

## JOHN D. IS BACK AGAIN

### WILL TAKE ACTIVE INTEREST IN MANAGEMENT.

### ROGERS HAS LOST HIS HEALTH

Within the Past Few Days John D. Rockefeller Has Twice Been at His Office, Though Not Before in Eight Long Years.

New York, Sept. 19.—Things of one kind or another have been happening to the Standard Oil company and the companies it is interested in so fast in the last few months that John D. Rockefeller has decided it is time for him to take a hand, and it was learned today that he has been down at his office twice in the last two weeks, although before that he had not been down for eight years.

He did a good deal of looking around on these two occasions, and it is understood that he is going to keep close watch on the management of the company until several important matters are cleared up. This will not cease until a successor for Henry H. Rogers, who has been the active head of the organization for a long time and who is now to retire on account of ill health, has been chosen.

### WORST WINTER IN THIS VALLEY

1880-1 Terrible, According to Biggest Baltimore Baker.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 19.—Declaring that the winter of 1880-81, which he passed in the then new Elkhorn river country in Nebraska, was one of the most interesting periods in his life, although filled with many discomforts, A. A. White, of Baltimore, Md., who is the head of the largest baking concern in that city, arrived yesterday to become the guest of Mayor W. G. Sears, whom he met during the famous cold "spell."

Mr. White had come to the northwest at that time for his health and selected Stanton, Neb., as his home for the winter. Mayor Sears had just been graduated from the law school and in looking for a place to hang out his shingle had gone there to attend to the legal wants of the people. Stanton had but 200 inhabitants then and the future chief executive of Sioux City did not find his services in great demand. He had formed a partnership which did not prove any too profitable.

Between the young lawyer and the southerner sprang up a strong friendship which has been continued through the twenty-seven years. Stanton is only seventy odd miles from Sioux City and the old settlers in this section do not have any difficulty in remembering the severity of the winter. In the Elkhorn river country the snow fell to a terrific depth and the cold was intense. At one time there was no train service for over a week. The floods in the following spring were the worst that have ever been seen and great damage was done.

Mr. Sears left the town at the end of the winter and later located at Toledo, Iowa, where he lived before coming to Sioux City. Some time during the week Mr. Sears and Mr. White will take a trip to Stanton and view the scenes of their young manhood.

### FALLS WITH LOAD OF HAY.

Lindsay Man Gets Hard Fall and Breaks Leg, Tears Ligaments. Lindsay, Neb., Sept. 19.—Special to The News: P. J. Petersen met with quite a serious accident hauling a load of hay. The load tipped over, throwing him violently to the ground. His leg was broken and ligaments about the ankle joint were torn and sprained. He will probably keep a stiff ankle.

### 6,000 ODD FELLOWS IN LINE.

Climax of Annual Convention of Grand Lodge at St. Paul. St. Paul, Sept. 19.—The festivities incident to the annual convention of the sovereign grand lodge of Odd Fellows reached a climax in the annual parade. About 6,000 persons were in line. It was an elaborate spectacle, with its floats, tableaux and uniformed ranks.

### Primary Decision.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 19.—Special to The News: In an opinion issued this morning Attorney General Thompson holds that only vacancies existing since the primaries may be filled. Names written in the ballots cannot be counted and defeated candidates may go on by petition. This decision keeps democrats from putting up a man to contest with Clarke.

## CLAIMS THE CHAMP BELT

### VALENTINE BALL TEAM HAS CLOSED SEASON.

### SAYS IT CAN BEAT THE BEST

By a Little Geometrical Figuring, the Valentine Ball Club Claims to Demonstrate That it is Entitled to Northwest Honors.

Valentine, Neb., Sept. 19.—Special to The News: The Valentine ball team have just closed a very successful season and lay claim to the championship of northwest Nebraska. This is not merely assuming the title but has been well earned by the good ball which the team played. This honor will readily be seen to be clear by the following games which were played between teams of the northwest: Ainsworth beating Atkinson and O'Neill; Johnstone winning from Ainsworth and Valentine winning two successive games from Nebraska State historical society.

### BASEBALL RESULTS

American League—Cleveland, 2; St. Louis, 9; Washington, 2; Boston, 1; Detroit, 2-3; Chicago, 3-2. National League—Boston, 2; New York, 10; Cincinnati, 1; Chicago, 2 (10 innings).

### EPIDEMIC OF BERI-BERI FEARED

#### Nebraska Health Inspector Orders Afflicted Japs Segregated.

Lincoln, Sept. 19.—Fear of an epidemic of beri-beri, a disease with which twenty Japanese laborers at Alvo are afflicted, prompted City Physician Slattery to order an inspection of the Orientals in this city and he will endeavor to have it extended to the entire county. Dr. W. H. Wilson, state health inspector, visited the camp at Alvo and ordered the afflicted laborers segregated. He pronounced the disease beri-beri. No official action on the part of the state board of health has been taken. Many Japanese are employed in railroad construction work near Lincoln.

#### BULLET ENTERS HIS HEART.

John J. Haul Killed Handling Revolver He Thought Unloaded. St. Paul, Neb., Sept. 19.—While handling a revolver he supposed was unloaded, John J. Haul, son of N. J. Haul, president of the St. Paul State bank, accidentally shot himself through the heart. He was twenty-three years of age and a director in his father's bank.

#### Nebraska Bankers Meet.

Omaha, Sept. 19.—The eleventh annual convention of the Nebraska Bankers' association began its sessions of three days at the Home hotel, being called to order by the president, P. L. Hall of Lincoln. About 200 bankers have registered and more are arriving with each incoming train.

#### Mrs. Knox Denies Charge.

Lincoln, Sept. 19.—Mrs. Knox, county superintendent of Cheyenne county, has written Governor Sheldon that she has not defied the law in her own county, as has been alleged by State Superintendent McBrien, and that she would like an interview with the governor.

### PLANS HUGE IOWA MELON FEAST

Veteran at Boone Invites Hundreds to Devour Growth of Luscious Fruit. Boone, Ia., Sept. 19.—Hundreds of watermelons are to be picked, quartered and devoured here tomorrow. From all parts of the state people have been invited to clear the half acre patch of Comrade A. C. Buttolph, which is literally paved with melons. He is a civil war veteran and has invited old companions and their families from all over the state to eat their fill of the luscious fruit.

#### Death of Alva Trowbridge.

New York, Sept. 19.—Alva H. W. Trowbridge, former president of the American Bankers' association, died at his home in Hackensack, N. J.

#### Carrie Nation Arrested.

Washington, Sept. 19.—Mrs. Carrie Nation was arrested and locked up to answer to the charge in the police court of "disorderly conduct." Mrs. Nation refused, when requested by an officer, to stop lecturing to 200 men from the steps of the postoffice department.

## AINSWORTH FAIR IS ON

### BROWN COUNTY HAS FINE LOT OF EXHIBITS.

### LONG PINE LOST BALL GAME

After They Had the Game Won, Long Pine Lost to Meade—The Melons Raised in the "Sandhills" Have Georgia Color and Flavor.

Ainsworth, Neb., Sept. 19.—Special to The News: Yesterday was the first day of the Brown county fair. Though the attendance was not large and the work was mainly in putting the exhibits in place, Secretary Potter says it was a very successful day, and the best first day in many years. The exhibits are fine—are worthy of the county that took first place in the county collective exhibits, western division, at the state fair this year.

The only criticism that could be made is that there are not as many as there should be in a year like this when everybody had extra good crops. The watermelons from the so-called sandhills regions are immense—Georgia never produced finer looking ones nor sweeter to the taste. Cale Worley, who lives about thirty-five miles south, has some exceptionally fine ones.

The ball game was an intensely interesting one. It was between Meadville and Long Pine. At the close of the fifth inning the score stood 6 to 0 in favor of Long Pine. In the sixth the Meadville boys began to win and when the game closed the score stood 11 to 6 in favor of Meadville.

### SWEDISH CONFERENCE ENDS

#### Considerable Business is Transacted on the Closing Day of the Session.

Burlington, Ia., Sept. 19.—The last session of this conference was opened with scripture reading and prayer service conducted by Rev. C. Nord. The reports from the statistical secretary showed a very substantial increase in the membership, and the treasurer's report showed an excellent financial increase, proving the year has been very prosperous.

Rev. Leonard Strömberg and Rev. Emej Malmstrom were elected to represent the conference at the annual meeting of the book conference in Chicago next June. Rev. Gustaf Engstrom was appointed financial agent of the manual home located at Clay Center, Kan. The next conference session will convene in Looking Glass, Neb. Rev. A. F. Whnell was re-elected as trustee of the conference, also elected as conference visitor at the commencement next June of the seminary. The following are the officers of the Swedish Methodist church in America: Rev. G. Engstrom, president; Rev. Leonard Strömberg, secretary; Rev. Peter Munson, treasurer.

### ESCAPES DEATH IN FAR NORTH

#### Iowa University Boy is One of Survivors of Arctic Expedition.

Iowa City, Sept. 19.—One University of Iowa student, rescued after weeks of life-threatening adventure on the frozen seas of the far north, was a member of the ill-fated party on the Duchess of Bedford, which sank in the Arctic regions. This was Vilhjalmr Stefansson of Grand Forks, N. D., who was a member of the Loefgren-Mikkelsen expedition, which recently reached Alaska, every member alive, but all greatly affected by the terrible trip across the northern snows and ice.

### BRITISH LABOR TROUBLES

#### Fifty Thousand Boiler-makers Will Be Locked Out Oct. 5.

London, Sept. 19.—Fifty thousand members of the boiler-makers' society will be locked out Oct. 5. The chief grievance of the employers is that the executive committee of the boiler-makers' society has no real power and cannot force the men to observe any agreement which may be adopted. With prospect of a strike of the members of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, which, unless prevented, will be one of the most serious ever known in the United Kingdom, the labor situation in this country is becoming most critical.

### AUTO LAWS TO BE PUSHED

#### American Association Will Agree on Uniform Legislation for Many States.

New York, Sept. 19.—President W. H. Hotchkiss of the American Automobile association arrived here from Buffalo to meet a number of officers and others interested to discuss several questions of importance preparatory to the regular meeting of the association directors tomorrow. The bill of Charles T. Terry, chairman of the American Automobile association legislative committee, for equal state automobile laws, which has been revised during the summer, will be discussed, as it is the intention to lay this bill before the legislatures of several states this coming year and secure its adoption. The federal automobile act, introduced in the last session of congress, is also to be pushed vigorously in the next congress.

### Train Robbers Get \$40,000.

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 19.—Forty thousand dollars, mainly in large bills, is now declared to have been secured by the robbers who held up the Great Northern train near Rexford, Mont., Sept. 12. This money is reported to have been shipped by the Commercial National bank of Chicago to the Old National bank of Spokane. It is stated that the banks were insured, so that neither bank will lose anything. No trace of the robbers has been reported. A reward of \$5,000 for each of the two robbers is offered.

### Alleged Abductor Ends His Life.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 19.—Joshua Harrison of Currituck county, New Hampshire, convicted of abducting the young son of State Senator Deasley, committed suicide in the Gladstone hotel. Harrison has been denied a new trial by the supreme court. The Deasley child was never found. Harrison was given twenty years in the penitentiary, but was admitted to bail pending a decision on his appeal.

### EXCESSIVE DIETING OPPOSED

#### English Physician Declares Craze for Getting Thin is Carried Too Far.

London, Sept. 19.—Sir James Crickton Browne, in delivering the presidential address at the annual meeting of the sanitary inspectors' association at Leamouth, referred to the English meat supply and urged the abolition of private slaughter houses and the providing of abattoirs and a central office for meat inspection. "Idea people no longer would prize Christmas fat beef absolutely and with generalized tuberculosis," he added. "If Chicago has its jungle, London has its dismal swamp." In another part of his address the eminent physician denounced what he described as the prevalent craze for getting thin. On all hands, he said, the cry is that we eat too much. So fierce in some quarters is the propaganda of dietetic asceticism that in areas of being suspected of gluttony, people only indulge their real appetite in secret. This craze, Sir James declared, was producing a debility which sunders them from seeking to combat by indulgence in alcohol and narcotics.

### TRANSFER REMAINS OF M'KINLEY'S

#### Bodies Now Rest in Caskets Especially Constructed for Mausoleum.

Canton, O., Sept. 19.—The new bronze casket containing the remains of Mrs. McKinley now rests in a sarcophagus in the McKinley mausoleum on Monument hill. On guard at the tomb are United States regular soldiers. A half mile distant to the south in the vault that has held the remains of President McKinley, still rest the body of the late president, but in a new casket. Here too soldiers are on watch. The work of transferring the bodies of the McKinleys to the mausoleum was entrusted by the McKinley Memorial association to a Canton undertaker. The bodies were taken from the other caskets which have held the president and wife since death and laid in the duplicate caskets especially constructed for the mausoleum.

The state of preservation of both bodies was pronounced remarkably good. The work of transferring the caskets was done with as much privacy as possible.

### CONSTANTINE ON TRIAL

#### Defense Will Be That Mrs. Gentry Committed Suicide.

Chicago, Sept. 19.—Taking of testimony was begun in the trial of Frank J. Constantine, accused of the murder of Mrs. Louise Gentry. The state's attorney, in opening, said it would be shown that Constantine murdered the woman after a dispute with her about his failure to repay money borrowed from the Gentrys. The defense contends that Mrs. Gentry committed suicide. The first witness testified that after hearing Mrs. Gentry scream, Constantine was seen running from the rear door of the apartment building, that he asked the janitor to get his hat for him, but that when the janitor, having learned of the murder, returned to look for him, Constantine had fled.

### THREE GIRLS DROWNED IN COVE

#### Water Fills Gulch in Which They Had Taken Refuge From Cloudburst.

Durango, Colo., Sept. 19.—Three daughters of Sam Cook of this city, Sarah, aged five; Rose, aged, eleven, and Julia, aged one, were drowned by a cloudburst which filled a gulch in which they had taken refuge from a rainstorm. The girls entered a cave for shelter and the gulch became filled with water which rushed into the cave and drowned them. The water caused the earth above the cave to sink and buried the children.

### DROPS 3,000 FEET TO DEATH

#### Parachute Fails to Work and Aeronaut Richards is Killed.

Troy, O., Sept. 19.—Edward Richards of Dayton, an aeronaut, dropped 2,000 feet to death at the Miami county fair grounds. When Richards cut the parachute loose it fell, but only for a few feet, when it struck a heavy wind and was tossed about until severed of the ropes broke. Richards shot to the ground like an arrow. He struck in a tree and was instantly killed.

## STANDARD OIL'S PROFITS

### INDIANA CORPORATION EARNS ONE THOUSAND PER CENT.

### TEN MILLIONS IN ONE YEAR

More Details of Huge Earnings of Rockefeller's Companies Brought Out in New York Hearing of Government's Suit for Dissolution.

New York, Sept. 19.—More light was shed upon the remarkable earning capacity of the various subsidiary companies of the Standard Oil company when Frank B. Kellogg, who is conducting the federal suit, succeeded in placing upon the record the profits of seventeen of the principal subsidiary companies in the years 1903 and 1906.

The statement of earnings of the Standard Oil company of Indiana, which was recently fined \$29,240,000 by Judge Landis of Chicago for rebating, disclosed that in 1906 the company earned \$10,516,082 on a capital of \$1,000,000, or over 1,000 per cent a year. The Indiana company in 1905 earned more than any subsidiary company of the big combine.

Mr. Kellogg developed during the day, while Clarence G. Fay, assistant comptroller of the Standard Oil company, was on the stand, a curious problem of financial bookkeeping, or handling of accounts, which Mr. Fay failed to explain. From figures submitted it was shown that the Standard Oil company of New York in 1904 made a profit of \$7,751,160, and paid in dividends to the Standard Oil company of New Jersey the total sum of \$32,998,430. This transaction reduced the net assets of the New York company from \$40,425,999 to \$15,179,706, while the liabilities leaped from \$47,646,235 in 1903 to \$81,395,745 in 1904, an increase of nearly \$34,000,000. The gross assets of the New York company, however, increased from \$88,074,561 in 1903 to \$96,574,852 in 1904. Meanwhile the accounts receivable of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey grew from \$19,045,014 in 1903 to \$58,272,924.

Mr. Fay was closely questioned as to the nature of the increased liabilities of the New York company and increase in the accounts receivable of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, but he said he could not tell until he had examined the books of both companies, which he told Mr. Kellogg he would do.

### Bookkeeping Juggled.

Charles M. Pratt, secretary of the Standard Oil company, recalled to the witness stand, told how he had held the stock of the Standard Oil company at the time when it was not permitted to operate in the state of Texas. He said that he held the stock as a matter of convenience and not to avoid the anti-trust laws of Texas. Mr. Pratt threw some interesting side lights on the Waters-Pierce Oil company, the stock of which was held for a long period by M. M. Van Buren, who was not connected with the Standard Oil company. Mr. Van Buren purchased the stock from Mr. Pratt and early this year the Standard Oil company bought it back. The nature of the transaction showed that Mr. Van Buren received from the Standard Oil company exactly what he paid for the stock and that during the time he held it the dividends were paid to the Standard company.

Wesley Tilford, treasurer of the Standard Oil company, was called to the stand and Mr. Kellogg made an effort to have spread on the records a copy of the trust agreement of 1882. But John G. Milburn, chief counsel for the defendant company, objected on the ground that such an agreement was prior to July 8, 1890, when the Sherman anti-trust law went into effect.

### INDICTED FOR LAND FRAUDS

#### Warrants Issued at Boise for Arrest of Wisconsin Lumber Barons.

Boise, Ida., Sept. 19.—A warrant was issued for the arrest of Sumner G. Moon and James L. Barber of Eau Claire, Wis., millionaire officers of the Barber Lumber company, and Horace S. Rand of Burlington, Conn., indicted for conspiracy to defraud the government. They were indicted with Senator Borah and others. They will be brought to Boise at once to answer the charges.

### Suit to Enjoin Manhattan Oil.

Findlay, O., Sept. 19.—Suit was filed in the common pleas court by W. L. David, county prosecutor, to deprive the Manhattan Oil company of its charter and to enjoin it from paying a higher price for oil than is paid by the Buckeye Pipe Line company in the same territory. The petition alleges that the Manhattan was formerly an "independent company," but was absorbed eight years ago by the Standard Oil Company.

### Heiress Shot by Jealous Man.

New York, Sept. 19.—Droga Siegel, an heiress, of twenty years, and daughter of a colonel in the Austrian army, now dead, was fatally shot by Julius Hoffman, a married man, and formerly a lieutenant of Colonel Siegel's regiment. The tragedy was the outcome of jealousy on the part of Hoffman, who, after shooting Miss Siegel, tried to shoot himself, but was prevented by the dying girl.

## THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours.

Forecast For Nebraska.

Conditions of the weather as recorded at 8 a. m. today:

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| Maximum   | 92    |
| Minimum   | 67    |
| Average   | 79    |
| Barometer | 29.68 |

## CAPITOL GRAFT ARRESTS

### PENNSYLVANIA OFFICIALS AND CONTRACTORS IN THE TOILS.

### WARRANTS OUT FOR FOURTEEN

Prosecution Will Include All Persons Mentioned by Special Investigation Commission—Principal Defendants Furnish \$50,000 Bond.

Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 19.—The long expected arrests of those held to be responsible for the frauds committed in the furnishing and decorating of Pennsylvania's \$13,000,000 capitol have been made, the attorney general causing warrants to be issued for fourteen of the eighteen persons and firms named by the capitol investigation commission as being involved in the scandal.

Following is a list of the men for whom warrants were issued: Joseph M. Huston, architect, and his active assistant, Stanford Lewis, both of Philadelphia; John H. Sanderson of Philadelphia, chief contractor for furnishings; Congressman H. Burd Cassel of Marietta, Pa., treasurer and executive officer of the Pennsylvania Construction company, contractors for steel filing cases; J. M. Shumaker of Johnstown, former superintendent of public grounds and buildings, who received the furnishings; George F. Payne and his partner, Charles G. Wetter, both of Philadelphia, builders of the capitol and contractors for the \$303,000 attic; William P. Snyder of Spring City, former auditor general, who approved the warrants of the contractors; William L. Mathus of Media, former state treasurer, who paid the bills of the contractors; Charles F. Kinsman, Wallis Bolleau, John G. Neiderer and George K. Storm, all of Philadelphia, stockholders in the Pennsylvania Bronze company, organized by Sanderson for the manufacture of the \$2,000,000 lighting fixtures; Frank Irvine, auditor in the auditor's office.

Nearly all the defendants appeared during the day, waived hearing and entered bail for their appearance in the Dauphin county court. Several were unable to appear because of illness and will make their appearance later. The principal defendants were held in \$50,000 bond, which was furnished in every instance by surety companies.

All the defendants are charged with conspiracy to cheat and defraud the state by making false invoices, which were approved by Huston and Shumaker. Charges of obtaining money by false pretenses were also entered against Sanderson, Cassel, Payne and Wetter, it being alleged they furnished fictitious bills for a greater amount than they were entitled to receive under contracts.

### Based on Report of Commission.

The prosecutions are the outcome of the political upheaval in Philadelphia in 1905, when Mayor Weaver quarreled with the Republican organization. The independent movement against the Republicans in Philadelphia that year spread throughout the state and led to the election as state treasurer of William H. Berry, a Democrat, on the fusion ticket. Berry took office early in 1906, being the first Democrat to occupy that position in twenty-five years. In the fall campaign of last year Berry started the state by charging that, according to the state treasurer's books, the building and furnishings of the state capitol had cost \$13,000,000 and not \$5,000,000, as had been generally believed, and that \$8,000,000 of the money went to furnish the building. He charged that \$5,000,000 of the \$9,000,000 was pure "graft." Governor Pennypacker, other state officials and the contractors denied the charges, but the agitation for an investigation was immediately begun and continued until the last legislature appointed a commission to investigate the whole affair. Much sensational testimony was brought out during the hearings, which covered a period of about six months. The commission made a report to Governor Stuart, who turned it over to Attorney General Todd. The latter thought the evidence of fraud was so strong that he at once decided to bring criminal and civil suits against those held to be responsible for the frauds.

### MICHAEL DONNELLY MISSING.

Former President of Butchers' Union Believed to Be Demented.

Chicago, Sept. 19.—Search is being made in various cities for Michael Donnelly, former president of the butchers' union, who disappeared from his home in Kansas City four weeks ago. Two years ago Donnelly was slugged while acting as judge of an election of the Chicago Federation of Labor. He has never fully recovered from the effects of the beating and his friends believe that he has lost his reason.