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## CITY NEWS.

[N. B. If you have relatives or friends visiting in the city or going to make a visit, please inform us; we solicit all your local news.—Ed.]



Hurrah  
For the  
Glorious 4th.  
Let "Old Glory Wave."

City Fire Department Phone., 201.

Papa bought the fire-works, mamma called the doctor.

Somebody said this was to be a sane 4th., how 'bout it?

A wise parent has long since prepared the bandages.

Mrs. Geo. H. Cleggett is quite ill with appendicitis at her home on 12th street.

Mr. McGruder of Denver, Colo., was in the city Sunday, the guest of Prof. and Mrs. Geo. I. Holt.

Miss Marie Bell entertained her Sunday School class (the infant class) last week at a picnic at Good's park. A very jolly time for the little ones.

Mr. Earnest Erickson of St. Paul arrived in the city Tuesday morning to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Erickson, for a few weeks.

When in Albia, Iowa, call at Z. M. Hindsman Lunch Room for good ice cream and liches, fruit, tobacco and cigars; also ladies rest room. Two doors south of C. B. & Q. depot on A. street, No. 217.

WANTED—First class barbers, will pay good wages. H. H. Moore, 109 1 Ave., Iowa City, Ia.

Mr. John Waller who has been visiting his old home in Keokuk and friends in Peoria, Ill., the past six months, returned to the city last week.

Mr. Marcus L. Clay and Miss Maggie Robinson of Kansas City, Mo., visited in Des Moines last Sunday. Mr. Clay is a nephew of Mrs. Denny, and attended school at Dixon, Ill. at the time Mr. Elbert Hall was in school there.

The Intellectual Improvement club met last Friday and installed the newly elected officers. The club meets today with Miss Lether at the residence of Mrs. Jas. H. Woods, discussion, "Woman a Failure."

We have just received a bill announcing the program of the annual meeting of the Iowa Masonic Grand Lodge, to be held at Buxton, July 13 to 16 inclusive. Each day will be full of interest and the Buxton lodge is sparing no pains to make all masons and visitors welcome. Let us go.

Services at Corinthian Baptist church Sunday July 5: 10:30 a. m. preaching by pastor; 4 p. m., Sermon to the Missionary Society by Rev. E. M. Griffin, pastor Forest Avenue Baptist church; 6:30 p. m., The King's Men; 8 p. m., sermon by pastor.

T. L. Griffith, pastor.

Mr. Gus Watkins, our blacksmith, made a visit to South Dakota, on business. He is much impressed with that country. He says that the Des Moines people that he met are doing well, especially Wm. Smith and the Blairs; there is also a family named McGruder from Missouri who are farming on a large scale.

The Alpha club met on last Friday evening with Mr. G. Seymour Logan at his office in the Court House. All the members were present for the first time in almost a year, and a pleasant time and an interesting meeting was the result. The next regular meeting will be on Friday evening July 10.

The Afro-American Council will hold its seventh annual meeting in Des Moines July 4. A very interesting all day program has been arranged and many visitors from out of the city will be present to take part. The morning and afternoon sessions will be held at Burns' M. E. church, Twelfth and Crocker streets, and the evening session at St. Paul's A. M. E. church.

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J. M. PETERSON, PROP.

Miss Francis Parker, of Albia, is in the city visiting Mrs. Mason and other friends.

The Mite Missionary society of St. Paul church had a lawn social at the parsonage on 9th, street, Monday evening which was indeed a delightful affair and splendidly attended. There was a musical program some of the home talent participating, and the Jubilee singers rendered a selection. Supper was served in the dining room and light refreshments were served on the lawn. A neat sum was realized.

The Rev. J. D. Pettigrew, of Seattle, Washington, arrived in the city this morning and will lecture at the Union Congregational church this evening. Rev. Pettigrew is a race man, and is traveling in the interest of the race. He believes that the co-operation and union of the race is the only solution of the difficult problems which confront us as a race. Hear him and learn of his views.

**DES MOINES NEGRO LYCEUM.**  
The Des Moines Negro Lyceum met on Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Estella Wilburn on E. Lyon street. A large number of the members were present and the following interesting program was rendered: William Cullen Bryant, biography, Mr. Wm. Warriok; Henry Wardsworth Longfellow, biography, Mrs. Wm. Shackleford, owing to her absence her paper was read by Miss Florence Gaiter; words of Bryant, Miss Pearl Hammit; Longfellow, Mr. H. Hammit; Mr. Elbert Hall gave an interesting account of his recent trip to Chicago.

The Lyceum voted to send a congratulatory letter to Miss Marie C. Holden, the young lady who recently won first honors in the national spelling contest at Cleveland, Ohio.

Encouraging words were received from Attorney S. Joe Brown, and Mr. H. W. Hughes from points where Negroes are making progress.

Dr. J. H. Williams, recently admitted as a new member was present and addressed the club.

The Lyceum adjourned to meet with the Misses Alexander at their home in Highland Park next Tuesday evening July 9th.

Mr. Lewis Strother was admitted to membership in the club.

## BOONE BROWNIES.

Of all the colored ball teams in Iowa Boone claims to have the best team, and are willing to play any team in the state. The manager, Mr. George Taylor, a former Des Moines boy, was in the city Monday to arrange a match game with Gould's Invincibles. On last Sunday the Boone Brownies played the Ogden white team and beat them by a score of 5 to 1. Batteries for Boone, Coleman and Cary.

## Baptist Convention.

The Western Baptist Convention will meet in St. Louis, Mo., July 13 to 20. The Woman's Auxiliary will meet on Monday, the Convention proper will meet on Tuesday. Baptists of St. Louis are making great preparations for the event. The sessions will be held at the Fifth Baptist church, with special evening services at Tabernacle, Central and other churches. Baptists churches should send messengers to this body. A splendid program is prepared.

T. L. Griffith, President, Des Moines, Iowa.

G. C. Mason, Cor. Sec., Alton, Ill.

## NOTICE

Look, Listen and be Prepared to Pay up all Your Back Dues this Summer when our Collector calls.

Miss Frances Walker will leave Monday June 29th on our annual collecting trip, making the following towns:  
Moline, Ill., Saturday 4th.  
Rock Island, Ill., Monday, 6th.  
Davenport, Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th.

We urge you to be ready to pay the collector and don't put her off. If you cannot beat home those days, please leave the money with someone who will be at home.

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## FOURTH OF JULY.

Of all the holidays old 4th of July comes nearer meeting a universal acclaim than any other. It is our Natal Day, a day of love and patriotism and in the course of human events we should renew our love faith and confidence in this American Republic, the floating flag, the unfurled banner, the music of the drum and fife, the song of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" should quicken our blood and make our hearts beat faster, our souls feel like leaping forth for joy. The fire-cracker, the drum, the picknickers, the dinner parties, the fishing parties, the base ball games and various other American sports should inspire our soul onward. Let us pause a moment and think what it means to our children. It teaches the spirit of love, love of home, love of freedom, love of right, love of country and lastly love for our fellow creature. All hail the glorious fourth.

## GROVER CLEVELAND.

The death of Ex-President Grover Cleveland last week came as a surprise to many of his close friends. He was truly one of the great American Presidents and a high type of sturdy statesmanship, with broad and liberal views. While it is true he was a democrat in party affiliations yet there were some good and noble things in his life, first he was an American, second, he established the correct idea that he would protect property from the destruction of strikes; third, the appointing of Colored men as Counsuls to white countries, the first President to do this. He also invited Fred Douglass to a diplomatic reception, and many other things he did for the Negro to show his great heart was with them. So let there be tears for his death, and extend condolence to his wife and children.

## Baptist Sunday School Convention.

Tei Iowa Baptist S. S. Convention met last week in Mt. Pleasant. A goodly delegation attended. The Convention will hereafter be the Iowa-Nebraska Convention as the Sunday Schools of Nebraska will affiliate with those of Iowa.

The convention representing about 2,000 members was in session with the local church and came to an end Monday evening with a sermon by Rev. T. L. Griffith of Des Moines. This gathering was in all respects one of the most successful ever held. Resolutions favoring the strictest temperance were adopted and a minister who had been guilty of grossly immoral conduct was condemned in strong terms and published in the records of the denomination. Over fifty delegates were present.

The Negro Baptists of Iowa are affiliated with the western Baptists convention. The national body does home mission work in the south and foreign mission work in several foreign countries where there is a large Negro population.

The newly elected officers are: President, Rev. D. A. Holmes, Davenport.  
Vice President, E. K. Henderson, Keokuk.  
Secretary, Miss Ethel Terrell, Buxton.  
Treasurer, Mrs. H. P. Smith, Mt. Pleasant.  
Cor. Secretary, Mrs. S. Bates, Des Moines,  
Miss Bessie Reeves, Des Moines  
Mrs. S. M. Barnett, Ottumwa.  
The convention will meet in Davenport next year.

**A Strong Appeal.**  
Almost modern is the Persian story of the man whose disagreeable voice in reciting his prayers in the mosque was annoying to everyone. One day some one asked him how much he was paid for reciting. "Paid!" he replied. "I am not paid. I recite for the sake of Allah!" "Then," replied the other "for Allah's sake don't!"



UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH BUILDING, July 1904.

## ANNIVERSARY.

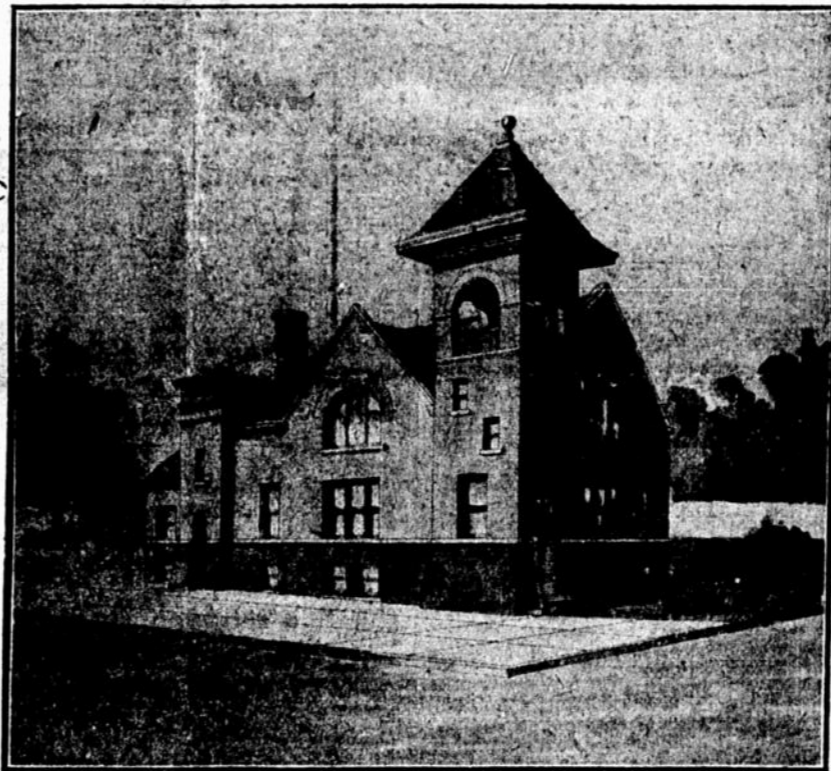
**Fourth Anniversary of the Rev. H. W. Porter, Pastor of Union Congregational Church, Sunday July 5, 1908.**

The Rev. H. W. Porter and his faithful band of workers have demonstrated what can be done by those who will work faithfully from day to day.

Four years ago a Congregational church for the colored people of Des Moines was an apparent dream to a great many of the citizens of Des Moines, both white and colored, who looked on while the people worked enthusiastically under their faithful leader



REV. H. W. PORTER, Pastor.



UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH BUILDING, July 1908.

who knows no defeat.

Today it is no longer a dream but a reality. What has been accomplished speaks for itself in words more emphatic than we can utter. A modern church building all completed, at a cost of \$10,500 and all the money provided for save \$1,400; and an influence felt throughout the entire West.

Again Rev. Porter has proven that it is not numbers that count, but the men and women who can and will follow God and do things, who bring to pass the apparent impossibles.

Rev. Porter realizes that the Negro is passing through the most critical period of his life, and the only way to lighten his

burdens and those of the race is stand up and like men and women prove what you are by what you can be and what you can do, rather than what you can say must be, for there is no place in the world for crying babies.

Thus having reached the fourth land mark, encouraged with what has been accomplished for God and humanity, Union Congregational church begins another year with increased enthusiasm, and a bright future for its growth and achievements is and for all that pertains to the life liberty and happiness of the race.

Services at 10:30 a. m., 3 p. m. and 8 p. m. The friends are cordially invited.

## CEDAR RAPIDS NOTES.

**S. S. CONVENTION.**  
All of those who attended the Sunday school convention last week were much benefited.

Among those who entertained at special luncheons were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Searcy, who entertained a number of delegates complimentary to their brother Rev. A. Searcy of Keokuk.

Mrs. A. M. Boyd and mother Mrs. G. Gray, entertained complimentary to Mrs. C. B. Lewis of Davenport.

Mrs. Hawkins entertained in honor of Mrs. Lewis.

Rev. and Mrs. Holly entertained for Mrs. Clark of Oskaloosa and Rev. Johnson of Dubuque.

Mr. and Mrs. Raspberry also entertained for representatives.

Mrs. Harry Horn is enjoying a visit from her mother Mrs. Nance of Chillicothe, Mo.

Mr. S. L. Drew of Burlington was unable to remain throughout the convention being compelled to return to his home and business where he is employed in the U. S. service.

Mrs. Kittie Lewis of South 3rd,

resung until the walls seemed to echo with the spirit of the music. The order of business was again taken up.

The Rev. Dr. Fisk of Coe College faculty was introduced by the presiding elder. The doctor gave a splendid talk in which he emphasized the fact that each of us are called to a special work and must labor in that particular branch, the black man in his place, the white man in his, each each tending to the same end. Dr. Fisk was answered by a trenchant and eloquent address by Rev. A. G. Jackson of Burlington.

The committee on recommendations of which Dr. D. F. Butler, of Ottumwa was chairman; requested that hereafter a chataqua and christian congress be held in conjunction with the annual meeting. The report was adopted, and a committee appointed for that purpose. Then the adjournment followed.

Wednesday evening consisted of a program made up largely of the visitors. A splendid address by Mrs. L. J. Phillips on the "New Woman" solos by Mr. Dozier, of Clinton; Mr. Hopkins, of Davenport; Mr. H. Price, of Cedar Rapids, E. Boone of Cedar Rapids; instrumental solo by Miss Helen Downey of Ottumwa.

The Sunday school convention was formally organized Thursday morning with Rev. Hubbard district superintendent in the chair, Miss Della Bland of Keokuk, secretary; Mrs. King of Ft. Madison assistant secretary and Miss Jennie Jones of Oskaloosa, organist.

Thursday evening the regular reception was tendered by the church and Sunday school to the representatives and visitors. Friday morning and afternoon was given to papers and discussions.

The report of the committee on constitution and by-laws of which Rev. A. J. Jackson was chairman, provided for a normal institute for the training of Sunday school workers. The report was adopted and the following faculty was elected: Rev. A. G. Jackson, president, the vice presidents are as follows: Mrs. S. L. Phillips, Mrs. R. Ford; Rev. Searcy, Mrs. J. Jones, Miss Ione Mason, Mattie Thomas of Monmouth. Officers of the convention were elected as follows: district superintendent, Mrs. C. B. Lewis, Davenport; assistant, Prof. W. B. Lowery, Cedar Rapids; secretary, Miss Della Bland, Keokuk; assistant secretary, Mr. Harrison King, Presiding elder Phillips in a very impressive manner installed the above named officers.

The theme of his remarks were to "Surrender for the good of the cause to which you have been elected;" a splendid talk was given for the new officers. Immediately followed the adjournment. It was one of the most successful meetings ever held. It has been estimated that between forty and fifty representatives and visitors were present, and all express themselves as having been highly entertained.

## BURLINGTON ITEMS.

Mr. Lamb has returned home after a very pleasant visit in Sioux City and Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. J. F. Trent has returned from Jefferson City, Mo., where she went to attend the graduating exercises of her brother Mr. E. McDowell.

Mrs. A. Newton, Miss Ida Palmer and little Aucionton Palmer were Keokuk visitor last week.

Mrs. Hattie Tigb who was indisposed last week is out again.

Mrs. McDowell, of Hannibal, Mo., was called to city last week because of the illness of her daughter Mrs. J. Trent who hasly recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson entertained a company of friends Sunday evening in honor of Mrs. McDowell, quite a number of other friends were present and a delightful time was had.

Edward McDowell, of Hannibal has returned to his home after a short visit with his sister Mrs. Trent of our city.

Mrs. Lamb of Jefferson street will entertain the Art Industrial Club this week.

—Can't you, and want you please pay for your paper without having Mr. Thompson come down here from Des Moines this year. I will call any time your money is ready.

**Help for Those Who Have Stomach Troubles**  
After doctoring for about twelve years for a bad stomach trouble, and spending nearly five hundred dollars for medicine and doctors' fees, I purchased my wife one box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, which did her so much good that she continued to use them and they have done her more good than all the medicine I bought before.—Samuel Boyer, Folsom, Iowa. This medicine is for sale by all druggists. Samples free.

**Hindoo April First.**  
The Hindoos have on their Hull, March 31, a day on which they play pranks similar to those in vogue here on April 1. They send persons with messages to fictitious individuals or to those who are sure to be away from home, and enjoy a laugh at their disappointment.

## MOLINE (ILL.) GREETINGS.

The stewards of St. Paul church gave an ice cream social last Tuesday evening.

Miss Clara Bell Tomlin of Muscatine, spent a few days of last week in the city with Miss Alice May Gorman. The Household of Ruth had a mock wedding at the Masonic hall last Thursday evening.

Miss Mabel Hall returned home Monday after a fourth months visit to Keokuk, Iowa City, Cedar Rapids and West Liberty. Miss Hall was accompanied by Miss Della Bland of Keokuk.

Mrs. L. B. Tarver entertained the H. Q. B. Club at her home Thursday afternoon, after the business part of the meeting's program was rendered by the members, and last but not least a delicious luncheon was served by the Misses Clara and Mabel Tarver and Daisy E. Settles. The honored guest were Mrs. Walkup of Chicago and Mrs. Hardin of Rock Island.

Miss Alice Gorman made a flying trip to Muscatine Saturday morning.

A merry party of Moline and Rock Island young people had a private picnic at Watch Tower last Friday a most delightful time was reported by all.

Miss Fannie Moppins entertained friends at her home Sunday.

The Misses Thompson of Muscatine were Moline callers Sunday.

Miss Alice Gorman entertained at a six o'clock tea Thursday evening in honor of Miss Clara Bell Tomlin.

## DAVENPORT ITEMS.

(Special to Bystander.)

The Autumn Leaf Club was entertained Wednesday June 24th by Mrs. Frances Grooms of Muscatine, Ia. Mrs. Grooms certainly knows how to entertain and every one enjoyed themselves. The guest from Moline were Mrs. Maxie Mrs. Bishop and Miss Eva Hart, from Davenport.

Mr. William Dover gave a trolley party in honor of the visiting ladies which gave us a chance to see all the city and was highly appreciated.

Mrs. Flora of Chicago was the guest of Mrs. R. B. Bright last week.

The Eastern Star will give a musical at the A. M. E. church Wednesday evening July 8th, quite a lengthy program will be rendered among them will be several selections by the women's orchestra. Refreshments will be served by the ladies.

Mrs. R. B. Bright and Mrs. Flora Walker were the guest of Mrs. Alice Richardson Thursday evening.

The Military Drill given under the direction of Mrs. E. Green was quite a success.

**Twenty-Five Cents is the Price Peace.**

The terrible itching and smarting, incident to certain skin diseases is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price 35 cents. For sale by all druggists.

## SIOUX CITY ITEMS.

The rally that was held at the A. M. E. church for the benefit of the trustees was a good success financially the sum of \$50 was taken in during the day. A program was rendered for the occasion;

A linen shower was given on Mrs. Anna Jordan Monday in honor of her approaching marriage to Mr. Roberts which is to take place June 30th.

Mrs. Charlotte Lee went to Yankeon, S. D., being called there by a telegram.

Mrs. Hattie Williams came down from Aberdeen, S. D., Wednesday where she has been visiting her son and his wife, she was accompanied home by her son Mr. Albert Williams.

Miss Ellen Sturgis, has been given a position in the crockery department of the Davidson Bros. store, one of the largest stores in our city. By degress the avenues are being opened up for our young people, it means for more to strive for the higher education.

Miss Stella Miller left last Wednesday for Alabama to visit awhile with relatives and friends.

Mr. R. Freeman left Monday for Centerville, Ia., where he will accept a road job.

Miss Blaire, left four Sioux Falls, S. D., to visit with friends.

Rev. J. C. Reed, returned home from Mobile, Ala., Wednesday where he has been visiting relatives and friends, he is greatly enthused over the progress in the South, he says the South is the Colored man's home.

There will be a select picnic given 4th., of July on upper Jackson street where a lovely grove is being selected it is under the management of Mrs. Carrie Gordon.

## SOFT STIFF

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One of the results of the recent panic is the great increase in the number of stockholders in the dividend-paying railroad and manufacturing companies. Investors with money in the bank, attracted by the prospect of profitable returns, bought the stocks at the low prices prevailing a few months ago.

More duels are fought in Germany than in any other country, and Jena and Göttingen are the cities which take the lead. It is said that a duel takes place in Göttingen every day, and on one occasion some years ago 12 combats took place in the 24 hours.

A New York paper, describing the visit of Mr. Andrew Carnegie to Lehigh university, to which he has just given a dormitory, says Mr. Carnegie was "met by the student body with the university band, composed of students, a large number of the alumni and the faculty." It is doubtful if any other American university could muster such a band, even though such newspaper English is common enough.

The doctors, naturally, are opposed to schools that give medical diplomas without study. Such institutions provide the doctors' competitors with too great an advantage. There is no irreverence in a shrewd man's remark: "Be sure to look for the motto on the double-eagle. If it's not there, the coin is worth a good deal more than twenty dollars." It is merely a business suggestion. The coins minted without "In God we trust" already command a considerable premium.

IOWA STATE NEWS

Events of Recent Occurrence Throughout the Commonwealth.

CHILD SLAYER RELEASED.

Judge Says He Thinks The Boy Guiltless. Des Moines.—Upon a showing that little Kenneth Reeves aged 10, struck the blow which indirectly resulted in the death of Cecil Jenkins only after young Jenkins had first struck him, Judge McHenry ordered Kenneth released.

WRECK RESULTS FATALLY.

One Killed and Several Badly Injured in Collision. Des Moines.—W. H. Urbahn, baggage man and brakeman on the Rock Island Islander, was killed and several people were injured in a wreck that occurred when a Great Western engine with caboose and extra tank backed into the Rock Island local near East Seventeenth street.

ATTACK ATTORNEY.

Proceedings Begun to Oust County Official. Burlington.—A sensation was created by the appearance of Assistant State Attorney Cossen in district court here with a petition for the removal of County Attorney Kuhlmeier for failure to enforce the provisions of the mulct law.

Want Better Terminals.

Sloux City.—The Sloux City board of trade has adopted resolutions calling on the railroads centering in Sloux City to co-operate with the stock yards company in increasing the switching facilities. Interests identified with the live stock and grain business believe that the cattle and hog shipments will be extremely heavy this summer and the grain receipts will also amount to many thousands of cars weekly.

Stallion's Bite Is Fatal.

Elma.—Matt H. Doyle, a prominent farmer living a few miles west of here, died from blood poisoning. A week ago he was caring for a stallion, when the animal bit him on the back of the hand. The wound was not larger than a dime, and at first he thought it to be serious. But the poison from the horse's saliva infected the wound and spread rapidly through the body. The patient was delirious for three days.

Dubuque Boy's Body Recovered.

Dubuque.—The body of 12-year-old Arnold Luschinger, who drowned Sunday, has been recovered from the Mississippi.

Narrowly Escapes Death.

Sloux City.—In a fire in the Oxford hotel several of the guests narrowly escaped death. The throwing of a lighted match into a close containing the gas meter was the cause of the blaze. Almost instantly there was an explosion. Miss Agnes Holm, who had been just dismissed from a hospital and was still weak was rescued from the second story window, after having been overcome by the smoke. Her condition is serious.

HALF A MILLION LOSS.

Northeastern Iowa Paralyzed by Recent Storm. Dubuque.—Although a week has passed since the storm which devastated the upper Mississippi section, scarcely any of the towns struck have more than recovered from the paralyzing effects of the rain and hail. Business is at a standstill in Prairie du Chien, Wis., Waukon and McGregor, Iowa.

HUSBAND SHOTS HIS WIFE.

Horrible Accident Occurs Near Town of Troy Mills. Troy Mills.—While Mr. and Mrs. Anton Simons, farmer, living near here, were up early in the morning trying to kill a mink that was molesting their chickens, Mr. Simons accidentally shot his wife, inflicting a wound that proved fatal some hours later.

DEATH LOSS LARGE.

Twenty-seven Claims Paid by Iowa Miners. Oskaloosa.—During June the Iowa district of United Mine Workers paid twenty-seven death claims. This is the largest number ever paid in one month, and the increase is due to the fact that when a miner's wife dies now he is paid the same that the wife would get in event of miner's death. Ten of the twenty-seven were women.

BUNCO A FARMER.

Wealthy Scott County Man Loses a Roll of \$2,000. Davenport.—Herman Ehlmann, a wealthy retired farmer, was induced by a couple of strangers to drive into the country and inspect a farm they claimed to own and to go to the Scott County Savings bank and get \$2,000 with which to buy it.

George H. Daniels Dead.

Lake Placid, N. Y.—George H. Daniels, formerly general passenger agent of the New York Central railroad, died here Wednesday, aged 66 years. He was a native of Hampshire, Ill., and began his railroad service as a road man in the engineer corps of the Northern Missouri railroad.

Two Children Burned to Death.

Rice Lake, Wis.—Zona and Lona, aged four and six years, respectively, sons of George Rohrbach, were burned to death here Wednesday.

Bishop Potter in Critical State.

Cooperstown, N. Y.—Bishop Henry C. Potter of New York is regarded by his physicians as being in a dangerous state of health. The bishop has been ill for some time with stomach and liver trouble.

Spanish Prince Christened.

La Granja.—The christening of the infant son of King Alfonso under the name of Jaime took place Monday in the chapel here, with all the pomp and ceremony of the Spanish court.

WRIGHT IN CABINET

SUCCEEDS WILLIAM H. TAFT AS SECRETARY OF WAR.

FORMAL TRANSFER MADE

Republican Presidential Candidate Cleans Up Matters in Department and Turns Attention to the Campaign.

Washington.—Tuesday was William Howard Taft's last day as secretary of war. After many years of service to his government as a justice of United States courts, as governor general of the Philippine islands, as secretary of war and as the special representative of the government on several delicate and important diplomatic missions, he relinquished Tuesday night the performance, for a time at least, of duties as an official of the United States.

The formal transfer of the war department from the administration of Secretary Taft to that of Secretary Luke E. Wright, his successor, did not take place until Wednesday, but the work of the department was brought up to date by Mr. Taft before he left his desk Tuesday evening and Secretary Wright entered upon his



Luke E. Wright.

new duties with substantially a clean slate. The last duty to be performed by Secretary Taft was the formal presentation of his successor to Assistant Secretary Oliver and to the bureau and division chiefs of the war department.

With his best wishes to Secretary Wright for his successful administration of the great department, the affairs of which he has been chosen to administer, Secretary Taft became once more a private citizen. From that moment until the fateful day of the election next November he will devote himself assiduously to his campaign for the presidency of the United States.

ONE KILLED IN COLLISION.

Baggage Man Dies in Railway Wreck at Des Moines, Ia.

Des Moines, Ia.—One man was killed, three were seriously injured and a half-dozen were slightly hurt when a Great Western work train crashed into the Rock Island-Idaionola local at the East Sixteenth street crossing Wednesday at 11:38 a. m.

PATTERSON DEFEATS CARMACK.

Tennessee Democratic Primary Is Victory for Local Option.

Memphis, Tenn.—Further returns received from Saturday's Democratic primary election in this state, indicate the certain nomination of Gov. Patterson over former United States Senator Edward W. Carmack for the office.

Rhodus Brothers Arrested.

Chicago.—Birch F. Rhodus, Edward T. Rhodus and Thomas Rhodus were arrested late Monday afternoon charged with using the mails in a scheme to defraud. The three brothers organized and promoted the Central Life Securities company and numerous subsidiary corporations, through which they are alleged to have obtained \$3,000,000 in the last few years.

Record Year for Shipbuilding.

Washington.—The bureau of navigation, treasury department, announced Wednesday that the fiscal year ended Tuesday was the record year of American shipbuilding and that the center of the industry is on the great lakes. During the year, 1,506 vessels of 588,627 gross tons were built and numbered in the United States of which 75 steel steamers of 304,379 gross tons were built on the great lakes. The largest annual output heretofore was in 1855 when 2,024 vessels of 583,450 tons were built.

Club Women End Convention.

Boston.—With the introduction of the new officers, headed by Mrs. Philip N. Moore of St. Louis, Mo., as president, to the delegates of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, at Symphony hall Tuesday night, the federation brought to a final adjournment the ninth biennial convention.

Named for Governor of Maine.

Bangor, Me.—Bert M. Perhald of Poland was nominated for governor of Maine by the Republican state convention Tuesday evening.

IT'S AN ILL HOT WIND THAT BLOWS NO GOOD.



BEATS HEARST IN RECOUNT

McClellan Wins Mayoralty Contest in New York.

Long Drawn Out Litigation Is Terminated—Jury's Verdict Ordered by Judge.

New York.—George B. McClellan was declared to have been duly elected mayor of New York over W. R. Hearst in 1905 by Justice Lambert Tuesday, and by the Justice's orders the jury returned a verdict to that effect. This for the present at least terminates the



George B. McClellan.

long-drawn litigation instituted by Mr. Hearst involving the enactment of a law providing for a recount. This left McClellan with a plurality of nearly 3,000, and counsel for Atty.-Gen. W. S. Jackson, who brought quo warranto proceedings against the mayor, was unable to prove his contention that the ballot boxes were stuffed.

TALLEST OF SKY-SCRAPERS.

Equitable Life Will Erect a Sixty-Two Story Structure.

New York.—Plans for a new skyscraper, which will overtop all New York's lofty buildings and the flagpole of which will pierce the sky at a greater height than the Eiffel Tower in Paris, the highest structure in the world, were filed Monday by architects for the Equitable Life Assurance society with the building department.

Francis G. Bailey Escapes.

Puerto Cortez, Honduras.—Francis G. Bailey, the president of the Export Shipping company of New Jersey, who, together with his brother, Albert W. Bailey, Charles H. H. Myers and Capt. Albert Oxley was placed aboard the Norwegian steamer Ustetin Tuesday in custody of Lieut. P. W. Beery of the New York police department, made his escape in a small boat from the steamer Tuesday night. The boat was found on the beach Wednesday morning. A search is being made by soldiers in the woods and swamps.

Beats All Airship Records.

Friedrichshafen.—Count Zeppelin Wednesday outdistanced all world records for steerable balloons. He remained in the air for 12 hours, traversed the greater part of northern Switzerland and visited Zurich, Winterthur and Lucerne, attaining an average speed throughout of 34 miles an hour.

Britain's Income Decreased.

London.—The treasury returns of the total revenue of the United Kingdom for the first quarter of the financial year ending Tuesday show a decrease of \$11,856,940 compared with the corresponding period of 1907.

Divorced from "Lord" Douglas.

Norfolk, Va.—Mrs. Louisiana Hobbs Douglas, one of the numerous wives of the alleged bogus "Lord" Oswald Reginald Douglas, was granted an absolute divorce from "Lord" Douglas here Tuesday.

Paper Mill Wages Reduced.

Glens Falls, N. Y.—Officials of the International Paper company announced Monday a cut of ten per cent in its wage scale to go into effect August 1. Several thousand men in the company's mills will be affected.

First Balloon to Cross Alps.

Brig, Switzerland.—The Swiss Aero club's balloon Cognac has succeeded in crossing the Alps. This feat has often been attempted, but never before accomplished.

BRITISH FLEET MOBILIZES.

English Array in Maneuvers Compared to That of Germany

London.—The mobilization of all British warships in home waters available for immediate service was completed Tuesday for the annual naval maneuvers, and Admiral Lord Charles Beresford finds himself in supreme command of a total of not less than 201 ships, with an aggregate complement of 68,000 officers and men. With the exception of the coast guards, all these men are on the active list of the navy.

TEN YEARS FOR BARNETT.

Prominent Railroad Man Sentenced for Irregularities.

San Francisco.—Walter J. Barnett, formerly vice-president and general counsel for the Western Pacific railway and vice-president and general counsel for the California Safe Deposit and Trust Company, which failed in this city last November for about \$9,000,000, was Wednesday sentenced to the San Quentin penitentiary for ten years by Superior Judge Conley. Barnett was convicted of having hypothecated bonds and securities to the amount of \$205,000 belonging to the estate of Ellen M. Colton, of which he was special administrator.

THAW MAY GET JURY TRIAL.

Justice Mills Seems to Lean to Such a Decision.

White Plains, N. Y.—Harry Thaw's chances for a jury trial as to his sanity appear to be very bright. At the conclusion of argument before Justice Mills, Monday afternoon, the Justice said: "I believe it should be only a matter of time when this man ought to have a jury trial. I am not prepared to say whether it should be now or later." The judge then ordered that Thaw should be detained in the Poughkeepsie jail and adjourned the case to July 13, when new arguments and affidavits will be submitted. Thaw was taken back to Poughkeepsie Monday afternoon.

Ruined by Stock Gambling.

Atlantic City, N. J.—Robert Ohmmeiss, Jr., cashier of the Marine Trust company of this city, was arrested Sunday charged with a defalcation of \$20,500. He made a confession in which he says that he played the stock market and that one loss followed another until he was hopelessly involved. He is under \$11,000 bail for trial in October.

ALL IN THE FAMILY.

Afridi's Simple Explanation of His Easy Victory. Many of the hill tribesmen in India join the British side and become most valuable recruits. Some years ago in a campaign against the Afridis one of the columns was much annoyed by a persistent "sniper" who followed it daily. Eventually one of the newly joined Afridi recruits requested leave to fall out for a couple of hours to settle the trouble. At the end of the time he strolled in placidly and flung down the head of the sniper. On being congratulated by his officer and asked how he had managed to find his enemy so quickly, he replied laconically: "I know his ways, sahib." "Why," said the officer, "was he a friend of yours?" "My father, sahib!"

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Ven der bill collector comes in ad der door der deadbeat files odd ad der window. —

#### THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY.

A good prejudice is better than a weak conviction. —  
There are just as good fish in the sea, but the sea is large. —  
A virtue that no one tries to cultivate is staying at home. —  
Many men are convinced that they are geniuses, but can not show it because they are too busy earning a living. — St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

#### Rigid System in Denmark.

In Denmark few housewives have trouble with their servants. A system has been perfected which guarantees a housewife honest and good servants, as well as independence and fair treatment to those employed. When a young woman obtains employment she goes to a police station and gets a book which testifies to her good character, and in which is entered the name of the woman into whose service she enters. Without this book of character a servant cannot secure employment. This book she gives to her new mistress; in return she gets a key to the front door of the house. The servant enjoys absolute independence. Should she desire to leave the service, she is required to give her mistress two weeks' notice. When she leaves she receives her book, and reports off at the police station. Should she again accept employment, before she is required to give an account of herself, and tell where she has been, at the police station.

#### Prized the May Dew.

In Peppy's time May dew—that is, dew gathered from the grass on a May day—was highly prized for bleaching linen and improving the complexion. Peppy wrote in 1967: "My wife away down with Jane and W. H. Weaver to Woolwich, in order to a little air and lie there to-night, and so to gather May dew to-morrow morning, which Mrs. Turner hath taught her is the only thing in the world to wash her face with; and I am contented with it." Two years later he made this entry in his diary: "Troubled, about three in the morning, with my wife's calling her maid up, and rising herself, to go with her coach abroad, to gather May dew, which she did, and I troubled her for it for fear of any hurt going abroad so betimes happening to her; but I to sleep again, she came home about six."

**Problem in Political Economy.**  
"It's no use," said the young man with heavy-rimmed eyeglasses. "I can't get this political economy straight."  
"What's the trouble?" asked the professor.  
"I can't discover whether a lot of people go broke because we have hard times or whether we have hard times because a lot of people go broke."

The sewerage problem has been solved by the city of Hanley, England. Its new plant for the purification of sewage, which cost \$350,000, will dispose of 9,000,000 gallons of sewage a day, and the effluent from the beds is so clear that fish will live in it for an indefinite period.

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#### KIND THOUGHT OF THE BRIDE.

Possibly Turned Billy Custom Into Something Really Worth While.

"The most considerate girl I ever knew got married yesterday," said the man. "She showed her thoughtfulness in a most unusual way. The day before the wedding she called the attention of the rest of the family to a row of old shoes standing in a downstairs closet.

"I want you to throw these after the carriage," she said. "They are all mated. I collected them to throw away. I learned some time ago that certain poor souls who have hard work to get clothes of any description keep a lookout for big weddings. They hang around the house at going-away time and pick up the good luck shoes they get a fit, and maybe they don't. Anyway, I've done all I could to accommodate them.

"Here are six pairs of shoes to be fired after me. If somebody doesn't get fitted in that collection, it isn't my fault."

#### SUFFERED TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

With Eczema—Her Limb Peeled and Foot Was Raw—Thought Amputation Was Necessary—Believes Life Saved by Cuticura.

"I have been treated by doctors for twenty-five years for a bad case of eczema on my leg. They did their best, but failed to cure it. My doctor had advised me to have my leg cut off. At this time my leg was peeled from the knee, my foot was like a piece of raw flesh, and I had to walk on crutches. I bought a set of Cuticura Remedies. After the first two treatments the swelling went down, and in two months my leg was cured and the new skin came on. The doctor was surprised and said that he would use Cuticura for his own patients. I have now been cured over seven years, and but for the Cuticura Remedies I might have lost my life. Mrs. J. B. Renaud, 277 Mentana St., Montreal, Que., Feb. 20, 1907."

#### WHERE SHE HAD THE BULGE.

Telephone Girl's Great Opportunity to Get Gloriously Even.

"You know that red-headed cashier that had the nerve to complain of me to the boss the other day," said the girl at the telephone desk, to a New York Times writer. "Well, I got even with him, all right. He ain't married, but he's got a best girl. His father owns a shoe factory over in Jersey, and rich—my! Well, she called him up the other afternoon at her usual time. 'Is Mr. Smith there?' she asks, in her most romanticist voice. 'Yes, I answer, just as honeylike as she. 'It's his wife wants him, isn't it?' With that Miss Girl hung up with such a jerk my ear hurt. Smith goes around wondering why she does not call him up. Every time he dials he says to me: 'Has any one called me on the phone, Miss Limit?' And I look as innocent as a kid and shake my head. 'No,' I tell you, my telephone girl can turn 'Joy to the Bride' into 'Nothin' Doin'' any time we please. Me for us."

**What, indeed!**  
Tompkins is one of the people who has taken up the phrase, "What do you know about that!"  
The other afternoon his beautiful stenographer laid down her paper and said:  
"I agree with Olga Nethersole in the opinion that it is better to be a mother than to have a career."  
"Well," exclaimed Tompkins, "what do you know about that!"

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#### UNCLE DICK'S WONDERFUL SKYROCKET

**JIMMY BRODERICK'S** Uncle Dick was not only a great inventor, but one of the kindest men that ever lived.

Although he earned his living by inventing useful things like automatic plows that would plow a whole field in the night time while the farmer lay in bed asleep, and automatic fish poles that would bait their own hooks and throw out their own lines and pull in their own fish and take them off and bait the hooks over again, still Uncle Dick was ready at a minute's notice to drop all that sort of thing and invent something to give a boy pleasure. And you will agree that a nephew who has an uncle like that has a treasure.

Jimmy Broderick knew this and he took great care of Uncle Dick, carrying an umbrella for him when it rained and watching to see that he ate his meals regularly, for like all great inventors, Uncle Dick could not take care of himself very well.

"What would you like for the Fourth of July, Jimmy?" asked Uncle Dick about a week before that important day.

"I would like most of all to have a great big sky rocket," said Jimmy.

"You shall have one," said his uncle, and immediately went into his inventory shop, which is the funny name he gave to the little room where he invented things.

The telephone bell rang a good deal that day. On the very next morning a big truck arrived from the city with two big casks on it. They were painted red and marked "Danger! Powder!" in big letters. There were also huge rolls of thick pasteboard, each sheet big enough to make the whole side of a house, and there were so many of them that the horses could hardly pull them.

Uncle Dick rubbed his hands and chuckled like anything when he saw the material.

"You shall certainly have a sky-rocket," said he to Jimmy. "And the best of it is that the greater part of the country for hundreds of miles around will have one, too."

Jimmy was very curious and still more puzzled, but he knew that Uncle Dick did not like to explain his inventions beforehand, so he asked no questions, but merely kept his eyes open and did not go out of sight of the inventory shop all morning.

Before noon a great gang of men arrived, and under Uncle Dick's orders they began to carry all the material to the pasture, where they deposited it around a huge old dead pine tree that stood smooth and straight reaching into the air fully 80 feet without a branch to break it except on the very top, and that was soon gone, too, for Uncle Dick sent men up there and they lopped it off so that when the tree stood sleek and smooth like a mast.

Then the sheets of pasteboard were laid on the ground and rolled into a great cylinder 30 feet long and at least ten feet in diameter.

As soon as a sheet was rolled into shape the men tied it tightly with yards of rope and then another sheet was rolled around the first and more rope tied around that and so on until all the pasteboard had been used up, and that was such a lot that it took the men all day with the hardest kind of work.

The next day they opened the casks of powder and began to load it in and in, hour after hour, until the last grain



"A Great Cylinder 30 Feet Long."

was pounded in good and hard, and Jimmy's Uncle Dick said:  
"So! There's 800 pounds of powder in there. That ought to make her fly."

"But how about the stick?" thought Jimmy. He did not say it, knowing how easy it is to spoil an inventor's ideas by interrupting him with frivolous conversation.

He was to learn very soon how about the stick, for as soon as the mighty cylinder was all finished, Uncle Dick had a derrick rigged, and up went the big thing until it dangled alongside of the dead pine tree near the dizzy top of it.

Then mighty cables were sent up and the men lashed the loaded pasteboard cylinder to the tree until it was completely hidden by ropes.

"Now for the fuse," said Uncle Dick. He set the men to work untwisting ropes until they had more than 300 feet all unraveled. Uncle Dick went up the derrick and put the end of the unraveled rope into the bottom part of the rocket. Then he poured kerosene oil all over it and rubbed gunpowder into it.

That afternoon Uncle Dick sent out invitations both by mail and by messenger to places as far away as 200 miles, saying:  
"Jimmy Broderick respectfully invites you to his Uncle Dick's farm to see him set off the biggest sky-rocket

in the world on the evening of the Fourth of July."

Uncle Dick also sent word to the papers about it, and on the evening of the Fourth more than 10,000 people were at the farm, wondering at the immense sky-rocket and trembling all over at the thought of the explosion when she went off. And all over the land people who could not go to the farm were watching the heavens and paying very little attention to the other fireworks of the United States, because the papers had told all about the rocket and had explained that it could be seen hundreds of miles when it went up.

When the time came, Uncle Dick gave Jimmy a big piece of lighted punk and then he stood in front of the tree and said:  
"Ladies and Gentlemen: You will notice that this tree is inclined toward the north. My calculations tell me

that when the rocket is lit it will pull the tree clear out of the ground and go north for at least 1,000 miles, which will bring it over uninhabited country, where it will fall without hurting anybody, unless a bear or a moose should get in the way. Now, Jimmy, touch her off!"

Jimmy touched the end of the fuse and then everybody ran away to a safe distance. The fire climbed swiftly, and suddenly with a bang that shook the hills and broke the windows even in towns 100 miles away, the giant rocket went off.

Out came the tree, roots and all, and sailed grandly into the sky with a hissing trail of fire behind it. The amazed spectators watched it for more than half an hour, getting smaller and smaller, till it disappeared in the northern sky.

For days after that the paper printed reports from distant places from people who had seen a wonderful fiery thing in the night. By means of these reports, it was possible for Uncle Dick to pursue the course of his wonderful rocket until he found that it had gone far over Canada; but he could not learn where it had fallen and he did not learn until recently.

But about a week ago a hunter who had been in the very far north of Canada, near Hudson bay, shooting musk oxen, visited Uncle Dick. He told a lot of interesting hunting adventures, and finally said:

"The queerest thing that I saw was far up in the barren lands where there are no trees. One day I saw something odd some distance away, and I went there on my snow shoes.

"What do you suppose I found? A mighty tree! That was queer enough up there. But queerer still was the fact that this tree did not stand in the ground as other trees do, but stood roots up with its crown buried deeply in the soil. It was the most marvelous sight I have ever seen, and I can hardly believe it yet. I would give a good deal to know what caused this strange freak of nature."

Uncle Dick chuckled and winked at Jimmy.

"Did you ever hear of Jimmy's wonderful sky-rocket?" he asked.

"No, never," said the hunter. "You know I have been in the wilderness a long time."

So Uncle Dick told him. After he got through the hunter said: "I am glad to know this. I intended to write a book about it, but now I shall be able to save myself the trouble."

Very True.

"Oh," said Edith Louise, as she saw the soldiers getting ready to fire the Fourth of July cannon, "you mustn't go near that gun or you might get killed, and it's dangerous getting

near it."

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#### MISS MAE WOOD INDICTED

OMAHA WOMAN CHARGED WITH FORGERY AND PERJURY.

Case is Outgrowth of Losing Suit Against Senator Thomas Platt for a Divorce Bill.

New York. — Mae C. Wood, the Omaha woman who sued United States Senator Thomas C. Platt for divorce, was indicted by a grand jury Wednesday on charges of perjury and forgery.

Miss Wood is charged with having signed Senator Platt's name to a document acknowledging her as his wife. The perjury indictment is based on Miss Wood's testimony in the divorce action, when she testified that she was married to the senator at the Fifth avenue hotel in 1901.

Miss Wood is at liberty on \$5,000 bail. She will be arraigned in court Monday.

Mae Wood's suit alleging marriage and demanding a divorce from Senator Platt was heard before Justice O'Gorman in this city last May. Miss Wood declared that the senator invited her to come to the Fifth Avenue hotel in November, 1901, and married her in a room in that hotel. She produced a certificate attesting to the marriage, but the printer of the blank form testified that the form was not printed until three months after the date of the alleged marriage. Miss Wood also produced a document bearing what purported to be the senator's signature acknowledging her as his wife. The senator denied that he had ever signed it, and produced a witness who testified that she had obtained the senator's signature to a blank sheet of paper which she gave to Miss Wood. The senator said he had paid \$10,000 for the return of letters he wrote to Miss Wood.

Justice O'Gorman dismissed Miss Wood's suit, and ordered her arrested on a charge of perjury.

**STORM KILLS SEVEN.**  
Village of Clinton, Minn., is Ravaged by Tornado.

St. Paul, Minn.—A special dispatch from Graceville, Minn., gives additional details of the tornado that struck Clinton, a town of 400 inhabitants in the western part of Minnesota, late Saturday afternoon, killing seven people. The dispatch says that over 60 were injured, but that only 11 were seriously hurt.

Thirty-three houses in Clinton were destroyed and 25 were practically ruined. Two hundred people are homeless. Medical aid is sufficient as doctors from Graceville and Ortonville have been in constant attendance on the injured, but scores are destitute of clothing and outside aid is needed. Those killed were: Mrs. G. W. Johnson, Fred Stottsberry, Thomas Rothwell, Kate Mills, Mrs. Olaf Nicholson and baby, and Mrs. Rebecca Vandermarek.

**FOUR PERISH IN FLAMES.**  
Mother and Three Children Die in Milwaukee Fire.

Milwaukee.—The family of Julius Krueger, a laborer, was almost wiped out early Sunday morning by fire, which brought death to the mother and three children.

The father and one son escaped, but are so badly burned that they may not recover. The two who survived were rescued by a watchman, Henry Hagan, who carried them out of the burning building.

Krueger was a laborer in the roofing plant of Jeger & Gezeisch and lived in two small rooms in one end of the plant. The fire started in that end of the building and by the time the fire department arrived four of the family were dead.

**J. F. JACOBSON FOR GOVERNOR.**  
Madison Man Nominated by the Minnesota Republicans.

St. Paul, Minn.—In a single session lasting but three hours the Minnesota Republican convention Wednesday nominated Jacob F. Jacobson of Madison for governor and adopted a platform endorsing the work of the Chicago convention and pledging the party in Minnesota to continue the work of railway regulation.

Mr. Jacobson was nominated by acclamation, after Attorney General Edward T. Young and Samuel P. Snider of Minneapolis, opposing candidates, had withdrawn and seconded the nomination of the Madison man.

**High License in Louisiana.**  
Baton Rouge, La.—That Louisiana shall be a high license state for the next two years at least was finally decided by the assembly Monday night when the senate passed the Shattuck-Gay liquor bill by a vote of 29 to 4. This measure has passed the house and is known to have the governor's approval. It fixes the minimum parish license at \$500, minimum state at \$200 with maximum licenses running up to several thousand dollars each.

**Well-Known St. Louis Man a Suicide.**  
St. Louis.—The dead body of Wilbur F. Parker, one of the best-known real estate men in the city, was found in a room at his home Wednesday, and by his side lay a bottle that had contained carbolic acid.

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