

# Iron County Register

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FRONTON, MISSOURI

So far there are no fat aeronautes.

By the way, is it possible to play golf in Esperanto?

An American had the latest word regarding the best aviator.

It takes a pretty clever man to get ahead of a meter of any kind.

As yet the English language is not the least bit jealous of Esperanto.

Wireless has proven that it can create just as much excitement as an aeroplane.

When an automobile strikes a railroad train, the victims are those in the machine.

Another way to attain greatness is to be made president of a hay-fever sufferers' society.

Paris is losing her cab horses, but no noticeable decrease in the price of meats is reported.

It is easier to muzzle the canines than it is to keep firebrands out of the hands of possible assassins.

Don't think it's by accident that a woman hits the object directly behind her. She merely finishes her aim.

Keeping cool would be easier if the fellows who have advice to give or the subject would keep quiet.

A seismograph is a very useful instrument. It seems to keep all earthquakes at least 2,000 miles away.

Boston now attains notice as a port of entry for smuggled Chinamen. You simply cannot keep a good town down.

Another sleepwalker has walked out of a third-story window. Slumber pedestrians should sleep in the basement.

Boston boasts that it has the oldest ready girl in the world. She should be ready presently for musical comedy chorus work.

These New Yorkers who spend \$6,000 a year on dress must be big men in order to find room to hang all the garments.

"Powder and cream are a necessity to protection for girls who fear sunburn," says a headline. We suggest living in the cellar.

Princess Mary of England has learned how to run a typewriter. Now if some of the dukes and lords would only take up honest toil!

And now the peace advocates will find that the new gun which shoots 10,000 times a minute is the thing that is really going to stop warfare.

The university professor who thinks mathematics and poetry are alike has probably never tried mathematics on a romantic girl in the moonlight.

A Maine man tells a story of a frightened deer jumping into his lap while he was out driving in a buggy. Is the gentleman sure that his spelling is correct?

According to a learned professor, the typewriter is the poetry of motion. Presumably he intended to add that the motion must be supplied by the right young woman operator.

An English woman is preparing to fly across the English channel and back. Her manager should see to it that on the French side she does not go as far as the shops in Paris.

That new gun will be but an additional argument for the agitators for a universal peace, also a weapon in the hands of some poor nation that does not believe in that order of things.

While the airship is still in its experimental stage and ambitious aeronautes are meeting with accidents repeatedly, it is still evident that aerial navigation has become a permanent feature of travel. In Europe preparations continue to be made for regular traveling schedules in airships, notwithstanding the disasters that have happened to some of these craft.

A New Jersey man has discovered that mosquitoes eat plants. This is an important natural discovery. It has hitherto been supposed, and with good deal of circumstantial evidence to support the supposition, that the mosquito was strictly carnivorous in its diet and exclusively nocturnal in its meal hours. Any hope to the contrary will be thankfully received by a bitten, angry and sleepy world of humans.

Push-cart peddlers have formed a national organization. Perhaps they have discovered that the banana is one of the necessities of life and are going to do the regulation thing to celebrate the discovery.

A man found senseless on the street with his pockets turned inside out was locked up by the Philadelphia police as a witness. It is difficult to imagine the injury to the inflexible purse of justice if this person should escape from the duty of testifying that he did not know what hit him.

Now someone thinks he is about to invent a noiseless cannon. What will be the fun of writing war stories if in the future we are not permitted to speak of the deafening roar of cannon and the rattle of musketry?

A woman in Pennsylvania shot at a pet dog and hit her husband. He disbelieved her account of the target intended and had her arrested, but there was everything in the circumstantial evidence to sustain her. If she had shot at her husband, she would probably have hit the pet dog.

## NURSE CONFESSES; IMPLICATES GRANT

### DOCTOR'S AID DISPELS BASEMENT MYSTERY IN SAN FRANCISCO VACANT HOUSE.

### SANFORD STUDENT HELD

#### Brother-in-Law Induces Woman to Tell Story of Crime—Physician Stayed Two Nights Where the Victim Was Buried, Is Confession.

San Francisco, Cal.—After two days and nights of silence, Marie Messerschmidt, the nurse held in detinue since Friday night in connection with the death of Eva Swan, following the finding of the girl's body beneath the vacant house, confessed to the police that she had knowledge of the operation performed by Dr. James Grant upon Miss Swan and that she attended the girl after the operation.

The confession states that "Robert Thompson, known as Dr. Grant," packed the girl's body into a trunk, first cutting off the legs at the ankles; that Grant discussed the burial of the body with the nurse and spent two nights at the house where the body was found.

Dr. Grant was taken into custody with the nurse, and Paul Parker, a former Leland Stanford university student, who lived in the house where Miss Swan roomed, was taken to the police station and placed in detinue.

The nurse was induced to tell the story by her brother-in-law, August Borman of Oakland, who visited her at the city prison. He showed her a picture of her dead mother, pleading with her to tell the police everything, impressing upon her that this would be her mother's wish. The young woman fainted, and upon her recovery became hysterical. When she was quieted she agreed to tell the entire story to detectives.

## TRAGEDY IN CLEVELAND

### Bank Detective Finds His Wife and Mail Carrier Slain in Woman's Room With Gun Wound.

Cleveland, O.—Mrs. Martha H. Distel and Paul Mueller, a mail carrier, were found murdered in her bedroom. The police were called by Lawrence Distel, the woman's husband, who is a special officer at the Society for Savings bank.

Distel and his son and his daughter, Genevieve, were sleeping in another part of the house on the same floor. They all heard the shots.

Mrs. Distel and Mueller were found lying side by side on the floor. Each had been shot through the heart. A 32-caliber revolver was found in a corner of the room. All of its chambers were empty.

## ORDERS PERMENTER JURY

### Mississippians Firm in Resolve That Girl's Alleged Slayer Must Die Regardless of Verdict.

Louisville, Miss.—When the case of Swinton Permenter, accused of the murder of Jennie Sharpe, 18 years old, was called for trial, a postponement was granted until October 3, to call a special venire of 200 men.

The court room was crowded with armed men, friends of the Sharpes and with armed deputies. The murder was particularly atrocious and there is great feeling among the people. Many openly assert no matter what the verdict, Permenter must die.

## SIX AUTOISTS DROWNED

### Car Plunges Into Canal in New Orleans and All of Morning Party Are Dead.

New Orleans, La.—Three young girls and three men were killed at 4 a. m. when an automobile, in making a short curve, turned completely over and landed in the new Basin canal, 15 feet below the roadway.

Thomas Butler, owner of the machine; Joseph Freedman, perfumery drummer, and an unidentified man and three girls from the Queen of the Moulins Rouse company, are dead.

Priest Named Army Chaplain. Quincy, Ill., Sept. 26.—Rev. Father Wither Reinfels, for many years pastor of the St. Joseph Catholic church at Paloma, has resigned to accept an appointment as chaplain in the United States army. He has been ordered to report at Baltimore, Md.

Aake Pardon for Walsh. Washington, D. C.—George T. Buckingham, a lawyer of Chicago, filed a formal petition for the pardon of John R. Walsh, formerly president of the Chicago National bank, with the department of justice.

Overstudy Causes Death. Cambridge, Mass.—Christopher Royce, son of Prof. Joseph Royce of Harvard, said to be possessed of the most perfect mind in America, died at Danvers insane asylum, a victim of overstudy.

Reward Sought for Twins. Greensburg, Pa.—Announcing that for the third time twins have arrived at his home, Dominico Domichelli went to all the city officials in search of the man who gives prizes to fathers who promote the birth rate.

Accident Stops Flight. Allentown, Pa.—Glenn E. Curtiss attempted his long-heralded flight from this city to Philadelphia, a distance of 102 miles. He gave up the flight six miles from the starting point owing to an accident.

## WHICH IS YOUR BACK YARD?



## YATES SHOTS A WOMAN

### DETROIT BUSINESS MAN ENDS LIFE BY STRANGLING.

#### Shooting in Roadhouse Followed a Day of Automobile Rides and Visits to Wineries.

Cleveland, Ohio.—A man believed to be Burton W. Yates, a Detroit business man, committed suicide by hanging in the county jail, an hour after he had been lodged there for shooting a woman identified as Mrs. Fred Singer of Cleveland, formerly of Detroit, in a roadhouse at Rocky river.

Left alone in the "bullpen" of the jail while commitment papers were made out, Yates hurried into the washroom, tied a handkerchief around his neck, attached it to an iron bar and strangled himself. When the guards returned they found him dead. The woman was taken to a hospital in a taxicab, which the man thought to be Yates summoned to the roadhouse. She probably will live.

The shooting followed a day of automobile rides and visits to wineries. The shooting shortly after midnight. Mrs. Singer was identified through her attorney, Frank Billman, who stated that she had come to Cleveland from Detroit two weeks ago in order to escape Yates.

Admission to Mrs. Singer's room at the hospital has been denied. Until she is able to talk the causes that led to the shooting will remain a mystery.

## RATE INCREASES STAYED

### The Interstate Commerce Commission Rules That Rates Must Be Postponed—Jan. 5 Is Date Set.

Washington, D. C.—An order issued by the Interstate Commerce commission prohibits the railroads of the middle west putting into effect the proposed increase in rates until January 5.

The ruling affects about 40 railroads and is of direct concern to practically all of the railroads centering in St. Louis and Chicago.

Thousands of dollars will be saved to the shippers in freight rates from November 1 to January 5.

## J. A. TAWNEY IS DEFEATED

### Opponent is Sidney Anderson, Young Insurgent Attorney, Who Makes Whirlwind Campaign.

St. Paul, Minnesota.—Primaries for the nomination of candidates for congress, legislature and county officers were held throughout Minnesota. Interest centers in the First district, and scattering returns indicate the defeat of Congressman J. A. Tawney by a small margin by Sydney Anderson, a young attorney of Lanesboro and a progressive. Anderson carried Albert Lea by 200 and Freeborn county by 800.

Killing Was in Self-Defense. Chicago, Ill.—Dr. John M. Rainey was exonerated by a coroner's jury, which decided that he had acted in self-defense last Friday when he shot and killed his former business associate, Louen V. Atkins, in the latter's office.

Aviators Fail to Cross Alps. Brieg, Switzerland.—Though the weather was unpropitious for the bold undertaking, Mr. Weymann, the American, and George Chavez, the Peruvian, attempted to cross the Alps in aeroplanes. Both failed.

Inquiry Will Proceed. Chicago.—The senatorial committee investigating William Lorimer's right to a seat in the United States senate overruled the motion of Lorimer's counsel for a continuance until after the fall election.

Racing Auto Is Wrecked. Mineola, L. I.—Rushing along at better than 65 miles an hour, George Robertson, the nationally famous racing driver, lost control of his giant racing car on the Motor parkway and was seriously hurt.

Aged Actress Dies. New York.—Mrs. Katherine Linsbann, who was on the stage for 50 years as Kate Fletcher, is dead here of gas poisoning. Her death is believed to have been accidental. She was well-known to the theater-goers.

Arizona Town Is Shot Up. Albuquerque, N. M.—Word reached here that a gang of desperadoes had raided the town of Holbrook, Ariz., killing two citizens after "shooting up" the entire village. The desperadoes escaped.

## RACES FOR THE PENNANTS

Club	National League	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	95	46	47	.672
Pittsburg	82	58	58	.586
New York	82	68	58	.586
Philadelphia	72	69	59	.551
Cincinnati	72	72	59	.550
Cincinnati	67	81	41	.413
Brooklyn	58	85	39	.397
Boston	48	98	34	.340

Club	American League	Won	Lost	Pct.
Philadelphia	95	44	46	.686
Detroit	82	61	37	.627
New York	79	61	36	.664
Cleveland	79	62	36	.660
Washington	61	81	43	.589
St. Louis	60	80	42	.590
St. Louis	44	99	26	.260

## FATAL WRECK IN KANSAS

### Rock Island Passenger Train Dashes Into Ditch Caused by Washout Near Clayton.

Clayton, Kas.—Sixteen passengers lost their lives and 13 others suffered injuries in the wreck two miles from Clayton, of westbound Rock Island train, due in Denver at 8:25, from Kansas City.

The known dead: F. Pitkenbaugh, Goodland, Kan., engineer. A. V. Huffman, Kansas City, baggage man. J. W. Usher, Denver, conductor. William Mills, Fremont, Goodland, Kan.

John Sloop, Boyle, Kan. W. E. Shively, Agra, Kan. Gilbert M. Yarns, Fullerton, Neb. Eight bodies, unidentified.

The wreck occurred at a "fill," a thousand feet of which had been washed out by a cloudburst.

The rear end of the smoker remained tilted on the earth bank, and the chair car ripped its way into the smoker, smashing it to pieces and killing or injuring many passengers.

To the coolness and quick wit of Engineer Pitkenbaugh, who lost his life, is attributed the saving of the lives of those who did escape, numbering a hundred or more. Examination of the engine and air brakes shows that he had reversed the lever and set the air brakes in an endeavor to stop the train.

None of the injured are in a serious condition, and it is reported that all will be able to leave for their homes in a few days.

## BRYAN BOLTS DAHLMAN

### Announces He Cannot Support Old Friend on Account of Stand on Liquor Question.

Lincoln, Nebraska.—In a statement in which he declares that the crusade which he feels impelled to wage, against the liquor interests of the state and nation overshadows a personal and political friendship of 20 years, William J. Bryan announced he had bolted the head of the Democratic state ticket in Nebraska and would not support James C. Dahلمان for governor.

Mr. Bryan says he regrets that he is compelled to take the stand he does—his first departure from political regularity—but says he feels it his duty to do so because of the position taken by the Democratic nominee on the liquor question.

Receiver Appointed. Chicago, Ill.—The West Pullman car works, which is alleged to have profited to the extent of \$300,000 in the alleged car repair conspiracy against the Illinois Central, was placed in the hands of a receiver in the United States district court. The petition was filed by Thomas Henderson, a creditor.

Ship Cargo Worth \$1,000,000. Seattle, Wash.—The steamer Umalla, which arrived from Nome, brought a cargo valued at one million dollars. Besides gold from the Iditarod, the ship carried whalebone, furs and walrus ivory.

Robber Takes Clothing. Denver, Colo.—A highwayman with a mania for robbing those he robbed operated in Denver to the discomfort of three men, found dazed from the effect of a drug. Their valuables and most of their clothing had been taken.

Shoots Woman; Hangs Self. Cleveland, O.—B. W. Yates, believed to be a business man of Detroit, hanged himself in the jail here after having been arrested for the shooting of Mrs. Fred Singer of Cleveland, in a suburban roadhouse.

Two-Cent Fair Held Invalid. St. Paul, Minn.—Filing his findings in the Minnesota two-cent passenger rate case in the United States circuit court, Special Master in Chancery Charles E. Otis held those rates to be unconstitutional and confiscatory.

## 42 KILLED IN A TROLLEY WRECK

### CATASTROPHE IS MOST DISASTROUS IN HISTORY OF ELECTRIC ROADS.

### CARS COLLIDE ON CURVE

#### Heavy Limited Coach Tears Way Through Local—Injured Conductor Crawls From Wreck and Flags Flair in Time.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—Forty-two persons were killed and seven injured, four fatally, in a wreck on the Fort Wayne & Vandalia branch of the Fort Wayne & Vandalia Valley Traction railway, between Fort Wayne and Kingsland.

The scene of the wreck, said to be the most disastrous in the history of electric railroad operation, was 13 miles south of Fort Wayne, and half a mile north of Kingsland.

The catastrophe occurred on a sharp curve, which prevented the crews of both cars from having warning of danger until an instant before the crash. The cars which rushed together were an empty southbound limited, which had been dispatched to Kingsland to bring in the crowds to the Allen county fair, in progress at Fort Wayne, and a crowded northbound local, bringing a holiday crowd to the fair.

The southbound car, dispatched as a limited, was running at a high rate of speed. The northbound local also was running fast and several minutes behind it was scheduled the Indianapolis-Port Wayne limited.

When the coaches collided the impact was so terrific that the heavy limited car tore its way half through the local car, crushing it as though it were an egg shell.

From a car filled with merry-makers the local train was transformed into a charnel-house. A dozen passengers were thrown, dead and dying, on both sides of the track, but the greater number lay dead beneath the wreck.

Bruised and bleeding men, who had barely escaped death, crawled from the debris, and with no thought of their own injuries began the work of rescue. It was an hour and an occasion that called for heroes. Amid the confusion and terror of the disaster, Conductor E. A. Spillman of the local train preserved a cool head. Almost at the moment when he crawled, severely injured, from the wreck, he thought of the Indianapolis limited, which was following. He seized a flag and dashed down the track and around the fatal curve. A quarter of a mile further he stopped, planted the flag and toppled over in a faint. The act saved a second and probably greater disaster.

## CHAVEZ FLIES OVER ALPS

### Peruvian Crashes to Ground After Performing Perilous Feat and is Injured.

Milan, Italy.—George Chavez, a Peruvian aviator, flew over Simplon pass from Brieg, Switzerland, to Domo d'Ossola, Italy, but was dangerously, probably fatally, hurt in landing. The flight was the most dangerous and difficult attempted since man first began emulating the birds with wings of cloth and wood and steel.

The accident to Chavez was due to the fact the aviator was numb from cold.

The plucky hero of the exploit lies in the Domo d'Ossola hospital, severely injured as the result of the accident which occurred just as he had completed the most arduous and nerve-racking portion of the task. Roth his legs are broken, his left thigh is fractured and his body is badly contused, but the physicians in attendance are of the opinion that these hurts will not prove fatal.

The accident occurred as Chavez was trying to make a landing here.

## RED MEN NOT DYING OUT

### Birth Rate of 31 to 1,000 Offsets the Death Figures of 30 to Each 1,000 Indians.

Denver, Colo.—Contrary to general opinion, the Indian race is not dying out, according to Dr. Joseph A. Murphy, United States medical inspector of Indian schools, who is here attending a conference of Indian school inspectors.

The death rate among the red-skinned race is about 30 in every 1,000, while the birth rate is about 31 in every 1,000.

To the vigorous campaign inaugurated among the Indians against tuberculosis is attributed the increase of births over the deaths.

Black Mammy Institute. Athens, Ga.—Application has been filed for a charter for "The Black Mammy Memorial Institute," to be located here, having for its object the training of negro men and women in the culinary and other domestic arts.

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Railroad Is Fined \$100. Council Bluffs, Ia.—Representatives of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad company appeared in the federal court and pleaded guilty to a violation of the 28-hour feed law. The court assessed a fine of \$100.

## MINISTERS ARE ASSIGNED

### M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, AT WEBB CITY, MISSOURI.

#### Marshall Is Selected as Place for Meeting in 1911—Bishop Collins Denny Presided.

Webb City.—The Southwest Missouri conference of the M. E. Church, south, which has been in session for the past week, adjourned to meet in Marshall next year. The reading of the appointments by Bishop Denny was the last act of the session, and, as usual, was heard with interest.

Officers of the church were announced as follows: President, Bishop Collins Denny; secretary, C. C. Woods; first assistant secretary, E. K. Wolfe; editor Annual, J. C. Rawlings; statistical secretary, G. C. Loch; assistant statistical secretary, Alonzo Pattison; treasurer, C. H. Briggs; assistant treasurer, R. M. Hawkins. W. H. Winton, former presiding elder, was succeeded by O. M. Rickman of Lexington. A. R. Farris, pastor at Webb City, was transferred to Marshall, Mo.

Appointments were made as follows: Joplin District—Carthage, W. C. Hill; Prosperity, to be supplied; Jasper, J. T. Pinnell; Lamar, E. L. Hunt; Jericho station, J. A. Reed; Jericho circuit, S. W. Taylor; Seneca and Racine, R. W. Shinwell; Southwest City, G. W. Ellis; Pineville circuit, L. M. Pollock; Newtonia, James Emery; Monet, J. M. Ingle; Pierce City and Dry Valley, J. A. Castel; Exeter, to be supplied; Powell circuit, W. A. Patton; Miller, W. E. Hill; Sarcoid, Lawrence Orr. W. H. Smith was elected missionary to Japan.

Springfield District—W. H. Winton, presiding elder. Springfield, St. Paul, J. E. McDonald; Springfield, Campbell Street, W. E. Sullens; Springfield, Dale Street, W. G. Pike; Springfield, St. Luke and Seymour, J. L. Weatherford (superintendent); Ellwood circuit, J. B. Ellis; Willard circuit, J. H. Cleaves; Morrisville, J. W. Budd; Morrisville circuit, J. J. Keller; Fair Grove and New Salem, L. B. Edwards; Ozark circuit, W. F. Briggs; Mountain Grove, W. P. Owen; Marshfield station, R. N. Allen; Marshfield circuit, Samuel Brooks; Buffalo circuit, W. A. Smith; Niagara circuit, L. L. Pinnell; Lebanon, S. G. Keys; Stoutland circuit, A. J. Brown (superintendent); Dixon and Waynesville, to be supplied; Crocker circuit, H. W. Bostwick; Bolivar and Walnut Grove, Jacob Shook; Norwood circuit, W. H. King; Ash Grove circuit, W. D. Blaylock; P. T. Foust, Jr., preacher; Phoenix station, to be supplied; South Greenfield, D. E. Dowless; professor in Scarritt Morrisville college, R. E. Holloway; president Scarritt Morrisville college, Louis C. Perry; assistant editor St. Louis Christian Advocate, C. C. Wood; missionary to Japan, Harry P. Jones.

Nevada District—W. G. Bessey, presiding elder. Nevada, Centenary, L. F. Shook; Austin and Arch Street, N. H. Hargis; Richards and Stotsbury, G. M. Blaine; Hume and Underwood, W. J. Snow; Metz circuit, W. B. Bull; Rich Hill, E. H. Orear; Butler, J. A. Jared; Archie circuit, G. C. Loch; Spruce circuit, G. E. Hargis; Chilwilde circuit, W. H. Horter; Huntington and Drake chapel, J. M. King; Windsor, E. K. Wolfe; Windsor circuit, to be supplied; Calhoun and Hickory Grove, S. G. Welborn; Clinton, H. A. Wood; Montross circuit, J. K. Spear (superintendent); Appleton City, W. H. Smith; Eldorado Springs, C. E. Ruyke; Papinville circuit, to be supplied; Harrisonville, G. J. Warren; Walker circuit, W. H. Hatfield (superintendent); Passaic circuit, C. H. French (superintendent); Sheldon and Marvin, T. C. Puckett; Moundville circuit, J. W. Riley; Lowry circuit, W. L. Brewer; Monteville, T. B. Farry (superintendent); student in Vanderbilt university, W. W. Alexander.

Lexington District—W. P. Buckner, presiding elder. Lexington, C. M. Davenport, T. M. Cobb (superintendent); Sedalia, W. A. McClanahan; Warrensburg and Mount Sewall, J. R. Strout; Higginsville, L. P. Norfleet; Lamont and Knobnoster, R. V. Allen; Sweet Springs circuit, C. T. Wallace; Lincoln and Warsaw, R. J. Kyle; Hughesville and Houstonia circuit, B. A. Powell; Waverly and Dover, William Goote; Buckner circuit, M. C. Magers; Corder circuit, W. F. Wagner; Otterville circuit, C. Bruner; Longwood and High Point, to be supplied; Greenridge circuit, A. C. Clendenning; Mayview circuit, M. Larkin (superintendent); Grand Pass circuit, Hide Foster (superintendent); Sadalia circuit, L. S. Nightwine; Hemitage circuit, A. L. Shunn (superintendent); Cross Timbers circuit, Rufus Shook (superintendent); Warsaw circuit, to be supplied; Odessa and Bates City, W. H. Suddath, T. P. Cobb (superintendent); Mount Tabor and Pittsville, J. R. Hedges, N. M. Dody (superintendent).

Names Conservation Delegates. Jefferson City.—Gov. Hadley has selected the following delegates to represent Missouri at the Southern Conservation congress to be held in Atlanta, Ga., October 7 and 8: Cy Crane of Carthage, W. H. Turner of Sikeston, W. H. Garlan of New Madrid, Thomas J. Delaney of Springfield and George H. Miley of Thayer.

3,000 Expected at University. Columbia.—The total enrollment at the University of Missouri shows an increase of 25 over that of the opening day last year. The indications point to a total enrollment of 3,000.

U. S. Snagboat Hits a Snag. Kansas City.—The inspection of the Missouri river by the board of engineers was delayed when the United States snagboat, Missouri, hit a snag. It will be several weeks before the boat will be floated.

Dr. Hyde's Appeal Filed. Jefferson City.—Dr. B. Clark Hyde's attorneys filed his appeal to the supreme court. Hyde was convicted of murdering Col. Thomas L. Swope of Kansas City. The case will be heard at the January term.

Widow Succeeds to Husband's Job. Jefferson City.—Mrs. Mattie O. Guthrie, widow of a former recorder of Callaway county, was appointed by Governor Hadley to fill out the unexpired term of her husband. The husband died several days ago.

Mines Resumes Operations. Kansas City.—Thirty thousand coal miners of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma, who have been on a strike for two months, returned to work, all the mines in the southwest having resumed operations.

## SHORT STATE ITEMS

### BURLINGTON PLANS NEW LINE

#### St. Louis and Kansas City Route Will Be Shortened.

Mexico.—The Burlington has about completed arrangements for the extension of the short line, which operates between here and St. Louis, through to Kansas City and Macon City. The line west proposes to cross the Missouri, Kansas & Texas at Elliott, between Highbee and Moberly.

A survey has been made several times on the proposed new routes. The short line from here to St. Louis has been of very little value to the company on account of disagreements that have resulted between them and the Alton over the use of each other's tracks. The Burlington uses the Alton's tracks to Kansas City, while the Alton uses the Burlington tracks for a shorter route to St. Louis.

Since their disagreement only the passenger trains have been operated over the short line, the through freight business having been discontinued over a year ago.