

ASTOR WEDDED YOUNG FIANCEE IN REGULAR FASHION

Congregational Pastor Performs Ceremony With Only the Family Present.

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"Now that we are happily married, I do not care how dif- ficult divorce and remarriage laws are made. I sympathize heartily with the most straight- faced people in most of their ideas. I believe remarriage should be made possible, as marriage is the happiest condi- tion for the individual and the community."

Newport, R. I., Sept. 11.—Col. John Jacob Astor and Miss Madeline Tal- mage Force were married early today at "Beachwood," the bridegroom's country home. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joseph Lambert, pastor of the Elmwood (Congregational) temple, of Providence.

Colonel Astor and his bride are both members of the Episcopal church, but no clergyman of that denomination nearby them. Because Colonel Astor's first wife divorced him for infidelity, a Methodist and a Baptist preacher also refused to officiate, although the colonel hung up \$1,000 as the wedding fee.

Colonel Astor is 47 years old and his bride is 19. The colonel's first wife, Mrs. Ava Willing Astor, secured a divorce from him in the New York courts about two years ago, and by the terms of the decree he was forbidden to remarry within her lifetime to the degree, of course, was not binding in Rhode Island.

Only Relatives There.
The bride was given away by her father, William Force. The others present at the ceremony were Miss Katherine Emmons Force, a sister of the bride, and Vincent Astor, the son of Colonel Astor. "Beachwood" was beautifully decorated with flowers in honor of the event and the Noma, the steam yacht on which the wedding party made the trip from Newport, was a veritable floating floral bower.

The Noma arrived in the harbor be- tween 9 and 3 o'clock this morning and Vincent Astor hurried to be the first person to board the yacht. He was beaten in the race, however, by Deputy Sheriff Frank P. King, who served Colonel Astor with a writ of summons, issued by the Providence court, to appear in court in connection with a recent case involving Mrs. Brigid McCrohan and her children, in which damages of \$30,000 are asked on account of the accidental electrocution of Mrs. McCrohan's oldest son, Eugene, while working at "Beachwood" in July, 1910.

McCrohan was employed by the Providence Telephone company, and while inspecting the telephone wires in the basement of Colonel Astor's summer house he came in contact with an electric lead, which shocked and killed him. The writ is returnable in the superior court on October 2 next.

Get License Quickly.
Vincent Astor joined the party on board the yacht and after all had had breakfast, Colonel Astor, Mr. Force, the Misses Force and Vincent Astor came ashore in the Noma's motor boat. Colonel Astor handling the steering wheel. The party immediately went in an automobile to the city hall, where the marriage license was issued.

During the city hall proceedings, which were witnessed by a host of Newport correspondents, the bride appeared nervous, but Miss Force was seemingly unconcerned. After the city hall formalities had been concluded the wedding party motored to Beechwood, where the Rev. Mr. Lambert was wait- ing and performed the ceremony.

Miss Katherine Force was the bride's bridesmaid, and Colonel Astor's son, Vincent, was the best man. Others who were present were Mrs. Force, the bride's mother; Mrs. Elder, of New York, a friend of the Force family; former Congressman W. P. Sheffield of this city; Colonel Astor's Newport attorney, William A. Debbyn, Colonel Astor's secretary, and Thomas Hade, who has been in Colonel Astor's employ for many years.

Honeymoon on Yacht.
Fifteen minutes after the marriage ceremony had been performed, Colonel Astor and Mrs. Astor, in a motor boat, departed for the boat landing at the foot of Wellington avenue. A few moments later they were on board the Noma, which sailed immediately. The destination of the yacht has been kept secret.

Just before leaving, the shocked Col- onel Astor gave a statement to the Associated Press. This statement fol- lows:

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When Colonel Astor and his bride departed from Beechwood for the boat landing they made the trip in a taxi- cab hired by a newspaper correspondent. The Astor automobile was not on hand, the chauffeur evidently be- lieving that his services would not be needed so soon. Later the correspond- ent, whose taxi cab was used as the bridal car was brought into Newport from the Astor residence in Colonel Astor's automobile.

SEATTLE, WASH.—The recall movement against Mayor Geo. W. Dilling collapsed yesterday when Corpora- tion Counsel Scott Calhoun notified the city controller that the city charter does not contemplate the certification of insufficient petitions, and that the petitions are not finally and legally certified until after the date for filing of supplementary petitions and with- drawsals of names. The recall move- ment against Mayor Dilling was begun several months ago by the Seattle Recall association.

HUNNEWELL, KAN.—Hunnewell learned yesterday that it must not play cards on Sunday during the administra- tion of Mrs. Ella Wilson as mayor. To discover this fact four young men of this town paid \$10 each in Judge Bonfall's court at South Haven this afternoon. The complaints against them were answered by Mrs. Wilson. She charged they played cards on Sun- day in a house on the main street of Hunnewell without ever closing the front door. Mrs. Wilson said the con- victions were just a start in her crusade against gambling, society and professional.

BRADSTREET AND DUN REPORT ON BUSINESS

Trade Expands Moderately, But Marked Conservatism Is Still Shown.

New York, Sept. 11.—Bradstreet's Saturday said:

Three factors helped to expand trade in a moderate way this week—fall festi- vals, the advance of the season and the ending of the vacation period. On the whole, recent developments are relatively more favorable, but still con- servatism in buying is everywhere vis- ible and final purveyors of goods dis- play no particular tendency to forsake the policy heretofore pursued; that is, to buy frequently and in small lots, rather than liberally at any one time. This attitude is superinduced in a large degree by the inability of retail distri- buters of wearing apparel, furnishings and the like to measure the probable effects on their sales of ascending prices for edible commodities and the idleness visible in many industrial lines. In industrial circles the drift has been in a more favorable direction, owing chiefly to diminished fears of the im- mediate strike of shopmen on western lines and to the resumption of some New England textile mills, but as re- gards this latter movement it must be said that there is considerable room for further improvement before any- thing like marked activity can be pro- claimed in the cotton goods market.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending September 7 were 194, against 164 last week, 173 in the like week in 1910, 191 in 1909, 191 in 1908 and 172 in 1907.

Business failures in Canada for the like week number 22, which contrasts with 30 for last week and 13 in the corresponding week of 1910.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade today says:

Steady improvement in business conditions is indicated by most of the reports which come from the leading in- dustries and from trade centers. The enlarged operations in pig iron are in- dicated by returns covering the produc- tion during August, which rose 133,569 tons. Most of last month's expansion was due to the increased turnover of the leading interest, whose bookings and shipments in that period were heavier than in any preceding month this year. In the finished lines the ex- isting price situation induces consum- ers generally to confine purchases to actual needs. Competition for new business has become very keen.

An improved demand for dry goods is noted, both in the primary markets and by jobbing houses. Retailers pur- chase steadily for current needs, espe- cially of necessities, specialties and of goods required for fall distribution. Export trade is improved.

Woolen and worsted mills report bet- ter inquiry, and stock goods are being called for steadily. Taken together, the market shows a tendency toward firmness in a moderate way. Trade in foot- wear shows further improvement. Upper leather is firm, although some con- cessions are reported in combination tannages of calf skins. Further activity has developed in packer hides, and values ranging from 3/4 to 1/2 cent have been secured.

SOLDIERS TO QUELL RIOTS OVER CHOLERA

Fierce Demonstrations in Italy Get Beyond Control of the Police.

Chiosso, Switz., Sept. 11.—Gioia Del Colle, a city with a population of 2,900 in the Italian province of Bari, De La Pugli, has been the scene of grave excesses in consequence of the cholera epidemic now raging in Italy.

The disease is said to have reduced the inhabitants of Gioia Del Colle to a condition of desperation. The authori- ties, in an effort to stamp out the disease, ordered that all persons at- tacked by cholera should be taken to a hospital, and that those who had been in contact with cholera victims be iso- lated in a neighboring building.

The population, incensed by these measures and convinced that it was the intention of the authorities to kill the patients and those under observa- tion, gathered to the number of several thousand to liberate their relatives and friends. The hospital was stormed and the building threatened with incendiary destruction should the mob be inter- fered with in releasing the cholera stricken inmates.

A small force of carabinieri, aided by a few policemen, tried to awe the crowds, but the ferocious attitude of the demonstrators soon made it appar- ent to the authorities that the police were inadequate to cope with the situa- tion, and to avoid bloodshed the doors of the hospital were thrown open. The crowds rushed into the building, brought out the cholera patients and carried them in ghastly procession through the town.

The streets were lined with people who acclaimed the cholera victims, and showed imprecations against the govern- ment. The cholera suspects under observation were also set free.

FLYING MACHINES ARE USED TO CARRY MAILS

London, Sept. 11.—The first flying postal service was inaugurated this afternoon under the auspices of the British postoffice. The points of de- parture and arrival were respectively the Hendon aerodrome and Windsor castle, the distance being somewhat under a score of miles.

The aerial mail experiment was un- dertaken to demonstrate the practicability of this means of letter transit when war or strikes reduce available ordinary train service.

Airmen, piloting two mono- planes and two biplanes, were engaged in the work. Upwards of 100,000 postal packets constituted the first deliv- ery. King George was so interested in the service that he gave his permis- sion to the aerial postmen to alight on the lawn of Windsor castle.

MISS BARTON ILL.
Oxford, Mass., Sept. 11.—Miss Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, is believed to be near death at her summer home in this town. She is 90 years old. Miss Barton is a native of Oxford and for a long time has maintained a summer home here.

MAYOR OF GARY UNDER ARREST FOR BRIBERY

Other City Officials Likewise Caught in the Net for Grafting.

Gary, Ind., Sept. 11.—Mayor Thomas E. Knotts, five of the nine members of the city council, City Engineer W. A. Williston and a son of one of the aldermen were arrested yesterday on charges of accepting and soliciting bribes in a heating franchise deal. The arrests were made on complaint of T. B. Dean, of Richmond, Ind., to whom the franchise was granted. Dean said he had given evidence of the attempted bribery to attorneys in Chicago be- fore the money was transferred. At the same time steps were taken in Chi- cago to protect funds said to be in- volved in the deal and said to be de- posited in a safety deposit vault there. This money, Dean said, was given by him to a councilman, placed in an en- velope and signed by Dean and each of the men involved, each keeping a key until the deal was completed.

The men arrested were:
Mayor Knotts.
Councilman Walter Gibson.
City Engineer C. A. Williston.
Councilman Antony Bankus.
Dominick Szymanski.
John Simlasko.

Emerson L. Bowser, Police, a son of Councilman Szymanski, also was arrested.

Mayor Knotts, who was arrested in his office by Sheriff Thomas Grant, gave cash bail of \$10,000. The others, who were taken later in the day, were taken to jail at Crown Point.

Mayor Knotts accused the bribe charges and said he would be able to prove his innocence.

A dictaphon, said by Dean to have been placed in his room at a hotel, and one surreptitiously placed in Mayor Knotts's office, are expected to be used in the prosecution of the city officials.

KIDNAPED GIRL IS DROWNED IN LAKE

Little Annie Lemberger's Body Discovered in Water After Several Days.

Madison, Wis., Sept. 11.—The nude body of 7-year-old Annie Lemberger, who was kidnaped after going to bed at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lemberger, last Tuesday night, was found today in Lake Monona, a mile from her home.

Superficial examination of the body disclosed no evidence of violence be- yond a slight laceration on one ear, and a discoloration on the neck, the latter mark indicating that the child may have been strangling.

The body was found by George Younger, a cement worker, living at South Madison, and was brought to an undertaker's room in this city. No weights were on the body, nor were the hands or feet bound in any way. The only motive for the murder, as far as the case has developed, seems to be revenge on her parents by some enemy at present unknown. The child went to sleep with an elder sister Tues- day night last. Wednesday morning the body of the girl was missing from bed. An open window in the room gave the first intimation that she had been kid- naped.

Younger, who found the body, will receive the \$500 reward offered by the city council.

Outside the humble cottage of the Lembergers near West Madison, gathered hundreds of curious and sympath- izing people today. A relief fund to defray the expenses of the funeral was started today. A fund for the appro- priation of the rewards was also started and \$500 was soon raised.

PROMOTER LYMAN IS ARRESTED FOR FRAUD

Widely Known Swell Arrested for Selling Fictitious Pan- ama Land.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—John Grant Lyman, a promoter, whose operations have been carried on in large cities throughout the country, was arrested here last night on complaint of persons in Los Angeles, who accused him of attempting to defraud them of \$50,000. It is charged that Dr. Lyman, as organizer of the Panama Develop- ment company, used the mails to de- fraud and issued prospectuses contain- ing promises and assertions which the promoter has not kept.

Dr. Lyman is known in New York and Boston and in the capitals of the world. He has been in trouble several times. Lyman always has posed as a society man and was known in the social life of Los Angeles and Pana- ma. It is asserted that Lyman does not own land in Panama, which he sold for \$5 an acre.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 11.—The of- fices of Dr. John Grant Lyman here are in charge of a deputy sheriff, who has seized the visible assets of Ly- man's concern, which was known as the Panama Development company.

Lyman formerly was a well known politician. When arrested he was using the name of Judge Lindsay, San Diego, and had purchased tickets for Port- land.

NATIVES ARE UGLY.
Madrid, Sept. 11.—Five thousand Spanish troops have received orders from the ministry of war to reinforce the Spanish garrison at Melilla, on the Riff coast of Morocco. The govern- ment's action is due to the constant re- ports received from the commander of the garrison saying that the natives continue to annoy the soldiers by their attacks on the Spanish outposts.

LA FOLLETTE'S CANDIDACY ANNOUNCED IN DECEMBER

Madison, Wis., Sept. 11.—Upon excel- lent authority it is learned that Sena- tor La Follette will wait until after congress convenes, early in December, before announcing his candidacy for the presidency. Although leading pro- gressive republicans throughout the country have been coming out in in- terviews endorsing him, he will avoid haste to answer their call, preferring to wait until after President Taft has submitted his message.

CROP CONDITIONS SHOW A DECREASE

Decided Falling Off in All Staples Disclosed By the September Report.

Washington, Sept. 9.—The total production of the principal crops this year as indicated by their condition on September 1, with comparisons of the final yield of 1910, follows:

Crop.	1911.	1910.
Corn, (bushels) ..	2,736,160,400	3,125,713,000
Spring wheat ..	203,418,600	231,359,000
All wheat ..	656,762,400	695,433,000
Oats ..	842,475,000	1,126,765,000
Barley ..	142,871,400	162,227,000
Buckwheat ..	15,699,600	17,239,000
Potatoes ..	259,329,000	338,811,000
Tobacco ..	638,280,720	984,349,000
Flax (bushels) ..	23,200,100	14,116,000
Rice ..	22,652,970	24,510,000
Hay (tons) ..	46,888,530	60,798,000

Washington, Sept. 9.—The September crop report of the United States de- partment of agriculture crop reporting board, issued at 2:15 p. m. today, shows the condition of September 1, and the yield per acre as indicated by the condition on that date, of the prin- cipal farm crops of the country, and the preliminary estimate of the total yield of hay, as follows:

Corn.
Condition, 70.3 per cent of a normal, compared with 65.2 per cent on August 1, 73.2 per cent on September 1, 1910, and 79.3 per cent, the 10-year Septem- ber 1 average. Indicated yield per acre, 2.6 bushels, compared with 2.4 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 2.1 bushels, the average for the past five years.

Spring Wheat.
Condition, 52.7 per cent of a normal at time of harvest, compared with 59.3 per cent on August 1, 63.1 per cent at time of harvest last year, and 78.7 per cent at time of harvest for the past 10 years. Indicated yield per acre, 9.8 bushels, compared with 11.7 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 13.5 bushels, the average for the past five years.

All Wheat.
Indicated yield per acre, 12.6 bushels, compared with 14.1 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 14.7, the average yield for the past five years.

Oats.
Condition, 64.5 per cent of a normal at time of harvest, compared with 65.7 per cent on August 1, 63.3 per cent at time of harvest in 1910, and 79.5 per cent, the 10-year average. Indicated yield per acre, 23.9 bushels, compared with 31.9 bushels in 1910, and 28.4 bushels, the average yield for the past five years.

Barley.
Condition, 65.5 per cent of a normal at time of harvest, compared with 66.2 per cent on August 1, 69.8 per cent at time of harvest in 1910, and 83 per cent, the 10-year average. Indicated yield per acre, 23.3 bushels, compared with 22.4 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 24.8 bushels, the average yield for the past five years.

Buckwheat.
Condition, 53.8 per cent of a normal compared with 52.9 per cent on Aug- ust 1, 82.3 per cent in 1910, and 87.1 per cent, the 10-year average. Indi- cated yield per acre, 39.6 bushels, com- pared with 20.9 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 19.6 bushels, the average yield for the past five years.

Potatoes.
Condition, 59.8 per cent of a normal compared with 62.3 per cent on Aug- ust 1, 70.5 per cent in 1910 and 78.9 per cent, the 10-year average. Indi- cated yield per acre, 74.2 bushels, compared with 94.4 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 96.1 bushels, the average yield for the past five years.

Tobacco.
Condition, 71.1 per cent of a normal, compared with 68 per cent on August 1, 77.7 per cent in 1910 and 82.3 per cent, the 10-year average. Indicated yield per acre, 714.6 pounds, compared with 827.8 pounds, the 1910 final yield, and 796.5 pounds, the average yield for the past five years.

Flax.
Condition, 68.4 per cent of a normal, compared with 71 per cent on August 1, 83.5 per cent in 1910, and 81.8 per cent, the eight-year average. Indicated yield per acre, 7.7 bushels, compared with 4.8 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 9.9 bushels, the average yield for the past four years.

Rice.
Condition, 87.2 per cent of a normal, compared with 88.3 per cent on August 1, 83.5 per cent in 1910, and 83.3 per cent, the 10-year average. Indicated yield per acre 32.1 bushels, compared with 33.9 bushels, the 1910 final yield, and 32.4 bushels, the average yield for the past five years.

Hay.
Preliminary returns indicate a total hay yield of about 46,969,000 tons, as compared with 49,978,000 tons, finally estimated last year, and 63,507,000 tons, the average annual production in the past five years. The preliminary esti- mated yield per acre is about 1.5 tons, compared with 1.33 tons, the 1910 final yield, and 1.41 tons, the average yield for the past five years. The quality is 90.3 per cent, compared with 92.5 per cent last year and a 10-year average of 91.1 per cent.

Apples.
Condition, 56.2 per cent of a normal, compared with 53.9 per cent on August 1, 46.8 per cent in 1910, and 62.6 per cent, the 10-year average.

PRICE OF SUGAR IS GIVEN BOOST AGAIN

New York, Sept. 9.—The price of re- fined sugar was marked up another 10 points today, with granulated quoted at 6.80 cents per pound owing to the continued and sensational strength of the raw sugar situation, higher foreign markets and retteration of unfavorable crop reports.

The local market for raw sugar was nominally unchanged this morning, but it was said in the street that no sugar was offered at yesterday's high record and that the indications were for still higher prices unless there was some change in the situation abroad.

WOMAN IS ARRAIGNED ON SHOOTING CHARGE

Chicago, Sept. 9.—After spending a tearful night on a cot in the matron's room of a west side police station, Mrs. Harriet B. Coney, who yesterday shot Norman Bruce Watson, wealthy club- man, architect and politician, was ar- raigned today before Municipal Judge Gemmill. The case was continued un- til September 22. Her bail was fixed at \$2,000. She was accompanied into court by her brother and attorney.

BEATTIE GUILTY OF WIFE MURDER AND SENTENCED TO DIE

First Degree Verdict Rendered in 58 Minutes—Penalty Is Fixed at Death.

Chesterfield Court House, Va., Sept. 10.—Twelve Virginians, mostly farmers, met at dusk last night in the obscuri- ty of the small jury room of Chester- field court house, prayed fervently that they might pass judgment aright on Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., indicted for the murder of his wife, arose from their knees, deliberated nearly an hour, and silently, but by a vote, re- corded a unanimous verdict of guilty.

After weighing carefully the mean- ing of their decision and once more on bended knees beseeching divine as- sistance against possible error, at the end of 58 minutes the jurors, who re- corded a unanimous verdict of guilty, with startling suddenness, 12 voices, in- stead of the usual one of the fore- man, spoke the word "guilty" in chorus. It was almost a shout.

Legal Giants Battle.
It was a bitter fight, enveloping all the finer details of criminal law, that was staged at the courthouse today, between Attorneys Smith and Wenden- berg. Containing the line of attack begun by his colleague, Hill Carter, yesterday against the veracity of Paul Beattie, who gave the most sensational and damaging testimony against his cousin, Mr. Smith, batty by awe, at the story of the purchase of the gun, the alleged confession and the chain of circumstantial evidence forged by the prosecution.

Commonwealth Counsel Wendenberg took notes during Mr. Smith's argu- ment preparatory to the delivery of the address which will bring the trial to the point of consideration by the jury, while the prisoner in a light suit and a white cravat sat beside his counsel, as- sisting him constantly in finding pages in the voluminous typewritten record of the testimony and followed the argu- ment closely.

WOMAN DRIVEN CRAZY
OVER BEULAH BINFORD
Pensacola, Fla., Sept. 9.—A news- paper story telling of a chance at Beulah Binford might be prosecuted as an accessory in the Beattie murder case is declared to have driven Mrs. Laura Sullivan into suicidal despondency early today. First she drank laudanum. This was pumped from her stomach. Then she slashed herself in the side and head, but not fatally. Then she obtained a pistol and tried to shoot herself. A severe scalp wound was the most serious result.

After her last wound had been dressed Mrs. Sullivan said she would attempt suicide no more. She declared her mind was all right till she read that Beulah Binford might be executed.

BOMB OUTRAGE STIRS NEW YORK ITALIANS

Police Thought They Had Ring- leader, But Explosion Causes Doubt.

New York, Sept. 9.—Just when the police were beginning to congratulate themselves that the arrest of Giuseppe Costabile, "the fox," had driven the Black Hand agents here to cover, another bomb was exploded early today in the heart of the long suffering Ital- ian colony. The bomb let got in front of the offices of prominent Italian bankers and steamship agents. An- usual, no one was hurt, but the moral effect of the outrage, coming at a time when the Italian colony had been lulled to fancied security, was tremen- dous.

It was the first bomb exploded since last Saturday, a fact significant be- cause for the past month explosions had occurred on an average of one every two days. But instead of caus- ing the police to lose faith in their belief that in Costabile they have the leader of New York's Italian crim- inals, the occurrence is regarded as a threat of the vengeance Costabile's associates may exact from any of his fellow countrymen who dare to testify against him.

Because he was caught with a bomb under his coat, the grand jury in a day or two is expected to indict Costabile for violating the "dangerous weapons" law. Meanwhile, the search for more serious evidence against him continues.

SON OF PLUTOCRAT WEDS CHORUS GIRL

Steel Magnate's Blessing Is Now Awaited By the Hap- py Couple.

New York, Sept. 9.—The paternal blessing is the only thing needed today to complete the happiness of Louis M. Beam and his bride, who is Eleanor Pendleton, a former chorus girl.

Norman B. Beam, the father, one of the big men in the steel corporation, and former partner of the late Mar- shall Field, of Chicago, learned for the first time yesterday that his son, only three years out of college, had been married since September 1.

Young Beam is assistant secretary of a trust company here. His bride, whose real name was Davidson, formerly lived in Richmond and Baltimore.

FATAL ITALIAN ROW.

Perth Amboy, N. J., Sept. 9.—In a quarrel between laborers in a board- ing house here today, two Italians were shot dead, and another was se- verely wounded. The police are hunt- ing for Marino Romio as the assassin.

STREET CAR DRIVER IS HEIR TO \$10,000

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 9.—John W. Steele, a motorman in the employ of the local street car company, was no- tified today that he has been left \$10,000 by a relative at Ottumwa. He says he will continue to drive street cars despite his good fortune.

BELGIAN TENOR DIES.
Brussels, Sept. 9.—The death was announced today of Imbart De La Four, a Belgian tenor.

SMUGGLING NET MAY GET ANOTHER BANKER

Custom House Authorities Ex- pect to Land One More Financier in Toils.

New York, Sept. 9.—The indictment of Nathan Allen, of Kenosha, Wis., and John R. Collins, of Memphis, Tenn., for smuggling the Jenkins jewels, it is said, hopes to reach one step in the government's prosecu- tion of customs frauds.

A banker even more prominent and wealthy than these millionaires is said to be under investigation, and if the federal authorities can accomplish his arrest, it is believed they hope to reach the bottom of an international scandal involving many others, including gem dealers and minor customs employes.

The alleged frauds cover a period of several years and it is reported that the bankers under suspicion enabled the millionaires to avoid the penalty of a fine and also benefit by his care- fully laid scheme. This financier, it is said, had offices in several foreign countries and it is expected he is ex- pected to plead nonresidence, with the ac- companying right to bring jewelry for his own use into the United States duty free.

Allen and Collins are expected to comply with the United States district attorney's orders to appear here and plead within 10 days.

FOREIGNERS IN DANGER FROM CHINESE REBELS

Washington, Sept. 9.—A crisis has arisen in the turbulent province of Sze Chuen, in China, and the foreign of- fices of the United States and other countries have taken precautionary steps for the safety of their citizens in that region.

American gunboats will be brought into play to guard American citizens and a formidable international naval array is at hand in Chinese waters.

American Charge d'Affaires Williams at Peking cabled the state department that the situation had become critical in Sze Chuen, where public meetings in various cities, accompanied with the closing of schools and the refusal to pay taxes have culminated in serious disorders.

American Methodist missionaries at Chungking and Chengtu have informed Mr. Williams that none of them has yet left his post except that American and British women have left Chengtu for Chungking. Twenty-one districts are said to be affected by the present situation. Tax offices have been de- stroyed and several officials have re- signed, but resistance to the govern- ment has in general been passive rather than active.

The Chinese foreign office has as- sured the legation that protection will be given all foreigners and their prop- erty and has offered escort to all who desire to leave the disturbed area.

SECRETARY WILSON'S ACTIONS DISPLEASE

Free Methodist Conference Re- proves Tama Jim Apropos of Brewers.

Rock Island, Ill., Sept. 9.—The Illinois conference of the Free Methodist church of North America today adopted a resolution censuring Secretary of Agriculture J. C. Wilson for his ac- ceptance of the honorary chairmanship of the National Brewers convention in Chicago next month.

"Such position," the resolution reads, "was apparently tendered the Hon. James Wilson because of his official standing and political position in its effect on the brewing interests, and whereas, such action by a leading officer of the government is a burning insult to the temperate and sober- minded citizens of this country, be it resolved, That we, the members of the Illinois Conference of the Free Methodist Church of America, do enter a most earnest protest against such action by Secretary Wilson and deplore the demoralizing influence on the country at large."

WRANGLE OF BROTHERS FAT THING FOR LAWYERS

Luverne, Minn., Sept. 9.—The troubles of Heinrich and Herman Wiase, who live in Kanarant township, south of this city, bid fair to prove a fruitful source of profit for the attorneys of this place at least. About a month ago Heinrich sued Herman, his brother, for \$1,000 damages for assault. Yesterday Herman had Heinrich ar- rested for