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Say, but those answers of Senator
Page to the Fletcher queries are
regular boomerangs to the Fletcher
Senatorial Club. We are glad Mr.
Fletcher made these queries for
most of us have not half appreciated
the good work of Senator Page.

Frank T. Parsons of Montpelier
has assumed the ownership and
management of the Northfield News.
The News was an excellent paper
under the management of the late
Editor Whitney and continued so
under Mrs. Whitney and there is
every reason to feel that Mr. Par-
sons will keep the News up to this
high standard.

The selection of Congressman Dale
by the congressional campaign com-
mittee as one of the list of preferred
speakers to take part in the coming
political campaign is a high com-
pliment to Vermont's representative
from the second congressional dis-
trict. His engagements begin Octo-
ber 2, in New Jersey. This is another
instance where "Vermonters are put
ahead."

To read the political advertising
put out by the Allen M. Fletcher
senatorial club one would think that
Mr. Fletcher was the man who gave
Vermont all the good things in civic
life. These claims of Mr. Fletcher
are, however, taken for what they
are worth by thinking Vermonters,
and are aptly expressed by scripture
"as sounding brass and a tinkling
cymbal."

In the death of Col. Kittredge
Haskins Vermont loses a distinguish-
ed son. He has served the state
long and faithfully. He was one of
that Grand Army of veterans who
responded to Lincoln's call, and after
the war was active in public service,
and represented Vermont in Con-
gress. He was a loyal Vermonter
and his able service is a matter of history
which honors the state and nation.

It is not past the memory of man
since many Vermonters had reason
to seriously ponder the assertion,
publicly made by his own townsmen,
that Allen M. Fletcher did not fairly
and honestly contribute to state
finances a just proportion of his
wealth. This little matter has had
much to do in shaping the action of
Vermonters. It takes more than
great liberality and professed loyalty
to blot out these little things that
were deliberately made in a spirit
of the public be d—.

Senator Page's answer to Mr.
Fletcher's call for an explanation
why he voted against the rural
credits bill shows a feature of the
bill exempting rural bank notes or
bonds from taxation that would not
allow farmers of Vermont to secure
loans any cheaper than today. If
this exemption removes Vermont
capital from taxation it would be
necessary to increase the taxation of
other real property. Now the query
is up to Mr. Fletcher. Did he know
of this exemption clause, or does he
wish to shift the burden of taxation?

The great Chautauqua movement
instituted by Bishop Vincent, has wid-
ened its influence and now reaches out
into every enterprising community
in this country. It is decidedly an
American institution and a move-
ment that brings special features
that are important factors in the
educational, recreational and inspir-
ational life of the community. The
people of Island Pond have shown
their enterprise and local pride in
securing this National movement
and giving our people the opportu-
nity to enjoy its entertainments and
take part in this great work that is
forwarding the educational and
social life of every community com-
ing under its influence.

TOWN LOCALS

Miss Edna Finnegan, a student of
Shaw's Business College, Portland,
Me., is spending a two weeks' vaca-
tion with her sister, Miss Elsie Fin-
negan.

Miss Lillian Coates was at her
home in Colebrook, N. H., over Sun-
day.

Rodney and Gordon Marsh of
Norton were automobile visitors in
town Sunday.

Miss Azilda Marquis, who is em-
ployed at the Balsams hotel, Dixville
Notch, N. H., is spending several
days at her home here.

Mrs. A. D. Pickering and family
of Rainelle, West Virginia, and Miss
Leah Danforth of Hartford, Conn.,
are spending Old Home Week with
relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Dan-
forth.

Raymond Marsh of Norton is visit-
ing at the home of Edward Ellis,
Pleasant street.

Mr. and Mrs. M. White and Mr.
and Mrs. J. E. White of Montreal
are spending Old Home Week with
Mr. and Mrs. B. J. McKenney. They
go next week to Seymour lake to
pass a few days of their vacation.

Deputy Sheriff E. A. Bemis and
son, A. C. Bemis, were in St. Johns-
bury Saturday and North Stratford,
N. H., Monday. They made the
trips by auto.

Albert W. Hackett of Concord,
N. H., day clerk at the Stewart
House, has returned from a week's
vacation at Old Orchard, Me.

The R. R. Y. M. C. A. building is
being painted by the Grand Trunk
railway painters.

Albert A. Hopkins, night clerk at
the Stewart House, leaves Saturday
on a vacation and will visit his home
in Berlin, N. H., Providence, R. I.,
and a brother in New York City, re-
turning September 1st. The day
clerk, Mr. Hackett, will take the
place of night clerk during Mr. Hop-
kins' absence.

Among those registering at the
Stewart House the past week were,
A. C. Drolesley, Syracuse, N. Y.;
W. G. Stoddard, East Charleston;
L. E. Gilbert, Clayton Conrad, Paul
Fairchild, R. E. Magnus, Mrs. F. R.
Magnus, Chicago, Ill.; L. F. Lybur-
ger, Millenburg, Pa.; L. P. Loggie,
Loggieville, N. B.; A. P. Durham,
Portland, Me.; O. C. Corlis, Wash-
ington, D. C.; W. J. Money, Utica,
N. Y.; Euclid B. Rogers, Spring-
field, Ill.; H. W. Bucham, New Or-
leans; Walter Meigs, New York;
L. W. Jack, Portland, Me.; Dr. Ole
Theobaldi, Kistiaim, Norway; Helen
Kelere and Alice Stitzel, Chicago;
Andre Tridon, New York.

Adelard Payeur has given up his
position in St. Johnsbury and is visit-
ing his parents here. He expects
to go to Massachusetts shortly.

Fred Tanguay and Jos. St. Pierre
motored to Sherbrooke Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Conway of
Boston are visitors at the home of
the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
White.

C. W. Plummer of Portland was a
business visitor in town the first of
the week.

Mrs. M. Hanley, who has been visit-
ing her sister, Mrs. Fleve Devlin,
returned to her home in Bangor,
Me., the first of the week.

Miss Esefa Chappell, graduate
nurse of Brightlook hospital, St.
Johnsbury, is visiting at her home
here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Baird visited
the former's parents in Gorham,
N. H., last week.

Miss May Haley returned Sunday
from Hyannis, Mass., where she has
been attending a summer school for
teachers.

Leon Corliss is having his house
painted.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beebe of Cleve-
land, Ohio were guests at the Stew-
art House Tuesday night. They
are on an auto trip to New England
and left Wednesday for The Birches,
where they will stop for several
days.

Three youths, James and John
Wilson and Harold King, accompan-
ied by their uncle, James Wilson, left
Bethel on bicycles last Friday night
at 11 o'clock, and arrived in Island
Pond Monday evening. They are
visiting Mrs. Charles Roby. They
came by the way of Montpelier, Rich-
ford and Newport and aside from
rough roads experienced a fine trip.

Dearborn Morse was taken to
Brightlook hospital, St. Johnsbury,

last week with a severe case of blood-
poisoning of the arm. The treat-
ment which he received there en-
abled him to return home early in
the week and he has greatly convales-
ced as the result therefrom.

Mrs. Jones of Hatley, Que., is visit-
ing Mrs. Emma Reeve.

Mrs. Emma Cabana of Portland,
Me., is spending Old Home Week
with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. St. Pierre.

William Clifford and Betty Hart in
the five act symbolic drama, "The
Bait," at the Star Theatre, Friday,
August 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moye of Read-
ing, Mass., are spending Old Home
Week with his parents.

William Willoughby of Gorham,
N. H., is visiting his daughter, Mrs.
A. M. Stevens. Mr. Willoughby is
a former Island Pond resident, living
here in the '70's. He is 83 years old
and one of those young old men who
bear lightly the weight of years. He
has a remarkable memory and re-
lates interestingly incidents that
happened during his residence here.

Copies of the HERALD will be on
sale at the drug store of J. W.
Thurston each week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Robinson
and Miss Blanche Pomeroy of Coati-
cook, Que., visited in town the first
of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sadler of
Fort William, Ontario, spent Old
Home Week in town visiting M. F.

Mrs. H. L. Bishop of Melrose,
Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Hiram Farmer.

Mrs. Orison Thomas of Orford,
N. H., arrived Monday night and is
spending Old Home Week in the
home of Mrs. Effie Elliott.

Mrs. George Adams of Coaticook,
Que., is spending Old Home Week in
town.

Leon J. Charland left Wednesday
for Newport, and goes next week to
Boston to attend the New England
linotype school.

Miss Dougherty has returned to
her home in Coaticook, Que., after a
visit of a few weeks with her friend,
Miss Irene Lougee.

Belle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
L. A. Morse, has been suffering for
the past week from the effects of
ulcerated teeth.

Thomas Foley is day clerk at the
Stewart House while Harold W. Gil-
man is away at Old Orchard on his
vacation.

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS
ONE CENT EACH

L. F. JONES, Dry Goods

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wertheim of
Berlin, N. H., were here for Old
Home Week, the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. D. Stern.

Mrs. B. Stern and Mrs. H. Bran-
denstein of New York City are
spending their vacation of three
weeks in town and are guests of Mr.
and Mrs. D. Stern.

Wednesday was a legal holiday,
Bennington Battle day, and the post-
office was closed except holiday
hours.

Armand Elie of Montreal has been
spending the week with his father,
Dr. A. Elie.

A sign has been placed at the in-
tersection of Main and Cross streets
reading, "Keep to right." This will
warn all to keep on the right side of
the streets and safeguard traffic in
this much traveled section of the
village.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Drew and
daughter of Newport visited Mr.
and Mrs. D. Stern Tuesday.

J. R. Applebee is a very busy man
these days, putting in running order
automobiles that go wrong.

Alfred Ames of Montreal is visit-
ing friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Frew of Everett,
Mass., are visitors at the home of
their daughter, Mrs. G. C. Johnston,
Birch Point.

Henry Duchare of Albany, N. Y.,
is an Old Home Week visitor.

M. P. Gallagher will be in town
for a few days tuning pianos. Orders
may be left at Rooney's store or
Stewart House.

Word is received from the Cole boy,
who disappeared some two weeks ago,
telling that he is now in Toronto,
Canada.

A fire alarm was rung in Tuesday
night for a fire in the Essex House,

caused from lighting an oil stove.
The fire was soon put out without the
aid of the fire department and no
great damage done.

LOST—A five dollar bill on the
road to East Charleston. Finder
please return to JESS WALLACE,
Island Pond, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lanpher are
the parents of a son, born Wednes-
day, the 16th.

Harry B. Amey returned Wednes-
day from Kineo, Me., where he has
been with a party including Judge
Harland B. Howe of St. Johnsbury,
on a week's outing.

Miss Marion Maroney has re-
turned from Montreal where she has
been on a week's vacation.

Edward Hawkins and Miss Ida
Legacy were married Wednesday
evening at the Methodist parsonage,
Rev. O. E. Barnard officiating.

The next regular meeting of Island
Grange will be held Thursday even-
ing, August 24. This will be observed
as Children's day. All members and
their families are invited. Ice cream
and cake will be served.

Free tuition examinations will
again be held, Aug. 25, with Dr. A.
E. Parlin, for the benefit of those
who were conditioned at the May ex-
aminations, or for others eligible to
take them. SUPT. L. M. DARLING.

Mrs. May J. Bailey of West Burke
is spending Old Home Week with her
niece, Mrs. Peter Paul.

Miss Isabel Parson of Sherbrooke
is visiting her friend, Loraine Paul.

Miss Evangeline Seymour, who has
been spending two weeks visiting in
South Paris and Lewiston, Me., re-
turned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Campbell of
Morrisville, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. C.
Carr, Wednesday.

Mrs. Edna Bishop of Portland is
visiting Mrs. E. J. Parsons.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Blake of Gard-
ner, Mass., are guests of Chester
King and wife.

Among those registering at the
Essex House the past week were, C.
J. Dean, Groveton, N. H.; Izora Scott,
A. B. C. Neiswender, Brooklyn, N. Y.;
P. S. Parker, J. W. Pike, W. E.
Lund, F. F. Conley, O. C. Palmer,
Portland; C. L. Down, Newport; E.
D. Swail, Chicago; Fred Lord, Rum-
ford Falls, Me.; Mrs. A. H. Wight,
Ottawa; Ralph B. Horne, Hartford,
Conn.; E. W. Danlop, St. Lambert,
P. Q.

Harry Austin and family are at
Old Orchard for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Applebee are
the parents of a son born Sunday,
August 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Skinner of Or-
leans are visiting Mrs. Jane Edmands.

Charles Willoughby and wife of
Lyndonville are visitors here this
week.

Kenneth Christie of Canaan is in
town for a few days' visit with
friends.

Mrs. E. J. Nelson of Norton visited
Mrs. Francis H. Johnson the first of
the week.

Mrs. W. J. Overbury has returned
from the Royal Victoria hospital,
Montreal, where she has been for
treatment. Her friends will be
pleased to learn she is convalescing.

Miss Clara Aldrich is in Portland
for a two weeks' visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Applebee of
Lake are visiting their son, Earl.

John Carroll spent the week end
at St. Hyacinthe, Que.

Mrs. M. B. Ladd and son, Gerald,
of Lyndonville were in town Sunday.

Mrs. James Moore of Brighton,
Mass., is visiting friends in town.
Mrs. Moore will be remembered as
Miss Pearl Dunham.

Mrs. E. J. Parsons returned home
Wednesday night from Bangor, Me.,
where she had spent several weeks.

Seek the Man.

Hokus—Those two girls used to be
bosom friends, and now they scarcely
speak.

Pokus—What's his name?—Life.

ROFBATE NOTICE

Regular sessions of the Probate
Court for the district of Essex will
be held in the public library, in the
village of Island Pond, on the first
Wednesdays of July, October, Janu-
ary, and April in the afternoon.

EDWIN O. CARLL, Judge.

PAGE ANSWERS WILLIAMS
Makes Complete Explanation

He Emphatically Denies Commissioner Wil-
liams' Charge that the "All in Vermont"
Claim Was Ever Used in Any Advertise-
ment of the Lamoille County Savings
Bank and Trust Co. after the Bank
Commenced Making Out-of-State Loans.

TO THE PEOPLE OF VERMONT:

I have read with keen interest the arraignment of Com-
missioner Williams and feel constrained to enter my plea of
"not guilty." There is no better way to answer the charges
than by telling the simple story of the foundation and growth
of an institution to which I have devoted the best efforts of
my life—The Lamoille County Savings Bank and Trust
Company.

Organized in 1889

This institution was organized January 21, 1889. From
the beginning the one inflexible purpose of my mind was that
its funds must all be invested within the state of Vermont.

For 20 years and up to the time that I
was elected to the United States Senate, every
dollar of its assets, according to my best
knowledge and belief, was loaned in Ver-
mont.

All opportunities to swerve me from this line of action
were denied without hesitation, and

I confidently challenge any living man to
show where one single dollar was ever
loaned outside the state during this period of
20 years.

Heavy Deposits

That the people honored me because of my devotion to
this principle is shown by the fact that for the three and a
half years, covering the fiscal years ending June 30, 1908,
June 30, 1909, June 30, 1910, and the half year ending Janu-
ary 1, 1911, approximately \$1000 per day was deposited in
the bank in excess of the withdrawals.

Williams' Approval

These phenomenal deposits, coupled with my necessary
absence from the state, brought about a condition which I
could not well take care of, and acting upon what I under-
stood to be the approval of Commissioner Williams, I con-
sented that first-class out-of-state loans, if guaranteed by a
strictly strong high-class Vermont guarantor, might be
accepted.

When this decision was reached the ad-
vertising, "All assets invested in Vermont,"
was discontinued. I challenge any one to
show where, in any advertisement, the words
"ALL IN VERMONT", were used in one
single instance after this new policy was
adopted.

Every advertisement issued by the bank was first pub-
lished in the Lamoille News and Citizen and the files of that
paper are open to any one who desires to examine them.

Followed Williams' Suggestion

Later Commissioner Williams thought this practice of
taking paper with a Vermont guarantor should cease, and
without hesitation or delay, his suggestions were adopted.

For several years, as Mr. Williams states, I personally
paid out of my own private pocket from \$1000 to \$2000 a
year rather than have in our bank a dollar of paper that was
not predicated either upon a Vermont security or a first class
Vermont name.

I am glad Mr. Williams has made clear this fact because
it might have been difficult to make the public believe that
I would make so large a sacrifice to maintain my personal
views with reference to out-of-state loans.

Out-of-State Loans

But the time arrived in October, 1914 when the board of
directors, following Mr. Williams' advice, decided to open
the bank's doors to out-of-state loans. I reluctantly yielded
to this on the condition that the bank should complete a
quarter of a century without loaning a dollar of paper that
was not based either on Vermont security or a first class
Vermont name.

No Evasion of Taxes

Touching the charge of avoidance of taxation very little
need be said.

At the time the law abolishing offsets went into effect I
owed large sums of money. I felt that it was right that I
should sell as much of my property as I could and pay my
debts. Among other properties so sold were some of my
bank stocks. I took what I believed to be good legal coun-
sel in regard to this matter and was advised that to sell any
property I owned and pay my debts was neither morally nor
legally wrong, and acting upon this legal advice, I made the
sales to which Commissioner Williams refers.

I have not seen, nor do I now see anything that is dis-
honorable in this, if it did not (and it certainly did not) re-
sult in the avoidance of paying of my honest taxes.

Money Invested in the State

Every dollar I own is invested in
Vermont. Never during my life have I
had a dollar invested outside of Ver-
mont. Gov. Fletcher is probably worth
200 times as much as I am. Today the
records will show that I pay on a list
two and three-quarter times that of
Allen M. Fletcher, and I have never yet
failed (as the records will show he has
many times) to comply with the statute
which commands that I make out, swear
to and return an inventory.

I am especially grieved that this matter should have
been brought up at this time, in view of the fact that Com-
missioner Williams admits that the strength and prosperity
of this bank is now at the pinnacle. The editor of The
Rutland Herald in the same issue truly says that "the in-
terests of the depositors has at all times been taken care of,"
and Commissioner Williams admits that his criticisms have
been heeded and that the conditions complained of no
longer exist.

CARROLL S. PAGE.

Hyde Park, Vt., August 10, 1916.