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## DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 11 Cars, 326 Cattle; 43 Cars, 3,051 Hogs; No Sheep Reported.

## SMALL TRADE IN CATTLE

Market for Native Steers Closes on Lower Turn, Values Off 15 to 20c From Tuesday.

## WEEK'S TOP WAS \$7.15

Sharp Advance in Cow and Heifer Trade. Due to Light Receipts, Close is Weak—Bulls Steady to the Higher For Week—Calf Prices Make Gain—Few Stock Cattle Coming, Market Strong With Week Ago—Sharp Week-End Spurt in Live Hog Market, Prices Big 15c Higher—Sheep Nominal.

## RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1908.

The following table shows the receipts from January 1, 1908, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1907:

	1908	1907	Dec.	Inc.
Cattle	271,279	212,771	44,992	
Hogs	1,377,157	1,162,994	214,463	
Sheep	224,212	489,928	165,716	
Horses	12,846	16,184	3,540	

## LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT.

The following shows the estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal western markets:

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Chicago	800	8,000	2,000
Kansas City	700	1,500	—
South Omaha	100	4,500	100
St. Joseph	800	5,100	—
East St. Louis	400	2,500	900
Totals	2,300	19,600	2,400
Yesterday	11,000	37,700	15,700
Week ago	11,000	37,700	15,700
Month ago	1,900	34,300	6,800
Year ago	2,200	47,000	3,900

## RECEIPTS BY CARS.

The following shows the number of cars of stock handled today by railroads centering at the stock yards:

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
C. E. & G., west	8	—	—
C. E. & G., east	26	—	—
C. R. I. & P.	7	—	—
Great Western	2	—	—
Missouri Pacific	7	—	—
St. Joseph & Grand Island	4	—	—
A. T. & S. F.	11	—	—
Total	68	—	—

## CATTLE.

Small week's run at all points—Prices for Steers Are Lower.

The small run of cattle arriving at the local market today were mostly southern yarded in quarantine division. Trading on the native side was of the usual Saturday character and was confined to cleaning up a few odds and ends of holdover stock.

Conditions at the close of the week are not such as to call out liberal receipts next week. Nor is it likely that there will be a big run of native stock, but increasing supplies from the range countries are to be expected from now on.

While the week opened on a snappy market with prices for all kinds of native killing cattle on a higher turn the middle days of the week saw a "over turn" all along the line and at all markets. This lower turn came on supplies that were not up to figures of last week or a year ago, the five point total of 106,000 being 15,000 less than last week and 35,000 less than a year ago. For cause for this decline of 15,000 cents from high time of the week it is necessary to look at something else than supply. The most plausible and perhaps the real cause may be found in the fact that beef prices are so high that consumption has been curtailed to a minimum and with prices for live cattle at an abnormally high level, the packers are not letting any chance to break prices go by default. Admittedly the available supply of beef cattle is short and prices must rise high indefinitely unless there should develop some unusual disturbance in industrial centers to curtail the buying capacity of consumers. It is perfectly natural that with cattle prices as high as at present and with the attitude of consumers such as it is, sharp breaks in prices are apt to occur at any time.

There has been an entire absence of choice to prime dry-lot beef at this market and but few at any point during the week. The best here in lot loads were heavy weights that sold at \$7.15, although choice to prime steers would readily sell at \$7.50 to around \$8.00. Bulk of fat steers have been of gross grades that sell between \$6.25 and \$6.75 with a few at \$6.80 to \$7.05. Common to fair grassy light natives have been selling largely at \$5.25 to \$6.00 with inferior lots quotable down to \$4.50.

**COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.**

Business in this line today was a small clean-up affair and no change in the market was quotable.

Small receipts, scarcity of good to choice stuff and activity of demand have been principal features of the week's trade in cows and heifers. Supplies have been exceptional meager all week and under a good demand prices were carried upward to the extent of 25c to 40c from last week's closing level. Following the break in steers toward the close of the week, there was a little easier feeling in the trade, but prices were well maintained up to the finish. Very choice to prime cows or heifers showed up this week, bulk of receipts consisting of common to medium grades. A few prime cows sold up to \$2.50, but most of the decent grades sold

in a range of \$3.00 to \$4.00. Cutters went largely at \$3.00 to \$3.40. Demand for canners continues very quiet and there was little change in prices during the week. Bulk of the best grades sold at \$2.25 to 2.75, but old shells were hard to move in a range of \$1.70 to \$2.15. No choice heifers were on offer here this week. Bulk of the fair to decent kinds sold at \$4.00 to 5.00 with trashy kinds from \$3.75 to 5.00. Best grades of bulls are closing strong to 10c higher compared with a week ago. Others are about steady.

Calf values advanced a point this week, best veals selling up to \$5.25.

**STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.**

The week finishes with the yards practically bare of supplies of stocker and feeder cattle.

The volume of stocker and feeder trade this week has been the smallest of the season. Supplies have been exceptionally light and the market of a nominal character all week. Farmers are busy with their work and have not given much attention to the purchasing of stock cattle. Inquiry from the country has not displayed much life, but nevertheless more good yearling stockers and fleshy feeders than are arriving could be handled on this market. These kinds are notably strong to a point higher than a week ago. Buyers are indifferent toward anything on the trashy order and such styles are hard to move at low prices. A larger movement of range cattle is expected next week and prospects are that the run will include a larger showing of steers suitable for the stocker and feeder trade.

There has been little or no change in the market for stock cows and heifers this week.

**RANGE CATTLE—NATIVE DIVISION.**

Several bunches of southwestern range cattle showed up on the native side this week and receipts of this class of stock may be expected to increase from now on. Some 1,200 lb. steers from Ottawa county, Kansas, sold at \$5.75, the top, and sales ranged from that figure down to \$4.40 for a 1,000 lb. Kansas grassers. Some Panhandle steers sold at \$4.50 to 4.55.

**QUARANTINE DIVISION.**

Eight cars of steers were on sale in the quarantine division today, commanding steady prices, the string selling at \$4.70, averaging 1,200 lbs. This is the highest price paid on this side during the week. Supplies of these southern cattle this week have been very moderate, the total falling under 2,000. Early in the week the market for steers advanced 20c to 30c, but a weaker feeling developed toward the close, sympathetically with the slump in native heaves. A range of \$4.40 to 4.60 took bulk of the steer offerings in the 900 to 1,050 lb. class. No good weighty steers showed up.

Only a small proportion of the run yarded in quarantine was butcher stuff. Prices ruled strong to unevenly higher early in the week, but eased off a little before the finish. A spread of \$3.00 to \$3.25 took most of the desirable cows and heifers. Top veals sold at \$5.25.

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**Packers' Purchases Yesterday.**

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Swift and Company	900	3,450	155
Hammond Packing Co.	200	1,384	90
Morris Packing Co.	100	1,141	—
Total	900	5,969	254

**HOGS.**

Week Finishes on Big Bulge in Prices, Advance Fully 15 Cents.

After some sharp fluctuations in a range of 15c to 20c the hog market finishes the week on the highest level of prices seen on this market since the second week in March, 1907. The supply was small at all points and following an active market on a strong advance yesterday the buyers did not hesitate long on granting an advance amounting to 15 cents over bulk prices of yesterday with sales here and there showing fully 20 cents above yesterday. At this advance the supply was quickly absorbed and none found the yards practically bare of unsold hogs.

The quality today was somewhat better than on former days of the week and may account to some extent for the big advance here. However, with the noticeable improvement in prices there was still a big percentage of underweights and unfinished hogs noted in mixed droves.

The week's receipts at this point were 42,700, against 39,911 last week, 42,141 a month ago, 43,198 a year ago, 35,247 two years ago, 30,819 three years ago and 9,857 four years ago.

At five markets the aggregate was 303,200, against 205,400 last week, 309,200 a month ago, 391,100 a year ago, 282,500 two years ago, 296,600 three years ago and 137,300 four years ago.

Prices ranged from \$5.50 to \$7.00, with the bulk selling at \$5.50 to \$6.25. The bulk yesterday sold at \$5.50 to \$6.25, a week ago at \$5.75 to \$6.50, two years ago at \$6.70 to \$7.50, three years ago at \$5.00 to \$5.05, four years ago at \$3.25 to \$3.75.

**Pigs and Lights—199 lbs. and Under.**

No.	Av.	8 1/2	Price No.	Av.	8 1/2	Price
93	195	120	60	75	158	40 6 50
70	245	40 6 50	85	224	80 6 25	
69	190	20 6 75	77	193	80 6 50	
74	188	—	65	80	—	6 50
88	198	40 6 50	91	187	40 45	—
84	262	40 6 50	82	190	—	45
74	193	100 6 55	85	121	—	8 25
88	179	80 6 50	84	124	—	80 5 50

**Heavy and Mixed—200 lbs. and Upward.**

No.	Av.	8 1/2	Price No.	Av.	8 1/2	Price
70	378	80 7 70	81	228	—	6 60
69	285	80 6 75	73	229	—	6 60
70	235	—	87	83	228	80 6 60
80	248	—	87	240	—	6 60
66	247	40 6 75	88	213	—	6 60
67	262	—	87	247	120 6 60	—
68	267	—	87	248	—	6 60
57	262	—	85	217	—	6 60
78	235	—	85	261	—	6 60
67	262	—	85	237	—	6 60
68	263	—	85	219	—	6 60
69	274	—	85	274	—	6 60
87	276	—	85	274	—	80 6 57 1/2
84	262	—	85	209	—	6 57 1/2
80	311	—	80	201	—	6 57 1/2
70	232	—	85	225	—	6 57 1/2
70	244	—	85	210	—	6 57 1/2
70	245	—	85	224	—	80 6 57 1/2
42	239	—	81	200	—	6 55
80	311	—	80 6 8 1/2	219	—	8 55
70	231	—	6 6 1/2	217	—	200 6 55

70...248...40 6 60 71...201...6 55

58...251...6 62 1/2 74...215...40 6 50

74...224...6 60

**Odds, Ends and Wagon Hogs.**

12...250...6 68 1...370...80 5 00

8...170...6 50 1...450...80 5 00

12...181...6 60 1...530...80 5 00

14...162...6 45 5...392...400 5 00

1...170...6 50 1...450...80 5 00

1...480...80 5 00 1...480...80 5 00

1...370...80 5 00 1...480...80 5 00

**Packers' Hog Purchases.**

Swift and Company...1,650

Hammond Packing Co...950

Morris Packing Co...1,066

Outside buyers...345

Total...4,321

**Range of Prices.**

This Week Last Week

Monday...\$6.25 @ \$6.45 \$5.75 @ \$6.25

Tuesday...6.25 @ 6.50 5.90 @ 6.25

Wednesday...6.25 @ 6.50 5.90 @ 6.25

Thursday...6.10 @ 6.45 5.90 @ 6.25

Friday...6.27 1/2 @ 6.53 1/2 5.97 1/2 @ 6.30

Saturday...6.50 @ 6.70

**Average Weight.**

July 2...214 July 7...217

July 3...213 July 8...220

July 4...213 July 9...213

July 5...213 July 10...215

July 6...215 July 11...215

**SHEEP.**

Sheep and Lamb Market Finishes Dull and Lower.

Live mutton receipts at this point were nominal today and only a small week-end run was in sight at leading market centers.

The sheep and lamb market which started out this week in encouraging condition is closing flat and unevenly lower. The little gain in prices made early in the week was wiped out later and closing quotations in certain lines are unevenly lower than a week ago. Local supplies for the week will total out 4,700, showing a slight falling off compared with a week and year ago. In the five point aggregate of 132,000 an increase of 9,900 is noted compared with last week, although showing a decrease with a year ago. Good lambs have been scarce and are quotable steady with a week ago in a range of \$6.00 to \$6.50. Most of the lambs arriving are very soft, owing to washy grass, and this class is closing fully 25c lower than best time of the week. A good many yearlings arrived, selling largely at \$5.00 to \$5.25. The grade of live mutton has declined 10c to 15c from high time. Aged sheep have been scarce and have held about steady. Offerings this week included the first Idaho grassers to arrive here this season. The yearlings sold at \$4.30 and ewes at \$3.40 to \$3.65.

Outlook for next week is not of very encouraging nature. There is a strong likelihood of increased supplies of range stock at a time when very moderate receipts are needed to maintain present level of values.

## OTHER LIVESTOCK MARKETS

**CHICAGO.**

CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill., July 11.—The Live Stock World reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 800. Market steady.

Hogs—Receipts, 8,000. Market 10c to 20c higher; top, \$9.95; bulk, \$6.55 to \$6.85.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,000. Market steady.

**KANSAS CITY.**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 11.—Special to The Journal: The Drivers Telegram reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 700. Market nominal.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,500; quality poor; Market 10c to 15c higher; top, \$6.60; bulk, \$6.50 to \$6.60.

Sheep—Receipts, none.

**SOUTH OMAHA.**

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., July 11.—Special to The Journal: The Drivers Telegram reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 100. Market unchanged.

Hogs—Receipts, 4,500. Market 10c to 15c higher; top, \$6.50; bulk, \$6.37 1/2 to \$6.42 1/2.

Sheep—Receipts, 100. Market steady.

**EAST ST. LOUIS.**

EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards Ill., July 11.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 400; Market \$3.65.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,500. Market 15 cents higher; top, \$6.95; bulk, \$6.70 to \$6.85.

Sheep—Receipts, 300. Market steady.

**GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.**

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, Board of Trade Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

**WHEAT—**

Sept. 90 80 1/2 80 1/2 90 80 1/2

Dec. 91 1/2 91 1/2 91 1/2 91 1/2

**CORN—**

Sept. 74 1/2 74 1/2 74 1/2 74 1/2

Dec. 62 1/2 62 1/2 62 1/2 62 1/2

**OATS—**

Sept. 41 42 1/2 41 41 1/2 40 1/2

Dec. 42 1/2 42 1/2 42 1/2 41 1/2

**PORK—**

Sept. 16 20 16 20 16 20 16 20

Oct. 16 20 16 20 16 20 16 20

**LARD—**

Sept. 9 62 9 67 9 62 9 65 9 60

Oct. 9 70 9 77 9 70 9 72 9 70

**RIBS—**

Sept. 9 02 9 10 9 00 9 10 9 00

Oct. 9 10 9 15 9 07 9 17 9 07

**ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET.**

Today's cash values: Receipts, wheat, 5 cars; corn, 6 cars; oats, 0 car.

**Wheat.**

No. 2 red... 80 @ 91

No. 3 red... 80 @ 90

No. 4 red... 85 @ 88

No. 2 hard... 93 @ 91 1/2

No. 3 hard... 90 @ 88

No. 4 hard... 85 @ 83

Rejected soft... 80 @ 88

Rejected hard... 80 @ 87

No grade... 70 @ 80

**Corn.**

No. 2 white... 84 @ 84 1/2

No. 3 white... 84 @ 84 1/2

No. 4 white... 82 @ 83

No. 2 corn... 78 @ 78 1/2

No. 3 corn... 78 @ 78 1/2

No. 4 corn... 78 @ 78 1/2

Total this week... 106,600 303,200 130,800

Total last week... 124,600 305,400 129,000

Total month ago... 119,200 306,300 106,100

Total year ago... 143,900 391,100 136,500

Two years ago... 145,000 282,500 145,000

No. 4 corn... 70 @ 77

**Oats.**

No. 2 white... 52 @ 53

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BRIEF CITY NEWS.

Barney Clemison of Troy, Kan., was a visitor in the South End, Thursday.

Miss Leta Hubbard of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Frye, 5818 South Second street.

Dr. H. M. Lint of the local bureau of animal industry has reported to the police the loss of a gold watch in the Exchange building.

Miss Maud Gilmore of Browning, Mo., who was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Purden, Virginia street, returned to her home yesterday.

Miss Jessie Hinman of Galesburg, Ill., who has been visiting Mrs. A. W. Kohler at the Transit House, returned to her home yesterday.

Horace A. Carriel of Los Angeles, Cal., who has been visiting his brother, F. B. Carriel, 105 W. Missouri avenue, has returned to his home.

Mrs. William Vaughn of Kansas City, who has been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook, 2819 King Hill avenue, returned to her home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Burns, of Kansas City, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Howard, 3431 South Second street, returned to their home yesterday morning.

Spontaneous combustion in the coal bins of the boiler room of the South Park elevator company, yesterday morning, caused a blaze which did \$100 damage to the building and contents.

DEPOT MAN DIES.

Illness of Several Months Results Fatally For Veteran Trainmaster.

After an illness of several months Isaac Veitch, 70 years old, for twenty-six years a train master at the Union passenger station, died at an early hour this morning at his residence, 2423 Jackson street.

Several nephews and nieces survive the decedent. His wife died several years ago. The funeral arrangements will probably be made today. Col. Veitch was well known to the traveling public.

CHEERS FOR PATROL.

Had Solomon in all his glory witnessed the exhibition drill of Mollis patrol on Felix street last night, it is thought he would have covered his face for very shame at the poor showing his vestments would have made.

Drilling as one man, performing the most intricate maneuvers with ease and precision, the patrol, replete in their new Turkish uniforms, created a sensation as they marched up Felix street to the music of the Fourth Regiment band. Cheers after cheers and much applause greeted the evolutions of the patrol, which is expected to make other organizations lustle for the honors at the meeting of the imperial council of the Shriners at St. Paul, which takes place next week.

PLAN FOR JOINT SHOTS.

On account of the sweepstakes shoot of the Gun and Rod club the Metropolitan Gun club will not hold any meet a week from tomorrow but the members will participate in the sweepstakes. Tomorrow the Metropolitan will hold its weekly shoot at the lake range. It is understood that plans are being made to hold successive sweepstakes shoots with each gun club in the city acting as host. It is believed that this will greatly stimulate the interest among the shooters of the city and that many will attend.

PLAY FOR \$100 SIDE BET.

The second of a series of games for the championship of the Calumet club will be played Sunday, July 10, at Lake Conrary by the two teams of the club, "Pharaoh's Stepsons" and the "Broadway Bullies." A side bet of \$100 has been posted.

The "Broadway Bullies" won the first game at the 102 river several weeks ago by a score of 12 to 6. Practically the same lineup will be used for this game.

STEMM STARTS LONG TRIP.

Fred H. Stemm, head cattle buyer for Swift and Company on the local market, left last night for a trip through Oklahoma and Texas. He was accompanied by his wife and children. Gene Tamblin, one of the cattle buying forces of Swift on the Chicago market, has arrived in St. Joseph to buy during the absence of Mr. Stemm.

For Rent—Six room house with bath room, 920 S. 14th st., corner 14th and Lafayette sts. Apply Mumford & Hanna, 504 Edmund street.

TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 1.

Formal Announcement of Date For Opening New Hotel.

The new Robidoux hotel will open Tuesday, September 1.

This was the formal announcement of Lessee Leale and Neipp yesterday.

Another development yesterday of equal importance was the announcement of E. J. Holstag of Holstag & Company of Chicago, which company has the contract for the interior decorations of the hotel, of the complete decorative scheme.

The decorations will cost \$60,000, and according to Mr. Holstag, who decorated the Auditorium Annex and the Auditorium in Chicago, will be as fine as any in the country.

It was also announced yesterday by the lessees that last week they let the contract for the refrigerating plant of the hotel, which will cost \$3,000, to the United Iron Works of Springfield, Mo.

The plant will be in the basement of the hotel and will supply the kitchen, bar and all other places where refrigerating is necessary. The contract for the mail chutes, which will run from each floor to the main lobby, has been awarded to the Cutler Manufacturing company of Rochester, N. Y.

These mail chutes were to have been in the original specifications, but were cut out. The lessees recently decided to put them in.

"THE CARL" STORE.

New Furniture and Fixing. Many Up-to-Date, Handmade and Useful Features.

"The Carl," the handsome new cigar store of Oscar Carl at 423 Fifth st., opened this morning for business. The formal opening will not be until tonight.

The establishment is a model of taste and artistic arrangement and, furthermore, is more than a cigar store. It is a place of rest and recreation.

Traveling cigar salesmen say there is nothing so well arranged and appointed in this section of the country.

Immediately back of the sales room is a smoking room with easy chairs and a fireplace and a handsome brass swinging chandelier. Back of this is a card room, which is cozy and cool.

The mantles, shelves, cases and all the rest of the woodwork is of mission style in the finest of quarter sawed oak. The all-glass show cases are of cut glass and French plate. Many novelties for smokers are noticed in the stock.

Friends of Mr. Carl plan a "stein shower" and the collection he is certain to receive will make an attractive decoration.

SHALLOW CULTIVATION.

Lewis L. Hubbard writes from Panola county, Miss., to the Home and Farm: I was to say, and am proud to say, I am a "red neck" of thirty years, combined with school teaching.

Last year, after my winter months of school were out, I made a small crop, six acres in cotton, three in corn. I broke my land as deep as one horse could wall plow, using the harrow more than is necessary, as is commonly thought with north Mississippi farmers.

I spaced my cotton, varying from eighteen inches to two feet, width of rows three and a half to four feet. This land was ordinary hill land, some of it very thin, but I made nearly as much cotton as a nine-acre adjoining field prepared and cultivated. My cotton was cultivated as shallow as I possibly could, tools used being nothing but sweeps, hoes and harrow.

The one mistake I made in cultivating was not using the harrow more, and especially after laying by, as the weather was very dry and plants suffered for moisture. The seed used was big ball green seed, a powerful drought-resisting kind. The yield of this crop was attributed to Providence by my father, who, after viewing it, remarked, "Providence did lots for you in your cotton crop." I do not attribute it to Providence only; those results were obtained by following the experience of experiment station work and other sources of true knowledge.

From this crop I selected choice seed, with which I planted my crop this year, cultivating it as rapidly and shallow as possible, land having been prepared as well as my limited means would permit. The result is, I have cotton at this writing, June 8, knee high, and forming rapidly. So much for cotton.

I have been improving seed corn for two years, a large white variety, following as closely as I can bulletin work sent out by the government. For lack of space I cannot give my experience on corn.

Being young in experience and having just begun to take farming seriously, I make many mistakes, hampered by lack of means. My tools consist of turn plow, shovel stock and three sweeps, harrow and hoes; team, one horse. I know the editor is smiling at this equipment, which may have a tendency to deride, thinking it may blossom forth into something that may startle the agricultural world.

A word to the section of Mississippi in which I live and I will bring my epistle on farming to a close. Panola county is in the northern part of the state, one of the finest farming hill counties we have. We have plenty of wood, but nearly all of the good timber is gone, one of the saddest facts a country can know. The water is of an excellent kind. This soil will produce fabulous crops if properly treated. Land is a reasonable price.

In conclusion, will say, I never let a day pass without trying to learn something, for the fact presents itself more forcibly every day that the reason we do not prosper more than we do is because we fail to get knowledge and apply it.

SHORTAGE OF MULES.

According to the Henderson Journal of Kentucky a gentleman who is in a position to know, when talking about the scarcity of mules on the market and the remarkably high price the animals are bringing, said that there never was so few mules offered for sale as now, in

IS RICH SECTION

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peanuts, onions and beans flourish and show handsome profits.

The breeding and feeding of live stock are attracting much attention. With an admirable climate, an abundance of pure water and soil that will grow all the best grades and grasses for feeding both cattle and hogs, it is predicted the strip will become a thriving live stock section.

The land that will do all these things is available to the settler at prices ranging as low as \$10 an acre. There are many relinquishments that can be bought at the prices ranging from \$1,000 to as high as \$8,000 for a quarter section.

The deed of land on the market is held practically at the same figures. The general price is between \$10 and \$20 an acre both for relinquishments and deeded land, the higher figure representing unusually well improved places, practically at the boundaries of one of the better towns.

No better evidence of the real value of the lands of the strip is found than that given by a large settlement of Missourians located twenty-five miles northeast of Guyton, in Beaver county. There are about 150 families, none owning less than 100 acres of land and some as high as 640 acres. These people, like the settlement in Meade county, Kansas, farm diligently and make use of every device known to the proper preparation of the soil.

Taken as a whole, the strip is inhabited by a hardy and honest set of people. Nearly every quarter section has a house on it and a large proportion of this land has been cultivated. Everybody is a true neighbor and the helping hand is ever ready in case of need. A splendid illustration of this feeling was given when on the afternoon of June 1, fire attacked the city of Hooker, and practically destroyed its business section. From every quarter there came offers of assistance. Hardly had the cruel flames begun to leap skyward when in from the farms and from nearby towns came streams of humanity, not out of curiosity, but with strong hands to help battle with the blaze, and with success for those who had suffered.

Guyton is the principal city in the strip. It is located in the center of Texas county and in reality practically at the geographical center of the entire section. It has grown to a population of about 2,500 and is a thriving business place. Its birth came practically with the opening of the Rock Island road through there in June, 1887.

Being the trading point for a large part of the strip, Guyton has a large assortment of stores carrying all the lines of merchandise. General stores do a thriving business and besides these there is a long list of exclusive establishments, which in the line of industries such things as a sixty-barrel flour mill, a large grain elevator and a cement block plant. It has banks and modern business blocks. It has two splendidly equipped and well-attended newspapers that are a credit to the city.

Hooker, which before it was visited by its disastrous fire, was a thriving city, has only been halted a little in the growth. The indomitable will of the people that go to make up that section of the world will surmount the obstacles that confront them and soon will rebuild a bigger and better city. Its merchants soon will be better housed than before and their products will be back helping again to build up the business.

Goodwell, Tyrone, Texhoma and Optima are other towns in the strip that must be reckoned with. They are small, it is true, but they are splendid sections of the country, and will of necessity grow.

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New York Woman Will Raise Tiny Birds for Pets.

New York—Convinced that hummingbirds will make good household pets, Miss Wendolin Brooks of Central Park West, is going to raise them in Central Islip, L. I. Miss Brooks has bought a farm there and has obtained plans for aviaries from W. Albert Swassey.

She proposes to sell the tiny birds, and said she already has a lot of commissions for them. In spite of their small size they are not difficult to keep in good health, she declared, and they are most interesting to study. She has experimented in raising them in the south and west.

At Central Islip Miss Brooks will make a specialty of the species known as the "ruby-breasted" birds. Their real home is in South America, but they migrate to this climate in the hot weather, nest here and return to the tropics in August before cold weather can nip their frail bodies. Just how they manage to survive the hardships of their long journey here and back to the tropics has long puzzled naturalists.

Miss Brooks says that if the birds have considerable space to fly about in and are well fed with honey and insects they are not hard to raise.

NEWSPAPER TO TELL TRUTH.

Publication Will Deal with Society Regardless of Libel Laws.

London—According to the Financial News, arrangements are being made to publish an English daily newspaper, the chief feature of which will be an absolute defiance of the libel laws.

It will publish comment of any kind upon any person, will deal with society scandals and financial gossip with unrestrained frankness, not concealing the names or the most intimate details, which comment is not allowed will be discussed regardless of the law, in a manner "calculated to take the curbs out of counsels' wigs."

Judges will be criticised as freely as witnesses. If the latter are regarded as committing perjury they will be pilloried. Therefore the paper's conductors propose to avoid prosecution or suppression of their sheet by printing it in Belgium or France and mailing copies to English subscribers.

There will be no offices in England. If the postoffice refuses to circulate the paper in wrappers copies will be inclosed in envelopes.

MYSTERY OF ILLNESS SOLVED.

Fish Bone Works Its Way Out of Man's Thigh.

Columbus, Ind.—Marshall McLaughlin of Sandcreek township has a fish bone which, he says, has cost him \$250. The bone is about three inches long and about the thickness of a darning needle. The other day it protruded through the skin of Mr. McLaughlin's left hip and the mystery of an illness of several months was cleared.

Mr. McLaughlin does not when he swallowed the fish bone. He began to suffer from what he thought was rheumatism several months ago and came to Columbus for treatment. He was treated for this disease for some time, but the physician discharged him, saying the patient did not have rheumatism. A surgical operation later did no good. Finally he was compelled to go to bed. Recently he felt a tearing and pricking sensation in his thigh. This continued until the fish bone worked its way out. Mr. McLaughlin is now out of bed and says he believes he will be entirely well within a few days.

The English of commons Thursday night passed the third reading of the Old Age pensions bill.

EXCHANGE DIRECTORY.

Following is a list of the commission merchants in the Live Stock exchange at the St. Joseph stock yards: Blanchard, Rush & Co., rooms 226-228.

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peanuts, onions and beans flourish and show handsome profits.

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The land that will do all these things is available to the settler at prices ranging as low as \$10 an acre. There are many relinquishments that can be bought at the prices ranging from \$1,000 to as high as \$8,000 for a quarter section.

The deed of land on the market is held practically at the same figures. The general price is between \$10 and \$20 an acre both for relinquishments and deeded land, the higher figure representing unusually well improved places, practically at the boundaries of one of the better towns.

No better evidence of the real value of the lands of the strip is found than that given by a large settlement of Missourians located twenty-five miles northeast of Guyton, in Beaver county. There are about 150 families, none owning less than 100 acres of land and some as high as 640 acres. These people, like the settlement in Meade county, Kansas, farm diligently and make use of every device known to the proper preparation of the soil.

Taken as a whole, the strip is inhabited by a hardy and honest set of people. Nearly every quarter section has a house on it and a large proportion of this land has been cultivated. Everybody is a true neighbor and the helping hand is ever ready in case of need. A splendid illustration of this feeling was given when on the afternoon of June 1, fire attacked the city of Hooker, and practically destroyed its business section. From every quarter there came offers of assistance. Hardly had the cruel flames begun to leap skyward when in from the farms and from nearby towns came streams of humanity, not out of curiosity, but with strong hands to help battle with the blaze, and with success for those who had suffered.

Guyton is the principal city in the strip. It is located in the center of Texas county and in reality practically at the geographical center of the entire section. It has grown to a population of about 2,500 and is a thriving business place. Its birth came practically with the opening of the Rock Island road through there in June, 1887.

Being the trading point for a large part of the strip, Guyton has a large assortment of stores carrying all the lines of merchandise. General stores do a thriving business and besides these there is a long list of exclusive establishments, which in the line of industries such things as a sixty-barrel flour mill, a large grain elevator and a cement block plant. It has banks and modern business blocks. It has two splendidly equipped and well-attended newspapers that are a credit to the city.

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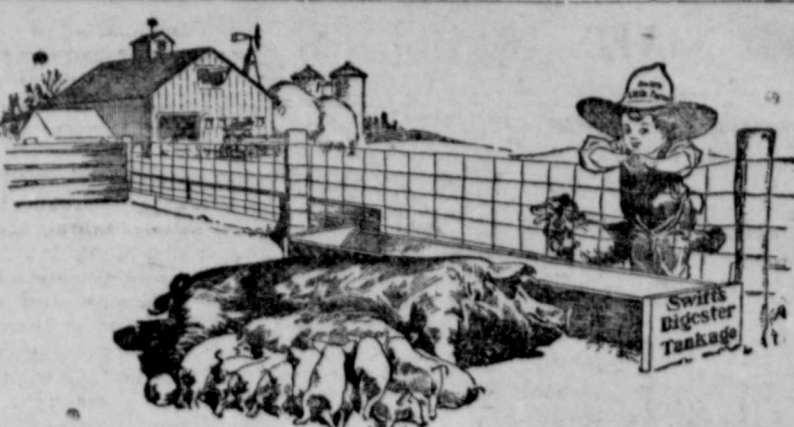
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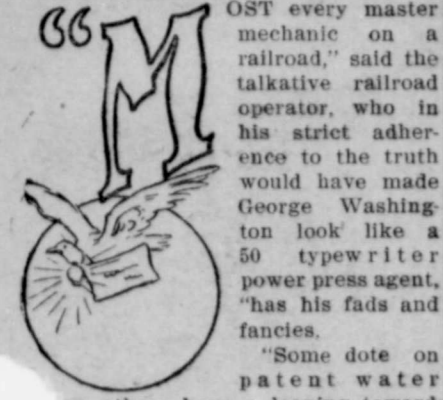
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MOST every master mechanic on a railroad," said the talkative railroad operator, who in his strict adherence to the truth would have made George Washington look like a 50 typewriter power press agent, "has his fads and fancies.

"Some dote on patent water boilers, while the master mechanic of the Airline division, Mr. Mc-

ran to naming locomotives of having them numbered. His had a peculiar twist, such as Dante's Inferno, Nemesis and Hell's Kitchen meeting his fancy.

Withal he had a good nose for locomotive mottle and I doubt if the Airline ever had a better stable of iron horses than when he was in charge of that department.

"Bill Hott was the engineer on Dante's Inferno. Bill was the real thing at handling locomotives and when he was at the 'vottle it might be said that the J could pull like Hades.

"At that time I was night operator at the Stockton waterplug. Sam Mills was fielding the dots and dashes at Scroggins Corners, some 15 miles away.

"Sam had a bug on homing pigeons. It was only a short fly, a Texas leaguer one night say, from the waterplug to Scroggins Corners for the big, strong pigeons Sam bred. Going to work at the waterplug of nights I usually took two or three of the birds over to my station and let 'em loose at various times of the night to take practice trips back to Sam at the Corners.

"Bill Hott and Dante's Inferno were always on the job on the Cannonball fast freight eastbound nights. As the schedule was laid out in the time card the Cannonball passed the midnight express going west at Fargo, a siding about ten miles east of Scroggins Corners, the Airline not having double tracks at that time. Sometimes, if the Cannonball was behind time, the dispatcher would give orders to put the lid on the Inferno and back in at the waterplug siding to let flyer by.

"One night something bigger'n a woodchuck seemed to have gone crossways with Dante's Inferno and Bill was falling down on his time. On the other hand the time card was being pursued by the Nemesis on the midnight express with a vengeance. So I was on the lookout for the train dispatcher when he called me on the wire and gave me the following order:

"The Cannonball freight, Eng. Dante's Inferno, and No. 12, Eng. Nemesis, will meet and pass at Stockton Siding instead of Fargo, the Cannonball to take the siding."

"I slammed my signal board against the Cannonball and informed the dispatcher that the semaphore was set. On this information he let the midnight express proceed on the order.

"In the meantime Dante's Inferno had had a change of heart and was making up time. Bill Hott therefore must have decided to cut out the Stockton watering stop and tank up further down the line. I could hear him coming down the valley, hitting it up for dear life.

"It was a cinch that old Bill would make some complimentary remarks on train dispatchers in particular and telegraphic orders in general when he met up with my signal. It was up grade from Stockton to Scroggins Corners and Bill had to hand it to the Inferno for all she was worth coming down through the valley in order to make the hard pull.

"Well, say, he just whirled by my little station without so much as whistling 'by your leave' and dusted on for all he was worth.

"I looked out at my semaphore. My heart sank until it made my corns hurt. The light showed white notwithstanding the fact that the lever in my office was thrown to the danger position. Either the wires had become kinked, holding the blade back to safety, or the red glass had fallen out.

"But it was no time for speculating as to cause. The pressing business at hand was for me to get those orders to Bill Hott some way."

"I called Scroggins Corners on the wire, but Sam must have been fussing with his pigeons, as he didn't answer. Then my eye lighted on the basket with the carrier pigeons which I had brought over earlier in the evening.

"It took me just about three seconds to get the largest pigeon, Samson, out and stick that order in an envelope tied to his neck. I then fastened one of my small red lanterns around his neck and raised the window, and Samson was off like a flash in the direction of Scroggins Corners.

"I figured that as soon as the Cannonball struck the heavy grade its speed would slacken considerably and the carrier pigeon would be able to beat 'em to Scroggins Corners by flying in a straight line, while the railroad zigzagged in and out up the grade. I can

tell you I had a bad quarter of an hour with myself. No. 12 had already passed Fargo. If Nemesis and Dante's Inferno got deadlocked in a head-on crash up the mountain it sure would make a hellah mess.

"Pretty soon I saw some red tail lights come backing down around the curve, and I breathed natural again as the Cannonball slid quietly into the siding to let the express go safely by. I was at a loss to make out how the orders were delivered so expeditiously.

"Bill Hott came in and told me that he was looking out of the cage window when a big bird with a red light at tachment came flying overhead. Bill gave the engine another notch, making an extra heavy shower of sparks out of the stack. The bird ducked to side-step the fiery baptism, became confused and flew right in at the cab window. Bill's curiosity being aroused he read the orders, saw they were for him and backed down."

"That Samson was sure a strong, wise bird. He would have lived to a mellow old age but for the fact that he broke one of his legs while flying through the woods, and in setting the fractured member himself, contracted septic poisoning by not having his bill properly sterilized. He was cut down in his youth.

"It was a sad blow to Sam to see the flower of his flock die so young."—New York Sun.

BUILD MONUMENT TO ENGINEER. Memory of a Youthful Santa Fe Employee to Be Preserved.

The announcement is made that the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company is contemplating the erection of a monument near Red Rock in northern Oklahoma to the memory of Carl Mack, the veteran engineer who was scalded to death underneath his engine last August. He had been in the employ of the Santa Fe as an engineer more than 30 years, and in the 22 years' existence of the Oklahoma division of that road he never missed a day making a run over the line with his passenger engine.

A picture of No. 84, Mack's engine, showing the veteran engineer at the cab window, is hanging in every station along the Oklahoma main line and adorns the offices of the chief officials of the system. This picture was taken in Guthrie Monday preceding the wreck on the following Thursday, when Mack lost his life.

The engineer is looking from his cab window. Standing back of him is his fireman, C. J. Wanzer, who was critically injured in the wreck, and beside the engine stands Al Glazier, who was in charge of the train, but who escaped uninjured from the wreck. Glazier is the oldest conductor on the Oklahoma division and he and Carl Mack made hundreds of trips together.

On the day the wreck occurred the train was north bound from Purcell, Okla., to Newton, Kan., the length of the division run. In rounding a curve near Red Rock the tender left the track. As the train straightened out Mack tried to slow up without using the air. It was impossible, however, as the heavy tender pulled from the track continually.

Realizing that the train would go over Mack applied the air. A shock followed and the middle of the train receiving the weight of the concussion, the cars seemed to leap into the air, tearing loose the rails and ties. The coaches piled up on the west side of the track, the engine on the other. The mail car and Pullman car left the track.

Mack stayed with his engine and was pinioned underneath, being fatally scalded. He lived only a short time after being extracted from the wreck, dying while being removed to Ponca City. His last words were to ask after the safety of the passengers and to inquire if his engine was ruined. He remarked:

"I didn't think she would go back on me that way."—Kansas City Star.

The Ticket That Came Back. A prominent railway man tells of a railway ticket that took a sudden journey on its own account.

It appears that, as a north-bound train on the Colorado & Southern road passed one of the stations, a passenger in a forward car raised a window, and in an instant his ticket was blown from his hands.

The passenger naturally gave it up for lost, and was much surprised when the baggage-master handed it to him a little later.

It appears that when the ticket flew through the window a south-bound train was passing. The suction of that train, which was moving at a rapid rate, drew the ticket along with it, and as it passed the rear end of the north-bound train it blew into the door of the smoking car. There it was found by the baggage-master.—Sunday Magazine.

May Take Over Japanese Lines. It is reported that there is a strong likelihood of the management of the Japanese railways being taken over in the near future by a syndicate of leading European financiers, who have also offered their assistance to the government in the reorganization of the national finances.

Metal Cars the Cheapest. The cost of repairs on a wooden railroad car is about \$100 a year, much more than that of a steel car, and the wooden car is out of service by reason of repairs six to one as compared with the metal ones.

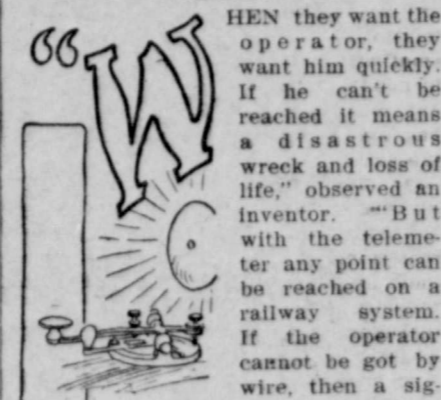
Light Cars with Acetylene. On the French Northern railway many carriages are lighted by acetylene, and the results of using this method of illumination are said to be satisfactory.

Building Twelve-Mile Tunnel. A 12-mile tunnel under the Cascade mountains is what the Great Northern Railroad Company is now building, according to a statement made by a man who has returned from the hills. He states that two large camps are in the vicinity of Leavenworth developing electric power for J. J. Hill's line.

MAKES FOR SAFETY

TELEMEETER OF GREAT VALUE TO RAILROADS.

New Device Is Expected Materially to Reduce Accidents on the Rail—Is Attachable to Present Telegraph Wires.



WHEN they want the operator, they want him quickly. If he can't be reached it means a disastrous wreck and loss of life," observed an inventor. "But with the telemeter any point can be reached on a railway system. If the operator cannot be got by wire, then a signal can be thrown by the dispatcher to hold up any train at any point."

He was talking about a device which is being experimented with on a section of the Boston & Maine railroad. It had been mentioned that in one year 6,000 rear and front end railway collisions had occurred in the United States. The killed and injured had numbered in these disasters 11,000 passengers and 45,000 employees, and the property loss had been \$10,000,000.

Some of the greatest wrecks of America have been due to the inability of a train dispatcher to get the operator at a given point. Perhaps he was absent somewhere in the station yard on the company's business. For a country operator is generally station agent, freight agent and baggage-master combined. Or he may have been asleep. At any rate he couldn't be raised and the train dispatcher had to stand helplessly by knowing that a train laden with passengers was rushing to destruction.

That is where the telemeter would do the trick, according to the inventor. It wouldn't make any difference should the operator be absent from his post. If he were within hearing he would be summoned by a gong. The same would wake him were he asleep. Should he be out of earshot and the train dispatcher did not receive a response to his call, signal could be shown by the dispatcher at the point received by the simple process of pressing a key.

For instance, suppose a telemeter were attached to a telegraph line between Boston and Portland, Me. The operator would be able to call any station without disturbing any other station. This system is so organized that it may be quickly applied to line without modification of the existing apparatus.

If a train were to pass a given point between these two stations and it was necessary to catch that train at the next station to prevent a collision with another—that is where the telemeter would be a godsend. Perhaps the operator at the station the train dispatcher would try to reach could not be got. No answer came to his frantic call.

If the train passed that point there must be a wreck. After the dispatcher had tried to get the operator and received no answer to his signals, he would then press his keys to throw the semaphore and the colored light signal which would bring the train to a standstill at that station.

What telegraphers say is the beauty of this contrivance is that the dispatcher can call any station on the system, and over a single line, without disturbing in the least the ordinary business or working of the telegraph. The telemeter is simple in construction, is attachable to the present telegraph wires, and requires no additional wire whatever. Furthermore, it does not interfere with the usual telegraph instruments in actual operation, and enables the dispatcher to place himself into immediate communication with any operator on his line.

The telemeter seems to be human, only more unerring. For after the dispatcher has failed to raise the operator by sounding the call and then the gong, he sets the signal for the train to stop. Immediately there comes to him a response automatically, telling whether the signal has acted or not.

It enables the dispatcher to set and display any semaphore or light on his line from his own office. And it returns information as to whether that particular semaphore or light has been set. No operator on the line can tamper with it in any way, so that false signals cannot be shown.

There is also an attachment in connection with the instrument which is calculated to prevent delays and blockades of trains where freights in isolated sidetracks cannot be reached with orders. For these attachments, placed in small boxes at every siding, can be used by the conductors of such trains to report their whereabouts. By a code of signals they can be notified whether to stop or proceed. The conductors do not require to know telegraphy. They have only to ring in the simplest signals.

Block System Spreading. There are now not far from 60,000 miles of railroad under block signal operation, nearly 10,000 miles of which have been added within a year and a half. All of this mileage is distributed among 84 different systems.

THE RAILWAY ENGINEER.

There are heroes famed in story, rightly famed, for deeds of arms; Men who've fought their country's foe-men, and in sudden night alarms Have rushed out to shots and shouting in the smoke and reek and dark. Never pausing, never hesitating, offering themselves a mark; Going where their duty called them in the nation's game of war; Finding death or fading glory never questioning what for.

But peace has its greater heroes, men of throttle and of wheel. Men who, crouched in their cab windows, drive their pausing steeds of steel Over moor and fen and mountain, dashing over trestles high. Through across deep cleft, and chasm like more cobwebs 'gainst the sky. On whose nerve hang lives of hundreds as they leave the station light And with straining of steel sinews plunge afar into the night.

Men who, facing swift disaster, are keyed up to such a height That each nerve and joint and muscle springs to do the thing that's right; Men who, when they can't avert it, go to death, clear-eyed and brave; With strong hands close on the throttle in a last attempt to save; Hope of glory or of pensions is not theirs, no more than fear.

Aye, and peace hath its hero in the railway engineer. —J. M. Lewis, in Houston Post.

WINTER TRAVEL IN SIBERIA. Passengers There Are Frequently Snowed Out for Days.

When winter sets in adventures by rail are frequent, and the process of "roughing it" is trying. Often trains are snowed up at little squall stations on the steppe, where the passengers can get nothing but black bread and tea. For hours? Aye, and for days. It depends on the authorities how long the ill-starred travelers shall abide.

This year numerous trains were caught in the snow, almost buried there, and generally on the open steppes 50 or 60 miles from a lomon and 100 miles from a beefsteak. The passengers besought the station master and others to have them dug out and to clear the line. They even telegraphed to the minister of ways and communications, and received assurances that the order would be given. It was given—and disregarded.

Story telling and card playing in the flickering light of a candle were the most serious occupations of the prisoners on the steppe. In one case "he" and "she" met for the first time under these uncommon conditions, fell in love over a sausage, a stale roll and half a bottle of wine, which he happened to have, and they married shortly afterward.

Here is a copy of one of the telegrams from snowed-up passengers that were sent last season: "This is the second day that we are kept by snowdrifts here in the lonely station, Pookhovo. In spite of the energetic telegram of the minister of ways and communications the manager of the line has taken no efficacious measures. We are doomed to linger on here for an indefinite period." (Signed by the passengers of the international wagon of the Rostoff fast train.) And they lingered on for two days.

Railroad Stolen Overnight. Citizens of this community are much distressed over the fact that the only railroad they owned has been stolen. Everybody was proud of the railroad, and the fact that it was only five miles long did not make them any the less loyal.

The railroad was stolen some time last Friday night. It was there when the citizens went to bed at the usual hour, and it was gone when they arose Saturday morning. Where it went is a mystery.

There is a suspicion that some high financier hired a lot of men to roll up the track and carry it away like a carpet. President Bots, who is also general manager, conductor and engineer, said:

"Before going home I locked the engine up in the barn and chained the railroad to the trees. I also took the precaution of nailing down the right-of-way. When I came out the next morning there was not even a spike left. At first I thought the system had been mislaid, but careful search destroyed that theory."

A reward has been offered for the railroad, and, meanwhile, all business here is at a standstill.—Sherman (Pa.) Correspondent Philadelphia North American.

Low Wages for Railroad Men. A report on the number of railroad employes in England, with the amount of wages paid by classes, just published by the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, is the first complete one of the kind that has yet been issued. The report covers, for the United Kingdom, 259,230 "railway servants." The fact is shown that over 100,000 of these are working at a wage of £1, or \$4.86 a week, and that more than one-half of the railway employes of the United Kingdom receive £1 to £1 10s, or \$4.86 to \$7.29 a week. It also appears that only about 11 per cent. receive more than \$7.59 a week.

Ties Rapidly Becoming Scarce. In the United States last year 104,000,000 railroad ties were used, which denuded 600,000 acres of forest to supply. The British railways are supplied from Russia, 4,000,000 a year being needed. The Russian forests are now so much exhausted that the peasants have to sledge the trees for making these ties a distance of 20 miles to get them to the rivers.

Block System Spreading. There are now not far from 60,000 miles of railroad under block signal operation, nearly 10,000 miles of which have been added within a year and a half. All of this mileage is distributed among 84 different systems.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Five men were killed and three others injured in a head-on collision near Medicine Hat, Saskatchewan. Passengers and crew of a Great Northern train put to flight a lone highwayman who attempted to hold them up near Naples, Idaho. The rebels who are fighting against President Davilla of Honduras have captured the town of Choluluta and are threatening Santa Barbara. Representative James S. Sherman, Republican candidate for vice president, is to resign the chairmanship of the Republican congressional committee in the near future. Within a few minutes after he had heard of his nomination for president, Mr. Bryan issued a statement announcing that if elected he would not again be a candidate for the office.

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### KERN NOMINATED

INDIANA MAN NAMED AS BRYAN'S RUNNING MATE BY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

### NO BALLOT WAS NECESSARY

All Other Candidates Withdraw When the Tide of Sentiment Turned Irresistibly Toward the Hoosier.

Denver, Col., July 11.—The Democratic national convention concluded its labor late Friday afternoon by the nomination of John Worth Kern of Indiana for vice-president, completing the ticket on which William Jennings Bryan was made the nominee for president during the early hours of Friday morning.

The nomination of Kern was made by acclamation amid the resounding cheers of delegates and spectators. No ballot was necessary, as the tide of sentiment had set irresistibly toward the Indiana candidate, state after state registering their delegations in his favor, and all other candidates withdrawing before the universal demand for his nomination.

The convention, after adjourning at daylight with the nomination of Mr. Bryan, resumed its session at 1 p. m. with a powerful undercurrent already



JOHN W. KERN. Nominated by Democratic National Convention for Vice President.

In motion toward the nomination of Mr. Kern for second place. On the call of states, Indiana presented the name of Kern, Colorado through ex-Gov. Thomas placed in nomination Charles A. Towse of New York; Connecticut presented Archibald McNeill and Georgia, Clark Howell. The names of Judge George Gray of Delaware and of John Mitchell of Illinois were not presented owing to the positive requests of these gentlemen not to have their names go before the convention. For a time it looked as though a ballot would be required. But the steady line of states which joined in seconding Kern's nomination soon made it apparent that the chances of all other candidates had been extinguished. Mr. Towse in person was the first candidate to recognize the decisive nature of the Kern movement, and in a ringing speech he withdrew his name from consideration and pledged his support to the ticket of Bryan and Kern. Withdrawals quickly followed from the supporters of Howell of Georgia and McNeill of Connecticut, leaving the Indiana candidate alone in the field. The withdrawal of the Connecticut candidate was accompanied by a motion that the nomination of Kern be made by acclamation. The motion was carried with a deafening shout, and the great assemblage broke into clamorous demonstration on the accomplishment of its work and completion of the Democratic national ticket.

The nomination was made at 4:23 o'clock and the convention thereupon adjourned without date.

The nominee for vice president received the news of the action of the convention in his apartments in the Albany hotel. When, early in the day, matters began to shape themselves in his direction, and his selection became almost a certainty, Mr. Kern determined that he would remain away from Friday's session, and accordingly his seat was occupied by an alternate.

"I am profoundly appreciative of the honor which has been conferred upon me," said Mr. Kern when seen shortly after the convention adjourned. "I regard the honor all the greater because I did not seek the place, nor did my delegation." Saturday night the vice presidential nominee will leave for Lincoln where he will see Mr. Bryan and discuss the forthcoming campaign.

John Worth Kern has never held a public office of any national importance, but he has been a Democratic leader in the Hoosier state for a generation. He has been city attorney of Indianapolis, a state senator and reporter of the state supreme court. He was an unsuccessful candidate for governor of his state in 1900 and again in 1904. In 1904 he received the complimentary vote of his party for United States senator.

J. W. Kern was born in Howard county, Ind., in 1849, is a graduate of the University of Michigan and a lawyer of considerable note in Indianapolis. He is said to be a wealthy

### PUBLICITY TO BE A FEATURE

NAMES OF CAMPAIGN FUND CONTRIBUTORS TO BE PUBLISHED.

Republican Treasurer Says the New York Law Will be Obeyed by Him.

Hot Springs, Va., July 11.—That the publicity of campaign funds is to be made a feature of the coming campaign was made very clear Friday. Mr. Taft had extended talks with Chairman Hitchcock and with George R. Shelton, treasurer of the national committee who arrived Friday and the necessity for the strictest possible compliance with the New York law in relation to the publicity of campaign funds of the national committee was the chief topic. Referring to suggestions that the Republican party might receive funds outside of New York and not include them in the report of the national treasurer, Mr. Taft replied promptly that it was possible to commit perjury in such a case, but he scouted the idea that the purpose of giving publicity to the funds of the party in the coming national campaign is not entirely sincere. Mr. Shelton also declared that the New York law in respect to all the funds that come to the national committee in whatever state they may be collected will be published with the names of the donors. Mr. Shelton said he believed money for campaign purposes would be very tight this year, but he did not believe the publicity of campaign funds would lessen the amount contributed. He declared that compliance with the law in this respect would dispel the popular idea that a vast amount of money is spent in national campaigns.

### THE TAFT NOTIFICATION

Program Outlined by Cincinnati Committee for July 28.

Cincinnati, O., July 11.—Arrangements were completed Friday by the general committee in charge of the welcome that Cincinnati will extend to Judge William H. Taft, July 28, when he is formally notified of his nomination to the presidency.

It was announced that Mr. Taft had endorsed the program as outlined by the committee. At seven o'clock in the morning of July 28, there will be salutes of 20 guns or more fired from the hill tops.

At eight o'clock bands stationed in the parks, squares and at prominent corners will begin to make melody, and keep at it all day.

At eleven o'clock the notification committee will be escorted to the residence of Charles P. Taft, and Judge Taft will hear the formal word that he is the Republican party's choice for president. There will be but two speeches, that of Senator Warner of Missouri, notifying Mr. Taft and that of acceptance by the nominee.

At 1:30 p. m. marching clubs will pass in review and then a public reception will be held. This will be followed by a luncheon, to the notification committee given by Charles P. Taft.

### Turned Down Oil Company

Coffeyville, Kan., July 11.—The county commissioners of Nowata county, Ok., Friday refused to grant the Prairie Oil & Gas company the right to cross the public highways with its proposed pipeline from the Shallow oil fields to the Caney, Kan., tank farm. The action was taken to prevent action by the Prairie company till the injunction proceedings at Guthrie are finally settled.

### Run Down by Express Train

New York, July 11.—An automobile carrying W. H. Hutchings of Brooklyn, his wife and daughter and a chauffeur, was run down by a Long Island express train late Friday at Center Moriches, L. I. Mrs. Hutchings was dead when found and her husband died of his injuries Friday night. Lillian Hutchings, the daughter, was seriously injured. The chauffeur was not hurt.

### Prostrations at Leavenworth

Leavenworth, Kan., July 11.—With the temperature close to 95 degrees, four prostrations from the heat occurred here Friday. William Rice, a veteran from the Soldiers' home, fell unconscious on the railroad tracks Friday afternoon and was struck by a Union Pacific motor car. He died from his injuries.

### Battleship Montana Completed

Norfolk, Va., July 11.—The new battleship Montana arrived at the Norfolk navy yard Friday from the yards of her Newport builders for formal delivery to the government which will take place immediately after the official "checking up" by the naval authorities at this station is completed.

### Champion Steer Roper Dead

Ardmore, Ok., July 11.—Milton Beeler, world's champion steer roper, died at Ponotoc, Ok., Friday as the result of injuries incurred Thursday when, while roping a steer, he was thrown beneath his horse. He was 21 years of age and had recently won the world's championship.

### A General Lockout in Paris

Paris, July 11.—At a meeting of the association of contractors Friday night a general lockout was voted. This situation has been brought about by the workmen's campaign of partial strikes, boycotts etc.

### BRYAN IS PLEASED

IS ENTHUSIASTIC OVER THE PARTY PLATFORM AND HIS RUNNING MATE.

### FRIENDS FOR MANY YEARS

Mr. Bryan and Mr. Kern Have Been Personal and Political Friends for a Long Time.

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., July 11.—William Jennings Bryan, for the third time the nominee of the Democratic party for president, after four days and four nights of strenuous endeavor which have brought him a running mate and a platform over both of which he is enthusiastic, retired Friday night to dream of Democratic success next November. That is, his dreams will be thus, if they follow his belief, but it was by no means certain that exhausted nature will allow even so pleasant an encroachment on his slumbers.

The convention at Denver has not been an idle one. Since Tuesday, when the convention was opened, Mr. Bryan has been as busy and probably busier than any man in Denver, if not in the country. It is doubtful if, in the last four days, he has averaged more than three hours sleep in the 24. He has been in constant touch by telegraph with the convention and with great frequency has been called upon to give instant decisions in matters of great importance. With no wish to dominate the actions of his friends at Denver, he has constantly been asked by them for guidance. Through it all Mr. Bryan has maintained a cheerful equanimity of temper, a clearness of mind and a vigor of action, which bespeak perfect health and have gained the admiration of those who have been associated with him throughout the trying period.

The past 24 hours were fruitful of developments. The platform was adopted, Mr. Bryan was nominated and the second place on the ticket filled by the nomination of Mr. J. M. Kern of Indiana.

When he received the news of the nomination of J. W. Kern for vice president, Mr. Bryan said that his views on the nomination could best be expressed in the telegram which he sent to Mr. Kern. He is not only pleased with the nomination, but pleased that it would meet with such unanimity. There were a number of persons whom he counted as available and Kern was always included in this list. Mr. Kern and Mr. Bryan have been political and personal friends for many years. The following is the telegram:

"Accept my warmest congratulations. Your nomination gratifies me very much. We have a splendid platform, and I am glad to have a running mate in such complete harmony with the platform. Stop off and see us on your way east."

An all night session was held at Fairview by Mr. Bryan, a few personal friends and a number of newspaper men. During the long hours, while waiting for the reading of the platform, and the balloting on the nomination for president, Mr. Bryan, throwing off the accumulated fatigue of the three previous days held all listeners in close attention by the repetition of story after story suggested by the incoming news from the auditorium at Denver. It was full daylight, after receiving the congratulations of those present and drinking of unfermented grape juice, he retired to snatch a few hours rest.

At seven o'clock he was up and about, for the stragglers advance guard of enthusiastic Lincoln citizens calling to pay their respects already arriving. At ten o'clock, by trolley, by automobile, by wagon and on foot, the crowd arrived, the Lincoln Bryan club among them, and headed by a brass band. It was a wild and enthusiastic crowd, reflecting in no small degree, the delirious enthusiasm of the convention. When the band played "A Hot Time in the Old Town To-night," there were many voices in the crowd, which numbered fully 2,000, which took up the chorus.

"La Poloma," which, in Spanish, means "The Dove," and is one of Mr. Bryan's favorite pieces of music, was played as Mr. Bryan appeared. The crowd surged up against the front steps and against the hideous Korean lions, eager to shake Mr. Bryan's hand and offer him congratulations.

The homage of the people he had known for so many years, many of them opposed to him in politics, affected Mr. Bryan to a degree, which he did not show, even at receiving news of the record-breaking demonstration made by the delegates in the Colorado capital. From the door steps he addressed them with great feeling, his emotions so stirred that his voice trembled and the moisture came to Mrs. Bryan's eyes. It was not a political speech; Mr. Bryan was talking from his heart to his friends.

### Bequeathed \$1,000,000

St. Louis, July 11.—The will of Julius Lesser, former cotton compress magnate and vice president of the city council, was filed for probate Friday and disposes of an estate estimated to be greatly in excess of \$1,000,000. The bulk of the estate goes to his son, Harry Lesser, and his daughter, Mrs. A. D. Goldman, both of St. Louis.

### COUNTERFEITERS CAUGHT

A KANSAS PHYSICIAN AND AN ILLINOIS LAWYER ACCUSED.

Both Men Are Prominent Professionally in Localities Where They Reside.

Coffeyville, Kan., July 11.—United States officers arrived here Friday night en route to Fort Scott with Dr. G. J. Counterman, a prominent physician of New Albany, Kan., who is charged with counterfeiting. Dr. Counterman is 70 years of age. His arrest was due to a confession of Adam Teter, aged 60, now in jail at Fort Scott, who was arrested while passing the spurious coin. Both men are prominent citizens of Wilson county.

The officers Friday made a thorough search of Dr. Counterman's premises at New Albany, discovering a large quantity of counterfeit money and a complete set of counterfeiter's equipment. The officers assert that the molds have been used for ten years.

Danville, Ill., July 11.—Charles E. Brown, 35 years of age, an attorney, prominent socially and professionally, was arrested here Friday by secret service men on a charge of counterfeiting and later held to await action by the United States grand jury in bonds of \$5,000.

In a secret desk and a cell of Brown's house, where he was arrested in the presence of his wife and a three-year-old child, the government agents found what they say is the most complete counterfeiting outfit they have ever seen. It was ready for the manufacture of five dollar gold pieces, silver half dollars, quarters, dimes and nickels and the secret service men pronounced the material of the outfit almost perfect. For more than a month Wilkie and Porter have followed Brown's every movement.

### Committee to Visit Fairview

Denver, Col., July 11.—The Democratic national committee will confer with William Jennings Bryan at Lincoln on Tuesday next. The committee met Friday for the purpose of organizing but in view of a telegraphic invitation from Mr. Bryan, which was submitted to the committee by Dr. Hall, the Nebraska member, it was decided to defer action until the wishes of the Democratic candidate could be ascertained. Thomas Taggart of Indiana was elected temporary chairman and Urey Woodson of Kentucky temporary secretary, to serve until permanent campaign managers are selected.

### A Train Robbery Frustrated

Denver, Col., July 11.—According to a report published here Friday detectives and city policemen are looking for four men who were overheard by a section man on the Burlington railroad discussing a plot to rob a railroad passenger train near Alliance, Neb., last Tuesday night of gold bullion worth \$100,000 which was shipped from the Homestake mine of Lead, S. D. The section man, it is said, reported the matter to the authorities and guards were stationed in the vicinity of the proposed holdup, thus frustrating the plot.

### Confessed to Train Robbery

Des Moines, Ia., July 11.—Owen Hall, arrested at Marshalltown Wednesday evening in company with Mrs. Frank Shercliffe, has made a confession of his alleged participation with Shercliffe, husband of the woman in the robbing of a Northern Pacific train in the city limits of Minneapolis on the night of April 16. When Shercliffe, who is in prison at Leadville, Col., was shown the dispatch concerning Hall's arrest, he denied knowing Hall or having any knowledge of the Northern Pacific robbery.

### Papers Served on Labor Leaders

Denver, Col., July 11.—While Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell, John H. Lennon, Frank Morrison, Joseph Valentine, James Duncan and Max Morris were holding a conference on labor matters Friday Deputy Sheriff Thomas Lawson served them with papers to appear as defendants in a suit brought by the W. R. Thompson Marble company against them as leading officers of the American Federation of Labor, for \$50,000 for alleged damages to its business by a strike and boycott.

### To Have Western Headquarters

Washington, July 11.—To expedite and economize the work of administering the national forests the bureau of forestry will establish about October 1 next field headquarters in the west. The clerical force here will be somewhat reduced, many being needed to carry on the proposed work west. Headquarters of forest districts will not be changed.

### Washington Democrats Celebrate

Washington, July 11.—The Democratic clubs of the District of Columbia Friday celebrated the nomination of William J. Bryan on the Washington monument grounds by firing a salute of 46 guns, one for each state. About 200 persons witnessed the demonstration.

### Hottest Day at Omaha

Omaha, Neb., July 11.—The weather bureau reported the highest temperature of the year at three o'clock Friday afternoon—93 degrees. Similar reports come from various points in this section. Sioux City's record being 95. No heat prostrations have been reported.

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## CLEVELAND'S WILL

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## VALUE OF ESTATE NOT GIVEN

Each of the Four Children Gets \$10,000 and the Widow the Residue—Text of the Will.

Trenton, N. J., July 11.—The will of former President Grover Cleveland was probated Friday. The probating took place at the home of Mrs. Cleveland in Princeton. Surrogate John W. Cornell went there for that purpose. Mrs. Cleveland arrived in Princeton from New Hampshire Friday.

The will is in Mr. Cleveland's own handwriting and makes no disclosures as to the extent of his wealth. Witnesses to the will are Prof. Andrew F. West of Princeton and Prof. John S. Finley, New York City, who were at Princeton and acknowledged to Surrogate Cornell that they witnessed Mr. Cleveland's signature to the document. Mrs. Cleveland is made executrix and Frank S. Hastings executor under the will. The text of the will is as follows:

"I, Grover Cleveland, of the Borough of Princeton, in the state of New Jersey, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament hereby expressly revoking all previous wills by me made.

"First—I hereby direct that after payment of all my debts and funeral expenses, an appropriate monument with brief inscription and only moderately expensive, be erected at my grave and paid for out of my estate. I desire to be buried wherever I may reside at the time of my death and that my body shall always remain where it shall be at first buried, subject to its removal only if it shall be absolutely necessary in order that it shall repose by the side of my wife and in accordance with her desire.

"Second—I give to my piece, Mary Hastings, daughter of my sister, Anna Hastings, the sum of \$3,000 dollars to be paid to her as soon as practicable after my death.

"Third—I give to my friend, Richard Watson Glider, the watch given to me in 1893 by the said Glider and E. C. Benedict and J. J. Sinclair, and also the chain attached to the same when last worn by me.

"Fourth—I give to each of the four daughters of my nephew, Richard Hastings, now, or lately living with my sister, Anna Hastings, the sum of \$2,000 each.

"Fifth—I give to Frank S. Hastings,

my good friend and executor of this will, as the most personal memento I can leave to him, the seal ring I have worn for many years, which was given to me by my dear wife, and with whose hearty concurrence this gift is made.

"Sixth—I give to my two daughters, Esther and Marion, and to my two sons, Richard F., and Francis G., the sum of \$10,000 each, to be paid to them respectively as they shall arrive at the age of 21 years. Until these legacies are paid, or shall lapse, they shall be kept invested and the income derived therefrom shall be paid to my wife and the aggregate of said income shall be applied by her to support, maintenance and education of said children in such manner and in such proportions as she shall deem best without any liability to any of said children on account thereof. If, however, either of my said daughters shall before her legacy becomes payable, cease for any reason to reside with her mother, there and from that time, the income arising from the investment of her legacy shall be paid to said daughter. In case either of my said children shall die before his or her legacy shall be actually paid, leaving a child or children, then said legacy shall be paid to such child or children; but otherwise the said legacy shall lapse and become a part of the residuary estate disposed of by this instrument.

"Seventh—All the rest and residue of my estate and property of which I may die seized or possessed, of every kind and nature wheresoever the same may be situated, I give, devise and bequeath to my dear wife, Frances E. Cleveland and to her heirs and assigns forever and I hereby appoint her guardian of all my children during their minority.

"Eighth—I hereby appoint my wife, Frances E. Cleveland, executrix and Frank S. Hastings, executor of this my last will and testament.

"Witness my hand and seal, at Princeton, N. J., this twenty-first day of February, 1906. Grover Cleveland.

Former Rock Island President Injured

Redding, Cal., July 11.—Robert Mather, former president of the Rock Island Railroad company, while riding in a wagon and leading a saddle horse, was jerked from the vehicle Thursday afternoon and his left wrist was broken. He was taken to Weaver, ville, ten miles away and given surgical attention.

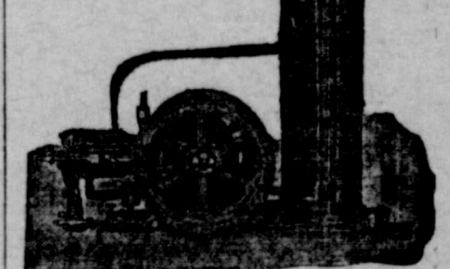
### A St. Louis Failure

St. Louis, July 11.—Edward Bull, formerly a coal and feed commission merchant, Friday filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. He sets his liabilities at \$93,000, mostly in notes held by the Kentucky National bank, of Louisville. His assets are given as \$50



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