

SEEK FOR CANAL

Foreign Experts on Board Said to Favor This Plan.

QUESTION YET UNSETTLED

Commission Will Leave for the Isthmus of Panama About September 27—Studying the Plans and Data.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—A majority of the foreign members of the consulting board of engineers of the isthmian canal appear to favor a sea-level canal. No attempt has yet been made to pass upon this question at any of the regular board meetings...

NO MORE PANAMA FOR HIM

Salem Plumber Tells of His Experience on the Isthmus.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—"I don't believe I would enjoy more life in Panama," says John Kaiser, a well-known resident of Salem, who returned yesterday from the Isthmus, where he had been for several months working as a plumber on Government works.

As has been said in the papers, sanitary conditions in the Canal Zone are being rapidly improved, but they are still far from perfect. Even under improved conditions the American who goes there must take the greatest precautions to guard against malaria, fever and bubonic plague.

Mr. Kaiser was employed by the department engaged in improving the sanitary conditions. As a plumber he received 50 cents an hour, which, he says, is no more than a man could earn on similar work in this country.

CHARGES AGAINST YOUNG

Commander of Bennington to Be Tried for Neglect of Duty.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The Navy Department today made public the following charges and specifications on which Commander Lucien Young, who commanded the battleship Bennington, which was blown up by a boiler explosion in San Diego harbor, will be tried before a naval court-martial ordered convened at San Francisco today.

Reciting first, that Commander Young failed to enforce paragraph nine, article ten, United States Navy regulations, which provides that all valves on the engineering department are to be removed at least once each week; second, that he failed to enforce paragraph two, article 1698, which provides that the safety valves will be partially lifted after the hand gear at least once each week...

HAS NO FEAR OF COMPETITION

Germany Not Alarmed at American Trade in South America.

BERLIN, Sept. 15.—The action of President Roosevelt in sending Judge William L. Penfield, solicitor of the State Department, to investigate the trade relations between the countries of South America and those of Europe, with the view of improving commerce with the countries lying to the south of the United States, has attracted considerable attention here.

proddy treaty, between Cuba and the United States, which, although offering a heavy discrimination in favor of American imports, has not damaged the trade in Germany and other European goods to the extent apprehended, but that, on the contrary, imports from Germany are actually increasing in spite of the treaty.

CZAR THROWS DOWN BARS

Ukase Immediately Repeals Retaliatory Duties Against America.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 15.—An imperial ukase abolishing the retaliatory duties on American imports was gazetted today, and was placed in immediate effect at all the Custom-Houses by telegraphic orders from the Ministry of Finance. The ukase is as follows: Acting on the recommendation of the Minister of Finance, September 7, the Emperor has decreed: First—To revoke the order placing a higher duty on certain goods of United States origin, which are included under sections 22, 100, 134, 135, 137, 138, 139 and 1790 of the tariff and to revoke also the necessity for showing a certificate of origin of manufacture.

SUPPLY PRICES VARY WIDELY

Difference in Department Contracts Causes a Scandal.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The Keop Commission, engaged in investigating departmental methods and inaugurating reforms, particularly in the purchase of supplies, has discovered differences in prices of supplies ranging from 20 to 100 per cent. All departments buy under the same methods, letting contracts to the lowest responsible bidder, yet variations in price of specific articles are bought for different departments are said to be nothing less than sensational in illustrating the inadequacy of present methods.

Kaiser's Opinion of America.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Nicholas Murray Butler, professor at Columbia University, has arrived here on the steamship Baltic. He said relative to his conference with the German Emperor on educational matters: "I spoke to the Emperor relative to the exchange of German and American professors," said President Butler, "an exchange that was suggested by the German Emperor in his conference with me two years ago and we hope to act upon it in the near future."

Desertions Due to Poor Pay.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—General Frederick Funston, commanding the Department of California, in his annual report, quotes from his Judge-Advocate regarding desertions from the Army. "The latter ascribes desertions to the poor pay received by enlisted men compared to what men receive in civil occupations. General Funston says the buildings at the Presidio, San Francisco, are not a credit to the United States and should be replaced. There is no further reason for maintaining the post at Fort McDowell, he says. It should be abandoned."

Chief of Police of Panama.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Policeman Jiminez, of this city, has been appointed Chief of Police of Panama. He was so notified yesterday by Consul-General Amador. He is the second policeman selected from the New York force for the Republic of Panama. The former, Sergeant Jiminez, died of yellow fever, after a short stay in the Isthmus. Jiminez is Spanish and does not fear the disease.

Must Prepay Postage.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—Acting Postmaster-General Schellenberger today issued an order excluding from the mails for Canada 25 monthly and weekly publications unless postage is prepaid.

BRIEF TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

The creditors of the International Bank & Trust Company, of Mexico City, will liquidate the concern, which has \$200,000 assets and \$1,800,000 liabilities. The old Grant farm of 460 acres near St. Louis, the home of General U. S. Grant, has been sold for \$115,000 and will be converted into an amusement park. The German army maneuvers at Coblenz ended yesterday with a collision along the whole front. Emperor William did not command personally, as he usually does. Merritt Turner, an engineer on an Erie Railroad passenger train, fell dead of heart disease yesterday as he was about to apply the brakes on his engine at Deposit, N. Y.

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MASSACRE THREATENED TODAY

BAKU, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—A sinister rumor is current that a general anti-Armenian massacre will take place today. So strong is the rumor that police patrols have been augmented with strong detachments of troops, and this morning the authorities are exercising the most careful vigil to prevent any concerted movement on the part of Tartars against Armenians.

DYING BY OWN HAND

Komura Said to Be Committing Suicide.

TAKES HINT FROM JAPAN

Fellow-Countryman Says Peace Envoy Takes Denunciation of Treaty as Disgrace and Has Taken Poison.

SIKOU CITY, Ia., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Baron Komura, the Japanese peace plenipotentiary, is committing suicide, according to Takashita, manager of a troupe of vaudeville performers now appearing here. Takashita is highly educated and speaks English. In the course of an interview today regarding conditions in Japan, he inquired solicitously regarding the condition of Komura. He was told that it was no news.

DOCTORS STILL PUZZLED

Cannot Yet Decide Cause of Komura's Illness.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Although Dr. Edward Janeway was called into consultation today by the physicians already attending Baron Komura, the Japanese peace envoy, he was afterward announced that a conclusive diagnosis of the Baron's illness was still impossible. "Mr. Sato gave the first communication after the consultation of doctors," Dr. Janeway was called in this morning by Dr. Pritchard in the case of Baron Komura. As the result of the joint conference of the doctors, Janeway and Pritchard, it is announced that no final conclusion is yet possible. The Baron passed a quiet night. His condition indicates nothing serious or alarming.

MURDERED ON THE STREET

TARTARS KILLING OFF ENEMIES SINGLY AT BAKU.

They Make a Mark of Newspaper Men—Fighting Continues and Troops Are Sent In. LONDON, Sept. 15.—The correspondent of the Mail at Baku, under date of September 14, says: "Within the short space of two hours this morning five assassinations were committed in broad daylight in the busiest thoroughfares. The offenders, owing to the indifference of the police, who are mostly Tartars, sinister rumors that another Tartar attack on the Armenians is contemplated has caused a panic among the inhabitants."

TARTARS STILL ON WARPATH

Killing Off Newspaper Men—Troops Four Into Kutais.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 15.—A private dispatch from Tiflis says there was firing last night at various points in Armenia, resulting in considerable loss of life. The situation, the dispatch says, is alarming and there is great uneasiness among the Tartars. Five battalions of infantry, a battery of artillery and a body of Cossacks have been sent to Kutais. Cossacks have also been sent to Shulaveri, where encounters between the Tartars and Armenians are feared.

WILL INCREASE REVENUE

National Building Trades Council Revises Its Constitution.

DENVER, Sept. 15.—The National Building Trades Council today completed the revision of its constitution. The most important amendments include a change in the financial system whereby the revenue of the organization will be \$5,000 a year instead of between \$500 and \$600, as heretofore. The basis of representation whereby the international and national unions secure representation on the national level in the convention which makes the laws for the parent body is also changed.

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NOW'S THE TIME TO BUY AN ORGAN

Fine Organs for Homes or Churches Being Closed Out for Just About Half.

We have a large number of these used organs almost at a bargain price. It is necessary to get rid of them in order to make room for incoming Fall shipments of organs of our own regular line. We have taken the "short cut" to do this, reduced prices to almost nothing. Here is a partial list: Chicago Cottage, fancy carved walnut case, quarter-sawn oak case, with large mirror, only \$150. A very nice Prince & Co. chapel style, walnut case, \$100. Steinboeck, mahogany, piano case, \$125. Moline, lovely cabinet top, fancy carved walnut case, \$150. One of the popular Pacific Queens, made with special reference to Pacific Coast climate, quarter-sawn oak case, with large mirror, only \$145. Pelouset reed pipe, with five full sets reed organ case, \$300; goes for \$200. This is a great bargain. Very pretty Bridgeport, walnut case, \$150. Chicago Cottage, walnut case, beautifully carved, largest size, \$275. Another Chicago Cottage, not a year old, with large mirror, \$200. Bridgeport walnut case, case damaged in moving, but "inside" in perfect condition. Beautiful Kimball, in walnut case, panels of satin walnut, absolutely good as new, \$200. Another fine Kimball, largest size, satin walnut case, \$200. With beautiful Kimball, six octaves, case quarter-sawn oak, large plate-glass mirror, \$200. Steinboeck, quarter-sawn oak, fanciest style, \$15. Eatey, solid walnut case, \$200. Best Western, cannot be told from new, \$125. Mason & Hamlin, in perfect condition, \$250.

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HOME RULE FOR CAUCASUS

TIFLIS, Sept. 15.—The strike is at an end, and normal life has been resumed. The Viceroy today issued a long proclamation to the inhabitants of the Caucasus on the recent events, in which he describes the subversive work of the secret societies and groups who are endeavoring to change the existing state of things by illegal strife. The proclamation refers to the importance of the organization of a state domain, which he says will remove the existing causes for the secret societies, and calls on the population to assist in the pacification of the country.

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STORM IN PRAIRIE STATES KILLS FOUR PERSONS IN ONE PLACE, ONE IN ANOTHER.

SWELLS TO TORNADO, TEARING DOWN BUILDINGS AND SWAMPS MANY TOWNS WITH FLOODS. OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 15.—Western Iowa and Eastern Nebraska were visited today by the worst wind and rain storm of the year. In Omaha and Council Bluffs extensive damage was done, and the loss by wind and flooded basements will be extensive.

TORNADO KILLS ONE WOMAN

Also Demolishes Twenty Buildings. In Nebraska Town. BURWELL, Neb., Sept. 15.—A tornado killed Mrs. E. B. McKinney, aged 63, and demolished 15 residences and five store buildings in Burwell tonight. Frank Heinrich, Mrs. Leeper and Mrs. Dinnell are badly injured and several others hurt.

University of Idaho.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—On Monday the University of Idaho will begin its thirtieth year of work, and all evidence points to a record-breaking enrollment. Every part of the state will be represented in the student body. The prospective increase in attendance from the more remote parts of the state is especially gratifying to the university officials.

CLONDBURST IN KANSAS. Four Persons Drowned and Much Damage Done on Prairies.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 15.—An unusually heavy rainstorm, amounting almost to a cloudburst in proportions, and accompanied by a high wind in Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas, early today caused serious damage to property and the loss of at least four lives. An average of four inches of water fell. All streams are rising rapidly, but no great damage from this source is feared.

MOUNTAIN MYSTERY ENDS

Young Croso Reappears on the Illinois River. KERBY, Or., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The mystery of the mountains was cleared up Tuesday by the appearance of A. D. Croso, son of Hon. C. D. Croso, after having been lost for 13 days, at the home of Peter Bourne, on the Illinois River. Young Croso was prospecting in company with Al Reed on the head of Fall Creek, and disappeared from camp July 30. For 13 days he wandered in the mountains without food, with no gun nor means of building a fire. He lived on berries.

Rural Carriers Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Gustav Lange has been appointed regular carrier and Albert Lange substitute, on rural route No. 1, at Scappoose, Or.

NEGOTIATE WITH FREIGHTHANDLERS.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—Efforts to bring about an amicable adjustment of the trouble existing between the Chicago freighthandlers and the railroads were continued today. The officials of the railroads who were visited today by the committee stated that they were not offering any concession of any kind, but were willing to agree to the working conditions which existed last year. The general belief tonight is that the matter will be finally adjusted along the lines suggested by the railroads.

WHOLE FAMILY SWEEPED AWAY

FOUR DROWNED IN RAILROAD CAMP, TWO RESCUED FROM TREE. OTTAWA, Kan., Sept. 15.—A railroad camp at Maxson, near here, was swept away by a cloudburst last night. A woman and three children, names unknown, were drowned. A man and one child, members of the same family, were rescued today from a tree in which they had taken refuge. The storm, which was the severest in years in this vicinity, was

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