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NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

Scrapps News Association

Portland Ore July 17—The ninth annual convention of the National Association of Railway Agents convened in the parlors of the American Inn at the Lewis and Clark exposition this morning. The session will continue for three days and are attended by delegates representing all the principal railroads in the United States. The Eastern delegates arrived yesterday afternoon on a special train and were entertained last evening by the Commercial Club.

The morning hour of the opening day were occupied with speeches of welcome by Mayor Lane, President Good of the exposition and A L Craig general passenger agent of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co. Responses were made by A M Cleland, general passenger agent Northern Pacific, S K Hooper, general passenger agent Denver & Rio Grande, and others. The convention will deal with subjects presented by the following members:

G F Rummer, of Burlington Ia, accountant for the Burlington, will discuss "Need of Uniform Accounting Methods". E F Saur of the Vandellia lines, Effingham Ill, "The Most Effective Means of Reducing Errors in Handling Less Than Carload Freight". W H Cary of the Frisco system, Armory, Miss, "Does the Railway Agent Receive the Recognition He Deserves Compared to Other Departments?" C C Goss of the I M & S, Little Rock Ark, "Increase in Tonnage Per Car O L Merchandise vs Decrease in Cost Per Ton Handling". W E Kerr of the B & O Newark O, "Most Practical Method for Adjusting and Handling Claims". J M Hudgens of the L & N, Stamps Ark, "Importance of the Railway Agents as a Medium Through Which Adverse Feeling of the Public Against Railroads May Be Reversed".

E E Flack cashier of the Vandellia, Effingham Ill, "Legislation and Its Effects on Car Service and Weighing and Inspection Bureaus." W G Clark Little Rock Ark, "Cost of Transferring Carload Freight—Transfer Platform vs Transfer Tracks". A N Reitz, Cleveland O, agent B & O, and O T & V, "Were Railroads to Award Prizes to Agents Upon Their Merit, Would it be an Incentive to Make Them More Loyal to Their Duty?" J W Spoor Memphis agent Western Railway Association, "Interchange of Freight Traffic Between Steam Roads and Electric Lines."

Returning eastward after the convention the delegates will take a trip on the Columbia river as far as The Dallas and board their special train there.

THREE HUNDRED POLICEMEN OFF

By Scrapps News Association

Chicago, Ill., July 17.—Three hundred policemen were taken off the strike wagons this morning in the downtown district, and ordered back to the street crossings. The routes to all the freight stations have been mapped to be taken by the wagons for the strike bound houses. The streets are now beginning to assume their normal aspect.

MORGAN BEACH IS APPOINTED

By Scrapps News Association

Washington July 17.—United States District Attorney, Morgan Beach, has been selected by Attorney General Moody to probe the cotton leak scandal in the Agricultural Department and has gone to New York to interview Van, Ripper Price and other brokers mentioned in the recent report of the secret service, which led to the discharge of statistician Holmes.

Would Kill The King

By Scrapps News Association

Rome, Italy, July 17.—The authorities today arrested an anarchist named Barbieri, who, is alleged, came here for the purpose of assassinating King Victor Emmanuel.

WILL LEND MONEY

(By Scrapps News Association)

St Petersburg, July 17.—It is stated on excellent authority that a French syndicate has made the offer to Russia to supply the money to pay any indemnity which Japan may demand as the conditions of peace. It is said that the syndicate has offered to advance any sum up to six hundred million dollars.

JEROME SECURES WANTED COPY

Scrapps News Association

New York July 17.—The much wanted copy of the evidence taken by superintendent of insurance Hendricks in the investigation of the Equitable was forwarded to District Attorney Jerome's office this morning. The evidence is wanted by Jerome in order to determine whether any one connected with the equitable can be held accountable under criminal laws for state affairs disclosed by the investigation in this city.

Two Electrocuted

By Scrapps News Association

Celesting N Y July 17.—Charles Jackson, colored, and James Breen, white, were successfully electrocuted this morning at the Sing Sing prison. Jackson killed a man during a hold up in New York, and Breen committed murder in a bar room in New York.

Another Mutiny

By Scrapps News Association

Lodz, Poland Russia, July 17.—A regiment of infantry at Ekaterinberg mutinied, owing to ill treatment by their officers. One officer was killed and several were wounded. The mutineers were finally subdued by other troops and the leaders were imprisoned.

CON. WILLIAMSON IS ON THE STAND

Scrapps News Association

Portland Ore July 17.—Congressman Williamson was on the stand in his own behalf this morning in the land fraud trials and made a complete denial of the conspiracy charge. On cross examination there were brought out admissions that go to corroborate the Government's theory. The demurrers were overruled in the case of H H Hendricks for subordination of perjury. Chas A Watson for perjury, the Butte Creek Lumber Company and Binger Herman all for conspiracy.

PRESIDENT HILL GIVES HIS VIEWS

(By Scrapps News Association)

Lenox, Mass., July 17.—"We are in a period which breeds pull and pull in turn, and promotes graft," said James J Hill of the Great Northern in an interview given at his son's home in the Berkshire hills. "There are too many quack political theories which clash with sound business. We are dilly-dallying with South American trade and trying to build the Panama canal. We have no ships nor protecting laws for the merchant marine. I shall certainly never again build a ship under the American flag. What is needed the country over is a great awakening and revival in every business, and higher commercial standards. This will have to come before we are a world power."

A GRAND DUKE IS BANISHED

Scrapps News Association

Berlin July 17.—The newspaper Der Hunger Zeitung says that the czar has banished his cousin, the Grand Duke Constantinovitch at St Avropl, in the Caucasus, because he discovered that the Duke was in communication with revolutionary conspirators. The Grand Duke will be incarcerated in an isolated house under the very strictest guard.

Financier Suicides

(By Scrapps News Association)

New York July 17.—Emile Arton, a well known financier, committed suicide today by taking cyanide of potassium. He was implicated in the oil Panama scandal.

Removes Receiver

By Scrapps News Association

St Louis Mo July 17.—Judge McElhinney, of the St Louis County Circuit Court, this morning ousted ex-judge Spencer as receiver of the Peoples United States Bank at Clayton.

Sergeant Killed

(By Scrapps News Association)

Warsaw, Poland Russia, July 17.—The sergeant of detectives was shot and killed here today by an unknown man. The patrol, while pursuing the assassin, fired a volley, killing a merchant.

Fire on Mountain

(By Scrapps News Association)

San Rafael, Cal., July 17.—The western slope of Mount Tamalpais is on fire and a wind is fanning the flames in the direction of the Mount railway station. The fire was started by campers. A number of parties have been sent out to fight the flames.

Women's Request

Scrapps News Association

London, July 17.—Six hundred ragged women, many of them carrying infants, marched from the slums of the East End through the streets to Parliament Hall, where they appealed to Premier Balfour to aid the passage of a bill providing work for the unemployed. Balfour went out to the motley array and promised to do all in his power to pass the bill.

ELEVATOR FALLS ELEVEN FLOORS

(Scrapps News Association)

Philadelphia, July 17.—The elevator in the 'and Title building broke its cable this morning and dropped from the eleventh floor to the first seriously injuring four occupants. The assistant city solicitor, Harry F Kingstone had both legs broken and will probably die. District Attorney Bell had one leg broken and sustained internal injuries. William Barne, another passenger sustained concussion of the brain and will probably die.

STANDARD CO BEGINS TO BUY

By Scrapps News Association

Ohanute Kan. July 17.—The Standard Company today began taking all grades of oil in the Kansas territory fields in accordance with the announcement made a month ago. They also began laying a pipe line and connections to the oil prospects which were torn out, following the boycott of the company last February.

Korean Loan Floated

By Scrapps News Association

Tokio July 17.—It is expected that the Russian warships Pallada, Pobeda and Poltava, which were sunk at Port Arthur, will soon be refloated. The Korean loan of a million and a half was subscribed four times over. It is the first foreign loan ever floated in Japan.

The Sultan Dying

By Scrapps News Association

Berlin, July 17.—The newspaper Lokal Anzeiger says that the illness of the Sultan of Turkey is much more serious than has been acknowledged by the physicians, and declares that death is only a question of a short time.

NEW G A R COMMANDER

(By Scrapps News Association)

Washington, July 17.—John E King, of Baltimore, the senior vice-commander of the G A R., becomes commander in chief by reason of the death of General Bismarck at Boise, Idaho, yesterday.

Gunboat Ashore

By Scrapps News Association

New York, July 17.—The gunboat, Dubuque, is ashore in the Horse Shoes of lower New York bay, but it is stated that the vessel is in no danger.

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