

Whole State Rain-soaked.

Has Been Storming for Days and Farmers Are Happy—Barometer Now Rising and Weather Bureau Says There Will be a Clearing Up and Frost Tonight—Sugar Beet Sections Will Be Greatly Benefited.

The whole State of Utah is rain-soaked. In some sections there has also been a considerable fall of snow. The precipitation has been heavy—the heaviest of any storm since the big May rainfall of two years ago.

Logan—Cloudy and showery today. Previous to this morning it has been raining almost continuously for 24 hours. The whole valley is thoroughly soaked.

Brigham City—There have been heavy rains for a couple of days. Clearing up today. In the mountains heavy rains are expressed as to the possible damage that following frosts might do to the fruit crops.

Heber City—Lots of snow and rain today; not much last night. Been storming for two or three days. Clearing up today. In the mountains heavy rains are expressed as to the possible damage that following frosts might do to the fruit crops.

Provo—There has been more rain here than for a long time. The farmers and fruitmen though the latter are waiting anxiously to see whether there will be any frost after the storm is over.

Albion—It has rained all night and is still showering. The best fields are checked and the amount of precipitation is the greatest amount of precipitation. Fruit growers are asking about the likelihood of frost and for the next few days there is likely to be no little measure.

Montpelier—Deep snow in the mountains; heavy rain in the valleys; all farmers and fruit growers happy; sheepmen are gloomy over big losses; still raining heavily.

St. George—Storm quite light here; no damage from frost; considerable snow and rain in Pine Valley; everything frosted in northern part of county; heavy rains only in this section of the county.

THE STORM HERE. Precipitation Amounted to 1.60 Inch; May Normal, Year's Deficiency 80. The storm is breaking up this afternoon, leaving as a remembrance of its visit a precipitation of 1.60 inches—rain in the lowlands and snow in the mountains.

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FUNERAL SUNDAY IN OGDEN

From Weber Stake Tabernacle—President Smith Gets Full Particulars of Death.

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Salt Lake's "The Center."

Has Too Big a Future and is Too Much of a Strategic Point To be Neglected by the Gould System, Says Traffic Director A. C. Bird—Important Changes Will be Made But They Will Be in the Direction of Strength.

Traffic Director A. C. Bird, who holds a similar position for the entire Gould system as does J. C. Stubbs for the Harriman lines, spent a few hours in Salt Lake today on his way east on an inspection trip in his private car. A. Mr. Bird was accompanied by Traffic Manager A. S. Hughes of the Rio Grande system, also by a small party of friends. Before leaving Salt Lake at 1 o'clock for a visit to the smelters, Mr. Bird got through with a lot of business. He visited the various agencies under his jurisdiction and called upon some friends. The party also attended an organ recital at the Tabernacle and was loud in praise of the beautiful organ.

Prior to his departure Mr. Bird in an interview stated to the "News" that while there might be some changes following his visit that they would be in the direction of strengthening the Gould system in this territory. "I have been on a long trip looking into the situation," he said, "and nothing definite will be forthcoming until I have returned home and am able to confer with the traffic director. The situation is entirely new to me, consequently I am not in a position to say what will be for the best just now."

"Salt Lake need have no fear, however, for the agencies here will be made just as strong as we can get them. Salt Lake is too big a strategic point to be neglected in any particular. It is the center of a traffic region and has a big future before it." While Mr. Bird did not go on to give away any state secrets as to Mr. Gould's plans for the Pacific agencies on the west coast, he did say that he was very much interested in the situation. "I have been on a long trip looking into the situation," he said, "and nothing definite will be forthcoming until I have returned home and am able to confer with the traffic director. The situation is entirely new to me, consequently I am not in a position to say what will be for the best just now."

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PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY DOINGS.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 22.—Promptly at 10 o'clock this morning the commissioners to the general Presbyterian assembly gathered in Emmanuel church for a business session.

Simultaneously with the meeting of the commissioners in Emmanuel church the annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Home Missions held at 10 o'clock in the First Presbyterian church.

The general assembly was called to order by Moderator Cayle and business was immediately begun with the reading of the report of Rev. W. H. Roberts, clerk of the assembly on revision of creed overtures.

Wm. R. Roberts concluded his report Dr. Van Dyke moved its adoption, which was carried without dissent.

The assembly then turned its attention to the long list of reports of special committees submitted for approval. Reading of these reports consumed the remainder of the morning session.

MR. HARRIMAN IMPROVING. Today His Condition is Reported to Be Excellent. New York, May 22.—E. H. Harriman is improving steadily. His condition today is reported as excellent.

Bonus for Remington Employees. Hartford, Conn., May 22.—The Remington Typewriter company of Ilion has announced that it will give a bonus of \$200 to each of its employees for the year 1913.

Carried Gasoline in Violation of Revised Statutes. Seattle, Wash., May 22.—The steamer Blanche, owned by the company of Seattle and Tacoma, was seized yesterday by officials of the custom house, and fined \$500 for carrying gasoline in violation of the revised statutes.

Big Fire in Brooklyn. New York, May 22.—A building in Brooklyn occupied by Frank Jenner & Company, manufacturers of fire-proof safes, and eight other buildings, chiefly apartment houses, were destroyed by fire today. The loss is \$100,000.

Negro Valet's Gay Adventure. New York, May 22.—A negro valet named A. L. Allen, in the service of an Antwerp family, was arrested yesterday for a gay adventure in New York. He was charged with carrying a pistol on his person.

REQUISITION PAPERS. Signed Today by Governor Wells for Return of Folkenstein. Governor Wells today issued requisition papers for the return to this city of Frederick von Folkenstein, who is wanted here for raising a check, issued by the Western Sheet and Metal Works company, from \$10 to \$20.

CHINESE LABOR INSPECTOR. Government Will Have One in Salt Lake Hereafter. Mr. A. W. Paine of Boston, a Chinese inspector for the new government department of commerce and labor, is in the city arranging for the opening of a branch office of the department here.

PUPILS IN THE SCHOOLS. April Enrollment Shows a Decrease Over Month of March. The report of the Salt Lake schools for the month of April shows a total enrollment of 11,655 pupils, which is a decrease from the enrollment of the previous month. The average number of pupils per teacher was 28.

Russia Factors Open Door Policy

Ambassador McCormick Says Czar's Government Was Emphatic in Declaring Itself to be One With America in Regard to China—Does Not Consider Far Eastern Situation Serious.

London, May 22.—Ambassador McCormick is here for a few days on his way from St. Petersburg to America. He says on the Kronprinz Wilhelm Wednesday next with his wife and Miss Patterson. The St. James Gazette today prints an interview with him, in which he is quoted as saying: "One of my last official acts before leaving St. Petersburg was to interrogate the Russian government on its policy toward Manchuria. I was assured that Russia had no desire to see the Manchurian ports closed to the United States or to have its consuls excluded. The Russian government was emphatic in declaring that it was at one with America in the open-door policy in China and that applies to the United States must apply to every other power. Your government also received and accepted similar assurances. I know Mr. White is a firm advocate of the open-door policy and I have every reason to believe that Russia is quite sincere in the matter. She points out that it is in her own interest to have an open-door policy, and I think that is the case. The Russian statement are very anxious that the Siberian railroad should be a success, so that it may get freight in large quantities. Russia cannot of herself supply a sufficient amount to make the railroad the desired success."

"You do not consider the situation in the far east is in any way serious on account of Russia's policy in Manchuria?" "I do not," replied Mr. McCormick. "I can see nothing at present which need alarm us or any other country." McCormick added that the relations between the United States and Russia at the present moment were of a most friendly character.

"Do you think the United States will view Mr. Chamberlain's policy in regard to protection with disfavor?" "I do not see why it should," answered Mr. McCormick. "We have set you the example. The suggestion is to let the United States take the lead in the matter."

Ten Train, May 4.—Via San Francisco, May 22.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Reports from Peking are not calculated to allay the uncertainty in Japan as to Russia's intentions in Manchuria. While the original "seven domain" plan by Russia on China was conditions for implementing the second period evacuation clause of the Manchurian convention have been officially withdrawn. It is now stated that the evacuation of Manchuria has been officially withdrawn. It is now stated that the evacuation of Manchuria has been officially withdrawn.

PACIFICATION OF ALBANIA. Owing to the Suppression of News it is Believed the Plans of the Government Are Miscarrying—Albanians Known to Have Planned an Attack on Servian Monastery. Constantinople, May 22.—The suppression of news from Albania engenders the belief that the government plans for the pacification of that part of Turkey are miscarrying.

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EXTINGUISHED GERMANS HERE.

Party of Forty-four Agriculturists Stop Over in Salt Lake and View With Admiration the Many Sights to be Seen—Organ Recital and Trip to Saitair.

Spechen sie Deutsch? If not there was little need of your being a resident of Salt Lake today, for it was owned, practically, by a party of 44 German agriculturists who came in over the Rio Grande yesterday. The distinguished gentlemen were met at the depot this morning by members of the local German society. They were escorted to the Knutsford hotel, where lunch was served, after which the visitors were shown about the city and viewed with a great deal of satisfaction the many sights to be seen here. Particularly delighted were they with the Temple block, where they gazed with admiration upon the Temple and Tabernacle. The purpose and directions of which were clearly explained by Mr. A. I. Schultze, who was in charge for the local committee. The gentlemen were happy to ask questions, each of which was promptly answered to the intense satisfaction of the party.

The speaker was met with a good round of applause and at the close of his remarks the visitors were invited to view the organ, which they did with much interest. Later they were introduced to Professor Schultze, which all acknowledged by standing up. In the afternoon the party was taken to the organ recital, which was given at the Knutsford hotel. The organ was played by Professor Schultze, who was in charge for the local committee. The gentlemen were happy to ask questions, each of which was promptly answered to the intense satisfaction of the party.