

### CONGRESSMEN TO AID IN FIGHT

Industrial Association Asks Iowa Senators and Kennedy to Help in Illinois-Michigan Canal Suit.

### PLANNING FOR KANSANS

Committee of Three Named to Arrange for Visit of Sunflower State Boosters April 13.

The executive committee of the industrial association considered a number of propositions at their meeting this morning. Several industrial projects were taken up and talked over, and there was a great amount of routine business to be gotten out of the way. The committee decided to ask the representatives in congress from Iowa to assist in the Illinois-Michigan canal fight. A committee of three was also named to arrange for meeting the Southeastern Kansas boosters on their trip here April 13.

A communication was received from the greater Davenport committee which asked the local association to apply to Congressman Kennedy and Senators Kenyon and Cummins for federal action in the matter of the injunction suit, which is now before the federal courts in Illinois, by which certain interests are attempting to enjoin the use of the Illinois-Michigan canal which connects the Mississippi and the Chicago drainage.

This fight has been waged in Illinois through the courts there. A man by the name of Burke is endeavoring to secure the injunction. In the fight the canal has been allowed to deteriorate. The use of the canal would give deep waterways connection from the lakes to the gulf and it is said special interests like the railroads are fighting the project.

Since the matter is now a federal issue and since Iowa will be affected in the result, the Davenport body is asking aid of the organizations in the state on this fight.

### Welcome for Kansans.

A committee of three composed of L. A. Hamill, E. A. Franch and O. B. Towne was named which will take care of arrangements for meeting the southeastern Kansas commercial clubs' booster train when it arrives here on the morning of April 13. The Kansans here will only have a short time here, and they expect to look over the power house in that short period.

A number of minor matters of importance was discussed by the board today.

### AMUSEMENTS.

Vaudeville at the Hippodrome. The last performance of the vaudeville bill current at the Hippodrome the first half of the week, will be given tonight. The bill is a good one, and has been considered by many who saw it to be the best vaudeville bill that has been seen here for some time. Miss Jane Carol, the girl at the piano, opens the show. Her act is composed of singing and piano playing, and has proved very popular. Miss Carol is a strikingly beautiful young woman and possesses a fine singing voice. Paul and Ethel Locke appear in an act in which they introduce all of the latest steps of the new dances. Both are exceptionally graceful and their dancing has proved of great interest to everybody. The Bell Boy Trio scored a big hit at every performance of their act. Angelo Armento and company close the show.

### Why Do French Women Always Look Young?

In France mothers and daughters look like sisters. How are the women there able to retain their youthful looks until long past middle age? Is it because they are much given to the use of mercerized wax? This wax possesses a remarkable absorbent property which quickly removes the fine particles of cuticle which are constantly dying and which are the immediate cause of an old-looking complexion. Thus the livelier, healthier, younger skin beneath is given a chance to breathe and show itself. Try this treatment yourself. Most likely it will require two weeks to make your complexion as clear, soft and beautiful as a young girl's. Just one ounce of mercerized wax (all American druggists have it) usually does the work. The wax is put on nights like cold cream and washed off mornings.

Another valuable secret with which the French are familiar is how to quickly remove wrinkles. One ounce of powdered saxolite dissolved in a half pint witch hazel, makes a marvelously effective astringent lotion. The face should be bathed in this daily until even the deepest lines are affected.

In the fastest acrobatic act ever seen in this theatre. Many of the feats accomplished by these three men in their act have never been seen in this city before. They have been a source of wonder and admiration to the many who have seen them at this theatre. Several reels of motion pictures complete the bill.—Advertisement.

### WILL ENTERTAIN BOSTON OFFICIAL

L. R. Nash of Stone & Webster Company to be Entertained by Local Company.

Mr. L. R. Nash of Boston who is making an inspection tour of Stone & Webster properties, arrived in the city today and will be entertained this evening by a number of prominent business men of the city as well as officials of the Keokuk Electric company and of the water power. Mr. Nash will be the guest of honor at a dinner to be given at the Elk's club this evening at 6:30, to which a number of prominent business men have been invited. The dinner will be given in a private dining room and A. D. Ayres will be toastmaster of the occasion.

This evening at 8 o'clock there will be a meeting of the employees of Stone & Webster companies at the Keokuk Electric company offices when Mr. Nash will have an opportunity to meet all the men and will make a short talk. H. A. Turner, superintendent of the electrical department of the Keokuk Electric company, will make an address on the subject of line construction. Manager A. D. Ayres will also make a short talk, after which refreshments will be served. Mr. Nash is one of the "big" men of the Stone & Webster companies, and is very well known among the employees.

### WOMEN MAY SPEAK AT SCHOOL MEETING

Public Gathering Tomorrow Evening will Discuss the Proposed Bond Issue.

Women may speak at the public meeting to discuss the proposed bond issue, and may also vote on the proposition when it comes up on April 7. The public meeting will be held tomorrow night at the county court house.

This will be a public meeting and open to the citizens. Several of the women in the city who are particularly interested in seeing the bond issue pass, expect to be present and perhaps will speak.

### BOARD OF APPRAISERS SUBMIT THEIR REPORTS

Were Appointed to Appraise Property Through Which New Street is to be Constructed.

The report of appraisers recently appointed to appraise certain land property through which it is proposed to run a new street, was today made to the city council. The report has not yet been approved by the city council but probably will be tomorrow morning, and the appraisers have not sworn to the report. The property through which the street is to run is a strip of land 66 feet wide, extending in a northerly direction from Eleventh street through blocks 176, 177, 178 and 180, to the southwesterly line of Thirteenth street.

The property owners and the amount they will receive are: William Ballinger \$150.00, Frank Walgren 20.00, George and Harriet Dade 250.00, Ruter B. Jewett 25.00. The appraisers are T. F. Baldwin, Frank L. Griffey and A. J. Hardin.

### FIRE DESTROYED SCHOOL BUILDING

Blaze Also Ate up Entire Business Block in a Town in Kansas.

[United Press Lensed Wire Service.] BLOOMINGTON, Ill., April 1.—Fire today destroyed the school building at Lexington, Ill., with a loss of \$35,000. The \$50,000 high school building adjoining was saved by strenuous efforts of the student volunteer fire brigade, but was damaged to the extent of \$2,000.

Entire Block Destroyed. WICHITA, Kan., April 1.—Fire in Atlanta, Kansas, burned an entire block on the west side of the Main street, causing a loss of \$80,000. The Citizens' State bank and several smaller firms suffered total losses. The cause of the fire is unknown.

### CITY NEWS.

—Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Earle Williams, 920 Concert street, at 2:30 today, an eight pound boy baby.

—Two articles for the "Public Opinion" column received today will appear in tomorrow's issue.

### PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Monogue of Chicago, former well known residents of Keokuk, are in the city, called here by the sickness and death of Mrs. Monogue's mother, Mrs. Maria L. Murphy, whose funeral occurred yesterday.

—Read the want column.

### AMERICAN CONSUL PREFERS BICYCLE

Mr. and Mrs. Thackara Off For Six Weeks' Trip of Some 1,200 or 1,300 Miles.

### HE HOLDS THE RECORD

Spends Vacation for the Past Eight Years in the Saddle and Enjoys It.

[By William Phillip Simms, Paris correspondent of the United Press.] PARIS, April 1.—Scorning the automobile at their command, United States Consul General and Mrs. Alexander M. Thackara will leave here shortly on a six weeks cycle trip of some 1200 or 1300 miles. The American consul general, recently transferred from Berlin to Paris, is champion bicycle tourist of the world, court and diplomatic circle category, while Mrs. Thackara is a close second, grown children notwithstanding. Even Third Assistant Secretary of State Alvey Augustus Adee, the only other distinguished bike-pushing statesman, is apparently outdone, for the consul general's record on French roads alone is over 31,000 miles.

For eight years the Thackaras were stationed at Havre where Mr. Thackara was consul, and each of their vacations was spent bicycle touring. There are but two departments in all France untraced by their wheels, these being Brittany and Calais.

Those who see the Thackaras only at the brilliant state banquets and receptions of official Paris, would not recognize the distinguished couple in the very plainly dressed bikers of the country roads, dusty and tired, but happy. Tyrant Style slinks powerless before them and solid comfort dictates instead.

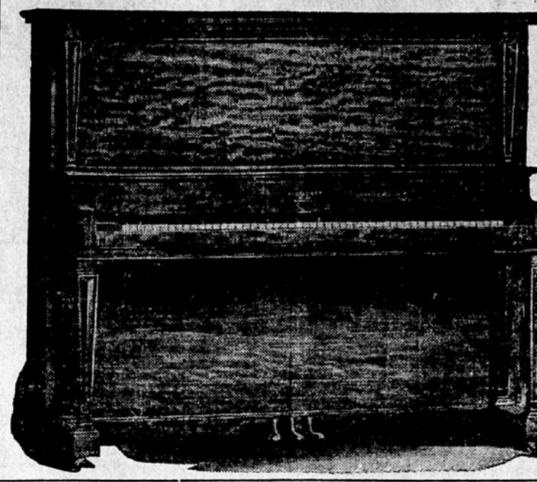
Before starting on the long ride the Thackaras always map out their itinerary in great detail. This they adhere to religiously throughout the trip, taking their own time, however, in covering the distances. Experience gained on many such outings has taught them exactly how much they can do comfortably and just what to expect under any and all sorts of conditions. Small cases attached to the machines furnish storage room for the necessary toilet articles and a tool kit contains all the necessities for repairing punctures and the like. The consul general is an expert bicycle repairer.

A day's program is about as follows: Up at 6 a. m. Breakfast at some quaint country inn—they are nearly all good in France, by the way. Follows the morning ride along roads always in splendid condition and abounding in views. The mid-day halt, wash-up, lunch, rest—all at another delightful inn where the host is the cook and knows his job altogether well. If the day be hot this halt is proportionately long, the afternoon ride coming in the cool of the day and through the magnificent long twilights. Afterwards they have dinner at a third inn, excellent and picturesque as were the others. Finally, a stroll along the cool, shady, country road for a breath of the fine air and a glimpse at the stars, they go early to bed and a ready, dreamless sleep. For during the day they have covered some 35 to 45 miles. It is a simple life! No Trouville or Deauville, the French Newport, for them. No downy-cushioned limousines. No brilliantly lighted ballrooms, midnight suppers composed of indigestibles, or gambling casinos at ultra-fashionable summer resorts. Their whole vacation is given up—not occasionally, but every year—to this mode of life.

"When we come back home," the consul general told the United Press correspondent, "we are both ready for work, I tell you. Nowadays most vacations leave a body less fit than when he began it. We owe our good health and digestion to our annual bicycle tour. No automobiles for us! We both fairly delight in the bicycle mode of getting about, so why give it up? People wonder at us; they seem to think it strange that we don't tour in an automobile like everybody else. But we don't see a thing odd in our way of taking a vacation. It's great. I'm going to get another wheel, as Mrs. Thackara insists that mine is a bit shabby."

He said this with precisely the same air as another man in his position might have said that his wife insisted on a 1914 model automobile. The work which Mrs. Thackara does would break most any other woman down in a season. She heads a dozen committees on various charitable and social works, leading in all sorts of movements advancing the interests of the American colony here as well as attending official receptions, banquets and balls and looking after her own household which, as soon as a suitable house can be found, will be quite important in itself. For she is not only the wife of the consul general at Paris but the daughter of General William Tecumseh Sherman, which fact brings its

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Paris is amazed at the thorough democracy of the Thackaras; it is also charmed. The colony is saying that America has never had here a more democratic representative. At the same time the Thackaras maintain this position with the greatest of tact and dignity; in short, they have made a big hit here.

### CODE SUPPLEMENT NEARLY READY

Editor Wilcox is Rushing the Work so Distribution Can be Made Later Part of May.

Work of publishing the supplement to the code is progressing rapidly, according to C. S. Wilcox, editor. He is promising to have the volume ready for distribution the latter part of May. The copy is being rushed to the state printer as rapidly as possible and the force at work on the code is swamped with the proof reading.

According to the estimate of the printer, the supplement will contain 2,500 pages. Already 500 pages of the book have been printed and the remainder will be sent through at the rate of thirty-two pages a day. There will be 12,000 copies of the supplement issued, and 9,000 will be bound immediately. The state binder is instructed to deliver to the state authorities the first consignment of bound volumes within a week after the last printed pages reach him.

There is considerable speculation among the state authorities as to what will be done with the remaining volumes of the supplement of 1907. In the state store house there are several thousand of the books, which according to the document department, should be destroyed. The reason there are so many of the supplements which were not distributed is said to have been that many of the counties of the state did not furnish the officials of the county and the township with them. According to the law all persons holding office may apply to the county authorities for copies of the supplement. The state department sends to the counties as many volumes as are applied for.

It is believed that this year the supplement will be more widely distributed and that fewer of the volumes will be left on hand at the close of the period when another supplement is due.

### Home Folks.

Des Moines Register and Leader: It was the Youth's Companion which suggested recently the advantages to be found among home folks when one had passed the stage of youthful fondness which demanded that one be "understood." Home folks never understood you, and after a while you are thankful that they never did. It would be rather embarrassing, really, had you been actually understood.

Not only is this true because moods change, and so also ideals and enthusiasms, but because it is frequently restful to feel perfectly safe and sane and unapproached among a group of persons who have not been treated to the disarming intimacies of your wildest dreams; because there is nothing quite so trying as confidences which have grown stale and because you like occasionally to revert to the simple, homely, affectionate atmosphere which delights in simple, home-

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ly, natural things. After hilarious adventures into the wilds of the back pastures of the world it is good to turn homeward and discover the same old cat twirling her same, identical whiskers on the familiar back porch. It is reassuring to sit in the oldest arm chair by the kitchen stove and watch the January sunshine on mother's geraniums in the window. It is heart-warming to feel the honest unpretentious, take-you-for-granted manner of the family who regard you as nothing startling and who have not been harassed into great expectations by any soul-revelations which you might wish vainly to re-inter. After all, there is nothing quite like home folks to recall us now and then to the simple, eternal verities of life.

Daily Stock Letter. [Copyright, 1914, by the New York Evening Post.] NEW YORK, April 1.—Two highly divergent influences were at work on the markets of the world today. The very unfavorable February earnings statements of the great eastern railway systems was one; the other was the continued and interesting rise of investment securities on the European stock exchanges. At London consols made the somewhat extraordinary advance of 1/2 point, bringing them nearly one full point above the price at last week's close. Berlin and Paris shared in the general improvement of affairs at London. This cheerful aspect of affairs in financial Europe could not be said to have been reflected on our own stock exchange; but combined perhaps with other influences, it had the effect of offsetting such considerations as the bad showing of the railways.

Critics, Take Notice. Great writers cantingly criticised by small writers—of whom Dr. Parr might be happy to say, that they have profusely without obscurity—periphrasy without prolixity—ornament without glare—terseness without barrenness—penetration without subtlety—comprehensiveness without digression—and a great number of other things without a great number of other things.—Sydney Smith.

ORIGINAL NOTICE. State of Iowa, Lee County—ss. In the District Court of said County, at Keokuk. Julia R. Benthon, plaintiff, vs. unknown claimants to lot 9, block 165, Keokuk, Iowa. Unknown heirs of Jacob Benthon, deceased, defendants.—Original Notice. To the above named defendants: You are hereby notified that a petition is on file in the clerk's office

of the district court aforesaid at Keokuk in behalf of the above named plaintiff, against you and claiming that she is the absolute and unqualified owner of lot 9 (nine), block 165 (one hundred and sixty-five), city of Keokuk, Lee County, Iowa, purchased the same with her own money; had her husband Jacob Benthon's name inserted in deed to her. That Jacob Benthon is dead; if his heirs have any interest in said lot aforesaid it would be derived through him. That plaintiff prays the judgment and decree of the court to quiet the title to said lot 9 in her and such other and further relief prayed for.

And unless you appear thereto and defend before noon of the second day of the next regular May term of said court, to be begun and holden at Keokuk on the fourth day of May A. D. 1914, default will be entered against you and judgment rendered thereon as prayed for in said petition.

W. B. AND H. R. COLLINS, Attorneys for Plaintiff.