

QUIETER AT THE SOO

Nine Men Arrested for Being Implicated in the Riots of Monday.

CITY HAS BEEN AIDING DESTITUTE

With the Arrival of Troops This Assistance Will Be Discontinued.

FIVE HUNDRED WOODSMEN DETAINED

Held in Camp Few Miles from Town Until Others Leave.

TRAIN CREW RUNS FROM ANGRY MEN

Employees, Fearing They Are to Be Kept at Station, Start Small Riot, While Some Walk to Town.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Sept. 29.—The arrest of nine men charged with being implicated in the riot, at the Canadian Soo Monday, of a mob of discharged employees of the Consolidated Lake Superior company and an attempt of a number of the men to forcibly resist detention by the concern at Wilds Station on the Algona Central were among the developments in the situation at the Soo today.

Numerous requests by employment agencies for the services of many of the large number of employees thrown out of work by the closing of the concern and its various affiliated companies, to which they are responding, and the absence of destitution have given the men hope. With the exception of the incident mentioned everything was again quiet today.

Mayor Plummer up to today has, with the sanction of the municipality, readily aided the needy, who are declared to be few, but he announced in a statement tonight that with the arrival of a detachment of the militia tomorrow, all unemployed men of the company who have refused to accept the offers of work elsewhere, will be forced to leave. Tonight and since the attack by the mob on the company's office yesterday the local militia reinforced by the police has guarded the plants and industries of the company, but order has been observed today and communication between the two Soos, which was ordered stopped last night, was resumed. It is planned also to start the street cars on the Canadian side tomorrow.

There are 500 woodsmen in the camps of the company, but as a measure of precaution, the company, according to William Coyne, assistant to President Shields, will not allow them to come in until tomorrow, when all the troops en route will have arrived. Although they are said by Mr. Coyne to be well provided with food and to have been given good quarters, the men, he says, are dissatisfied, which has caused them to protest against being left at Wilds Station, which ended in a demonstration similar to that which occurred here yesterday, but not so serious.

Tramlines Flee from Danger.

The men, Mr. Coyne says, became angry when told they would be held at the station over night. They threw stones at the engine crew. The fuel-tide of the engines became so heavy that to escape with their lives, the crew under pretense of switching the train, after an engine and two coaches had been uncoupled, started down the main track on the Algona Central and leaving the engine at Wilds Station, they fled to their homes.

Mr. Coyne also said that his company had been liberal in providing for the men, but that some had refused to avail themselves of the offer, and that some until funds could be secured by the company that they might cash their pay checks.

Troops on the Way.

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 29.—Twenty men of the Royal Canadian dragoons, with sixteen horses and forty infantry, under the command of Colonel Buchanan, left early today for the Soo. They were followed later by seventy men and three officers from the three city regiments, 216 in all, and 80 regulars. They left in response to the urgent appeal from Colonel Elliott of the Ninety-seventh regiment at the Soo, who stated that the companies now there were utterly unable to cope with the situation.

Plan for Reorganization.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 29.—The Evening Register today has the following: A director of the Consolidated Lake Superior company has just been elected to a position of reorganization which is being prepared by a committee of the board of directors will be made public in Philadelphia in a few days. This plan has been agreed upon by the directors and is now being worked out in detail by the executive committee and is said to be satisfactory to all the Philadelphia stockholders and many in New York and Canada.

"In general it means," said the director, "making the capital \$40,000,000 and an assessment of \$1 per share on the stock outstanding. The appointment of a receiver was agreed to by the stockholders and directors because there were the syndicate creditors as well as the Canadian creditors to be protected and the receivership protects the property for the creditors as well as the stockholders. The executive committee and I are of the opinion that the money can be provided to take care of all claims within thirty or forty days."

The director denied the report that the United States Steel corporation was desirous of securing the property. Regarding the rioting at the Soo reported today, the director said it was to be expected that the miners would be irritated, but that they would get their wages in full, as wages would be a prior claim.

The executive committee consists of Cornelius Ahlsville, president of the company; E. J. Berwald of New York and Messrs. Rex and Everett, vice presidents of the Pennsylvania railroad. These men and F. H. Clergue, another of the directors, who is in Canada, are doing the work of reorganization. The speaker said the annual meeting of the company, which was

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TALKS WHILE HE IS SEATED

Counsel in Alaska Boundary Case in Too Ill to Leave His Chair.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—When the Boundary commission resumed this morning Christopher Robinson, who suffered from severe indisposition, who had benefited by a night's rest, resumed his speech in the Canadian claims, though, at the suggestion of Chief Justice Alverstone, counsel remained seated. Mr. Robinson vigorously with the faculty of the mapping of the district under contention, claiming that the American deductions therefrom were weak.

Mr. Robinson continued his speech after the luncheon adjournment. Ridelining the United States contention that it had secured the allegiance of the Alaska natives, he said: "With a bottle of whisky and a blanket you can obtain the allegiance of any Indian."

Replying to Lord Alverstone's query of yesterday as to whether counsel could prove that the coast map in article VII referred exclusively to the strip which Russia was to obtain by the treaty, Mr. Robinson maintained that article VII means reciprocal privileges in the Listerie strip previously referred to, implying Great Britain's jurisdiction over certain inland waters of the north of latitude 54.40. The United States contends, Counsel argued that Russia had not the right to grant privilege south of latitude 54.40.

Harris Taylor, former United States minister to Spain, of counsel for the United States followed Mr. Robinson, dealing with the international law phase of the dispute and discussing the Hudson Bay company's relations with the British empire, he maintained that the company's officials were empowered to represent Great Britain from an international point of view, and that, therefore, transactions with the Hudson Bay company might be regarded as having the weight of that action.

Mr. Taylor will continue his argument on Wednesday.

GERMAN SOLDIERS RIOTOUS

Army Authorities Hold that Socialist Success Causes Loss of Control.

BERLIN, Sept. 29.—A crowd of private soldiers belonging to the Second (Baden) Grenadier regiment threw stones at their officers recently while riding at Reichenhausen. Fifteen of the soldiers were arrested and have been taken to Heidelberg for trial. The Second Grenadiers is the regiment in which occurred the case of four private soldiers who were recently sentenced, one of them to ten years imprisonment, and the others to six and three years imprisonment for assaulting a sergeant named Peters, which severity was contrasted by the socialist Vorwaerts with the light sentence given to the other three.

Naval Ensign Huesener for killing his friend, an artilleryman, for not saluting him properly. The army authorities hold the socialist successes at elections to be partially responsible for the discontent among the enlisted men who gathered at Heidelberg after the announcement of the verdict in the Peters case and uttered threats against their officers.

The Vorwaerts, which almost every day attacks the behavior of officers and non-commissioned officers, today cited the incidents in cases of brutality for which non-commissioned officers were punished with an aggregate of fifty years and nine months imprisonment and eighty verdicts against officers, whose sentences aggregated twenty-four years and seven months confinement.

LORENZ DENIES THE CHARGES

Alleges They Are Inspired by Doctors Who Envy Him on Account of Success.

(Copyright, 1903, by Press Publishing Co.) VIENNA, Sept. 29.—(New York World Cablegram)—Special Telegram.—The Prele Presse will publish tomorrow Prof. Lorenz's declaration that there is no truth in the charges against him, but all assertions are dictated by the hostility of American doctors, whose envy of his successes makes them desirous to ruin his reputation. His worst enemy is a professor in the Chicago university who lost all his patients because Lorenz's assistant established himself in Chicago.

Prof. Lorenz, when he returned to America in July last, saw the bandages taken off many children he operated on and not one had suffered. All were perfectly well or had been cured. The only mishap was in the death of one child which a New York doctor had operated on.

KING EXPECTED TO PARDON

Servian Conspirators, Although Convicted, Are Likely to Be Set Free.

BEIGRADE, Sept. 29.—The trial of the conspirators charged with conspiracy against the murder of King Alexander and Queen Draga, was concluded today. Captains Novakovich and Lazarevitch, the former being the ringleader, were sentenced to two years' imprisonment and the loss of their commissions. Dr. Velikouk and Captain Lotkivitch, the former aide-de-camp of King Alexander, each received sentences of a month's imprisonment. Other officers who took a less prominent part in the conspiracy were condemned to from three months to a year in prison.

It is anticipated that King Peter will pardon all the conspirators.

SOCIALISTS DENOUNCE CZAR

Two Thousand Meet at Vienna and Protest Against Visit of Russian Ruler.

VIENNA, Sept. 29.—A meeting of 2,000 socialists was held tonight to protest against the visit of the czar of Russia. Addresses of the most violent character were made. One speaker remarked: "The czar whose only instruments of cultivation are the gallows, the prison and Siberia, comes like a thief, affected by the stigma of his crimes, between the cordon of troops."

A resolution denouncing the czar's visit as an offense to Austria's liberal population was not allowed to be published by the official representatives. The meeting broke up with shouts of "Down with the czar."

New Lord Mayor for London.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—At a meeting of the aldermen in Guild hall today at German, Sir James Thompson Ritchie, brother of the late Chancellor of the Exchequer Ritchie, was elected lord mayor of London for the ensuing year, in succession to Sir Marcus Samuels.

GREAT CHANGE IN MARKET

Leading Financial Interests Are Buyers on Change, Supporting Stocks.

BEARS ARE QUICKLY DRIVEN TO COVER

Report that Holders of Money in Large Amounts Have Agreed to Support Market Is, However, Denied.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—A very decided change came over today's stock market. In place of the reactionary liquidations and further shrinkage of value, there was buying in large volumes apparently by the leading financial interests, though it was more than likely that a goodly part of the pressure was really in the nature of supporting orders. It is also probable that some of the high grade stocks were absorbed for investment. The bears were not slow to observe the changed conditions and covered very extensively; in fact, their attitude helped in no small degree to sustain the list, which was at top prices at the close.

Conditions at the outset were not encouraging. The cables reported a situation bordering on demoralization in London, where consols had fallen to another low record, with heavy declines in the leading Americans, notably the steel stocks. Initial transactions in this market reflected the tone of that in London, but after the first few minutes the market reversed its course under the lead of Pennsylvania, which was the pivotal issue of the day. That stock was openly bought by interests that represent the real financially and on sales of more than 13,000 shares, made a net gain of 3 1/2 points. The strength of this stock was the more noticeable in view of the previous day's forceful drive against it.

Other active and strong stocks included Union Pacific, Atchafalpa, Paul, Eric, Reading and United States Steel preferred, all of which gained two points or more. Some of the specialties made greater advances, but the bulk of the day's operations was limited to the issues named.

A story went the rounds during the day that the leading financial interests had agreed to protect the market by united action. The story was denied in authoritative circles.

ENGLISH MARKET UNEASY

Consols Go to Eighty-Seven, Lowest Point Touch Since 1896.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—Consols touched 87 at noon today, the lowest point since 1896, and then hardened somewhat. The whole feeling on the Stock exchange was of extreme depression and nervousness. No disposition was shown to support prices and whenever stocks were offered the quotation was immediately lowered against the seller.

American syndicates showed a further decline in sympathy with yesterday's movement in New York, the position of the United States Steel issues being given as the dominating influence.

OMAHA WOMAN KILLS HERSELF

In Kansas City She Jumps from Window and Throws Herself Under Train.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 29.—(Special Telegram)—Miss Adelaide Pribnow, a music teacher who comes here two years ago from Omaha, committed suicide in a tragic manner tonight. Shortly before 7 o'clock she leaped from the third story window of her boarding house, 37 Locust street, and running six blocks through the alley, threw herself in front of a Suburban Belt railway train and was crushed to death. Her fall from the window was checked by the roof of an adjoining building, from which she fell to the ground below, which was soft owing to today's rain. Her friends in the hotel rushed out expecting to find her body on the ground. Instead there was a trace of her, nor did they get a glimpse of her until her mangled body was found on the railroad track.

Miss Pribnow was a beautiful young woman and had been working hard with a large class of pupils. It is supposed her mind was delirious by overwork. She was imbued with Christian science doctrines and had consented to try a regular physician.

Her mother, Mrs. B. Pribnow, arrived in the city this morning from Omaha, and has taken charge of her daughter. The mother left the room for a moment and the young woman sprang through a window and ran to the railway. The mother is prostrated.

Miss Pribnow is the daughter of Bernard Pribnow, president of the Pribnow and Pribnow Electric Manufacturing Co., an electric machine institution.

OFFER TO OMAHA MUSICIAN

First Methodist Church is Likely to Lose Its Musical Director.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Sept. 29.—(Special Telegram)—Mr. Ben Stanley, director of music of the Church of the Sacred Heart and the First Methodist church at Omaha, while in St. Joseph today was tendered a place in the conservatory of music in connection with the State university at Lincoln.

"I did not say positively that I would take the directorship," said Mr. Stanley to The Bee representative this afternoon, "but the chances are I will. I think perhaps that I shall be able to continue at least a portion of my work in Omaha for a time. Later I expect to devote all of my time to the Lincoln work."

Mr. Stanley went from this city to Omaha about a year ago.

TO RELEASE OTHER MINERS

General Chase Accepts Service and Tries to Show Right to Hold Men.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., Sept. 29.—General Chase today accepted service of the habeas corpus issued by Judge Seeds yesterday in the case of C. G. Kennison and other military prisoners. Judge Crump, one of the leading counsel for the military said that the proceedings would be made to show that the military had a right to the custody of the men. It is believed that there will be no military display in the court room during the trial.

The men who arrived here last from the Cour d'Alene district have not gone to work anywhere yet. They were approached by several members of the union, but with little success.

FORM NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Employers of the Country Get Together at Chicago to Organize Society.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—A federation of manufacturers and employers' associations, employing tens of thousands of skilled workmen, and with a combined capital of about \$100,000,000, was formed in the Auditorium Annex today. Plans were made for a general meeting of representatives of employers' associations and citizens' alliances in Chicago the first week in November when a national employers' association will be formed.

Frederick W. Job of the Chicago association, acting as chairman of the preliminary meeting and A. C. Marshall of Dayton, O., as secretary. A call for this general meeting was left in the hands of Mr. Job, Mr. Marshall and E. G. Hornbrook of Kansas City.

The object of this federation as announced tonight will be to protect and promote the interests of employers and the independent workmen of the country by all legitimate means. The promoters of this national association are the following: D. M. Parry, president of the National Manufacturers' association of Indianapolis; F. W. Job, secretary of Chicago employers' association; E. F. Duhry, commissioner National Trades association of Cincinnati; John Kirby, Jr., president Employers' association of Dayton, O.; A. C. Marshall, secretary Employers' association of Dayton, O.; E. G. Hornbrook, secretary Citizens' association of Kansas City, Mo.; J. G. Craig, president Citizens' alliance of Denver, Colo.; J. F. Druckenmiller, secretary Employers' association of Akron, O.; Marshall Channing, secretary National Manufacturers' association of New York City; Colonel J. West Goodwin, secretary Citizens' association of Kansas City, Mo.; J. O. Geyer, National Metal Trade association of Cincinnati; A. D. Meeker, secretary Employers' association of Marshalltown, Ia.

"Our purpose is to call a halt on the present method employed by union labor," said D. M. Parry, "which is no more the privilege of living unless he is a member of a labor organization."

"The open shop" is the foundation of this organization. It is the purpose of the new association to fight all strikes, boycotts and other labor troubles in the courts.

SITUATION GRAVE AT LAREDO

Yellow Fever Cases Are Increasing and New Districts Are Involved.

LAREDO, Tex., Sept. 29.—The yellow fever situation here is beginning to assume a grave phase. There are now in the city thirty-seven cases, fourteen of which have been pronounced fatal. The marine hospital experts, ten cases have been pronounced suspicious and eleven new cases have been reported today, some of which have been announced as genuine and others as suspicious. Among these cases is one of an American citizen who was confined to a certain district of cases are with the exception of a few of the new cases which have been reported today.

The conditions in Nuevo Laredo are not very encouraging. One death resulted today. It is impossible to learn from the Mexican authorities how many cases exist in Nuevo Laredo, but it is known that there is a very large number. Among the cases reported today a very grave one is that of United States Consul John F. Kimball. The lack of action is felt by the people. The railway lines being so tied up that it is impossible to move freight, and business generally is at a standstill. No official news has been sent from Monterey, but it is learned on what is considered good authority that there are at least ten new cases of fever.

HOUDESS, Tex., Sept. 29.—Federal Judge Burns today made an order releasing all the federal prisoners held in the county jail at Laredo, the fever being the reason. Most of the prisoners were held on charges of smuggling. Several were held as witnesses.

TAMMANY TO ENDORSE GROUT

Senator Platt Says if Endorsed He Should Resign from Opposition Ticket.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Edward M. Grout, nominated for comptroller on the fusion ticket with Mayor Lud, announced today that he stood ready to accept a Tammany nomination for that office. He said he considered such a step the straightest he could give to Mayor Lud, and that he would feel free to accept a democratic endorsement, if it were made unqualified and without any conditions. Mr. Grout declared himself in favor of Mr. Lud's re-election and reiterated his former statement that the coming campaign will not be conducted on party issues, but on the record of the present municipal administration, adding that he should stand on that record and that any proposition by any party or organization which his nomination is necessarily made with a full knowledge of his statement meant. Asked what he thought of the effect of his endorsement by Tammany would have on the fusion ticket, the comptroller said:

"In my judgment, after hearing all that has been said, I believe that the endorsement of Mr. Lud and myself by the democratic party is a large part of the endorsement will strengthen and not hurt the fusion ticket. Mr. Lud, however, and I have said this to people of opposite political faith who have spoken to me on the subject."

The Evening Post says:

Senator Platt and other republican leaders appear to be unanimous in the opinion that the fusion ticket is the only one that will carry the city. If they do not retire they will probably be asked to do so.

RETAILERS OPPOSE JOBBERS

Grocers of Three States Organize to Handle Goods on Cooperative Plan.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 29.—A combination of grocers in Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky, with a capital of \$3,000,000, was organized here today.

The combination is composed of retail men, some of them having as many as fifty stores, and its announced purpose is to protect itself from the recent combination of the wholesale grocers in the middle states, who recently organized under the New Jersey incorporation. It was announced today that Mrs. Jefferson Davis had passed a restful night and was steadily improving.

AGENCY OUT OF POLITICS

Such Said to Be the Meaning of Change in Thurston County.

BOARDING SCHOOL IS TO BE CLOSED

Omaha Indians Will Be Permitted to Maintain Places of Education Similar to Those of the White People.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—(Special Telegram)—The appointment of Wilson and Gregory as board superintendents of the Omaha and Winnebago Indian schools respectively means:

First, that this agency is to be taken entirely and utterly from the control of political influences and, secondly, that the boarding schools at the Omaha reservation are to be abandoned.

It will be recalled that about a year ago a number of chiefs of the Omahas came to Washington and entered a plea for the abolition of the boarding school. They then asserted that they and their children were sufficiently advanced along civilized lines to permit the establishment of a graded system of public day schools similar to those enjoyed by white children. They convinced Commissioner Jones of the truth of their statements and Mr. Jones has been for some time working to attain the desired end.

Commissioner Jones thinks that under conditions as represented he may safely abandon the boarding school at the Omaha reservation in the near future and trust the youthful Indians of that community to the teachings which can as well be imparted through the agency of the district school. Reports are being sent to the department from the Omaha reservation favoring the day school as against the boarding school as a general method of spreading knowledge among the Indian children.

Mrs. E. C. Brunner of Omaha is in the city, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Fowler.

No Grounds for Charges.

Hearing of the testimony on the charges which had been revived against B. L. Andrus and A. B. Clark, superintendent and assistant superintendent of the postal lock shop, was resumed today before W. S. Shallenberger, second assistant postmaster general, and C. H. Robb, assistant attorney general. A large number of witnesses were examined and the hearing was concluded with the finding that the charges against the two have been living were also lodged in jail. They are all colored and refused to talk regarding the matter last night. The room in which Overcker and the woman had been living is a squalid little place in the rear.

DRILLING FOR THE BIG BALL

Ak-Sar-Ben's Retainers Are Learning Their Court Steps and Knightly Graces.

One hundred and thirty-eight knights of the realm, who from motives of loyalty or from a desire to see themselves in the garb of the Order of the Knights of the Golden Rule, are preparing to parade and to play courier to King Ak-Sar-Ben IX on the night of the court ball, gathered in the den last night and practiced the grand march with all diligence and patience of the Sunday school bunch preparing for the fair ballet for charity play. Only once during the three or four miles that those devoted men walked to the stately cadence of a piano and drum was there any restiveness. That was when Dr. H. F. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry, strolled today that of 200 cargoes of imported food inspected by his bureau since the law authorized the exclusion of impure or misbranded foods went into effect, on July 1 last, twenty samples, or 10 per cent, had been found to come within the law's inhibition and had been condemned.

Assistant Secretary of War Oliver has been appointed on the board for the promotion of rifle practice in the United States Army. A meeting of the board in Washington today authorized to carry the foundation of the rifle practice in the United States Army. A meeting of the board in Washington today authorized to carry the foundation of the rifle practice in the United States Army.

ROUTINE OF THE DEPARTMENTS

Postmasters appointed: Nebraska—Ames, Dodge county, Elmer E. Sutton, vice E. A. Cody, resigned. Iowa—Pleasant Plain, Jefferson county, James W. Argov, vice J. G. J. Ginter, resigned. South Dakota—Blount, Hughes county, S. Glenn Lillibridge, vice Horace A. Chase, resigned. These rural carriers were appointed today: Nebraska—Ogallala, regular, Harry M. Glasgow, substitute, Hugh Glasgow; Palmyra, regular, Robert J. Burton, substitute, William Vaughan; Sella, regular, Winford E. Bain, substitute, E. Bain; Willcox, regular, Floyd E. West, substitute, R. P. West. Iowa—Albia, regular, Mark Dewey, substitute, W. B. Dewey; Dallas Center, regular, John W. Elliott, substitute, Elva I. Elliott; Laurel, regular, Alexander Ingraham, substitute, Elmer B. Ingraham; Lothrop, regular, Joseph C. Esauk, substitute, Lee Lockridge; Vail, regular, Robert J. Crampton, substitute, William Crampton.

Charles W. Gindole & Co., Chicago, contractors of Boone, Ia., public building, were today authorized to carry the foundations through the quicksands which have been encountered on the site at \$14.8 per cubic yard. This additional amount to Gindole's contract is not to exceed \$50.

WANT NEW INSURANCE LAWS

Commissioners from Various States Will Prepare Bill to Produce Uniformity in Regulations.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 29.—The thirty-fourth annual convention of Insurance Commissioners of the United States began here today. The afternoon session of the conference was devoted to the discussion of the suggestions from which it is proposed to form a bill to present to the legislatures of the various states for enactment for the purpose of regulating the insurance laws. It is the desire of both sides to get together and present to the several state legislatures a uniform bill which shall apply to all states. A number of sections were acted upon today, but they were of a technical nature.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Showers Wednesday and Much Cooler in Western Portions Thursday Fair.

Table with 4 columns: Temperature at Omaha Yesterday, Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows for 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m.

ASSAULT RESULTS IN MURDER

Lou Hale, Colored, Dies as Result of Injuries Inflicted by Frank Overcker.

Frank Overcker, who is almost blind, committed an assault upon Lou Hale, colored, at 1399 Dodge street yesterday evening, which ended in her death.

Overcker and the woman have been living together at the number given for some time. According to the story told by those living in the house, they have had more or less trouble ever since they have been living there. Last night about 12 o'clock Matt Rogers, who lives at 1399 and 1/2 Eleventh street, came home and found the Hale woman at his house. She was lying down upon the bed and was still able to talk. She told him that Overcker had assaulted her and that she was very sick. Police Surgeon Schlier was sent for and pronounced the woman in a very serious condition. When an examination was made there were no signs of bruises upon her head, although she told Rogers that she had been hit upon the head. She has none of the symptoms of poisoning, so it is not thought that is the cause of her condition. She died at 3 o'clock this morning. She was unconscious for about three hours.

Overcker is a worthless individual who has not been doing anything for a living for some time. He used to be a cook before he lost his sight. He has been brought to the police station periodically for several years, always in a drunken condition. It is said that the woman he killed has been making a living for him.

The people at the Rogers house say that the woman visited them two or three days ago and told them that Overcker had given her a beating and that she was suffering with a pain in her back.

Overcker was caught in a doorway on Dodge street by Detectives Bryker and Hudson about 2 o'clock this morning and locked up at the police station. Three days ago and told them that Overcker had given her a beating and that she was suffering with a pain in her back.

DEBATE BE BITTER

Zimmerman's speech, full of hard, abrupt statements, went far back into the history of lighting deals and dealt with municipal politics. He applied harsh terms toward the officers of the gas company and called them liars in as plain English. It was the first vocal battle royal that the present council had had with the gas company. Huntington and O'Brien were the majority members who took issue with Zimmerman.

Another complication entered into the affair when George B. Doughty, manager of the Cleveland Vapor Light company of Chicago, asked permission to address the council and said that he had a proposition to put in a lighting bid and had been waiting several weeks for the opportunity. He said that Omaha would rarely have to advertise for proposals from independent lighting concerns throughout the country and it would receive figures lower than \$2 a year for electric lighting or gasoline lamps. He made no proposal to the council, however, and his talk was very brief.

The Omaha Electric Light and Power company maintained silence. Its usual chief representatives were not present. No communication relating to lighting proposals was received from it.

The existing contract with the Omaha Gas company expires December 31 of the present year. It calls for lamps with improved Welsbach burners for \$30 per set, new posts at \$8 each, and a charge of \$1 for setting posts which will be eliminated in the new contract.

WHAT ZIMMERMAN SAID

President Zimmerman evidently anticipated the vote on the resolution as just before it was read he abdicated the chair in favor of Vice President Nicholson, and as soon as Councilmen Dyball and Back had moved for the adoption of the resolution, he proceeded to talk vigorously against it. He recalled the fact that three years ago the council had reduced lighting bids from the gas and electric light companies, and that the gas company had held back, giving as an excuse that the St. Paul injunction, issued last spring, prevented it from making a proposal. Upon the corporation's request the injunction was lifted and the council had submitted a bid, but not to the extent that the council might act on the question of letting the contract. He referred to the reduction in electric lights and the 3 per cent royalty obtained from the electric company when the present contract was made, and he said that because the council had insisted upon concessions,

"I believe firmly," Zimmerman continued, "that if this council would sit down on the gas and electric light companies and say 'You can do any lighting unless you make reasonable terms,' we can succeed in getting figures much lower than those now in effect. We are here acting for the people. The mayor tonight has suggested municipal ownership as the solution for the lighting problem. This may be worthy of consideration, but I think it is a lighted ordinance so that it may be introduced and considered by the council."

HIS OPINION OF CONTRACT

"I believe that the gas company's contract is the most outrageous deal ever perpetrated on the people of Omaha. It was obtained when a green council had just come into power and when the rival faction in the lighting matter, F. A. Nash, was out of the city on his wedding trip. I think we have now the best and most honorable council that ever sat in the city. You have seen how the gas company has ignored the invitation to present a bid for lighting and I am convinced that if it had presented figures, or intended to do so, Mr. Nash would have submitted his proposition."

"Now, further, about the way the gas company has treated the city. It is a contract for five cubic feet of gas to each street lamp during a certain period. Tests show it furnishes only three and one-half cubic feet. Another curious fact is that its franchise names a price of \$5 for the maintenance of each lamp, but it takes on \$2 for an improved burner, which our gas inspector could place on every lamp for \$1.50 each."

ABOUT SOME OFFICIAL STATEMENTS

"You will remember, some of you gentlemen, the statements made by the president of the gas company, its secretary, Mr. Clabough, who sits over there, and its treasurer, who has but a few years more to live—the statements they made under oath in the board of Review hearing, where they knew nothing whatever about the cost of producing gas or the most vital and elemental statistics relating to their company. Such people require careful dealing. This resolution should be referred to a com-