

### U. S. TAKES HAND IN PROBE TO GET RICH QUICK PLAN

Securities Exchange Company, However, Continues to Pay Claims of Investors as They Are Presented.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 2.—The Securities Exchange company, headed by Charles Ponzi, whose alleged operations in foreign exchange are being investigated by United States Attorney Daniel J. Gallagher and Attorney General J. Weston Allen of Massachusetts, continued today the payment of notes to those investors who presented their claims. The line of claimants awaiting attention was a long one.

Ponzi's prompt return of funds to those who asked for them had the effect toward the end of last week of greatly diminishing the number of claimants, but there was evidence today of a sudden renewal of the desire to cash the notes he had issued.

Ponzi issued a statement in denial of a published article by William H. Mcmasters, his former publicity agent, in which Mcmasters expressed the belief that Ponzi was hopelessly insolvent and was paying out money to some depositors at the expense of others.

"I have twice as much money as will be needed," declared Ponzi, "to meet any obligations that may be presented to me," and added that Mcmasters never was in a position to learn his employer's financial standing or methods of operating his business.

### President of Transit Company Refuses Loan Offered by Employes

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Philadelphia, Aug. 2.—Thomas E. Mitten, president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company, informed the 11,000 employes of the company, who offered to lend to the company the entire fund of their cooperative welfare association, that the company could not accept the offer.

The employes of the company had offered to lend not only their \$500,000 association fund, but also to lend their future savings, which at the present time amount to \$1,000,000 a year, to enable Mr. Mitten to go through with his fight against the financial interests represented by Stolesbury, Lloyd & Packard.

### New York to Open Free Clinic To Cancer Sufferers Oct. 15

New York, Aug. 2.—Free radium treatment for sufferers from cancer will be administered beginning October 15, by the new institution for the study of malignant diseases at Buffalo, it was announced here today. The treatment has been made possible through a recent appropriation of \$225,000 for the purchase of two and one-quarter grams of the precious mineral.

### Car Shortage Has Forced Grain Elevators to Close

Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—There is little or no change in the car situation in Gage county, and a number of elevators have shut down temporarily until cars can be procured to move grain. Some of the elevators are jammed to the roof with new wheat of the finest quality.

### Charge Young Mother With Desertion of Infant Babe

Rapid City, S. D., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—Dora Burke, a young woman, living at Murdo, was arrested by Sheriff Cossna and brought to Rapid City on a charge of having deserted her infant baby, found on the steps of the Pennington county court house in this city recently. The clew which led to the arrest of the girl mother was a piece of adhesive tape found on the child's shoulder containing its name.

### Turkish Pact to Be Signed Thursday, Newspapers Say

Paris, Aug. 2.—The treaty of peace between the allies and Turkey will be signed Thursday, according to newspapers here.

### Burglar Killed by Being Blown Up in Gas Explosion

Toledo, O., Aug. 2.—A man believed by police to be a burglar was blown to pieces by the explosion of gas in the Adam Loos Boiler factory last night. The headless body was found when the explosion was investigated.

### Team Has Good Record

Trenton, Neb., Aug. 1.—(Special.)—The Trenton base ball team has played 29 games this season against the best teams in Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado, winning 21 of them. The Chicago Legionners were defeated here Saturday, 7 to 3, and Sunday by scores of 6 to 1 and 10 to 0.

### Slump in Grain Prices

Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—Grain prices took another tumble on the local markets Saturday. Wheat dropped from \$2.25 to \$2.05 a bushel, corn from \$1.25 to \$1.20 and oats from 60 cents to 50 cents.

Liberty Bonds Cashied American State Bank, 18th and Farnam Sts.—Adv.

### REPRESENTATIVE SAYS IRISH WILL VOTE FOR HARDING

Congressman Mason Says Their Only Hope Is to Defeat Famous Article 10.

Marion, O., Aug. 2.—A prediction that Irish sympathizers will support Harding and Coolidge was made by Representative William E. Mason of Illinois, one of the leaders of the fight in congress for Irish recognition, in a statement made public from Harding headquarters today after he had conferred with the nominee.

"Friends of Ireland of course have to be for Harding," said the statement, "because they know what Article 10 of the league covenant means—it would hitch Ireland to

### England forever and bind us to help keep it there, and Governor Cox has pledged himself to support the Wilson program."

Representative Mason predicted the republicans would carry Illinois by at least 200,000 and that the republican national ticket would be elected by a majority, "the most overwhelming since Grant's."

Senator Harding began work today on his second front porch speech, which he will deliver Wednesday to a delegation of Ohio republicans. It will be one of two such speeches he will make during the week.

### Gage County G. O. P. Meet

Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 2.—(Special.) The Gage county republican central committee held a meeting here Saturday for the purpose of accepting the resignation of Kirk Griggs, candidate for the legislature, who recently went to Hastings to engage in the banking business, but no action was taken. The meeting adjourned to August 9, at which time Mr. Griggs' successor will be named.

### Big Hungarian Force Raids Austrian Base Of Guns and Uniforms

Vienna, Aug. 1.—A Hungarian force of more than 800 armed and unarmed men crossed the Austrian frontier, overpowered the guards and raided the Furstenfeld arsenal, seizing 2,000 rifles, 2,000 uniforms and 21 machine guns. The raiders returned to Hungary with the booty on motor trucks.

The government has protested to the Hungarian minister, demanding punishment of the raiders, return of the loot, an apology and payment of damages. It has also communicated the facts to the foreign mission. It is feared that in raids of other arsenals the raiders obtained more than 4,000 small arms. An official account asserts that Hungarian and Austrian reactionaries plotted the raid, which was thoroughly organized.

### Spokane Banker Dies of Sleeping Sickness Attack

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 2.—Thomas H. Brewer, president of the Fidelity National bank of this city died today of what physicians diagnosed as sleeping sickness. He had been ill two months.

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