

### ONLY ONE FARE

Reduced Rate to Portland Exposition.

### FROM THE ATLANTIC COAST

All Railroads Join in Making Concession.

### HOSTS OF VISITORS COMING

Trunk Lines and Central Lines Unite in Pushing the Fair—Thousands of Wealthy Eastern People Are Coming Here.

CHICAGO, April 12.—(Special)—The action of the Trunk Line Association meeting held at New York yesterday was supplemented in this city today by the Central Passenger Association meeting, which decided to contract with the former association in granting a one-way rate plus \$1 from all points east to Chicago for those desiring to attend the Lewis and Clark Fair at Portland.

The Trunk Line Association at its meeting yesterday reduced from its former demand for a rate of 80 per cent of the round-trip fare, and agreed to make a one-way rate plus \$1 from all points in the territory on the Atlantic seaboard west to Pittsburgh and Buffalo. This was to be done, provided the Central Passenger Association would take the same rate from the two latter cities through to Chicago, where the rates could be joined with the same concessions made by the transcontinental lines, giving a one-way round-trip rate from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

### Will Draw the Well-to-Do.

This action assured a large attendance at the Lewis and Clark Exposition from all of the territory lying east of Chicago, extending to the Atlantic Coast, between the Canadian boundary and the Ohio River. The Central Passenger Association territory takes in all the cities of the East, and the rate of one fare will induce thousands of well-to-do persons to make Portland the objective point in their Summer and Fall vacations.

There has been much inquiry regarding rates to the Exposition, as the trip is ideal for a Summer outing. Railroad men say these inquiries come from the better class of people—those who have money to spend. It is said by railway officials that the Lewis and Clark Exposition will differ from all former fairs in that it will attract only the well-to-do visitors. The usual throngs of fortune-seekers and fakers cannot afford to make the long journey, and, as a result, Portland will not find upon her hands at the close of the Fair thousands of dependent persons. This has been the experience of every city heretofore holding a fair, and it will not obtain in this case, for the reasons shown.

### Eager Demand for Information.

Northern Pacific officials say that the travel to the Exposition will be heavier than most people seem to imagine. The universal interest manifested by the enterprise is evidenced by the rapidly with which the pamphlet issued by the road descriptive of the Exposition was gobbled up by the public. The edition was larger by 500 copies than is usual with railroad publications. The demand for the work still continues, and to satisfy it the passenger department of the Northern Pacific has ordered 20,000 additional copies to be printed.

### FAIR OFFICIALS ARE PLEASED

Receive Rate Decision with Much Enthusiasm.

The reduction of the rate from Eastern points assures a much larger attendance for the Exposition and the announcement was received at Exposition headquarters with enthusiasm. It was yesterday afternoon the concession made by the two passenger associations marks the fortunate climax of many weeks of endeavor. The Exposition management has done all in its power to bring to bear on the Eastern and Trunk Line Associations to bring about the desired change. The previously existing allowance of 80 per cent of double the one-way fare was generally regarded as excessive above warrant. It was not an attractive rate at the best, and the attendance through many big conventions from the East was threatened with a decrease as the result. The headquarters of these various conventions have worked with the Exposition management, writing many letters to the different officers and members of the two associations. The Lewis and Clark State Commission also joined actively in the work, and a day or two ago President Jefferson Myers was advised by Commissioner P. C. Donald, of the Central Passenger Association, that the matter would be given a full hearing, with favorable action if possible.

Yesterday morning President H. W. Goode, of the Exposition, received a communication from G. H. Daniels, general passenger agent of the New York Central, expressing his favorable attitude towards a reduction in the rate. It is understood that the 80 per cent rate which was previously allowed by the Transcontinental Association are to be supplemented at an early date. These same dates having been adopted in conjunction with the reduction of fare yesterday, it is thought that corresponding additional selling dates will also be allowed by the Eastern associations.

### American in Trouble in Guatemala.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Inquiry at the State Department in this report which reached San Francisco by the Southern steamers to the effect that

a man named Gardner is being illegally imprisoned in Guatemala City, develops the fact that the person is really an American lawyer named Joseph Darling. That he has actually been in confinement for about a month. He is accused of contempt of court, and such information as has reached the department goes to show that he was "bribe" in addressing the court, and moreover that he has made some pretty strong statements to Mr. Merry, the American Minister there. However, the State Department, to which complaint has been made of Darling's imprisonment, refers the matter to Mr. Merry, with instructions to use his good offices to secure an amelioration of the man's condition.

### MOST-FAVORED-NATION RIGHTS

Guaranteed to Germany by Commercial Treaty with Sultan.

BERLIN, April 12.—The new commercial treaty between Germany and Morocco, which is being negotiated by Dr. von Kuehlmann, the German charge d'affaires at Fez, is more than an arrangement consisting of most-favored-nation rights. It embraces all the most-favored-nation guarantees in the previous treaty. It is upon this treaty that Germany will press her resistance to France's efforts to become the predominant power in Morocco.

Count von Tattenbach, Ashold, it was announced here today, will proceed to Fez shortly as German envoy. Dr. Rosen, the recently appointed Minister, is ready to replace him. The Count accompanied Emperor William from Lisbon to Tangier, and was present during the Emperor's conversation with the Sultan's uncle.

### POWERS WILL NOT JOIN KAISER

Scheme for Congress on Morocco Has No Supporters.

PARIS, April 12.—Germany's efforts to secure an international conference on the Moroccan question, not only have met with apprehension here, as the government is aware that practically all the powers having any political interest in Morocco would not participate. This applies to Great Britain, Spain, Italy, and Russia, and the other European powers have little or no interest in Morocco. Consequently Germany would be practically alone in favoring the international gathering. It is assumed that the neutral attitude of the United States will probably lead her to withhold participation if all other parties concur. Germany has declined to take part in the proposed conference. The French authorities therefore do not attach further serious importance to the international conference movement, being convinced that it is doomed in advance to failure.

Germany's plans concerning the suggested conference have not yet taken a definite form. The first step, which reached Paris indicated that Germany herself planned to call a conference, but it now appears that Germany seeks to induce the Sultan to call a conference. Either plan is unacceptable to the authorities here, particularly as it would give the Sultan another pretext for swiftness in his policy. The French government, being convinced that it is doomed in advance to failure, has declined to take part in the proposed conference. The French authorities therefore do not attach further serious importance to the international conference movement, being convinced that it is doomed in advance to failure.

### GERMANY WILL GO FORWARD

Sends Diplomat to Fez to Negotiate Commercial Treaty.

TANGIER, Morocco, April 12.—It is officially reported that Count von Tattenbach-Ashold, who provisionally is acting as Charge d'affaires of the German Legation here, will proceed to Fez at the close of his mission to the Sultan of Morocco. Renewed tension is expected if Germany undertakes to send a mission to Fez, as the officials here say the effect of such a mission would be to prejudice seriously the success of the French negotiations which are now reaching their final stage.

### HURRICANE SMASHES TAHITI

Tears Down Huge Trees, Wrecks Vessels, Destroys Coconut Groves.

PAPEETE, Tahiti, March 21. Via San Francisco, April 12.—On the evening of March 21 a southeast gale developed into a hurricane near Tahiti. On March 25 the storm broke over Papeete. Great waves came crashing down, breaking fences and in some instances tearing houses in two. In the harbor Paul Martin's steam launch had its back broken, being washed ashore against some rocks, following which it was smashed. The schooner Mariposa, of San Francisco, encountered the outer edge of the hurricane and was destroyed about six hours. It is feared here that the schooner Teite, owned by some natives, went down in the storm.

### CHURCH SEPARATION ASSURED

French Chamber Gives Great Majority for Free Religion.

PARIS, April 12.—The Chamber of Deputies today by 425 to 40 votes, adopted article 1 of the bill providing for the separation of church and state as follows: "The republic assures the liberty of conscience and guarantees the free exercise of religion, the only restrictions being those in the interest of public order."

### White Has Congenial Company.

TURIN, April 12.—Henry White, the new American Ambassador to Italy, passed through Turin today on his way to Rome. He has for a traveling companion Mr. Mgravioli, the new Russian Ambassador to the Quirinal.

### Father Martin's Condition Serious.

ROME, April 12.—The condition of Father Martin, General Superior of the Society of Jesus, is unfavorable, as he is gathering in his arm where the amputation was made. Serious complications are feared.

### IS GOING NORTH

Russian Fleet Has Not Yet Fought.

WAS SEEN IN CHINA SEA

Battleships Lead Great Line of Marine Monsters.

NO JAPANESE SHIPS IN SIGHT

Warships Seen Near Borneo May Be Togo's, but His Whereabouts is a Secret—The Yashima Was Not Sunk.

LONDON, April 12.—The correspondent at Labuan (off the northwest coast of Borneo) of the Daily Mail says that reports are current there that large fleets have been sighted south of Borneo.

SPECIAL CABLE  
SINGAPORE, April 12.—Despite the rumors that have been in circulation for the last 24 hours to the effect that a battle has taken place between the Russian and Japanese rival fleets off the Anamba Islands, most of the naval men here are confident that the two fleets have not yet met.

The belief is confirmed by the statements of the officers of the British cruisers Sutfel and Iphigenia, in yesterday from Hong Kong, who state that they passed the Baltic fleet at daybreak on Tuesday, steaming slowly northward in line of battle formation. There were no Japanese vessels in sight, and none had been seen by the British vessels for more than 24 hours before the Russians were sighted. The Russians were at that time some 200 miles northeast of this port.

### WHOLE FLEET WENT TOGETHER

Battleships Passed Singapore Along with All Others.

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### NOT THE TIME FOR MEDIATION

Italian Government Discourages Movement at Present.

ROME, April 12.—Signor Rumorini and Santila interpellated the government in the Chamber of Deputies today on the advisability of Italy's offering mediation looking to peace in the Far East. Under Foreign Secretary Pugliese replied that

the Italian government was favorable to peace, but in order to be able to offer mediation, it must have certain assurances that the belligerents are ready to accept mediation, which is not the case at present.

The Deputies then urged the government, if the possibility of mediation arises, not to let it escape. Signor Rumorini further stated that 200,000 Italians had returned to the government to exercise its influence for peace and adding that The Hague Conference contemplated such mediation.

### REPORT OF BATTLE DOUBTED

No Cable to Carry News from Anamba to Batavia.

LONDON, April 12.—A confirmation has yet been received in London of the report from Batavia, Java, of a naval battle off the Anamba Islands, and as there is no cable connection with those islands, it is held that the report could have got such news before Singapore.

A dispatch to Lloyd's from Singapore today practically confirms the Associated Press first information regarding the composition of the Russian squadron which passed there April 8. Lloyd's agent says it was composed of seven battleships, two armored cruisers, five unarmored cruisers, three converted cruisers, seven torpedo-boat-destroyers, 11 steamers and hospital ships and a tug.

### MAY BE TORPEDO ATTACK

Most Probable Explanation of Report of Battle.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 12.—(4:28 P. M.)—The Admiralty has no information in regard to the alleged naval battle in progress off the Anamba Islands, as reported to a newspaper of Amsterdam from Batavia, and does not credit the report. The officials concede, however, that the Japanese may have attempted a torpedo-boat attack on a convoy during the night. It is pointed out that there is no cable connection with those islands and Batavia, and that the first news of a light should come from Singapore, unless the Dutch warships are able to communicate with Batavia by wireless telegraph.

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### FATHER IS FIRST

Gates Leaves Finance to Hasten Home.

AGED MAN NEAR DEATH

Filial Love Makes Son Risk Many Millions.

WHEAT CORNER MUST WAIT

Man Who Ruled the Market Goes to Look His Last on Rugged Old Man Who Is Fighting With Death.

CHICAGO, April 12.—(Special)—John W. Gates reached Chicago this morning. Finance stumbled in its operations to permit a troubled man to touch the human side of life. Mr. Gates was on his way to St. Charles to pay a last respect to his father, who was dying.

The Gates family is strong in its love and its hates. It comes from an intense stock. On the Board of Trade some 20,000,000 or 30,000,000 bushels of wheat bought for delivery next month were awaiting Mr. Gates' will. Market prices nervously bounded up and down, principally up. Still, this did not interfere with the speculator's one thought to get to St. Charles and say a last farewell to the man who gave him life. He left at noon for the old home. Gates, senior, is not expected to live over the night.

### FINANCE YIELDS TO LOVE.

While the market felt various electric touches, the man who is waging the tremendous wheat control issue with the Armour, Finance shrinks into insignificance when it meets filial love. That is possibly why the trading today did not amount to more than 25,000 bushels.

The father is Asel Gates; the son was born in 1855, although some of his rivals insist that he came into existence 500 years ago, judging by the way he has "tricked" us, as they say, many of their "tricking" schemes to overthrow him.

### GATES NOT LETTING GO.

One of the close friends of Mr. Gates said after his leaving for St. Charles this afternoon:

"So far as the wheat market is concerned, he is not letting go of any transactions in which he may be. He is not the type of a man to quit when all market conditions favor his judgment or to quit when temporary conditions might drive a less powerful man into flight. Whatever he is doing in the wheat market is being sustained and will be kept so until his own judgment dictates a settlement."

Meanwhile finance halted; the dying man at St. Charles and the love borne him by his son rose above the world of trade of the wheel of money. Love and death held back the market.

### WILL BE TESTED IN NEBRASKA

Gasoline Motor-Car to See Service Before Coming West.

OMAHA, Neb., April 12.—(Special)—The plan to send the new gasoline motor-car built here by the Union Pacific to Portland at the end of this week has been changed. Two days ago this was the intention.

Last night the car was placed on exhibition in the Omaha yard to give people of this city an opportunity to see it before it started on its long overland journey. Experts were on hand to explain the mechanism and the sanitary and other features, and several short trips with passengers were made during the evening.

### CHICAGO PARTY STARTS WEST

Business Men's Excursion to Pacific Coast Is Traveling.

CHICAGO, April 12.—A delegation of the Chicago Commercial Association left here tonight on a three weeks' trip through the Northwest and West, with the idea of becoming acquainted with the people and their surroundings, the resources, and special features of the different sections. The party will occupy a hotel Pullman car during the entire trip.

The party left on the Burlington for St. Paul, and goes thence over the Northern Pacific, the Oregon Railroad & Navigation, the Oregon Short Line and the Union Pacific through Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska. At the way it will be joined by representatives of the stockyards industries of Chicago, who are also making

### King Edward Welcome to Majorca.

PALMA, Island of Majorca, April 12.—The King and Queen of England arrived here today on the royal yacht Victoria and Albert. They landed at 2 P. M., and were welcomed enthusiastically by a big assemblage.

### ALGIERES, April 12.—The British Consul has been informed that King Edward and Queen Alexandra will come here on Friday for a short time.

a tour of the Northwest. The delegation will visit the places named on the dates stated:

April 12, St. Paul; April 14, Fargo, N. D.; April 18, Butte and Anaconda; April 20, Helena; April 21, Missoula; April 22, Spokane; April 23, Seattle; April 24, Tacoma; April 25, Portland; April 26, Boise; April 29, Salt Lake; May 1, Ogden; May 2, Cheyenne; May 3, Denver; May 4, Omaha. Stops will also be made for an hour or two at intermediate points. The delegation is due in Chicago May 5.

### BRYAN APPEARS IN NEW ROLE

Renders Argument of "Americana" to Be Played at the Fair.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 12.—W. J. Bryan assumed a new role at the Auditorium when he appeared as one of the attractions of the musical spectacular piece, "Americana," which was put on by the Innes band, now on tour to the Portland Exposition.

### INVITE TAFT TO AUSTRALIA

Governor-General to Ask the Entire American Party.

MANILA, April 12.—Governor-General Northcote of the Commonwealth of Australia, will, it is understood, invite Secretary of War Taft and party to visit Australia during the party's forthcoming visit to the Philippines. The Commonwealth of Australia will defray the entire expense, it is said. The American Chamber of Commerce of Manila is preparing to entertain Mr. Taft and party on an extensive scale during their stay in Manila.

### MOHLER MADE VICE-PRESIDENT

Will Be Executive Officer of Union Pacific in Omaha.

OMAHA, April 12.—Announcement was made today at local headquarters of the Union Pacific Railroad of the election yesterday in New York by the board of directors of A. L. Mohler to be vice-president and general manager of that road. Mr. Mohler has held the position of general manager for some time, and his election as vice-president is made in order to have an executive officer resident in Omaha, where are located the headquarters.

### MANY PASSENGERS INJURED

Whole Train Plunges Over Embankment in Mississippi.

VICKSBURG, Miss., April 12.—Yazoo & Mississippi Valley passenger train No. 12, southbound, was derailed near Hardes Station, 15 miles north of here, at 12:20 this morning. Reports state that 67 passengers were injured. A special train carrying physicians has gone to the scene of the wreck.

### UNION OF CHURCHES CARRIED

Decisive Vote Given by Cumberland Presbyterian Presbytery.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 12.—Cumberland Presbyterian headquarters announced tonight that the proposition that the union with the Northern Presbyterian Church had secured the required 50 votes, with others of the 114 Presbyteries of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church yet to hear from. The deciding vote was cast today by the Pennsylvania Cumberland Presbyterian Presbytery.

### GIVES HUNT CHANCE TO PAY

Pan-American Banker Pleads Guilty and Will Try to Refund.

CHICAGO, April 12.—W. H. Hunt, former president of the defunct Pan-American Bank here, today changed his plea of "not guilty" to "guilty." Hunt is under indictment for embezzlement. After the change of plea had been allowed, Judge Kersten granted a motion for indefinite continuance made by Hunt's counsel.

### TWO FAMILIES IN THE FLAMES

One Child Perishes, Gallant Attempt at Rescue Failing.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 12.—One person is dead, one fatally injured and five less seriously as the result of a fire in a saloon and boarding-house at Broadway and Elizabeth streets, today.

The dead, Mary Herrick, aged 25 years. The injured: Mrs. Charles N. Herrick, the child's mother, fatally; Charles N. Herrick, the 2-year-old child of Mrs. Herrick; Thomas Norris, Ada Norris, Charles Anderson, Jack Ward.

Norris jumped from a second-story window, breaking his arm when he struck the pavement. Ignoring the injury, he rescued Mrs. Herrick and her 2-year-old boy, but could not get into the room again to rescue the other child.

### FROOK HIS CHOICE

Roosevelt Wants Him to Manage Navy, WHEN MORTON RETIRES

Was Asked to Head Panama Canal Commission.

HE IS WILLING TO ACCEPT

Pittsburg Millionaire and President of Mutual Admires, and Morton Will Retire Before Autumn.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—(Special)—There is a strong probability that Henry Clay Frick, formerly of Pittsburg but now a resident of New York City, may become Secretary of the Navy upon the retirement of Paul Morton. Mr. Morton has already asked President Roosevelt to let him go at his earliest convenience. Shortly before March 4 he promised the President he would remain in the Cabinet for a year, and if Mr. Roosevelt insists, he is in honor bound to redeem his pledge. But the expectation in administration circles is that the President will let Mr. Morton off some time during the summer or in the early autumn. It is also believed Mr. Frick is likely to be his successor.

### ONE OF NATION'S BIG MEN.

President Roosevelt is very fond of Mr. Frick and regards him, as do all others who know him well, as one of the biggest men in the country. The President's estimate of him was shown in his efforts to induce him to take the chairmanship of the Panama Commission and the "hundred-thousand-dollar-man" carrying on that great work for the government.

Though nothing has as yet been actually arranged about Mr. Frick's taking a seat in the Cabinet, his friends say he would be willing to accept such a place. It is not true, as has been rumored, that President Roosevelt offered him the Secretaryship of the Treasury. At least, if it is true, none of the President's advisers are aware of the fact.

Mr. Frick is only 55 years old and is in the prime of his life. He is a fond of Mr. Roosevelt as the President is of him, and while it cannot be said that Mr. Frick is ambitious to enter public life, the probabilities are that he would yield to the solicitation of his friend if the Navy portfolio were offered him.

It is not believed his connection with the Homestead labor troubles would prove an handicap to a public career if he were willing to enter upon one. Even labor unionists now express a great deal of admiration for the fine quality of nerve Mr. Frick displayed in that memorable contest, irrespective of the merits of the dispute between capital and labor.

### GREAT HIPPODROME IS OPENED

New York Is Treated to Immense Equine Spectacle.

NEW YORK, April 12.—The Hippodrome, New York's newest and largest place of amusement, was opened to the public tonight under the management of Thompson & Dundy, and every one of the 2000 seats was taken, some of them having been bought at auction at high premiums, and wherever there was standing space it was filled.

The performance began with the spectacle, "A Yankee Circus on Mars." The first scene showed a strange American circus about to be sold at auction. It is bought by a Marlian, who takes it to his planet, and this gives opportunity in the following scene to show very elaborate stage settings.

Following the circus on Mars came a spectacular production of American Civil War incidents, "Andersonville, a story of Wilson's Raiders." In this there was a battle scene, bringing numbers of mounted men on the stage, a great hippodrome tank was utilized in the battle scene, the gate part of the stage sinking, the process of submergence continuing for several minutes until the stage represented a river.

With mounted troops represented in retreat, horses and riders rush forward and plunge into the water, many feet deep. Many horses were in the water at the same time, and the magnitude of the presentation of the battle made a very effective scene.

The Hippodrome stage is remarkably large, and at times was crowded. Hundreds of persons and many animals, including elephants and horses, were in view at one time, making a very animated and picturesque stage scene. The circus specialties introduced in the first part of the performance were unusually good.