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LEGISLATURE REDISTRICTS THE STATE

Second Congressional District Now Includes Four Eastern Counties

CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE ABOLISHED

Telegram From Congressman Higgins Urging Action Influences Republican Senators—Republicans Seek to Redeem Party Pledges—Gratuities of $300 Voted to Fourteen Reporters—To Adjourn Thursday.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 12.—The state has been redistricted. The senate this afternoon by a vote of 18 to 5 followed the action of the house and passed the reapportionment bill as applied to the congressional districts, making five districts and abolishing hereafter the office of congressman at large.

Eastern Connecticut One District.

The senate accepted the minority report of the committee which is known as the Stevens plan and which retained the counties as districts except that several towns in New Haven are placed in the Litchfield district, which is the new Fifth district. The striking feature of the bill passed is that New Haven county will hereafter be the third district and not the Second, the eastern counties, which are placed in one district, being known as the Second. Fairfield county remains the Fourth district.

Urged by Congressman Higgins.

The action of the senate came as a mild surprise owing to the fact that predictions had been freely made that a majority of the republican senators would be found in favor of indefinitely postponing the passage of a bill. Support of the bill came from unexpected quarters, for Senator Hammond got up and read a telegram from Congressman Higgins, who said that redistricting should be done, and also mentioned the fact that Congressman Tilson favored this course irrespective of any personal interest in the matter. Senator Hammond said that this showed that our congressmen placed loyalty to party pledges above any personal interests.

Judson Pays Tribute to Hill.

The bill was called up this afternoon by Senator Judson, who said a duty rested on the dominant party to see that this legislation went through. He could not conceive how the majority report could pass. A shoestring district has been made whereby Huntington and Stratford had been tacked on to Litchfield county. There was no reason for this except striking for the sea. It belonged on the hillside. He could not conceive of any gerrymander in order to keep E. J. Hill in congress. It was a queer argument to say that the whole state must stop in order to keep Mr. Hill there. It has been demonstrated, he said, that Mr. Hill is the most efficient congressman ever sent out of Connecticut. Fairfield county will keep him there.

Party Pledges Mean Something.

"Shall we pass this apportionment bill or not?" the senator asked. "Didn't you gentlemen who attended the republican state convention hear the party platform read? And didn't you applaud it? What did the party pledges mean? we as republicans have failed in some of our pledges; happily not all; we have redeemed ourselves in some things like the public utilities commission, but have failed to give relief to the workingmen through an employers' liability act. But by and large the republicans have done well by our promises.

Against Congressman at Large.

The constitution never anticipated a congressman at large. All our congressmen are in favor of this legislation. I am glad they are, and I urge my republican associates to be true to their party pledges. It is not good party policy to be confronted on the democratic rostrum next campaign with the charge that we have been unfaithful. It will make for better government to continue the republican party in power."

Like Fifth Wheel to a Coach.

Senator Fenn was for redistricting and read from the democratic platform. He said the office of congressman at large was like the fifth wheel to a coach. It was useless practically. Then Senator Hammond read his telegram from Congressman Higgins.

Senator Halloran said that at least three of the five congressmen next time will be democrats and the republicans could not prevent it.

Bill Passed as Amended.

The motion to table made by Senator Frisbie was defeated. Mr. Platt though it unwise to delay action. On the vote to indefinitely postpone the vote stood 6 for and 17 against. On acceptance of the amendment in concurrence with the house the vote was 18 to 5. The bill was then passed as amended and reconsideration was refused. Governor Baldwin is expected to sign it. Those voting for the bill were Senators Hooker, Spellacy, Fenn, Alsop, Halloran, Marlowe, Dickerman, Parker, Lawlor, McNeil, Paddock, Peck, Judson, Donovan, Hammond, Barnum, Brinsmade and Leonard. Against: Bailey, Marsden, Woodruff, Frisbie and Wright.

$300 Voted 14 Newspapermen.

The senate passed a resolution to pay John Gleason, T. J. Mullane and W. A. Sheehan $300 each for special services. They are newspapermen attending the house session. This made 14 newspapermen to whom a grant was voted by the body during the day, a total of $4,200.

Connecticut Power Co. Resolution Passed.

In the house the resolution concerning the Connecticut Power company was passed and as this cleared the way to dispose of the amendment to the charter of that company, which amendment created long and acrimonious debate, the senate passed the amendment in concurrence with the house by a vote of 18 to 6.

Employers' Liability Bill Called Up.

The employers' liability bill recently put in was called up. Senator Judson thought that as this bill was the same as that which the senate had passed as a part of the compensation act with modification of the assumed risk section he did not think there would be objection to sending it to the house. Senator Spellacy called attention to the fact that three labor unions had petitioned the senate to "stand pat."

Adjournment Likely Thursday.

Very little business now remains on the calendars of either house and the opinion is held that adjournment will be possible on Thursday.

The New Congressional Districts.

The new congressional districts of the state are as follows:

District 1—Hartford county.

District 2—New London, Windham, Tolland and Middlesex counties.

District 3—Towns of Cheshire, Meriden, Wallingford, Bethany, Hamden, North Haven, North Branford, Guilford, Madison, Woodbridge, Orange, Milford, New Haven, East Haven and Branford in New Haven county.

District 4—Fairfield county.

District 5—Litchfield county, with Southbury, Middlebury, Waterbury, Wolcott, Oxford, Naugatuck, Prospect, Beacon Falls, Seymour, Ansonia and Derby of New Haven county.

Governor is Pleased.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 12.—In speaking of the redistricting of the state as to congressmen, Governor Baldwin stated tonight that he was pleased that the bill had passed. He said:

"I am glad that the senate concurred with the house. The bill that has passed gives us five districts pretty nearly equal in population. I think it has been discreditable to the state that it has not been so divided years ago. Electing a congressman-at-larke is only a temporary makeshift, and it was full time to divide the state into as many districts as we have congressmen. Now I hope the committee will not delay their reports any further in reference to senatorial districts."

Congressman Tilson Also Glad.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 12.—Congressman-at-Large John Q. Tilson said that, while not familiar with the particulars of the Stevens plan of redistricting, that he had always been in favor of an equitable redistricting of the state, and that he was glad the plan passed the state legislature.

MYSTERIOUS MURDER OF A SCHOOL TEACHER.

A Whole Manitoba Town's Populace Up in Arms Over the Tragedy.

Crystal City, Man., Sept. 12.—A shocting murder took place last night at Riverdale schoolhouse, when a school teacher named Miss Blake was slain. When she did not put in an appearance at her home, somebody went to the schoolhouse to see if she was about. On the ground were portions of the woman's dress, pools of blood and tufts of human hair, but the body was nowhere in sight. The residents are up in arms regarding the affair and a vigorous search is being made to find the murderer.

ANOTHER GARY OFFICIAL CHARGED WITH BRIBERY.

Former Commissioner of Public Works Accused of Soliciting.

Gary, Ind., Sept. 12.—A warrant, charging John J. Nihoff, former commissioner of public works of this city, with soliciting a bribe of $10,000 was placed in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Morris today for service. The charges are made by T. B. Dean, who last week caused the arrest of Mayor Knotts and five aldermen, on charges of bribery in connection with granting a heating franchise.

FISHERMEN FOR RECIPROCITY.

Nova Scotians Going Home by Special Train to Vote.

Gloucester, Mass., Sept. 12.—Many of the Nova Scotian and New Brunswick fishermen, who make up a large part of the Gloucester fleet, are on their way home today by special train to vote in the elections next week. Nine out of ten of the fishermen, although generally conservative, will vote with Laurier for reciprocity.

LORAIN'S SODAS COST MORE.

High Price of Sugar Blamed by the Drug-Store Patrons.

Lorain, O., Sept. 12.—The high price of sugar is blamed for an increase in the price of drug store drinks, which became effective today. Ice cream sodas, which formerly cost five cents, are ten now, and other drinks also cost more.

Reunion Connecticut Volunteers.

Middletown, Conn., Sept. 12.—The twenty-fourth regiment, Connecticut volunteers, held their annual reunion here today and about 40 members attended. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, M. H. Watrous, Norwich; secretary and treasurer, Arthur L. Post, Wallingford. The selection for the reunion next year was left to the the officers.

Lightning Stops a Town's Factories.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 12.—A special from Lockport says the factories in that village were put out of business at midnight by an electric storm, which blew out the transformers in all the mills and injured more than a score of men. A barn near the town was struck and destroyed.

Not Blamed for Wife's Death.

New York, Sept. 12.—Without leaving their seatsfi a coroner's jury this afternoon exonerated Edward F. Hart of any connection with the death of his wife, the former actress, Annie Hart, who was found shot at her hoem in this city last Thursday.

Twelve Rounds to a Draw.

Boston, Sept. 12.—Tommy Murphy of New York and Pal Moore of Philadelphia fought twelve rounds to a draw at the Armory Athletic association tonight.

Seventy-five Skilled Men will be employed in an industry new to Lowell, Mass., as a result of the success of the Lowell board of trade in persuading the Avery Chemical company of Boston to establish lactic acid works in Lowell.

Cabled Paragraphs

Lisbon, Portugal, Sept. 12.—The republic of Portugal was formally recognized yesterday by Great Britain, Spain, Germany, Italy and Austria.

Bouy, France, Sept. 12.—Helene Dutrieu made a new mark in the competition for the women's cup today by flying 136.62 miles. The women's cup is offered for the longest continuous flight made by a woman aviator in the present year.

Dresden, Saxony, Sept. 12.—The Saxon army maneuvers assumed a realistic character today when eleven Uhlans lost their lives in the waters of the Elbe. The cavalry scouts were drowned while attempting to swim the river near Pirna.

Tokio, Sept. 12.—The minister of education, M. Haseba, carrying out the new government's policy of interior development, announced today that two new imperial universities accommodating a total of one thousand students, would be opened.

Bilbao, Spain, Sept. 12.—There was a clash between the strikers and the civil guards last night, when the latter fired into the crowd and wounded eight persons, two of them fatally, it is thought. All trades unions have proclaimed a general strike here.

ALABAMA GOVERNOR WENT OUT TO COOL OFF.

Got Warmed Up in a Debate With New Jersey Executive.

Spring Lake, N. J., Sept. 12.—Gov. Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey and Gov. Emmett O'Neal of Alabama measured swords over the initiative and referendum on the floor of the conference of governors' convention hall this afternoon. Governor Wilson, as a champion of the measures, replied to Governor O'Neal, who had previously designated them as "an insidious popular vagary," and the southern executive was on his feet in a moment with an impassioned defense of his position.

Governor O'Neal spoke vehemently for ten minutes, bowed, and without a word walked to the piazza fronting the ocean, and, with his back to the convention hall, stood for two minutes or more in contemplation of the view. "What's the use of my going back in there?" he asked a reporter who sought him while thus engaged. "I have already spoken twice and I am limited to two speeches on any one topic. Besides, I am warm from exertion and want to cool off."

He did not re-enter the convention hall for 15 minutes, and until discussion on the topic was drawing to a close.

"I do not think Governor Wilson was fair; I think he was most unfair," he said before he resumed his seat in the hall.

When the conference ended, however, Governor Wilson grasped Governor O'Neal by the hand and remarked that he did not wish to be misunderstood. Governor O'Neal later said that he had stepped to the piazza to meet Mrs. O'Neal, whom he had heard was there.

NEW HAVEN CHINAMAN IN FOR DRUNKENNESS.

Sing Ling the Only One to Be Arrested on That Charge.

New Haven, Sept. 12.—Over indulgence in the flowing bowl is not usually considered one of the failings of the natives of the Flowery Kingdom. Consequently Patrolman Tom Landy created something of a furore when he entered police headquarters last night about 9.30 o'clock, dragging along an alleged inebriated Chinaman, in the person of Sing Ling, a laundryman, who resides at 187 Meadow street.

Ling proved that he came by his first name rightly by keeping things lively in the lockup practically all the night, chanting some of his native songs.

It was stated at police headquarters last night that Ling was the first Chinaman ever brought in there on a charge of drunkenness.

CIVIL WAR VETERANS PRAY FOR MISS BARTON.

Message of Sympathy Sent by Commander of New York State.

New York, Sept. 12.—As commander of the G. A. R. of New York state, General George B. Loud today sent the following communication to Miss Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, who is very ill at Oxford, Mass.:

"Frob the hearts of 40,000 civil war veterans in the great Empire State goes up a prayer to the great white throne for the recovery of the woman—yourself—whose sublimest work for suffering humanity has never been paralelled anywhere in the civilized world."

Steamship Arrivals.

At Cherbourg: Sept. 11, President Grant, from New York.

At Naples: Sept. 7, Giovanni, from New York.

At London: Sept. 12, Minneapolis, from New York.

At Algiers: Sept. 7, Alice, from New York.

At Antwerp: Sept 12, Vaderland, from New York.

At Bremen: Sept. 12, Kaiser Wilhelm II., from New York.

At Copenhagen: Sept. 12, Oscar II., from New York.

$200,000 Fire at Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 12.—Fire early this morning totally destroyed the Cincinnati Veneer company and several lumber yards adjoining, and is threatening a number of tenement houses. The loss so far is estimated at $200,000.

More Fatal Toadstools.

Wooster, O., Sept. 12.—Mrs. Edward Miller of Canaan is dead and her husband is near death from eating toadstools which they mistook for mushrooms. Physicians despair of being able to save Miller's life.

State Settles Deer Damage.

State Fish and Game Commissioners Frank O. Davis of Pomfret and E. Hart Geer of Hadlyme visited Simsbury the other day to assess damages done by deer at the orchard of A. Vincent Osmun. Over 400 trees were ruined and damages were assessed at $202.50. This is the largest claim ever settled in that town.

Beyond Saying That He never again would be a candidate for the presidency of the United States, William Jennings Bryan declined to comment on politics when he visited St. John, N. B., yesterday.

The property of the English crown has been marked with the broad arrow from times so early that no one can now tell when it was first used for this purpose or what was its meaning.

Clever Bunco Man Arrested

CHICAGO POLICE CAPTURE A MUCH WANTED CROOK.

HAS REAPED OVER A MILLION

Alleged to Have Operated Confidence Games in This Country and Europe—Scotland Yard Detectives After Him.

Chicago, Sept. 12.—S. A. Potter, who is said to have garnered more than $1,500,000 from the unwary of two continents during the last few years by means of gold brick swindles and confidence games, was locked in jail here tonight.

Sought for a Year.

He was arrested today by O. F. Dewoody, division superintendent of the department of justice, after being sought for a year by United States secret service men and the police of almost every city in the country.

Scotland Yard Wants Him.

English detectives of Scotland Yard are also said to have sought Potter and his companions, who were credited with having extracted numerous dollars from too credulous Londoners.

Also Known as George W. Post.

Potter, who was also known as George W. Post, was wanted here on an indictment for swindling, returned in the United States court in July, 1910. Potter and a companion, Edward Starkloff, also are wanted in Philadelphia, where they forfeited a $28,000 bond in the United States court t year ago.

$150,000 Bail Demanded.

In view of this forfeiture and the report that the confidence men of whom Potter is said to be the head, continually keep a large amount of protection money within reach, Chief DeWoody will make every effort to keep his prisoner under lock and key until he is brought to trial. A cash bond of $50,000 offered by Potter was refused by federal officials, who declared nothing less than $150,000 cash bond would gain him his temporary freedom.

Searching for His Pal.

Starkloff, who is said to have operated with Potter under a score of names, is in the city, according to Dewoody, and all of the secret service men and police here are searching for him.

Had Long "Sucker List."

At Potter's home, a great quantity of evidence was found, including what the secret service men termed a "sucker list" of former and prospective victims. The list is said to contain a greater number of names of residents of cities than of rural inhabitants.

ARRESTED IN ITALY FOR MURDER IN SPRINGFIELD

Former Meriden Italian Accused of Killing a Countryman.

Meriden, Conn., Sept 12.—Word has been received here of the arrest in Italy of Glenbettista Arena, formerly of Meriden and later of Springfield, on the charge of murder. It is alleged that Arena killed Antonio Scaramuzzino at Springfield last July. The information of the arrest came through a local attorney who has been retained by the defense to take depositions of witnesses and forward them to Calabria, Italy, where the accused will be tried.

PASTOR RESIGNS BECAUSE HE FEELS HE IS OVERPAID

Accepts Call to a Church Where Salary Will Be $200 Less.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., Sept. 12.—Eugene F. Abbott of the First Presbyterian church here, resigned today, giving as one reason that his salary of $2,000 per year was excessive considering the amount appropriated in charitable and other church work. He has accepted a call to a church at Fulton, Mo., where his salary will be $1,800 per year.

BUTTER PRICE MADE 26 CENTS.

Quotations Committee of Elgin Board of Trade Voted Down on Test.

Elgin, Ill., Sept. 12.—The quotations committee of the Elgin Board of Trade yesterday reported the butter market firm at 26 1-2 cents, but Thomas Gallagher of Chicago objected.

A vote of the board failed to sustain the quotations committee, and then upon motion the price was fixed at 26 cents.

The output is 827,700 pounds.

OBITUARY.

Henry C. Stanley.

Philadelphia, Sept. 12.—Henry C. Stanley, formerly a well known minstrel and at one time manager of the Boston Symphony orchestra, died at his home here today, aged 48 years.

John Souther.

Boston, Sept. 12.—John Souther, probably the oldest man in the country who has been engaged in iron manufacturing, died at his home in Newton tonight, aged 97 years.

Says She Was Whipped With Strap.

Suffield, Sept. 12. — Miss Hattie Pocket, who was sent from the Hartford orphan asylum six years ago to the home of Howard Button in Mapleton avenue, made complaint to the selectmen of the town last week of the way she was being treated, showing proof on her body where she had been whipped with a strap. Yesterday Deputy Sheriff George Woodruff took the girl back to the Hartford orphan asylum. She is 16 years old.

Ex-Mayor Martin Renominated.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 13.—The primaries of the democratic party were fought out here yesterday and up to 2 o'clock this morning the counting had not been completed, two wards being among the missing, but the returns were sufficient to show that former Mayor James B. Martin had defeated his opponent, Captain Edgar A. Dowe, by over a thousand.

Judge Berdwall, before whom John J., and James J. McNamara will be tried October 11, on indictments charging them with dynamiting and murder in connection with the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times plant has ruled that John J. McNamara must be tried in Los Angeles and not at Indianapolis.

Worried Over His Notoriety

WRIGHT ENDS LIFE IN A SOUTH MANCHESTER HOTEL.

RAN AWAY WITH YOUNG GIRL

His Purpose Was to Rescue Her from Harsh Treatment, but Was Alleged to Have Eloped—The Girl Safe.

South Manchester, Conn., Sept. 12. When the proprietor of a local hotel was unable to secure an answer from Thomas Wright, who registered at the hotel last night, late today, he looked in through the keyhole of the door, and saw Wright lying across the bed. A ladder was secured and an entrance to the room gained through a window.

Had Been Dead Several Hours.

Wright first came into prominence the first of the week when complaint was made to the Hartford police by Richard Robertson of Simsbury, for whom he worked as a farmhand, that he had run off with Elizabeth Chambers, 14 years old, who was employed in the Robertson household.

Had Been Lost Track Of.

As was found out later, Wright went to Hartford and hired an automobile, went to Simsbury and secured the girl and then was driven back to Hartford, where he left the automobile and took a trolley car. From that time until today the police were unaware of his whereabouts.

Took Girl to Her Sister's.

It was discovered today that Wright took the girl from Hartford to Manchester, where he left her with a sister, while he went to the home of friends. The Chambers girl is an orphan and was taken from a home in Warehouse Point by Robertson.

Girl Was Unkindly Treated.

Wright, according to the story told on his arrival in Manchester, took the girl away from the Robertson house because he alleged she was unkindly treated and an examination by the authorities of the girl today disclosed black and blue marks and bruises on her body which she said had been inflicted by her employers, and the officials would not send her back.

Worried Over Notoriety.

Wright, it is understood, worried over the prominence given the matter, and the fact that he was alleged to have eloped with the girl and is supposed to have become despondent and, wishing to end it all, took his life. He was 30 years old and single.

WEDDING GIFTS STILL POUR IN ON GERAGHTYS.

Bride is Advised to Go to Her Home and Make Up.

Providence, Sept. 12.—Gifts without cards to identify the donors have been received during the week by Mrs. Jack Geraghty at her new Newport home. They include a pair of diamong earrings set with pearls, pieces of silverware and pieces of oriental carpets.

That reconciliation is near at hand is generally acknowledged and believed now more than ever because of the remarks made by Mrs. Geraghty within the past two days. She repeatedly said she would not return here to visit her people unless her husband was invited. A long standing friend of the French family has advised Mrs. Geraghty to walk into her home and throw her arms around her mother's neck.

Geraghty is selling automobile supplies in the summer colony. He is in partnership with H. E. Pender in a garage and automobile supply business. Since Geraghty came from Springfield the business has doubled, and most of it is coming from the summer colony. Property of Mrs. Geraghty which was at her mother's home has been delivered to Mrs. Geraghty within the past few days.

AERONAUT BENUMBED BY COLD AND RAIN

H. Percy Shearman Makes Longest Balloon Flight in New England.

Auburn, Me., Sept. 12.—Half benumbed by a swift flight through rain, hail, and cold air currents, and unable to make the outlet valve or rip cord of his balloon work properly, H. Percy Shearman climped up through the ropes, slashed the silken bag with a knife, and fell back unconscious into the basket. The balloon dropped swiftly to the ground, and tonight, Shearman, resting comfortably at a local hospital, was able to tell something of his experiences.

It was on a farm on the outskirts of this city that Sherman, who is president of the Williams College Aeronautical society, this afternoon ended the longest balloon flight ever made in New England by an aeronaut unaccompanied. The distance from Pittsfield, Mass., where he ascended early in the morning, to this city, is approximately two hundred miles.

ITALY AND TURKEY IN MOOD FOR CLASH.

Italy Considering the Military Occupation of Tripoli.

Rome, Sept. 12.—Premier Giolitti had a long conference today with the minister of war, General Spingardi and the minister of marine, Admiral Cattolica, regarding the Tripoli question.

The prime minister, it is understood, said that if the Turkish government was not ready to recognize Italian influence of Tripoli under some form of a protectorate the only recourse must be the military occupation of the Turkish province.

Both the minister of war and the minister of marine declared that everything was ready for an eventual expedition of troops backed by the Italian navy.

President Mellen at Swanton, Vt.

Swanton, Vt., Sept. 12.—The special train which is bearing President C. S. Mellen and other officials of the Boston & Maine and New Haven railroad on a tour of inspection through New England, arrived here late today. The officials are expected to investigate the needs hereof a proposed branch line from Maquam bay to Alburg and the completion of a connection to Swanton over the Central Vermont road.

Some Action in Regard to the marriage of Col. John Jacob Astor by Rev. Joseph Lamber, a Congregational minister of Providence, is expected when the Congregational ministers meet at Providence next Monday.

Condensed Telegrams

A Cyclone Ravaged Flores Island, the most westerly of the Azores.

U. S. Senator Atlee Pomerene of Ohio is confined to his home by serious illness.

Nearly two hundred delegates are attending the convention of the National Gas association.

Mr. R. Leduc Was Chosen as conservative candidate to oppose Sir Wilfred Laurier in Quebec East.

F. C. Whiley, president of the Farmers and Citizens' bank in Lancaster, O., is dead. He was 79 years old.

Clarence V. Huetter Was Drowned in the Detroit river while trying to save his fiancee, Miss Anna Baltz.

The Directors of the United Fruit company have declared the regular quarterly dividend of two per cent.

After a Shutdown of Two Weeks, the Monadnock cotton mills at Claremont, N. H., were reopened yesterday.

The Sale of the Pittsburgh Post by the receiver ordered by the courts to be held yesterday, was adjourned for one week.

Nearly 25,000 Persons engaged in the New England textile industry have resumed work, after various periods of idleness.

The suspension of Van S. Chaick and company, members of the New York stock exchange, was announced yesterday.

Nathan Straus Submitted to the international congress for the protection of infants a report on progress made in America.

Speaker Champ Clark of the house of representatives arrived in Louisiana, Mo. and was given an ovation by the population.

Advances on Freight Rates on single packages and small lots were suspended by the interstate commerce commissioners.

Rev. Dr. H. G. Furbay resigned his pastorate in New York to accept the superintendency of the Anti-saloon league of Montana.

Antonio Fantasia, of Bristol, Conn., aged 31 years, died yesterday as a result of having eaten toadstools in mistake for mushrooms.

Rev. A. Gordon Bakewell of New Orleans says the ministry is a paying proposition. In 27 years he has received $50,000 in wedding fees.

The Federal Prison Parole Board will meet at Leavenworth penitentiary on Sept. 15 to hear the application for parole made by John R. Walsh.

Twenty-eight of the 46 Rice Mills in Louisiana have been merged into the Louisiana Rice Milling company with a capitalization of $9,500,000.

Struck by an Automobile operated by Edward G. Heath in Chelsea yesterday, Felix Czesnowicz, a fourteen-year-old boy, was instantly killed.

The Agitation Among the Labor element in the navy yards and arsenals against the installation of scientific management is giving the officials much concern.

The Rev. William P. Merrill, for 16 years pastor of the Sixth Presbyterian church, Vincennes avenue, Chicago, was released to the Brick Presbyterian church of New York.

Rev. Dr. S. G. Youngert, of the faculty of Augustana seminary, Rock Island, Ill., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Swedish Evangelical church of Hartford.

The National Board of censorship of moving pictures has notified the police of all the larger cities of the country that they had condemned the films posed for by Beulah Binford.

The international union of Bakery and Confectionery workers will fight the alleged "bread trust" which refuses to recognize the union, by going into the baking business itself.

The anomaly of a reduction in flour prices while the wheat market is rising is now before the northwest. Flour is now quoted at $4.50 per barrel, the cheapest opening price for four years.

An Inquiry Into the Rules and regulations for the transportation of explosives and other inflammable and dangerous articles, will be held by the interstate commerce commission October 3.

In Order to Prevent a Repetition of the Manchester wreck, the Lehigh Valley railroad has inaugurated a system of interesting trackmen in tht art of discovering broken or defective rails.

The Weekly Payrolls of city laborers and school teachers of Lawrence, Mass., amounting to $16,001.17, were paid by the city treasurer out of money collected for taxes during the past week.

Counterfeit Half-Dollar Coins, alleged to have been manufactured in Charlestown state prison, sent Mira Johnson, colored, at Boston, to the federal prison at Atlanta yesterday for a year and day.

Purely strategical reasons have induced the Japanese government to decide upon the abandonment of a naval station at Port Arthur in Manchuria, representing an investment of many millions of dollars.

The Cases of Seven Cadets of the West Point Military Academy, convicted by court-martial for breach of discipline in bringing intoxicants into camp during the summer encampment, are now before Secretary of War Stimson.

Dead in a cornfield, at Essex, Ont., near the scene of his alleged crime, the body of George Reeb, was discovered yesterday. Reeb was charged with killing his wife with an axe Sunday evening on his farm, in a fit of rage, and he escaped to the bush.

The testimony of a deaf and dumb boy will be the principal evidence introduced by the state in the trial at Somerset, Ky., of Fount Helton and James Ellis, charged with the murder last July of Magistrate A. J. Beally and constable W. F. Heath at Burnside, Ky.

A flood of molasses swept down several New Orleans streets leading from a storage warehouse when a tank containing about a million gallons of the Louisina product burst with a tremendous report. A sticky morass 15 inches deep covered Market street for nearly a mile.

THE REPEAL MAJORITY WIPED OUT

Revised Official Returns in Maine Give Prohibition a Lead of 295

MANY DISCREPANCIES DISCOVERED

Towns Which Originally Reported a Majority For Repeal, Voted the Other Way—Errors in First Figures Attributed to the Telephone—Neither Side Very Confident—A Recount Likely to be Held.

Portland, Me., Sept. 13.—Revised returns on the question of the repeal of the constitutional prohibition at 1 o'clock this morning reduced the majority against repeal to 295. The total cote stood:

For repeal	60,216
Against repeal	60,511

Repeal Majority Wiped Out.

Revision of original returns by comparison with official figures furnished by city and town clerks wiped out the majority for repeal.

Numerous Discrepancies.

One of the first discrepancies discovered was in the vote of the town of Sanford. Figures sent out from there last night gave a substantial majority of repeal. Today the result was reversed.

Made Change of 400 Votes.

Similar conditions prevailed as regards the vote of the town of Wells. These changed the apparent result by nearly 400 votes.

Mistakes Over Telephone.

In most cases, however, the reduction of the repeal plurality, which on the face of early returns appeared to be about 700, was due to a change of a few votes in the smaller towns. In most of these the discrepancies are traceable to telephonic misunderstanding, the vote in many of the smaller towns having been collected by correspondents in that manner.

Neither Side Very Confident.

Neither side had put out any very strong claims to the election during the day, and the possibility of a change as official figures came in was not a great surprise. The prohibition workers refused to give up even when the majority against them appeared large, and as the day progressed and the figures were slowly swinging in their favor their hopefulness increased.

A recount is likely to be called for.

STREAMS OF HOT LAVA SWEEP THROUGH FIELDS.

Peasants Are Fleeing from the District About Mount Etna.

Cantania, Sicily, Sept. 12.—The crest of Mount Etna now presents a terrifying spectacle. Heavy smoke lies over it, with frequent brilliant flashes, and the bombardment, which is continuous along a line nearly two miles in extent, is like the firing of heacy artillery. A torrent of burning lava, estimated at 2,000 feet wide and four feet deep, is pouring down the slope. Everything in its way has been carried before it. Groves of trees have been uprotted and set on fire, and the lava stream is sweeping trough the fields, sending out for miles around hot resinous waves of smoke.

The peasants have left their homes, carrying with them the aged, the sick and the children, and whatever meagre belongings they were able to get together.

Whole regions covered with hardened lava from past eruptions have been torn up by the frequent shocks. Many of these have been of great violence and the peasants fear a reptition of the Messina disaster.

PRESIDENT TRUESDALE DECLINES TO ARBITRATE.

Matter of Disciplining Employe Not a Matter for Outsiders.

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 12.—President W. H. Truesdale of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad has turned down the proposition at the trackmen that the matter of reinstating Foreman M. J. Foley be arbitrated by the New York labor commissioners or a board of arbitration to be selected by the company and trackmen.

Mr. Truesdale's letter contains the following:

"The management of this company cannot, in justice to its best interests, submit to any outside parties, or board, questions involving its right to discipline its employes for such wilful disregard of orders, nor the policy it shall adopt or pursue in dealing with questions of this character."

President Truesdale has been given until 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon to agree to arbitration or "take the consequences," which the trackmen's committee says means a strike on the entire system from Buffalo to New York and on the Syracuse and Utica divisions.

TAFT DECLINES THE MULE RIDE

Sends Word to Missouri That He Prefers an Automobile.

Sedalia, Mo., Sept. 12.—President Taft will not ride about town in a carriage drawn by eight mules when he visits Sedalia on September 30. The reception committee which had planned this feature has received a hint from Beverly that the president preferred to ride in a motor car. It promptly changed the plans, although one member of the committee remarked:

"There never was a motor that could compare with a span of Missouri mules.

Connecticut Men Show Up Well.

Philadelphia, Sept. 12.—National guardsmen from Connecticut won honors in the annual contests of the Pennsylvania State Rifle association today on the government rifle range at Essington. George W. Chesilcy of Connecticut won the individual offhand match with a score of 44. Capt. John W. Hessian of Connecticut, who won the individual skirmish match, was second today in both the short and long range matches.

Disastrous Blaze at Antwerp.

Antwerp, Sept. 12.—A great fire broke out here tonight and five vast woodyards were blazing furiously at midnight. The glare was visible as far as Brussels. All the firemen of the district were called out, but were powerless to check the flames. The fire is believed to be the most extensive that has occurred here in years.

Posse Searches for Scoundrel.

Toledo, O., Sept. 12.—A posse of citizens, headed by Mayor Crozier and Marshal Smith of Elmore, are searching through Ottawa county tonight for the alleged assailant of the 7 year old daughter of Jonah Bunce of Elmore. The crime was committed during the afternoon. The little girl is in a terrible condition as the result of her experience.

Eight Firms Burned Out.

New York, Sept. 13.—Eight firms, chiefly cloak and suit manufacturing and kindred concerns, sustained practically total losses, the whole estimated at about $100,000, from fire early this morning in the loft buildings they occupied at 112-114 Mercer street.

AVIATOR FOWLER HAS BAD FALL AT ALTA.

Machine Smashed and Trip Will Be Delayed About Two Days.

Alta, Cal., Sept. 12.—Bob Fowler, en route from San Francisco to New York, met with the first mishap of his pioneer cross-country aerial voyage here at 10.30 o'clock this morning, when in trying to make a landing, necessitated by a retractory engine and steering gear, his biplane collided with two trees, hurling it to the ground. He was slightly injured, but both planes of the craft and its two propellers were broken, and Fowler will be delayed for at least two days before he can resume his journey eastward.

Before leaving Auburn today, Fowler had his first troublewith his engine, when a wire of the magneta circuit pulled out. The wire was repaired, but it is believed this defect caused the later trouble.

Leaving Auburn at 9.37 o'clock, Fowler rose to a height of about 400 feet, and followed the route of the Southern Pacific tracks through the rolling approaches to the foothill district. For almost forty miles he sailed along without a mishap, easily distancing the special train and autoobiles that had started from Auburn at the same time. As he came into view in this section, however, it was apparent that something was wrong, for when a half mile from here his course suddenly deviated sharply and without slackening speed his machine dashed full into the two trees Fowler was hurled against the motor and through the debris of the rudder to the ground.

BOSTON AND MAINE SHOWS A DEFICIT.

Partly Due to Raise of Trainmen's Wages, According to Mellen.

Boston, Sept. 12.—A deficit of $1,602,983 for the year ended June 30 last, as compared with a surplus of $783,260 for the fiscal year of 1910, is shown in the annual report of the Boston and Maine Railroad company, made public today.

There was an increase of $1,457,909 in gross earnings and of $140,728 in other income, but the operating expenses increased $3,812,379 and the charges $82,500, leaving a surplus after charges of only $355,988, while dividends amounted to $1,958,971, and had to be paid chiefly out of the surplus net earnings of previous years.

President Charles S. Mellen says in his annual report that the deficit and the consequent reduction of the dividend on the common stock to a 4 per cent. basis was caused by "concessions in wages made to labor employed by the road, and by the further fact that the road has been operated for several years with such strict economy that there remained but little if any margin for further savings unless by such serious curtailment of service as would have brought upon the management severe public criticism."

Aero Club Meet at Bridgeport.

Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 12.—A. Holland Forbes, president of the Aero club of Connecticut, announced tonight that the first meet of the organization would be held here on the 28th and 29th. Cross country flight in which members of the association will be passengers will be held morning and afternoon. It was also stated that the next annual meeting would be held in Waterbury, October 12.

Stamford Democrats' Tardy Caucus.

Southington, Conn., Sept. 12.—The democrats held their caucus here tonight one day later than required by law. The matter of the right of the caucus nominees to run will probably be put up to the attorney general. The present government is democratic and if the ticket of that party is not legal there will be a complete change in the complexion of the officials.

Wife Too Much in Politics.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 12.—Because his wife was a suffragette and was active in politics in Denver when he lived in that city, Thomas P. Zimmerman was given a divorce from her today. He charged that Mrs. Zimmerman neglected her home and spent in politics money that he earned as a stone cutter.

Young Aviator Killed.

Paris, Sept. 12.—Lieutenant Chotard, a pupil of the military aviation school, was killed today while making a flight at Villa Coublay. Chotard was making his second trip alone when a gust of wind capsized his machine. He fell from a height of 300 feet.

Ty Cobb Injures Knee.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 12.—While sprinting for a flay ball in today's Detroit-Cleveland game, Ty Cobb fell and injured his left knee. He said tonight, however, that he probably would play tomorrow.