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Construction company and then to the New State Telephone company in a petition for equitable relief filed in district court. Marmaduke Hillas and Leonard T. Allen are the petitioners and Charles G. Cockerill, Charles H. Smith and M. H. Head the principal defendants.

FIGHT ON FEDERAL LICENSE

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The petition charges that the Long Distance Telephone company "has been wrecked and its property dissipated"; that it has become hopelessly and utterly insolvent—without business, without funds, unable to pay its taxes; that its charter has become void and that the governor of the state will soon proclaim its charter void. The suit for a receiver is brought against the three men named, the Central Construction company and the New State Telephone company. Charles H. Smith lives in Sioux City and M. H. Head and C. G. Cockerill in Jefferson, Ia.

Damages to the stockholders in the sum of \$1,000,000 were sought through the transfer of the contract rights by Messrs. Cockerill, Smith and Head. These three men are the officers and directors of the Long Distance Telephone company. They are also in control of the Central Construction company and of the New State Telephone company. In the consideration of the transfer of the contracts with a half dozen other independent telephone companies, the three, says the petition, cancelled a contract with the Long Distance Independent Telephone company held with the Central Construction company to build, equip and operate a new line.

The indebtedness of the Long Distance Telephone company to the Central Construction company was \$2,148,116. This was cancelled in return for franchises with the various outside independent companies by virtue of which a long distance business was conducted, and also in return for cancellation of the contracts to build and equip more lines, which, if they had been built, would have been worth \$1,000,000, says the petition.

The New State Telephone company was given the outside phone company contract privileges by the Central Construction company as well as the transfer of rights and privileges of the Long Distance Independent Telephone company had been passed over to the Central Construction company. These outside companies included: Western Telephone company of Lincoln, Blair Telephone company of Blair, Fremont Telephone company of Columbus, Telephone company of Columbus, New State Telephone company of Sioux City, Douglas County Telephone company of Valley.

LAMPHERE TELLS OF CRIMES

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kins. The first man to be killed was from Minnesota. He never awoke from his sleep in the Guinness house. In the darkness Lamphere was ordered by Mrs. Guinness to dump a gunny sack and its contents in a hole that had been made by another farm hand for rubbish.

Mrs. Guinness never told him what became of the man, but Lamphere received money from Mrs. Guinness. Within a month another man arrived. He wanted to know his rights before paying off the mortgage on the Guinness farm and Mrs. Guinness thought, where they were married. A few nights after they came back there was another burying. Lamphere received money once more from Mrs. Guinness and he said he became the trusted ally of Mrs. Guinness.

Then Andrew Helgelein came from South Dakota with a check for \$2,000. This was cashed and Helgelein was given to understand he was nothing more than a farm hand. Lamphere was sent on a night to Michigan City to remain all night. He returned to the Guinness home and through a hole in the floor heard Helgelein groan in distress. He was begging Mrs. Guinness to send for a doctor.

It was chloral he had given him, according to Lamphere. He said Helgelein fell to the floor and Lamphere held his Mrs. Guinness strike the prostrate form and the man's life.

Lamphere, the following night, buried this body with Mrs. Guinness' assistance. Shortly after Mrs. Guinness and Lamphere quarrelled over money and he was ordered off the farm. She kept money in the bank the afternoon before Lamphere, seeking money, chloroformed all in the house, robbed and set fire to the place.

Lamphere said he was drunk the night he visited the place. He thought he would find \$1,000.

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Negro "Pug" Kills Another. DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 13.—Walter Whitehead, a negro pugilist of this city,

RAILROAD MEN FEAR SNOW

Heavy Fall Now Would Block Lines in Iowa.

RESTAURANT MEN ON WARPATH

Action Taken to Prevent Drug Stores with Permits to Sell Liquor from Serving Lunches.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Great fears were entertained by railroad men of Iowa today that a much worse condition in regard to traffic would follow if the snowstorm which started this morning should keep up long enough to blockade the roads. It was recognized that the roads are much easier stopped now than they were a week or two ago. They stand out all along the line looking for information as to the supplies of coal and prepared for another fight against the elements, and say that if much snow falls now they will be in very bad condition.

Grain Improvement. The Iowa Grain Improvement association has been organized at Ames for the purpose of co-operating with the government and state in the testing of grain and for encouraging improved methods of farming by experiments, holding meetings and having contests. Merritt Greene of Marshalltown is the president.

Drug Store Barr. Restaurant men of Des Moines have employed counsel to prosecute drug stores that have lunch counters and at the same time have permits to sell liquors. The judge of the district court recently stated that in his view it was illegal for any drug store to engage in both businesses. The restaurant men believe that the drug store luncheon will have to go.

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Southern Pacific Men to Chicago

Officials Called to Conference Held to Bear Relation to Dissolution of Merger.

Several officials of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads have been called into conference in Chicago. C. B. Seger of Omaha, the new general auditor of the Harriman lines, represents the local office. C. S. Peck, passenger traffic manager; James Horsburgh, general passenger agent; and F. S. Howard, chief clerk of the Southern Pacific, all of San Francisco, passed through Omaha Thursday enroute to Chicago.

The impression exists that this conference bears some relation to the coming dissolution of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger.

Remarkable cures have been made by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

NOW TALKING OF BOILING WATER AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Regular \$49.50 Coats, now at	\$24.75
Regular \$39.50 Coats, now at	\$19.75
Regular \$29.50 Coats, now at	\$14.75
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Regular \$15.00 Coats, now at	\$7.50

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Regular \$45.00 Dresses, now at	\$22.50



JOSLYN WINS CASTLE SUIT

District Court Finds Against Clinton Joy Sutphen.

CASE WAS NOT BEGUN IN TIME

Millionaire Not Guilty of Any Fraud, Says Court—Sutphen Will Appeal and Bring Another Suit.

George A. Joslyn is victor in the suit in district court brought by Clinton Joy Sutphen for possession of the five-acre tract on which the Joslyn "castle" stands. The opinion of the court, which consisted of Judges Troup, Sears and Estelle, was read by Judge Troup, who set forth the following findings:

There was no actual fraud in the procuring of the lawsuit of 1881. There was no constructive fraud. Judge Ferguson erred in holding that the rule in Shelley's case holds in Nebraska and consequently erred in holding that the fee to the property lay in Dewitt Charles Sutphen and Charles D. Sutphen and not in the minor heirs.

Despite the fact that the fee did lie in the minor heirs, the decree of 1881 in favor of Joslyn cannot be vacated and altered because Clinton Joy Sutphen has not begun his case within one year of the time he reached his majority, as the status says must be done.

Wins on His Last Point.

It is therefore on this last point alone that Joslyn wins at the present time, for with the law as the three judges hold it to be, Charles D. Sutphen could not legally give title to Joslyn, because the title was vested in Charles D. Sutphen's heirs.

Had Clinton Joy Sutphen begun this present suit four years ago he would have won. It is this part of the decision in which the losing side is taking most comfort, for there is the opportunity yet to bring an identical suit in favor of the third child of Charles D. Sutphen, Earl Sutphen. Earl Sutphen is now 17 years of age and from all appearances will have an excellent chance to win. It is the expressed intention of the counsel for Clinton Joy Sutphen to start such a suit. Meanwhile they will appeal to the supreme court.

Joslyn Pleaded.

In the court room at the time of reading the decision was the defendant, Mr. Joslyn listened apparently unmoved to the whole decision even to the paragraphs which exculpated him, Henry D. Estabrook and D. V. Sholes from actual or constructive fraud. But after the court rose, Joslyn said:

"I am greatly pleased that the court holds unambiguously that there was no fraud practiced. I don't suppose so far as the rest of it is concerned that this really ends the litigation." John C. Cowin and J. J. Sullivan of defendant's counsel were present as was Edson Rich for the plaintiff. Clinton Joy Sutphen was not at hand, neither was W. O. Gilbert, chief counsel for plaintiff. Mr. Gilbert has been in the east for some time.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA COMBINE

Believed Former Enemies Have Agreement Regarding Manchurian Railway.

TOKIO, Jan. 13.—There is reason to believe that Japan and Russia have reached a complete agreement on the subject of the neutralization of the Manchurian railway proposed by the United States.

The newspapers here generally admit the benevolent intentions of Secretary Knox, but there is no evidence of a lessening of the opposition to his plan on the grounds of sentiment and impracticability.

CALLS ROOSEVELT "LATE LAMENTED" IN SPEECH

Politics is Injected into Debate on Destruction of Thousand Tons of Public Documents.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Politics, including democratic references to former President Roosevelt as "the late lamented" and "the absent one," was injected into a debate in the house today on a resolution which was adopted providing for the destruction of 1,000 tons of "worthless" public documents.

Mr. Fitzgerald (N. Y.) declared that in the 1,000,000 or more pamphlets were approximately 19,000 copies of messages of former President Roosevelt, "documents," Mr. Fitzgerald added, "that are both illuminating and precious and were highly prized but a short time ago. They are messages of one who, though absent, can never be forgotten in this august assembly."

Replying to a suggestion that there were many copies of President Cleveland's messages still undestroyed, Mr. Fitzgerald said he supposed that at some time the democrats must have entertained the "same sincere affection" for Mr. Cleveland as the republicans entertained for the "absent, lamented president whose presence in Africa is so pleasing, and his return so much feared."

BURGLARS STRANGLE MAID

Servant in New York Home Killed by Robbers—House is Then Ransacked.

MILL BROOK, N. Y., Jan. 13.—A young woman known as Sarah Breymer, a nurse in the employment of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes Compton, was strangled to death by burglars today in her bed in the Compton mansion here.

The house was robbed of a quantity of silverware. The burglary and murder took place while Mr. and Mrs. Compton were in New York City and the house was in the care of servants. It was learned today that the murdered woman was the wife of Clarence Morse of Toque, Mo.

The nurse and a small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Compton occupied a sleeping piazza on the upper floor. Other servants in another part of the house were awakened by the burglars, but were unable to offer any resistance.

After the burglars had departed, servants found the body of the nurse in her bed.

AMUSEMENTS

GAYETY Evgs. 10-12-50-75c. Daily Mat. 12-35-50c. Twice daily all week, closing Friday night. **AL. REEVES, AND HIS BIG BEAUTY SHOW** **REBEKAH ANNE FAUBELL** Ladies' dime matinee daily at 3:15. Sat. Mat. and Night—Wm. Grew Co. in "THE INVADER." (Popular Prices.) Sun. (Girls), Bob's "Kickerbocker."

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