TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST.

TAX ON RAILROADS IN N. DAK.

Gov. White's Stand May Soften Criticism as to the Merger.

BISMARCK, N. D.—The total valuation of property in the state for purposes of taxation this year will exceed that of last year by over ten million dollars. Much of this increase is in the normal addition to the valuation of state property. Personal property also has increased largely. The railroads will be made to bear their share of the burden of taxation. Their increase will be about $2,000,000. Taking the average of their taxation for all purposes at 3 per cent, the additonal valuation will mean additonal taxes of $60,000 to be paid by them. Friends of Governor White asesrt that in standing for a fair increase of railroad valuation he has effectually answered his critics on the merger question.

With the increase in valuation of property and the bumper crop in sight everywhere through the state, North Dakota ought to be on financial easy street another year. The recent statement of the state treasurer showed a good balance of cash on hand and bills paid to date. Taxes at the usual rate on a valuation of $135,000,000 will give the state plenty of unds for current expenses.

The number of state banks in the state has more than doubled in the past two or three years. New towns have been established, and it has come to be the case that a bank and a newspaper are about the first institutions started.

With the normal republican majority in the state, even the most optimistic democrat can see nothing but defat in sight for the democratic ticket this fall. The principal fight will be made upon the merger issue. There is some feeling on that score, particularly in the valley, where for many years there has been no competition in transportation. With some active campaigners there is no question but the democrats will be able to make some capital out of the merger matter. Resubmission does not seem to strike fire so readily as the sanguine resubmissionists in the democratic party hoped it would. Outside of a few counties in the western part of the state, it is not believed the resumption of the open saloons would carry a majority of the votes.

There will be several constitutional amendments to vote on this fall. One of them is to permit the taxation of elevators and grain therein at a fixed rate. Another is to permit the sale of state school lands where the appraisal of value is not over $5 an acre. The present minimum is $10. With the large increase in real values through the state, it is doubtful if this amendment carries. Another amendment provides for the location of the state school for the feeble-minded at Grafton, where such an institution is now in course of erection. The present constitutional provision locates this institution in connection with the hospital for the insane at the city of Jamestown. Still another amendment provides for changing the name of the institution at Devils Lake to the state school for the deaf.

Deputy Insurance Commissioner Gilbreath is receiving some pleasant mention from the press of the state for promotion to the commissionership at the next election. Gilbreath is one of the republican leaders of Morton county, and is popular and capable in his position.

Although both tickets are in the field, there is remarkably little political talk in the state. It seems to have been tacitly agreed that all energies shall be expended in gathering the crop during the early fall, and that the election fireworks shall be delayed until as late a day as possible.

DULUTH, MINN.

Senators Clapp and Knute Nelson, Congressman Page Morris, Postmaster E. L. Fisher, Port Collector L. M. Willcuts and State Senator E. B. Harkins formed a fishing party which left Duluth on the steamship America.—Grand island, in Lake Superior, thirty-five miles east of Marquette, is to be stocked with moose by W. G. Mather, president or the Cleveland Cliffs Iron company, of Cleveland.—George H. Bickell, of San Francisco, who was a gunner on the United States cruiser Boston at the battle of Manila, has been taken charge of by the authorities of St. Louis county, Minnesota. He was found near Tower, on the iron range, sick, starving and demented, in a freight car, where some tramps were ministering to his wants as best they could.—Mrs. J. B. Miller, of Minneapolis, lost a chatelaine bag while on an excursion on the steamer Bloomer Girl. The bag contained a draft for $1,500 issued by the First National Bank of Minneapolis on the First National Bank of Duluth, and a few dollars in currency.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Pensions granted:

Minnesota—Edwin R. Lewis, Grand Rapids, $8; George W. Moon, Minneapolis, $8; Mary C. Cook, Blue Earth, $8.

Iowa—Henry M. Rean, Muscatine, $6; William W. Barber, Afton, $30; John Knott, Waverly, $10; Maurice M. Crawford, Quimby, $16; Ovando Horton, St. Charles, $14; Henry Clabaugh, New Market, $30; Newton Eddinger, Marysville, $6; Harvey Foster, Toledo, $12; William Brayton, Logan, $12; Charlotte A. Wright, West Liberty, $8; Sarah A. Gitchell, Des Moines, $8; Sarah L. Wallace, Echo, $8; Hattie M. Frasier, Caloma, $8.

Wisconsin—Wenzel Mairich, La Crosse, $17; Catherina Borchardt, Milwaukee, $8; Sarah J. Kipp, Beloit, $8.

North Dakota—Jesse Danley, Eastby, $10.

South Dakota—Charlotte Koontz, Hot Springs, $8.

Postmasters appointed to-day: Montana—Garrison, Powell county, Arthur Rippingale. Wisconsin—McDowell, Burnett county, Charles Marsh. Rural free delivery service has been ordered established commencing Sept. 15 at Highwood, Ramsey county, Minn; one carrier.

ADA, MINN.

The eighth annual fair for Norman county closed Saturday. Friday was the day set for Governor Van Sant's visit, and the attendance was the largest that day. The governor made a hit with the people and his visit attracted many new friends. Both the governor and Superintendent Olsen addressed the teachers in attendance at the summer school, as well as the members of the various school boards of the county. Andrew Grindeland, candidate for congress, was also present and addressed the meeting. The fair proved a success in every way, due largely to the able management of Wesley Jenkins, its president, and L. Hintze, the secretary.—Much rust is beginning to make its appearance in late-sown fields.—An Andrew Grindeland club of 152 members is being organized in Ada. Officers will be elected this week.—The time of letting the contract for Norman county's new $40,000 courthouse has been extended to Aug. 25, in order that several more contractors may figure on the contract.

EXCELSIOR, MINN.

Amos Gray, of Groveland, one of the early settlers of the Minnetonka region, died at his home Saturday afternoon, aged 78 years. Funeral services were held this afternoon, with interment at Groveland. Mr. Gray was a member of the Masons, Odd Fellows and G. A. R. He is survived by his widow and six children, Mrs. Theodore Getten, of Milaca; Mrs. G. C. Smith, of Salem, Oregon; Mrs. M. E. Warwick, of Dawson City, Alaska; Will Gray, of Delano; J. W. Gray, who lived on the home place, and Mrs. O. V. W. Sigafoos, of Excelsior.—Mrs. A. M. Shuck, of Deephaven, died at Maternity hospital, Minneapolis, yesterday, after an illness of three weeks, of blood poisoning. The remains were taken to her former home at Hastings this afternoon.

DES MOINES, IOWA

Governor Cummins has announced that Miss Elsie Macomber will christen the cruiser Des Moines, which is to be launched at Quincy, Mass., Sept. 20.

The selection was made after consultation with Mayor Brenton, it being the opinion of Governor Cummins that, the cruiser being named after the city, the duty of selecting the young woman to christen the ship belonged to the mayor rather than to the governor.

MASS CITY, MICH.

While drilling for water on his homestead, near here, John Allen struck a vein of oil, which gushed out in large volume. Already the petroleum has covered several acres to a depth of several inches. The oil is of excellent quality and appears to be inexhaustible in quantity.

MADELIA, MINN.

The summer school has closed. It had an attendance of ninety-eight. Superintendent E. B. Uline of Mankato was in charge, assisted by Superintendents C. E. Young of Luverne, Lee Swift of Tracy, Mrs. Parry of Mankato, and Miss Emily Brown of St. Peter.

MILLER, S. D.

John Miller, an aged bachelor, was found dead in his dooryard.

SUMMER LOGGING

More of It Than Ever Before—What the Roads Are Doing.

DULUTH, MINN.—The St. Louis Lumber company has started its mill for the fall run. Duncan & Brewer Lumber company's mill is to run days only till the Pilsen Lumber company's cut is completed, which will be about Sept. 1, when the Red Cliff company will take hold. Otherwise there are no new changes in the operation of mills at the head of the lakes.

There have been no sales of lumber in important amounts the last week. Some buyers have been looking around and some deals are pending and may be closed in a few days. There is no appreciable change in prices and no intention, as has been locally reported, to shove them up.

Lumbermen are commencing to take stock of things for the coming winter, and the log crop is the next thing to be considered. It will be very large, probably larger, if weather and other conditions permit, than last season.

Construction work on the Duluth, Virginia & Rainy River road has been slow this summer, and the end of track has not advanced any since early spring. But it is intended to push on during the fall and winter and the plans for two large sawmills near the northern water shed may be carried out within a year or two. Some new equipment ordered some time ago is on the way.

The amount of summer logging that has been under way in this district this season has been above that of any preceding year and is, in its proportion to the gross amount of logs put in, far above that of all past years. There has been added this season to the railroad logging interests of the district the business of the Brooks Timber company, supplying the new Brooks-Scanlon mill at Scanlon, which will amount to about 60,000,000 feet for the season, as well as a considerable further amount for other persons. Then there is the Duluth, Virginia & Rainy Lake road, which is hauling 20,000,000 feet this year for Iowa men. There is also the Nester road on the north shore of the lake, landing logs at the mouth of the Gooseberry river, and this will amount to about 40,000,000 feet this year. The logging road of the Split Rock Lumber company is more active and will land 04,000,000 more feet this year.

The two Weyerhaeuser roads emptying into the Cloquet and St. Louis have been normally busy, with a combined business of about 50,000,000 feet. The Duluth & Iron Range road has hauled more logs than ever, and will be very active again as soon as ore business slacks up. It will probably move during the year about 180,000,000 feet of logs into this city. The Northern Pacific and South Shore roads have both hauled in more than usual and the Missabe and Eastern have been fairly active.

With the new Hines road the long extension of the Duluth & Northern Minnesota and the Virginia & Rainy Lake, and with the shorter extensions planned for the Split Rock and Nester roads, there will be a large business for the coming year. Aside from roads that dump logs into this bay and the Cloquet there are in this district the Empire Logging company's road, which carries logs away from the head of the lakes rather than to it, and that of the Fall Lake Lumber company, which extends toward the company's mill from the eastern part of the Vermillion range, and the Bear Head road of the Tower Lumber company. All of these have been active this year and have plans for next season fully as large.

NORTHFIELD, MINN.

John H. Orr, of Dundas, has announced himself a candidate for the republican nomination for treasurer of Rice county.—A lawn social will be given by the Congregational church to-morrow evening.—The work on the Milwaukee road north and south of town is to be pushed with double energy the remainder of the season. It is proposed to work large crews of men on a night shift, and lights and other requisites are being provided with that object in view.—The stacking and threshing of grain has progressed very rapidly during the past week of exceptionally fine weather. The crop is turning out exceedingly well, sixty bushels to an acre of barley having been threshed.—The heavy rain Saturday night did some damage to corn, which was broken down.

HASTINGS, MINN.

Rev. Nathaniel Smith died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Fritch, yesterday afternoon, aged 92 years. The remains will be taken to Genesseo, Ill., his former home, for interment.—Gustaf J. Johnson had a spirited runaway yesterday afternoon. He escaped uninjured, but the thills and dashboard of the vehicle were broken.—The steamers J. J. Hill, Twin City and Cyclone brought excursions from the twin cities and Stillwater yesterday afternoon.—The harvest picnic given by the ladies of the German Lutheran church, at Busch's park, Sunday afternoon, proved a decided success.—Herman Franzmeier, of Nininger, had a large quantity of oats burned Saturday afternoon, caused by sparks from a threshing machine.

LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

President M. E. Neary of the State Federation of Labor, J. Gordon O'Neill of the Longshoremen's Association and J. H. Hughes of the St. Paul Carpenters and Joiners' Union addressed a large meeting of laboring men in this city last night. The meeting was held with a view of organizing unions here to be represented at the annual meeting of the State Federation of Labor, to be held in this city next June. A union of sawmill workers, with probably 200 or more members, will be organized at a meeting to be held to-night.—A. A. Doran, a Northern Pacific brakeman, has his left foot crushed in the yards here to-day.

WEBSTER CITY, IOWA

The Park City Manufacturing company of Chicago, maker of the famous D. I. U. bicycle hanger, will remove to this city next year. The Commercial league of the city secured the establishment. The difference in rents, taxes and the price of labor were factors which decided the company to make the change. It employs a force of 100 men all the year round. The Commercial league is doing much for the city in the way of bringing to it new enterprises.

FARGO, N. D.

Professor H. L. Bolley of the North Dakota Agricultural college is out with a positive declaration that flax crops do not injure the land. Tests at the experiment station have proved that the best crops of wheat grow on land cropped to flax the preceding year.—Mayor Chase of Haverhill, Mass., addressed large audiences under the auspices of the local organization of socialists.

HELENA, MONT.

The state board of equalization has reduced the assessments upon the main lines of the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Montana Central and Oregon Short Line, from $16,200 a mile to $12,800, a cut of 20 per cent. The reduction was made after representatives of the roads were given final hearings. The total railroad assessments as revised are $31,450,806, a little more than 100 per cent increase over last year.

WEST SUPERIOR, WIS.

Second Assistant Treasurer Taylor has chosen the site at Tower avenue and Fourteenth street for the new federal building.—State Senator E. G. Mills and family will leave the latter part of the month for Washington. Mr. Mills goes to take up his duties as assistant counsel for the Spanish war claims commission.—It is reported the strike involving the machinists will be abandoned.

STURGIS, S. D.

Mame Hill, who shot Kitty King on the morning of March 20, was convicted of manslaughter in the second degree. Judge Rice set the date of sentence for next Wednesday. The murder resulted from a quarrel that the two women, both colored, had the evening before.

FARIBAULT, MINN.

Miss Minnie Conner, an epileptic inmate of the Minnesota school for the feeble-minded, died from the effects of carbolic acid which she secured in some unknown way. Her parents reside in Minneapolis.—Professor H. E. Whitney has been promoted to the position of headmaster at Shattuck school.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.

Bernard Rensker, general agent of the Minneapolis Brewing company, died of ulceration of the stomach, aged 47 years. He left a wife and two children.

BELLE FOURCHE, S. D.

It is expected there will be 80,000 head of beef cattle loaded at Belle Fourche for shipment to the eastern markets. This represents a valuation of $6,400,000.

TO ABANDON THE MISSOURI

Career as a Means of Transportation About at an End.

SIOUX CITY, IOWA.—Beaten in its effort to control the treacherous stream, the United States is about to abandon the Missouri river to its fate and give it up as a means of transportation. Railroads have grabbed the freight, and the steamboat business has dwindled until it is evident congress thinks the expense of dredging shifting sandbars, pulling snags and trying to hold the restless rival in a fixed channel is not justified by the volume of business and will surrender.

Captain H. M. Chittenden, chief of United States engineers of the Missouri river, who replaced the Missouri river commission, believes the career of the Missouri as a means of transportation is at an end. Its abandonment is foreshadowed in his annual report. In it he says:

"The discontinuance of the Missouri river commission and the greatly reduced appropriations, as compared with former years, for both upper and lower rivers, indicates an intention on the part of congress to abandon the river altogether in the near future. Before the rendition of the annual report for 1903, the officer in charge will be prepared to submit a comprehensive statement of the conditions of the entire river and the advisability or non-advisability of further work upon it."

The millions spent in an effort to make the Missouri a permanent canal for commerce have been washed away, like the fertile acres along the treacherous stream. It is of no use, and the government evidently wants to give it up.

DUBUQUE, IOWA

Helen Oswald and John Westmark were united in marriage by a justice of the peace. The wedding day was announced for a week ago. The bridegroom made a pretense to buy a marriage license, walked into the county clerk's office and stole out the back way, leaving his intended bride crying on the sidewalk. Her father swore out a warrant for Westmark's arrest, charging him with seduction, and it was not long before the latter was in the toils.—The retail grocers of Dubuque held their annual picnic at Twin Springs.—Louis W. Neelis of Chicago was held up by two men near the Great Western station and robbed of a valuable diamond pin. The robbers did not secure any money. The police have no clue.—John Troy of New York reported to the police that he was robbed of $40 at the Wales Hotel. He suspects two acquaintances of taking the money.—The Archdiocesan Temperance Union decided to hold the next annual convention of the State Total Abstinence Union in Dubuque May 29, 1903. During the past few months six branches of the state organization have been formed in Iowa.—The Dubuque Military band may become the Forty-ninth Regiment band of Iowa. Adjutant General Byers has sent it an invitation to serve the regiment in the capacity it did before the Spanish-American war.—Miss Susie Orvis, daughter of Rev. Mr. Orvis, departed for Cesera, Asia Minor, to become a student volunteer missionary.—Archbishop Keane occupied the pulpit at St. Raphael's cathedral for the first Sunday in two months yesterday. His sermon was devoted to an attack on local saloons.

CLINTON, IOWA

The withdrawal of Dr. G. A. Smith of this city leaves but three candidates in the field for the congressional nomination. The three who will be presented at the convention to be held here Aug. 20 are Attorney F. W. Ellis of this city, W. C. Gregory of Jackson county and Mr. Hoffman of Muscatine county. Scott county may present the name of Mr. Wilson, although it is thought the latter will not be a candidate. In this event, Clinton county expects to receive the majority of votes from Scott county, all from Clinton county, and at least half the delegates from Johnson and Iowa counties. It is also thought Mr. Ellis will be the second choice of Jackson county and appearances now indicate he will be the nominee. He is one of the leading young attorneys of this section.

HUMBOLDT, IOWA

Humboldt was visited by the worst wind storm in years last night. The terrific wind did considerable damage in town, tearing down trees, demolishing gardens and wrecking buildings. Granaries were torn down, a buggy was broken into many pieces and a hay rack was carried 300 feet and then broken into kindling wood. About 50 per cent of the telephone connections were broken in this town, while the electric light company suffered severely. Had the the storm covered a large area, an untold amount of damage would have been done, especially to the corn fields, for where the corn received the force of the wind it was laid flat.

LINCOLN, NEB.

Leading linotype matter by the simple process of turning a crank is the virtue of an invention just patented by two Lincoln newspaper men. A company with a paid-up capital stock of $50,000 has been organized to place the machine on the market. Bion Cole of the Western Newspaper Union and A. O. Wilson, his foreman, are the inventors. Not much larger than a typewriter and not nearly so heavy, the device can be carried with ease from stone to stone in the process of "making up." The youth who operates it is guaranteed the power of leading a galley a minute.

BEMIDJI, MINN.

Over sixty men working on the hoister works here for the Minnesota & International railroad struck this morning for higher wages, and no logs will be loaded on the cars until the strike is settled. The men have been getting $2.25 a day of ten hours, and they want an advance of 50 cents.

A deal was closed between C. J. and D. N. Winston, members of the Thief River Falls Lumber company, and Walker and Akeley, whereby the latter sold to Winston Brothers in the vicinity of 80,000,000 feet of pine on the stump. The timber is north of Bemidji and is to be sawed here.

EVELETH, MINN.

Henry W. Oliver's private car, Tyrone, bearing a party of iron ore men, was overturned at Eveleth. None was injured beyond slight bruises.

TWINE FROM FLAX

Experiments in North Dakota May Lead to a New Industry.

FARGO, N. D.—Secret experiments with flax fiber for binding twine have been so successful that indications now are an industry will be devloped in the northwest which will save the farmers millions of dollars annually.

Since the development of the flax fiber mills in this state progressive farmers concluded that the tow could be converted into a form of binding twins.

Tests were quietly made until recent experiments show a grade of twine of lighter weight and far superior quality to the best qualities on the market.

The immense distances from which sisal and other primary essentials of twine are secured make the cost so great that the new plan of manufacturing will be much cheaper and the trade for all the northwestern states could be supplied.

North Dakota raises more flax than all other sections of the United States, and the millions of tons of straw can be converted into tow here and shipped to the twine factories and converted into the much desired product.

Little change in the machinery used for sisal twine will be necessary.

WATERLOO, IOWA

The local physicians are fighting the contagion of diphtheria which has made its appearance here. One death has occurred and two families are under quarantine.—The date of the Black Hawk County Old Settlers' association meeting has been fixed for Aug. 30. J. R. Powers of Dubuque will deliver the principal address. Last year ex-Governor Boies was the speaker.—John A. Hurley, chief clerk for the Illinois Central freight department, has resigned and left to-day for Omaha, where he enters the employ of Swift & Co.

CASS LAKE, MINN.

But for the prompt action of the fire department, fire Saturday afternoon would undoubtedly have caused thousands of dollars worth of damage and wiped out an entire block in the heart of the business portion. A new barber shop which was being constructed by Sam Hatfield caught fire, the flames starting in a pile of shavings. The firemen put on two streams of water and soon had the flames under control. Adjoining the Hatfield building were two two-story frame buildings. These were in course of completion, and were partly open, which would have given the fire great headway. Along both sides of the street is a solid block of frame buildings, nearly all saloons, and had the fire once broken through they would all have been destroyed.

STUART, NEB.

Last night was a terror to the people of this place. For more than an hour the most severe electric storm raged and ten bolts struck within the city limits. Two dwellings and three barns were burned, while four valuable race horses and three cows were killed. John Lockman, standing in his doorway watching the electric display, was struck, his clothing and shoes being torn into shreds without injuring him in the least. An express wagon in the street was struck, the horses were killed and the wagon burned. The driver escaped with one hand burned.

IOWA FALLS, IOWA

Saturday was educational day at the Chautauqua assembly. The exercises were in charge of Mrs. Ella B. Chassell, county superintendent of schools. The Hardin county normal institute attended the Chautauqua in a body, headed by the industrial school band. The day's program closed with a concert and an address by Superintendent B. J. Miles, of the Iowa industrial school. The next big day will be Tuesday—Sunday school day. All the schools of the county have been invited to participate.

NEW HAMPTON, IOWA

Ray Bowers, aged about 20 years, committed suicide last night by shooting himself through the right temple. The body was found this morning in the yard. On May 18, 1895, a brother, Edward O. Bowers, aged 19 years, was found dead in the woods with a bullet wound in the head. On Nov. 26, 1897, the father, J. C. Bowers, was found dead in the woods at the same place with a gunshot wound in the head. Mystery surrounded the cause of his death.

JANESVILLE, WIS.

John B. Gallup, a carpenter, at Milton, has taken out an injunction forbidding Thomas Beckel from having anything to do with complainant's wife. This is said to be the second case of the kind in the history of the legal profession.

GRAND FORKS, N. D.

Detective McKenzie, of Winnipeg, left for that place having in custody J. C. Keefe and Harry Woodley, who are wanted by the Canadian authorities for robbing a cattleman of $1,500. They returned without extradition papers.

CLEARWATER, MINN.

A tornado struck Lyndon, a German settlement in Stearns county, devastating a wide strip. Buildings owned by K. Kleppner, S. Hinkemayer, A. Mueller and George Tingle, with a large amount of grain in shock, were destroyed.

CLOQUET, MINN.

Frank Finnerty, a boy, while working in the finishing-room of the paper mill, was instantly killed Saturday afternoon. His clothing caught in the machinery and his body was frightfully crushed.

MUSCATINE, IOWA

John Stewart, aged 85, eccentric and wealthy, residing at Fruitland, was run over and killed while walking the railroad tracks.

CUMBERLAND, WIS.

Barney Karl, a hotel-keeper, of Almena, was struck by a Soo train. His skull was fractured and an eye knocked out.

SENATOR JAMES MACMILLAN

MICHIGAN'S INFLUENTIAL SENATOR WHO DIED SUDDENLY YESTERDAY

TALKING JOHNSON

Minot Legislative District May Support Him for Senator.

MINOT, N. D.—It is given out upon good authority that the legislative delegation from this district will support M. N. Johnson of Petersburg for United States senator.

There is a strong sentiment in this part of the state for the combined opposition to Hansbrough's re-election to unite upon Johnson. The Nelson county legislative convention instructed for Johnson.

BISMARCK, N. D.—The entrance of ex-Representative Johnson into the senatorial arena is a surprise to a good many of the politicians in the state who supposed they had Johnson shelved too effectually to permit of the resumption of hope. It was supposed, also, that the Nelson county legislative delegation would be for Hansbrough, but the secretary of the recent convention announces that the resolutions indorsing Johnson were regularly passed by the convention.

Since the defeat of Johnson by McCumber in the last senatorial fight, the Nelson county statesman has not been prominent in state politics, and it is considered doubtful now if he has as much strength as he had in the last senatorial fight.

MARQUETTE, MICH.

It is announced that 100 more miners will be laid off by the Osceola Copper Mining company, and that operations at the South Kearsarge section of the mine will be greatly curtailed. The low price of copper is given as the reason.

BLACK RIVER FALLS, WIS.

A horse, a new single buggy and a harness were stolen from the barn of J. B. Meek.—J. R. Sechler is dead at his home in Sechlerville. He was the founder of the village forty-eight years ago.

LOVE'S VICTORY

J. P. Jensen of Freeborn, Minn., Weds His Wealthy Nurse.

Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 11.—Yesterday at Clinton, Anderson county, culminated a romantic affair, when Miss Ruby Simonds, late a nurse in one of the leading hospitals of Chicago, daughter of Colonel. H. A. Simonds, a well-known lumber dealer of the northwest, was united in wedlock to J. P. Jensen of Freeborn, Minn., as she lay dying.

Jensen had been in love with her ever since she nursed him back to life four years ago in Chicago, but on account of their seeming difference in station and her seeming coolness he had been afraid to speak. As she lay dying from typhoid fever she called for him in her delirium, and after her father had been told that she could not live, he telegraphed to Jensen, who started for Tennessee at once, traveling night and day, arriving there yesterday. The sound of his voice aroused her from unconsciousness, and, kneeling at her side, the two were married by the preacher who had been called to administer to her the last sacrament. There seems to be a chance, now, that she will recover.

TOLD IN A LINE

Millersburg, Ind.—Frank Reed, an aeronaut, fell from his parachute and was killed.

Spokane—A bogus Harry Tracey is reported to be holding up farmers in the southern part of this county.

New Haven, Conn.—The traction company has conceded all demands made, and the trolley strike is declared off.

Camden, N. J.—A cloudburst caused Kirkwood lake to break out, flooding the country from two to five feet deep.

Saginaw, Mich.—The strike of the United Mine Workers of Michigan was declared off Saturday, and all mines are in operation today.

Newark, N. J.—J. Herbert Ballentine has made an assignment. The liabilities are $1,885,000. Mr. Crooks is confident that the creditors will be paid.

Peoria, Ill.—General Fitzhugh Lee was the guest of the Peoria board of trade Saturday. He delivered an extended address to the traders, during which he said:

Chicago—The postal clerks of Chicago by a majority vote have instructed their delegates to vote against the proposition to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor.

Pittsburg, Pa.—An incendiary fire destroyed the six-story building occupied by Schwarschild & Sulzberger as a packing house. Loss on building and contents, $240,000.

Trenton, N. J.—The tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad were twenty-one inches under water at the station and forty at the tunnel, and water still rising at midnight.

"When the Stars and Stripes of our nation shall go back to Cuba to stay the people will become quickly Americanized." He said that he hoped to see Guba granted reciprocity.

Utica, Mich.—S. E. Sower killed his wife with an ax as she lay in bed, and then hanged himself in his barn. Temporary insanity, due to grief over the death of a daughter, caused the deed.

New Orleans—All the leading cotton planters of Louisiana have merged their interests and pledged themselves to not dispose of any of their product except through the exchange at Shreveport.

Mass City, Mich.—John Pearson, a homesteader, has been offered a fabulous sum for his farm, which developed an oil gusher. No property in hereabouts can be bought, as the country is oil crazy.

Boston—Thomas W. Lawson's book, "The History of the American Cup," out to-day, is liable to create much discussion on account of the author's criticisms of American social and economic conditions.

Philadelphia—The Public Ledger and the Times will consolidate Aug. 12, be owned by A. S. Ochs and sell for one cent, except Sunday, which will cost two cents. L. Clarke Davis will be editor-in-chief.

New York—The oak tree planted by King Edward during his visit to this city many years ago and which appeared to be dying a few weeks ago, being given needed attention, has improved and is putting out new shoots.

Omaha—Delbert Preston, a 15-year-old boy, has made a confession of having caused the wreck of a passenger train on the Rock Island near South Omaha, July 24, by which one man was killed and several others injured.

San Angelo, Texas—The Landon hotel, valued at $75,000, was burned. Seven women and children gathered on a balcony and were told to jump, but fear held them until the wall fell, carrying the balcony down and killing them.

St. Louis—Nearly all large white lead, shot tower, and pipe and sheet lead plants east of the Mississippi will form a corporation with $50,000,000 capital, while the Coeur d'Alene, Colorado and southeast Missouri companies will merge with $25,000,000 capital.

Chicago—Lance Harwood, an 8-year-old boy of Grand Rapids, Mich., has returned to Swift & Co., a package containing $59,900 worth of negotiable securities which had been lost at the stock yards by a messenger boy employed by the firm. Young Harwood received a reward of $25.

Kansas City—Professor Winchell of Minneapolis and Warren Upham of St. Paul, with others visited Lansing, Kan., and on inspection of the human skull recently found there pronounced it of the Iowan stage of the glacial period and the most ancient found on this continent.

Salem—The body of Harry Tracey was received at the penitentiary, just two months after his sensational escape. The corpse was identified by prison officials and convicts. Vitriol was placed on the face to destroy the features, for fear some one might steal the body to place it on exhibition.

Echo, Utah—A body identified by papers as that of John McDonald of Sandstone, Minn., was discovered alongside the Union Pacific tracks. An ugly hole, apparently inflicted by some dull instrument, appears on the back of the head. The authorities believe McDonald was killed by tramps.

New York—The New York Bank building, at the corner of Wall and William streets, was damaged by fire to the extent of $50,000 early to-day. The fire started on the third floor and several offices were damaged. The top floor was almost burned out. The bank portion of the building down stairs and the safety deposit vaults were deluged with water.

Toledo—Dr. Sarah Kerr, a medical missionary of the Methodist church, has died from cholera. She has been in China three years.

Galena, Ill.—Passenger train No. 9 on the Chicago Great Western, west-bound, was wrecked Saturday near Elizabeth. The truck under the tender gave way, throwing the coaches on their sides. Wells-Fargo Express Messenger Guyon was quite seriously injured. Florence Wilgus, daughter of Dr. J. L. Wilgus of Chicago, was slightly injured.

NORTHWEST WEDDINGS

MELROSE, MINN.—On Tuesday morning, Aug. 12, at the home of the bride's parents in this city, will take place the marriage of Professor William Angus of Garfield, Minn., and Miss Maud Marrion Campbell of Melrose. The bridegroom for five years has been superintendent of the Warren high schools, and as an educator ranks high in the state. He graduated from the literary department of the state university and spent seven years at the law department of the same institution. The bride is a daughter of Dr. J. E. Campbell, a leading physician, and ex-mayor of Melrose. She has been for some years a teacher in the high school department of the Warren schools. After a wedding trip of three weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Angus will be at home to their friends at Warren.

At 10 o'clock on the same day at St. Boniface Catholic church, Frederick Unger and Miss Winifrede Moarnan, both of Melrose, will be married. The bridegroom is a son of William Unger, Sr., of this city. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Moarnan of Melrose, and is highly accomplished and popular. Mr. and Mrs. Unger will make their future home at Perham, where Mr. Unger has recently established himself in the grocery business.

CEDAR FALLS, IOWA—The announcement reached here to-day from Des Moines that W. A. Graham and Miss Ada Houck were married. The bride was last year principal of the high school here and had been engaged for next year. The bridegroom is a member of the law firm of McVey, McVey & Graham of Des Moines. He is a son of W. R. Graham, paymaster of the regular army post at Omaha. The marriage was a surprise to the friends of both.

LEAD, S. D.—There were two weddings in Lead to-day, in which well-known young people were the principals. Avery Woodward of Lead was united with Miss Maggie Phillips of Salt Lake City, at the home of the bridegroom in South Lead. They left in the afternoon for Salt Lake City for a visit. Stewart Erwin and Miss Alice Hartsuch were united in marriage in the presence of a small party of friends.

SPEARFISH, S. D.

R. M. Whitney of St. Louis has purchased the Queen City Mail of E. H. Warren and the estate of the late J. H. Warren.

THEY ASK FAIR PLAY

Resolutions of the Negro Young People's Congress.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 11.—The adoption of an elaborate set of resolutions and the farewell address of Bishop J. W. Gaines brought to a close the Negro Young People's Christian and Educational congress. The resolutions say:

While we have had wrongs and grievances many, we also have opportunities and privileges innumerable.

Whatever burdens we may still have to endure, of adjustments which are yet to be made, we throw ourselves upon the justice and fair play of the American people, north and south.

A genration ago we came out of bondage, without a foot of land, without a home, without a name. Even the clothes which covered our poorly clad bodies were not ours. To-day we have some land, some homes, some money. Yesterday we had nothing; to-day we own millions of acres of land, pay taxes on property worth millions of dollars, and raise more cotton under freedom than under slavery.

We earnestly recommend to our people throughout the country that they teach their children the dignity and value of manual labor, and that they give them the benefit of an industrial education.

We are cognizant of the civic and political inequalities under which our people are suffering. Nevertheless we urge our people to continue to strive to shape their conduct so that they may prove themselves deserving of any right and privilege now enjoyed by every other American.

Before adjourning the congress perfected a national association by electing the following officers: President, Bishop Wesley J. Gaines, Atlanta; corresponding secretary, I. Garland Penn, Atlanta; treasurer, Rev. William Alexander, Baltimore.

EDISON'S VIEWS

He Thinks the Horse Will Disappear, but Doubts Flying.

Copenhagen, Aug. 11.—The official organ of the press exhibition which was opened here on June 14, prints a letter from Thomas A. Edison, in reply to queries as to his opinions concerning motor traction and aerial navigation. Mr. Edison's letter reads as follows:

"I belive that within thirty years nearly all railways will discard steam locomotives and adopt electric motors, and that the electric automobile will displace the horse almost entirely. In the present state of science there are no known facts by which one could predict any commercial future for aerial navigation."

MRS. CASEY'S SAD STORY.

Denver, Col., Aug. 11.—Mrs. Emma J. Casey, a cousin of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln, has made application for admission to the Arapahoe county poor house, as she is destitute and dying from a variety of afflictions. She has been here for three years, coming from Des Moines, where her husband died in the insane asylum. She says she never applied for public alms, and would not in this case has it not been for the fact that her neighbors notified the authorities. She claims to have a wealthy daughter in New York, who is an artist.

THE PASTOR LOST HIS TEMPER.

New York, Aug. 11.—The Rev. Charles S. Dennis of Flushing, a well known Long Island revivalist, is in prison in Queens county jail charged with felonious assault. While he was conducting a service some boys who live near by threw stones into the meeting room. This was a repetition of similar annoyances and Mr. Dennis is said to have on this last occasion sprung from the platform in anger. It is said he tore a burning gasolene lamp from its fastenings in front of the door and hurled it into the crowd of boys. It struck James Fretenzo, 20 years of age, and he was so badly burned that fears are entertained that he will die.

TWO GOVERNORS THERE

Savage and Cummins to Dedicate Iowa's New Stock Pavilion.

DES MOINES, IOWA—Governor E. P. Savage, of Nebraska, and Governor A. B. Cummins will make the principal addresses at the dedication of the new stock pavilion on the state fair grounds, Monday, Aug. 25. Senator W. F. Harriman, of Hampton, will make the response on behalf of the department of agriculture. The pavilion is erected from the proceeds of an appropriation of 37,500 made by the legislature last winter, at the instance of the stock interests of Iowa.

Expectations are there will be a large Des Moines delegation in attendance on the christening of the cruiser Des Moines, at the Quincy, Mass., shipyards, Sept. 20. Governor Cummins and his staff will be there, and the city administration will be represented.

The United States geological survey is locating a system of river measurement stations in Iowa, similar to those already located in Missouri, Arkansas, Indiana and other states. A representative of the department of hydrography is now here for the purpose of locating one on the Des Moines and one on the Raccoon river, in the vicinity of this city. Others will be located at Council Bluffs, Sioux City, Dubuque and Cedar Rapids. The city engineer will be in charge of the observations here. The purpose of the establishment of such stations is to keep a record of the flow of water in the principal rivers throughout the year. The information thus obtained is scientifically valuable and of service in locating power plants, waterworks systems and the like.

Dispatches from Texas tell of the sudden death of Frank Pelton, formerly city engineer of Des Moines and a surveyor and engineer known throughout the state. It is supposed Mr. Pelton's death was due to heart failure. He was discovered dead in bed. He was interested in rice fields and was also engaged in surveying in Texas.

John P. Reese has announced his intention of resigning the office of president of district No. 13, of the United Mine Workers, in order to leave the way perfectly clear for his campaign against Lacey in the sixth congressional district.

The legal department of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern road, recently acquired by the Rock Island, will be moved to Des Moines this week. It will be consolidated with the legal department of the Rock Island for Iowa. It is not yet ascertained who will be thrown out by the change.

The board of control has arranged for special trains to carry the insane to Cherokee hospital when that institution is opened next week. The train from Independence will carry 350 insane and attendants, there being one attendant for every fifteen patients. Two hundred and sixty will go on a special train from the hospital at Clarinda. In order to relieve the hospital at Mt. Pleasant, 160 patients will be sent from there to Clarinda and 100 to Independence. While the board of control expects these large transfers of patients will be a test of its organization, yet no serious difficulty is expected.

SIOUX RAPIDS, IOWA

The street fair opens next Wednesday. Reduced rates will be had on the Chicago & North-Western and the Minneapolis & St. Louis. The Sioux Rapids team plays a game each afternoon with the best teams in this part of Iowa.—A plate glass window was broken yesterday at Zinser & Cone's new brick block, entailing a loss of $135 and a delay of several days.

RHODES, IOWA

The five unknown dead of the Milwaukee wreck have been identified as Michael Flynn, New Jersey; George Fitzgibbons, South Omaha; L. Bingham, residence unkn