



A Mitchell, Ill., dispatch, carried by the United Press, says: "Michael S. Link ('honest Mike') died suddenly. He was the third democratic Illinois legislator to confess that he accepted \$1,800 to vote for United States Senator William Lorimer. He was found dead in the bath room of his home by his wife shortly after 5 o'clock. Mrs. Link believes her husband died a natural death. She immediately ordered a coroner's investigation, however. It is supposed Link died from strangulation caused by coughing. Dr. E. W. Figenbaum, who examined Link's body, pronounced death due to apoplexy."

In an effort to break the will of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, her son will amend the original petition in such a way as to require the courts to define the Christian Science religion.

A bill was offered in the Tennessee legislature making it a misdemeanor for a man to visit a female seminary without permission.

A Los Vegas, N. M., dispatch, carried by the Associated Press says: "Implicated by the confession of Joe Wiggins, a former life convict, Will and John Rogers, uncles of the little Waldo Rogers, were accused of complicity in the lads' abduction. For his return \$12,000 ransom was paid, Will Rogers acting as agent for Mrs. Rogers. Recent disclosures have again aroused the city to a degree of excitement that authorities fear may result in a demonstration against the

prisoners. The accused are in the county jail, guarded by a large force of deputies. Plans have been formulated for taking the prisoners to the penitentiary at Santa Fe for safe keeping. Later Will Rogers confessed his part in the abduction. He told where the money was hidden and officers have gone in search of the \$12,000. In his statement Will Rogers does not connect his brother, John, with the kidnaping plot. The latter has not been arrested, but is under surveillance."

The Pennsylvania supreme court declared the state eight-hour law to be unconstitutional.

A company has been formed at Berlin to build a \$2,000,000 airship for trans-Atlantic travel.

Henry F. Dimock, financier and railroad builder, died in New York.

A Paris cablegram, carried by the Associated Press, says: "The storm raised by the vote in the senate reopening the delimitation question regarding champagne districts, gives no signs of abating. On the contrary, there seems a probability of the disturbances spreading to the Bordeaux wine regions. A serious agitation has already broken out in the Charente, Dordogne, Lot and Garonne departments whose situation with respect to Gironde corresponds to that of Aube to Marne, and the president of the united unions of the Gironde wine growers say the suppression of

the territorial delimitations in the Bordeaux region would be followed by the gravest consequences. The latest dispatches describe the situation as greatly aggravated. Mobs continue to burn and ravage the property of unpopular merchants, whom they accuse of importing grapes from Aube and other departments, from which they manufacture a wine designated as Marne champagne."

A Cleveland, O., correspondent for the Associated Press, says: "Braving the chilly winds and drizzling rain an immense throng, variously estimated from 150,000 to 200,000, stood in the streets and paid silent tribute to the memory of Tom L. Johnson as his body was conveyed from the family apartments to the union depot. The train bearing the funeral party departed at 6:10 p. m., and arrived in New York at 9:11 a. m., Thursday, April 13. The Rev. Harris R. Cooley, a lifelong friend of Mr. Johnson, officiated at the brief funeral services in the family apartments. At the grave in Greenwood cemetery, Brooklyn, he delivered a short address and a prayer. Flags at half mast floated from the buildings, and in store windows pictures of the former mayor were displayed, draped in black and the stars and stripes. For five minutes, during which time the cortege passed the city hall, where Mr. Johnson had so long presided, most of the stores in the downtown district suspended business. The courts also were adjourned and municipal business generally was suspended. The movement for a memorial was given further impetus when, at a meeting of the city council, plans for a new city playground, to be known as 'Johnson park,' were discussed."

The long deadlock in the Iowa legislature was broken by the election to the United States senate of Judge William S. Kenyon of Fort Dodge. He is forty-two years of age, was born in Ohio, was judge of an Iowa district court until 1903, when he became attorney for the Illinois Central Railroad company. In 1907 he became general counsel for the Illinois Central with offices in Chicago. He held that position until 1910 when he was appointed assistant to attorney General Wickersham.

A tornado destroyed the town of Big Heart, Okla., killing eight persons. Twenty-three people were killed and at least 100 injured throughout Oklahoma by the great storm. Many Kansas towns were damaged.

Cornelius McAuliffe, former managing editor of the Chicago Record-Herald, is dead.

The savings bank devoted to the savings of negroes, at Richmond, Va., failed, with liabilities of about \$25,000.

The Missouri state supreme court has granted a new trial to Dr. B. Clark Hyde, convicted on a charge of poisoning the late Colonel Thomas Swope.

The Wisconsin senate passed the Ballard resolution condemning Senator Isaac Stephenson for his vote to permit Senator Lorimer to retain his seat and commending Senator La Follette for his vote.

A Clinton, N. J., dispatch to the New York World, says: "Governor Wilson, in a special message to the legislature, urges the passage of a bill giving cities a commission form of government that provides for the initiative, referendum and recall. The governor, in his message, says

there is a healthy and general demand for the passage of the bill now before the legislature providing for such a government, and in indorsing the initiative, referendum and recall, he adds: "The bill will enable the people to correct the mistakes of their governors, to adopt measures upon their own initiative when necessary, and to recall from office unsatisfactory officials. These have proved not only efficient but absolutely part of what is now known as the commission form of government in various cities of the country. The changes proposed are not experimental; they have been tested by abundant experience elsewhere, and I am sure that it would afford all thoughtful persons cause for serious disappointment if the legislature should not avail itself of this opportunity to show itself allied in this matter, as in all others, with the impulses of progress now so handsomely manifested in our body politics."

A Springfield, Ill., dispatch, carried by the Associated Press, says: "Two important developments occurred in the hearing of the state senate committee which is investigating the election of William Lorimer to the United States senate. The first was the disclosure of a campaign by the attorneys and investigators of the committee for the apparent purpose of discrediting Edward Hines, Chicago lumberman, charged with having collected a large fund to elect Senator Lorimer. Mr. Hines testified two weeks ago that he had no knowledge of any such fund."

Denman Thompson, the actor who made "The Old Homestead" famous, died at his home in West Swanzey, New Hampshire.

The democrats held a banquet at Indianapolis, Ind., in which Governor Wilson of New Jersey and Governor Marshall of Indiana were the leading speakers.

George Cary Eggleston, author, is dead.

County option was practically killed in the Illinois legislature, where the house, by a vote of 85 to 63, tabled an amendment which, in effect, would eliminate Cook county from the operation of county option.

Governor Aldrich, of Nebraska, vetoed the bill authorizing a merger between the Bell and independent telephone companies in Nebraska.

TWO CAN PLAY

"Waiter," called the irate diner, "there seems to be a dollar on this bill I can't account for."

"Oh, that's just a joke sir," apologized the waiter—"just a bet the cashier and I have. I'll have it fixed right away, sir."

"What do you mean about a bet?" asked the diner, detaining him.

"Well, sir, I bet the cashier fifty cents you would see the mistake, and he bet you wouldn't; so I win, sir."

"Suppose I hadn't noticed it?"

"He'd have gotten the dollar, sir."

"Oh, I see. Give me your pencil," and he wrote a few lines on the back of the bill, folded it up, and handed it to the waiter. "Take that to the cashier."

The waiter leaned over the cashier's shoulder as he unfolded the paper. It read:

"I'll bet you five dollars that when you send this back you don't find me."

"And they didn't.—Lippincott's."

THE RIGHT TIME

"And when shall I take the sleeping-draught, doctor?"

"Well, about fifteen minutes before you go to sleep."—Fliegende Blaetter.

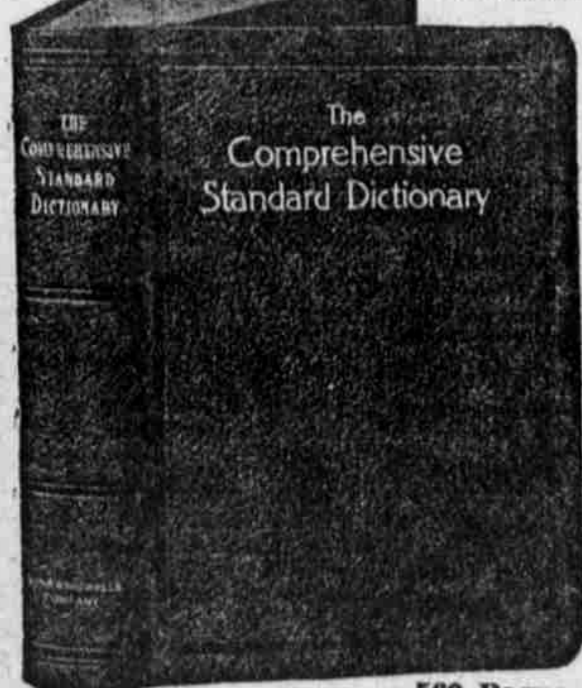
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