

Iron County Register.

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

First Assistant Postmaster-General Wynne left Washington, D. C., on the 19th, for Cushing, Ala., where he will spend his vacation.

The office of the Eagle Distilling Co., in Cleveland, O., was raided by federal officers, on the 18th, and Max Hart placed under arrest charged with running a scheme to defraud through the mails.

The fence about the Fort Belknap (Mont.) Indian reservation, which is 40 miles long and six miles wide, was finished on the 19th. It probably is the longest fence in the world, and has taken years in building.

Shamrock III. and Reliance were officially measured, on the 18th, with the result that the cup defender will have to allow the challenger one minute and forty-five seconds in a 20-mile race on account of her greater sail area.

Capt. J. P. Sutton, a civil war veteran and a member of the staff of the governor of the National Soldiers' home at Leavenworth, Kas., died at Kansas City, Mo., on the 20th, aged 62 years. He was buried at his old home in Michigan.

A granite monument marking the site of the birthplace of Chester A. Arthur, twenty-first president of the United States, at Fairfield, Vt., was unveiled on the 20th. Former Senator William E. Chandler, of New Hampshire, delivered the oration.

The Nebraska republicans held their convention, on the 19th, at Lincoln, Neb., and finished all business in three hours. They launched a vice-presidential boom for Gen. John L. Webster, of Omaha, naming him as Nebraska's choice for Roosevelt's running mate.

The Mason & Hamlin company, manufacturers of organs and pianos, having their factory at Cambridge, Mass., assigned, on the 19th, for the benefit of their creditors. No financial statement was made public. The company had a mercantile rating of from \$300,000 to \$500,000.

Frank J. Schrieber, said to have served longer than any postmaster in the United States, died, on the 20th, at Krueger, Woodford county, Ill., aged 77 years. Schrieber was appointed postmaster during President Buchanan's administration, in 1852, and served continuously for 44 years.

The action of the Colombian senate, in refusing absolutely to ratify the Panama canal treaty providing for an isthmian canal strip has virtually killed the project as far as that route is concerned. There now seems but one course apparent to the president, and that is the Nicaragua route.

J. W. Gionster, the New York athlete and swimmer, successfully swam the Niagara rapids on the 18th. He was taken from the water in a badly battered and bruised condition, and for several hours was unconscious. He was badly gashed on the head, arms, back and limbs from coming in contact with the rocks.

Believing that he would not be able to be impartial in the second trial of Lulu Prince-Kennedy at Kansas City, Mo., for the murder of her husband which has been set for November 16, Judge John W. Wolford, on the 21st, swore himself off the bench, and named Judge Joshua W. Alexander, of Gallatin, to try the case.

Alfred Crosby Owen, 28 years old who said his home was in Washington, D. C., was locked up at New York police headquarters, on the 20th, charged with passing two worthless checks. The police believe he is the man who has been in the west, characterizing special trains and posing as the son of Stephen B. Elkins.

Gov. Lanham of Texas went into camp with the Texas national guard, at Austin, on the 19th. His personal military staff numbers 85 men, each having the rank of lieutenant-colonel. The law fixes the number of appointments on the governor's staff at eight men, but Gov. Lanham appointed 78 more than the law authorizes.

The oil field fire, which started at Sour Lake, Tex., on the 20th, was reported to be still burning on the 21st. Not a derrick was standing in the Shoestring district. In addition to the destruction of the derricks many oil wells were destroyed and several hundred thousand barrels of oil stored in earthen warehouses were burned.

In a letter received by the parents of Mrs. James C. Donnet, wife of a British army officer in India, at their home, Irvington-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., Mrs. Donnet tells of having killed, at one shot, a Bengal tiger ten feet eight inches long, the largest tiger ever killed in India, besides another tiger three bears, two panthers and numerous smaller animals.

Judge D. B. Redwine, of Breathitt county, Ky., arrived at Louisville, Ky., on the 21st, from Jackson. He said: "There is no more danger to human life in Jackson now than there is in Louisville." The judge said that Capt. Ewen and other witnesses in the Jett-White trial for the murder of Judge J. B. Marcum could return to Jackson without danger.

Work began, on the 18th, on the new standpipe at the Lafayette (Ind.) county jail, and when it is finished the jail will be proof against mob violence. It is the idea of Superintendent Harrison that water is the best "persuader" ever used upon a mob. The force of the stream will easily knock a man down, and played upon an entrance will keep out any number of men.

The jury in the case of State Senator Wm. P. Sullivan, at Jefferson City, Mo., charged with soliciting a bribe, brought in a verdict of guilty, on the 20th, and Sullivan was fined \$100. Senator Sullivan is from Christian county, Mo. He was charged with asking a bribe from Whitney Layton, the Alum trust man, to secure the passage of a bill Layton was promoting, and fined \$100 by a jury, will probably appeal.

Secretary of the Navy Moody, on the 21st, made his first official visit to the New York navy yard, at Brooklyn, N. Y., for a tour of inspection.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Joseph P. Schrieber, the oldest postmaster in the United States, lies at the point of death at his home in Cruger, Ill. He was appointed postmaster at Cruger by President Franklin Pierce, and has been in continuous service since that time.

Throughout the northern and eastern portions of the corn belt the weather has been too cool for maturing corn, which is unusually late. The crop, however, is generally improved, especially in the central and western districts.

Sixteen of the 25 men indicted on the charge of attacking the jail at the recent riot in Danville, Ill., were arraigned in the circuit court on the 18th. They pleaded "not guilty," and attorneys have been engaged to defend them.

Ten thousand survivors of the civil war passed in review, at San Francisco, on the 19th, marching to martial tunes that inspired them to endeavor 40 years ago. Above the national colors, borne by every marcher, proudly floated war and tattered flags. These, with empty sleeves and limping gait, were eloquent reminders of the sorrow and glory of war.

The concentrator and nearly the entire plant of the Kentucky-Vermilion Mining and Concentration Co., at Vermilion, Mont., was destroyed by fire on the 19th. Loss estimated at \$125,000 to \$150,000, with \$20,000 insurance.

Directors of the new Indianapolis Southern railway opened bids at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 19th, for the construction of the line between Indianapolis and Sullivan, Ind., 110 miles. The estimated cost will be \$5,000,000.

Secretary Root left Washington, D. C., on the 19th, for New York, and sailed for Europe to take his seat as chairman of the Alaskan boundary commission, which meets in London, September 3. Until the first of September the war department will be under the direction of Col. Sanger, the assistant secretary, at which time Gen. Oliver will succeed him.

The remains of the late Judge John G. Long, United States consul general and diplomatic agent at Cairo, Egypt, who died as the result of an accident in Dunbar, Scotland, July 28, arrived at Washington, D. C., on the 19th.

The Topeka, Lawrence & Kansas Electric Co. applied for a charter at Topeka, Kas., on the 19th, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. T. S. Salathiel is the promoter. The line will be 75 miles in length.

Gov. Dockery of Missouri, on the 19th, appointed Senator H. W. Johnson, of Montgomery county, Mo., judge of the circuit court of that county, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge R. D. Rogers.

The wooden ore steamer Queen of the West, from Cleveland, O., sank in Lake Erie, on the 20th. The crew of 15 men and two young women, daughters of the engineer, were rescued by the Anchor Line steamer Codorus, bound for Cleveland. The steamer was valued at \$75,000.

The Wyoming supreme court, on the 20th, refused a new trial to James Keffer, who killed S. F. Warren at Derby, December 29, 1901, and re-sentenced him to be hanged September 25.

Field Marshal Lord Roberts and his staff, on the 20th, booked passage on the steamer Mayflower, which will sail from Liverpool, September 23, for Boston, Mass.

The Missouri, a sister ship of the Maine, built for the International Mercantile Marine Co., was successfully launched at Baltimore, Md., on the 20th.

The Consop Lumber Co.'s plant at Montgomery, Ala., was destroyed by fire on the 20th. Loss, \$70,000; insurance, \$50,000.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles left San Francisco, on the 20th, to meet an engagement in New Hampshire, August 26.

W. J. Edwards, of Plains, Kas., was shot and killed on the 20th. His sons John and Roy surrendered, and admitted that they did the shooting. No cause was given.

Fire partially destroyed the building occupied by the A. S. Aloe Optical Co., at Broadway, St. Louis, on the morning of the 21st. Losses were also sustained, by water, by the Simmons Hardware Co., adjoining, and by T. J. Reid Shoe Co., opposite, a water tower falling against the third-story window and flooding the building before it could be shut off.

The first of the America's cup yacht races was started, but not finished, on the 20th, there not being sufficient wind to enable the yachts to cover the course within the time limit. Reliance, the cup defender, demonstrated her superiority as a light wind craft, being nearly two miles in the lead when the race was called off.

The Grand Army of the Republic national encampment, on the 20th, selected Boston as the place in which the encampment of 1904 will be held. Gen. John C. Black, of Illinois, was chosen commander-in-chief.

An unknown young man from Indiana was shot in the side by one of four traps, on the morning of the 21st, 20 miles east of Wichita, Kas. He died several hours later.

David Stafford, an Emporia (Kas.) business man, left, on the 21st, for Sheridan, Wyo., to investigate the mysterious disappearance of his son, Lloyd Stafford, a non-commissioned officer in the United States army, stationed at Fort McKinney, near Sheridan.

Hazel Avery, self-confessed kidnaper of two-year-old Olive Furlong, in Chicago, was, on the 21st, sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. The baby was stolen June 23 and was not recovered until June 30.

The national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic closed its thirty-seventh annual session at San Francisco, on the 21st, to meet in Boston next year.

In Stookey township, St. Clair county, Ill., Dr. G. J. Bauer, of Belleville, deputy state veterinarian, on the 21st, found a number of horses suffering from glanders. Four belonging to John Schwarz were ordered shot, and four others in the same neighborhood were quarantined.

Two young farmers fought out a family quarrel at Doe Run, Mo., on the 19th, and as a result one was killed and the other dangerously wounded. The appearance of the sheriff prevented further trouble between members of the families.

The arrest of Lee Quan at Douglas, Ariz., promises to involve a number of Americans as members of an organized syndicate engaged in smuggling Chinese over the border from Mexico into the United States.

A battle, lasting half a day, was fought, on the 20th, with the forces of the datto of Binag-Binag in Mindanao, the Americans finally capturing their stronghold.

Before adjourning the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic adopted a resolution eulogistic of the 42 years of service of Lieut.-Gen. Nelson A. Miles, in which he achieved a matchless record as a fighter and judicial military disciplinarian and organizer.

Commander-in-Chief Black of the G. A. R. has announced the following staff appointments: Adjutant general, C. E. Partridge of Illinois; quartermaster, Charles Burrows, of New Jersey; reappointed; judge advocate general, James Tanner, of New York; inspector general, E. B. Wessen, of Iowa.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

The printing plant of the Effingham (Ill.) Publishing Co., capital stock \$2,500, publishers of the Jeffersonian, a democratic weekly, was sold to Postmaster Richard F. Lawson, editor of the American Postmaster, who will continue the late newspaper, changing the name to the McKinleyan, and its politics accordingly.

In the case of Mattie E. Leslie vs. G. W. Chase & Son Mercantile Co., of Platte City, Mo., the jury, on the 22d, gave plaintiff \$5,000 damages. Mrs. Leslie had jumped from a three-story factory while it was on fire. The building was the property of the company.

The St. Jacobs (Ill.) state bank was incorporated, on the 22d, with a capital stock of \$25,000, all of which was subscribed. Fred Sahler was elected president, L. A. Spies, vice-president, and Rufus Pike, cashier. The bank will be ready for business about September 1.

At Wrights, Tenn., William H. Eusinger, of Bowling Green, Mo., was awarded \$250 damages against John L. Simpson. It was charged that Simpson broke off a love match by spreading reports that Eusinger had a wife living in Missouri.

Reliance, on the 22d, off Sandy Hook N. J., duplicated the victory of her ancestor, America, 52 years ago, by running away from Sir Thomas Lipton's third Shamrock, and in weather that the Irish knight had prayed for.

A fire broke out in the Quincy (Ill.) city stables, on the 22d, causing a loss of something more than five thousand dollars, which was quite well covered by insurance. A valuable stallion and two other horses were injured.

H. P. Ricketts, editor of the Memphis Scimitar, was found dead in bed at the Kaiserhof hotel, in Chicago, on the 22d. He had been ill for several days, and his unexpected demise was attributed to heart disease.

The packing house of the Ontario Powder Co., Tweed, Ont., was blown up, on the 22d, and three men were killed. The explosion broke many plate-glass windows in the town and injured buildings.

Chas. Poor, a Washabak brakeman whose home was at Moberly, Mo., was killed by a west-bound passenger train at Montgomery City, Mo., on the 22d. Lord Salisbury, England's ex-empire, died at Hatfield house, his country residence, on the 22d, surrounded by his children and near relatives.

Frank De Witt Becker, one of the oldest locomotive engineers in the west, died, on the 24th, at St. Louis. He ran the first engine on the Michigan Central railway out of Detroit to Jackson, Mich., in 1854, and was, until displaced, in continuous service with the Baltimore & Ohio, St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern and Chicago & Alton railways. He served 25 years with the latter company.

No action has yet been taken by the officials of the war department at Washington, D. C., on the request of the Merchants' Bridge Co., of St. Louis, to extend the time for a reply of the company to the department's order requesting them to show cause why the bridge should not be confiscated to the government for violation of charter under which the bridge was constructed.

The hearing of the case of Whitaker Wright, the head of the defunct London and Globe corporation, who was arrested in New York and extradited to England, was resumed before Alderman Smallman, in Guild Hall, London, on the 24th. Wright was calm and in good spirits and was well groomed. Great interest is being shown in the case, and the court room was crowded.

The attempt of the hotel and restaurant employes to tie up the Chicago restaurants, on the 24th, proved a failure, not a single establishment having been compelled to close for lack of help. Out of the 9,000 members of the different unions ordered on strike not over ten per cent. responded to the summons.

Acting Secretary of State Loomis has received two cablegrams from Minister Beaupre, at Bogota, the latest dated August 15, conveying the information that efforts are still being made to find a way to revive the canal treaty.

A negro, William C. Pettifore, of Trenton, N. J., on the 24th, named his twenty-seventh child Alice Roosevelt, in honor of the president's daughter. Pettifore was born in slavery. Twenty of his children are living.

The Bank of Dalton, Mo., with a capital stock of \$10,000, was chartered at Jefferson City, Mo., on the 24th, by Secretary of State Cook. The stockholders are Thomas R. Hamilton, R. W. Goll and others.

Among the passengers on board the steamer Cymric, from Liverpool and Queenstown, which arrived at New York, on the 24th, were Senator Depew, Mrs. Depew and C. M. Depew, Jr.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Inspector Evans' Report.

The annual report of Charles Evans, state coal mine inspector of Missouri, which has just been issued, shows that coal mining is an important industry of Missouri. The total production of coal for the year just closed in Missouri was 4,063,572 tons, as compared with 3,812,527 tons in the preceding year, showing an increase of 250,945 tons. This increased production was unexpected, as during the year there was an extended suspension of work and a shortage of miners. During the winter season 10,516 men were employed in the coal mines of the state, and during the summer there were 7,897 employes. There are 335 mines operated in the state; 109 have steam plants, 116 horse-power plants and 8 electric plants. During the year there were 34,712 kegs of powder used. Eighteen miners or other employes lost their lives through accident, a very small percentage as compared with loss in other states.

Big Fire in St. Louis.
So rapidly did the flames spread in a fire which almost totally destroyed the shops of the John O'Brien Boiler Works Co., in St. Louis, that the employes, numbering about 200, were forced to run for their lives. Mr. O'Brien estimated the damage to be about \$80,000. This is partly covered by insurance. The fire started shortly after the opening hour at the shops. It is not known exactly how the fire originated, but it is thought that either a tank of machine oil became overheated and caught fire or that flying sparks fell upon some combustible material. The rapid spread of the fire was due to the draft running through the building. Much greasy material was in the plant. Several other large manufacturing establishments in the immediate neighborhood were for a time threatened with destruction. The O'Brien plant will be rebuilt.

Mrs. Harris' Husband.
Mrs. Olive Harris, of St. Louis, has asked the circuit court to grant her a divorce from Baxton Harris. The petition recites that Harris is a habitual tobacco chewer, and that he expectorates on the floors and walls of their house; that he utterly disregards all cleanliness of his person, and that he has never supported his wife, but compelled her to get aid of her mother. The couple were married in Texas, September 11, 1900, and lived together until April 12, 1903.

A Brave St. Louis Boy.
Says a dispatch from San Francisco: "Fifteen-year-old Vincent Arnell, a bright little chap living at St. Louis, has worked his way unassisted across the continent that he might find his three younger brothers, who were tagged and sent to San Francisco from the east some two years ago. The others boys were sent out by an eastern society, at request of their mother, who had eloped from St. Louis with a man named Smith."

Fined for Shipping His Wife.
Arthur D. Wayne was fined \$10 and costs in St. Louis on a charge of disturbing the peace of his wife, Mrs. Mary Wayne. The defendant was let off with the payment of costs on the promise of good behavior in the future. The alleged disturbance took place at the Leclaire hotel August 18. Mrs. Wayne alleged that he had slapped her.

Street Car Strikes Boggy.
A buggy containing four persons was struck and wrecked by a street car on the Electric Park line at Kansas City. Mollie Berens was perhaps fatally hurt, and the following were seriously injured: Ida Cross, George Underwood and James Goodwin. The motorman and conductor were arrested, but later released.

Death Under Car Wheels.
Within a block of the place where Ernest Jens, a neighbor's child, was killed ten days before, and in the presence of her mother, who was powerless to render aid, Marie Voepel, the 4-year-old daughter of Mrs. John Mohan, was fatally injured by a suburban street car in St. Louis.

Chillicothe's Handsome Church.
The new Elm street Methodist Episcopal church, south of Chillicothe, is one of the most beautiful and imposing church buildings in northwest Missouri. It was erected at a cost of \$15,000, and was dedicated by Bishop E. R. Hendrix.

Conductor Held Responsible.
The coroner's jury, after four days' session, rendered a verdict in the death of Joshua Baker, the motorman killed in the wreck on the Southwest Missouri electric railway near Joplin, that holds Conductor B. Moad responsible.

Killing at Doe Run.
Tobe Francis shot and killed Leslie Ross at Doe Run. Ross was under bond for trial for shooting at Francis. They met, and Ross stabbed Francis, when Francis shot him.

St. Louis Woman Honored.
At the fifth annual conference of the National Shortland Reporters' association, held at Cincinnati, O., Miss Frances A. Hoover, of St. Louis, was elected vice-president.

Corner-Stone Laid.
About 2,500 persons witnessed the laying of the corner-stone of the new Methodist Episcopal church at Moberly. The old church was burned.

Now It Is Hibbler and Earnst.
A. A. Tibbe, owner of the electric light plant and telephone system at Washington, has sold the plant to Henry Hibbler and John Earnst.

Appointment by Dockery.
Gov. Dockery has appointed Senator H. W. Johnson judge of the circuit court of Montgomery county, to succeed R. D. Rogers, resigned.

Lineman's Bad Fall.
John Van Buskirk, a telephone lineman, fell from a high pole, in St. Louis, and sustained a fracture of the skull. He may recover.

Barrington Back to Jail.
"Lord" Seymour Barrington, charged with murder, lost his habeas corpus proceedings, at Clayton, and was again jailed to await trial.

Fine Fishing in the Ozarks.
St. Louis anglers are enjoying fine sport in the rushing streams of the Ozarks.

RELIANCE WINS DECISIVE VICTORY

In First Completed Race Defender Shows Superiority.

RAN AWAY FROM ENGLISH BOAT
Challenger Has Apparent Advantage at the Start, and Contest is Exciting—Thirty Thousand Persons Witness the Race.

New York, Aug. 24.—Reliance, Saturday, duplicated the victory of her ancestor, America, 52 years ago, by running away from Sir Thomas Lipton's third Shamrock, and in weather that the Irish knight had prayed for.

It was not such a victory as that which occurred around the Isle of Wight half a century or more ago, but it was sufficiently decisive to demonstrate that the Yankee boat is still queen of the sea.

Moreover, it demonstrated that the Reliance is superior to the Shamrock III. in all kinds of weather. In a piping blow she can hold her own against the wind, and with the wind she can outfoot her competitor. According to yachting experts, the victory assures the safety of the cup.

In going over the starting line, the Reliance was a few seconds behind the Shamrock, but the American boat soon forced her rival about, took the lead, and on the beat out the flyer simply walked away from the fire creation, rounding the mark 3 minutes and 16 seconds in the lead.

On the 15-mile beat, pointing higher and footing faster, Reliance beat the Shamrock by 3 minutes and 20 seconds, elapsed time. The wind held true from a little west of southwest on the beat at a ten-mile gait. The sea was rather heavy.

Few Away Like Great Birds.
Both yachts rounded the mark on the starboard tack and started on the run home with booms to the starboard, throwing out spinnakers to port. The yachts set balloons and flew away like great birds, under the true and stout breeze.

The big observation fleet, carrying not less than 30,000, had lined up around the finish line by three o'clock, ready to give a great welcome to the victor.

The Scene at the Finish.
The finish was the most exciting since the great contest between the Puritan and Genesee, in 1885. True, Reliance was far in the lead, yet those aboard the excursion fleet were fearful that something might happen to the American boat, in which event Shamrock might win by a fluke.

When, however, Reliance crossed the line at 3:17:45, with Shamrock III. fully nine minutes astern, the tooting of whistles, yelling of the throngs aboard the craft and the screeching of sirens were tumultuous.

The scene at the finish was soul-stirring. Under her towering cloud of canvas, rolling rhythmically in the swell, the Reliance bounded across the viewless finish line like a queen. Such pandemonium can only be heard when an American yacht is victorious in a cup race.

Then the immense concourse of vessels waited until the Shamrock, majestic even in defeat, swept by between the stakeboats. The reception she received was, if anything, more hearty than that accorded to her successful rival.

Such tribute Americans gladly pay to the true British sportsman, who has so valiantly tried to win back the trophy which the old schooner America captured from a fleet of English yachts 52 years ago.

Says Americans Are "God's People."
Sir Thomas Lipton said: "The treatment I have received here has been marvelous. The kindness and cordiality with which I have been treated has almost overcome me. At times I am positively embarrassed. I am satisfied that no one would receive such treatment in England. The English would want to do things for visitors—but as nice and cordial as possible—but they could not approach you people."

The Americans are God's own people. There is none like them on the face of the green earth. No people are better, or more kind, or more wonderful. They could not be!

MOST PECULIAR DEATH.

Autopsy Revealed Fact that Child Swallowed Whole Peas Which Sprouted and Grew.

Creston, Ia., Aug. 24.—A most peculiar death occurred here Sunday. The seven-year-old daughter of John Ponte, a Burlington conductor, was taken sick ten days ago with what physicians pronounced dysentery. In spite of their best efforts the little one grew rapidly worse till her death. An autopsy revealed the fact that the child had swallowed whole peas, that they had sprouted and were growing in her stomach. The case is said to be one of the most peculiar on record.

Pleasure Steamer Sunk.
Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 24.—A mid-summer scene of panic in which terror-stricken men lost their heads and sought to throw women and children overboard, the pleasure steamer Indiana went to the bottom of the Indianapolis Water Co.'s canal at Fairview park, Sunday evening at seven o'clock. The park officials think nobody was drowned, but J. N. Oliphant, of Indianapolis, and P. E. Betts, of Anderson, Ind., who were passengers, say that they saw a woman with a baby sink to the bottom. Search is being made to see if there are any more bodies in the canal.

Body of Chicagoan Found.
Chicago, Aug. 24.—A special from Walloon Lake, Mich., says that the body of Attorney Albert W. Barnum, of this city, who disappeared mysteriously several days ago at that point, has been found. Barnum, who was a son of Judge W. H. Barnum, of Chicago, reached the village of Walloon last week and employed C. H. Rice, a boatman, to row him to his cottage across the lake. The boat was found later at its moorings, but Barnum had disappeared. Rice is being detained until the mystery is solved.

STATE ITEMS.

Guests of the World's Fair.

The Missouri Press association will hold its annual mid-summer session within the World's fair grounds, St. Louis, on the 27th and 28th of this month. The organization will be the first one from Missouri to visit in a body the Missouri state building, now well under way towards completion. In honor of the event, the Missouri commission has appointed Hon. L. F. Parker to welcome the editors, in whose behalf a response will be made by President Howard Ellis, of New Florence.

The northeast, northwest, southeast and southwest press associations will all be represented in the gathering, which will be dined and entertained by the World's fair. Secretary R. M. White estimates the probable number of editors and their wives who will attend at 300.

Trolley Cars Collide.
In a rear-end collision of two trolley cars on the Independence-Kansas City line, two persons were fatally injured, four seriously hurt and half a dozen others sustained minor bruises and cuts. The seriously injured are Eric Cobb, aged 30, will die; Willie Wood, 16, both legs broken and badly cut, will die; Minnie Damer, 20; C. H. Ingalls, Barney Haney, Sid Brown, conductor. The cars were returning to Kansas City from Forest park, and were crowded. The trolley of the first car had slipped the wire, and while it was being replaced the second car, running at a rapid rate, crashed into the rear end. The seriously injured were on the rear platform of the first, which was badly smashed.

Costliest Farm Residence in Missouri.
The costliest farm residence in Missouri is in Lafayette county, near Lexington, owned by Judge J. M. Lowe, of Kansas City. It was erected at a cost of \$84,000. It has all the conveniences of the most luxurious city home. Italian marble mantels, hardwood floors, plate-glass mirrors and furniture of the finest type are found therein. It is surrounded by 250 acres of beautiful farming land, worth \$150 an acre. The department of agriculture, of which J. O. Allison, of New London, is chairman, will show a picture of the Lowe home in the Missouri exhibit at the World's fair.

Fasts Forty-Three Days.
William Sorrel, of Randolph county, has completed his forty-third day of fasting. His only nourishment during that time has been a cup or two of warm water, taken for breakfast. During this time he has lost flesh until his clothing has become loose and baggy, but, strange to say, his face shows but few marks of emaciation. Sorrel at one time was popular as a school teacher. The medical men think that by this time his stomach is so contracted and flaccid that an ordinary meal would produce violent pain and muscular contraction, if not death.

Lively Times at a Church Social.
Rev. Jefferson Denny, a minister of Golden City, and his son, Walter Denny, were arrested and taken to Carthage for trial on a charge of assault and disturbing the peace. The complaining witness is Frank Schmidt, also a resident of Golden City, who claims that the men assaulted him at an ice-cream social. It seems that there was some trouble as to the proceeds of the social. The men fought in the presence of a large concourse of church members.

Zinc Oxide Plant at Springfield.
The location of a zinc oxide plant at Springfield, which has been hanging fire for months, on account of the difficulties attending the securing of the right for a switch, has been definitely settled. The plant will be one of the largest in the country, and will control a large part of the zinc output of the southwest.

For Official Inspection.
The vouchers, accounts, warrants, etc., showing the expenditure of \$10,000,000 by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Co. will be taken to Washington for auditing by the officials, to comply with terms making the government's appropriation of \$5,000,000 available.

Assaulted a Deputy Assessor.
Andy Rimbo, a deputy assessor, of Macon county, alleges that Charles Reed, a mine boss, assaulted him when he made an official call at Reed's home. He swore out a warrant for Reed's arrest.

Says Havana's Method is Superior.
Senor Pedro D. Bruzzi, in St. Louis on an inspection tour for Havana, Cuba, declares his city's method of collecting and disposing of its garbage is far superior to St. Louis.

Fletcher Dies of Bullet Wound.
Fletcher Hill, foreman of a Rock Island construction gang, who was shot at the railroad camp between Windsor and Ionia by Frank James, a negro laborer, is dead.

Cass County Old Settlers.
A large crowd attended the annual picnic of the old settlers of Cass county at Chandlerville. Hon. James Ellliott, of Havana, was the principal speaker.

Clarkburg Review Sold.
The Clarkburg Review has changed hands, W. C. McFadden and J. C. Godby selling out to J. E. Smith of Springfield, who assumes charge at once.

Telephone for Mountain Grove.
The Mountain Grove Telephone Co., with \$10,000 capital, has been organized, the object of which is to connect Mountain Grove with other towns.

Largest for Years.
When the Mechanics' bank became owner of the Merchants' block for \$40,000, it was the largest real estate transaction in Moberly for years.

A Bad Place to Sleep.
Hugh Westmoreland, an Iron Mountain molder, was killed, and L. Weddel, badly injured, on a railroad track at Springfield, while asleep.

Reunion of Quantrell's Men.
The sixth annual reunion of the survivors of Quantrell's band was held at Independence. The session were held in the courthouse.