

# CUSTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN

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## THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Germany is suffering from intense cold.

Yale has 2,517 students, as against 2,511 last year.

William H. Carpenter, author, poet and editor at Baltimore, is dead.

Miners of West Virginia will ask an increase of 15 per cent next April.

Snows from five to ten feet deep lie on the Sudeten mountains, Germany.

Fire destroyed the school annex of St. Michael's orphan asylum at Pittsburgh.

From New Orleans the British transport Hermes with 900 mules, sailed for Capetown.

The Council of Jewish Women will hold its triennial meeting in Cleveland, March 4 to 11.

At Kokomo, Ind., John Jackson, aged 73, of Peru, fell dead while sweeping snow in the yard.

The project of the Berlin underground railroad proposes an outlay of 160,000,000 marks.

A tunnel under the Spree has just been opened, connecting Grotow with Berlin, Germany.

The tug Vigilant has started on a second search for Whaleback 115, lost on Lake Superior.

Bids will be asked for an improved mail service between San Francisco and Sydney, Australia.

A cave-in occurred in the cement mines at Rosendale, N. Y. All the men were rescued from the mine.

Rev. F. D. Newhouse, presiding elder of the Mankato, Minn., district, Methodist church, is dead, aged 42.

Lester and John Reiff have returned to their home near Toledo, O., from their victories on the London turf.

A meeting of the Scottish Liberal association in London, voted confidence in Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

The trial of Julia Morrison, the actress, who killed Stage Manager Frank Leyden at Chattanooga, is set for January 4.

The various departments at Washington will advertise for bids to furnish them with typewriters, to oppose the trust.

Broitkopf and Haerter, publishers, Leipzig, Germany, offer 1,000 marks for the words and music of a German naval war song.

The navy department officials do not apprehend any embarrassment because of the closing of the Columbian iron works, Baltimore.

Near Greenbrier, Ark., the residence of George Roberts was burned and his wife, an invalid, and two small children were cremated.

Former Congressman James Nelson Paddock, for twenty years the democratic leader from New Jersey in the house, died at his home in New Jersey.

At Toronto Can., Edmund Morris, well known in banking circles, dropped dead while reading the bulletins from South Africa, posted in a newspaper window.

The charges against Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire, alleging violation of civil service laws, will be taken before a New Hampshire grand jury next month.

Herr Eggers, editor of the Deutschasiatische, Kiao, Chou, China, has been sentenced to three weeks' imprisonment for criticizing the German administration there.

As a result of the protests of shippers the interstate commerce commission has set December 12 for a hearing at New York on the proposed advance in railway rates.

Admiral and Mrs. Dewey have accepted an invitation to attend a private dinner and reception to be given in their honor by the Brooklyn Union League club on February 5.

The naval committee of the French chamber of deputies has approved the proposed bill of M. Lockroy, opening the credit for 500,000,000 francs for increase of navy and coast defense.

A tenement house census just completed in Brooklyn, N. Y., shows that 574,959 inhabitants of that borough live in 31,687 tenement houses, an average of eighteen persons to each house.

At Leavenworth, Kan., Mulligan McNulty, a four-term desperate convict of the Kansas penitentiary, jumped on Deputy Warden William A. Thompson and stabbed him severely in the fact and neck.

At Duluth, Minn., fire completely destroyed the factory of the Duluth Boot and Shoe company Monday morning.

One fireman, B. McVittie, was killed by falling walls, and two others were seriously injured. Loss, \$139,000; insurance, \$90,000.

Foreclosure proceedings have been brought in the circuit court at Chicago by holders of the first mortgage bonds issued by the Unity company, owners of the Unity building, a modern skyscraper, in which Governor John P. Altgeld was formerly interested. The aggregate of the indebtedness on which the foreclosure is brought is \$304,050.

Near Alliance, Ky., Nelson Hamilton was pouring powder from a bag when his 4-year-old son tossed a small amount into a stove which caused an explosion in the building in such a manner that the father and three children were imprisoned and stunned by the shock, and before they could be rescued all were fatally burned and died soon afterwards.

Two bills were introduced in the senate on the 20th for commissions to investigate trade conditions in the Orient.

The British-American league of Chicago cabled \$5,000 to London, to be added to the relief fund for the families of British soldiers.

At Vincennes, Ind., Thomas B. Wilson, of Harrison township, the Christian scientist, whose child died of alleged neglect, was placed in jail by Sheriff Cox. Wilson refused to allow a doctor to treat his sick child, and the little boy died. Wilson says he placed the child's life in the care of the Great Physician.

# MONUMENT TO LAWTON

It Is Proposed to Be Erected by the People of Indiana.

## MEETS MRS. LAWTON'S APPROVAL

The General Will Probably Be Buried at Arlington—Indicated in a Cablegram From Lieutenant Col. Edwards to Indianapolis Papers—Fund for Family Is Growing Large.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—One of the afternoon papers early this morning wired Mrs. Lawton:

"Will you accept a monument from the people of Indiana?"

Later in the morning the following reply was received from Lieutenant Colonel Edwards, chief of staff, acting for Mrs. Lawton, and who has been designated to bring the body to this country:

"Yes, Arlington."

In addition to \$950 raised in this city for Mrs. Lawton, there has been subscribed already \$525 toward a monument for General Lawton. Bass post, Grand Army of the Republic, at Fort Wayne, tonight set a day for a mass meeting for popular subscriptions to the monument fund and formulated a request to Mrs. Lawton, asking that the body be buried at his old home there.

Judge R. S. Taylor of Fort Wayne is here. General Lawton was a law student in his office after the civil war. Said he:

"He was the man I looked to subdue the natives. If England had some generals like him the British soldiers would not be caught in any more Boer traps."

A call was issued today by the president of the Indianapolis Board of Trade for a meeting of the board of governors tomorrow afternoon, when formal action on the Lawton memorial will be taken and a committee will be named to act in conjunction with the committee named by President English of the Commercial club.

At Richmond a mass meeting was held today to start a movement to raise a fund for the erection of a monument to the memory of General Lawton in Indianapolis. All of the Grand Army of the Republic posts of the city met last night and adopted resolutions. Nearly all of them volunteered subscriptions either to the monument or aid fund, or both.

From the general interest evinced in the two movements it is believed Indiana will raise \$25,000 for the monument in a week or more and a sum over half as large will be raised for Mrs. Lawton. Three newspapers of the city are featuring the funds and devoting their first pages to their furtherance.

## AWFUL CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.

Eleven Children Burned to Death While Rehearsing.

QUINCY, Ill., Dec. 23.—While the school children of St. Francis parish school, Seventeenth and Vine streets, were rehearsing this afternoon for an entertainment to be given next Tuesday evening one of their dresses caught fire from a gas jet and ten minutes later four of them were burned to death, two died an hour later and five others died before midnight. Half a dozen others were burned more or less seriously. Irena Freiberg, May Wavering, Mary Althoff, Bernadina Frount, Collette Middendorf, Mary Hickey, Wilhelmina Guttendorf, Olivia Timpe, Addie Futterer, Josephine Bohne, Margaret Warner.

All these are between 9 and 11 years of age.

Helen Soebbing and several other teachers, Father Nicholas and Prof. Frank Mushold were painfully burned in trying to save the children.

The fire started in a little dressing room. Three or four little girls were there dressing for the rehearsal and laughing gaily among themselves.

A dozen others were grouped in the wings of the stage near the foot of the stairs descending from the dressing room.

The girls in the dressing room had nearly completed their costumes when one of them brushed against the gas jet but which it was never known. A touch of the flame was sufficient and in an instant her dress of cotton and light cloth was in a blaze. She screamed and ran out of the room, communicating the blaze to the others.

Fifty Millions for War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, the first of the important supply bills for the government expenditures, is practically made up and the total will amount to about \$51,000,000. The items have already been sent in by the several departments and these are being put together so that the appropriation committee will be able to submit the bill to the house soon after it assembles. Of this amount \$45,157,871 is asked for the War department, and \$3,143,740 for the Navy department.

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