

# News from Over the State

## Governor Kept Busy.

Gov. Mickey is finding his time occupied by investigating the various attacks of state institutions. His attention was called to the alleged misconduct of J. C. Harbart, a fireman at the Kearney industrial school, whom the governor was informed had been arrested at Beatrice last Sunday charged with carrying a concealed weapon and drawing it upon Mrs. Len Thomas, the mother of the girl Harbart was with at the time. The governor was informed that Harbart had been keeping company with the Thomas girl and that her parents objected because they understood he had a wife at Kearney. Sunday evening, it was reported, he went to the Thomas home and as he and the girl were leaving the mother stood in the gate and tried to prevent them going out. The girl, it is said, knocked her mother down and as she got up Harbart covered her with his revolver and both then left the yard. They were later arrested. Gov. Mickey was greatly incensed over the affair and this afternoon called up Superintendent Hayward to learn if there was any truth in the reports. It is the intention of the governor to compel all of his appointees to walk in the straight and narrow path.

## Interior Department Supreme.

The state supreme court refuses to lock horns with the United States department of the interior in order to give Harry McDonald, of Buffalo county, a chance to pre-empt a quarter section of land in the Union Pacific grant in that county. McDonald secured a decree from the lower court ordering the railway company to issue him a deed and give up possession, on the strength of the wording of the statute of 1862 making the grant, which provides that the land which the road falls to dispose of within three years after the completion of the road shall be open to entry at \$1.25 an acre. The supreme court calls attention to the fact that the pre-emption laws which authorize the purchase of government land in the manner contemplated in the petition of the plaintiff was repealed in 1891. Any right to take action in the matter is disclaimed in favor of the United States department of the interior, and that the decree in commanding the railroad to make the grant is dismissed with the remarks that the contention of McDonald that the railroad was holding possession of the land at the present time without right would make it impossible for him to demand title from the unlawful holder.

## Girl Seizes Burglar.

Miss Viola Gowe, of Lincoln, scared the wits out of a bold burglar shortly before midnight by keeping her own wits about her. At that hour Miss Gowe heard some one at the front door, and thinking it was one of the roomers went down to unlock the door. As she opened it she saw standing on the porch a very big man muffled up in a great big overcoat, and in his hand he carried a dark lantern. The girl at once called to her brother: "Bring down the gun." The burglar did not wait to see the brother, but made his escape as quickly as possible. Inasmuch as both the brother and sister had drawn their pay yesterday and had the money in the house it is suspected by the police that the burglar was some one well acquainted with the family.

## Object to Sunday Trips.

At a meeting of the Lincoln Ministerial association a committee was appointed to investigate the charge that some of the students of the state university, who were fired with football fever, had desecrated the Sabbath by riding on trains. During the discussion Rev. Wharton stated that as riding on trains on Sunday was no worse than riding on the street cars and as many church members did this, he recommended that nothing be done about the matter. He was overruled, however, and the committee was appointed.

## A Matter of Conscience.

One of Game Warden Carter's deputies has tendered his resignation to the chief because his moral and religious principles are at stake. Mr. Carter refused to give out the name of the deputy who could not stand for the requirements of his office, but he did give out the letter of resignation.

## Students Better Prepared.

From the reports received by State Superintendent Fowler from the heads of the university and normal schools of the state it is clearly shown that the student entering college is better prepared to take up the college work than at any time in the history of the state.

## Starts Election Contest.

An election contest was begun in the district court at West Point by the defeated candidate for county judge, S. Lant, of Wisner, against Louis Dewald, of Beemer, the newly-elected democratic judge. Dewald obtained a majority of ten votes.

## Previous Character Saved Them.

The two brothers, Parker, arrested near Phillips, were released from custody on the recommendation of County Attorney North after two men quite well known as reliable citizens testified to having known the men in Wyoming and that they were respected citizens there. When arrested letters were found on the men speaking of their "getaway" in Wyoming and of their organizing a "gang" to go to South America, and their identity was being investigated. They had with them when arrested two heavy revolvers, two bowie knives and a rifle, though they had not taken these to the fields with them in husking corn. They had \$600 in cash and a certificate of deposit on a Broken Bow bank for \$1,200. Their attorneys explain the letters by stating that the men got out of Wyoming in the manner they did in order to evade some creditors.

## Special Room for Mason.

Superintendent Johnson, of the feeble-minded institute at Beatrice, was at Lincoln to see Gov. Mickey, to discuss with him what is to be done with an inmate named Mason, who persists that he is insane, and acts that way, though the insanity board of that county declared him sane, and refused to send him to the asylum. After conferring with the attorney general, it was decided that Dr. Johnson construct a special cell, with steel bars on the windows, in which to keep Mason. The latter's last escapade happened a few days ago, when he escaped from his rooms minus his clothing and went to the courthouse yard and there spent the night. There is no way that Mason could get into the asylum except through the county insane board or from the penitentiary, so he will have to remain in the home.

## Convicts Acquire Drug Habit.

Harry Lafferty, a Douglas county convict, released from the penitentiary a short time ago, who is now in the Lincoln city jail charged with stealing, made two interesting statements to the police. One, that he could not be good because the people were too easy to work; and the other, that he had acquired the drug habit in the penitentiary, and that nearly all of the inmates of the institution were victims of the habit, learned after having become convicts. Lafferty told the chief of police that it was an easy matter for the prisoners to get opium, it being no trouble to have it smuggled to them through friends on the outside, and occasionally a guard would give it to the inmates.

## Call for Bank Statement.

Secretary Royce, of the banking board, has issued a call for a statement of the condition of state and savings banks at the close of business on November 17. And in the meantime the action of the insurance companies in threatening to refuse to insure banks against burglaries in the small towns, a member of the banking board believes, will result in the putting in of burglar alarms, and that will be all. It will not drive any bank out of business, this member thought, because they will be able to get the insurance if the banks are properly protected with the right kind of alarms or burglar-proof safes.

## Why Summers Is There.

A recent dispatch from Washington said: Developments in the Dietrich case indicate that the United States district attorney, Mr. Summers, through whose influence the indictment against Senator Dietrich for selling postoffice appointments was withheld last spring and brought forth at the last session of the grand jury, is not here so much to perfect with the president and Mr. Knox the evidence to prosecute the senator as to fight for his own official life.

## Was of Distinguished Ancestry.

Mrs. Susan Hayton, a woman of distinguished revolutionary ancestry, died at the home of her son in Lincoln. She was born in Spottsylvania county, Va., and was 98 years old. Three of her uncles, one a general and two colonels, served in the war of the revolution, and a cousin, Daniel D. Tompkins, was vice president during the Monroe administration.

## Feet Numb as Wood.

Mrs. Roy Leach, wife of a farmer north of Humboldt, has been the victim of a peculiar malady, which seems to have left her feet wholly dead, the result of imperfect circulation of the blood. The condition became so serious last week when gangrene set in that her physicians decided amputation was necessary and took off her right foot above the ankle.

## To Make Ice and Sell Produce.

Articles of incorporation of the Beatrice Produce & Cold Storage company, with a capital stock of \$200,000 were filed. The company will do a general cold storage business and manufacture ice, butter and cheese, egg cases, butter tubs and poultry boxes.

## GOV. PEABODY TURNED DOWN.

President Roosevelt Refused the Colorado Executive's Request to Send Government Troops to Telluride.

Washington, Nov. 20.—President Roosevelt has received a dispatch from Gov. Peabody, of Colorado, asking that Gen. Baldwin, commanding the Department of the Colorado, be instructed to supply such troops as may be neces-



JAMES H. PEABODY.

sary to preserve order in the Telluride mining district. After a consultation between the president and secretary of war, Gov. Peabody was advised that it did not appear that the resources of the state to keep the peace had been exhausted and therefore the request for troops was denied.

## ALMOST UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Only 21 Members of the House Opposed the Cuban Reciprocity Bill on Its Final Passage.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The house yesterday by a rising vote of 335 to 21 passed the bill to make effective the Cuban reciprocity treaty. The dissenting votes were about equally divided between republicans and democrats, but there was no record vote, the minority having too few votes to order the yeas and nays. The democrats, under the leadership of Mr. Williams, sought to the last to secure amendments to the bill in accordance with the action of the democratic caucus, but were defeated steadily. Mr. Williams made the final effort when he tried to have the bill recommitted to the ways and means committee with instructions to amend, but a point of order under the special rule, providing for a vote on the bill without intervening motion, was sustained.

Mr. Cannon received the applause of the democratic side, when he entertained the appeal from his ruling made by Mr. Williams, the speaker saying he preferred to err, if he erred at all, in giving the house the right to express its will. The appeal was tabled by a strict party vote.

## CANAL TREATY SOON.

Convention Signed in Washington Will Be Sent to Panama, Where Favorable Action Is Expected.

Washington, Nov. 20.—It has been decided that the Panama canal treaty, which has been signed by representatives of the United States and Panama, shall be ratified at Panama. The commission which arrived here last night will sail December 1 for that state, arriving there on the 7th. It is expected that between that date and December 10 the treaty will be ratified.

## Excitement Abating at Bogota.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The state department has received a cablegram from Minister Beupre, dated Bogota, two days ago, saying that the excitement was abating. Colombia Pledges Protection to Americans Bogota, Nov. 20.—The Colombian government will protect the American legation and American citizens here. There is no fear of a demonstration against them.

## SHERIFF TOOK THE MONEY.

Paymaster of Pennsylvania Railroad Boldly Relieved of \$42,000 to Pay Men Who Had Been Given Judgments.

Logansport, Ind., Nov. 20.—As Paymaster Snee, of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, was leaving the First national bank here, Sheriff Beckley took from him a valise containing \$42,000 and carried it to the court house, where the money was poured out on a table. Twenty thousand dollars of it was seized by the officer. The sheriff was collecting judgments in favor of Thomas Collins and George Light-helmer, who were injured on the Pennsylvania line and were awarded damages in court. Snee was taking the money to pay off employees of the road.

## Did Not Know She Was on Fire.

Savannah, Mo., Nov. 20.—Mrs. Will Gedultig was seriously burned and her life is despaired of. She was warming by the stove when her clothing caught fire. She smelled the clothing burning and went into the next room to see if the children had not raked some coals on the floor. Opening the door fanned the smoldering clothing into a blaze and she ran to the door and into the yard. Her clothing was nearly burned off and her flesh was cooked in places before she was stopped and the fire extinguished.

## JUDGE DEFIES A GOVERNOR.

Despite Executive Clemency a Michigan Court Resentenced a Man Who Had Been Convicted of Manslaughter.

Frankfort, Mich., Nov. 22.—Judge Chittenden's charge to the jury in the Thomas perjury case in the circuit court has caused a sensation because of the court's caustic criticism of Gov. A. T. Bliss. The governor recently pardoned Deputy Game Warden Spafford, of Cadillac, who was convicted of manslaughter at Frankfort. The case arose from the shooting of a fisherman who, it was claimed, had resisted arrest, when Spafford caught him in an alleged violation of the state fish and game laws. Spafford's pardon was practically simultaneous with his conviction. His friends followed up their advantage by charging that Thomas had perjured himself to qualify as a juror in the Spafford case and Gov. Bliss, in extending clemency, alleged that it was a packed jury that had convicted Spafford. In the Thomas case Judge Chittenden ordered the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty.

## THE MOROS DEFEATED.

Three Hundred Rebels Killed and Many Wounded in a Fight at Jolo with American Troops.

Manila, Nov. 23.—Three hundred Moros are known to have been killed and many others were carried off dead or wounded as a result of five days' severe fighting in Jolo between the American troops under Gen. Leonard Wood and the insurgents, Maj. Scott, of the Fourteenth cavalry, and five American privates were wounded. The rebel forces have been literally destroyed by the operations and Gen. Wood says the indications are that there will be no extension of the uprising.

## THE COLOMBIAN PRESS RABID.

The American Government Denounced for Its Action in Recognizing the Panama Republic.

Washington, Nov. 23.—The press of Colombia continues to severely criticize and denounce the American government for its action in isthmian matters and the recognition of the republic of Panama. This is shown in a dispatch received at the state department from Minister Beupre, at Bogota. President Roosevelt, the United States congress and the American people are the targets of violent denunciations.

## AN AWFUL HOLOCAUST.

Thirty Lives Lost by the Burning of a Shanty in Which Italian Laborers Were Sleeping.

Johnstown, Pa., Nov. 23.—While over 100 Italian railroad laborers were asleep in a shanty near Lilly, Pa., on the Pennsylvania railroad the building caught fire and before the men could escape 28 were burned to death and a score or more were seriously injured. The fire is supposed to have started from an overheated stove. The building burned like tinder and the flames were upon the men before any of them were aroused.

## An Extensive Fire at Plattsburg.

Plattsburg, Mo., Nov. 23.—Fire starting in the basement of the Carmack drug store yesterday morning burned almost one block, destroying about \$75,000 worth of property, with about \$55,000 insurance. The fire was discovered by the city marshal, but despite the efforts of citizens it could not be checked for more than an hour.

## Abraham Lincoln's Double Dead.

Salina, Kan., Nov. 23.—A telegram from Rialto, Cal., tells of the death of J. Wayne Amos, the founder of the Advocate at Gypsum City. Amos was for years in the newspaper business in Kansas. He was better known over the state as Abraham Lincoln's double. No two men ever looked more alike than Lincoln and Amos.

## Much Second-Class Mail Burned.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 23.—After leaving St. Louis 40 minutes a fire was discovered raging in one of the mail cars containing second-class mail of the Missouri Pacific fast mail train. The car was uncoupled from the train and passengers and crew looked on the conflagration until the entire car and contents were almost totally destroyed.

## How Much Was Stolen?

Clarksburg, Mo., Nov. 22.—The Citizens' bank here was broken into last night and the safe blown open. All the money in the bank was taken, but the officers decline to state the sum. A reward of \$300 is offered for the arrest and conviction of the robbers, who escaped.

## James L. Blair a Mental Wreck.

St. Louis, Nov. 23.—Dr. George Homan, who for weeks has been almost constantly by the bedside of James L. Blair, ex-general counsel for the exposition, says that the patient's mind appears to be affected beyond repair.

## A Lake Erie Steamer Sunk.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 23.—The steamer Gladstone, from Milwaukee, with a cargo of grain, collided with the steamer Sacramento on Lake Erie and sunk in 20 feet of water. The crew was saved.

## DEATH OF EX-GOV. DRAKE.

At Centerville, Ia., a Prominent Figure in Hawkeye Affairs Fell a Victim to Diabetes.

Centerville, Ia., Nov. 21.—Gen. F. M. Drake, ex-governor of Iowa, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Goss, in this city, yesterday



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morning. The ex-governor was stricken with diabetes several days ago and had been gradually growing worse ever since. He was born in 1830.

The estate of Gen. Drake, bank and railroad stocks and farm land, is estimated to be worth between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. It is said Drake university, to which institution the ex-governor already has given sums totaling \$200,000, will receive a share of the estate. Gen. Francis Marton Drake was born in Rushville, Schuyler county, Ill., December 30, 1830. He was elected to the governorship of Iowa in 1895.

## A DR. JEKYL AND MR. HYDE.

New York Priest Disappears When Discovery Is Made That He Had Been Leading Double Life.

New York, Nov. 21.—Rev. Father George D. Sander, of St. Leonard's Roman Catholic church, Brooklyn, left his home after the publication of a story saying he had been known at Far Hills, N. J., since 1901 as a horse-breeder and horse owner under the name of George West. The woman who lived at the stock farm and who was known to tradesmen as "Mrs. West" and believed by some persons to have been a former parishioner of the priest, did not appear at the home of her mother, to which she started early in the day from the New Jersey village. Father Sander has denied this woman is Mrs. Mamie Kipp, who disappeared from her Brooklyn home about two years ago, but Mr. Peck, Father Sander's partner, has declared he understood the woman's name was Mrs. Kipp.

## NEVER LOST HIS NERVE.

Tom Horn, Famous Indian Scout and Cattle Detective, Died on the Scaffold at Cheyenne.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 21.—Tom Horn was hanged at 11 o'clock Friday. No attempt at rescue was made and the execution passed off quietly. Horn made no speech and no confession on the scaffold. He never lost his nerve. Tom Horn was born in Scotland county, Mo., November 21, 1860. He was a celebrated army scout, Indian fighter and cattle detective. He was the scout in charge of the party that captured Geronimo and was chief of scouts under Gen. Miles in his Porto Rico campaign.

## A Writ of Error Allowed.

St. Louis, Nov. 21.—John P. Dolan and Policeman Frank B. Garrett, who were sentenced to the penitentiary for five years on conviction of being implicated in naturalization frauds, were admitted to bond in the sum of \$20,000 each by Federal Judge Adams yesterday. Judge Adams allowed the writ of error filed by attorneys for the two and the cases will be carried to the United States court of appeals.

## City Held Up by Robbers.

Marshalltown, Ia., Nov. 21.—Compelled by robbers to remain in their homes under threat of being shot, the residents of the village of Green Mountain, ten miles north of here, heard three explosions before daylight Friday morning. The explosions wrecked the Green Mountain bank building. The robbers secured \$1,000 and escaped on a handcar.

## Section Men Quit Work.

Fort Scott, Kan., Nov. 21.—Reports received here indicate that there are as many as 2,000 to 3,000 miles of Missouri Pacific track in southeast Kansas and southwest Missouri that are without a single section laborer except the foreman.

## Miller and Johns Acquitted.

Cincinnati, Nov. 21.—D. V. Miller, of Terre Haute, and Joseph M. Johns, of Rockville, Ind., were last night acquitted of the charge of conspiracy to extort a bribe from John J. Ryan, made by the post office department.

## Agricultural High Schools Favored.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 21.—The convention of the National Grange came to a close yesterday. Resolutions were adopted favoring the establishment of county and district agricultural high schools.