nelson, 16 years of age, perished in St. Louis bay in the sight of a number of companions who had warned him not to wade out beyond his depth.

W. B. Peck was drowned at Solon Springs, Wis., today in the presence of his two young daughters, who were in a boat a few feet distant from where Mr. Peck had gone in bathing.

NATIONAL IRRIGATION MEETING

Twelve Hundred Delegates Will Attend the Conference at Boise Next Month.

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 19.—With a number of states yet to be heard from more than 1,200 delegates have been appointed to the National Irrigation congress and have notified the executive committee that they will be present when the congress convenes here on September 3. While under the constitution each state is entitled to but fifteen delegates to be appointed by the governor, little attention has been paid to this restriction. Governor Hanly of Indiana appointed ninety-four citizens to accompany Vice President Fairbanks, Governor McDonald of Colorado appointed forty-two, Governors Chamberlain of Oregon and Cutler of Utah more than 100 each and other chief executives are appointing all who want to attend. Fully 2,000 delegates are expected. Local committees have completed arrangements for entertaining the delegates and visitors to the congress. A house to house canvass of the city has been made and rooms reserved so that all will be comfortably accommodated at reasonable rates. At the close of the congress the delegates will be taken on special excursion trains through various irrigated sections of the state.

POWDER HOUSE BLOWS UP

Two Boys Who Use Yreka, Cal., Magazine for a Target are Instantly Killed.

YREKA, Cal., Aug. 19.—Two boys were killed and another fattally injured in a powder explosion one mile from here early today. Powder house No. 1, belonging to the Grant Powder company, on the line of the Yreka branch railroad was blown up. In nearly every business house in Yreka windows were broken. Remnants of clothing, a foot, particles of hair and flesh found on the hill indicate that two boys were blown to atoms. Bertie Holland was found seventy-five yards from the scene with his face lacerated and two holes in his temple, evidently from flying stones. He cannot recover.

Two small rifles found near the bodies were badly damaged. It is supposed that the boys shot into the powder house through a ventilator. A car load of powder had been stored in the magazine yesterday.

CHINESE OFFICIALS NERVOUS

Explosion of Moving Picture Machine Intended for Dowager Empress Causes Excitement.

PEKIN, Aug. 19.—The explosion of the gasoline tank used in a lantern show last Friday, which gave rise to rumors of attempted assassinations, took place while Tuan Fang, governor of the province of Hunan, was trying a moving picture machine which he had brought here from Europe for the amusement of the dowager empress, before taking it to the palace. The sensation this incident created in official circles indicates the extreme state of nervousness prevailing in high quarters. All the residences of officials have been heavily guarded by troops since the explosion.

NEGRO CONVENTION ADJOURNS

Meeting at Harper's Ferry Issues An Address to the Voters of the Country.

HARPER'S FERRY, W. Va., Aug. 19.—The second annual meeting of the Niagara movement came to a close today with religious exercises and a sermon by Rev. G. Frasier Miller. At the conclusion of the sermon an address to the country was read. It says in part:

In detail our demands are clear and unequivocal. First—We would vote; with the right to vote goes everything: Freedom, manhood, the honor of your wives, the chastity of your daughters, the right to work and the chance to rise, and let no man listen to the liars who deny this. We want full manhood suffrage, and we want it now, henceforth and forever.

Second—We want discrimination in public accommodations to cease. Separation in railway and street cars, based simply on race and color, is un-American, undemocratic and silly. We protest against all such discrimination.

Third—We claim the right of free men to walk, talk and be with them that wish to be with us. No man has a right to choose another's man's friends, and to attempt to do so is an impudent interference with the most fundamental human privilege.

Fourth—We want laws enforced against rich as well as poor; against capitalist as well as against laborer; against white as well as black. We are not more lawless than the white race, but we are more often arrested, convicted and mobbed. We want justice even for criminals and outlaws. We want the constitution of the country enforced. We want congress to take charge of congressional elections. We want the fourteenth amendment carried out to the letter and every state disfranchised in congress which attempts to disfranchise its rightful voters. We want the fifteenth amendment enforced and no state allowed to base its franchise simply on color.

The failure of the republican party in congress at the session just closed to redeem its pledge of 1904 with reference to suffrage conditions in the south seems a plain, deliberate and premeditated breach of promise, and stamps that party as guilty of obtaining votes under false pretenses.

Fifth—We want the national government to wipe out illiteracy in the south. We want our children trained as intelligent human beings should be and we will fight for all time against any proposal to educate black boys and girls simply as servants and underlings, or simply for the use of other people.

These are some of the chief things which we want. How shall we get them? By voting where we may vote; by persistent, unceasing agitation; by hammering at the truth; by sacrifice and work. We do not believe in violence, but we do believe in John Brown, and here on the scene of John Brown's martyrdom we reconsecrate ourselves, our honor, our property to the final emancipation of the race which John Brown died to make free.

The address closes with an appeal to the young men and women of the nation and asks:

Cannot the nation that has absorbed 10,000,000 foreigners into its political life without catastrophe absorb 10,000,000 negro Americans into that same political life at less cost than their unjust and illegal exclusion will involve.

A resolution was adopted urging voters to question every candidate for congress as to his attitude on the fourteenth amendment and to refuse support to such as will not positively promise to support its enforcement.

FLOODS IN PENNSYLVANIA

Parts of Many Towns in Western Part of the State are Under Water.

PITSBURG, Pa., Aug. 19.—Reports received here from points in Allegheny and neighboring counties indicate that great damage has been done by a storm that passed over western Pennsylvania late this afternoon and tonight. elegraph and telephone communication wa sinterrupted at many points and it has been impossible to obtain full account of the extent of the damage. Railroads suffered from washouts and many delays resulted.

Part of Suterville is reported to be under water that is 15 feet deep in some places. No lives have been lost. The storm failed to strike Pittsburg but seemed to circle it. At Kittaning several buildings were destroyed, five bridges were washed away and Carrett's run, a small stream rose 20 feet in fifteen minutes. At Scottdale street car traffic was entirely suspended and the residents wepe forced to take refuge on the second floors. Through the Sewickley valley near Greensburg, the storm swept away a number of bridges, mines were flooded and three dwellings were destroyed by lightning with an aggregate loss of about $15,000.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Aug. 19.—An unprecedented rainstorm here today that resembled a cloudburst, flooded Moxham, the fashionable residence section of the city and caused thousands of dollars damage. Many of the streets tonight are two to three feet deep with water. Barns, hundreds of outbuildings and several bridges have been carried away. Portions of the Johnstown passenger railroad company tracks are covered three to four feet with debris. One car was swept fom its tracks by a sudden swirl of water from a mountain side and in less than two minutes the water reached a foot above the car floor. Hundreds of wagons loaded with fruit and vegetables from the neighboring gardens lay along the roads, while the contents are scattered promiscuously along the valley pike in the hill slope section. For a time this road was under five feet of water. The business district is not affected.

RIOT IN CHICAGO STREET

Angry Italians Fatally Wound Motorman Who Runs Car Through Procession.

CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—John Grady, a motorman on a Halstead street car, was probably fatally injured today at Halstead and Ewing streets by a crowd of Italians, who dragged him from the car and kicked and beat him. Grady attempted to run his car through the line of parade of an Italian society, when 500 men surrounded the car and threw the motorman into the street.

A riot call was sent to police headquarters and Captain Haines with a number of officers hurried to the scene. At sight of the police the Italians dispersed in different directions, hurling stones and other missiles at the officers. Many of the rioters carried revolvers and discharged them frequently during the trouble. The police also fired their revolvers into the air to intimidate the Italians.

After two of the leaders had been arrested the remainder of the rioters scattered. No one was injured by the revolver shots.

Chicago Man Dies on Train.

SIDNEY, Neb., Aug. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—T. O. O'Shea of the O'Shea Fireproof Construction company of Chicago died this morning of heart disease aboard a Union Pacific passenger train at Burns, Neb. The body was taken off the train here and the case was investigated by Coroner Bassett. A telegram was sent to relatives in Chicago and word was received tonight to send the body east by the Adams Express company. Five hundred and twenty-five dollars in bills was found upon the body. Deceased was apparently about 65 years old. The body has been embalmed and shipped in accordance with directions.

NEAR TO THE CONVENTION

Lineup of the Delegates so Far as Visible on the Surface.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S DEVELOPMENTS

All the Ninety Counties in Nebraska Have Now Spoken Excepting Fillmore, Which Holds Its Meeting Today.

Republican Instructions to Date.

Total delegates in state convention	557
Total delegates already elected	544
Total delegates still to be elected	13
FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.	
Delegates instructed for senator	441
Delegates uninstructed for senator	103
Instructed for Brown	263
Uninstructed for Brown (estimated)	69
Total for Brown	332
Instructed for Rosewater	127½
Uninstructed for Rosewater (estimated)	143
Total for Rosewater	270½
Instructed for Currie	21
Instructed for Millard	16½
Instructed for Evans	12
Instructed for Crounse	11
Instructed for Meiklejohn	11
Uninstructed preference still unknown	191
FOR GOVERNOR.	
Instructed for Sheldon	144
Instructed for Conaway	16
Instructed for Rouse	15
Instructed for Steele	14
Instructed for Wall	14
Instructed for Miles	16
Instructed for Harsh	9
Instructed for Weston	13
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.	
Instructed for Wilsey	7
FOR RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS.	
Instructed for Winnett	34
Instructed for Sadlieк	14
Instructed for Caldwell	14
FOR TREASURER.	
Instructed for Kyd	33
Instructed for Good	23
Instructed for Bothwell	12
Instructed for Brian	11
FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.	
Instructed for Thompson	9
FOR AUDITOR.	
Instructed for Searle	60
FOR LAND COMMISSIONER.	
Instructed for Linn	8
Instructed for Eaton	16
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE.	
Instructed for Galusha	11
Instructed for Junkin	3
FOR STATE SUPERINTENDENT.	
Instructed for Mickrien	10

With the exception of Fillmore county, which is to hold its convention today, all the counties in the state have now chosen the delegates who will represent them in the republican state convention at Lincoln Wednesday. In other words, out of the 557 delegates, who will sit in the convention, 544 have been named with only thirteen more to come. The tabulation here given exhibits the distribution of the delegates so far as known, with reference to the strength of the respective candidates for place on the state ticket.

Notes of the Senatorship.

In the contest for the nomination for United States senator 441 delegates have had instructions from their constituents, voiced in the county convention, indicating their first preference. Norris Brown has 263 instructed votes. A fair estimate of his hold on the uninstructed votes gives him sixty-nine, making a total of 332. The Brown managers are, of course, claiming a great deal more than this. They are laying claim to twelve votes in Thayer county, where instructions were voted down after a resolution commending him had been passed, and they are also modestly claiming nearly one-half of the uninstructed votes.

The number of delegates instructed for Edward Rosewater is 127½. He has second choice instructions on six and one-half votes in Knox and also on the eleven votes in Washington county, with a very conservative estimate of not less than 143 votes among the uninstructed, making a total upwards of 270.

The only other candidates for senator, who made any headway during the week on instructions were Currie, who secured resolutions of preference in two small counties having two delegates each, and Meiklejohn, who at last came out with his home county—Nance—and in addition three votes in Deuel county thrown to him with the same string that was attached to Cheyenne county's flamboyant instructions for Millard, declaring at the same time against any convention nomination whatever. The lineup on the senatorship, therefore, leaves Brown in the lead with Rosewater a good second and five trailers, each with a small instructed vote to gather up a scattering of the uninstructed vote.

In the contest for governor eight names have been entered. Sheldon with his 144 votes is considerably in the lead, but still far lacking of anything like an approach to a majority. Sheldon gathered in several counties that had their conventions last week, raising his instructed vote from 107 to 144. Miles added three votes and Weston secured eight additional instructions. Other counties instructing for favorite sons for state offices added in the nine votes in Merrick county for W. T. Thompson for attorney general, the three votes in Keith for the re-nomination of Auditor Searle, and the sixteen votes in Dodge for the renomination of Land Commissioner Eaton.

Points on the Platform.

Several developments of the week are also of sufficient importance for review. The committee appointed by the executive committee of the state committee to frame a platform met in Omaha on Wednesday and drafted a set of resolutions which will be presented as a platform frame work for the consideration of the convention. This provisional platform has this bearing upon the senatorial situation that it contains a declaration in favor of a direct primary law and also of an amendment to the federal constitution for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, and until that is had, favors nomination of candidates for United States senator in the state convention, and pledges legislative candidates to the nominee. The insertion of this plank in the platform is taken to mean that the demand for convention nomination has become so strong that it cannot be ignored or overridden.

The Third congressional convention held in Fremont resulted in the nomination of Judge J. F. Boyd for congress over Congressman McCarthy, seeking re-nomination. The contest was sharp and close although the success of Boyd was not entirely unexpected to those who had watched the progress of the preliminaries in the various counties in the district. Congressman McCarthy will probably be the only member of the present Nebraska delegation in the lower house who will not be presented for re-election. The Sixth district convention will be held tomorrow at Kearney with an assured re-nomination of Congressman Kinkaid, who has no opposing candidate, and the Second district convention will be held at Omaha on Friday to re-nominate Congressman John L. Kennedy, who is also conceded an unopposed nomination.

EARTHQUAKE NEWS SUMMARY

Loss of Life is Estimated From Five Hundred to Two Thousand.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—There continues confirmation of statements as to the magnitude of the disaster to Valparaiso, caused by the earthquake shocks, which began on Thursday, August 16, and continued at frequent intervals throughout that and the next two days.

Dispatches from Valparaiso to the Associated Press received last evening state that a moderate estimate of the fatalities is 2,000 and that the property loss may be as high as $250,000,000, which latter is as great as the loss sustained by San Francisco in consequence of the earthquake and fire which devastated that city last April.

A refugee who has arrived at Santiago places the known dead at 100, and other messages indicate that the first reports of damage and casualties were greatly exaggerated. Dispatches to the state department at Washington place the fatalities at about 500. These conflicting statements cannot at this time be adjusted. It is evident that even yet confusion and panic prevails at Valparaiso and until order is restored it will be impossible to ascertain with accuracy the loss to life and property. The dwellings in the city have been practically abandoned by the inhabitants, who are existing as best they can in the plazzas and streets of the city and the hills adjacent to it without shelter from storm and sun and with famine confronting them. Food is already scarce and high, water for drinking purposes is lacking and disease is feared. The government is doing all it can to bring in relief. The crippling of the railroads leading into Valparaiso constitutes a serious factor in the situation, as for an indefinite period relief supplies can only be obtained through other means of transportation, the seaboard affording the best of these.

At Santiago many of the best public and private buildings were wrecked. The loss of life there is augumented by the panic which seized the people, many of whom threw themselves from the balconies of their homes. The destructive force of the earthquake was experienced over a large extent of the country, many towns sustaining serious damage.

LEWIS MORRISON IS DEAD

Actor Who Created the Role of Mephisto Expires Suddenly in a Hospital.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Lewis Morrison, an actor whose work as Mephisto in "Faust" gained him fame, died suddenly of shock on Saturday afternoon in St. John's hospital, Yonkers, after undergoing an operation for a disease of the stomach. He was 61 years of age. He was under engagement to start for San Francisco on Friday but telegraphed that he would delay a few days.

Mr. Morrison resided each summer with his daughter, Miss Rosabel Morrison, at Neperhan Heights. She with his other daughter, Mabel, wife of Richard Bennett, Mr. Bennett and Mr. Morrison's wife, Florence Roberts, were at his bedside when the end came.

Lewis Morrison was born of English parentage in Kingston, Jamaica, in 1845. He came to this country at an early age and enlisted on the Union side in the Civil war. He rose to the rank of lieutenant and on his honorable discharge at the close of the war he received the rank of captain for distinguished service. He then entered the theatrical profession as an actor in the old Varieties theater, New Orleans, making his first appearance with Lawrence Barrett in 1865. He was afterward associated with Edwin Booth, Edwin Forrest, Tomaso Salvini, Adelaide Neilson, Charlotte Cushman, Rose Coghlan and Agnes Booth. He was also associated for nine years as leading man with the old Walnut stock company in Philadelphia. He played next with the old California Theater Stock company in San Francisco and then took up "Faust" with himself as Mephisto and for fully 20 years starred this country and Canada.

RIOTING IN WILKESBARRE, PA.

Italians Attack Constables Sent to Quiet Disturbance and Several Men Are Hurt.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Aug. 19.—As a result of rioting, which took place today in the Italian section of Hughestown borough, a suburb of Pittston, two members of the state constabulary, Troopers George and Adelson, are wounded, the former seriously; two Italians are in the hospital with serious wounds and a third Italian is suffering from a severe clubbing. The men of the settlement had been carousing all day and creating such a disturbance that complaint was finally made and three troopers of the state constabulary were sent to the scene. They were fired upon and two of them wounded. Reinforcements were hurried to the scene and five Italians were arrested, but not until two of them had been seriously shot and another badly clubbed. It is thought that in the darkness the Italians were shot by some of their friends.

SLIGHT WRECK ON WABASH

Passenger Train Collides With Switch Engine, Shaking Up Passengers Severely.

About 10:30 last night a Wabash incoming passenger train collided with a switch engine near the Twenty-third street crossing in Council Bluffs. Miss Theresa Rapp of 122 Second avenue, Council Bluffs, was severely shaken up and bruised, her nose being broken among other injuries. She was taken to her home. G. N. Jalenke, 916½ North Sixteenth street, Omaha, was badly bruised and cut about the head. Some twelve others were more or less jarred as a result of the collision.

The switch engine, which had wandered out on the main line on the passenger train's schedule, was put out of commission.

The injured people walked from the scene of the wreck, about half a mile, to the Manawa trolley cars, and were taken home on that line.

PLAY HANGING IS FATAL

Atchison Boy Who Puts Rope Around His Neck Accidentally Steps Off Stage.

ATCHISON, Kan., Aug. 19.—George Baumgardner, aged 16 years, who came here from eGrmany two years ago to study for the priesthood, accidentally committed suicide today at the play hall of St. Benedict's college. He had in play placed a short rope around his neck and accidentally stepped off the stage. His neck was broken.

EIGHTY-TWO SHOCKS

Earthquake in Chile Is Giving a Continuous Performance.

TWO THOUSAND KILLED IN VALPARAISO

Nearly All Buildings Are Ruined or Badly Damaged.

PROPERTY LOSS WILL BE ENORMOUS

First Estimate Places It at Two Hundred and Fifty Millions.

MANY SMALLER CITIES ARE DESTROYED

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BULLETIN.

VALPARAISO, Chile, Aug. 19.—At 7:53 o'clock last Thursday evening Valparaiso experienced an earthquake of great severity and during that night eighty-two shocks were felt.

Most of the buildings of the city either were ruined or damaged.

The loss will be enormous, probably reaching $250,000,000.

Two thousand persons killed is considered to be a fair estimate of the casualties.

Vina del Mar, three miles from Valparaiso, and having a population of over 10,000; Quirihue, 235 miles to the southward with a population of 3,500; Salto; Limache, 15 miles to the northwest with a population of 6,500; Quillota, 25 miles to the north, with a population of 10,000; and villages all around were destroyed. Most of the damage was due to fire which started immediately after the first shock. The whole population is sleeping in the hills, the parks or the streets.

Food is very scarce. Milk costs two Chilean dollars a liter, and it is almost impossible to obtain meat, even at high prices.

The railroads are all destroyed.

Rain, which began to fall immediately after the first shock stopped an hour afterwards. The nights are very cold and windy, the people sleeping in the open are suffering greatly.

The captain of a steamship which has arrived from San Francisco says that the situation here is worse than that following the disaster at San Francisco.

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Aug. 19.—It is known that at least eight lives were lost in this city by the earthquake but it is believed that many persons were killed by the falling buildings and that their bodies will be discovered later. Several persons became so panicstricken during the tremblings of the earth that they threw themselves from the balconies of their homes and were killed. The fires which followed the earthquake were promptly extinguished, but while they lasted they added greatly to the terror of the people.

Many Towns Destroyed.

As all telegraph and telephone lines were more or less damaged, the exact situation throughout the country is not yet known, but advices have been received to the effect that the towns of Viriage and Casablanca were entirely destroyed, and that San Felipe, Rancagua, Melipilla and Llai Llai were severely damaged. At Concepcion the shock was severe and a number of persons were killed or injured. The towns of Rengo, San Fernando, Quillotta and San Antonio and many villages are in ruins. All railway service in the central zone is either interrupted entirely or greatly delayed and commerce is practically at a standstill.

In the city of Santiago much damage was done. Many public buildings, particularly churches, were dismantled. The buildings of congress, the municipal buildings, the normal school, the courts, the Peruvian legation, the residence of President Riesco, the central market, the prefecture of police and the National telegraph office all were seriously damaged. The lines of the electric tramway system and the electric light wires were short circuited, interrupting street car travel and plunging the city into darkness.

The scenes at the hospitals and prisons during the excitement were distressing in the extreme. The prisoners tried to escape from the jails in the hope that they might reach a place of safety and prison guards were obliged to fire into the air in order to intimidate and quiet their panic-stricken charges.

Many Other Shocks Felt.

There have been several return shocks of slight intensity. These shocks have served to continue the public alarm and a state of panic still prevails. The astronomical observatory, however, has given out a statement to the effect that it does not appear to be possible that there will be a repetition of the severe shocks. Last night many persons slept in the tramway cars, in carriages and in the open air in the public squares and streets. The government has taken steps to restore order. An inspection of all houses left standing has been ordered and directions have been issued for the distribution of relief supplies to those in need. A troop of cavalry has been sent to re-establish communication with Valparaiso.

The alarming news first received by the government from Valparaiso as to the situation in that city has not been confirmed, but it is known that numerous buildings in the vicinity of the port were destroyed and that there have been severe fires in the Almendral quarter. The mayor of Valparaiso sent word that he did not know the number of killed or injured, but believed that they were numerous. Firemen left Santiago yesterday for Valparaiso to aid in extinguishing the fires there. The custom house in Valparaiso is reported to be burning. Several travelers who have just arrived here from Valparaiso say that reports of the situation in that city were exaggerated. An employe of the telegraph service sent word from Salto, near Valparaiso, confirming the news of the serious fires in the Almendral quarter. This employe also sent news that the Spanish-Italian bank building of Valparaiso was destroyed by the earthquake.

A traveler who came here by express train tells that when the train was near Llai Llai, about half way between Valparaiso and Santiago, the cars were shaken violently and the engine nearly left the track. A stop was made and the terrified passengers alighted. Later they proceeded to Llai Llai, which they found in almost total ruins.

All lines of railway to the north and the line to Talca are greatly damaged.

In the city of Santiago a majority of the victims of the disaster were residents of the poorer sections of the city, where many small houses were thrown to the ground.

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