

**RAILROAD SEEKS
CHANGE OF VENUE**

Burlington Alleges Jurymen Prejudiced in Flood Case.

WIDOW BRINGS DAMAGE SUIT.

Mrs. Ella Huxtell Asks Fifty Thousand Dollars From the Union Pacific for Death of Her Husband—Aldrich Issues Requisition.

Lincoln, Sept. 25.—Because, as it averts in motions for a change of venue, men eligible for jury service in Lancaster county are prejudiced in several cases involving claims for damages on account of the Salt creek floods of the years 1907 and 1908 the Burlington railroad has taken the first step toward the removal of pending actions to other courts. The motions, which were filed, are supported by 113 affidavits made by citizens from all parts of the county.

In the number is a lengthy affidavit by Edward Bignell, division superintendent, covering every possible phase of the ground, and which gives considerable history of the city of Lincoln and conditions which have prevailed here for many years past.

Widow Asks Damages.

The Union Pacific railroad has been made the defendant in a \$50,000 damage suit, instituted in the district court here by Ella Huxtell, widow of Fred J. Huxtell, who was killed at Sidney on New Year's day of this year. Huxtell was an engineer in the employ of the company and it is alleged by the plaintiff that on the morning of the day that he was killed he was ordered to go from the roundhouse to the engine which he was to take out. A snowstorm was in progress and it was necessary for the man to make a detour around a water crane, the platform of which was covered with ice. In doing so he stepped upon the track and was run over and killed by a switch engine.

Aldrich Issues Requisition.

A requisition has been issued by Governor Aldrich for the return to Howard county of Oran E. Hess, who is held in Seattle, Wash., charged with embezzlement. He was formerly manager of the Farmers' Grain and Supply company of Elba and while so employed suddenly disappeared last April. He has been sought by the sheriff and a bonding company of Omaha, but was only recently discovered. He is charged in the complaint with embezzling \$1,116.55 of a fund belonging to the grain company, but it is said the company that signed his bond has already paid \$3,500 of short age and that the total shortage will reach \$5,000.

OFFICERS' NAMES IN STONE

Members of State Normal Board Given Monument.

Lincoln, Sept. 25.—Upon the cornerstone of the new building which is being erected at Wayne for the use of the state normal school there are chiseled the names of the members of the state normal board. Such an admission was made by State Superintendent Crabtree, who returned from Wayne and has viewed someone else's handiwork with his own eyes. The further assertion was made by the superintendent of public instruction, however, that the board had not ordered this done by the contractor who furnished the cornerstone and had the names chiseled thereon.

Side by side with the names of the state officials stands in bold relief the name of the firm of contractors who are erecting the building. And in this condition, as matters stand, it seems probable that the names will stand there for future generations to gaze upon.

J. H. Craddock of Omaha was the architect who drew the plans for the building, but it is understood that he refused an offer to have his name go upon the cornerstone. Where he received his offer or by whom he was approached was not disclosed by the Omaha man.

MINISTERS MAKE VOWS

Services of Ordination Conducted at Methodist Conference by Bishop.

Omaha, Sept. 25.—Seven students of the Grand Island district of the Methodist church were ordained deacons and three ministers ordained elders at Trinity Methodist church by Bishop Nelson. The new deacons are Carl B. Butler, Earl B. Bowen, Carl T. Steiner, G. C. Albin, W. N. Wallace, H. G. Parker and Milo W. Rose. Amos C. Bonham, John H. McDonald and Charles Ford were ordained elders.

A resolution was passed condemning Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson for accepting the honorary presidency of the international brewers and hop growers' organization. A letter will be sent to Secretary Wilson asking him to refuse the office. A letter also will be sent to President Taft calling on him to have Wilson decline to act as honorary president.

Breach of Promise Suit Settled.

Nebraska City, Sept. 25.—The breach of promise suit of Miss Lulu Lloyd against George Justice, a wealthy retired farmer, wherein she demanded \$20,000, has been settled out of court and the case dismissed.

HANNEMAN GRANTED DIVORCE

Johnson County Man Ordered to Pay Wife Five Thousand Alimony.

Fairbury, Neb., Sept. 25.—Judge L. M. Pemberton adjourned the district court and the next session will be held Oct. 23. The most important case decided at this term was the Hanneman divorce case. This occupied the attention of the court for several days and was warily contested by counsel on both sides. The case was terminated by Judge Pemberton granting Hanneman a divorce from his wife, and the latter \$5,000 alimony. Hanneman and his wife own a valuable quarter section of land just south of Janesville.

"Jack the Huggler" is Fined.

Seward, Neb., Sept. 25.—Joseph Vlasch, the Salline county "Jack the Huggler," who tried to embrace Miss Nelson, cashier of the Farmers' and Merchants' bank at Milford, was fined \$100 by Judge Gladwish. He paid the fine. He is sixty years of age.

GROWTH OF THE UNITED STATES

Some Statistics That Show Progress of Country Materially.

Washington, Sept. 25.—"Statistical Record of the Progress of the United States, 1800-1911" is the title of a small document just issued by the bureau of statistics. It pictures in statistical form conditions in the commercial, financial, industrial and transportation systems of the United States at brief intervals since the year 1800, down to, and in many cases including the year 1911.

Among the interesting facts shown are that the area of the continental United States was 842,255 square miles in 1800, advancing to 1,734,639 square miles in 1810, to 2,395,536 square miles in 1850 and 3,026,781 square miles in 1853, since which date no change in area is shown. The population, which was 5,233,333 in 1800, was 93,750,000 in 1911. Public debt, which was \$83,000,000 in 1800, reached \$2,875,000,000, less cash in the treasury, in 1865, the figures of 1911 being \$1,015,000,000. The per capita debt, which was \$15.63 in 1800 and in 1865, \$75.99, is in 1911, \$10.83. The interest charge per capita, which amounted to 64 cents in 1800 and \$4.12 in 1866, was in 1911, 23 cents, and the total annual interest charge, which was in 1866, \$146,000,000, was in 1911, \$21,332,333 1/3. Money in circulation stated as \$26,500,000 in 1800, was in 1911, \$3,228,827,002, and the per capita circulation, which was in 1800, \$4.90, was in 1911, \$34.35. Deposits in all banks in the country cannot be shown earlier than in 1875, at which date they are set down as a little over \$2,000,000,000, and in 1910 over \$15,000,000,000. The number of depositors in savings banks in 1820, the earliest year for which the figures can be shown, was a little less than 9,000, and in 1910, over 9,000,000. Government receipts, which amounted to \$2.04 per capita in 1800, were in 1866, \$14.65, and in 1911, \$7.45, or about one-half what they were in 1866. Exports of domestic merchandise, which amounted to \$32,000,000 in value in 1800, and imports, which amounted to \$91,000,000 in 1800, were in 1911, \$1,500,000,000 in 1911.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

Table with columns for National League, American League, W.L.P., and W.L.P. with rows for various cities like New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, etc.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Table with columns for American League, National League, and Western League, showing scores for various teams.

EIGHT HELD ON FRAUD CHARGE

Offices of Investment Broker at New York Raided.

PRISONERS ARE PROMINENT.

Former United States Treasurer, Minister, Attorney and Others Arrested. Charged With Using Mails in Endless Chain Scheme to Defraud.

New York, Sept. 25.—In a raid on the stock investment offices of Jared Flagg, on West Fortieth street, Flagg and seven other men were arrested on a charge of fraudulently using the mails in an endless chain scheme to defraud investors.

Among the prisoners were former United States Treasurer Daniel N. Morgan of Bridgeport, Conn.; James K. Shook, said to have been a minister of the Dutch Reformed church; F. Tennyson Neely, formerly a publisher on Fifth avenue, this city; Joshua Brown and Harold Jackson, brokers; Alvin M. Higgins, lawyer, and Edward L. Schiller.

The prisoners when arraigned pleaded not guilty. Bail was fixed for Flagg at \$25,000. Assistant District Attorney Smith asked for higher bail, because, he said, he understood Flagg had \$1,000,000.

Postoffice inspector Elmer L. Kincaid said thousands of customers of the Flagg enterprise had invested about \$1,500,000 in the scheme. Flagg, it is charged, had claimed that he would invest their money in gold-edged securities which would pay high dividends.

According to Chief Postoffice Inspector Warren W. Dickson, his attention was drawn to Flagg's business by a conversation with a young woman, calling herself Lillian Gibbs Keyes, who referred to Flagg as a "financial wizard." Inspectors reported that former United States Treasurer Morgan was interested in the enterprise to the extent of \$200,000.

Says Nothing Guaranteed.

Flagg at first refused all requests for a statement. When asked if he had guaranteed to pay 52 per cent a year on investments he responded quickly: "I guaranteed no percentage of returns on investments handled by me," he said, quickly producing a pile of blank contracts.

"There's the contract my customers signed with me. It is open and above board and refutes the charge that I guaranteed fabulous interest. "I can pay every dollar I owe," Flagg continued. "I have handled \$1,000,000 in the three years or more that I have been in this business and I can account for every cent of it every transaction. I have nothing to fear. This is all a vile conspiracy, cooked up by big brothers and Wall street interests that are jealous of me."

Morgan Calls It Outrage. Mr. Morgan, who is a white haired man, well along in years, and of dignified bearing was greatly perturbed by his arrest.

"This is an outrage," he said. "It is the first time that I have been deprived of my liberty for a single minute. So far as I know, Mr. Flagg is not guilty of a single dishonest act. I have known him for three years. Of the amount I have invested with him I have not only not lost a single penny, but I have received my dividends promptly, according to his policy."

SEEK RETURN OF MONEY

Members of Club Formed to Enjoy Life on Texas Farms Sue Land Agent.

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Forty Chicagoans who simultaneously invested in Texas land last spring, now are simultaneously fighting the land agent in the courts. Test suits have been filed in San Antonio, Tex.

The migrating forty organized the Gardenland club before they reached Texas. It was to be a social organization; it quickly changed into a water carriers' association.

They found no running water within twenty-two miles of the tracts they had bought. End \$20,000,000 Sugar Deal. New Orleans, Sept. 25.—Approximately 1,500,000 bags of sugar, more than half the average Louisiana crop, was sold to the American Sugar Refining company by Charles Godschaux and several other Louisiana planters, who have been in New York several days. It is estimated the deal involves about \$20,000,000.

Raymond Dies or Injuries.

St. Louis, Sept. 25.—Raymond J. Raymond, who was injured in crashing an aeroplane at the Kinlock aviation field, is dead. His skull was fractured when the propeller hit him.

Champagne Crop a Fine One.

Rheims, France, Sept. 25.—The grape harvest, which has just been gathered, is small, but excellent, and the vintage of 1911 champagne promises to be notable.

FRANCE REPLIES TO GERMANY

Special Courier on Way to Berlin With Document.

Paris, Sept. 25.—The cabinet held a meeting under the presidency of M. Fallieres at Rambouillet and ratified the reply to Germany's last proposals in regard to the Moroccan question. The reply differs little from the last French note. It was communicated to Baron von Scheen, German ambassador to France, and a special courier left for Berlin with the reply.

The Temps learns that the paragraphs concerning public work in Morocco, the protection of natives under the patronage of the Germans, and the jurisdiction of the consular courts have been rephrased with greater precision.

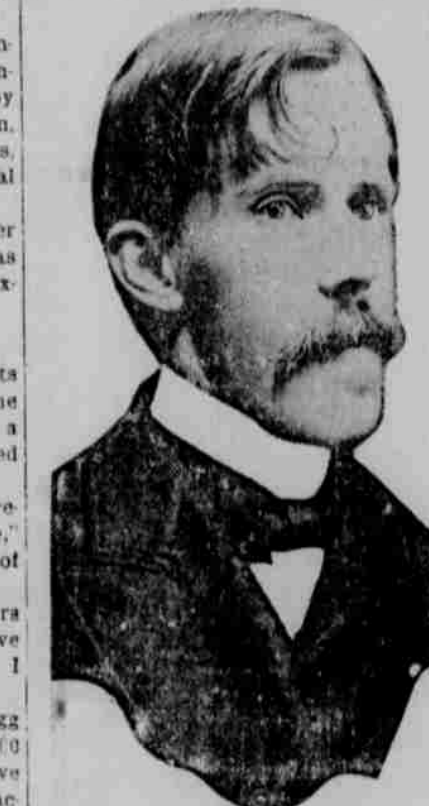
Since Germany's proposals were drawn after two long conversations between the German minister of foreign affairs, Herr von Kiderlin-Waechter, and the French ambassador, M. Cambon, it probably will be found that France has accented the arrangement proposed regarding Morocco itself, the question remaining for settlement being the details of the cession to Germany in French Congo.

CHARLES B. LOOMIS SUCCEUMBS TO CANCER

Author-Humorist Passes Away in Hospital at Hartford.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 25.—Charles Battell Loomis, famous humorist, author and lecturer, died here at the Hartford hospital. Death was due to cancer of the stomach.

The end was peaceful and was not preceded by pain. Mr. Loomis was



taken ill last December and subsequently underwent four operations. During the summer he was able to be about and wrote several short stories, the last of three Irish fairy stories being finished a few days before he left his summer home at Torrington and came to the hospital here.

BANKS CONFER ON FARMING

Agriculture Will Be Topic at Meeting in St. Paul.

St. Paul, Sept. 25.—A conference on agriculture by representatives of the banking associations of the middle west will be held here next month. Joseph Chapman, Jr., of the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis, chairman of the Minnesota banking commission on agriculture, is corresponding with representatives from other states.

The Minnesota bankers were the first to interest themselves in agriculture in relation to banking. The banking associations of other states have joined in the movement, and it is expected that the northwestern states as well as Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois will be represented at the conference. The bankers of this state have been taking a prominent part in aiding the enactment of laws furthering development of agricultural instruction in the high schools of the state.

PLANS REPUBLIC FOR WOMEN

League May Make Experiment in University City, Mo.

Washington, Sept. 25.—Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, the suffragist leader of this city, is mentioned for the presidency of a woman's republic, which it is planned to establish at University City, Mo., under the auspices of the American Woman's League. Tentative plans for the organization of the republic will be discussed at the annual convention of the league to be held in University City the latter part of October.

Paper Trust Will Raise Price.

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Proposed increases in the price of white, print and other grades of paper were discussed and virtually agreed on here at a private meeting of middle western independent paper manufacturers.

Liner Aground in Holland.

Maassius, Netherlands, Sept. 25.—The Holland-America line steamer Noordam, bound from Rotterdam for New York, grounded off Vlaardingen, six miles west of Rotterdam, during a fog.

KANSAS UNITES TO GREET TAFT

Warring Factions Bury Hatchet to Welcome President.

SOLID DELEGATION PROMISED.

First Day Will End in Kansas City, Where President Will Address the National Conservation Congress, Begins Hard Trip.

Baldwin, Kan., Sept. 25.—The warring Republicans of Kansas buried the hatchet and walked side by side to pay honor to President Taft. Governor Stubbs, who is generally conceded to belong to the insurgent faction, welcomed Mr. Taft with the hope that the state, without regard to church or party or faction, would extend the most royal reception ever given a president of the United States.

Republican State Chairman Dolley, who holds office in the state under Governor Stubbs, and Republican National Committeeman Mulvane united in tell Mr. Taft that the Kansas delegation to the next Republican national convention would be solidly for him. United States Senators Curtis and Bristow, the one a regular, the other a leader of the progressives, rode side by side in the tonneau of the same automobile over the Kansas countryside and sat on the same platform to pay honor to the chief executive.

The predictions of Mr. Mulvane and Mr. Dolley, who are close to political conditions in a state supposedly insurgent, followed close on the heels of the declaration of Governor Hadley of Missouri to President Taft that that state would instruct its delegates for him and the promise of the Illinois Republican leaders to send a solid delegation to the convention pledged to Mr. Taft.

There was much interest shown in the president's reception by the insurgent Republicans of Kansas. Senator Curtis and Congressman Campbell of the regulars met the president's train at Kansas City early in the morning, while Governor Stubbs and Senator Bristow appeared later, the former at Lawrence, where the president spoke to the students of the University of Kansas and the junior senator at Baldwin, where the president spent the day.

Governor Stubbs got his first real chance to say something about the president at Lawrence, where he introduced him to the students.

"I want to present the president of the greatest nation in the world," said the governor. "I hope Kansas, without regard to church or party or faction, will give President Taft the most royal reception that any president of the United States has ever had." Senator Bristow was on the station platform at Baldwin when the Taft special pulled in. He climbed the steps to the private car, walked in, and said:

"Hello, Mr. President, I'm mighty glad to see you. You have come to the greatest town on the globe."

Today the president began a hard-busy trip through the state. It will end in Kansas City tonight, where the president will speak to the National Conservation congress.

FILES OUSTER PROCEEDINGS

Hunnswell City Council May Have to Give Up Office.

Topeka, Sept. 25.—Charging that the city council of Hunnswell refused to confirm Mayor Ella Wilson's appointments, although she presented the names of nearly every reputable citizen of the town including the village school master, a petition asking the ouster of the four councilmen was filed in the Kansas supreme court by Attorney General Dawson.

The petition was drawn up by C. W. Trickett, special investigator appointed by Governor Stubbs to straighten out Hunnswell's affair. It is directed against F. J. Lander, B. Keir, J. F. Richardson and J. O. Ellis. It alleges that Mrs. Ella Wilson "was elected mayor of Hunnswell at the regular election last April, the voters writing her name on the ballot, that she did not seek office, but that the voters elected her voluntarily."

The petition takes up the history of the dispute between the mayor and the council, stating that the council desired to meet "in an upstairs bedroom in a hotel," that Mayor Wilson objected to this and the councilmen consented to meet the mayor in Brockmeyer hall, but did not attend when she went there. Then when the attorney general notified them they would have to meet, they met, but refused absolutely to confirm any of her appointments, although she named every respected citizen of the town, including the village school master.

GORILLA FOR NEW YORK ZOO

Scientist Tramps 1,000 Miles in Africa in Order to Capture Rare Beast.

New York, Sept. 25.—Professor George Garner returned from Africa with a young gorilla, said to be the second ever brought to this country, and a chimpanzee. Professor Garner was sent to the French Congo last April by the New York Zoological society and tramped more than 1,000 miles through the interior in search of a gorilla. He finally brought one from a French trader. The gorilla was taken to the Bronx zoo.

TAFT'S TRIP THROUGH IOWA

Governor Carroll and Officials Will Accompany Party.

SPECIAL CAR IS CHARTERED.

Principal Stops Will Be at Des Moines, Ottumwa, Waterloo, Fort Dodge, Iowa Falls and Knoxville—Breakfast at Grant Club.

Des Moines, Sept. 25.—The program for the welcome to President Taft in Iowa, which is now complete, leaves little to be done, and it is certain that when he comes through Iowa the latter part of the week he will be received with the acclaim that is due his high office. The governor took personal charge of the arrangements in the state and has provided the various parties that are to meet the presidential party. A special car has been secured, which will carry the governor and two of the state officials, also the governor's military staff and some of the members of congress. This will accompany the presidential train all through Iowa. The members of the party will join in the breakfast to the president here and the dinner at Ottumwa and other social features of the trip.

The president is to speak at a number of places along the line of the Illinois Central from Council Bluffs to Waterloo on Thursday, stopping for his chief meeting at Fort Dodge, the home of the junior United States senator. A big meeting has been arranged at Waterloo. In Des Moines the breakfast will be at the Grant club and by invitation only, so that the number shall be limited. At the Coliseum the president is to be introduced by Governor Carroll. The local reception committee is headed by Senator Cummins.

At Iowa Falls the president is to speak at a home-coming festival, and at Knoxville he will meet another home-coming week. But most of the meetings arranged for him will be purely political in nature and it is anticipated that the president will discuss some of the phases of national political life at some or all of the meetings.

No Fish for Iowa Rivers.

It is probable that there will be no supply of fish for the Iowa rivers this fall. The state game warden has been in the habit of seining the large bayous along the Mississippi river to take out the young fish and to distribute them to the smaller streams. But he reports that the Mississippi river is nearly dry and has been so for so long that the bayous have very few fish and they cannot be taken out, as in the past. The commissioner probably will take some of the young perch from Spirit lake and other lakes and put them into the Iowa rivers.

Want Rate on Feeders Restored.

The Iowa stock shippers will make another effort to secure a reduction in the rate to Iowa points on cattle "feeders" for Iowa farmers. Some time ago, when the railroad commission refused to increase the minimum weight for carload lots of live stock, the railroads, so it is claimed, withdrew the special reduction for cattle "feeders" and made all pay alike. The shippers and farmers have decided upon going before the interstate commerce commission to have these rates restored and the Iowa railroad commission has filed the case on behalf of Iowa shippers.

To Bring Back Convict.

The state board of control has directed Warden Barr of the state reformatory at Anamosa to have requisition papers ready to bring Charles B. Smith back from Winnipeg, Man., if he should by any chance be released from custody up there. Smith is the convict who, aided by his brother, escaped from the reformatory after shooting Guard Hamaker.

Moon Law Case Set for Hearing.

The supreme court has indicated to the attorneys in the various cases involving the validity of the Moon law, limiting the number of saloons in cities, that the court would be ready to hear them tomorrow. Quite a number have asked to be heard in the case, as there are several important points to be considered.

Child Dies of Eating Match Heads.

Chaplin, Ia., Sept. 25.—The little two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Jones is dead. While Mrs. Jones was working in the kitchen with the little one playing about, she climbed up on a chair and got hold of some matches that had been dampened and were put aside to dry. Mrs. Jones knew nothing of it at the time, but later discovered that the child had stuck the end of each match in its mouth and had smacked the phosphorus. A physician was summoned at once, but was too late and the child died in terrible agony.

Thieves Traced by Ipecac.

Mason City, Ia., Sept. 25.—An epidemic of lurch swiping from high school students successfully was squelched when decoy lunches, plentifully sprinkled with ipecac, were placed in cloak rooms of the high school building. Half a dozen seriously ill male students a short time later required medical attention.