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WADSWORTH GOES TO COURT

Questions Authority of Board to Pay Deputy for Collecting Taxes.

OPINION BY COUNTY ATTORNEY

That Official Tells Board Such Action Has Been Customary, but Recent Decision of Supreme Court Says It is Illegal.

Following up his attack on the republican county officials in his speech at the recent democratic county convention, Attorney S. B. Wadsworth yesterday afternoon obtained from Judge Wheeler in district court a writ of certiorari directed to the members of the Board of County Supervisors and returnable Saturday, April 18, together with a transcript of the proceedings of the board with reference to the allowance of two bills presented by Otto Volstedt, a deputy in the office of the county treasurer, for the collection of delinquent taxes.

In his petition Mr. Wadsworth makes the allegation that the allowance of the two bills for the collection of delinquent personal taxes was illegal. He calls attention to two bills, both of which were allowed by the board. One of the bills was for 10 per cent of $5,095.05 and the other for a like percentage on $4,783.68 delinquent personal taxes collected by Mr. Volstedt. The first bill was allowed by the board on September 12, 1907, and the second on January 8 of this year.

It is contended by Mr. Wadsworth in his petition that Volstedt, being in the employ of the county treasurer as a deputy, was not entitled to any compensation as delinquent personal tax collector. It is also claimed by Mr. Wadsworth that the percentage allowed is in excess of that provided by statute for the collection of delinquent personal taxes.

Mr. Wadsworth asks that upon the return of the writ the proceedings of the board with reference to the allowance of the bills be set aside and that he be given judgment for costs. Mr. Wadsworth brings the suit as a "citizen and taxpayer of Pottawattamie county."

County Attorney's Opinion.

Having a premonition that some such proceedings were to be instituted by Mr. Wadsworth the supervisors called upon County Attorney Hess for an opinion. Mr. Hess gave it as his opinion that the action of the board in allowing Deputy Volstedt the 10 per cent commission on the amount of delinquent personal taxes collected by him was without authority.

The opinion of the county attorney in part was as follows:

In the case of Wilhelm against Cedar county the supreme court of this state used the following language in an action brought by a special collector for his compensation in the collection of delinquent personal taxes:

"Boards of supervisors have the power to represent their respective counties and to have the care and management of the property and business of the county in all cases where no other provision is made.

"It is the business of the county to collect taxes and to use all reasonable means to do it. We think, therefore, that the Board of Supervisors had the power to employ the plaintiff to render the services in question."

Following this holding of the supreme court many Boards of Supervisors in the state employed special help for the treasurers to make collections of taxes which had not been collected by the treasurer in the ordinary course of collecting taxes and which taxes were generally referred to as delinquent personal taxes.

The matter so far as I have been able to discover was not again squarely passed upon by the supreme court until a short time ago, when the matter arose in Harrison county in the case of Massey against Harrison county. In this case Harrison county had employed one Massey to collect delinquent personal taxes and to compile a delinquent tax list, he to receive as his compensation 30 per cent of all moneys collected by him directly and 25 per cent of all moneys paid directly to the county treasurer by delinquent taxpayers. The matter was presented to the Hon. N. W. Macy, a judge of this district, who decided that the contract for the 30 per cent compensation was a valid one and within the power of the Board of Supervisors to make. This case, however, was appealed to the supreme court and is reported in the 105th Northwestern at page 507, and the supreme court upon consideration of the matter reversed the holding of Judge Macy upon the ground that such a contract was beyond the right of the Board of Supervisors to make.

I find, upon investigation, that it has been the practice for many years in this county for the board to employ some person in the treasurer's office to make collections of delinquent personal taxes, paying therefor a sum equal to a stipulated percentage of the taxes collected. The board has undoubtedly followed this custom, which under the holding in the Wilhelm case was regarded as a valid practice until the decision handed down by the supreme court in the Massey case.

It is therefore my judgment that this contract was beyond the authority of the board and that the board could not have the authority to make the contract referred to.

Following the receipt of the county attorney's opinion in the matter, the supervisors lost no time in instructing County Treasurer Mitchell that the arrangement with Mr. Volstedt as to the collection of delinquent personal taxes was not authorized by statute and that therefore the board would require the county treasurer to return the compensation paid Mr. Volstedt. The amount received by Mr. Volstedt was $987.87.

LAW ENFORCEMENT LEAGUE

Constitution Adopted and Organized for Business.

If the attendance at the meeting last night is any indication, public interest in the newly organized Council Bluffs Law Enforcement league must have materially waned. Including the officers of the organization and three newspaper men, there were not twenty present.

The form of constitution as reported by Charles M. Harl, chairman of the committee having this in hand, was adopted. It provides for an executive committee of either three or five members at the discretion of the president with whom rests the appointment. President Stuart announced that as the personnel of this committee meant the life of the organization, he would have to think over the matter for a day or two before naming the members.

On motion of Mr. Harl, the first duty of the executive committee will be to confer with the county attorney, Mayor Maloney and Major Richmond, chief of police, for the purpose of coming to an understanding with these officials as to the objects of the league. The executive committee, according to Harl's statement, is to impress upon the officials the fact that the league is not intended as a threat or as a club over them.

The objects of the organization as set forth in the constitution adopted last night are as follows:

The objects of this league shall be to aid the public officials of the state of Iowa, the county of Pottawattamie and the city of Council Bluffs in the enforcement of the laws of the state of Iowa in the city of Council Bluffs and create public sentiment in said city in favor of the enforcement of law and in case of neglect or refusal of the public officials charged with that duty to enforce the laws, the league shall take such steps towards their enforcement and to compel action by the proper officials or steps to remove said officials as the league or its executive committee may direct.

Also to bring about within the city of Council Bluffs the fair, honest and impartial enforcement of what is known as the muict law, the prevention of public gambling and the enforcement of laws with reference to other evils or abuse inimical to the peace, good order and prosperity of the people of Council Bluffs.

The association shall be strictly nonpartisan and nonsectarian and shall not be used for the accomplishment of any private end but shall be devoted to the enforcement of law, a creation of public sentiment therefor, the aid and support of the officials charged with that duty in their efforts to perform the duties imposed upon them and to secure the punishment of those who shall violate the laws or of public officials who shall aid or abet law breakers or neglect or refuse to discharge the duties imposed upon them with reference to the enforcement of law.

The annual meeting of the league will be the first Tuesday in April and special meetings shall be called on request of ten members. Women are to be admitted to membership. The officers are elected for one year.

President Stuart suggested that a committee on membership be named and his suggestion met with favor. He named F. C. Lougee, Harry Curtis and Dr. A. C. Brown on the committee.

Present at the meeting were President D. E. Stuart, Vice President F. D. Day, Secretary C. E. Swanson, C. M. Harl, Rev. Charles Mayne, Rev. James M. Williams, Harry Curtis, F. C. Lougee, W. J. Leverett, Dr. A. C. Brown, S. J. Carter, Major Richmond and County Recorder G. G. Baird.

Matters in District Court.

The trial of the personal injury damage suit of Frank Milledge against the street railway company was concluded yesterday morning and given to the jury shortly before the noon recess. A verdict in favor of the defendant company was returned early in the afternoon.

Mrs. Cathrin Carlin filed suit for divorce from James Carlin, to whom she was married April 17, 1899, basing her suit upon charges of cruel and inhuman treatment. The court granted a temporary injunction restraining Carlin from going to the home at 1917 South Ninth street or interfering with his wife in any way.

Otto Vogtman, indicted jointly in September, 1905, with Charles Beadle for the theft of a buggy in Pottawattamie county, is in the county jail. Vogtman and Beadle were charged with stealing a team of horses in Mills county and the buggy in this county. Beadle was arrested in this county and sent to the penitentiary, while Vogtman was arrested in Mills county, where he was tried and convicted for stealing the team. His term at Fort Madison expired and he was brought here for trial on the charge of stealing the buggy. Vogtman is in poor health and it is possible that the second charge against him may be dismissed.

Gibbons Attempts Suicide.

Ami Gibbons, a laborer, living at 1150 Ninth avenue, whose domestic troubles have received more or less notoriety recently, attempted to end his life Wednesday afternoon by drinking carbolic acid. His eldest son, Frank, succeeded in knocking the bottle containing the acid from his father's lips, but not before he had swallowed about half the contents. City Physician Rice was promptly summoned and the latter stated yesterday that there was a chance for the man's recovery.

Gibbons is said to have taken acid after an unsuccessful attempt to effect a reconciliation with his wife. Gibbons is said to have been drinking lately and a few days ago drove his wife out of the house and then burned up her clothing in the store. The police were called, but by the time an officer reached the house Gibbons had made his escape. The family sought refuge with friends on Harrison street and only returned to the home on Ninth avenue Wednesday morning.

Funeral of Robert Dailey.

The funeral of the late Robert Daily will be held this morning at 10 o'clock from the family residence, 98 Fourth street, and will be strictly private. The services will be conducted by Rev. T. J. Mackay of All Saints' church, Omaha, assisted by Rev. J. W. Jones, rector of St. Paul's church. Burial will be in Walnut Hill cemetery.

The body arrived last evening from Fresno Cal., in charge of Lieutenant George Dailey, brother of the deceased.

Out of respect to Mrs. Mary E. Dailey, mother of the deceased, the public library will be closed until 1 o'clock this afternoon.

BOY SCRATCHED DAY AND NIGHT

Eczema Began When a Tiny Baby and Lasted 7 Years—Tore Crusts from Face Till It was All Raw—Screamed with Pain and Could not Sleep—Though Specialists Failed

CUTICURA EFFECTED A WONDERFUL CURE

"When my little boy was six weeks old an eruption broke out on his face. I took him to a doctor and got ointments and medicines but his face kept on getting worse until it got so bad that no one could look at him. His whole face was one crust and must have been very painful. He scratched day and night until his face sometimes looked like a raw piece of meat. I was nearly insane with his scratching day and night. Then I took him to all the best specialists in skin diseases but they could not do much for him. He sometimes screamed with pain when I put on the salve they gave me.

"When he was two years old the eczema got on his arms and legs so that I had to keep them bandaged up and I made gloves for his hands so the nails could not poison him worse. We could not get a night's sleep in months and my husband and I were all broken up. Then my mother asked why I did not give up the doctors and try Cuticura. So I got a set and he felt relieved the first time I used them, the Cuticura Ointment felt so cool. He used to wake up and ask for Cuticura to be put on when he itched so badly that he could not sleep, and he would say, 'Oh! Mama, that makes my sores feel so good!' I gave the Cuticura Remedies a good trial and gradually the eczema healed all up and now he is as well as any other children. He is now seven years old and the cure has lasted two months, so I think it will never return. I can't tell you how glad I am that Cuticura did such wonderful work in our case and I shall recommend it everywhere. Mrs. John G. Klumpp, 80 Niagara St., Newark, N. J., Oct. 17 and 22, 1907."

A single set of Cuticura Remedies, consisting of Cuticura Soap (25c.), Ointment (50c.), and Resolvent (50c.), or Pills (25c. per vial of 60) is often sufficient to cure. Sold throughout the world. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston, Mass.

Mailed Free, Cuticura Book on Skin Diseases.

FREMONT COUNTY GETS CASH

Supreme Court Holds Bank and Bondsmen Liable for the Deposit.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, April 10.—(Special.)—The supreme court today decided the case from Fremont county concerning county funds on deposit in the Fremont County bank, and held that the county can recover its funds, amounting to $1,348.89. The case has been in court for four years and in its decision the court reverses the action of the district court of Fremont county. The case is important chiefly as fixing the responsibility of banks in the handling of county funds.

When H. C. Byars became county treasurer of Fremont county, on January 4, 1904, succeeding H. E. Hawley, there was a deposit of county funds at the bank of a little more than $1,000, which was turned over to the new treasurer. The new treasurer added to this and then the bank became embarrassed and refused to pay the amount. Suit was instituted to recover the money from the bondsmen of the bank. These bondsmen set up various defenses. They were all based on technicalities of more or less importance. They held among other things that the Board of Supervisors following the installation of the new treasurer had not approved of the Fremont County bank; and, further, that the bank was insolvent and the money really lost before the new treasurer came in. On all points the supreme court held with the county.

The supreme court today reversed the Council Bluffs superior court in the case of O. J. McManus against the Chicago Great Western railway, appellant. The suit was brought to recover damages for stock shipped from Council Bluffs to a point in South Dakota.

The requisition of the governor of South Dakota for William Greuel, who is wanted in Wagner, S. D., for the theft of a team of horses and harness and buggy, was honored by Governor Cummins today. Greuel is under arrest in Sioux City.

The Allison headquarters here is in receipt of a letter from Senator Dolliver to the effect that he cannot leave his duties in Washington at this time to come to Iowa to engage in the campaign for Senator Allison. He is too busily engaged with his duties in congress where he has some very important bills which he has introduced. He holds out the hope that he will be able to come later in the campaign.

The plans of the Allison headquarters is not to conduct an extensive speaking campaign. It is understood that Senator Dolliver will make two or three speeches. The main speech of the campaign will be one to be held in the auditorium in this city probably by Senator Burroughs of Michigan or Senator Beveridge of Indiana or some other equally prominent and able senator from some other state than Iowa. These plans are as yet not perfected, and the date cannot be set. It is proposed to have some colleague of Senator Allison who is well informed from association with him on the work and ability of Senator Allison, deliver the address and tell in it just what Allison has done. It is believed that this will be of greater benefit than any speaking campaign over the state as the address will be circulated far and wide.

The Allison campaign, it is understood, will consist of these few speeches which it is proposed to give and the literature that is being circulated from the Dubuque headquarters.

Montague Hakes, who served one term in the legislature as representative from Pocahontas county, is seeking the democratic nomination for congress in the Tenth district.

DOCTOR CALLS AT WRONG TIME

Husband is Home and Visitor Probably Fatally Shot.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Dr. H. W. Emeny, an osteopath of Eldora, Hardin county, was seriously and perhaps fatally wounded by being shot by Edward Nuckolls, a prominent merchant of Eldora, at 2 o'clock this morning, while Emeny was attempting to get into Nuckolls' home when he believed Nuckolls was absent. Nuckolls home had been under quarantine for scarlet fever and Nuckolls had not been living there. Yesterday he learned the supposed scarlet fever was only whooping cough, and he returned home last night. At midnight he was aroused and going to the door found Dr. Emeny there. Emeny asked him to come to his office and have some good wine. Nuckolls became suspicious, but compliied, and then told Emeny he would go to the store to sleep. Instead he returned home. An hour and a half later Emeny again came to Nuckolls' home. Nuckolls, who was on guard, opened the door and began shooting. Emeny fled, with Nuckolls in pursuit, firing. One bullet took effect, entering Emeny's breast. Late this afternoon the surgeon was unable to tell the outcome of the wound. No arrest has been made yet.

Mrs. Nuckolls is a daughter of George W. Ward, a prominent Eldora attorney. Not until this afternoon did the news of the shooting leak out.

He Knew What He Wanted.

FORT DODGE, Ia., April 10.—(Special.)—A stranger wandered into a Fort Dodge garage one day this week and remarked that he would like to buy a certain automobile then standing in front of the establishment. And he forthwith commenced counting bills from a big roll.

"How much?" he asked, as he pointed to the car of his choice.

"Seventeen hundred dollars," replied the astonished dealer. "But don't you want a demonstration?"

"No, thanks," responded the stranger as he shoved over the money. "Just give me a few instructions in running the buggy and I'll be all right."

He was accommodated by the dazed dealer and before his name could be learned the stranger rode away. It is said he only recently became connected with one of the big clay product plants at Lehigh, a few miles south of the city.

This is the strangest automobile sale ever pulled off in Fort Dodge.

Cummins Talks at Creston.

CRESTON, Ia., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Governor Cummins spoke to a large audience here tonight. He was introduced by ex-Senator Harsh, who was accompanied by Lieutenant Governor Garst and A. I. Smith, candidate for congress from the Eighth district. The governor was given an attentive hearing during his long speech and was frequently applauded. His speech was largely a review of his record while in office and what he had accomplished for the republican party, and a final plea for harmony which ever way the tide might turn.

Child Dies of Burns.

FORT DODGE, Ia., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—While returning from school Wednesday afternoon, five-year-old Mercedes Murray of Pocahontas, caught fire from a bonfire and succumbed to the burns this morning. Her father and mother fought the flames and were burned about the hands.

Mayor Contest On in Sioux City.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., April 10.—(Special.)—The legal fight of I. N. Stone, republican candidate for mayor in the recent city election, has been begun to oust W. G. Sears from the mayor's chair. On the face of the returns Mr. Sears was re-elected by a majority of 162 over Mr. Stone. That this majority easily will be dissipated when the ballot boxes are opened and a recount of the votes made is the confident belief of members of the republican city central committee.

The Time to Buy IS NOW!!

The pianos we received last week from the factory are so beautiful in appearance and so sweet of tone that they are pleasing the most fastidious.

AS A BEAUTIFIER
of the home nothing can equal one of these handsome pianos.

AS AN ENTERTAINER
of guests nothing in the home will be called upon and so fully meet all requirements as a piano.

AS AN EDUCATOR
for the children, a piano fills a place that nothing can take.

AS A REFINING INFLUENCE
for each and every member of the family, a piano will do more than any other one article you can place in the home.

AS AN EXTRA INDUCEMENT
we are offering these [just from the factory pianos] on the easiest possible terms.

THE PRICES ARE RIGHT.
Being less than other dealers would be compelled to pay for them at the factory.

THE PIANOS ARE RIGHT.
Being of the **World's Best Makes**—made up in all kinds of woods, either in plain or hand carved cases—tone qualities that in sweetness are unsurpassed. Touch that is responsive and of such durability as to last a lifetime.

THE TERMS ARE RIGHT.
Any one of these beautiful pianos will be sold on such easy terms as to leave you no excuse for not having a piano in your home.

CELEBRATE EASTER
At your home with music from your own piano. You can do it.

See Us and We Will Prove This to You!

BUY THAT PIANO NOW!

Among the well known makes to be found here during this, **the greatest value-giving piano sale** ever started in the west, are the **KNABE**, "the world's best;" **CHICKERING BROS., SOHMER, FISHER, WEGMAN, SMITH & BARNES, SMITH & NIXON, EBERSOLE, PRICE & TEEPLE, SCHAEFER, FRANKLIN,** and numerous other makes. Come and see the beautiful Uprights that we are selling at the following prices:

$63, $68, $70, $74, $79, $97.50, $115, $119, $135, $143, $165, $178, $190, $200, $225, $250, $268, $300, $350

HAYDEN BROS.

IOWA TEACHER TO WASHINGTON

Goes from Feeble-Minded Institute at Glenwood.

GLENWOOD, Ia., April 10.—(Special.)—Miss Anna E. Sullivan of this city, who has for the past three years been connected with the Iowa Institution for Feeble Minded Children as one of the primary teachers, has just been appointed assistant superintendent of the atypical classes of the public school system in Washington, D. C. This appointment is a well merited recognition of Miss Sullivan's ability as a teacher of sub-normal children. The establishment of special classes for backward and mentally feeble children in connection with the public schools is rather a new departure in educational matters in the United States, but it is becoming more and more recognized that a certain percentage of pupils in the public schools, especially in the larger cities, are so backward or deficient that their presence in the grade classes is detrimental, not only to themselves, but to the best interests of the normal child, hence the establishment of special or auxiliary classes for their benefit.

Miss Sullivan is a native of Iowa, her home being at Waverley. She is a graduate of the state normal school at Cedar Falls.

Miss Harriet E. Paul.

HENDERSON, Ia., April 10.—(Special.)—The funeral services of Miss Elizaneth Paul were held in the Methodist Episcopal church Tuesday. Miss Paul had gone to Lincoln, Neb., to attend the annual Kappa Alpha Theta banquet March 14, and was taken seriously ill the following day with what proved later to be acute miliary tuberculosis. She was removed to her home in Henderson, where her death resulted yesterday. A sister, Elsie M. Paul of New York City and a brother of Ames, Ia., were with her at the time of her illness and death. A father, mother and sister, Mrs. W. D. Craig, also survive her.

Boy Indicted for Murder.

CRESTON, Ia., April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The grand jury this afternoon returned an indictment against Bert Henderliter, charging him with the murder of Nathan Taylor. The case of Mrs. Belle Taylor, held as an accomplice in the murder, was ignored by the grand jury, her bond exonerated and she was ordered discharged.

Iowa News Notes.

MARSHALLTOWN—John Dolozoi, an aged Bohemian inmate of the county poor farm, died at noon today after an illness of two months with asthma. He was 90 years old. The man has no known relatives and his body is to be sent to one of the state medical colleges.

ATLANTIC—Judge Macey is rushing all the old business of the court calendar before his retirement from the bench, and yesterday disposed of about thirty matters that had been on the calendar for years. The grand jury completed its duties and adjourned with but one indictment returned.

MARSHALLTOWN—Charles McGee, an Iowa Central switchman living here, was seriously and it is thought perhaps fatally injured at about noon today by falling from the roof of a box car which was being switched. It is thought that McGee is injured internally and at the hospital late this afternoon it was said that the chances of recovery were against him.

TREYNOR—Jurgen Schmileau, a pioneer resident of this town, died yesterday from burns caused in some unknown manner. About midnight the night before the family were aroused by screams and rushing to his bed discovered the aged man's clothing in flames. All tried to extinguish the flames, but the man was fatally injured before they could assist him. It is supposed that the fire was caused by a kerosene lamp.

MARSHALLTOWN—The fight over the election of a city clerk for the town of Laurel, Marshall county, was brought to a focus and decided at the second meeting of the new council, held last night. Half of the councilmen favored H. H. Smith and the other half stood by A. J. Bloom. Mayor Cecil Rogers decided the tie, which has existed for two weeks, by voting for Mr. Smith.

MARSHALLTOWN—Charles Satia, aged 79 years, a pioneer resident of this city and one of the best known market gardeners and fruit growers of central Iowa, died at his home this morning of disease of the heart. Mr. Satia was born in Chautauqua, N. Y.

FORT DODGE—A short time ago a man going under the name of John Zwiege mulcted about thirty of the young men of the city out of much of their money. He organized a band and sold instruments to those who wished to enter its membership, but had no instruments. One saxophone cost a young man $110 when it was worth only $75. After selling all he could he skipped out.

ATLANTIC—Young Roscoe Essington, living at Lorah, is in dangerous condition and not expected to live as the result of blood poisoning. Some time ago he rubbed a little sore on his heel, and it at once became sore. Nothing was thought of it at first, but now his whole limb is infected and fears are entertained for his recovery. The poison is supposed to have come from the dye in his sock.

LAKE CITY—A valuable gold watch, a present for his son, was eaten by a cow belonging to Anthony Heskel. Heskel purchased the watch in Des Moines and hid it in the feed-mixing trough in the barn. Before he reached the barn as he had intended the hired man had mixed a batch of feed for the cows and innocently fed the watch to one of the appreciative kine. As Heskel deems the watch of more value than the cow which is believed to have eaten it, he is deliberating whether he will have the animal subjected to an X-ray investigation and an operation.

ATLANTIC—The city council held its annual meeting last night and reelected T. E. Nichols as city clerk and superintendent of the water works and electric light plant. They also passed ordinances requiring two exits to all public halls with a seating capacity of less than 500, and three for those with a seating capacity of more than 500. Mayor Straight in retaining all the old committees and officers reported that the city of Atlantic has accomplished something unusual during the last year, in that they have passed the year without going in debt.

FORT DODGE—The new high school building will be used at least a month this year if the redoubled efforts to put the new building in readiness for occupancy before the end of the school year are successful. The new building is being erected upon the ruins of the old one that burned June 16, 1907, at a cost of over $50,000. It is one of the best in the state and has been constructed according to the latest building methods. During the last school year office rooms in various parts of the down town district have been used as classrooms at an additional cost of many thousands of dollars.

LAKE CITY—John P. Stark of this county, a farmer, has proved himself an expert in the detection of criminals. During the winter he lost nearly 300 bushels of oats as the result of raids made by thieves. Finally becoming weary of seeing his grain disappear he set a trap which revealed the identity of the thief and enabled the authorities to mete out suitable punishment. The farmer scattered some corn among the oats and also wrote a sentence upon a piece of paper, which he tore into pieces and rolled up and mixed with the grain. He then quietly notified the grain buyers of the vicinity and awaited developments. The oats containing the kernels of corn and pieces of paper in due time disappeared from his granary. The thief proved to be Gust Jensen and when he offered the stolen grain to a buyer the farmer was notified and Jensen's arrest followed.

WOMEN STEAL DIAMONDS

Six Thousand Dollars Worth of Gems Taken from Store in Salt Lake City.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, April 10.—The jewelry store of Boyd Park at 170 South Main street was robbed by two women last Saturday afternoon of a tray of diamonds and other precious stones, valued at $6,000. News of the robbery was made public today. The robbery was committed while the store was full of customers, advantage being taken of a moment when the clerk who was waiting on the women turned his back. It is believed the women are members of a gang on their way to San Francisco, there to await the coming of the crowds expected to visit the coast during the visit of the battleships.

Store Delicious Bottled Bock Beer
ready for family delivery on and after Friday, April 10.

NEW YORK MAN PREFERS TAFT

Delegate from Twenty-Third District Refuses to Support Hughes.

SHARPLY CRITICISES HIS COURSE

He Charges that Governor is Not Pledged to Party Record and Its Future Cohesiveness.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 10.—Committeeman W. L. Barnes, jr., of this county, in a statement sent by him to the Twenty-third congressional district republican convention last night in acceptance of election as a delegate to the republican national convention, declared that he would not vote at Chicago for the nomination of Governor Charles F. Hughes, whose political course he sharply criticised. He made it plain that his preference was for Taft.

Mr. Barnes and Mayor Horace S. Van West, of Schenectady were elected as delegates to the Chicago convention. There was no contest. The delegation is uninstructed, the resolutions simply endorsing the administration of President Roosevelt. There is no mention whatever of Governor Hughes. The statement of Mr. Barnes' was read by County Chairman C. Warner, Mr. Barnes being confined to his home by a severe cold. This is what Mr. Barnes says about Governor Hughes:

"The governor of the state of New York is a candidate for the presidential nomination and should be pledged to the record of the party and its future cohesiveness. Did I believe that such was his attitude I would cheerfully vote for his nomination at the Chicago convention. It would be the natural and orderly thing to do; but confident that I am from a close examination of his public utterances and his record as governor, that there is in his mind no deep concern for the party that created him, I cannot justify myself if I lend my support to his candidacy.

"From his record I learn that he is an opponent of individualism and not the custodian of honorable party government. Because of this irresponsibility to those who have been his followers and adherents I will not be able in justice to my own opinion and to what I believe is best for the nation to cast my vote for him at Chicago."

Referring to Mr. Taft, Mr. Barnes declared "that had he not requested that those who believe in the wisdom of his candidacy should not interfere with any of the so-called 'favorite sons' he would announce his intention to support Taft at Chicago."

BOOM FOR JUDGE GRAY LAUNCHED

Pennsylvania Friends of Jurist Will Urge His Nomination at Denver.

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—The boom of United States Judge George Gray of Delaware for the democratic presidential nomination was launched in Pennsylvania tonight by the organization of the "George Gray League," at a meeting held in this city. An executive committee composed of leading democrats from nearly every section of the state was named.

Resolutions were adopted pledging the support of the members to use every honorable means to secure the nomination of Judge Gray at the Denver convention.

VICTIM OF JEALOUSY DEAD

Mrs. Cammack of Pueblo, Colo., Who Was Shot by Husband, Dies of Wounds.

PUEBLO, Colo. April 10.—Mrs. Sherman T. Cammack, a society woman, who was shot by her husband in a jealous rage on the night of January 30, after which he instantly killed himself, died here tonight. Mrs. Cammack had instituted a suit for divorce and was in her husband's office talking over an agreement as to property when the tragedy occurred.

SOIL SURVEY OF LANCASTER

Department of Agriculture Completes Work and Publishes Result.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, April 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The Department of Agriculture has issued an interesting bulletin on the result of the soil survey of Lancaster county, Nebraska. This survey was started through the persistent efforts of Senator Burkett, commenced two years ago, and is now complete and in published form. The pamphlet contain twenty-four pages and a map of Lancaster county.

Senator Burkett was today advised by the Postoffice department that two additional clerks have been allowed on the Lincoln and Kansas City railway postoffice trains Nos. 41 and 42.

Water is now ready on a portion of the south side canal north of the river, as well as on the inlet canal of the Belle Fourche irrigation project in South Dakota for 12,000 acres of land. It is believed that about 4,000 acres will be put in crops under this portion of the Belle Fourche system this year. Water will turned on this land through the inlet ditch, Johnson lateral, and through the temporary canal that was built on Dry creek to conduct it to the south canal and there will be an ample supply for all land that will be put in crop.

Frank R. White, formerly of Lyons, Burt county, Neb., now superintendent of schools in the Philippines, is in Washington to consult with the Civil Service commission as to securing the services of some 250 school teachers for the islands. The Civil Service commission, it is understood, say they have an eligible list of more than the number of teachers needed to teach the youthful Filipinos.

R. E. Moore and wife of Lincoln are in Washington and today were guests of Senator Burkett at luncheon in the senate restaurant.

R. B. Morgan of Lincoln, secretary to Senator Burkett, and bride arrived in Washington last night and have an apartment at Martha Washington inn on Capitol Hill. Owing to the pressure of business Mr. Morgan's wedding trip was cut short and he was at his desk this morning in the senator's office in the capitol. Senator and Mrs. Burkett tender Mr. and Mrs. Morgan a reception tomorrow night.

Nellie Yates of David City, Neb., has been appointed stenographer in the national museum.

Rural route No. 2 has been ordered established June 1 at Columbia, Brown county, South Dakota, serving 300 people and 76 families.

PRINCETON TRUSTEES MEET

Gift of $250,000 from Mrs. Russell Sage for Dormitory for Freshmen Announced.

PRINCETON, N. J., April 10.—At a meeting of the board of trustees of Princeton university, announcement was made of the gift of $250,000 from Mrs. Russell Sage for a dormitory building to be used by members of the freshman class.

The gifts announced were:

The Princeton Committee of Fifty, $31,978.70; class of 1877, $10,000; class of 1881, $12,000; general education board, $64,666.66.

The resignation of Cyrus F. Brackett, M. D., L.L. D., Henry professor of physics for thirty-five years in Princeton, was presented and accepted. Dr. Brackett was made professor of physics emeritus.

Prof. Frank F. Abbott, Ph. D., who has been professor in Latin in the University of Chicago, since 1891, was elected professor of classics in Princeton.

William K. Prentiss, Ph. D., professor of Greek, was granted leave of absence to accept an appointment as professor in the American school at Athens.