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FINANCIAL CRISIS SURELY PASSED

Constant Improvement Looked For All Over the United States.

BANKERS ARE NOW CHEERFUL

Swift Flurry Which Has Just Passed Will Have a Lasting Benefit on Banking—Confidence Being Rapidly Restored—Conditions Will Improve.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Prominent bankers and merchants in statements and interviews made public today agree that the financial crisis has passed and all look for constant improvement from now on.

William A. Nash, president of the Com Exchange Bank who is acting chairman of the clearing-house committee, and closely in touch with the situation last week, said:

"We should recover rapidly from the present trouble, and things in banking matters will go on a stronger basis than ever before. I feel optimistic and happy in view of the present aspect of this crisis, which I have felt for a long time was bound to come. We are passing from an era of bad banking to one of good banking."

Andrew Mills of the Dry Dock Savings Bank, dean of the corps of the savings bank presidents of the city, said:

"There can be no doubt that the financial hysteria through which we have just passed will be of lasting benefit, not alone to this city, but to the country at large. Confidence is being rapidly restored and I know it is generally conceded that the banking institutions of New York are perfectly sound."

"The use of clearing-house certificates cannot be avoided in any exigency until the present session of Congress gives us some wholesome legislation on the currency centers issuing clearing-house certificates, it would seem to provide a sufficient, object lesson to induce reform in the currency laws in the next session of Congress."

Gustave Schwab, an exporter, said: "In my opinion we have seen the worst of the crisis. I look forward to a speedy readjustment in which it will be found that everything is all right."

John Arbuckle, coffee and sugar merchant, said:

"It seems to me that business generally is so good that the situation in the financial field must improve. From what I have seen and heard of existing conditions, I have formed the impression that instead of saying 'the worst is yet to come,' as is so frequently said, when new conditions arise, 'the best is to come.'"

Robert G. Hogue, silk merchant, said: "Such a disturbance as the financial world has just passed through is like a cyclone. It does all its damage in a hurry. I think the financial cyclone has spent its force. From this time I look for improvements."

Cornell N. Bliss said: "There is little doubt the danger is over."

James E. Nichols of Austin Nichols & Co., said: "I believe the situation is well in hand and the action of the clearing-house and banks will establish credit as soon as the hysteria is diminished. Merchantile business everywhere in the country is excellent."

AERONAUTIC CONGRESS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Aeronautics whose practicability and amazing advances thrilled most of the world last week, through the performance of the contestants in the international cup race, will make a new era in its history with the meeting today and tomorrow of the international aeronautic congress in the name of the automobile club of America, in this city. Twenty papers prepared by the men foremost in the science of navigating the air will be presented and while they will be for the most part

technical, the popular side of aerial navigation will have full representation in addresses by the majority of the men who sailed across half the United States last week. This congress is a reassembling of men who 14 years ago, during the Chicago World's Fair, met in the interest of the then little-known science. Scores of new members will also attend, including the celebrated foreign and American aeronauts from the cup race, through together in this country. It was originally intended to hold this congress at the Jamestown Exposition, but for several reasons New York has been made the meeting place. Willis A. Moore, chief of the weather bureau, is president of the congress.

EXPENSE EXAGGERATED.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Oct. 28.—A dispatch from Mexico says on account of the magnificent manner in which Secretary Root was entertained here, exaggerated reports of the expense of this entertainment have been sent out. Although the government has made no statement of expense and probably will not, it is said that the expense will not exceed \$300,000 Mexican. Of course the entertainment for private persons will bring the entertainment higher. The expense to the government has been greatly exaggerated.

STEAMERS COLLIDE.

DOVER, Eng., Oct. 28.—The Red Star steamer Finland from New York, October 19, for Dover and Antwerp, collided this evening with the Southern Breakwater off this port and is supposed to be badly damaged as she is firing rockets for life boats to come to her assistance.

LIVED LIKE OUTCAST

Child Compelled to Sleep in the Cellar.

MOTHER ABUSES DAUGHTER

Forced to Sleep With Dogs, Abused and Neglected Little Martha Mohr is a Pitiable Example of a Mother's Unnatural Conduct.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—The case of Mrs. Annie Mohr, of Corona, L. I. charged with compelling her seven year old daughter to sleep in the basement with amongst house dog and with otherwise ill-treating the child is attracting attention to the unnatural treatment of a mother of her own child. Her family is in comfortable circumstances and there are two other children, both of whom are kept and well clothed. Martha the abused child is the second of the three children in the family. Both the elder and younger sister were in court when the mother was arraigned happy and smiling.

Peter Mohr, the father, in testifying said his wife took a strange unaccountable dislike to Martha and all efforts to overcome it were unavailing. They finally gave the child out for adoption, but that its foster-mother soon died and they were compelled to take Martha back home again.

No amount of persuasion could induce Mrs. Mohr to accept the little one as her own, and since then the child has simply lived like an outcast. When she appeared in court her body was covered with bruises, the marks of repeated beatings, while she covered in fear every time an unexpected move was made. In noticeable contrast to her two sisters, Martha's clothing was coarse and ragged.

The case is still pending in court, but meantime a children's society is caring for Martha.

NATE ROFF DEAD.

RENO, NEV., Oct. 28.—Nate Roff, state auditor of Nevada, supreme representative of the Knights of Pythias and a prominent man in Nevada, died last night at his home as the result of internal injuries received in a runaway accident ten days ago.

HOLD-UP ARTISTS ARE EX-CONVICTS

Ed Smith Positively Identified as George Hausser Paroled From Penitentiary.

TAKEN SECRETLY TO MONT.

Story of the Crime and Capture of the Bandits Who Obtained 40,000 in Greenbacks From the Great Northern Oriental Limited Near Rondo, Montana.

SPOKANE, Oct. 28.—Charles MacDonald and Ed Smith, arrested for the Great Northern hold-up at Rondo, Mont., were taken to Montana last night secretly in irons. The \$14,295 recovered was also sent to Montana. The men will be tried at Kalispell. Smith has been positively identified as George F. Hausser, sentenced to 14 years in the Montana penitentiary for burglary and released on parole last January.

The letters "E. M." tattooed on MacDonald's arm are believed to be his true initials. Both men decline to discuss the hold-up.

The suspects were captured in a diner attached to the Great Northern Limited at Hilliard, near Spokane, last Friday evening by detectives from the Pinkerton agency at this place and local officers. Telegraphic information from Bonner's Ferry gave the officers the clew which led to the arrest. Several nights ago they were seen at Bonner's Ferry spending money with a lavish hand, and as they were roughly dressed they excited the suspicion of a dancehall keeper and liverman at that place, who informed the officers here.

The crime for which the pair are being held was the holding up of the Oriental Limited, on the Great Northern Railway, at Rondo siding, six miles west of Rondo, Mont., and about 200 miles east of Spokane, at 2:35 a. m., September 12. Two masked men, who had been riding the blind baggage, climbed onto the tender and dropping into the cab covered the engineers with their revolvers and commanded them to bring the train to a stop. The train slowed down between the narrow defiles of a rock cut, the Kootenai river on one side and the mountains on the other.

The safe in an extra baggage and express car was blown open and \$40,000 in bank notes secured, after the engineer and express messenger had been ordered to the rear by one of the highwaymen, who kept his revolver trained on them. One of the men kept up a fusillade of shots along the side of the cars to terrify the passengers, who were not molested.

Passengers who peered through the

windows saw the robbers making off with several packages of greenbacks. A tramp who was riding on the train is said to have heard one of the robbers say, "Well, this looks pretty good to me. I guess this makes the job worth while," as he held up one of the packages. This tramp was taken back to Rexford, Mont., by the authorities, to be held as a witness.

The Marine Insurance Company was particularly interested in the apprehension of the train robbers. The \$40,000 secured by the robbers, which was being shipped by registered letter from the Commercial National Bank of Chicago to Spokane, was protected by being insured against loss with the Marine Company. Following the robbery the insurance company reimbursed the parties to whom the money had been consigned in full of the amount lost.

D. W. Twohy, president of the Old National Bank, to which the money was consigned, said last evening that the exact amount stolen was \$40,000.

In the event of a conviction, which at this time seems undoubted, the officers effecting the capture will divide \$15,000 reward money among themselves.

SURVIVORS SUFFER.

ROME, Oct. 28.—A correspondent has succeeded in reaching Ferrazano. He found the town a mass of ruins, scarcely a single house standing. The ruined houses have been converted into a tomb, occupied by the dead and the living. A majority of the survivors have fled. Those remaining are hoping against hope they will be able to rescue buried relatives.

The inhabitants are semi-nude, most of them wearing the night clothes they had on when the earthquake came. They are drenched through and through, having no shelter from the steadily falling rain. Mute desperation and terror are depicted in their faces, many of them weeping silently.

The parish priest is making a round of the ruined houses, reciting prayers for the dead and administering extreme unction to the dying.

Squads of soldiers are engaged in salvaging bodies. The majority of injured inhabitants are sheltered in military tents. Doctors are kept busy attending them. A long row of bodies is awaiting identification and the scenes witnessed are heartrending.

WILL ELECTRIFY SYSTEM.

Pocatello, Oct. 28.—A special to the Tribune from Spokane says: A special dispatch from Washington to the Spokesman-Review conveys news of what is considered to be the beginning of a plan to electrify the entire Harriman system. The Washington dispatch says that the forest service has issued a permit to the Southern Pacific for a power site and conduits in the Cascade national forests. Information is given out that work on developing hydro-electric power at the site selected will begin at once.

An electrification of the Harriman lines in the northwestern states will result in a prompt solution of the problem of annually recurring coal famines.

PREVENT BANKS BEING DRAINED

The Chicago and San Francisco Clearing Houses Will Safely Guard Money.

WITHDRAWAL RULE ENFORCED

Restricted Until Currency Conditions Attain a Normal Position—If Depositor Can't Get Money as One Else Central San Francisco Gets in Line.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—In order that the money depositor may be safeguarded, the banks of Chicago will go largely in a checking basis. They will do this because the financial flurry had forced such a course to prevent the withdrawal of currency from Chicago. But if in a short time the depositor does not get his money in cash as freely as heretofore he will have the comfort that no one else can get it; that it will be safe and held for his account until present abnormal conditions change. Meanwhile he will receive in exchange for his own check, the check of his bank—something as good as cash. The money of the savings depositor will be preserved far beyond all danger of runs that might be precipitated. Through the enforcement of the rule requiring a notice of from 30 to 60 days on the withdrawal of savings, the money of small depositors will be held intact till the flurry is over.

"You can't get your money, but it's safe, is the way one banker put it. It is the unanimous opinion of bankers that the precautionary measures will prevent banks from being drained of cash by the outside demand for money. The plan is to pay out no more cash than is absolutely necessary. Factories and other firms will receive cash as usual for their weekly pay rolls, but in case the stringency should be prolonged even this disbursement may be curtailed. Commercial depositors will be met with the announcement that payment of currency is to be restricted as far as possible.

A business man may be met with objections if he asks for cash but he can have his balance if he takes it in the form of a check. In this way the cash will be held in Chicago.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—At a meeting of the San Francisco Clearing-House Association tonight it was decided to issue clearing-house certificates, following the methods adopted in many eastern business centers. Local banking conditions were reported sound and satisfactory. The clearing-house certificate blank, it was declared, was adopted mainly to prevent hoarding and to protect the credit structures of the west on account of demands growing out of eastern conditions.

BANKS WILL RESUME.

TONOPAH, Nev., Oct. 28.—There is no excitement in Tonopah today. The Wingfield & Nixon bank had deficits exceeding four times its withdrawals up to 11 a. m. The Nevada First National Bank had \$20,000 deposits in excess of its withdrawals. Frank Golden, the head of the Nye & Ormsby Bank is expected here tonight, when the matter of the resumption of that institution will be taken up. Cashier Cushman, of the State Bank & Trust Company says advices from headquarters at Carson City are that the bank will resume in a short time.

STEAL AND FIRE.

BERKELEY, Cal., Oct. 28.—Burglary was committed and arson attempted on the "College Barber Shop" on Center street, at an early hour this morning. The thieves gained entrance by means of a broken window in the rear of the shop. A broken board in the high fence which separated the lot from that of the Commercial school, on Allison Way, plainly showed the way they entered the place, and a cigarette butt found on the window sill was thought to have been left by the midnight visitors.

Only the watchfulness and timely prevention of Policeman Elson prevented the town from being swept by a devastating fire which was started to cover up the deed of the burglars. Elson was making his usual rounds on Center street at 2 o'clock yesterday morning when he noticed a glare in the front end of the barber shop, which is owned by Joe Ruben. He hurriedly turned in the alarm and the fire department succeeded in getting the flames under control before a great deal of damage was done.

BELIEVES IN ORIENTALS.

OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 28.—Joseph Miller, the "Poet of the Sierra," in a lecture last night at California College in East Oakland, taking as his subject, "Beneath the Things That Are Caesar's," gave extensive personal views on the Asiatic question in California and the country at large. His appeal for better treatment of Oriental races was fervid and carefully listened to by the goodly gathering that had assembled to hear the California bard. He took a firm position in behalf of the Mongolians, under the argument that they are a peaceful class and desirable citizens for any country.

ALMOST A RIOT.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 28.—Senator Tillman's lecture here last night almost precipitated a riot. The progress in the audience recited the speaker's utterances and the excitement reached its height when Tillman called Rev. E. W. Winkman, a white Baptist minister, a liar. A woman socialist prevented further trouble by asking Tillman questions on the social evil.

CRIMINAL ASSAULT

Raymond Hitchcock, Actor, Arrested in New York.

WELL KNOWN ON THIS COAST

Two Young Girls Tell Story to the District Attorney—Hitchcock Claims Brother of One of the Girls Tried to Blackmail Him, Demanding \$300.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Raymond Hitchcock, actor, who is starring in a musical production, on Broadway, was arrested today charged with criminal assault. The arrest was made following a visit to the district attorney's office of two young girls, who were closeted with him for more than two hours. Hitchcock refused to make any statement concerning the matter.

Concerning the charge against him, he recently caused the arrest on a charge of blackmail of a brother of one of the girls who made the charge against him today. He said the man demanded \$2500 to prevent publication of the story in the newspapers. Hitchcock is held in \$3000 bail for the hearing on Thursday.

RUSSIAN GENERAL KILLED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 28.—A young woman who has not been identified, presented herself at the weekly reception of General Maximoffsky, and remained quietly in the crowded ante-room until it was her turn to enter the general's private office. When in his presence the woman drew a revolver and fired seven shots point blank into the general's body.

RE-OPEN OFFICES.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—The Western Union for the first time since the strike of the telegraphers re-opened a number of branch offices in this city. Within the last two days 29 operators have returned to work in this city and 26 in St. Louis.

DIES OF APOPLEXY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—John Barrett, news editor of the Examiner, died of apoplexy this afternoon. He was walking on Van Ness avenue when he was stricken.



Uncle Sam—Six million pounds of provisions you want, eh? Well, I won't keep you waiting a minute over your time.