

## THE METHOD NOT THE MAN

### Mayor Jones Formally Declines to Enter the Minneapolis Mayoralty Race.

### Says the Method Is the Thing—His Desires to Act Without Restraint.

### Also Urges His Wish to Serve His Ward as Member of the Common Council.

Mayor D. P. Jones says it is "the method not the man" that will bring about a change in the administration of the city. Upon that basis, and his desire to be entirely unhampered in the administration of the affairs of the city, as well as his desire to serve the fifth ward in the common council at the urgent request of his ward constituents, he has formally declined the request of the committee of citizens who think it desirable that he should be elected to the office of mayor. Mr. Jones put his answer to the committee as follows: "A definite refusal is due to your committee and the public in reference to your interview of this morning, when the petitions of citizens were presented to me. I do not think it is proper that your committee and others, co-operating with you, have manifested in the canvass for signatures asking me to reconsider my refusal to become a candidate for mayor, and the enthusiasm and general response from all classes of citizens and irrespective of party ties, have abundantly convinced me that the public sentiment is a sentiment in this community strong enough to effect my nomination and prohibit my election. "The enthusiasm and vigor in the movement leaves no doubt in my own mind that our citizens approve of the kind of administration of city affairs which they think I should give. My personal note is deeply appreciated, but the great thing in this movement is the manifest interest on the part of the public in the method and not the man." "In other words, this public opinion shows conclusively that a clean and vigorous administration of the city government can be maintained in this community. "After three days of careful consideration of the petitions and the reasons assigned by your committee why I should alter my decision of Aug. 9, I am fully convinced that my personal note should remain as final. The reasons at that time why I could not and ought not to be a candidate still remain and I believe that I am fully justified in not withdrawing in this position, even if there were not a possible point of honor involved in retiring from a position taken in all sincerity and honesty. The change might compromise others, if not myself. "Two Reasons for Declining. "Among many reasons which might be offered for not accepting the demand of the public to become a candidate for the office of mayor, I shall speak of only two. "First, and following my former declaration of desire to be unhampered in the conduct of the mayor's office until the first of January, I have planned to carry out a straight and unobscured campaign during my short incumbency in the office from which there should be no deviation and of which course I have ample reason to believe the public approves. As a candidate for office, I could give my undivided attention to the business in hand, nor could I be altogether free from embarrassment in conducting the duties of the mayor's office while standing as a candidate before the people and asking for their votes. Unhindered by such candidacy there is for me but one definite purpose in view and that is that I can now devote every energy and devote my undivided attention and my full strength. The opportunity to demonstrate that a clean, honest and business-like administration of city affairs is possible can be maintained by public approval should not be lost to this community and I do not wish my personal attitude to impair the best. "Duty to Fifth Ward. "The second reason which has strongly affected me in this decision is my avowed attitude towards the fifth ward and my position as its mayor. I have patently and generously afforded the settlement of the mayoralty question with the definite understanding that if I should not become a candidate for the office of mayor, I would serve the fifth ward in the present election. The place was kept open for me until almost the last day and when my decision of Aug. 9 on the mayoralty question was finally announced, my petition for the aldermanic nomination was immediately thereafter filed and by that act, I pledged myself to the fifth ward. No good opportunity was left for the republicans of the fifth ward to bring forward in these last days a carefully selected candidate for that position, and my attitude towards the fifth ward constituency in the present instance, I have for many years held very decided views regarding the necessity and duty of supporting and strengthening the common council of the city. The aldermen of Minneapolis should be made up of able reputable citizens who can fully represent property owners and tax payers and when I entered the council some years ago, I did so believing that a service of value which I could offer to the public could be best rendered in the legislative branch of the city government; and now, if that service has been satisfactory, I still feel it is the most responsible and important duty which I can perform and in the line in which I am best fitted to render public service. "Strictly personal grounds for declining your request and apparent public demand such as business, health and family reasons form no place in this statement, as I believe the reasons above given naturally govern my decision and are the reasons which will interest the public. "Thinking your committee, the petitioners and all citizens for the general expressions of approval and offers of support, I remain, —David P. Jones."

## KNOX IS AGREED

### He Thinks the President Does Well to Bat Trusts.

New York, Aug. 27.—Attorney General Knox sailed for Europe to-day with the Oceanic. "I am going to Europe," said Mr. Knox, "to inspect the treaty between the Panama Canal company and the Colombian government and to be sure of the title of the property which the United States is securing. Think, however, that every thing is all right. "With the expressions of the press on trusts, made recently, I am in a position to trust that the question will be forthcoming next congress."

## THE WORM

### Montana Farmer Cappers In U They Pr He Trusty

Helena, Mont., Aug. 27.—John Rait, a farmer known as "Jack the Ripper," who lives on Rock creek, eighteen miles south of Lewiston, took fearful revenge upon George Fredrick and Jacob Stango, neighbors, who were endeavoring to handle him in "white cap" style. He shot and instantly killed one and mortally wounded the other. He gave himself up, asserting self-defense. "The owner's jury exonerated him from killing Fredrick, but as Stango was shot in the back, Ret is being held for trial. The grand lodge of Montana Templars began to-day with all of the lodges in the state represented. The democratic state central committee will meet in Helena Sept. 2 to fix the appointment for the coming convention that is to nominate candidates for congress and associate justice. The republican state central committee will also meet here for the same purpose Sept. 3.

## WHY WE LOSE

### ADA'S TRADE

### Is Now Negotiating a City Treaty With France.

### Flour, Pork Products, Etc., Sacrificed to a Few Men.

### Practical Monopoly of Canadian Trade Could Be Secured.

Chicago, Aug. 27.—William E. Curtis, a New York special to the Record-Herald, says that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the

## WAR IN HAITI

### Village of Limbe Captured, Recaptured and Burned.

Cape Haitien, Aug. 27.—The village of Limbe, eighty-two miles north of Port au Prince, was attacked Monday and captured by troops of the provisional government. Limbe was in the possession of Firminite soldiers. "Later on the troops of General Nord, the minister of war of the provisional government, were defeated and forced to evacuate Limbe and the fighting continues. The town has been destroyed. It is further reported that the inhabitants of Aux Cayes and Guines have risen against the provisional government and that General Simon, commander of the department of the south, who has declared himself in favor of General Firmin, is marching on Miragoane.

## LUTHER'S \$10 CHICKENS.

Fergus Falls, Minn., Aug. 27.—Henry Luther was charged with chicken shooting yesterday, but he took to the woods and escaped the game warden. His brother came in to-day, entered a plea of guilty in his behalf and paid a fine of \$10 and costs, the charge being the shooting of two chickens.

## CORPORATIVE OPPRESSORS

### The League of Municipalities Considers Municipal Ownership.

### President Charles S. Ashley Tells How It Can Be Used as a Club.

### Greed and the Desire for Big Dividends on "Water" Must Be Brought to an End.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Aug. 27.—Two hundred delegates were present at the opening session of the sixth annual convention of the American League of Municipalities.



OH, DAVE, THIS IS SO SUDDEN!  
Dave Hill is sixty-two years old and is said never to have taken a drink, smoked a cigar or kissed a woman, and now see what taste he displays!

## HE IS AT BANGOR

### The President Getting into the Spruce Gum and Pumpkin Pie District.

### He Views the Glories of the Kennebec and Penobscot Rivers To-day.

August, Maine, Aug. 27.—Perfect weather continued to-day, favoring the president on his tour through New England. This morning heshowed no evidences of fatigue. Early in the forenoon he was taken for a drive about the city and shown the beauties of the scenery along the Kennebec river. He left here at 9:30 o'clock for Bangor.

## FATHER AND SON KILLED

### Both Were Run Over by a Rock Island Passenger Train Near Albert Lea.

Special to The Journal. Albert Lea, Minn., Aug. 27.—Chris Sandvold and his son, 17 years old, were run down by passenger train No. 3 on the Rock Island road in yesterday afternoon, at a point three miles south of this city, and both were instantly killed.

## FIRST WIRE FROM VALDES

### It States That the Nazine District Copper Property Is the Largest in the World.

Special to The Journal. Seattle, Wash., Aug. 27.—The first press message to the outside world by wire from Valdes states that Robert Biel, the expert sent into the Nazine silver district by Captain Delmar, reports that the district has the greatest mines in Alaska, and that the copper property there is the largest in the world.

## LAYING OUT THE CAMPAIGN WORK

### Mr. Shaw on the Tariff, the President on Trusts, Root on Imperialism.

### The President Said to Have Reviewed Mr. Shaw's Tariff Speech Carefully.

### The Time Not Considered Opportune to Take Up That Great Disturber.

Washington, Aug. 27.—True to the plan announced some time ago, Secretary Shaw in his campaign speeches thus far has confined himself to the tariff, while the president in his round of speech-making in New England has paid more attention to trusts. It is presumed that Secretary Root has returned home to take the stump and give us something about the Philippines and imperialism. In that way the people are to know in detail the administration's views on all these great questions. It is already apparent that so far as the tariff is concerned the administration policy, as outlined by Secretary Shaw, is not radical enough to suit the western states, although it will ultimately be recognized as striking a happy mean between the views of that section and the protectionist east. The president is president of the entire country, and obviously does not care to commit himself unnecessarily. He thinks that the time has come when there should be some amendment of the tariff law, but as president he must take into account the conflicting state of public feeling and stand himself as far as possible to either side of the issue in his official utterances or in those of his cabinet officers. Secretary Shaw's tariff addresses in New England, which have been so disappointing in the west, I am able to say on the highest authority, were reviewed by the president and he has indicated that he is in favor of the tariff as it is. Read in connection with this statement it is easy to understand that the chances for a message to congress recommending revision are rather remote. Indeed, the subject may not be mentioned at all if mentioned, it may be in a purely formal manner. The president is not willing to assume responsibility at this time for plunging his name into a red-hot controversy on tariff questions. Later on he may take a decided stand, but it is beginning to be apparent that he thinks the present policy is the best. So far as the president's own speeches are concerned, they do not thus far indicate any new arguments pro or con on the trust question, and he has been very quiet on the question very diplomatically, with gloves on to speak, and seems content to wait until the courts have tested the constitutionality of the Sherman law, before urging action at the hands of congress. If the New England speeches are any index of the president's intentions so far as his message in December is concerned, they show that he will discuss the trust question in that document carefully, and refrain from making any new recommendations as to legislation. This, perhaps the best thing that could be done, in view of all the facts. A presidential campaign is coming on. Radical action at the hands of congress, or a presidential recommendation on the trust question, might stir up a great confusion in the business world, especially if, as may happen, the courts hold the present law sufficient. In advance of a decision in the beef trust and the railway merger, cases the president is believed to be in favor of the exercise of caution. Incidentally, the policy of conservatism is establishing the people of the east, who have been referring to Roosevelt for months as a "broncho buster," and predicting the removal of the bull at any time he would have the entire country by the ears, both as to the tariff and as to the trusts. It will be worth a good deal, so far as the trust question is concerned, if a presidential recommendation on the trust question is concerned, to have these easterners convinced as false prophets. But whatever the president's reasons, he is doing nothing to indicate that Secretary Shaw or in person, to make good the predictions of his Wall street enemies. —W. W. Jermans.

## DANGER OF A CLASH GROWS

### Miners in the Panther Creek Valley in a Very Ugly Mood To-day.

### They Hoot the Troops and Have to Be Driven From the Track by Force.

### President Mitchell Is Defiant and Says the Strike Cannot Be Broken.

Tamaqua, Pa., Aug. 27.—The fact that the striking miners in the Panther creek valley are in a very ugly mood was shown to-day, when several of the poles of the trolley line which runs from this place to Summit Hill were chopped down and the wires cut. This was probably done to prevent troops from being taken from Manlius Park, where they are camped, to Lansford and Summit Hill. Major Gearheart outwitted the strikers, however, by taking two companies of soldiers to Summit Hill an hour before they were expected to arrive. The detachments of soldiers that were sent out at daybreak to preserve order in the valley, were met by a mob of strikers by large crowds of strikers who greeted them and called them names. At Coaldale the soldiers were compelled to go back and force the mob back from the tracks. In Lansford a crowd of women joined in hooting the guardsmen. Major Gearheart admitted that the situation was serious.

## MITCHELL IS DEFIANT

### He Insists That the Strike Cannot Be Broken by the Operators.

Special to The Journal. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 27.—President Mitchell of the operators is defiant to-day. He says that the operators cannot break the strike, that the miners will insist on their original demands and that the operators cannot get men to mine coal. Notwithstanding his attitude of mind, a large number of men are reported to have gone to work beyond the fair capacity of the Lehigh Valley Coal company. At the office of the company it was said that an increased number of applications for work were being received.

## KILLED BY THE ROBBERS

### Wound Received by Young Harold Sweet Near Fargo Proves a Fatal One.

Special to The Journal. Harold C. Sweet, the young man from White Earth, Minn., who was shot here yesterday morning by a highwayman, is dead. The operation for removal of the bullet was successful and no serious results were feared, but the patient failed to rally from the shock. The bullet had gone entirely through the body from behind and had punctured the lung, lodging in front of the abdomen. John Rooney, one of the trio of robbers with whom Sweet fought, has been held under \$1,000 bond on a highway robbery charge and a complaint charging murder will now be filed against him. He is a typical tough character and is alleged to be from Chicago. He refuses to talk. There is some doubt whether the shot was fired by him or by one of his pals who ran up behind Sweet, who was struggling with Rooney. The fact that Sweet was removed to the Moorhead hospital and died there, instead of in North Dakota, where the shooting occurred, will probably not affect the murder charge. Sweet's father arrived from White Earth and he and two brothers were with the dying man. There is no clue to the identity of the two other men in the hold-up.

## PELEE HARD AT IT AGAIN

### Prolonged Detorations Are Heard—All Cables to Martinique Are Gone To-day.

Saint Thomas, D. W. I., Aug. 27.—A dispatch received here from the island of Dominica dated yesterday, Aug. 26, at 6 p. m., says: "The French cable company has no cable working to that point and the company's officials are unable to say when communication with Martinique will be resumed."

## HAVE PAT RYAN

### Leader of Horse Thieves Identified as an Old Convict.

Special to The Journal. La Crosse, Wis., Aug. 27.—The horse thief suspect arrested at the Monroe county fair last week by the sheriffs of La Crosse, Monroe and Jackson counties was identified to-day as Pat Ryan, once sent to Waupun from La Crosse county and twice from Crawford county for horse stealing. The identification goes a long way toward establishing the sheriff's charge that Ryan is the leader of a gang operating in Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota. He is still in jail at Black River Falls, but it is set on foot to determine in which county ultimate results of competitive warfare, the supply of "water" being enormous to make a large dividend shrink to figures nominally respectable, the bond issues being floated, and all the machinery and devices for concealing assets having been set in motion, the state in its wisdom creates its boards and bureaus to restrict, regulate and control. "And the quality of this supervision is

## FUSION PROGRAM SMASHED

### Judge Moon Files as a Populist Candidate for Congress in the Ninth.

The fusion program in the ninth district was rudely smashed this morning when Judge Moon of Adams filed as a populist candidate for congress. The Crookston populist pulled A. R. Holten off after he had announced his candidacy, and undertook to deliver the populist to Alexander McKeon, the democratic candidate. Judge Moon stopped the deal, and the third party will have its own standard-bearer in the ninth. The fifth and ninth are the only districts where both democratic and populist candidates have filed. A. K. Strand of Lake Ida, Norman county, filed to-day as a populist candidate for the state senate in the sixty-first district. There are already two candidates from Bemidji, Street and Swedback. O. G. Lonsdale of Clay county filed to-day as a populist candidate for the state senate in the sixtieth district. John B. Richards of Duluth will run as a democrat against Judge Englen and Cant. He filed to-day for district judge in the eleventh judicial district.