

# NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

## FAIR IS FAILURE.

### Uncle Sam Can't Get Money Back from Jamestown.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Uncle Sam may become gatekeeper at the Jamestown exposition this week. He materially assisted in financing the undertaking, but has been unable to get his money back according to agreement.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasurer Edwards is now upon the ground for conference with those in charge, and unless some definite assurance can be given that installment payments will be made on the government loan, he may place a representative at the gates to take charge of the receipts.

At the treasury department it is stated that patience has been exhausted waiting for some evidence to be shown of a serious intention to reimburse the government. By an act of congress \$1,000,000 was advanced out of the public treasury to aid in the opening of the fair, and with the consent of the exposition company it was stipulated that 40 per cent of the gross receipts would be paid the government in July, when the first installment on the loan was due, and that on August 1 and every half month thereafter \$100,000 should be paid.

Weather and other conditions were adverse to the exposition at the beginning, and delay in installing exhibits kept many visitors away.

## Settling Zone Difference.

Washington, Aug. 21.—Secretary Taft before leaving concluded arrangements with representatives of the United States of Colombia and Panama for the settlement of the issues between these countries and the United States growing out of the separation of Panama and the creation of the canal zone. It provides for three treaties, one of which, if approved by the president and Secretary Root, probably will be sent to the next session of senate.

## Ask Guard for Operators.

Washington, Aug. 23.—Representatives of the telegraph companies visited the War department today, asking for soldiers at Ash Fork, Ariz., to protect the operators against another attack. General Bell advised them to apply to the governor of Arizona. If the governor decided that troops are necessary, he would so request President Roosevelt, who undoubtedly would honor the request.

## Keeps Ahead of Budget.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Pan-American canal construction work is proceeding faster than was calculated in the estimate presented to congress. This year's work will cost \$8,000,000 more than the appropriation, owing to the rapidity of construction. Colonel Goethals, however, will continue to work in advance of the appropriation, expecting that congress will make good.

## Navy Officials Start.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Brigadier General Murray, chief of artillery, and Commander Spencer Wood, of the navy, started for the Pacific coast, where they will lay out the so-called defense sea areas, similar to those established on the Atlantic coast. They will visit Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and San Diego.

## Cutter Manning Hits Rock.

Washington, Aug. 20.—A telegram received by the Treasury department reports that the revenue cutter Manning yesterday ran upon an uncharted rock near Valdez, Alaska. As Captain Cantwell added that he proceeded to Sitka for repairs, it is believed the Manning is not seriously damaged.

## Taft is Off to Manila.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Secretary Taft left here today on the first stage of his trip to Manila. He is expected to make a notable speech in Columbus, O. At Seattle he will be joined by members of his family. Mr. Taft will return in December, via Suez, completing a trip around the world.

## Federation Asks Damages.

Washington, Aug. 24.—President Gompers said today that the American Federation of Labor would probably sue the National Manufacturers' association on the charge of the conspiracy in beginning a concerted effort for injuring organized labor.

## Seek Bank Clerk and \$11,000.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Edwin H. Potts, until a few days ago a trusted employe of the American National bank, is being sought by the police on a charge of stealing \$11,000 worth of Erie railroad stock certificates.

## Faster Work on Canal.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The Isthmian canal commission will expedite canal excavating 20 per cent by contracting for 14 new steam shovels in addition to the 60 now working.

## Railroad Selection Approved.

Washington, Aug. 23.—The secretary of the interior has approved the selection of 400 acres of land by the Northern Pacific railroad in the Coeur d'Alene land district, Idaho.

## Hold Examination at Boise.

Washington, Aug. 23.—The Civil Service commission announces that clerk-carrier examinations for the post-office service will be held at Boise, Idaho, August 28.

## Ordered to Bremerton Yard.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Assistant Engineer A. C. Bastron, U. S. N., has been ordered to duty at the Puget sound navy yard.

## WOULD MAKE RED WHITE.

### Experts Find Signal Lights Have Two Meanings on Railroads.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The board of experts appointed to investigate the signal system of railroads of the United States will be confronted at the outset with the fact that there has been completed a more or less startling revolution in block-signal practice during recent years. This is nothing less than changing the universal and time-honored white light from a safety signal to a danger signal.

Ever since block-signaling went into effect on American railways, and even before that time, the white light at night has been notice of safety to men on "head end." It still is so on a majority of lines, but generally managers throughout the country have decided almost without exception that the best signal practice discards the white light as a sign of "clear ahead" and transfer its meaning to "something wrong; stop immediately."

This revised language has become such because of the fact that it has been discarded from the signal lexicon of the best authorities and by many of the largest railway systems of the United States.

## HARRIMAN WAS OWNER.

### In Control of Chicago & Alton When Granted Immunity.

New York, Aug. 23.—A Washington special to the Herald says: That E. H. Harriman was in control of the Chicago & Alton railroad when it made its "immunity" bargain with the department of justice and gave evidence which led to the imposition of a \$29,240,000 fine upon the Standard Oil company was established today, when it was officially learned that the promise of immunity was extended in June, 1906. The Alton, under the joint control agreement revealed by the Interstate Commerce commission, is now controlled by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad, dominated by the Moore brothers, but in June, 1906, it was controlled by Mr. Harriman.

Whether Mr. Harriman knew of the immunity bargain cannot be learned here and will not be known until C. B. Morrison, who, as United States District attorney in Chicago, gave the promise of immunity with the approval of Attorney General Moody, arrives here on Monday.

## Uncle Sam Makes Good.

North Yakima, Wash., Aug. 22.—Mrs. Wilbur Spencer, who lost \$109 in paper currency in a fire which destroyed her home in Toppenish some time ago, has recovered \$40 of it from the United States Treasury. Mrs. Spencer found the charred remnants of two \$20 certificates after the fire and gave them to Cashier Goodrich, of the local bank. Mr. Goodrich forwarded the two pieces of paper to the treasury, together with affidavits setting forth the facts of the case, and a reply was promptly received.

## Delegates Favor Arbitration.

The Hague, Aug. 22.—Nearly all governments have instructed their peace delegation to endeavor to bring about some obligatory arbitration, also the establishment of a permanent court of arbitration in order to save the conference from a failure. Efforts of delegates are now directed towards the arrangement of a treaty with Germany, which country had thus far opposed a world treaty on the ground that it would minimize arbitration.

## Northwest Postal Affairs.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Rural route No. 4, has been ordered established October 16, at Vancouver, Clark county, Washington, serving 600 people and 115 families.

Albert L. West has been appointed regular, with W. J. Edwards substitute, rural carrier for route No. 3 at Sherwood, Oregon. Joseph Trecker has been appointed postmaster at Goshen, Wash., vice P. G. Cooke, resigned.

## Goes Over the Testimony.

Washington, Aug. 21.—Attorney General Bonaparte conferred several hours today with District Attorney Sims, of Chicago, going over the testimony taken in the Standard Oil trial at Chicago to determine to what extent the evidence given by Harriman and other Chicago & Alton officials would render them immune to prosecution growing out of the so-called Alton deal.

## Redding Man Recommended.

Washington, Aug. 17.—Senators Perkins and Flint have recommended that Judge Edward Sweeney, of Redding, be appointed superintendent of the mint at San Francisco to succeed Frank Leach.

## Wireless Stations on Coast.

Washington, Aug. 21.—The Army and Navy departments have arranged to co-operate in maintaining wireless communication between Nome and St. Michaels, Alaska, and Seattle and San Francisco.

## Buffalo to Aid Cutter Patrol.

Washington, Aug. 21.—Naval transport Buffalo sailed for Puget sound yesterday to assist the revenue cutters in patrolling the sealing waters in the vicinity of the Fribyloff islands.

## Portland Man Gets Clerkship.

Washington, Aug. 21.—Jack J. Wochos, of Portland, has been appointed a clerk in the office of the shipping commissioner at San Francisco.

## ANXIOUS FOR TRIAL.

### Borah Will Do Nothing to Impede Legal Proceedings.

Boise, Idaho, Aug. 23.—The statement made by Attorney General Bonaparte that Senator Borah was to be given an immediate trial was shown to District Attorney Ruick, and he was asked if he had received any word from Attorney General Bonaparte respecting the trial of Senator Borah. He replied that he had nothing to say. When asked as to the date for the convening of court next month, he replied that the session would take up September 9.

The matter referred to is the reported indictment of Senator Borah by the United States grand jury that met here in March. No official statement on the subject had ever been made until the attorney general gave out the statement sent from Washington. The understanding is that an indictment was found charging the senator with having had some irregular connections with timber transactions under which the Barber Lumber company acquired title to certain timber lands. Great secrecy was maintained about the whole matter at the time the grand jury was in session and nothing whatever of an official character had been given to the public until the department of justice gave out the statement that an immediate trial was to be given the senator. That is the first official utterance indicating an indictment was found.

## IMBUED WITH HOPE.

### Portland Operators Far From Discouraged Over Situation.

Portland, Aug. 23.—There was nothing in the countenance of the little group of telegraph operators gathered in the strike headquarters at the Edmond hotel last night that would indicate discouragement over the situation. They discussed with earnestness various phases of the progress of the strike.

"We have the wires tied up all over the country in spite of reports to the contrary. Why, if a man puts a message on the wire, say, at Chicago for a coast point it is more than likely to go up into the air before fairly getting under way. He has no way to find out whether it got started, even, or not."

"We have daily reports from the chief officers in the East and letters in every mail and can say that Portland seems to have a better service today than any place in the country, and you know what we have here. The latest we have from Chicago is the dispatch received this evening stating that out of the 1,700 operators in that city we have not lost a man through desertion."

"We also hear that a strike has taken effect among the strikebreakers in that city. It seems that the company makes no distinction between first-class operators and novices in the matter of pay."

## MANNING WILL PROSECUTE.

### District Attorney Will Investigate Failure of Portland Bank.

Portland, Aug. 23.—Two announcements stand out as the most important developments yesterday in the Oregon Trust & Savings bank failure: District Attorney Manning's statement that he would prosecute the officers and directors of the bank if his investigations warranted such action, and President W. H. Moore's assurance that the bank's assets would be able to pay the depositors dollar for dollar if he were given reasonable time, unhampered by criminal prosecution or Federal bankruptcy proceedings.

Sitting as a grand jury this morning, District Attorney Manning will hear the testimony of depositors who entrusted funds to the Oregon Trust & Savings bank on Tuesday, the last day of its existence. If this evidence shall be that officials of the bank accepted deposits after the institution was insolvent, active prosecution will be started and Mr. Manning promises to land the guilty in the penitentiary.

A complaint has been made out for the arrest of the officers of the bank and a Tuesday depositor will sign the complaint today, should Mr. Manning's investigation prove the truth of the accusations already made by late depositors.

## Specimen for Mining Congress.

Joplin, Mo., Aug. 23.—The production of lead and zinc in the Missouri-Kansas district this year will be larger than ever before. Last year the production amounted to more than \$15,000,000. During the 32 weeks of this year the district has produced almost \$12,000,000 worth. Great care is being taken to get fine ore specimens for the exhibit to be made at the American Mining congress which convenes here in November. Recently a piece of lead ore weighing 1,500 pounds was hoisted from a mine at Granby, Mo.

## Strike Nears End.

San Francisco, Aug. 23.—After a heated meeting of the general strike committee Supervisor Tveitmo, who is a member of the committee, said: "We will all ride in a week. United Railroads bond holders are affecting a settlement of the strike. A thousand men will apply for reinstatement on the cars on a day to be set soon. Recognition of the union will not be discussed. Hours and wages will be settled between the men and the company."

## Jews Yet to Conquer World.

The Hague, Aug. 23.—The close today of the eighth International Zionist congress, which has been in session in this city since August 14, was marked with great enthusiasm. Dr. David Wolff, of Odessa, delivered the closing speech. He said, among other things, that the Jewish people must yet conquer the world.



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	Arrives Albany..... 7:15 A. M.
No. 8—	Leaves Corvallis..... 1:30 P. M.
	Arrives at Albany..... 2:10 P. M.
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	Arrives at Albany..... 6:40 P. M.
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	Arrives at Albany..... 11:45 A. M.
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