BOLT KILLS 3 TROOPERS

ELECTRIC STORM HITS PENNSYLVANIA NATIONAL GUARD CAMP.

TENTS BLOWN DOWN BY WIND

Field Hospital at Gettysburg is Crowded With Injured—Tents in Lowland Flooded and Occupants Forced to Swim to Safety.

Gettysburg, Pa., July 24.—On the eve of their departure for their homes three men of the Pennsylvania National Guard were struck dead in one of the most severe electrical storms ever experienced on this historic battlefield about 10 o'clock last night.

The identified dead are: Private Darbe, Eighteenth regiment; Private Morrison, Tenth regiment; Private Garver, Tenth regiment.

The body of Garver was severed in twain, as though by a sword.

The greatest confusion prevailed and many troopers were panic stricken.

The field hospital is crowded with injured and the colonel of the Tenth regiment has given up his quarters to those who are in immediate need of medical assistance.

When the storm came up Governor Stuart was entertaining a few friends in his tent. The storm broke out with such suddenness and fury that the occupants of the tent found themselves entangled in the canvass and ropes in an instant, but all escaped serious injury.

There were nearly fifty men in the regimental guard tent when the storm broke, and not one is believed to have escaped injury. The men of the Second brigade, whose tents were pitched in the lowland, were forced to swim to safety. Their cots are floating about the camp and not a tent of this brigade remains intact.

When the storm swept down on the camp there were hundreds of visitors present. Hundreds of men and women sought shelter in the Young Men's Christian association tent. This immense stretch of canvas was tossed like a toy balloon in a gale of wind, but strangely enough not one person was injured. Many troopers who were injured could be located only by their cries for assistance, all the lights in the camp having been extinguished by the terrific wind.

ELEVEN SHOT AT BOSTON

FLEEING BANDITS LEAVE TRAIL OF BLOOD BEHIND THEM.

ONE VICTIM DIES IN HOSPITAL

Woman and Policeman Believed to Have Fatal Wounds—Suspected to Be Part of Gang Who Held Up and Robbed Saloon.

Boston, July 23.—Eleven persons were shot, three of them probably fatally, by two desperadoes, who, on being pursued by policemen and a crowd of citizens, fled for two miles through a thickly settled district of Jamaica Plain, firing madly right and left, and disappeared in the woods near Franklin park. The men are believed to have been two of the gang who robbed the saloon in Jamaica Plain Tuesday night, after shooting and killing one man and wounding two others.

Mrs. Delia Fallon is one of the most seriously injured of the victims. She was standing in front of her home with her baby in her arms, when the two men pursued by a crowd came down the street. As they passed her, one of them fired and the bullet entered her head, behind her right ear. She was removed to the city hospital in a critical condition. Herbert E. Knox of Rosinland, night watchman at the Forest Hill cemetery, and Edward McMahon, a Dorchester patrolman, each received a bullet in the abdomen. Knox died at the Emerson hospital.

The others injured: John Nolan, shot in arm; Thomas Fleming, shot in hand; Thomas Moore, street car conductor, shot in leg; Officer Ingalls, bullet in leg; Officer Cox, shot in ankle; Patrick McGinn, shot in side; Michael Flynn, head grazed by bullet; Patrolman Thompson, shot in leg.

It is believed that the desperadoes lay concealed in Calvary cemetery while the police were hunting for them on account of the saloon holdup.

Being driven from their hiding place by hunger and fearing that they would be surrounded by the police who were searching the neighborhood, the two men appeared on Charles street, in Jamaica Plain, about dusk and proceeded to "shoot up" the town. They looked like Italians and were roughly dressed. Some citizens, who had been assisting in the hunt for the robbers, saw the men and tried to intercept them, whereupon the two began running and, with a revolver in each hand, fired at every person in their path. Guiseppe De Vico, one of the robbers, was captured.

KAUFFMAN CASE BEFORE COURT

Dramatic Address of George Egan Is Basis of Plea for New Trial.

Pierre, S. D., July 23.—Arguments in the application for a new trial in the Kauffman case were begun in the supreme court and will probably take at least two days. George Rice, Jr., counsel for Mrs. Kauffman opened the case and was very radical in his statements in regard to the manner of conducting the case by George W. Egan, charging that the conviction was largely a matter of the dramatic manner in which the case was conducted, and that the court erred in not compelling Egan to confine his dramatic posings to the testimony in the case.

NEW SLEEPING CAR.

Roman Catholic Priest's Railroad Coach Has Berths in the Center.

The Rev. Leopold Hoffschneider, pastor of St. Peter and St. Paul's Roman Catholic church in Hoboken, N. J., has invented a sleeping car which he asserts will supplant those in use on railroads at present.

Berths are arranged in the center of the car instead of on the sides. This makes it possible to open windows or ventilators on the side of the car. Four permanent steps are built from the floor to the sides of the berths. The top step may be used as a receptacle for shoes or clothing, and it is possible to sit on this step and remove shoes or outer clothing.

In Father Hoffschneider's model he has placed an aisle on both sides of the berths near the windows, with an eighteen inch passageway between the berths. This would enable passengers to pass from the side of a car to the other and from end to end. Father Hoffschneider says he will devote to his parish the money he receives for his invention, which is patented.

LONDON'S NEW FOOD FAD.

Penguins' Eggs Imported From South Africa Becoming Fashionable.

The very latest thing imported for the purpose of putting an edge on the Londoner's proverbially jaded breakfast appetite is the penguin's egg, which in taste and smell must be a close relative to the plover's egg. It is being imported from South Africa in large quantities and when boiled and served cold in salad with shrimps or anchovies and cucumbers proves a real delight to the palate.

Like most new things, it has wonderful qualities to recommend it for general consumption, and a firm of commission agents which is importing it has obtained a medical man's opinion that it contains a remarkable percentage of phosphorus and is therefore a splendid tonic for brain fag and nervous debility.

The egg has already been put on the menu cards at several of the leading hotels and restaurants.

Western Union to Fight.

Des Moines, July 24.—The Western Union will put up a stiff fight against the million-dollar suit started against it by the state of Iowa for illegally doing business in the state. One of its attorneys was in the city making ready to answer the complaint filed on behalf of the state by Attorney General Byers.

Walsh Nominated for Congress.

Davenport, Ia., July 24.—The Democratic congressional convention of the Second district of Iowa ratified the result of the June primary and nominated Mark A. Walsh of Clinton as candidate for congress.

Shippers Ask Another Conference.

Chicago, July 25.—Shipping interests of the entire country, represented by a committee specially appointed at a general conference of shippers held recently in Chicago, decided at a meeting here to ask the presidents of eastern railroads to meet them to discuss the proposed increase in freight rates. It was the opinion of the committeemen that before beginning a fight against the increase it would be wise to bring about such a meeting with the railroad officials, if possible, at the same time asking them to put no advances into effect until after the conference had been held. W. C. Brown, senior vice president of the New York Central lines, is said to have expressed a willingness to comply with the request.

TRADE REVIEW FOR THE WEEK

Moderate Enlargement of Future Buying at a Few Large Centers.

New York, July 25.—Bradstreet's says: Good crop reports, the advance of the season, and growth in confidence as to the trade outlook are reflected in reports of moderate enlargement of future buying at a few large centers, notably in the west and southwest. Industrial lines, too, have been benefited by evidences of revival in demand and the number of idle operatives has been reduced as a whole. Still the progress making is of a very conservative kind, curtailment of industry is still a marked feature and small orders for immediate shipment largely make up the volume of business doing by jobbers. Retail trade is fair as a whole, being stimulated by price reduction sales, though complaint of stocks not moving rapidly come from some cities, and collections show little, if any, improvement. The best reports come from central west, northwest and southwest.

In the leading industry there is noted a more cheerful feeling in iron and steel, though transactions in pig iron are smaller than in recent weeks. Numerous resumptions of car shops are a feature, and the number of idle cars has unquestionably been reduced by the liberal movement of wheat to market. Lumber has a better tone and there is more doing in building at many cities. The reduction in prices of prints has induced freer sales of this product, but curtailment of production in this line is still enforced. Good results from the lowered price of staple men's wear, worsted goods for spring are reported and raw wool is firm, though quieter.

Failures for the week number 263.

Wheat exports for the week aggregate 2,529,922 bushels. Corn exports for the week are 73,890 bushels.

Passengers Lost at Sea.

Christiania, July 25.—The steamer Bakkelaget, engaged in the local passenger trade, was in collision with the steamer Goteborg. It was cut through amidship and sank in a few moments. From ten to twenty of the Bakkelaget's passengers are believed to have been drowned. Twenty-three of them were rescued by the Goteborg.

RATE WAR UP TO PRESIDENT

CINCINNATI SHIPPERS WANT LINES CITED FOR CONTEMPT.

DENY ANY POLITICS IN MOVE

Ask Chief Executive to Enforce Decree Against Missouri Pacific and Rock Island—Chicago Shippers Seek Another Conference.

Cincinnati, July 25.—Brushing aside all intermediate processes and modes of action, the Receivers' and Shippers' association of Cincinnati has carried its war against a general increase in railway freight rates directly to the president of the United States. In general effect, a communication forwarded to President Roosevelt asks the chief executive whether or not he intends to enforce a decree issued some years ago against certain railroads. If so, he is asked to at once cause the attorney general to bring proceedings for contempt against the Missouri Pacific railway and the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad. Denying that politics had anything to do with the letter at this time, it is explained that because of the fact that certain general increases in freight rates are to become effective Aug. 1 by certain roads, prompt and positive action became necessary. In conclusion, the letter says: "This association stands for a square deal for common carriers. It believes that their property rights should be protected the same as the property rights of individuals, but we are unalterably opposed to any policy of the carriers which has for its purpose the ignoring of our courts and the placing of themselves above the laws of the land. If they expect the protection of the laws and the courts they must show a wholesome regard for the law and respect the decrees of the courts. If the Missouri Pacific and Rock Island deliberately ignore this solemn mandate of the courts and continue in an unlawful manner to burden trade and commerce among the states by continually increasing rates, the question arises:

"'Is there no power in this land sufficiently strong to reach railroad companies that recklessly brush aside the decrees of our courts?'

"This association believes you will in the carrying out of your policy for the strict enforcement of the law see to it that these two railroad companies are obliged in the future to observe this decree."

BRYAN REACHES CHICAGO

Trip From Lincoln Marked by a Number of Demonstrations.

Chicago, July 25.—W. J. Bryan arrived here this morning. The progress of Mr. Bryan from Lincoln to Chicago last night was marked by a number of demonstrations in his honor. Omaha, Pacific Junction, Glenwood, Malvern, Hastings, Red Oak, Villisca, Corning and Creston, Ia., turned out large crowds, who cheered for "Our next president." Mr. Bryan, so far as he could do so during the limited time of the stops, shook hands with all in reach. At Red Oak a man in the crowd shouted, "Hurrah for Bill." Mr. Bryan set the crowd laughing when he responded that "Hurrahing for Bill is a very non-partisan yell this year."

He made a few remarks, in which he said while he was not officially notified he could not make any political speeches, but that after Aug. 1 he would "commence to talk."

At Corning apparently the whole population was out. Mr. Bryan's entry into the city was a triumphant one. Immense bonfires were built along the track, a brass band discoursed several popular airs and the crowd cheered lustily. Just as the Democratic nominee began to speak the train pulled out, much to the disappointment of the gathering.

CHAFIN CAMPAIGNS IN AUTO

Prohibition Candidate Tells What He Will Do If Elected President.

Chicago, July 25.—Eugene W. Chafin, presidential nominee of the Prohibition party, discussed campaign issues as they bear on the Prohibition platform in nine towns adjacent to Chicago. Most of the trip was made in an automobile.

"If I am elected president of the United States," he said in one of his speeches, "I will have a congress which will pass a prohibitory law and if there are any communities that refuse to obey the law and the civic authorities are unable to enforce it, I shall use the power conferred upon me by the constitution and call out the militia, the standing army and the navy and enforce prohibition on every inch of territory under the American flag."

Harvest Ready; Men Needed.

Minneapolis, July 23.—With approximately 30,000 men needed, the harvest only a few weeks distant, and the railroads offering no special inducement in the way of cheap transportation, the farmers of Minnesota and North Dakota face a bountiful harvest and insufficient help to garner it.

Oklahoma Pours "Booze" Into River.

Guthrie, Okla., July 23.—Ten thousand bottles of whisky, wines and beer and twenty-five kegs of beer, confiscated as bootleg goods throughout the state, were emptied into a river here. All of it was below the state's standard of liquor for medicinal purposes.

Released Slayer Shoots Two.

Garvin, Okla., July 23.—Released on a writ of habeas corpus from a charge of murdering J. A. Lamb ten days ago, Richard Warren killed R. H. Smith, Lamb's son-in-law, and mortally wounded Lamb's young son. Warren fled to the woods.

PRESIDENT FIGHTS ON

Announces Determination to Proceed Against Standard Oil.

Oyster Bay, July 24.—President Roosevelt announced in unmistakable terms the determination of the administration to proceed with the prosecution of the Standard Oil case, despite the decision adverse to the government handed down by the United States circuit court of appeals. This decision, the president thinks, in no way affects the merits of the case and he makes known his decision to cause the action to be brought again before the courts in such shape, if possible, to prevent the technicalities interfering with a decision based upon the actual issues involved. The statement in the matter, made public by Secretary Loeb, follows:

"The president has directed the attorney general to immediately take steps for the retrial of the Standard Oil case. The reversal of the decision of the lower court does not in any shape or way touch the merits of the case, except insofar as the size of the fine is concerned. There is absolutely no question of the guilt of the defendants or of the exceptionally grave character of the offense. The president would regard it as a gross miscarriage of justice if, through any technicalities of any kind, the defendant escaped the punishment, which would have unquestionably been meted out to any weaker defendant who had been guilty of such offense. The president will do everything in his power to avert or prevent such miscarriage of justice. With this purpose in view, the president has directed the attorney general to bring into consultation Frank B. Kellogg in the matter and to do everything possible to bring the offenders to justice."

Naval Conference Continues.

Newport, R. I., July 24.—Members of the naval conference continued the discussion of the battleship plans and it is believed will continue their daily meetings for some days to come. In the executive council following the president's speech, Mr. Roosevelt plainly told the officers present that he wanted "results" and would insist on them before the conference adjourned. He explained to the members of the conference that they should not place too much credence in the criticisms that had been passed on the navy by people on the outside, but said that much adverse comment undoubtedly had an effect on the public mind.

Cadets Fired for Hazing.

West Point, N. Y., July 24.—Eight cadets in the United States military academy were sent to their homes as a result of hazing members of the fourth class. They were: William Trussell, appointed at large; Harry G. Wever of Illinois, Byron Q. Jones of New York, George W. Chase of New York, William M. Prude of Alabama, Isaac Spaulding of Oklahoma, William Nolle of West Virginia and James A. Gillespie of Pennsylvania.

The Way of Womankind.

Women are indefatigable in their analysis of conduct. A man accepts a white ray of light for what it is; a woman passes it through a prism and resolves it into its component rays. If I pass Mrs. A. in the street without saluting her she conjectures a dozen painful motives to account for my absentmindedness. If she passes me I conclude that she is shortsighted or absentminded.

If I say to my niece Molly that 2 and 2 make 4 she consents, but is unconvinced. But if I show her this little formula—$1\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{2}+1\frac{3}{4}+\frac{1}{4}=4$—she is at once all alive with interest and sits down to work it out and proclaim in triumph that it is so. From a hard and dull statement of the fact it has become a problem and an intrigue, and here she is in her element.

That is the way of womankind in all relations to life.—"Comments of Bagshot."

This Makes It Very Plain.

The meaning of the word "swastika" is "It is well," or good luck. The meaning of the symbol is more complex. Some folks trace it to the sun.

"The emblem is the sun in motion," argues Professor Max Muller. "A wheel with spokes was actually replaced by what we now call swastika. The swastika is, in fact, an abbreviated emblem of the solar wheel with spokes in it, the tire and the movement being indicated by the cramprus.

"It is the summary in a few lines of the whole work of creation," said Mme. Blavatsky; "is evolution, as one should say, from cosmotheogony down to anthropogeny, from the indivisible unknown to materialistic science, whose genesis is as unknown to that science as that of the all Deity itself. The swastika is found heading the religious symbols of every old nation."

The Defect In His Dressing.

The professor of surgery in one of England's universities has the reputation of being one of the most painstaking and delicate operators in Britain, thoughtful of the patient and careful in the clinic. One day in the course of a clinical demonstration he turned to a student who had just commenced his studies with the question:

"Now, sir, can you tell me what is wrong with my dressing?"

The ingenuous youth turned red and preserved a discreet silence. The professor, however, was not to be put off and repeated the question. After a long pause the youth stammered out in a fit of desperation:

"Well, sir, if you insist on my telling you, I should say your tie is not quite straight."—London Globe.

To Lecture on Prohibition.

Hastings, Neb., July 25.—Mrs. Mary Harris Armor of Georgia, who came here to deliver the opening address of the chautauqua, will spend six weeks in Nebraska lecturing on prohibition, in support of the county option campaign.

EBERHARD IS CAPTURED

CONFESSED SLAYER OF HIS AUNT CAUGHT NEAR PATERSON.

TRAGEDY BARES A ROMANCE

Immigrant Girl Whose Mother Was Robbed and Slain by Nephew May Become Steward's Bride—Prisoner Says He Also Intended to Kill Cousin.

New York, July 24.—Drawn back to the scene of his crime by a force he could not resist, August Eberhard, self confessed murderer of his aunt, Mrs. Ottillie Eberhard, a Viennese widow whom he lured to a lonely spot in New Jersey a few days ago and shot to death, was caught near Paterson, N. J., and is a prisoner in the Hackensack jail.

The reason Eberhard gave for committing the crime was that he was in love with a Hackensack girl, and that he needed the money to marry her. Knowing that his aunt had $2,500, he plotted to kill her. He says he also intended to kill his pretty cousin, Ottillie Eberhard, to whom he was engaged, so nothing would stand in the way of the marriage to the Hackensack girl. The police have the name of the girl mentioned and she will be brought here to tell what she knows of the murder. Eberhard was found lying on the lawn of a residence just outside of Paterson. There was an ugly looking wound in his right leg, which the murderer first said had been inflicted by Italians, who attacked him, but which he afterwards confessed was inflicted by himself so as to make the police believe he had been wounded on the night his aunt was killed. Morbid brooding over his inhuman crime had apparently unbalanced the mind of Eberhard, but he showed some of the cunning that he displayed in the murder plot when the police questioned him about the murder. Eberhard did not immediately confess to the police.

When he was placed under arrest he expressed surprise that he should be suspected of the foul deed and told a most ingenious story to account for his disappearance after the shooting of his aunt, to the effect that on the night of the murder he had tried to defend his aunt from an attack of a party of Italians. He said he made his cousin run on ahead and then returned to help his aunt, but the murderers overpowered him, after shooting him in the leg. Then he lost consciousness and remembered nothing until he came to his senses in the Preakness mountains.

Accomplice Had No Hand in Killing.

The inquisitors did not believe this story and they kept Eberhard on the grill until he weakened and made a confession. Eberhard stated that his accomplice had no hand in the killing of Mrs. Eberhard. This man, who was one of Eberhard's friends, has fled to the west, and the police are looking for him. They have his name.

Eberhard told the police that he had planned the murder two months ago. He wrote many letters to his aunt in his efforts to induce her to sell her home in Germany and come to this country to live. He even promised that he would marry her daughter, Ottillie, and make a comfortable home for her here.

Then Eberhard recounted the arrival of his aunt and his cousin, Ottillie, of his finding rooms for them in a hotel in West Thirty-third street, of the trip to New Jersey and the fatal walk up the railroad tracks. A blinding rainstorm came up while they were walking up the Susquehanna track and this aided the murderer in his purpose. As the two unsuspecting women were plodding along in front of him he drew his revolver, took careful aim and fired. Mrs. Eberhard fell at the first shot, but to make sure of her death the assassin fired another bullet into her body as it lay on the tracks. Then he went in pursuit of his cousin and tried to kill her. The poor girl believed he was trying to protect her.

When Eberhard was caught not a penny was found in his pocket. He said he buried the money he stole from his aunt. He led the detectives to a tree near Little Falls and there dug up bills to the amount of $2,300, the amount stolen.

When Ottillie Eberhard was told of her cousin's confession, she was astounded. She is living in Hackensack and has been receiving the attentions of a young steward, named Held, who was on the steamship on which she and her mother came to this country. It is believed that she will marry Held as soon as the present trouble is over.

Thaw's Jail Privileges Curtailed.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., July 24.—Harry K. Thaw's privileges in the county jail have been curtailed until he is kept constantly confined in a corridor where there are no other prisoners. He is permitted to receive as visitors only his attorney and his wife and is not allowed the free use of the jail telephone, which he had up to a short time ago.

Baldwin Airship at Fort Myer.

Washington, July 24.—Captain Baldwin, whose airship arrived at Fort Myer, is expected here today to prepare his machine for the tests, which will probably begin early next week. The Curtiss engine, specially built for Captain Baldwin, has arrived.

Fire Destroys Packing Plant.

Pittsburg, Kan., July 24.—Fire destroyed the Stanton Lindsburg Packing plant of this city, causing a loss of from $40,000 to $75,000. The plant will be rebuilt.

German Car Enters Prussia.

Eydtkuhnen, East Prussia, July 23.—The German car in the New York to Paris motor race has crossed the frontier. The American car is about 550 miles behind the German car.

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LOUD TALK PRIMARY FILINGS

Republicans File Protests Before Secretary of State Junkin.

Lincoln, July 24.—W. G. Sears of Tekamah and Victor Rosewater of Omaha and others filed objections before the secretary of state to prevent men indorsed by the Democratic state convention for presidential electors securing a place on the state primary ballots of the People's Independent party for the same position. The charge is made that these men are not going on the People's Independent ticket in any event, that if elected they will not vote for the People's Independent nominees and further that it is their avowed intention to support W. J. Bryan and the Democratic ticket, and not the ticket of the national organization of the People's Independent party. The state law provides that such protests must be made within three days after the filing of the candidate's application for a place on the ticket to make it effective. M. F. Harrington of O'Neill, one of the candidates for Democratic elector, filed his application for a place on the Populist electoral ticket more than three days ago.

Alleging that the Populist party in Nebraska either has no legal existence under the law, or that it is bound by the action of the St. Louis convention, Victor Rosewater, Republican national committeeman, filed a protest against the name of Douglas Shawvan appearing upon the primary ballot of the People's Independent party. The protest sets forth that an attempt is being made to "perpetrate a fraud upon the electors of Nebraska" and to divert votes to the Democratic party.

A similar protest was filed in the case of A. D. Cameron. It is the intention of the protesters to push the protests in the courts if necessary. Secretary of State Junkin will set a date for a hearing of the protests as soon as possible.

SHOOTS WIFE, THEN HIMSELF

Body of Oliver Starkey Found With Head Blown Off.

Central City, Neb., July 25.—Oliver Starkey, the man who shot and mortally wounded his divorced wife at his farm, seven miles southwest of Palmer, in Howard county, was found dead along the Union Pacific tracks, about half way between St. Libory and St. Paul, his head being blown off by the discharge of a shotgun.

After he shot his wife he left the scene, and the officers were unable to find any trace of him until his body was discovered. Evidently he had killed himself with the same weapon with which he had shot his wife, as the gun was found lying beside him.

It is claimed that the woman had threatened Starkey and that he shot her in self defense. Mrs. Starkey is still living, and there are chances that she may survive, although over thirty bird shot have been extracted from various parts of her body. Several of the shot pierced her lungs and vital organs.

York County Wants Unit System.

Lincoln, July 25.—George W. Post, Charles McCloud and C. C. Boslaw of York county appeared before the state board of assessment to protest against the action of the board in distributing the value of the rolling stock and franchises according to lines instead of according to the unit system. Mr. Post explained that under the unit system York county would gain some $4,000 in railroad property for taxation purposes. The board showed the York people that under the plan adopted every town in York county gains some railroad property. Mr. Post said the protesters intended to file a mandamus to compel the board to adopt the unit system, believing that under this plan the gains to York county would be greater than under the plan adopted.

Socialists Name a Ticket.

Omaha, July 25.—Regardless of the fact that Socialists held a convention at Grand Island some time ago, the Nebraska Socialists placed a ticket in the field and J. W. Walker of Hastings was made candidate for governor.

PROUTY NAMED FOR CONGRESS

Seventh District Convention Acts With Hull Delegates Absent.

Des Moines, July 24.—On information that the recount of the votes of Dallas county was proceeding slowly and would probably not be completed before this evening, the Seventh district convention nominated Judge Prouty as Republican candidate for congress. None of the Hull delegates was present. Judge Prouty, addressing the convention after the nomination had been made, said that if the recount in Dallas county showed that Hull had one more vote in the district than he had, he would not claim the nomination. If, however, he found that improper influences had been at work he would take proper measures to defend his rights in the matter.

The Democratic congressional convention named C. O. Holly.

Slayer's Sister Goes Insane.

Fort Dodge, Ia., July 24.—Maude Carr, sixteen years of age, whose brother, Wilbur Carr, recently murdered Sheriff Thomas Nicholson at Gowrie, has gone violently insane from constantly thinking of her brother's act. Wilbur Carr sits despondently in his cell all day, refusing to speak to his fellow prisoners or to the officers. He says he prays silently and constantly for forgiveness.

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