

STRYCHNINE KILLED HER

MRS. STANFORD ATE SODA CONTAINING THAT POISON.

CHEMIST'S REPORT POSITIVE

It Has Been Definitely Determined Today That Mrs. Leland Stanford Died at Honolulu From the Effects of Poison—Murdered Treacherously

Honolulu, March 2.—The chemist's report of the analysis of the bicarbonate of soda, of which Mrs. Leland Stanford took a dose shortly before her death, is positive that the soda contained strychnine.

HOPE TO AGREE ON STATEHOOD

Bailey Does Not Press His Resolution On-Account of It.

Washington, March 2.—When Bailey's resolution for the discharge of the conferees on the statehood bill was laid before the senate today Bailey said:

"I understand there is a bare hope of an agreement by the conferees committee and so long as there is such hope I will not press the resolution."

The resolution remained on the table.

NIEDRINGHAUS

Says He Will Help Warner

Kansas City, Mo., March 2.—A spokesman from Jefferson City to the Star says: Thomas K. Niedringhaus said today, "If Warner secures forty-seven votes in caucus for senator, I shall do all in my power to help him."

Niedringhaus Still in It.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 2.—The thirty-sixth ballot resulted: Niedringhaus, 65; Cockrell, 74; Kerens, 15; McKinley, 4; Dyer, 1; Schalldorf, 1.

ROBBERS BLOW SAFE.

Four Armed Men Use Nitro-Glycerine and Escape With Booty.

Muskogee, I. T., March 2.—Four armed men rode into Vian, seventeen miles southwest of here, last night, blew open a safe with nitro-glycerine and escaped with \$1,600.

Honolulu, March 2.—Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford of San Francisco, widow of United States Senator Leland Stanford, died forty minutes after she was made ill at the Moana hotel here under suspicious circumstances, pointing, in the opinion of the physician who attended her and seemingly in that of others, to poisoning by strychnine in a vial of bicarbonate of soda.

Mrs. Stanford herself, when found by a guest of the hotel, who had heard her groaning in her agony and suffering from convulsions, declared: "I have been poisoned" and her last words were: "This is a horrible death to die."

The physicians say that between convulsions Mrs. Stanford repeated the assertion that she had been poisoned, and said it was the second time the attempt had been made, the first time being in January, at her San Francisco home, and that it was this attempt which caused her to come to Honolulu.

An autopsy on the remains showed that the cause of death was tetanus of the respiratory organs, but how this was brought about will not be known until after an examination of the stomach.

Expensive Fire at Lincoln.

Lincoln, March 2.—Fire which started in the third story of Hargreaves Bros.' wholesale grocery house badly damaged the building and caused an almost entire loss of the stock. The total loss is estimated at \$130,000. The Boyd hotel, adjoining, was slightly damaged.

WARNER LEADS IN CAUCUS

Adjourn After Taking Fourteen Fruitless Ballots at Jefferson City.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 2.—A caucus of Republican members was held in an effort to settle the senatorial deadlock. The caucus was attended by Niedringhaus men only and it was decided that in balloting for a candidate for United States senator forty-seven votes would nominate William Warner of Kansas City led the balloting.

Several members declared their allegiance to Niedringhaus, and refused to remain in the caucus. After taking fourteen ballots and no selection, the caucus adjourned. On the fourteenth ballot all the candidates had been dropped out but Warner, Dyer and Pettjohn, and the vote stood: Warner, 39; Dyer, 8; Pettjohn, 8. Previous to this ballot a number of members additionally had departed from the caucus, refusing to countenance any change which the caucus might make in the senatorial contest. It is declared here that there is now no probability of a break in the deadlock along the lines of any of the plans that have been suggested.

MRS. CODY ENDS TESTIMONY

Reluctant About Answering Questions That Reflect Upon Her Husband.

North Platte, Neb., March 2.—Mrs. Louise F. Cody, wife of Colonel William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill), was subjected to a long and searching cross-examination on the evidence given by her in her husband's divorce suit, which she is contesting. The cross-examination was conducted by Attorney H. S. Ridgley. Mrs. Cody became very nervous under the ordeal and contradicted her previous testimony on some points. When forced to give answers reflecting on her husband she appeared to do so reluctantly. The examination developed the fact that Colonel Cody and his wife had separated several times and had been brought together again by relatives and friends.

Anti-trust Legislation in Oklahoma.

Guthrie, Okla., March 2.—The anti-trust bill passed the lower house unanimously. The bill defines trusts and legislates against them. One section provides that all pipe lines in the territory shall be considered as common carriers and shall be subject to the laws regulating these.

FAVOR SEATING PEABODY

THIRTEEN MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE ARE FOR EX-GOVERNOR.

FIVE REFUSE TO SIGN REPORT

One Dissenter Wants Claims of Both Rejected and Lieutenant Governor Selected—Democratic Minority With Governor Adams.

Denver, March 2.—After a long executive session of the gubernatorial contest committee thirteen of the eighteen Republican members signed a report in favor of seating James H. Peabody and the nine Democrats signed a report in favor of continuing Governor Adams in the office. The other five Republican members, including Chairman William H. Griffith, refused to sign either report.

Senator Alexander, one of the Republicans who refused to sign the Peabody report, made a hard fight for the rejection of the claims of both the contestant and contestee and the seating in the governor's chair of Lieutenant Governor Jesse McDonald. He found no supporters for this plan in the committee, but he may bring it up before the joint assembly as a compromise measure. His argument was that there is no doubt of the election of Mr. McDonald, while there is doubt as to whether Adams or Peabody was elected lawfully.

Today the house and senate will meet in joint session and receive the reports of the committee. In the afternoon it is expected that John M. Waldron, chief counsel for Peabody, will open arguments.

A Republican caucus decided to allow each side to the contest eight hours for argument. Each member of the joint assembly will be permitted to speak ten minutes, and should they all take advantage of this rule or assign their time, the final vote will probably be delayed until next Tuesday.

SENATE GETS DOWN TO WORK

Passed Three Supply Bills Carrying Over \$357,000,000.

Washington, March 2.—During the day the senate considered and passed three supply bills, aggregating an appropriation of over \$357,000,000, and at night took up a fourth bill, carrying over \$67,000,000.

The appropriation measures passed during the day session were the post-office bill, carrying \$181,526,644; the pension bill, carrying \$138,909,000; and the river and harbor bill, carrying an immediate appropriation and continuing contracts of \$38,564,359. Many of the items on the bills were discussed at length, but the principal debate was based on the appropriation for pneumatic tubes of the post-office bill. The senate also agreed to conference reports on the military academy and agricultural department appropriation bill. In connection with the agricultural bill Bacon sharply criticized subordinate officials in the agricultural department for opposition to the provision for bi-monthly cotton crop reports.

During consideration of the conference report on the military academy bill Bailey criticized the addition of the names of General Hawley and General Osterhaus on the retired list of the army.

The Philippine import tariff bill was passed and also several bills of minor importance. At the night session the sundry civil appropriation bill was considered.

Japs Drive Back Russians.

General Oku's Headquarters, March 2.—The Japanese left wing is driving back the Russian outposts. The Japanese have occupied a line from Shatzemun, two miles west of the Hun river, in a northwest direction, to Kalita, on the east bank of the Liao river. A heavy bombardment along the entire line west of the railroad is in progress night and day. The Russians are being badly with field and heavy guns.

ROSEBUD IS QUIET PLACE

CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS ON RESERVATION.

THERE IS NO LAWLESSNESS

Reports Which are Derogatory to the Good Name of the Rosebud Country are Said to Have Been Spread by Land Grabbers for a Purpose.

Gregory, S. D., March 2.—Special to The News: In an article published in The News recently it was stated that during the past few months there had been, according to reports, something of a reign of terror on the Rosebud reservation, and further on the story stated that the facts came from eminently reliable citizens of Bonesteel, One Lone Indian.

Speaking as to the western part of the county, your correspondent is able to say that a reign of terror does not exist. It is true that one lone Indian broke into a settler's house and was helping himself when the settler arrived on the scene. The lone Indian was promptly arrested and is being dealt with according to law. This is the only crime that has been committed in the western part of the county this winter.

No Fights.

There have been no fierce fights, hold-ups or even attempted murders. In the town of Gregory there is a very respectable class of citizens. There are regular church services, Sunday school, public school, literary and debating society and a commercial club that would be a credit to any town. The town is fast building up and most all branches of legitimate business are represented. The town is surrounded by a good country that is being populated by a God-fearing class of people who have the courage and nerve to build up a country and make homes. It is a noticeable fact that we never hear of all this lawlessness until some outsider gets wise and spreads it broadcast over the country, which it is known here is done for a purpose.

The Cuspidor Episode.

Some of the Bonesteel land grabbers are, as the citizens here believe, at the bottom of these reports. In fact the article stated that the information came from Bonesteel. The story also stated that there is in an Omaha hospital a settler whose head was split open as a result of being struck with a cuspidor. This is misleading as the gentleman was not molested while on the Rosebud reservation but was in a saloon fight in Bonesteel when the cuspidor was hurled at him, which resulted in the split head.

Not a Horse Stolen.

Now as to the horse stealing on the Rosebud, your correspondent has not heard of one horse being stolen this winter, and the statement of actual killing is preposterous and derogatory to the good name of the Rosebud country. People who are desirous of locating on the Rosebud should not let these false reports stop them, but come and investigate for themselves.

AMPUTATE FROZEN FEET.

Man Whose Feet Were Frozen Near Ainsworth, Loses Them Both.

Ainsworth, Neb., March 2.—Special to The News: William Sheldon, the man whose feet were badly frozen thirty miles south of here, got into such serious condition that the surgeons had to amputate both feet at the ankle yesterday afternoon in order to save his life. Dr. Remy and Dr. Murphy, assisted by Miss Miller, performed the operation.

POTATO SPECIAL AT AINSWORTH

Farmers Will This Year Follow the Advice Given by Train.

Ainsworth, Neb., March 2.—Special to The News: The Northwestern potato special arrived here at 10 a. m. and gave the farmers a grand lecture on grain and produce culture. The farmers will this year follow the advice given. They say that they have believed these theories advanced, for years but that they have failed heretofore to put them into practice.

Bonesteel Paper.

Bonesteel, S. D., March 2.—Ferd Reichmann, of Geddes, S. D., has purchased the Gregory County News and will take charge the early part of next month. Mr. Reichmann is a newspaper man formerly from Iowa and for years was prominent in newspaper work there. He was an active member of the Corn Belt Editorial association and served that association as president and secretary at different periods. Since his residence in Geddes he has not been engaged in newspaper work, but has been a prominent man in public affairs, having the past two years served on the town council as president of that body.

Mr. Reichmann says he will run a newspaper for the advancement and upbuilding of Bonesteel and Gregory county.

Mr. Ayres, the retiring publisher, expects to return to his home in Marshalltown, Iowa.

SENSATION IN KANSAS HOUSE

Anti-Discrimination Bill Passed After Legislator Denounces Lobbyist.

Topeka, Kan., March 2.—The house—82 to 18—passed the anti-discrimination bill, aimed principally at the Standard Oil company, and the last of the anti-trust measures to come up in this session. It now goes to Governor Hoch. This bill will reinforce the half dozen other anti-trust measures passed by the present legislature.

A heated debate preceded the passing of the measure, during which Representative Bookman, pointing at Charles H. Ridgway, a lobbyist who fought the anti-discrimination bill, created a sensation when he declared: "He is fighting this bill because he represents the millers' trust."

The other anti-trust legislation enacted this session includes the passage of the bill appropriating \$410,000 for the erection of a state oil refinery; a bill making oil pipe lines common carriers, and a bill providing for a maximum freight rate for the transportation of oil.

The anti-discrimination bill provides that any person or firm doing business in Kansas "engaged in the production, manufacture or distribution of any commodity in general use that shall discriminate between different sections by selling such commodity at a lower rate in one section than is charged for such commodity in another section, after equalizing the distance from the point of production, manufacture or distribution and freight rates therefrom, shall be deemed guilty of unfair discrimination." The bill provides that after any complaint shall have been made against any persons or firms charging them with violating the act, investigation shall be made by the state charter board, which is given power to revoke the guilty persons' charter. A fine of \$1,000 for each and every violation of the act is provided. If the offender continues to violate the law, provision is made for ousting such person or firm from the state.

Governor Hoch will sign the bill. He announced when the refinery bill passed that the anti-discrimination law was necessary to its success.

RAILROADS TO IGNORE ORDER

Will Pay No Attention to Instructions to Equalize Live Stock Rates.

Chicago, March 2.—Executive officials of the western railroads have decided to ignore the order of the interstate commerce commission requiring them to charge no higher rates for live stock than are charged for the transportation of live stock products. By the advice of the attorneys of the different roads the matter will be tested in the courts, as the roads are agreed that it will be impossible either to lower the stock rates or to increase the rates on live stock products. A reduction on the live stock rates in compliance with the decision of the commission would mean a minimum reduction of 3 1/2 cents and a maximum of about 8 cents per 100 pounds, and would affect fully 40 per cent of all live stock traffic west of Chicago. The railroads estimate that compliance with the order would mean an annual aggregate loss to the railroads of \$2,000,000.

Methodists at Lincoln.

Lincoln, March 2.—A state missionary convention, bringing together five bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church and leading workers of that denomination from over the country, is in progress here with an overflow attendance. On the program for addresses are Bishops Andrews, Thoburn, Joyce, Hamilton and Warren, together with Dr. F. D. Gamewell and Dr. George Heber Jones, New York; Dr. E. M. Randall, Chicago; Dr. C. M. Boswell, Philadelphia, and others prominent in home and foreign missionary efforts. Evangelization of the state, nation and world was the leading thought brought out at the opening meeting.

Many Callers at White House.

Washington, March 2.—Evidence of the great throng of visitors expected to be in Washington for the inaugural ceremonies was not lacking at the white house. Hundreds of strangers called at the executive office to pay their respects to President Roosevelt. Among the callers was "Ben" Daniels, superintendent of the Arizona penitentiary, a former member of the president's regiment of rough riders and a member of the picket escort of honor of the president on inauguration day. He presented to the president a handsome cane, beautifully fashioned "cow horn" by one of the convicts in the Arizona prison.

Czar Still Considering Reforms.

St. Petersburg, March 2.—The great and overshadowing question for Russians, that of granting the people a voice in the government, remains undecided at the Tsarskoe Selo. Emperor Nicholas has not yet given the final word.

Ex-Senator Wolcott Dies in France.

Denver, March 2.—A message announcing the death of former United States Senator Edward O. Wolcott, who has been sojourning in southern France, was received at the Brown Palace hotel.

Steamer Oregon Beached.

Eureka, Cal., March 2.—The steamer Oregon has been beached and the fire is now under control.

STUBBORN FIGHT RAGING

BATTLE ON RUSSIAN LEFT WING IN MANCHURIA.

JAP ATTACK WAS REPULSED

Vigorous Attack of the Japanese on the Village of Kudaza Has Been Repulsed and the Russians Have Maintained Their Position.

Sackete, Manchuria, March 2.—Delayed in transmission.—A stubborn fight is raging on the left wing.

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JAPS ARE WINNING BATTLE.

Activity Continues and the Japanese Press Forward.

Tokio, March 2, 5:30 p. m.—Advices from headquarters of the Japanese army in Manchuria show Japanese activity on the extreme right continues and that wing is pressing forward and dislodging the Russians.

JAPS RAID A TOWN WITH GUN.

Detachment of 400 Cavalrymen Train One Gun Down Main Street.

New Chwang, March 2.—A detachment of 400 Japanese cavalry, with one gun, raided Siumintul, thirty miles west of Mukden, this afternoon. With their guns trained on the main street, the troopers ransacked the railroad buildings and the Chinese ruins.

RIOTING AT MOSCOW.

Several Killed in a Clash Between Factions of Workmen.

St. Petersburg, March 2.—Reports from Moscow say that several rioters have been killed in a conflict with workmen. The fighting was between the faction who assaulted the manufacturers, and others who intervened for their protection.

Ten thousand men struck today in the factories of the Vaborg quarter.

CENSOR SHUTS OFF NEWS.

Curtain Again Down Over Events in Manchuria.

St. Petersburg, March 2.—The curtain of a rigid censorship has settled down over events in Manchuria. There is no news of the results of Wednesday's fighting. Dispatches describing the picturesqueness of the night retreat from Da pass and the all night combat at the railroad bridge across the Shakhe river have been allowed to come through but nothing to show whether General Kurovskii is withdrawing or is determined to stand his ground. It is significant that no news has been received from the threatened left flank the last dispatches leaving the Russians clinging desperately to Oubenevsk against strong forces of General Kurovskii veterans.

Although it is not admitted at the war office, the general impression in military circles is that General Kurovskii may be forced to withdraw. Not only is General Kurovskii threatening his communications, but the reports at Putiloff and Novgorod hills and even the hills themselves, keys to the positions of the Russian center, appear to be crumbling away under the impact of the terrible eleven-inch shells, such as levelled the fortifications of Port Arthur and rendered the fortress untenable. No troops will be able to remain the position long if the bombardment continues.

It develops that the Russians were unable to hold permanently the southern end of the railroad bridge across the Shakhe river. The advance of the right wing seems for the moment to have come to a standstill.

PROCLAIMS A PARTIAL SIEGE

All Poland is Now Governed by Modified Form of Martial Law.

Warsaw, March 2.—The governor general of Poland proclaimed a partial state of siege of the governments of Kalisz, Lublin, Kielce and Lomza. As a similar condition prevails in the remaining six provincial governments, all Poland is now governed under a modified form of martial law. The proclamation does not give specific reasons for the action taken, but it is due to the general unsatisfactory condition of the country.

The strike on the Vistula railroad ended. Train service both north and south of Warsaw has been resumed. The strikers obtained higher wages and other concessions.

Lugansk, Poland, March 2.—The situation here is becoming worse. Four thousand men struck at the Hartmann works. A general strike of 200,000 miners in the Donetz coal fields is expected on March 6.

Killed by Unknown Assailant.

San Francisco, March 2.—John W. Mitchell, a labor union advocate of Wichita, Kan., died at the Central Emergency hospital here from the effects of a fractured skull. The blow was dealt by an unknown assailant.

THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours. Forecast for Nebraska.

Condition of the weather as recorded for the 24 hours ending at 8 a. m. today:

Maximum.....	68
Minimum.....	28
Average.....	48
Barometer.....	30.04

Chicago, March 2.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau this morning, gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows:

Fair tonight and Friday. Moderate temperature.

House Passes Deficiency Bill.

Washington, March 2.—The house passed the general deficiency appropriation bill, the last of the great supply measures to be acted upon during this congress. The total amount carried is \$21,224,079. The temper of the house regarding the Swayne impeachment verdict was shown when amendments were attached to the bill restricting the \$10 a day limit for expenses of United States judges so that expenditures above \$5 a day shall be certified on vouchers.

ASKS FOR A RECEIVER

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF KANSAS AFTER STANDARD OIL CO.

Charges State Branch of the Combine With Violation of State Laws—Railroads Made Parties to the Suit. Proceedings Against Santa Fe.

Topeka, Kan., March 2.—Attorney General Coleman of the state of Kansas filed suit in the supreme court asking that a receiver be appointed for the Prairie Oil and Gas company, the Kansas branch of the Standard Oil company, on account of alleged violation of the state laws. The writ was made returnable March 10 and the answer to the application will be made March 30. The papers will be served in Wadonette county, because of the situation that the interests of the company are centered there. All the railroad companies in the state with the exception of the Santa Fe are made parties to the suit. In addition, action is brought against the Transcontinental Freight bureau, the Western Trunk Line committee and the Southwestern Traffic committee. All these concerns are alleged to have entered into an agreement with the Standard Oil company to make rates which are discriminative on oil and by-products. The petition says no report has been made to the state as to the solvency of the Standard Oil company and that no charter fee has been paid the state. In this contention is where the attorney general thinks he has a strong case against the Standard, as the Kansas law governing corporations is explicit in the matter of requiring financial statements and charter fees. In addition, the attorney general alleges that the capital stock of the Standard being \$120,000,000, over \$24,000,000 should have been paid to the Kansas school fund. This has not been paid. The annual income of the Standard in Kansas is given at \$1,000,000.

Maximum Freight Rate Law in Effect.

The maximum freight rate law recently passed by the legislature went into effect yesterday. In conformance with this law the railroads operating in the oil fields have completed a new classification of oil rates. If the rate is made in strict accordance with the new law, the rate on oil in some instances will be reduced almost one-half.

J. R. Koontz, general freight agent of the Santa Fe, says: "A new rate has been established on oil. Just what the difference will be from the old rate, I have not figured out. The new rate was made simply to conform with the laws of the state bearing on maximum freight rates, as recently enacted by the legislature. There will be a reduction, however."

Suit Filed Against Santa Fe Road.

Sedan, Kan., March 2.—Suit was filed in the district court of Chautauqua county, Kansas, against the Santa Fe railroad, charging violations of the anti-trust laws. President West and Secretary Parker of the Kansas Oil Producers association assisted F. S. Monett, ex-attorney general of Ohio, in filing the papers, as also did C. A. Walsh, secretary of the national Democratic committee. The railroad is charging with violating the anti-trust laws of Kansas by combining with other corporations to regulate freight rates in restraint of trade, and otherwise disregarding the intent of the law.

Indian Territory Bank Robbed.

Clarksville, I. T., March 2.—The First State bank was robbed by three robbers, who used a crowbar in entering the rear of the bank building and blew open the safe with nitro-glycerine. They secured about \$500 and escaped. The St. Louis and San Francisco station at Boynton, fifteen miles from here, was blown open by the same methods and robbed of about \$300. Officers believe both robberies were committed by the same persons.